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Corralling 'Godzilla' in Herald



LaCharles James, founder and president of the Herald Fire Prevention Council, surveys work to thin an area of eucalyptus, which poses a wildfire risk in Herald.

Story and photos by Keith Burbank

HERALD, CA (MPG) - An effort is underway to curb the threat of wildfires here.

Members of the California Conservation Corps have been thinning out areas of eucalyptus trees, which present a fire risk in a community with the highest wildfire danger rating in Sacramento County, according to the Herald Fire Protection District, which serves as the community's fire department.

"Basically, we've got Godzilla here," said LaCharles James, founder and president of the Herald Fire Prevention Council and a former volunteer firefighter, referring to the eucalyptus.

"It grows fast and burns hot," said Jim Cunningham, a volunteer.

And the effort lacks funding for the work that needs to be done. An estimated 1,700 to 2,000 acres of eucalyptus trees are in Herald. And once the eucalyptus is cut, it can grow back in 18 months.

"This is why we are trying to chase big money out here," James said.

The council is looking for grants such as Cal Fire and FEMA grants. But thousands of groups are competing for the money. The council is seeking donations, too.

It will take five to 10 years at the current pace to get the work done out here, said James. Additional money might move the work along faster, he said.

"It's really a great program," said James Hendricks, about the effort to clear the eucalyptus. Hendricks is chief of the Herald Fire Prevention District, which is a volunteer fire department.

The efforts so far have focused on property owned by seniors, some of whom are unable to pay for the work to thin out the eucalyptus, James said.

Thirty-five percent of the property owners here are seniors, and few lots are smaller than 2 acres, James said, which makes upkeep challenging for seniors.

Some properties have forests on their lot, he said.

"We just finished work on a 7-acre lot," James said, which took 2,800 California Conservation Corps team hours.

The California Conservation Corps is a program aimed at training youth for meaningful work and opportunities for education.

"The efforts underway by the Herald Fire Prevention Council and participating property owners to thin and clear excess vegetation can help reduce available fuels around homes and properties and are one component of broader wildfire preparedness," said Blake Cottrell, Cal

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SMUD Delays Herald Meeting

District Nixes Original Solar Project

By Keith Burbank

HERALD, CA (MPG) - A meeting has been delayed until January that might influence whether a solar project is built here, according to the Sacramento Municipal Utility District.

SMUD informed The Galt Herald the meeting originally set for November about the utility district's integrated resource plan has been delayed until Jan. 28.

"The technical work to develop the IRP scenarios is still underway, including analysis of costs and other planning factors," SMUD spokesperson Gamaliel Ortiz said by email. "We wanted to wait until that information is further along so we can provide the community with the most useful and current information."

The IRP is a region-wide evaluation of "future energy needs and resource options to help provide reliable, affordable and sustainable electricity over time," Ortiz said.

SMUD was planning to build a solar project in the Herald area. The Twin Cities Solar and Battery Energy Storage System Project was planned for 1,697 acres east and west of the decommissioned Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station. Since the utility district revealed its plans, it has received opposition from residents of the Herald area.

"Everyone says they're (SMUD) going to do it," said Jacques Peasha, who would lose a view from his home of grape vines if that project were built. "They're just pushing it down the road."

SMUD is going to do what it wants with no concern for the community, he said.

Already SMUD has 500,000 solar panels in the area, said Leanne Carillo, a longtime resident, and the Twin Cities project would have delivered 850,000 more.

A meeting in June in Herald attracted about 50 people, and at least some were opposed to the project.

Concerns residents have raised about that project, besides views, include heat, property values, the impact on insurance premiums and how a fire at the project site would be extinguished.

James Hendricks, chief of the Herald Fire Protection District, which serves as the community's fire department, declined to comment.

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City Council Race Close

Measure L's Outcome Uncertain



Tom Silva, District 5 Galt City Council candidate. Photo courtesy of the University of the Pacific



Paul Sandhu, incumbent and District 5 Galt City Council candidate. Photo by Paige Lampson

By Keith Burbank

GALT, CA (MPG) - The race remained close between District 5 City Council challenger Tom Silva and incumbent Paul Sandhu, according to unofficial results Nov. 6 from the Sacramento County Voter Registration and Elections office.

Silva was still in the lead with 573 votes compared with Sandhu's 535,

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MEMORIAL

MICHAEL R.VONTOURE, SR. • 09/02/1943 - 10/23/2026



Michael Raymond Vontoure, Sr. succumbed to long term health problems and passed away peacefully October 23, 2026. Mike was born September 2, 1943 in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi to Marcelle and Adeline (Cospelich) Vontoure. A graduate of St. Rose De Lima High School in 1961, Mike joined the US Army in August 1961 and served in Augsburg, Germany during the height of the Cold War. Upon his return, Mike earned a Bachelor's degree in 1964 at Dillard University, New Orleans. He married Emma Rose Jones and began their family of three sons, Michael, Christopher, and Anthony. Michael moved his family to the Los Angeles area and then to the Bay Area while working continuously for Pacific Bell for 30 years. He earned an MBA degree in 1977 from CSU Dominguez Hills.

In 1995, Michael married Mari Martinez who brought three daughters to their blended family, Mary, Maya and Julie. Whether coaching his kids and grandkids in sports or helping them set and meet personal goals, Mike played a big role in encouraging them to achieve academically, do their best and live a life of integrity. As Grandpa, he took great pride and celebrated each graduation, from preschool to elementary school, middle school, high school, college and graduate school. Grandpa Mike would be so proud.

In the year 2000, Mike and Mari made their home in rural Herald, CA where they planted trees and took care of a large pond to create habitat for birds, frogs, fish and other creatures. Mike built wood duck and owl boxes, which the grandchildren would help maintain. He cultivated a large vegetable garden and gave away much of the produce to South County Services. Holidays and family gatherings created special memories for the family.

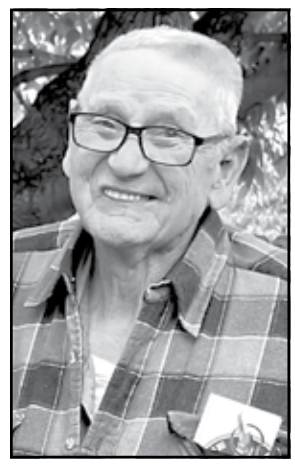
Mike became a volunteer coach at Galt High School in 2001-2004, assisting with basketball and baseball teams. As "Coach V," he introduced "Warrior Food for Thought," to encourage players to focus on sportsmanship and set personal goals. Mike and Mari moved to Galt in 2019.

Mike is preceded in death by Emma Rose Vontoure, and sons Christopher and Anthony. He leaves behind his wife of 31 years, Mari, as well as son, Michael Vontoure, Jr. with beloved granddaughters Imani Rose, Amira Grace and Milena Chris. Mike also leaves behind daughter Julie Martinez-Wytch (Louis) and beloved granddaughter Kori. Also grieving are daughter Mary Martinez along with grandchildren Ivy Valdez (Vince), great granddaughter Anika Valdez, as well as Cheri, Calvin, and Cheyenne, who spent many hours watching over Grandpa in his final years. Also left behind is Mari's daughter Maya Solis and sons Andrew Boylan (Victoria) and Mathew Jones (Laura) with great grandson August Jones. In addition, Mike also leaves behind sister Melba Collins and brother Cecil Vontoure (Carol), as well as many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friendships. Mike will be greatly missed.

Internment with Military Funeral Honors will take place close to the resting place of sons Christopher and Anthony at Oakmont Memorial Park, Lafayette, CA. at a future time.

IN LOVING MEMORY

ELVIS DEE FITCH — 05/14/1939 - 10/30/2026



With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Dee Fitch on October 30, 2026 He was laid to rest on November 7, 2026, surrounded by family and friends who cherished him deeply. Born Elvis Dee Fitch, on May 14, 1939, passed on October 30, 2026. ·son of Rosie Bell Richardson and Ethridge Shirley Fitch. Dee was the youngest of eleven children, with 3 brothers and seven sisters. He is survived by his sister Anna Fay Jones, his daughters, Jeannette Rowley, Joy Maestretti, Judy Hardy, Jackie Garrido, and Ruth Hirschhorn. He was preceded in death by nine of his brothers and sisters. and his beloved wife Sharon Fitch of 41 years.

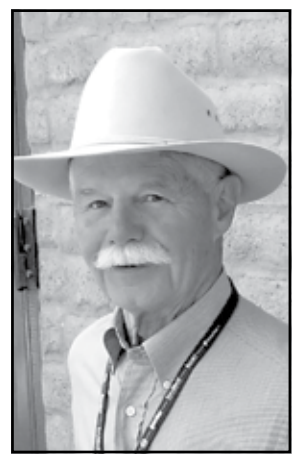
Dee lived most of his life in the Galt area, a graduate of Galt High, and was well known in the community. Dee was a beloved husband, father, brother, grandfather ,great-grandfather, uncle, and friend. He was known for his kindness, Laughter, and generosity. He touched many lives and left a lasting impression on everyone he met. As we celebrate his life, we remember the moments of joy, the lessons learned, and the love he shared with everyone he knew. He will be deeply missed, but fondly remembered by all who had the privilege on knowing him.

Rest in peace, Dee.

Your legacy of love will live on.

MEMORIAL

ELIOT EDMOND APPLETON— 11/09/1945 - 10/23/2026



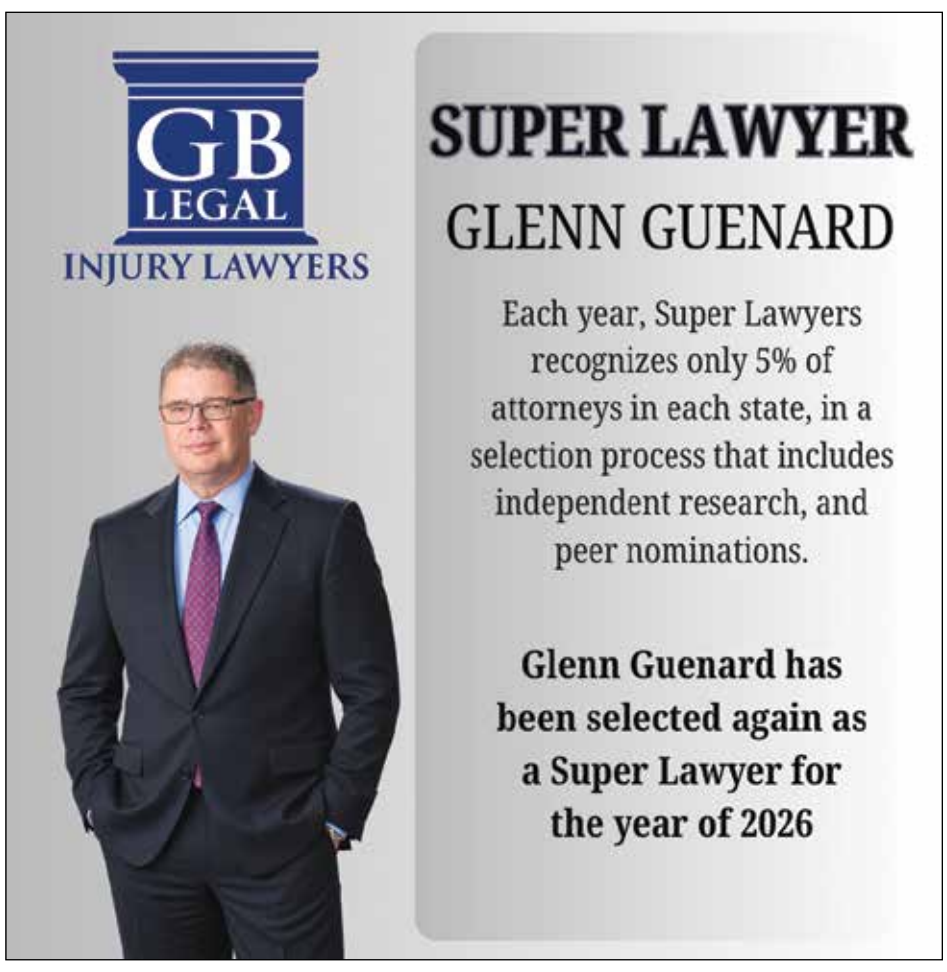
Galt resident, Eliot Edmond Appleton, rode to his home on God's Range Friday, October 23, 2026. His desire was to sit on the porch and enjoy the beauty that God has given us all.

Eliot was born November 9, 1945 in Sacramento. He was the only child of Ellis and Fern Appleton. He attended Del Oro High School, Sierra College and graduated from Fresno State University with a degree in Agricultural Business. He retired from Yosemite Farm Credit as an Agricultural Appraiser.

Eliot was a member of the Fresno State Rodeo Team, Bull Rider, member of the Livestock Judging Team, member of the California Cattlemen's Association as well as the San Joaquin-Stanislaus, and Amador-El Dorado-Sacramento Associations. He was past President of the Clements Buckaroos, volunteer for the Oakdale Rodeo Cowgirls Luncheon, a member of the Modoc Tribe Ride and supporter of the Clements School Community Center. He enjoyed his cowboy life growing out stocker cattle and raising calves from his Charolais Herd. He loved to team rope and support young folks any way he could. He sponsored awards at the Amador County Fair, Stockton AG Fest and the Junior Charolais Association.

Eliot is survived by his wife of 55 years, Virginia (Ginger) Appleton.

A Memorial Celebration will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Valley's Children's Hospital, 9300 Valley Children's Place, Madera CA 93636-9883 or the Clements School Community Center, PO Box 743, Clements, CA 95227.







City Council Race Close

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a difference of 33 votes. Silva has 51.7% of the votes to Sandhu's 48.3%.

Shortly after Election Day Nov. 3, Silva was leading by 32 votes: 489 to 457. The count was expected to be updated at 4:15 p.m. Nov. 10, which was after press time.

Silva told The Galt Herald on Nov. 4 that he was thrilled to be leading, but the lead was an uncomfortable one.

"As we wait for the remaining votes to be counted and the results to become official, I remain optimistic and grateful for everyone who has been part of this journey," Silva said Nov. 4 in a statement. "Regardless of the final outcome, my commitment to Galt remains strong."

Sandhu would be OK if he had to step down, he said Nov. 4, adding that he will respect the will of the voters. Sandhu has served two terms.

Sacramento County is expected to release an update every Tuesday and Thursday until the results are certified. An additional update will be released Nov. 16.

Results can be certified no earlier than Dec. 1. The tally of votes for the City Council races in District 1 and District 3 are final because both candidates ran unopposed.

Mayor Bonnie Rodriguez will represent District 3 and Mark Jackson will represent District 1. This is the first election that City Council members were elected to represent districts rather than the city at large.

Measure L

Separately, the outcome of Measure L might be shifting.

Measure L, which the city placed before voters Nov. 3, lets them decide whether to have the city clerk and city treasurer appointed by the City Council or elected by voters.

Proponents argue the City Council should appoint professionals because the jobs have become complex and require relevant background and experience. Opponents argue appointing people takes the power away from voters.

The initial election tally released early Nov. 4 by the Sacramento County Voter Registration and Elections office showed opponents edging proponents by three votes.

But as of late Nov. 6, those in favor lead by 46 votes. A total of 2,549 voters now say yes to Measure L, while 2,503 are saying no.

The Nov. 6 tally is preliminary. Updated results are expected to be released Nov. 10 after press time. Results will be certified no earlier than Dec. 1. ★

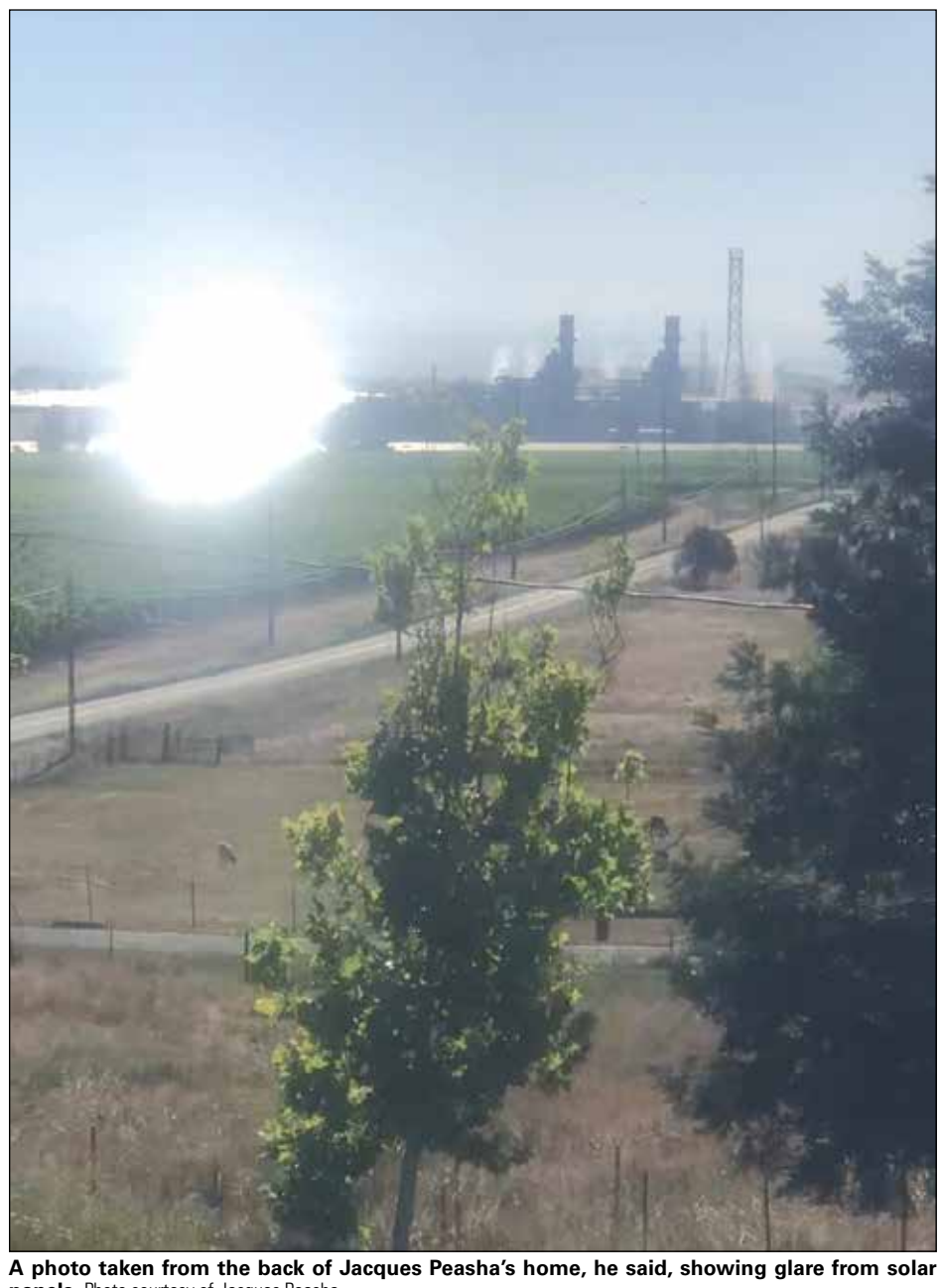
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SMUD Delays Herald Meeting



A photo taken from the back of Jacques Peasha's home, he said, showing glare from solar panels. Photo courtesy of Jacques Peasha

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SMUD – at the January meeting – will share information about the IRP and options for decarbonization and their costs.

"No decisions about specific projects will be made at that time," Ortiz said.

Solar projects have been part of SMUD's effort to provide energy that is carbon-free.

SMUD will make no decisions about specific projects until the IRP is approved by the utility district's board in April and filed with the California Energy Commission, Ortiz said.

"The Twin Cities project is not moving forward at this time," he said. "If a future project is identified in the Herald area, it would go through its own public process."

Any project in Herald will look different than the Twin Cities project, he said.

Up to 70 people can attend the meeting in person, according to a message to Herald residents from SMUD and shared with The Galt Herald. Others can attend virtually, the message says.

That is disturbing to Peasha. He said Champagne Ranch agreed previously to host a meeting and it can accommodate 400 people.

"Why 70 people," he asked. ★



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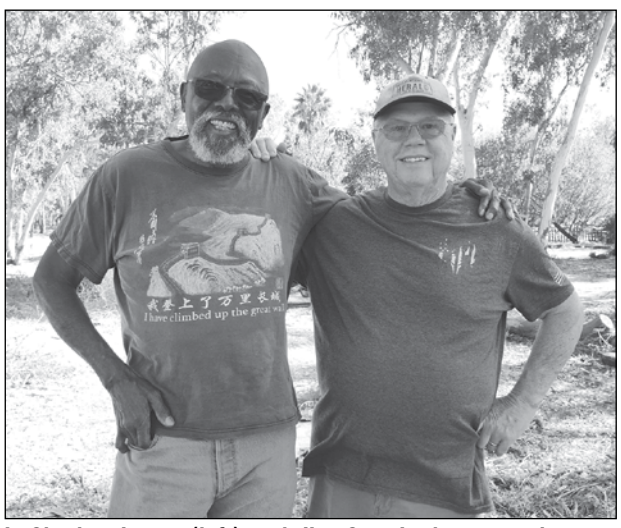
Fire Amador-El Dorado unit battalion chief.

The council has received two grants in three years and applied for a $1 million Cal Fire grant, James said.

Funding will provide resources, he said, and the next step is getting the community to be intentional about their survival.

Some community members, he said, resist having work done on their properties.

"Our main focus is to make everybody safe," he said. ★



LaCharles James (left) and Jim Cunningham, a volunteer, stand in front of an area thinned of eucalyptus, which increases the wildfire risk in Herald. James is the founder and president of the Herald Fire Prevention Council.

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.★

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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



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

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.

"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.

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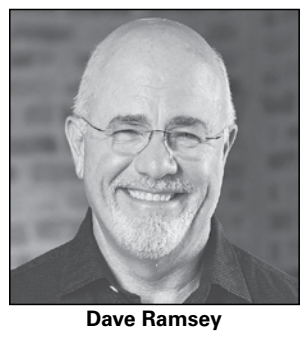
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Dave Ramsey Says

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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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Meals on Wheels Cafe Accepting Older Adults

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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.

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.

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 Regadanz at 916-835-8916.

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. ★

POLICE LOGS

The following arrests were reported by the Galt Police Department. All individuals are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law. Galt police responded to a variety of calls and arrested 10 people from Nov. 2 to Nov. 8.

Nov. 2

6:50 p.m., Attempt warrant service, Twin Cities Road and East Stockton Boulevard. Adult arrest.

Nov. 3

2:41 p.m., DUI, Smog Tech 3 on North Lincoln Way, Adult arrest.

2:46 p.m., Battery, Fifth Street, Adult arrest.

3:28 p.m., Burglary, New Hope Senior Village Apartments, Village Run Drive, vehicle broken into, and several items taken.

Nov. 5

8:58 a.m., Attempt warrant service, Kost Road and Joy Drive. Adult arrest.

2:49 p.m., Theft, Galt Food Center on A Street, vehicle broken into, several items taken.

Nov. 6

1:19 p.m., Attempt warrant service, Galt Sports Complex, Caroline Avenue. Adult arrest.

4:17 p.m., Stolen vehicle, Fifth Street.

6:28 p.m., Narcotics violation, Union 76 on Simmerhorn Road, Adult arrest.

7:04 p.m., DUI, More for Less on North Lincoln Way, Adult arrest.

Nov. 7

11:57 a.m., Dead person, Big Jake Way.

7:30 p.m., Recovered stolen vehicle, First Street and Downing Drive, Adult arrest.

Nov. 8

3:39 a.m., DUI, ampm store on East Stockton Boulevard. Adult arrest.

12:35 p.m., Pursuit, Elm Avenue and North Lincoln Way, Adult arrest. ★

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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***

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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.

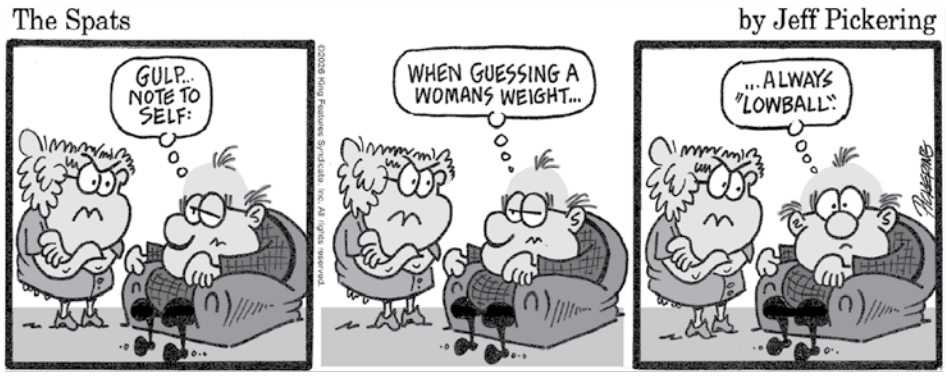
Now, although the war hasn't gone as planned, we need to wait to see how it turns out to make an ultimate judgment -- if Trump manages to crack the regime, it will indeed be a legacy-defining achievement. The problem for now, though, is that you can't expect great patience from the public when it wasn't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

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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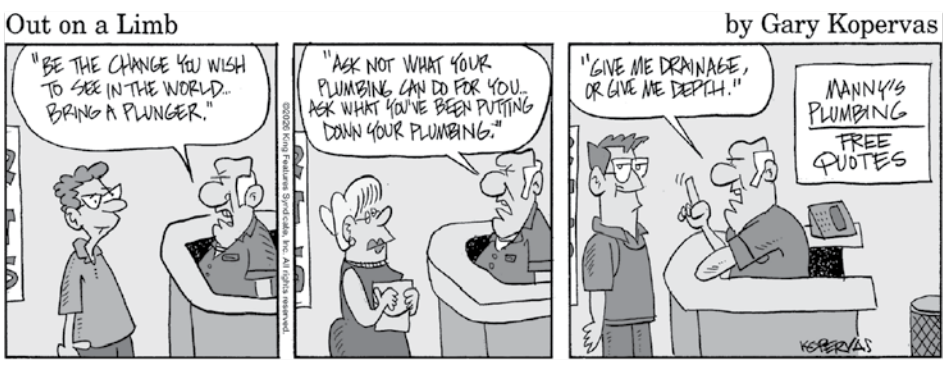
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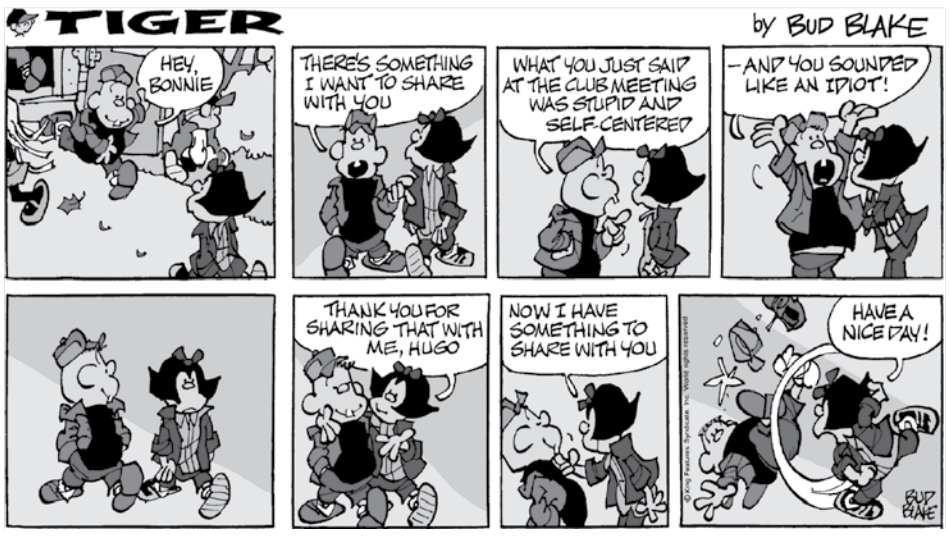
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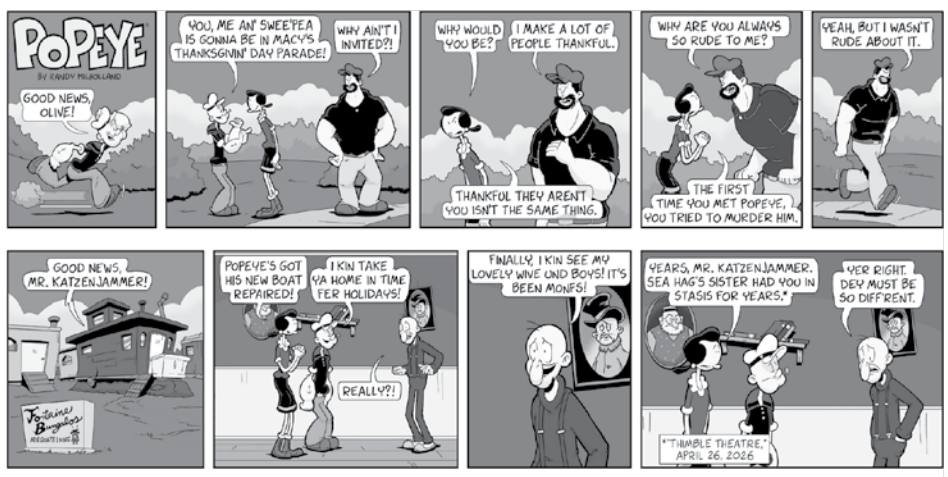


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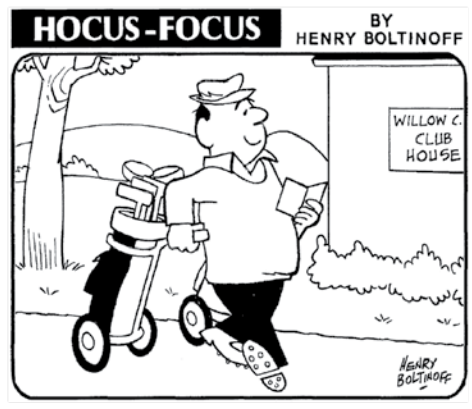


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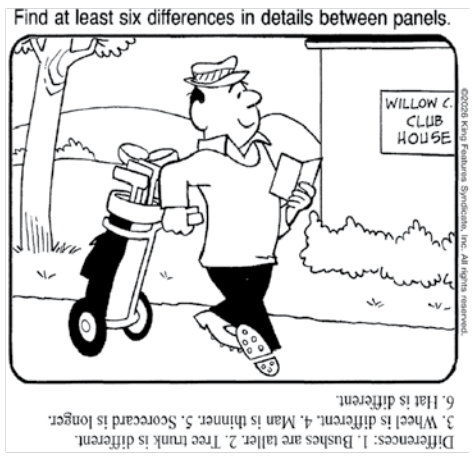




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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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ACROSS
1. Chevy of "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation"
6. Broadcast breaks
9. Electrical current unit, pl.
13. Mineral veins
14. Neighbor of Ger.
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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Small Works & Itty-Bitty Mini Art Show

11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily at the Lodi Art Center. Join us for a joyful 3-in-1 holiday art show featuring small works, itty-bitty mini art, and a special youth division. This event celebrates creativity in small and miniature sizes. There will also be a Reception and Award presentation on Saturday, Nov. 14 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. 110 W. Pine St., Lodi.

Friday, Nov. 13

SJDC Agriculture and Natural Resources Foundation Dinner

4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds, Chardonnay Hall. The tradition of exceptional ag education continues to "grow" at Delta College. For nearly thirty years the Agriculture and Natural Resources Foundation has raised funds to make a difference by providing scholarships to ag students entering from local high schools, those seeking Delta degrees and certificates, and those working towards furthering their ag education after Delta. We hope you'll join us in our mission to continue to improve ag education in the San Joaquin region. Tickets and more information at lodigrowers.com/event. 413 E. Lockeford St., Lodi.

Live Music with the 4th Street Band

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Barsetti Vineyards. Call 209-744-6062 for more information and reservations. 400 4th St., #150, Old Town Galt.

Saturday, Nov. 14 and Sunday, Nov. 15

Stockton Hmong New Year

8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the San Joaquin County Fair Grounds. Enjoy the festivity of cultural performances, music, a sport tournament, merchant and food vendors, information booths and more. You will not want to miss this cultural celebration. Learn about the diverse cultures in your community and make memories with your children. This learning opportunity will be filled with fun things to do for the entire family. 1658 S. Airport Way, Stockton.

NorCal Reptile Show

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds. The NorCal Reptile Expo brings you 1000's of reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates, arts, supplies, live animal exhibits and more all under one roof. We feature unique and specialized vendors and breeders from around the state and beyond for you to enjoy. Whether you're looking for a new unique pet, supplies for your own pet or just to explore, learn and experience a whole new world, this is the place to be. Tickets and more information at norcalreptileexpo.com. 413 E. Lockeford St., Lodi.

Saturday, Nov. 14

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-registered or $25 day of show. Free parking, $5 admission, kids 12 and under are free. Call 209-513-8651 for more information. 610 Chabolla Ave.

Sandhill Crane Guided Tour

3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Cosumnes River Preserve. The tour begins at the Cosumnes River Preserve Visitor Center, rain or shine, with an introduction to Sandhill Crane biology, behavior, migration, and conservation. Participants will learn about the unique features of these remarkable birds and why the Central Valley plays such an important role in their annual migration. Following the introduction, participants will either walk or drive to a viewing location, depending on where the cranes are expected to roost that evening. Along the way, guides will help participants spot and identify a variety of other wildlife, including shorebirds, ducks, geese, swans, and raptors. 13501 Franklin Blvd.

Starry, Starry Night: The WOW Gala

5:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Stockton Golf & Country Club. Join the community for an elegant night filled with great food, entertainment, and opportunities to support science education. The evening includes gourmet appetizers and a chef-curated dinner, live and silent auctions, live music and dancing. Proceeds from The WOW Gala support the World of Wonders Science Museum's mission to inspire curiosity and expand access to science for all. Tickets and more information at wowsciencemuseum.org. 3800 Country Club Blvd., Stockton.

Astronomy in the Park

7 p.m. to 10:15 p.m. at Shumway Oak Grove Regional Park. Bring a blanket and chairs; Stockton Astronomical Society will bring the telescopes. Visitors of all ages are invited to explore the universe through guided telescope viewings, hands-on learning, and fascinating presentations from local astronomers. Free event, $6 parking. 4520 W. Eight Mile Rd., Stockton.

Sunday, Nov. 15

Lincoln Center Christmas Faire

11 a.m. to 4 p.m., free admission. Enjoy festive holiday décor, Santa visits, reindeer, in-store promotions and sales, live holiday music, snow, and other wonderful seasonal surprises. Shop and support local by enjoying a cocktail and a meal before or after you shop the Center for your perfect holiday gifts. 374 Lincoln Center, Stockton.

Tuesday, Nov. 17

LAF Potluck & Handcraft Boutique

6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Parkview Terrace Clubhouse. Share a meal, explore handmade crafts, and help advance equality for women and girls. Your participation in the Legal Action Fund (LAF) Potluck & Handcraft Boutique supports AAUW Lodi's work in education, leadership, and legal advocacy. Funds raised benefit local programs such as scholarships for middle and high school girls and Tech Trek science camp. $15 admission for AAUW Lodi members, $5 for non-member guests. Registration and more information at aauwlodi.org/events. 2346 Central Park Dr., Lodi.

Thursday, Nov. 19 through Sunday, Nov. 22

Central Valley Birding Symposium

At the Stockton Hilton. The symposium includes student research programming, featuring presentations by local college students studying bird populations, distribution, and conservation in the Central Valley. New this year, we are also expanding programming opportunities for high school-aged Young Birders. Attendees can once again look forward to a wide variety of field trips, including several new offerings, as well as returning favorite workshops such as bird photography, illustration, and woodcarving. Popular programs, including the Bird Identification Panel and Jon Dunn's bird identification workshops, will also return. Full schedule and more information at cvbirds.org/events. 2323 Grand Canal Blvd., Stockton.

Thursday, Nov. 19

Salvation Army Kettle Kick-Off

11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Lodi Grape Festival Grounds, Chardonnay Hall. Join us for the 22nd annual kick-off luncheon. This event marks the beginning of The Salvation Army's annual Red Kettle Campaign, a cherished tradition that supports vital programs and services to those in need. Gather with us for an afternoon filled with inspiring stories, opportunities to give, and a shared commitment to making a difference. Be part of a community that rings the bell for hope in Lodi. 413 E. Lockeford St., Lodi.

Friday, Nov. 20 and Saturday, Nov. 21

San Joaquin Potters Guild Fine Arts Festival

Friday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Central United Methodist Church. Now in its 31st year, this extraordinary festival showcases juried artists from Northern California, including both widely acclaimed local talents and internationally recognized individuals. Enjoy an exquisite collection of handcrafted clay, glass, wood, unique jewelry, wearable art, paper, and paintings that will undoubtedly add elegance to your home, garden, or wardrobe. Featuring live demonstrations, music and more. 3700 Pacific Ave., Stockton.

Friday, Nov. 20

"The Dreamboats"

7 p.m. at Charlene Powers Lange Performing Arts Theatre. Dive into a musical time machine with "The Dreamboats" as they bring back the magic of classic, original rock 'n' roll. Infusing the timeless sounds of the '50s and '60s with a fresh, contemporary energy, this Canadian quartet promises an evening of non-stop dancing, nostalgic melodies, and electrifying entertainment. Brought to you by the Lodi Community Concert Association. Tickets and more information at lodi.gov/calendar. 125 S. Hutchins St., Lodi.

Saturday, Nov. 21 and Sunday, Nov. 22

19th Annual Christmas Boutique

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Women's Club of Lodi. Event features more than 30 vendors and a café serving Saturday lunch and Sunday brunch from 10 a.m. to 2:30p.m. Arts, crafts, jewelry, baked goods, and raffle. Something special for everyone. Admission is free. 325 West Pine St., Lodi.

Saturday, Nov. 21

Exotic Bird Mart & Expo

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds, Cabernet Hall. Tickets are sold only at the door: Seniors and adults, $15, kids 2 through 10, $10. See exoticbirdmart.com for more information and required waiver. 413 E. Lockeford St., Lodi.

Little Explorers: Nature Walk & Scavenger Hunt

10 a.m. to noon at the Cosumnes River Preserve. Designed especially for families with younger children, this guided nature walk and scavenger hunt invites little explorers to discover the wonders of the natural world. Along the way, our knowledgeable guide will help families search for fascinating plants, birds, and wildlife while learning about the Preserve's unique habitats. Register online at Cosumnes.org. 13501 Franklin Blvd.

Thrive through the Holidays: Metabolic Reset Brunch

10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Wilton. Come join us for a fun, festive morning filled with great food, inspiration, connection, and a little creativity. We'll be sharing simple, realistic tips to help you enjoy the holiday season without completely losing sight of your health goals. You'll enjoy lean and green dishes to sample and recipes to take home, simple ways to support a healthy body and healthy mind, a fun holiday craft to make and take home, brunch, laughter, and community. RSVP to Cheri Knight at fitwithcheri@gmail.com or 916-752-6830 for location.

4th Annual Celebrate Culture

11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the San Joaquin County Fairgrounds. Hosted by Native C.O.R.E, this event will showcase Native American cultural traditions, arts, wellness practices, community resources, and family-centered activities. This event provides an opportunity to strengthen community connections, share cultural knowledge, and honor the values, stories, and traditions that continue to guide and inspire future generations. Free admission. 1658 S. Airport Way, Building #3, Stockton.

The Barsetti Social

noon to 5 p.m. at Barsetti Vineyards. Spend the afternoon at this Barsetti Social Mixer. Enjoy wine, small bites, and good company while getting to know our family winery and wine club. Open to the public and current wine club members. 400 4th St., #150.

An Evening of Vintage Santa & Holiday Elegance

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Berghold Winery. Join Animal Friends Connection Human Society for an enchanting event to support a heartfelt cause dedicated to saving dogs and cats. The winery will be transformed into a winter wonderland with Christmas elegance and vintage Santa's charm. The event includes a silent auction, no-host bar, and more. Come celebrate, give back, and make a difference this holiday season. Call 209-365-0535 for more information. 17343 Cherry Rd., Lodi.

Thursday, Nov. 26

Run & Walk Against Hunger

8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Stockton Ball Park. Join us for the Emergency Food Bank Stockton/San Joaquin's 22nd Annual event, proudly presented by the Aaron Judge ALL RISE Foundation®. This cherished family event plays a vital role in raising funds and awareness to combat hunger in our community. Registration and more information at runsignup.com. 404 W. Fremont St., Stockton.

Ongoing Events

ATTENTION City of Galt Businesses

Renew your business license online today. Business licenses issued by the City of Galt will expire on Dec. 31, 2026. Local businesses can renew online at CityofGalt.org. Your business license is due and payable annually on the first day of January. If payment is not received within 30 days from due date, a penalty will be incurred.

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, Nov. 14. 1000 C St.

Twin Cities Cruisers Cars and Coffee

Last Sunday of every month, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Life's Grind coffee house in the Raley's shopping center. All makes and models are welcome. 10420 Twin Cities Road.

Widowed Persons Social Club

Holds a variety of social events each month. A widowed person may attend up to three events while deciding if they wish to join WPSC. Contact Bonnie at 916-422-1522 if you are interested in membership.

Wilton Bingo

First Saturday each month. The next bingo will be on Saturday, Dec. 5 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 nonprofits: the local Park Council and the Wilton History Group. 9717 Colony Road at Dillard Road, Wilton.

Library Events

Sacramento County Libraries have the following upcoming events at (G) Galt Marian O. Lawrence Library, 1000 Caroline Ave. and (WG) Walnut Grove, 14177 Market St.

Friday, Nov. 13: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (G) English conversation group, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G)

Tuesday, Nov. 17: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (WG)

Wednesday, Nov. 18: English conversation group, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G)

Friday, Nov. 20: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (G) English conversation group, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G) Bad art night for adults, 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Ever wanted to make art without the pressure of making it good? Here is your judgment-free zone to get messy, get creative, and embrace the beautifully imperfect. No experience necessary. No talent required. (WG)

Call 916-264-2920 or 800-561-4636 for more information on any of these events.

Veterans Meetings

American Legion Post 55, Veterans and Auxiliary Units – fourth Wednesday each month. 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 – general meetings the fourth Thursday each month at 7 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 9240 Survey Road, Elk Grove. Dinner at 6 p.m. EXCEPTION: November meeting will be the third Thursday, Nov. 19, due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. No meeting in December.

Post 233 Family Breakfast – first Saturday each month at 9 a.m., Mimi's Café, corner of Laguna Boulevard and West Stockton Boulevard (just off Highway 99) in Elk Grove. For more information, call Henry at 916-205-9296 C or Sue at 916-683-6128 H.

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

Elk Grove American Legion Post 233 has a Rider's Chapter #233 that meets at District 56. Point of contact is Steven Hernandez at shernandez64@comcast.net. Any member of the Legion, Sons and/or Auxiliary who has a motorcycle is welcome to join. 8230 Civic Center Dr., Elk Grove.

Marine Corps League Detachment #1238 – first Thursday each month. 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. on the third Saturday of each month at the Galt Place Apartments meeting room. For more information, call Tom at 530-386-2721 or Brian at 209-404-5022. All veterans are welcome. 400 D St.

VFW Post 2073 – second Thursday. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., District56 Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove. For more information, call 916-684-3849. ★

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2024-05824

The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: Axis Jet, 6133 Freeport Boulevard, Suite 300, Sacramento, CA 95822.

Axis Aviation Group, Inc, 6155 Freeport Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95822.

The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on July 29, 2024 in the County of Sacramento.

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ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV025106

Megan Lynne Hausauer has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Rosa Lynn Cardona to Rosa Lynn Hausauer.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 28, 2027, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 8C, located at 500 G Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: October 20, 2026

Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court

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AMENDED SUMMONS

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER:(NUMERO DEL CASO) 24CV026074

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:(AVISO AL DEMANDADO): Donald Scheel; The Unknown Heirs, Assigns and Devisees of Lori Scheel, deceased; The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Franchise Tax Board of the State of California; and DOES 1 through 20, inclusive

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:(LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC.

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Website (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of $10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 dias, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su version. Lea la informacion a continuacion.

Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO despues de que le entreguen esta citacion y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas informacion en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov) en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentacion, pida al secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podra quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia.

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

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es): County of Sacramento - Gordon D. Schaber Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Hung Nguyen, 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225, San Diego, CA 92108, 858-750-7600

Date: (Fecha) September 24, 2025

Clerk (Secretario) /s/ M. Pipe, Deputy (Adjunto)

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TRUSTEE SALE

T.S. No.: 2606090456-4 Notice of Trustee's Sale Loan No.: 1910179 Order No. 95534028 APN: 148-0020-021-0000 Property Address: 12351 East Stockton Blvd Galt, CA 95632 You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust Dated 12/6/2019. Unless You Take Action To Protect Your Property, It May Be Sold At A Public Sale. If You Need An Explanation Of The Nature Of The Proceeding Against You, You Should Contact A Lawyer. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings 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. No cashier's checks older than 60 days from the day of sale will be accepted. Trustor: KFD Family Living Trust, Diane C. Dodge, Trustee Duly Appointed Trustee: Total Lender Solutions Inc, Recorded 12/11/2019 as Instrument No. 201912111119 in book n/a, page n/a of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California, Date of Sale: 11/24/2026 at 9:30 AM Place of Sale: outside the south-facing exit of Sacramento City Hall in the courtyard at 916 H Street, Sacramento Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: $1,385,829.75 (estimated) Street Address or other common designation of real property: 12351 East Stockton Blvd Galt, CA 95632 Legal Description: Please See Attached Exhibit "A" 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. 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) 440-4460 or visit this Internet website www.mkconsultantsinc.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2606090456-4. 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. 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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: 10/19/2026 Total Lender Solutions Inc, 10505 Sorrento Valley Road, Suite 125 San Diego, CA 92121 Phone: 866-535-3736 Sale Line: (877) 440-4460 By: Diana Rivera, Authorized Signatory Exhibit "A" Legal Description All That Portion Of Tract 53 As Shown On The "Map Of The Rancho San Jon Del Los Mokelumnes Shown The Land Awarded To All Parties Interest In Said Rancho According To The Decree, Surveyed And Compiled By Order Of The Referees By Thos S. Stephens", As The Same Is Described In Decree 8577, District Court, 2nd Series In The Case Of John F. Mc Cauley, Plaintiff, Vs. Obed Harvey, Et Al, Defendants, Dated December 11, 1876, And Recorded In Judgment No. 1 Of The District Court, On Page 385, Et Seq. Records Of Sacramento County Clerk's Office, California, Lying East Of The Upper Stockton Road, Containing 204 Acres, More Or Less. Excepting Therefrom The Following: (A) 20 Acres Conveyed By A Deed Dated April 14, 1910, Recorded August 1, 1910, In Book 311 Of Deed, At Page 124, Sacramento County Records, Executed By Edward A. Riley To John Baker And Emma H. Baker, His Wife. (B) 60 Acres Conveyed By A Deed Dated March 21, 1910, Recorded May 10, 1910, In Book 311 Of Deeds At Page 18, Executed By E. A. Riley To Commodore Perry Karr And Clara V. Karr, His Wife. (C) 17.46 Acres Conveyed By A Deed Dated January 2, 1924, Recorded January 16, 1924, In Book 657 Of Deeds At Page 20, Executed By Edward A. Riley To Squire S. Lavering And Mahala Jane Lavering, His Wife; (D) All That Portion Thereof Conveyed By Deed Dated May 2, 1928, Recorded June 11, 1928 In Book 195 Of Official Records At Page 81, Series No. 11038, Executed By Elizabeth D. Riley To The State Of California. (E) All That Portion Thereof Condemned To The State Of California, Plaintiff, From T. E. Riley, Defendant, Case No. 103356, Dated September 18, 1956, Recorded September 18, 1956 In Book 3160 Of Official Records At Page 20, Series No. 68350.

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T.S. No.: 2606090457-4 Notice of Trustee's Sale Loan No.: 1509046 Order No. 95534029 APN: 150-0217-008-0000 Property Address: 702 B Street Galt, CA 95632 You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust Dated 9/25/2015. Unless You Take Action To Protect Your Property, It May Be Sold At A Public Sale. If You Need An Explanation Of The Nature Of The Proceeding Against You, You Should Contact A Lawyer. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings 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. 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Recorded 9/30/2015 as Instrument No. n/a in book 20150930, page 1725 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California, Date of Sale: 12/01/2026 at 9:30 AM Place of Sale: outside the south-facing exit of Sacramento City Hall in the courtyard at 916 H Street, Sacramento Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: $552,533.28 (estimated) Street Address or other common designation of real property: 702 B Street Galt, CA 95632 Legal Description: Please See Attached Exhibit "A" 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. 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Parcel Two: All That Portion Of Block 7 As Shown On

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given by Galt Joint Union Elementary School District ("District") that it will receive up to, but no later than the Due Date and Time stated below, sealed Proposals for Preconstruction Services and Lease-Leaseback Services (LLB) for the Project(s) generally described as: Fairsite Elementary School TK Classroom Building & Restroom Modernization.

Project Description
Demolition of three existing portable buildings, construction of one new transitional kindergarten building, renovation to an existing restroom facility finishes for accessibility, and site improvements.

Site improvements include but are not limited to a new drop off, a new parking lot with new accessible parking and new EV parking, walkways, utilities, landscaping, and driveways/fire lanes.

Proposal Due Date and Time
2:00 p.m. on Friday, December 18th, 2026 at Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, 1018 C Street Suite 210, Galt, CA 95632.

Request for Proposal and Construction Documents Available
On the District's website:
https://www.galt.k12.ca.us/Our-District/Facilities-and-Planning/Formal-Bids/index.html

Submittal of Proposals
All Proposals shall be submitted on forms furnished by the District. Proposals must conform with, and be responsive to, the Request for Proposal Requirements. Only Proposals submitted to the District prior to the date and time set forth above shall be considered. Proposals will be opened privately.

Pre-Qualification of Contractors
In order to submit a Proposal, general contractors must possess a current and active B license and be prequalified by the District by November 19th, 2026. There are additional Lease-Leaseback (LLB) contractor qualifications, such as LLB experience as identified in the Prequalification Questionnaire. Documents can be found at: **https://www.galt.k12.ca.us/Our-District/Facilities-and-Planning/index.html**

Anticipated Project Requirements
Contracts will require a 100% performance bond, a 100% labor and materials bond. All projects are subject to the State Labor Code and the District's Labor Compliance Program requirements, including all Department of Industrial Relations requirements. For questions regarding the State Labor Code refer to Sections 1735, Discrimination of Employment and 1770, 1773, 1773.11 Prevailing Rates of Wages. Contractors who have been pre-qualified may be required to submit certifications of compliance with the procedures for implementation of the Disabled Veterans Business Enterprise Contracting Goals. Contractors are allowed according to PCC sec. 22300 to submit "securities of lieu of retention."

Waiver of Irregularities
The District reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any Proposal or in the Request for Proposal process.

DVBE Participation Goal
The District has established a Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Participation Goal of 3%. All Proposers will be required to submit DVBE Worksheets that confirm outreach efforts to meet this goal.

Award of Contract
A Contract for Preconstruction Services and Lease-Leaseback Construction Services, if awarded, will be by action of the District's Board of Education to the responsive Proposer providing the Best Value to the District. The District reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals or to waive any irregularities in any Proposal or in the Request for Proposal process.

Bid Advertisement Dates
November 6, 2026 and November 13, 2026

Mandatory Pre-Submittal Conference/Job Walk
Monday, November 23, 2026 at 10:00 a.m., Fairsite Elementary and Early Learning Center, 902 Caroline Ave., Galt, CA 95632.

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County Sandbag Locations Open



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. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

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. ★

Richard Cervantes Campa Sworn in as CHP Officer

California Highway Patrol News Release



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

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.

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.

The mission of the California Highway Patrol is to provide the highest level of safety, service and security. ★

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TRUSTEE SALE

The Official "Map Of The Town Of Galt", Filed For Record In The Office Of The County Recorder Of Sacramento County, Described As Follows: Beginning At The Intersection Of The South Line Of "B" Street, With The East Line Of 7th Street Of The Said Town Of Galt, Said Point Being The Northwest Corner Of Said Block 7 And Running Thence Along The East Line Of Said 7th Street, South 16°01' East 70 Feet; Thence North 73°59' East 100 Feet; Thence South 16°01' East 50 Feet; Thence North 73° 59' East 20 Feet; Thence North 16°01' West 120 Feet To The South Line Of B Street; Thence Along Said South Line, South 73°59' West, 120 Feet To The Point Of Beginning.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given by Galt Joint Union Elementary School District ("District") that it will receive sealed bids for the McCaffrey Middle School HVAC Project up to, but no later than, 10:00 a.m. on Monday, December 14, 2026, at the District Business Department, 1018 C Street, Suite 210, Galt, California 95632. Bids will be opened at that time and location. The deadline shall be determined by the clock designated by the District or its representative as the official bid clock.

Project Description
The project consists of HVAC replacement work serving six (6) buildings at McCaffrey Middle School, including installation of District-furnished HVAC equipment and all associated work identified in the drawings, specifications, and other Contract Documents prepared by PBK Architects. All HVAC equipment will be procured and supplied by the District and delivered to the project site. The Contractor shall be responsible for unloading the delivery trucks, handling, and installing the equipment, together with all other work required by the Contract Documents.

Bid Documents Available
The Contract Documents, including drawings, specifications, bid forms, and instructions to bidders, are available electronically on the District's Facilities and Planning, Formal Bids webpage: **https://www.galt.k12.ca.us/Our-District/Facilities-and-Planning/Formal-Bids/**

Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference and Site Visit
A mandatory pre-bid conference and site visit will be held on Monday, November 23, 2026, at 1:30 p.m., at:
Robert L. McCaffrey Middle School, 997 Park Terrace Drive Galt, California 95632. Access to the roofs of all buildings included in the scope of work will be required. Bidders shall come prepared to participate in the rooftop walkthrough. Bidders who do not attend the mandatory pre-bid conference and site visit will be disqualified from bidding.

Bid Questions and Addenda
Bid questions and requests for information must be submitted in writing to Alicia Valdovinos, Administrative Assistant to CBO, **business@galt.k12.ca.us**. Include "HVAC MMS — RFI" in the subject line, no later than Monday, November 30, 2026. Oral responses are not binding on the District or Architect. The final addendum, if any, is scheduled for release on Monday, December 7, 2026.

Submittal of Bid
Bids shall be submitted on the District-furnished Bid Form and must conform with, and be responsive to, the Contract Documents. Each bid must include all required forms, certifications, and supporting documentation identified in the Instructions to Bidders. Only sealed hard-copy bids will be accepted. Facsimile, email, or other electronic submissions will not be accepted. Bidders are responsible for ensuring their bids are actually received at the designated location before the deadline. No bid will be accepted after the deadline, and late bids will not be opened or considered.

Contractor License and Prequalification
The District will not consider or accept any bids from contractors who are not licensed to do business in the State of California, in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, providing for the licensing of contractors. In accordance with Section 3300 of said Code, the bidder shall have a Class "C" and all mechanical, electrical or plumbing subcontractors to hold a C-4, C-7, C-10, C-16, C-20, C-34, C-38, C-42, C-43 or C-46" license at the time of award and shall maintain that license in good standing through Completion of the Contract and all applicable warranty periods. This Contract is not subject to prequalification.

Public Works Registration and Prevailing Wages
The Director of Industrial Relations of the State of California has determined, in the manner provided by law, the general prevailing rates of per diem wages and the rates for legal holidays and overtime work. The Contractor shall pay workers performing labor described or classified in those determinations not less than the applicable specified rates. Copies of the required rates are on file at the District's business office and are available upon request. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations. For all projects over Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000), a contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to submit a bid or to be listed in a bid proposal subject to Public Contract Code section 4104 unless currently registered and qualified under Labor Code section 1725.5 to perform public work as defined in Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1, commencing with section 1720, of the Labor Code. For all projects over Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000), a contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to enter into, or engage in the performance of, any contract of public work unless currently registered and qualified under Labor Code section 1725.5, and proof of registration is provided.
For all projects over Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000), the bidder shall state the public works contractor registration number on the Designation of Subcontractors form for each subcontractor performing more than one-half of one percent (0.5%) of the bidder's total bid.

Contract Time and Liquidated Damages
The Contract Time shall be one hundred thirty-six (136) calendar days, as provided in the Contract Documents. Liquidated damages for delay shall accrue in accordance with the Contract Documents.

Bid Security and Contract Bonds
Each bid must be accompanied by a bidder's bond, cashier's check, or certified check in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the base bid, made payable to the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, as detailed in the Contract Documents. The successful bidder shall furnish a Payment (Labor and Material) Bond and a Faithful Performance Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum, together with the insurance and other documents required by the Contract Documents.

Substitution of Securities for Retention
The successful bidder will be allowed to substitute securities or establish an escrow in lieu of retainage pursuant to Public Contract Code section 22300 and as described in the Agreement Between Owner and Contractor and General Conditions.

DVBE Participation Requirements
The District has established a Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) participation goal of three percent (3%). All contractors will be required to submit DVBE Worksheets documenting outreach efforts to meet this goal, as required by the Contract Documents.

Award and Rejection of Bids
If awarded, the Contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder in accordance with the Contract Documents. The lowest bid shall be determined based on the amount of the base bid. The District reserves the right to add or deduct any additive or deductive items identified in the Bid Form after the lowest responsible and responsive bidder has been determined. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive irregularities or informalities as provided in the Contract Documents.

District Contact
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Veterans Get Green Lights

Sacramento County News Release



The initiative encourages counties, parishes and boroughs across the country to display green lights in support of veterans and their families. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - From Nov. 4 through Nov. 8, Sacramento County illuminated the Administration Building at 700 H St. in green as part of the National Association of Counties' Operation Green Light for Veterans campaign. The illumination was expected to continue through Veterans Day Nov. 11.

The initiative encourages counties, parishes and boroughs across the country to display green lights in support of veterans and their families.

The Board of Supervisors will recognize the initiative by issuing a resolution in support of Operation Green Light for Veterans.

"Operation Green Light is a simple but meaningful way to show our gratitude to the people who have served our country," said David Villanueva, county executive. "As we light the Administration Building green, the county joins communities nationwide in honoring veterans, reminding them that their service and sacrifices are valued."

The campaign takes place during the week leading up to Veterans Day and is designed to highlight both appreciation for veterans and awareness of the resources available to them.

Sacramento County's participation in Operation Green Light reflects its ongoing commitment to supporting veterans and their families. Through the Veterans Services Office, the county helps veterans and their loved ones access benefits they have earned through military service.

The office provides assistance with disability compensation claims, veterans pensions, healthcare enrollment, survivors benefits, Aid and Attendance benefits, and the California College Tuition Fee Waiver Program. Accredited veterans claims representatives also help veterans navigate eligibility requirements and advocate on their behalf throughout the claims process.

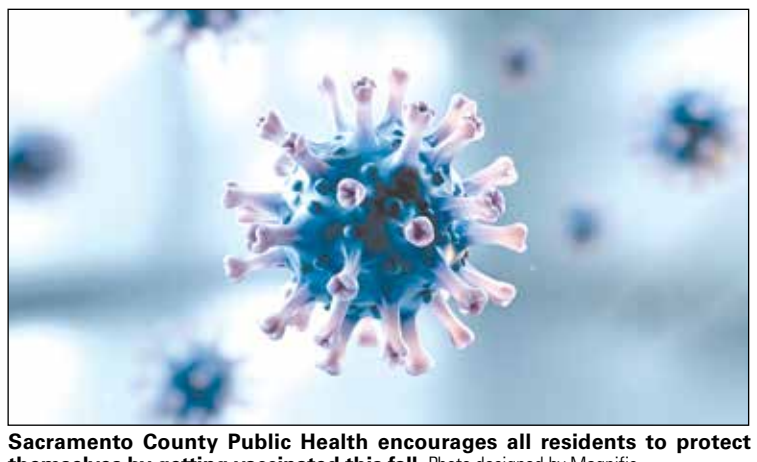
For Ethan Dye, a veteran and director of the Department of Human Assistance, that work carries personal meaning.

"As a veteran and leader of the department overseeing veterans services, I see firsthand this small team's dedication to veterans and their families. In 2025, the office assisted 13,000 veterans, filed 4,435 new claims, and secured $11.5 million in retroactive payments and $9.5 million in recurring awards. I'm proud of their ongoing commitment to those who served and the families who supported them."

To learn more about the Veterans Services Office, visit ha.saccounty.gov. ★

Seasons First Flu Death

Sacramento County News Release, edited for publication



Sacramento County Public Health encourages all residents to protect themselves by getting vaccinated this fall. Photo designed by Magnific

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Sacramento County Public Health on Nov. 4 confirmed the first flu-related death of the 2026-27 flu season. The death involved a woman in her 50s with underlying chronic medical conditions who was not vaccinated against the flu.

"This is a stark reminder that the flu can cause serious illness and even death, but vaccination remains our best defense," said Sacramento County Public Health Officer Dr. Phuong Luu. "Everyone aged 6 months and older should get vaccinated for influenza now, especially with flu circulating very high in California currently."

The woman developed respiratory symptoms in mid-October and was diagnosed with Influenza A (Flu A). She was hospitalized a few days later and died shortly after.

This season's report of the first flu-related death comes about a month earlier than last year's, which was reported in late November 2025.

Sacramento County Public Health encourages all residents to protect themselves by getting vaccinated this fall. Vaccines are key in preventing and protecting against respiratory viruses including flu, Covid-19 and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV).

People can get vaccinated by dropping into one of the SCPH 2026-2027 free flu vaccine clinics. Use the HealthMap Vaccine Finder to find a clinic nearby. Contact the SCPH Immunization Assistance Program for more information.

An annual flu shot is recommended for everyone six months of age and older who is able to get vaccinated safely. It takes two weeks for the body to build up protection after getting the vaccine, so early vaccination is advised.

Dr. Luu recommends getting vaccinated for the flu now, as flu is circulating high in our community and will continue to increase as we enter the holiday season and families start to gather together indoors.

Covid-19 vaccines are available for everyone age 6 months and older and RSV vaccines are recommended for specific high-risk groups.

SCPH offers the following tips to stay healthy.

Encourage a person to stay at home if the person is sick. If a person has symptoms of respiratory illness, staying home helps prevent the spread of viruses.

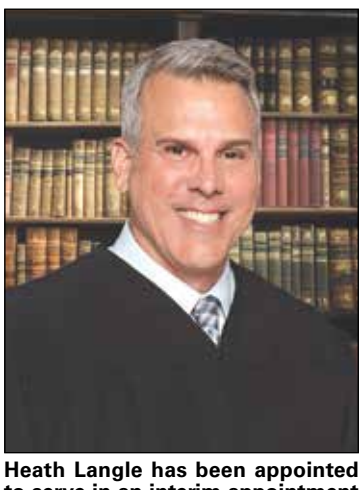
Test for COVID-19 and flu if symptoms occur. Contact a healthcare provider promptly if the test is positive, especially if someone is at high risk for severe illness.

Practice good hygiene. Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always cover coughs and sneezes. Use a tissue to cover the mouth and nose or the upper sleeve of a shirt if a tissue is unavailable.

Ventilate indoor spaces. Ensure good airflow by opening windows and doors when possible.

Consider wearing a mask. Wearing a high-quality mask in crowded or indoor spaces can reduce transmission, especially if someone is feeling unwell or has a preexisting illness that affects the body's immune system. ★

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. ★

LOCAL SPORTS COVERAGE



PRESENTED BY THE GALT HERALD

Rivals Swap Jerseys, One Shared Heart



Galt Quarterback Robert Rubio looks to pass with lots of pressure from the Hawks.



After the game with sweat steaming, Warrior Paker Millard and Hawk Cutler Perez exchange Jerseys.

Story and photos by Paige Lampson

GALT, CA (MPG) - For the 15th consecutive year, the Dairy Bowl trophy is headed to Liberty Ranch. This time, the Hawks were in no hurry to lift it.

Liberty Ranch dismantled Galt 47-13 on Friday night before a packed Warrior Stadium, closing out its regular season in emphatic fashion and locking up the No. 1 seed for the upcoming section playoffs. But the scoreboard was only the backdrop for a night that ended with the two crosstown rivals trading jerseys, snapping photos and embracing at midfield.

The Dairy Bowl is, by almost any measure, the biggest night on Galt's calendar. Fans filled the stands eager to see the city's two high schools square off, and the Warriors rolled out the full production: photo-booth stations, mini food-truck vendors, celebratory decorations and the beloved cow-poop raffle, in which a crowd waits for a cow to drop its load on a winning numbered square.

On the field, Liberty Ranch looked every bit the part of a team its principal believes is special.

"In my opinion, this is the best team Liberty Ranch has ever had," principal Joe Saramago said, who by the way, has been to every one of Liberty Ranch's football games since the school's founding.

The Hawks' offense was relentless, piling up 330 total yards — 282 of them on the ground at a 12.8-yard clip — while scoring six of their seven touchdowns on runs. Senior quarterback Ryan Ogas completed 3 of 6 passes for 48 yards and a touchdown and added 86 yards and two scores on just four carries, an average of 21.5 yards per attempt. Joe Lara was even more efficient, turning seven carries into 87 yards and three touchdowns, including a 37-yard burst that was the longest play of the night for either team. Wyatt Corriea churned out 82 yards and a score on nine carries, and Hunter Owen caught a 27-yard touchdown pass and converted all five of his extra-point attempts.

The Hawks spread the production across the box score. Ogas finished with 134 total yards, Lara 108 and Corriea 82, and Liberty Ranch rolled up 398 all-purpose yards against a Galt defense that never found an answer.

That defense was under siege all evening. Liberty Ranch registered nine sacks for 69 yards in losses and 13 tackles for loss, holding the Warriors to 139 total yards and 99 on the ground on 36 carries — a 2.8-yard average. Corriea led the charge with three sacks and nine total tackles, while Conrad Dixon had two sacks among his five stops and four tackles for loss. Ryan Guthrie added two sacks, two tackles for loss and six tackles, and Soni Takafua contributed 1.5 sacks and four tackles. Adrian Torres made seven stops, Liam Trosko had nine tackles and a 37-yard interception return, and Daniel Swearingen chipped in six tackles and a sack. In all, Liberty Ranch was credited with 74 total tackles.

Galt refused to go quietly early, matching the Hawks touchdown for touchdown in the first quarter to head into the second tied at 7. From there, Liberty Ranch scored 19 unanswered points before halftime and 14 more in the third quarter to turn the game into a rout.

Senior James Gilbert did most of the heavy lifting for the Warriors, carrying 16 times for 90 yards and both Galt touchdowns while catching one pass for five yards. Robert Rubio completed 9 of 14 passes for 40 yards but was intercepted once and finished with minus-10 yards on 10 carries. Ricky Akers caught four passes for 20 yards and returned an interception 8 yards, while Carlo Sterni had two catches for 13 yards and picked off a pass. Arthur Cordova added three receptions for five yards and 15 rushing yards.

The game was as physical as the rivalry suggests — plenty of quarterback sacks, hard hits, personal fouls, unsportsmanlike-conduct and offside calls — but when the dust settled, both sides walked away with their heads up.

What happened next was the part everyone will remember. Rather than hoisting the trophy and celebrating, the Hawks went looking for their friends from Galt High. Jerseys came off and were swapped. Pictures were taken. Hugs and shoulder claps were everywhere.



Hawk Hunter Owen catches a pass and scores.

"One town," said Galt Athletic Director Jason Burgin. "It was amazing."

Liberty Ranch now turns its attention to the section playoffs, where it enters as the top seed. For Galt, the season ended Friday night — but not before the Warriors and Hawks reminded a packed stadium what the Dairy Bowl is really about. ★



With two minutes left in the game Hawks Enzo Diaz and Ezekiel Baltazar keep Warrior James Gilbert from catching a pass.

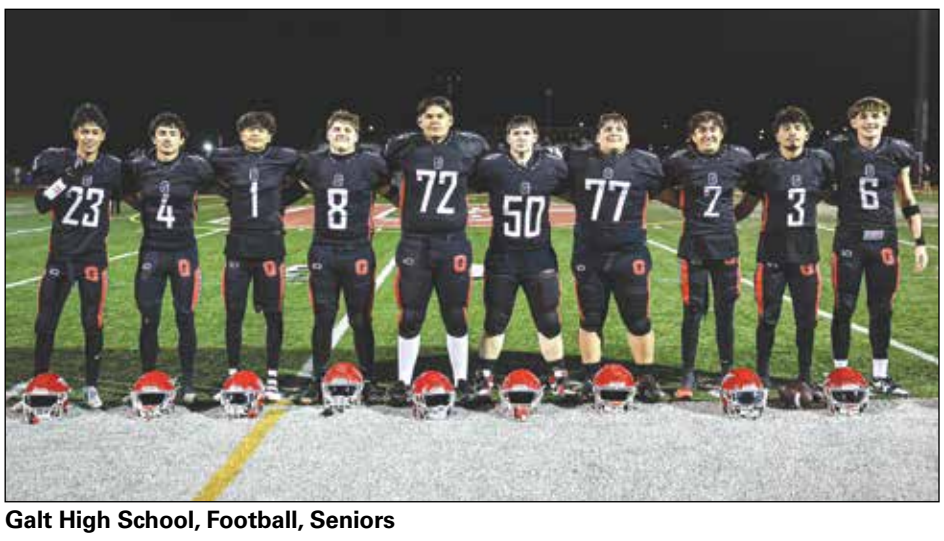


Galt's James Gilbert tries to gain some yards.



Warrior Ricky Akers intercepts a pass.

GALT HERALD ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Galt High School, Football, Seniors



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JV Hawks Roll in Dairy Bowl, 50-7

Story and photos by Paige Lampson


Warrior Austyn Gubac runs the ball.

GALT, CA (MPG) - The Hawks beat crosstown rival Galt 50-7 in the junior varsity Dairy Bowl on Friday, Nov. 6, closing a 7-0 league season in first place and avenging a loss to the Warriors in last year's meeting.

Galt finished 1-6 in league play and seventh.

Liberty Ranch came in ready to play after the Warriors won the JV game a year ago, and the Hawks left little doubt Friday.

Galt's offense finished with 142 total yards — 78 through the air and 64 on the ground — and reached the end zone once.

Sophomore quarterback Chance George completed 7 of 12 passes for 78 yards with one touchdown and two interceptions, finishing with a passer rating of 66.0. His longest completion covered 31 yards.

Freshman running back Austyn Gubac led the Warriors on the ground with 39 yards on five carries, including a 20-yard run. Michael Silva added 16 yards on seven carries, Leland Suttenfield gained 8 yards on two carries and George ran once for a yard. Galt averaged 4.3 yards per carry as a team.

Grayson Tassell caught three passes for 36 yards and Galt's only touchdown, a 31-yard strike from George. Gubac caught two passes for 24 yards, Suttenfield had one for 10 yards, and Hank Van Steyn and Adan Chaidez each added a 9-yard reception. The Warriors threw for 88 yards on eight completions, an average of 11 yards per catch.

Gubac led Galt with 63 all-purpose yards. Tassell finished with 36, Suttenfield 18, Silva 16, and Van Steyn and Chaidez 9 apiece.

Van Steyn converted the Warriors' lone extra-point attempt.

Defensively, Galt was credited with 34 tackles, 20 of them solo. Gubac led the team with seven stops, including six solo tackles. Julian Mojica, Andrew Lee and Brody Patterson each had four, Aaron Byrd had three and Ben Gilbert finished with two. Mojica intercepted a pass, and Tassell recovered a fumble.


Galt's JV quarterback Chance George looks for a reception.


Colin Azevedo gets stiff armed by Hawk Easton Hall.

Liberty Ranch had not posted its JV statistics.

The game was the final one of the season for both teams. ★

Hawk Flag Heading to Sections

Story and photos by Paige Lampson


Tenley Messersmith runs the ball.

GALT, CA (MPG) - The Liberty Ranch girls flag football team keeps running out of firsts to chase and opponents to beat.

Kamrynn Blevins completed 11 of 13 passes for 87 yards and two touchdowns, ran 13 times for 121 yards and another score and threw no interceptions, and the Hawks blanked Wheatland 34-0 on Wednesday, Nov. 4, in the CIF section semifinals.

The victory sends Liberty Ranch (14-0) into Saturday's section championship game and closes out a league title season in only the third year the program has existed. It is the deepest the Hawks have ever gone in the section playoffs.

"We're excited, and I like our chances," head coach Andy Peterson said. "We have to give it everything we've got."

Liberty Ranch led 13-0 after one quarter, 20-0 at halftime and 27-0 through three quarters, then added one more touchdown in the fourth. The Hawks scored on five touchdowns and four conversions while holding Wheatland without a point.

Amya Trujillo scored twice, and Savanna Garbarino and Ruby Gorelick each reached the end zone. Blevins threw touchdown passes to Trujillo and Gorelick and added a 27-yard scoring run of her own. Garbarino, Blevins and freshman Caroline Herring each converted a point-after try.

Blevins, a senior who has started at quarterback all three seasons since the program began during her sophomore year, has not thrown an interception this season.

Asked what it means to reach the section playoffs, Blevins pointed to the teammates she grew up with.

"It means so much," she said. "Just being here with my girls is another thing — growing up with them, not even having the opportunity to play flag, and then bringing it all together. We have our four originals — me, Lexi, Savanna and Fatima — and just to be here through all of our ups and downs, every other playoffs. Last year and the year before, we kind of got hosed those years. We weren't able to do it. So it's just something special to be here with them and to have all of our hard work paying off, every morning practice and just getting each other through it, for sure."

Peterson said the season came together because there is no soft spot on the roster.

"We're just an overall good team," he said. "Everyone on the team is solid, and there's no weak link. It's just been a really solid, total team effort."

Blevins credited the improvement in the passing game to repetition and to the receivers who put in the work.

"I definitely think we had a little rough time catching at the beginning of the season, and we really worked on it at practice," she said. "My wide receivers just really honed in on catching the ball, and our deep balls definitely flourished throughout the game. And my blockers — they were so great this whole season. They really worked on it and had way more time in the pocket this season than ever, especially with these quick rushers. So, honestly, all my girls, I kind of owe it all to them. I love them so much."


Ruby Gorelick catches an interception in the semi-final playoffs.


Savanna Garbarino scores against Wheatland.


Gianna Farren wards off an interception and snags that pass.

Liberty Ranch's defense made sure the lead stood. Lexi Williams finished with nine flag pulls and an interception, and Kirinjeet Dhaliwal added six pulls. Gianna Williams, Blevins, Gianna Farren, Ella Quaschnick, Fatima Cabrera, Tenley Messersmith, Trujillo and Makenlee Robbins also recorded pulls.

Assistant coach Mike Turpin said the Hawks had already turned their attention to Saturday's final.

"This game is done," Turpin said. "We're going to play a very difficult opponent Saturday. It isn't going to be easy. But we brought it as a team this whole year. We've been there for each other the whole way. This ride is not over."

Liberty Ranch's 14-0 record includes its league schedule and two playoff wins. The Hawks won the league title outright and have yet to lose a game this season.

The section championship game was played Saturday Nov. 7 against Placer. ★

Make Old Sacramento Waterfront Your Holiday Destination

The historic district has something for everyone this season

Downtown Sacramento Partnership News Release



Kick off the holiday season with the annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony on Wednesday, Nov. 25, at 5:30 p.m. Photo courtesy of Downtown Sacramento Partnership

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - This year, Old Sacramento Waterfront invites visitors to make the most of the most wonderful time of the year. Guests can look forward to the return of the beloved Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony and Theatre of Lights performances, as well as the chance to be rewarded for shopping small with Small Business Spree Bingo and explore a pedestrian-friendly district during Holidays on K. There are plenty of ways to celebrate the season, with holiday traditions, unique gift finds and festive sights and sounds around every corner.

Kick off the holiday season with the annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony on Wednesday, Nov. 25, at 5:30 p.m. Enjoy performances from community groups before the district's 60-foot Holiday Tree illuminates the waterfront with nearly 24,000 lights, followed by the first Theatre of Lights performance of the season.

Produced by the Downtown Sacramento Partnership, a longtime Sacramento tradition, Theatre of Lights returns for its 18th year, transforming the historic district's balconies into a holiday stage. This free immersive performance is a family-friendly production that blends a retelling of 'Twas the Night Before Christmas with stories from Sacramento's history, narrated by Disney voice legend Bill Farmer (Goofy) and created by Stage 9 Exhibitions' Troy Carlson. Performances run Fridays and Saturdays at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 6:30 p.m., Nov. 27 through December 20, with special performances Dec. 23 at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 24 at 6:30 p.m.

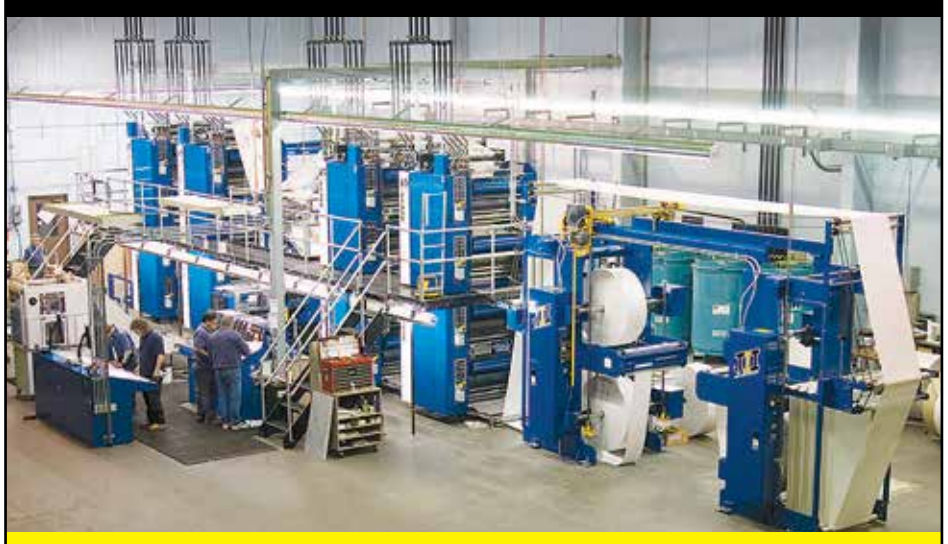
New this year, rotating coffee partners Blueprint Coffee, Pittador Brews and Steamers will serve beverages throughout the season, adding a little extra holiday cheer. To help make the experience accessible to more visitors, American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation will also be present for the Tree Lighting Ceremony, Saturday showings, and the final show on Dec. 24.

Make a day of holiday shopping with Small Business Spree Bingo! With more than 150 small businesses throughout the district, visitors can explore unique shops, restaurants and attractions, check off their bingo squares, and play to win exciting prizes, all in one visit. Complete the bingo challenge and submit an entry to receive a guaranteed prize, with additional opportunities to win even bigger rewards. Prizes include a $100 parking voucher, a family four-pack of tickets to the Downtown Sacramento Ice Rink, a museum membership, the chance to guest star as a Mama or Papa in Theatre of Lights, and more. For participation instructions and FAQs, visit https://www.oldsacramento.com/seasonal-activity/small-business-spree-bingo/.

Enjoy a little extra holiday magic along K Street as it transforms into a pedestrian-friendly gathering place with family-friendly fun, including live music, outdoor seating and games. Come down each weekend to experience something new with events curated by the local businesses in Old Sacramento Waterfront. Holidays on K takes place Saturdays and Sundays, Nov. 28 through Dec. 20, from noon to 4:30 p.m. along K Street in Old Sacramento Waterfront.

For more information about Old Sacramento Waterfront and its holiday events, visit www.oldsacramento.com. ★

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