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Press release from Sierra County Democratic Central Committee

Candidate for Congress, Dr. Kermit Jones, to Visit Sierra County on April 29



On Friday, April 29, the people of Sierra County are invited to meet Dr. Kermit Jones, candidate for Congress in the newly-redrawn Third Congressional District, in which Sierra County now finds itself. From 10:00 to 11:00 AM, Dr. Jones will be at the home of Alix Shor, 202 W. Willow Street, Sierraville. From 1:30 to 2:45 PM, he will be at The White House, 312 Main Street, Sierra City. And, at 4:00 PM, Jones will be at the gazebo next to the Visitors Center in Gold Rush Park, Downieville.

Dr. Kermit Jones is a Democratic candidate for Congress, endorsed by the California Democratic Party for the position. He is a doctor of internal medicine, working at Kaiser Permanente in Roseville and at Urgent Care in Auburn. His life story began as a farm boy on a family farm in Michigan, where his parents instilled in him the belief that education was the key to opening doors that would otherwise have been closed to him. It was the example of his mother, a home health nurse, that inspired him to become a physician. After the tragedy of 9/11, and after completing medical school, he joined the U.S. Navy to become a flight surgeon. In that capacity he served in Iraq with a Marine squadron that took injured service members and Iraqi civilians to safety. After two tours of duty in Iraq, he served as a White House Fellow under President Obama, working with the Secretary of Health & Human Services to improve quality health care for our veterans. In addition to being a physician, he is also a lawyer.

He understands personally how broken our healthcare system is in this country. When his mother was diagnosed with lung cancer, and was repeatedly denied the specialized care she was needed, the family was eventually forced to sell the family farm to provide for her much-needed treatment. He is running for Congress, in part, because too many people are similarly struggling with the skyrocketing costs of care and of prescription drugs — and because politicians like his Republican opponents are putting partisan politics ahead of the health of families by ignoring experts and opposing policies that could help save lives. However, as he says, he's treated close to 20,000 patients, and has never asked whether they were a Democrat or a Republican.

We invite everyone to come and meet Dr. Kermit Jones. He is eager to listen, and is ready and willing to share his carefully thought-out plans for healthcare, homeowners fire insurance, forestation, and the many issues and problems facing rural counties and communities like ours.

Join Us!

A conversation with
California Natural Resources Secretary

Wade Crowfoot

Moderated by

Sandy Sanders

SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH
1:00-2:00 PM

Sierra Pines Resort
Sierra City

Secretary Crowfoot oversees an agency of 21,000 employees who protect and manage California's natural environment stewarding the state's forests and natural lands, rivers and waterways, and coast and ocean, protecting fish and wildlife, and overseeing energy development.



Power Line-Induced Fire on 4/18 at Fournier Ranch Quickly Contained by Local Volunteer Fire Departments

By Stephen Kulieke

(Sierra City) In an early season reminder of the risk posed by trees hitting power lines, a small underbrush fire at Fournier Ranch on Monday afternoon was quickly spotted, called in, and brought under control through local community action.

Sierra County Deputy Director for Public Works Brian Davey was one of three individuals in the vicinity who saw smoke and radioed or called dispatch to report the fire; another was BJ Myers of Caltrans. "It was very fortuitous" that they rapidly contacted us, said Liz Fisher, a dispatcher with the Downieville Volunteer Fire Department (DVFD).

Davey was driving from Downieville to Sierra City on Highway 49 when he spotted the smoke plume in the Fournier Ranch area. He doubted it was a controlled burn on such a windy day—the U.S. Weather Service had warned of 35 mph gusts—and went to investigate. As it turned out, his quick actions as the first one on the scene at 4:27 p.m. kept the fire from getting worse.

"The fire was a pretty good size, [about] a quarter acre with flames on the entire rim," said Davey, who also is a volunteer fireman with the Sierra City Volunteer Fire Department (VFD). He stamped at the flames burning through the "duff" (decaying pine needles, leaves, and branches) and then found a shovel and McLeod rake at the nearest house and began digging a perimeter line.

That house 100 yards away from the fire is owned by Sierra County District Attorney Sandy Groven and her husband Rich Smail, both volunteers themselves with the Sierra City VFD. "By the time I made it home, Sierra City and Downieville fire personnel were on scene and had a perimeter around the fire, and it was mostly smoldering with a few hot spots," Groven told The Mountain Messenger. Groven's house is eight miles from Downieville and four miles from Sierra City.

Groven thanked all the responders from the Sierra City and Downieville VFDs and the U.S. Forest Service "who did a fantastic job." She gave a "special shout out" to Bryan Davey. PG&E spokesperson Megan McFarland told The Messenger that the fire was caused when gusty winds blew off the 30-foot top of a ponderosa pine that became entangled in power lines, igniting the underbrush.

In addition to Bryan Davey, arriving on scene and helping to bring the fire under control from the Sierra City VFD were Assistant Fire Chief Jenny Traverso and Steve Traverso, Sarah and Eric Kubly, Aaron Stringer, and Chuck Holman.

"The fire was hampered by wet fuel so we created a line around the burn area, removing fuel material from the burned and burning area with shovels and McLeods and snuffed out the hot spots," Sarah Kubly told The Mountain Messenger.

Downieville VFD personnel also fought the fire and staged vehicles on Highway 49 to help as needed. The Downieville responders were Steve and Jessie Folsom, Leslie Baker, Dean Fischer, Dan McNamara, and Austin Oliver.

Arriving then to perform mop-up operations at the Fournier Ranch fire site was a crew from the USFS Yuba River Ranger Station in Camptonville.

Reflecting on the incident, Davey said, "We're lucky we got there when we did. The only reason we had a chance is that the fuels aren't totally dry. It would have been catastrophic if it had happened in September or October," he noted.

According to Davey, on Monday afternoon the county removed a tree from the road on Brady Drive in Sierra City's Lewis Tract that also entangled electrical lines.

A power outage beginning late Monday afternoon impacted 604 local PG&E customers, according to the utility. Davey said those without power covered a region from Bell Street in Downieville to Sierra City.

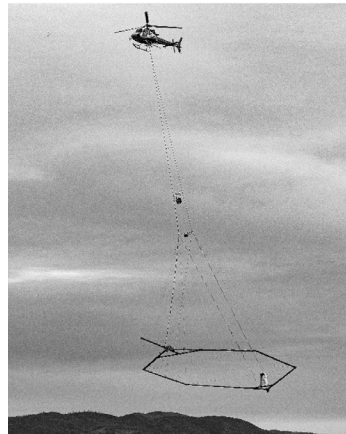
It's uncertain whether the power outage resulted from the fire in Fournier Ranch, the downed tree in Sierra City, or a combination of the two.

Some customers had their power restored that evening with all back online by noon on Tuesday, said PG&E.

Helicopter to Survey Sierra Valley Geology

(Beckwourth) - Starting at some point in late April or early May, the California Department of Water Resources will be conducting an airborne geophysical survey of the Sierra Valley.

This work, involving the collection of data from a large hoop towed beneath a helicopter flying roughly 200 feet above the ground, is designed to reveal underground geologic structures by measuring the electromagnetic properties of subsurface materials. Typically, fine-grained materials, such as silts and clays, are electrically conductive and represent areas resistant to the percolation of



water. Coarse-grained materials, like sands and gravels are electrically resistive and more likely to allow recharging of an aquifer.

Funded by voter-approved Proposition 68, the data will assist the Sierra Valley Groundwater Management District with the implementation of measures designed to assist with efficient recharging of the Sierra Valley aquifer.

Sheriff Scott Jones Visits Sierra County to Address Golden Nugget Republican Women

By Duncan A. Kennedy

(Sierraville) – At yesterday's meeting of the Golden Nugget Republican Women, The Mountain Messenger conducted an exclusive interview with Sacramento County Sheriff Scott Jones (R-Colfax), one of three major candidates for California's newly-created Congressional District Three (CD-3), an area including all or part of Plumas, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, El Dorado, Alpine, Mono, and Inyo counties. The following is a synopsis of his responses to the questions we posed.

Can you give us a short run-down of your life story and career? Jones is 54 years old and has worked for the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office since 1989. At this time, he was 21, and his greatest ambition in life was to make it to be a lieutenant in the department and retire at that rank. Shortly after this, while working at the Sacramento County Jail, he began taking classes at Lincoln Law School (he jokes about earning his law degree in jail!).

Then, following a stint as a legal aide for the department, he started patrol duty, eventually working his way up to Captain. In 2010, Jones narrowly won the office vacated by Sheriff John McGuinness. He was re-elected in 2014 and 2018 but lost a 2016 Congressional race by a small margin to Ami Bera.

He has been married to his wife Christy for 27 years, and they have four children.

Why did you decide to run for Congress? The Sheriff's principal concerns and the main issues of campaign are public safety, immigration, and maintaining law and order. Jones hopes to help create a more rational immigration policy that continues to allow legal immigration of talented individuals seeking a better future to the United States while keeping out individuals with less savory intentions in this country. Being an issue deeply affecting both his personal life and professional career, he hopes to take his law enforcement expertise to Congress to find a solution. His view is that "I'm not trying to make a career in Congress, I want to take my career to Congress."

Can you share your stance on each of the following topics?

Inflation: Sheriff Jones believes inflation is both predictable and manageable if the federal government stops printing new money, works within a tighter budget, and begins paying off the \$32 trillion national debt.

Drought and Agriculture: Coming from the Sacramento area to the rural parts of California has been "something of an eye-opener" for Jones. He says improving water storage infrastructure and water resource management is needed. He does not think there is a supply issue so much as a management issue, and when asked about using nuclear energy to run massive desalination plants, Jones was open to the idea.

To prevent further outsourcing of food production in California, he pondered exploring tax incentives to encourage domestic production by making the process more affordable.

Climate Change: Jones believes climate change is a real global issue, but also a part of a long-term natural cycle, one humans can barely influence in either direction. It is "supremely arrogant" of people to think humanity can overpower natural systems: "Mother Nature is in charge." He does support climate change mitigation strategies, and his energy views are an "all of the above" approach – we should increase our oil production while also improving our renewable energy technologies, adopting electric vehicles en masse, and building more nuclear power plants if the technology is improved to become safer. Jones does not think it is possible to immediately stop using fossil fuels, but believes we need to become less dependent on them to avoid pumping out dangerously more carbon emissions.

Taxes: "They're too high," says Jones regarding state and federal tax rates. His opinion is: the government could provide essential services like national defense and infrastructure if it laid off scores of bureaucrats and eliminated wasteful and inefficient spending programs. Jones has signed Americans for Tax Reform's "No New Taxes" pledge and maintains in his campaign that "bureaucracy is the enemy of democracy."

Healthcare: Jones admits to having little expertise in the healthcare field and wants to learn more before making a detailed statement. However, he does have some opinions on the subject. For example, Jones supports repealing Obamacare and its regulatory details. He is against both extremes of the healthcare debate – both the idea the uninsured deserve no assistance and the thought a single-payer program should insure everyone. Surely, he said, a common-sense solution can be reached.

Second Amendment: Sheriff Jones supports the Second Amendment "as written," and he is proud of being endorsed by both the Gun Owners of America and the Cali-

See *Scott Jones Interview*
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Sourdough Jack Sez...



Wouldn't it be great if a helicopter could fly over the mountains here and discover where the minerals are hiding? Oh well, water is better more useful than gold, right?

Katie's Sightings

Taken with permission from northyubanaturalist.blogspot.com

KATIE O'HARA KELLY

Blossoms, Bugs, and Birds!



Scarlet Fritillary - *Fritillaria recurva*

With the temperatures warming up and the days getting longer, birds are arriving, wildflowers are blooming, and bugs are buzzing! There's so much going on! The wildflowers are attracting a variety of pollinators. Are they attracted to the color, the scent, or the flavor of the flower nectar? The answer isn't that simple! Read on to discover how the pollination process works!

Some flowers are scented while others have dazzling patterns and colors. The extraordinarily beautiful Scarlet Fritillary doesn't have a fragrance but its eye-popping checkerboard pattern attracts many pollinators. What we see isn't necessarily what an insect or bird sees when it looks at a flower. In fact most insects, except for butterflies, can't see the color red, but birds can! For instance, while I was photographing the Scarlet Fritillary pictured above, a hummer briefly fed on a blossom!

Insects smell with their antennae, or feet, or other body parts! However, birds don't have noses and, except for vultures, some seabirds, parrots, and kiwis, they don't have a sense of smell.

Both insects and birds have a sense of taste. They can taste salty, sweet, bitter, and sour flavors, but researchers claim many of these creatures prefer sweet tasting food.

Butterflies are attracted to color, flavor, and fragrance!

A butterfly's antennae, palps, legs and many other parts of the body are studded with sense receptors that are used to smell. The sense of smell is used for finding food (usually flower nectar), and for finding mates (the female smelling the male's pheromones).

A butterfly's feet have sense organs that can taste the sugar in nectar, letting the butterfly know if something is good to eat or not. Some females also taste host plants (using organs on their legs) in order to find appropriate places to lay their eggs. These receptors (called chemoreceptors) are nerve cells on the body's surface which react to certain chemicals.

"It is believed butterflies sense colors better than any other species. Scientists have studied butterflies and their vision for long enough to determine that not only can butterflies see color, but that they can experience it way better than we can."

Humans, like most species, have three types of photoreceptors. Each one for a different primary color: Red, green and blue. Butterflies can have up to fifteen different types of photoreceptors. And each one might fire up for a color we know (for example, three of them might work to perceive the color green and other two for blue) and others might be there for colors we'll never get to see. This means a butterfly not only sees color, but they perceive more colors than we do and they do it better than us. Scientists believe their sight evolved this way as butterflies are extremely dependent on their vision for almost everything: from feeding to sex to survival. How well they can perceive their environment is crucial for a butterfly's existence.

Not all butterflies see color in the same way. Their vision range varies almost as much as how many butterfly species there are. Even though they might all look familiar to us, there are over 17,000 butterfly species in the world right now. And they each experience the world differently!"
Source: <https://schoolofbugs.com/can-butterflies-see-color/>.

Editor's Note: As often happens, Katie's blog contains far more material than we have to space for reproducing. Therefore, we highly recommend you visit the northyubanaturalist.blogspot.com to see her beautiful, informative work.

Where Two Rivers Meet Anthology Book Five

LISTEN TO EVERY ZEPHYR

By H. A. Silliman

PART 5: STANDING UP FOR PLANET EARTH

All those years ago, my first adventure with Anderson Smith and Billy Delton completely altered my view of nature. Until then, I had been like a tourist—a through-traveler in a foreign land, taking in sights, smells and sounds and not realizing that humans are fellow dwellers on par with the squirrels, deer, coyotes, bears, birds and plants. We belong with them, share their divinity and should not exploit them.

When Billy called me a few days later to suggest going hiking again, I eagerly agreed. We began spending many Saturdays exploring the outback. When we would find a special spot—a glade or a bend in a creek, a dell with wildflowers blooming and abuzz with bees and hummingbirds, we would sit and become one with nature. Sometimes we'd be joined by Anderson Smith, who showed us more edible plants, and would infrequently disappear alone into the dark shadows, from whence we'd hear flute playing and his speaking an unknown tongue. Of course, spending time with Billy—though he is four years younger—a relationship naturally blossomed. We married and had two children, Rose and Eagle. We made our home at an old farm outside of Two Rivers. With a few outbuildings, a large barn and corral, it was a perfect setting for Billy to start a business boarding and training horses and dogs. My profession and his work and our love of animals mutually supported each other. A few years later, when the new Presbyterian minister, Steve Gagnon, our age, arrived in town, we made friends and he ventured out with us. Like myself, Rev. Gagnon had participated in that first Earth Day years before. He came to his religion through a reverence for nature. Awestruck after our first hike under the spell of waterfalls and towering pines, he declared, "Our planet is a holy sanctuary. Spirituality comes not from heaven, but from the Earth."

Right from the start, his sermons urged a more reverential respect for our planet. That living in sheetrock caves, modern man lost a vital connection to nature so dis-ease and disease flourish. That in Genesis, when the Bible commands man to have dominion over creation, the Hebrew text translates more accurately for man to be a benevolent leader who walks among and has a relationship with his subjects as an equal. With humor, he also likes to point out that according to the Bible, man once actually did talk to the animals—witness the story of Adam, Eve and the serpent!

I admired Rev. Gagnon's zeal to protect our planet. One day over lunch with Billy, Anderson and the reverend, I mentioned that another stand of ancient redwoods up north was threatened by highway widening. The reverend immediately launched into a passionate speech. "This is exactly the kind of thing I've been preaching about. Civilized man traps himself in cities and societies and kills everything else. We wipe out races, cultures, flora and fauna. We treat wild animals like the enemy. We place ourselves above all other life on Earth. Why do we think it's OK to eat fish, cows, pigs and chickens? When man first tasted animal flesh, was that the beginning of our separation from nature? Was eating flesh the original sin?"

"You should pose that question in church this Sunday," I joked. "The church board will love that!" We laughed.

Reminding us that even St. Francis called all animals his brothers and sisters, Rev. Gagnon went on, "There's all sorts of evidence of some kind of exchange between humans and the animal kingdom." He recounted the legend of St. Francis and the wolf that Benton had told me. "You got to love how the Catholic pope said that peace with all of creation is inseparable from peace among all peoples," he said. "Maybe if we stop killing animals, we'll stop killing people."

I was amused that a Presbyterian minister quoted a Catholic, but Catholics, bless their incensed hearts, recognize the importance of the sanctity of our planet—and even have made Francis of Assisi the patron saint of ecology.

One Sunday, Rev. Gagnon told the congregation that he'd been reading what Native Americans and eastern religions say about man and nature. He said evidence from oral traditions to archaeological discoveries across all cultures shows there are enough similar stories and practices to conclude that early on humans had been in closer communion with the animal and plant kingdoms; that a universal energy, or spirit, connects every living thing; that an unseen world exists about us.

"If we open our minds," he implored, "we'll discover other dimensions."

Needless to say, the reverend's sermons created a ruckus in town. The church officials told him to tone things down. He complied for a bit, but then began quoting philosopher Henryk Skolimowski. "To worship God in our times is to save the planet," Rev. Gagnon often repeated on Sundays. He invited Anderson Smith to visit evening services to tell Indian creation stories and other myths. "We've lost touch with the primal being deep inside us that is connected to the Great Spirit that moves through everything on Earth," Anderson often said. Yet popular with those who attended, his comments raised even more eyebrows around town.

I suppose, though, when the reverend handed out free copies of Skolimowski's "A Sacred Place to Dwell" instead of Bibles, the church board had enough. Early one Sunday morning, the consistory called a special meeting. They intended to fire Rev. Gagnon.

NEXT WEEK - PART 6: BIG DECISIONS

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Poetry Corner

[Since feeling is first]

By E. E. Cummings

since feeling is first
who pays any attention
to the syntax of things
will never wholly kiss you;
wholly to be a fool
while Spring is in the world
my blood approves,
and kisses are a better fate
than wisdom
lady i swear by all flowers. Don't cry
—the best gesture of my brain is less than
your eyelids' flutter which says
we are for each other: then
laugh, leaning back in my arms
for life's not a paragraph
And death i think is no parenthesis

This poem is in the public domain. Published in Poem-a-Day on April 16, 2022, by the Academy of American Poets.

About this poem: "[since feeling is first]" appeared in Is 5 (Boni and Liveright, 1926).

About this poet: Born Edward Estlin Cummings in 1894, in Cambridge, Massachusetts, Cummings was a poet, essayist, novelist, and playwright from the Modernist movement. The poet and critic Randall Jarrell once noted that Cummings is "one of the most individual poets who ever lived—and, though it sometimes seems so, it is not just his vices and exaggerations, the defects of his qualities, that make a writer popular. But, primarily, Mr. Cummings's poems are loved because they are full of sentimentally, of sex, of more or less improper jokes, of elementary lyric insistence."

Indian Valley "Innovation Hub" Launching Soon

By JOHN STEFFANIC, FAIR MANAGER

Throughout the Western United States, it is very common to find the center of any emergency or crisis to be the local fairgrounds. They serve as evacuation centers for people and animals, fire camps, COVID testing and vaccination centers, cooling and heating centers, and even homeless shelters. The annual county fair is, of course, the "Super Bowl" event of these facilities, but the bulk of the use at a fairgrounds is serving the community with whatever it may need. In Plumas County, we are all too aware of how the needs of our community in crisis put aside the joy of many events, including our Fair. Two years in a row.

2022 looks like we will see our Fair return, along with many other events we all look forward to. As we shift back into what has always been "normal", the Plumas Sierra County Fairgrounds has taken a deep look into what it does, and what it should do. Make no mistake, the core purpose of a county fair is to share what a community makes, grows and raises. The fair judges and recognizes these products, as fairs have done for centuries. The goal of every message leading up to the fair is to encourage people to enter their flowers, vegetables, quilts and photographs. Perhaps we have become too complacent. Maybe we should be asking where the innovation is. Everyday items were once the most amazing innovations on earth; Cracker Jacks, the Ferris Wheel, Pabst Blue Ribbon beer, electricity for goodness sake! All introduced at a fair. Why not us?

And why not now? A series of circumstances might just point to now being the perfect time to innovate. The presence of the Dixie Fire Camp was certainly an economic help to the Plumas Sierra County Fairgrounds. The devastation of Indian Valley has created a no-less than "start from scratch" situation in that beautiful area. Since the ultimate goal of the fairgrounds is to show the world what its community makes, grows and raises, it only makes sense that the Plumas Sierra County Fairgrounds invests some of the funds it earned from the Dixie Fire Camp to do that. It also makes sense that since many people have lost their ability to can, sew, or grow, we have to start working together to innovate. And finally, if we put together the resources available at this moment in time, there is no reason we cannot create products that the world would want to know about. If we can do that, then the world will want to buy those things, and THAT'S how we start to rebuild economically.

Where do we start? The Plumas Sierra County Fairgrounds is proposing the creation of the Indian Valley Innovation Hub. In a nutshell, the goal is to organize a group of people to gather resources in the form of mentors, experts, tools, equipment, marketing, distribution, financing and branding to encourage the people in Indian Valley to innovate. What kind of products, or services can be developed with the knowledge and raw materials available right now in that community? Does the presence of burnt timber or small diameter trees present an opportunity for home accents, furniture or frames? Are there crops that grow especially well in Indian Valley that can be packaged, branded and sold to restaurants in North Tahoe? Those might be the stupid ideas! But every idea is worth a look.

There was an initial meeting to explore this concept on April at the Greenville Elementary School Cafeteria. Another will be held at this location on Saturday, April 30 from 11am to 1pm, with a presentation to be given on how an idea like this would be organized before the floor will be opened up to product ideas.

Attendees will be asked if they know of anyone who has expertise in certain areas; machine working, wood working, marketing, packaging, logistics or industrial design. They will be asked if they have or know where we can acquire tools and equipment for use in developing these projects. Most importantly, they will be asked to share ideas. There will be no need for a presentation, or explanation, just an idea. We will write it on some paper, and when we are all done, we will look at it and say, "Yeah, this is a good idea." or "We got nothing, let's look at something else." Either way is progress.

For more information, contact Fair Manager John Steffanic at (530) 283-6272, or visit plumas-sierracountyfair.net.

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On the Shelf

By PAUL GUFFIN

Earth and Its Day

As most of us possibly know, most of the planets in our solar system are named after Roman gods and goddesses (who, in their turn, were based on the Greek pantheon). Thus, moving outward from the sun:

- Mercury, which travels the shortest orbit of all the planets, is named after the Roman messenger god who was known for his ability to travel quickly, due to the wings on his feet;
- Venus, being the brightest object in our sky, is named after the goddess of love and beauty;
- Mars, also called the “Red Planet”, is named after the Roman god of war, red being the color of blood and war;
- Jupiter, the largest planet in the solar system, is named after the supreme god of the ancient Romans;
- Saturn, with its abundance of moons, is named after the king of the Titans, who ruled before Jupiter, and was also the god of agriculture and abundance;
- Uranus, which was originally named Georges Star after King George III of England, is named after the original Roman sky god;
- Neptune, thought for many years to lie on the edge of the solar system, is named after the Roman god of the sea; and,
- poor disrespected Pluto, dark and cold, is named after the brother of Jupiter and Neptune, and the god of the underworld.

Of course, taking its place between the orbits of Venus and Mars is Earth. This is where the “most of the planets” being named after Roman gods comes to an end, because the planet on which we live is the only one in our solar system that doesn’t have a Greek-Roman etymological heritage. Here’s how the naming of our planet is described on the “HowStuffWorks” website (<https://science.howstuffworks.com/who-named-planet-earth.htm>):

“The word “earth” has roots in the Old English term ‘eorþe.’ Eorþe had multiple meanings like ‘soil,’ ‘dirt,’ ‘ground,’ ‘dry land’ and ‘country.’ Yet the story didn’t begin there. Old English is the earliest known phase of what became our modern English tongue. Used until about 1150 C.E., it evolved from a parent language that scholars call ‘Proto-Germanic.’ The German that’s spoken today is part of the same linguistic family. ‘Earth’ and ‘eorþe’ are therefore related to the modern German word ‘Erde.’ Not only is this the German language’s name for our home planet, but it can also be used to refer to dirt and soil. Our dear Earth has relatives in some other languages, too. For example, there’s the Old Saxon ‘ertha,’ the Old Frisian ‘erthe’ and the Dutch word ‘aarde.’ All these likely descend from a Proto-Germanic term that was never recorded. (As far as we know.) Nevertheless, linguists have been able to go back and reconstruct this mystery word. Spelled ‘ertho’ in scholarly texts, it’s always preceded by an asterisk. This asterisk acknowledges the lack of written confirmation that the word was really used. Nobody knows when people started using words like ‘Earth’ or ‘Erde’ to refer to the planet as a whole and not just the ground they walked on ... if a single person gave planet Earth its English name — which is unlikely to say the least — his or her identity has been lost to the sands of time.”

This Friday, April 22, is the 52nd incarnation of Earth Day. As I contemplate how best to honor the Earth on that (and every) day, I remember a friend of mine, who is a songwriter of earthy subjects, and the opening words of his song, “The Earth Does Not Belong to Us”:

“The Earth does not belong to us. We belong to the Earth. Oh, let the animals teach you, the birds of the air, the plants declare!

The Earth does not belong to us. We belong to the Earth. Tell me, who had made the measure of the Earth you call your home?

Tell me, who prescribed the boundaries? Surely you know?

Is it all for human pleasure the oceans crash and foam And the rivers source the storehouses of snow?

Can your mind comprehend the vastness of the Earth? You did not weave the web, you’re merely a strand.

Were you there to lay the cornerstone?

Was it you who drew the line, beyond which we cannot understand?”



A short alert to our far-flung readers
Feather has returned from her annual vacation, so
Downieville's venerated kitchen

Cocina de Oro

is once again serving lunches and dinners.
She's open from Thursday - Sunday.

Hurray!

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Sports

By TESSA JACKSON

Something crazy happened last week. I was having so much fun watching basketball at the St. Charles on Tuesday night, I forgot I write a sports column for the newspaper. Sorry, Carl! I guess NBA playoffs will do that to me. I absolutely love NBA playoff time, there are so many exciting moments and you never know what will happen - any team can win on any given day. Like you can think a bet on the Memphis Grizzlies to beat the Minnesota Timberwolves would be a sure thing, but you would be wrong. The Timberwolves could shock everyone and beat the No. 2 seeded Grizzlies by 13 (!), only to lose to the Grizzlies by 28 in Game two (why couldn't I have bet on that game instead?) I watched an amazing game between the Brooklyn Nets and the Boston Celtics that came down to the last second - check out the rest of the series between those two if you want to see some exciting basketball. And this Tuesday it was a shootout between the number one team in the league, the Phoenix Suns and the No. 8 seeded New Orleans Pelicans. There were eight ties and 20 lead changes in that game, it seemed like neither team could miss. How many times can a person yell “Oh!” in 30 minutes? Let me tell you, it’s a lot. Unfortunately Suns guard, Devin Booker, injured his hamstring in the 3rd quarter. I can’t say that is the only reason the Pelicans ended up winning, because they were making all their shots, but it can’t have hurt. I really hope Booker ends up being ok, because the playoffs wouldn’t be as great without him. One way or the other, you will not catch me at the St. Charles or in this space next week because I will be Disneyland then!

Feather River College's Baseball Team Soaring High

(Quincy) The Golden Eagles, a perennial powerhouse in the Golden Valley Conference during baseball coach Terry Baumgartner's tenure at Feather River College in Quincy, are having another stellar season.

On the strength of good defense, speed on the bases, powerful hitting, plus excellent pitching from both their starters and relievers, the team has won 29 of its 36 games since the 2022 season began in February. Moreover, the Golden Eagles are currently leading Golden Valley Conference by four games with a 20-1 record. and, during their current six game winning streak, they brought Baumgartner his 800th victory as a college baseball coach.

With their regular season closing out next week with two games at Lassen College, they will be playing the second place team in the conference, Butte College, this Friday and Saturday in Quincy.

With one win over the course of the these four games, the team will clinch the 12th Golden Valley Conference championship during Baumgartner's 14 years as the Golden Eagle's coach.

Scott Jones Interview

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fornia Rifle and Pistol Association. He has issued roughly 12,000 – 13,000 concealed carry permits to Sacramento County citizens, and he has yet to see any issues raised against this work. He also noted, criminals generally do not care about gun laws, and law-abiding citizens should not have their rights abridged because of criminals.

Rural broadband: Jones believes this is an important issue for rural citizens. It is a problem he has personally lived with at his house in Colfax and quipped, “HughesNet wasn’t all that good after all. In his opinion, better internet connectivity is going to become more critical as the average person’s life becomes more digital and rural areas should not be overlooked in this matter just because they have a lower population.

Forest management: Having recently lived through the River Fire burning almost to his back porch while torching his neighbors’ homes in Colfax, Jones is increasingly passionate about the forest management issue, which is new to him since “Sacramento County has no National Forest land”. Jones says there is no guarantee that this year’s fire season won’t be even worse than last year’s. The Forest Service needs to be better prepared to manage fires in remote areas while being more stringent about actively combatting them in the Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI).

Foreign Policy: Currently, Jones is the chairman of the Central California Intelligence Committee. Also, his department hosts the Regional Terrorism Threat Assessment Center. So, he has

firsthand experience with national security and foreign policy issues. He believes China is the most major adversary to the United States on the world stage. China, he said, is the puppetmaster behind Vladimir Putin and the Iranian Ayatollah, who themselves are not nearly as threatening. Jones’s thinks the United States needs to engage in some level of pushback against Chinese empire-building around the globe before we well and truly fall to second place on the world stage and are too compromised to form any opposition.

Do you have any sort of personal connection with the rural Sierra Nevada?

Sheriff Jones has become more familiar with rural areas since moving into Placer County (Foresthill, Weimar, most recently Colfax). But, he has little connection to the far-flung rural reaches of the Third District – something he aims to correct while on the campaign trail.

How do you intend to represent the rural Sierra Nevada's interests in Congress?

If elected, Jones intends to establish robust lines of communication with the people in this district to make sure ordinary citizens' concerns are heard in Washington. As for areas like Sierra County, Jones says they are justified in feeling overlooked and underappreciated. He wants to make sure their voices are heard as much as those in Placer and Sacramento counties. Thus, to best represent CD-3, Jones would like to make his way onto the Natural Resources Committee in Congress, in addition to serving on the Judiciary and

Here Back East

By LENNY ACKERMAN

Dipping My Toes in the Water

At the end of my recent column, Camp Beginnings, I dipped my toes in the water off the dock at camp and drifted into a blissful state of mind, a quiet moment absent of the stress of everyday life as I know it. My old friend and dutiful reader, Jay, a retired surgeon living in New York City, commented after reading the column, “Why do you find happiness in the wilderness of Maine?” What motivated me to spend clips of time over the summer months at Camp Kabrook, going back and forth between there and New York, to a place that was remote and often complicated and time consuming to get to? Why was it worth it? I must look back for the answer, back over my 82 plus years, to a starting point in time in the early 1950’s, when I begged my parents to sign me up for two weeks of sleepaway camp at Camp Seneca on Seneca Lake, a day’s bus ride from my hometown of Rochester. It was there in nature, in the beauty and the challenges I faced in the woods and the waters of upstate New York that I saw clearly what life could and would be—to come of age and to be “my own” person. I was no longer Marty’s kid brother but an individual—albeit still a youngster and a pimply immature kid, but it was the start of something. Being on my own in the woods in a tent with new friends and young girls not far off was thrilling. The water activities at Seneca Lake drove me to push my physical effort to new limits. I felt a new excitement for adventure. The most exciting adventure was a trip to Seneca Falls in a war canoe—a vessel big enough to hold 12 kids and supplies—several miles away. It was the ultimate physical challenge. To qualify for the trip, I had to swim out to a dock anchored in the middle of the lake. The level of endurance required was beyond anything I had felt before. In terms of physical activity, my only basis of comparison was summer softball at the Kodak Park Athletic League. Only a handful of us campers were able to qualify, and I was elated to be among the chosen. This experience instilled in me a deep sense of confidence and accomplishment, both inextricably linked with the outdoors. Thus began my lifelong love of the water and wilderness.

Later in life, after college, everyone moved into apartments in the city. I never felt completely settled, a sense of wanderlust always churning to live beyond the concrete and glass. I needed grass and sunshine upon waking. My motivation to move to East Hampton with my young family, although driven by my wish to control my own destiny, was also in large part to experience the ocean and open spaces.

In later years, my passion for fly fishing was, now in hindsight, more about the journey and not the destination. It was less about catching fish and more about getting back to the wild. My camp was not a destination initially. I stumbled upon it, on the way to a fishing trip in Canada with friends Lori and Ted, who happened to have a family camp on East Grand Lake, where we stopped en route. It was that sea plane ride, landing at the dock of the camp next door to theirs, with a turned over For Sale sign, that hooked me on the idea of my own wilderness camp in Maine. I had read a lot about fishing camps and have a slew of design books on camp design and architecture. In fact, I once had an architect design a camp for a waterfront site on the West Branch of the Delaware that I wanted to buy, but never did. Later, after visiting Blueberry Farm outside of Knoxville, Tennessee, I had an architect draw plans to replicate a fishing camp for my property in the Hamptons. Neither of these camps were ever built—my destiny it seems, was Maine. I suppose it has always been my desire to recapture some of the magic of Camp Seneca. I only needed the right place, and I found it on East Grand Lake.

Camp is more than a place to fish the morning lonely. I share the love of the water with my family- my girls and my grandchildren, my Patti, friends Lore and Ted and numerous others who drive the distance to walk down to the dock and dip their bare feet into the quiet waters of East Grand Lake and dream like I do.

Homeland Security committees.

Do you have any ideas for how to help the Sierra recover from wildfires? Specific legislation?

Jones wants to work to make sure that relief is available to fire victims and that they have the means to rebuild their lives without being displaced out-of-state the way that victims of the Camp Fire were in 2018, and would like to encourage the Forest Service to double down on mitigation efforts on public lands to avoid further blowing up the agency’s firefighting budgets, while pursuing better awareness of the dangers to people living in fire-prone areas, since “knowing is half the battle.”

Do you see any ways that the rural Sierra Nevada can diversify and rebuild its economy, and what could you do as a legislator to help?

In order to help the area diversify its economy and recover from the funk it fell into after the forestry and logging opportunities were “largely regulated out of existence,” Jones wants to pursue better lines of public comment and

dialogue in different parts of his district to find what individual strengths each community has to offer and capitalize on, instead of encouraging the entire district to pursue a one-size-fits-all solution that may not work in reality. Jones would also like to learn more about each community in order to better help them at the federal level with legislation or advocacy for their issues.

Would you be willing to return to Plumas and Sierra counties for one or multiple candidate forums, hosted by local entities such as the League of Women Voters or the Mountain Messenger?

Absolutely.

The Mountain Messenger thanks Scott Jones and Kyle McDonald for agreeing to this interview. Cynthia Kauri of the San Diego County GOP for putting us in touch with them, and the Gold Nugget Republican Women for hosting us and feeding our intrepid reporter a free tri-tip steak lunch.

Sheriff's Log

By Jen Henneke

Monday, April 11

08:47 - There was a juvenile issue.
11:55 - In Verdi, a controlled burn was taking place but due to winds, it may have needed to be extinguished. Truckee Meadows continued to monitor the weather and fire conditions.

Tuesday, April 12

07:53 - In Sierra City, 911 hang up with static on the line had struck again. A Deputy checked the area and the roadway was snow covered and showed no signs of any activity.
10:08 - In Goodyears Bar, a Deputy stand by was requested to ensure compliance with county codes.
11:53 - In Loyalton, there was a report of theft on Wrangler Road.
12:38 - In Verdi, there was a report of a reckless driver out of Nevada. The reporting person was told to contact Nevada law enforcement.
14:02 - In Sattley, an individual requested assistance removing a car stuck in the snow. Tow truck information was offered but refused by the reporting person.
15:00 - In Loyalton, a civil dispute occurred. The SCSO provided the parties with information for any future civil issues.
15:15 - In Sierra City, there was a single vehicle, non-injury accident. CHP handled the call.
17:46 - In Goodyears Bar, there was a report of a possible house fire that turned out to be a possible chimney fire.

Wednesday, April 13

09:06 - In Downieville, the school had a fire drill and forgot to inform SCSO. Oops!
15:35 - In Loyalton, there was suspected welfare fraud.
18:08 - In Loyalton, a citizen had some questions for the SCSO.
19:32 - In Camptonville, a fire alarm was sounding at a residence. Agency requested a water tender. I hope all was okay.
20:53 - In Loyalton, there were some people walking suspiciously.

Thursday, April 14

08:12 - In Downieville, someone broke into the Ramshorn Transfer Station.
10:54 - In Sattley, a FedEx truck was stuck on the highway blocking traffic. CHP responded.
17:08 - In Downieville, Sergeant Crawford was working on a confidential investigation.
17:33 - In Downieville, a report of an audible alarm was sounding at Downieville Motors.
17:47 - In Goodyears Bar, there was a vehicle accident with unknown injuries. CHP handled.
22:45 - In Pike, there was a report of street racing.

Friday, April 15

04:46 - In Goodyears Bar, there was a 911 request for an ambulance.
12:10 - In Loyalton, Eastern Plumas Health Care Ambulance provided someone back up.
19:55 - In Sierra City, the 911 hang up has struck again.
20:22 - In Downieville, an accidental 911 call and hang up. The caller was safe and sound.

Saturday, April 16

12:53 - In Loyalton, Sergeant Crawford was working on a confidential investigation.

Sunday, April 17

01:19 - In Chilcote, someone was arrested for driving under the influence.
20:42 - In Sierraville, there was a report of a dead deer on the roadway between Truckee and Sierraville. The deputy was unable to locate. The Mountain Lion clean up crew got there before the deputy.
22:52 - In Sierra City, the 911 hang up with static is at it again.

Total Reported: 29



CRIMINAL CASE UPDATE MARCH 2022

By SANDRA A. GROVEN, SIERRA COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

People v. Natashia Michelle Palmer (20CR0057)

On March 8, 2022, Natashia Michelle Palmer, was convicted of possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine), a violation of Health and Safety Code section 11377(a). She was sentenced to 30 days jail, placed on one year probation and ordered to pay a fine of \$235.00.

People v. Glenn Robert Marin (21CR0080)

On March 8, 2022, Glenn Robert Marin, was convicted of violating Vehicle Code section 23152(g), driving while under the influence of a controlled substance. He was sentenced to 2 days jail, 3 years probation, attend a DUI class, and ordered to pay a fine of \$1,860.00.

People v. Wenseslao Soto Mendoza (21CR0060)

On March 11, 2022, Wenseslao Soto Mendoza, was convicted of violating Health and Safety Code section 11358(c) cultivation of marijuana. He was sentenced to one year probation and ordered to pay a fine of \$2,185.00.

People v. Beau Parker Coursey (21CR0033)

On March 22, 2022, Beau Parker Coursey, was convicted of violating Vehicle Code section 23103.5, a wet reckless. He was sentenced to one day jail, placed on 18 months probation, ordered to take a DUI class and pay a fine of \$1,409.00.



HAPPY CINCO DE MAYO

Dear Chamber Members, Neighbors, Friends, & Guests,

You are cordially invited to the Spring Sierra County Chamber of Commerce Mixer & Membership Meeting!
Open to all who wish to attend. Please come to meet others in your community and to support Sierra County local organizations and businesses. There will be food and a no host bar!

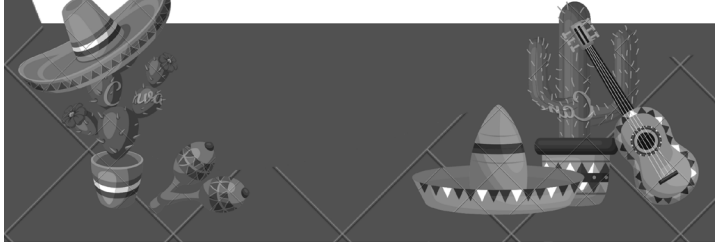
THE DRIFTERS TABLE

820 MAIN ST, LOYALTON

6:00-8:00PM, WED. MAY 4

FOR INFO: 530-862-1151

INFO@SIERRACOUNTYCHAMBER.COM



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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Sierra County Board of Supervisors is seeking interested persons who would like to serve on the following:

Sierra County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council - (2 Vacancies)

Two (2) vacancies of a eleven (11) member board created to develop a comprehensive, multiagency plan that identifies the resources and strategies for providing an effective continuum of responses for the prevention, intervention, supervision, treatment, and incarceration of male and female juvenile offenders, including strategies to develop and implement locally based or regionally based out-of-home placement options for youths who are persons described in Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

The membership of the Council consists of the chief probation officer, as chair, and one representative each from the district attorney's office, the public defender's office, the sheriff's department, the board of supervisors, the department of social services, the department of mental health, a city police department, the county office of education or a school district, and an at-large community representative. The coordinating council is also required to include representatives from nonprofit community-based organizations providing services to minors; a community-based drug and alcohol program, and an at large community representative.

The board is currently seeking one (1) member from each of the following: nonprofit community-based organization providing services to minors; and an at large community representative.

For additional information regarding the Sierra County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council please contact the Sierra County Clerk or the Sierra County Chief Probation Officer at 530-289-3277.

FINAL FILING DATE: Open until filled

APPOINTMENT will be made at the next appropriate meeting of the Sierra County Board of Supervisors.

PERSONS INTERESTED in serving may submit an application which can be obtained from the Sierra County Clerk, Courthouse, P.O. Drawer D, Downieville, California, 95936 or from the County Clerk-Recorder's website at:

www.sierracounty.ca.gov

If further information is required, contact the Clerk-Recorder at (530) 289-3295.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SIERRA COUNTY FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION (1 Vacancy)

One (1) vacancy of an alternate position created by Resolution 2007-050 allowing the appointment of an alternate member to this five-member board established to advise and make policy recommendations to the Board of Supervisors with regard to matters that directly affect fish and wildlife in the County. The alternate may attend all meetings of the Fish and Game Commission and shall be a voting member only when one of the other members of the Commission is absent from a Commission meeting. The Commission shall carry out programs that promote and enhance fish and wildlife resources. Applicants must be a resident of the county.

FINAL FILING DATE: Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. in the Office of the County Clerk, Courthouse, Downieville, CA.

APPOINTMENT: Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at the regular meeting of the Sierra County Board of Supervisors to be held in Downieville.

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At the Firehouse

By VICTORIA TENNEY

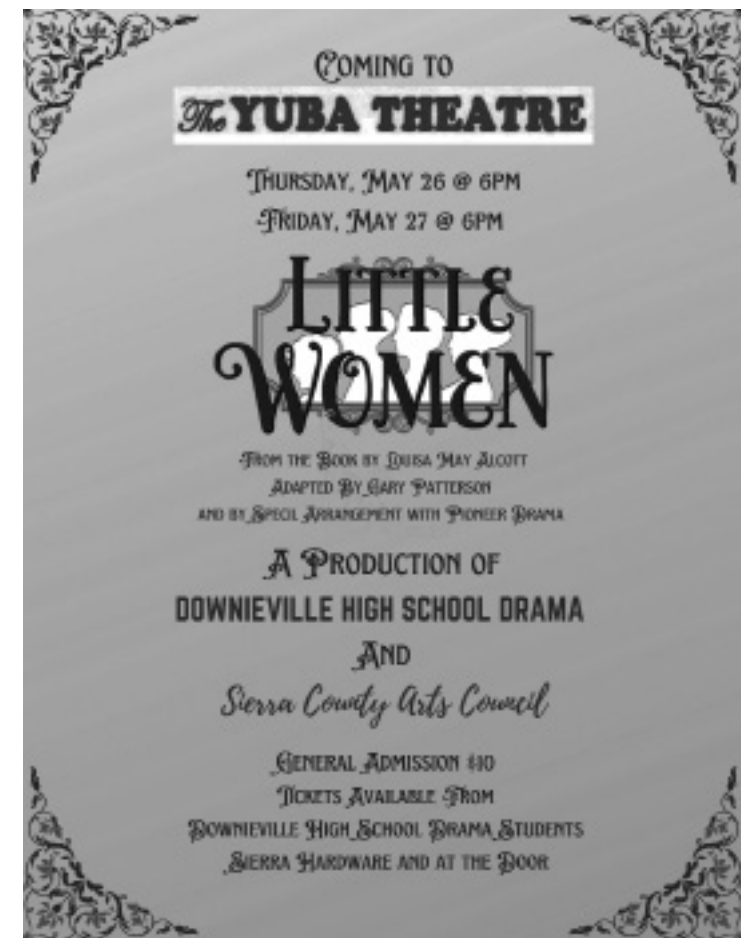
ALLEGHANY: April 11th - Firefighters trained in Pike City.
DOWNIEVILLE: April 12th - Responded for a Medical Urgent Care incident; responded for a possible structure fire - canceled; responded for a Medical Urgent Care, a person with a broken finger - complete. April 13th - Responded for four (4) Medical Urgent Care incidents. April 14th - Responded for a Medical Urgent Care incident; responded for a vehicle accident. April 15th - Responded for a person who was having chest pains, and they were to be transported to the Enloe Hospital. Then they decided to rendezvous with an ALS ambulance, and transported the patient to the hospital in Marysville. April 17th - Work party to set-up the Easter Egg Hunt; Easter Egg Hunt.


LOYALTON: April 10th - Responded to elderly person's fall, Loyalton. April 15th - Lift assist, west of Loyalton.

PIKE CITY: April 11th - Firefighters trained. April 13th - Mutual aid response to Camptonville for a residential fire alarm sounding - canceled.

SIERRA CITY: All's quiet..... No training, no meetings, & no emergencies....

SIERRA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #1 (CALPINE, SATTLEY, & SIERRAVILLE): April 14th - Medical training in Calpine. April 15th - Fire education with Loyalton Fire Department & USFS in Loyalton for Pre-kindergarten and third grade children.





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Loyalton, CA 96118

Food Bank Assistance		
Community	Contact	
Alleghany/Pike	(530) 287-3040	Once a month
Calpine	(530) 616-0630	
Chester/Lake Almanor	(530) 258-2345	
Chilcote-Vinton	(530) 283-3546	
Downieville	(530) 289-3250	
Greenville	(530) 284-6353	
Loyalton Senior Center	(530) 993-4770	5 days a week
Loyalton/Sierraville	(530) 384-5718	
Portola	(530) 283-5515	
Sierra City	(530) 862-1052	
Sierra Valley	(530) 993-1110	

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Emergencies call 911.

Help Wanted

POSITION TITLE: CASA Program Manager, Plumas
REPORTS TO: Executive Director
COMPENSATION: \$17/Hour - \$20/Hour, DOE
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS: Medical, Dental, Vision and Life Insurance
JOB DESCRIPTION
 CASA Program Manager/Administrative Support
 40 hours per week.

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The CASA Program Manager is principally responsible for providing support to CASA Volunteers, ensuring that children assigned to the CASA program receive appropriate advocacy services. The CASA Program Manager is responsible for Volunteer training and supervision and for the coordination of cases.

SUPERVISES: CASA Volunteers

QUALIFICATIONS: The CASA Program Manager should have the following skills and experience:

- I. Bachelor's degree in human service-related field or equivalent combination of education and experience demonstrating the required knowledge, skills, and abilities to carry out the responsibilities of the CASA Program Manager;
- II. The ability to communicate with, supervise and empower CASA Volunteers to be effective in their roles--experience with Volunteers is preferred;
- III. The ability to work cooperatively with different types of personalities and individuals of diverse racial/economic/cultural backgrounds;
- IV. Knowledge and understanding of issues and dynamics within families relating to child abuse and neglect; knowledge of child development;
- V. Excellent oral and written communication skills;
- VI. Highly organized, self-motivated, team player;
- VII. The ability to coordinate and implement training;
- VIII. Ability to work and partner with local agencies and county offices, including, but not limited, Courts, District Attorney, Social Services, CPS, etc.
- IX. Basic knowledge of computers and word processing; and
- X. Commitment to Plumas CASA's mission, program goals and the mission of PCIRC.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

CASA STAFF, VOLUNTEERS & CASE SUPERVISION:

1. Leads the recruitment and screening potential CASA Volunteer candidates. Responds to inquiries regarding the CASA program and PCIRC in general, and disseminates program information, application procedures and applications to potential CASA Volunteer candidates:
 - a. Reviews applications, including references and all required record checks;
 - b. Conducts pre-training personal interviews to assess level of skills and qualifications of potential CASA candidates;
 - c. Participates in staff evaluation of Volunteer candidates for purposes of trainee selection;
 - d. Evaluates and monitors Volunteer recruitment with direction from the Executive Director;
 - e. Enters all relevant data into the CASA Management system database.
2. Arranges pre-service CASA training class schedule in accordance with Plumas CASA's approved curriculum:
 - a. Schedules class speakers and disseminate training schedule to all speakers and class participants;
 - b. Produces PCASA training manual & all required handouts;
 - c. Obtains facility, supplies and refreshments
 - d. Facilitates training classes;
 - e. Observes and evaluate applicants' class attendance and participation to assess acceptability as CASA Volunteers;
 - f. Evaluates and monitor training program;
 - g. Enters all relevant data into the CASA Management system database.
3. Arranges monthly in-service training opportunities for CASA volunteers:
 - a. Schedules outside speakers for in-service training classes each year;
 - b. Schedules at least 5 annual in-service training opportunities designed to provide case staffing/sharing/support between CASA volunteers;
 - c. Obtains facility, supplies and refreshments;
 - d. Facilitates in-service classes.
4. Provides supervision and support of Volunteers throughout the course of each case.
5. Develops and guides Plumas CASA Advisory Board including monthly Board Meetings and Trainings.
6. Provides monthly reports to the PCIRC Board of Directors as specified by the Executive Director.
7. Screens and assigns all cases referred to Plumas CASA:
 - a. Screens all cases using case priority assessment;
 - b. Sets up individual Volunteer and office case files;
 - c. Assigns cases to appropriate Volunteer according to the needs of the case and special skills or knowledge of the Volunteer.
8. Supervises and supports Volunteers;
 - a. Maintains up-to-date case and Volunteer personnel files in appropriate formats;
 - b. Assists Volunteers to develop case plans;
 - c. Remains available to assigned Volunteers for individual supervision with a minimum of two Program Manager contact every week for new Volunteers and two formal Program Manager contact every month for experienced Volunteers;
 - d. Attends court hearings;
 - e. Ensures adequate case coverage during absence of Volunteer or during process of case reassignment;
 - f. Maintains schedule of all court dates, and reviews, files and delivers court reports in a timely manner.
9. Evaluates Volunteers:
 - a. Oversees 6-month self-assessment for each Volunteer;
 - b. Conducts annual evaluation for each assigned Volunteer;
 - c. Maintains up-to-date personnel file for each Volunteer.
10. Performs additional duties as assigned by the Executive Director including, but not limited to:
 - a. Provides Family Treatment Court and/or Multidisciplinary Team staffing;
 - b. Provides office coverage;
 - c. Prepares articles for the Plumas CASA grants and materials;
 - d. Assists in presentations about the CASA program to recruit Volunteers and increase community awareness;
 - e. Serves as a liaison to community agencies and spokesperson for Plumas CASA;
 - f. Assists in maintaining and compiling data regarding children and Volunteers for quarterly and annual reports;
 - g. Assists in financial record-keeping duties in accordance with Financial Procedures;
 - h. Participates in program staff meetings;
 - i. Participates in program evaluation;
 - j. Pursues professional development opportunities as time and funding permits, with a goal of 20 hours per year;
 - k. Maintains knowledge of current significant theory, literature, and resources;
 - l. Synthesizes and transmits current knowledge to Volunteers;
 - m. Participates in CASA Network and State sponsored training and meetings when relevant to Volunteer training and management
 - n. Other functions as directed.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

Plumas CASA/PCIRC prohibits harassment and/or discrimination of any applicant or employee on the basis of race, religion, color, gender, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, or any other basis made illegal by the laws of the United States or of the State of California.

Applicants for this position should send a cover letter, resume and writing sample to:
 Scott McCallum, Executive Director,
 Plumas CASA/PCIRC
 PO Box 3005, Quincy, CA 95971

NO PHONE CALLS. ONLY COMPLETE PACKAGES WILL BE CONSIDERED. Position is open until filled.

Federal Targeted Airshed Grant Specialist

Salary \$48,422 - \$75,212 annual

The Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District is looking for a motivated individual to fill one position for a Federal Targeted Airshed Grant Specialist. The position will be located in Portola, California. This is a full-time position, however, the position is temporary and is slated to terminate at the end of the Federal Grant Period – October 31, 2026.

Under general supervision, this position, with assistance from other District staff will work with the many programs associated with the three grants The woodstove changeout program, woodshed program, enforcement of mandatory woodstove curtailment program, the chimney sweep voucher program, the weatherization program, the residential green waste program, and public education duties, where assigned; and to perform related work as required.

Applications are available on the District's Website at www.myairstdistrict.com Filing Deadline: Continuous, First screening of applicants will take place on April 22, 2022

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Minimum Qualifications: 3 years of restaurant experience or the aptitude required to do the work.

Please email your resume to sabismith@hotmail.com and explain what position your heart desires.

PEACE

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: AUTUMN'S BUTTER ME UP BAKERY

Full name of registrants: Autumn Long-McGie
 Registrant Address: 384 Commercial St., Downieville, CA 95936
 Business location: 384 Commercial St., Downieville, CA 95936
 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 322, Downieville, CA 95936
 Phone number: (952) 215-6995

This business is being conducted by: an individual
 The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/1/2022

/s/ Autumn Long-McGie
 This statement was filed in the office of Heather Foster, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder on: March 28, 2022 FILE NO: 2022001837
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LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant are doing business as: MOUNTAIN KIDS PLAYSCHOOL

Full name of registrant: Kristina Smith
 Registrant Address: 408 1st Street, Quincy, CA 95971
 Business location: 408 1st Street, Quincy, CA 95971
 Business Mailing Address: 408 1st Street, Quincy, CA 95971
 Phone number: (530) 957-0694

This business is being conducted by: an Individual
 The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/8/2022

/s/ Kristina Smith
 This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 4, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000065
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LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant are doing business as: HIGHWAY 36 GARAGE

Full name of registrants: Erica Carmichael
 Registrants Address: 948 Wolfcreek Road, Greenville, CA 95947
 Business location: 612 Main Street, Chester, CA 96020
 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1656, Clio, CA 96020
 Phone number: 530-310-1706

This business is being conducted by: Individual
 The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/21/2022

/s/ Erica Carmichael
 This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 21, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000078
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LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant are doing business as: JUANITA'S

Full name of registrants: Mary K. Potter, Don Potter, Wendy K. Parrish
 Registrants Address: 317 Main Street, Downieville, CA 95936
 Business location: 336 Main Street, Downieville, CA 95936
 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 205, Downieville, CA 95936
 Phone number: (530) 289-0289

This business is being conducted by: Co-partners
 The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 2/2/2010

/s/ Mary K. Potter, Don Potter, Wendy Parrish
 This statement was filed in the office of Heather Foster, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder on: March 31, 2022 FILE NO: 2022001838
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LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant are doing business as: 86 PROOF PRODUCTIONS

Full name of registrants: Michael Breedlove
 Registrants Address: 339 Pine Street, Clio, CA 96106
 Business location: 339 Pine Street, Clio, CA 96106
 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 331, Clio, CA 96106
 Phone number: NA

This business is being conducted by: Individual
 The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: NA

/s/ Michael Breedlove
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12 Step Meeting - Downieville, Tuesdays, 5:00 P.M. in the Library at 320 Commercial St.

Open AA Meetings—Pike City, Thursdays, 5:30 P.M. at the Pike City Fire House on Ridge Road.

Closed AA Meetings—Sierra City. For information, call (530) 862-1193 or (530) 862 1332.

AlAnon Meetings—Downieville, Tuesdays, noon, in the back room of the Masonic Hall.

Alleghany County Water District—Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month, 6 P.M. at the Firehouse. 105 Plaza Court. alleghanywater.org.

Alleghany Volunteer Fundraising District—Meets 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6 P.M.

Calpine Community Fire Association—Meets 1st Tuesday of each month, 6:30 P.M. at the Calpine Community Center. For information, call (530) 320-0764.

Calpine Elks—Bingo Second & Fourth Saturday from 12-4 p.m. at Calpine Elks Lodge (72182 Hwy 70, west of Portola, next to the Chalet View).

Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department Training—Thursday evenings, 6 P.M. at the Mill Street Fire Station.

Downieville Lions Club—Meets 3rd Monday of each month, 6:00 P.M. at the Masonic Hall. For more information, all (530) 289-3632.

Downieville Fire Protection District Board—Meets 3rd Wednesday of each month, 5:30 P.M. at the Community Hall.

Downieville Fire Protection District—EMS Training 4th Thursday of each month, 6 P.M. at the Community Hall; Fire Personnel Training for New & Ongoing Fire Fighters 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month, 5:30 P.M. at Station 1 (next to the Community Hall).

Golden Rays—Morning Yoga, Mondays and Wednesdays, 8 A.M. at the Downieville Community Hall. Bring a mask and a mat.

Gold Nugget Republican Women Federated—Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month from April through October, 11 A.M. Venue varies each month. For further information, please contact Mary Ervin, President, at (916) 549-4905, or Candy Corcoran, Membership Chair, at (530) 993-4633.

Pliocene Ridge Community Services District—3rd Thursday of each month, 6:30 P.M. Alternates between Alleghany and Pike. plioceneridge.org Pike City and Alleghany Fire Departments train Mondays, 6 P.M. Volunteer firefighters needed, training and gear provided. Send an email to: plioceneridge@gmail.com for more info.

Plumas-Sierra Cattlewomen—For info contact Flinda France, (530) 258-6522

Sierra County Fire Safe & Watershed Council—Meets quarterly, 10 A.M. to noon. Location to be announced at www.scfswc.com.

Sierra County Democrats—Meetings held last Sunday of each month. Call (530) 862-1475 for time and location.

Sierra County Fish & Wildlife Commission—Meets 4th Tuesday of each month, 5:30 P.M. (except December). Call for location (530) 993-6051

Sierra Valley Resource Conservation District—Meets 1st Wednesday of each month, 10 A.M. Call (530) 993-6051 for location.

Sheriff's Search and Rescue—2nd Saturday of each month, 10 A.M. at Sheriff's Office. Call (530) 289-2890 for information.

Tai-Chi—Sierra City, Mondays and Fridays 9:30 A.M. at the Community Hall. Dee Wallace, (530) 862-1332.

Western Sierra Residential Center—Board meeting, 2nd Tuesdays of each month, 10 A.M. at the Transportation Center (Tommy's parking lot), Downieville. (530) 289-3250

To rent the **Downieville Community Hall**, call (530) 289-5110 or Email: DownievilleCommunityHall@gmail.com.

To rent the **Sierra City Community Hall**, call (530) 862-1580 during the evening.

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To rent the **North San Juan Senior Center**, call (530) 415-9705

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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California Highway Patrol - Grass Valley	477-4900
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CalTrans Downieville Maintenance Station	289-3214
Quincy Maintenance Station	832-4911
Sierraville Maintenance Station	994-3410
Downieville School	289-3473
Downieville Volunteer Fire Department	289-3333
Health & Human Services Dvl	289-3711
Loyalton	993-6700
Loyalton Elementary School	993-4482
Loyalton City Hall	993-6750
Loyalton Cop Shop	993-4479
Loyalton High School	993-4454
Loyalton Volunteer Fire Department	993-6751
Mental Health Services, Loyalton	993-6700
PG&E report outages	800-743-5002
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Plumas County Clerk-Recorder	283-6218
Plumas County Sheriff's Office (Front Desk)	283-6375
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Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital	274-6000
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1. MT&T Bank Corp (MTB) - \$176.34 (+8.825%)
2. International Business Machines (IBM) - \$138.22 (+7.1%)
3. HCA Holdings Inc (HCA) - \$275.16 (+5.039%)

Top Losers

1. Netflix (NFLX) - \$226.19 (-35.117%)
2. Match Group (MTCH) - \$84.62 (-9.893%)
3. Enphase Energy Inc (ENPH) - \$178.53 (-8.727%)

NASDAQ Market Movers - 4/20

Top Gainers

1. Intitive Surgical Inc (ISRG) - \$302.90 (+2.727%)
2. ASML Holding NV (ASML) - \$633.91 (+2.716%)
3. IDEXX Laboratories Inc (IDXX) - \$513.39 (+2.504%)

Top Losers

1. Netflix (NFLX) - \$226.19 (-35.117%)
2. Match Group (MTCH) - \$84.62 (-9.893%)
3. DocuSign Inc (DOCU) - \$92.74 (-9.105%)



California Hay Report - 4/15/2022

Compared to last week: Trade activity and demand were good. Retail hay prices were steady while dairy and export hay prices were 5.00 higher. According to the NASS report on April 11, 2022 in the Sacramento Valley, wheat crops in non-irrigated fields were looking under stress. Some wheat fields were being cut for hay. In the San Joaquin Valley, upland cotton planting finished, and pima cotton planting was near completion. In various areas of Tulare County, winter grains were beginning to be harvested for silage. Corn was being planted, with some starting to emerge. Wheat and alfalfa were doing well with the moderate spring weather. Alfalfa was being cut, dried, and baled. Wheat and oats winter forage crops continued to develop. Beds were being prepared in fields for row crops. The next available hay report will be April 22, 2022.

Direct Hay Weighted Average Report

Volume - California

This Week Last Reported Last Year

	This Week	Last Reported	Last Year
Tons of Hay:	5925	10400	5825
Tons of Straw:	125	500	0

Please Note: The above volumes (tonnage, acres, and bales) listed on this USDA LPGMN report are for confirmed trades only, it does not include estimated volume (tonnage) for bids or offers to the trade.

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News - https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams_2904.pdf



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Gulf Susanville	\$5.33	\$5.73	\$6.13
Chevron Lake Almanor Peninsula	\$5.49	\$5.99	\$5.99
Chevron Graeagle	\$5.89	\$6.19	\$6.19
Valero Herlong	\$5.69	\$6.09	\$6.19
Sierra Energy 7/11 Portola	\$5.75	\$6.15	\$6.29
Sinclair Verdi	\$4.99	\$5.19	\$5.29
Mobil Quincy	\$5.69	\$5.99	\$5.89
Chevron Quincy	\$5.79	\$6.09	\$5.99
Whites's Station Loyalton	\$5.59	-	\$6.19
Sierraville Service Sierraville	\$5.35	\$5.65	\$5.99
Lost Nugget Camptonville	\$5.89	\$6.20	\$6.20
76 Penn Valley	\$5.59	\$5.99	\$6.39
Nevada City Gas Nevada City	\$5.49	\$5.79	\$5.99
ARCO Grass Valley	\$5.63	\$5.93	\$6.39
Chevron Truckee	\$6.29	\$6.59	\$6.69

Prices courtesy of gasbuddy.com and phone calls to stations.

Commodity Prices

	Apr. 13 USD	Apr. 20 USD	Weekly Change	YOY Change
Gold USD/Troy Oz.	1978.58	1946.68	-1.29%	9.2%
Silver USD/Troy Oz.	25.71	24.761	-3.15%	-5.15%
Lumber USD/1000 BdFt.	884.70	995.60	+12.66%	-22.97%
Live Cattle USD/100 Lbs.	140.62	143.08	+1.74%	+19.45%
Milk USD/Hundredweight	24.22	24.31	-0.08%	+37.73%
Wheat USD/Bushel	1118.25	1087.25	-1.54%	53.12%
Corn USD/Bushel	783.50	808.00	+2.18	+24.14%
Coffee USD/Pound	225.65	220.00	-1.59%	+63.85%
Lithium USD/Ton	75767.09	NA	NA	NA
Aluminum USD/Ton	3238.00	3290.00	+0.14%	+39.84%
Nickel USD/Ton	32453.00	33464.00	+1.57%	+107.19%
Coal USD/Ton	312.00	333.00	+6.05%	+254.44%
Crude Oil USD/Barrel WTI	103.92	103.00	-3.02%	+67.95
Propane USD/Gallon	1.32	1.32	0.0%	+120.31
CRB Index Index Points	327.95	326.99	-0.29%	58.88%

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Notice of Vacancy and Provisional Appointment – District 2

A vacancy occurred on the Board of Trustees of the Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District for District 2 due to the resignation of Trustee Allen Wright on February 27, 2022.

The Board of Trustees made a provisional appointment of Tom Mooers to fill the vacancy. The appointment is effective as of April 12, 2022.

Unless a petition calling for a special election containing a sufficient number of signatures (Education Code 5092) is filed in the office of the Sierra County Superintendent of Schools within 30 days of the date of the provisional appointment, it shall become an effective appointment.



NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ELDA FAE BALL
CASE NUMBER: 22PR001
FILED: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SIERRA on April 12, 2022

- To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both: Elda Fae Ball
- A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Adrienne Garza in the Superior Court of California, County of Sierra
- The Petition for Probate requests that: Adrienne Garza be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
- The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
- The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
- A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
 - Date: 5/27/2022 Time: 10:00 a.m.
 - Address of court: 100 Courthouse Square, Suite 200, Downieville CA 95936
- If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
- If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
- You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
- Attorney for petitioner: Kelley R. Carroll/Porter Simon, P.C. (Address): 40200 Truckee Airport Road Truckee, CA 96161 (Telephone) 530-587-2002

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: MCKENZIE MOBILE NOTARIES
 Full name of registrant: Michelle McKenzie/ CGM Professional Services, LLC
 Registrant Address: 218 Lake Almanor West Drive, Chester, CA 96020
 Business location: 218 Lake Almanor West Drive, Chester, CA 96020
 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 527 Chester, CA 96020
 Phone number: (916) 838-0200
 This business is being conducted by: a Limited Liability Company
 The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/29/2022
 /s/ M. McKenzie
 This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: April 4, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000085
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LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: BUSY BEE SIGNS
 Full name of registrants: Shirley Pierson
 Registrants Address: 23 Crest View Drive, Quincy, CA 95971
 Business location: 23 Crest View Drive, Quincy, CA 95971
 Business Mailing Address: 23 Crest View Drive, Quincy, CA 95971
 Phone number: 530-283-0619
 This business is being conducted by: Individual
 The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: N/A
 /s/ Shirley Pierson
 This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: April 6, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000089
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LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: GORBET TRAILER RENTALS
 Full name of registrant: Gorbet, John
 Registrant Address: 601 Pehar Road, Chester, CA 96020
 Business location: Pehar Road, Chester, CA 96020
 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1391, Chester, CA 96020
 Phone number: (530) 816-0756
 This business is being conducted by: an Individual
 The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 4/13/2022
 /s/ John Gorbet
 This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: April 13, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000098
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Sierra Poetry Festival:
 April 30, 8:30 am - 7:30 pm
 at Miners Foundry in Nevada City**

(NEVADA CITY) The Nevada County Arts Council announces the culminating event of its sixth annual Sierra Poetry Festival. This day-long event will take place on Saturday, April 30th at the Miners Foundry Cultural Center, as National Poetry Month and Arts, Culture & Creativity Month collide and wind down following a month-long celebration of poetry.

During April local and regional poets of all ages will have been reading, reciting, or singing out their poetry at over twenty pop-up events across Nevada County – all leading up to a mainstage event on April 30th at the Miners Foundry in Nevada City. Attending will be some of our most exciting local, national and international poets and performers.

Nevada County Arts Council inaugurated Sierra Poetry Festival in 2017 alongside California Poet Laureate Dana Gioia. Eliza Tudor, Executive Director at the Council says: “It was a seminal moment for poetry in rural Northern California. Not only were we acknowledging our own rich culture of literary arts, but inviting some of the nation’s most inspiring poets and presenters. We were bringing poetry in from the margins. Five years on, and having thrived during the pandemic as one of the most successful online festivals nationwide, we are back in person.”

This year’s festival will welcome several leading figures in the literary world to Nevada County for the first time. Shangyang Fang and Jenny Qi will be joining as headliner poets alongside Amy Gerstler, celebrated author of Penguin's Index of Women, and Danusha Laméris, whose most recent book, Bonfire Opera, was winner of a 2021 Northern California Book Award.

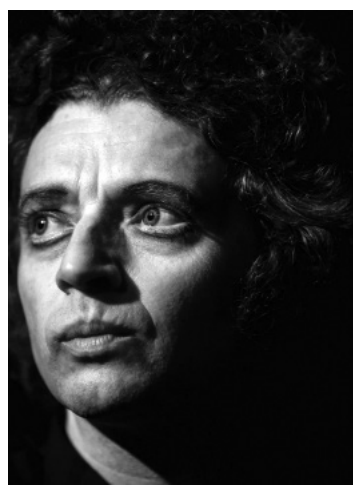


Danusha Laméris



Forrest Gander

Returning to the stage this year are Pulitzer Prize-winning poet, Forrest Gander, and former California Poet Laureate and National Endowments for the Arts Chair, Dana Gioia. Local veteran poets such as Doc Dachtler will be joining Sierra Poetry Festival, as well as Kirsten Casey, Nevada County Poet Laureate. “Perhaps one of the most unique elements of our festival is that it highlights poetry in all its forms, through music, film, dance and theatre. It really is an exceptional and participatory experience, with workshops of all kinds running throughout the day,” says festival director, Eliza Tudor. Kirsten Casey adds, “another unique aspect of our festival is our emphasis on youth participation. This year we look forward to welcoming our talented Poetry Out Loud finalists to the stage. Poetry Out Loud is a national recitation program that begins in our classrooms. For two years, our high school students have been isolated from each other and regular classroom activities. It’s a miracle to have them join us in such fine form, having thrown their hearts into their poetry. We hope many people will show up in support of them!”



Mikhail Usov

Amidst the many forms of poetry expression an attendee can expect is Poetry and The Clown, a segment performed by one of the most respected



Usov the "Fisherman" clowns worldwide, Ukrainian-born, Russian trained artist, Mikhail Usov. Usov worked with Cirque du Soleil to create

a new character called “Fisherman” which he performed as part of Totem from its premier in 2010 until 2019. Also at the festival will be an ensemble of dancers who will premier NXT WRLD MAP – a dance Inspired By Joy Harjo’s A Map To The Next World, and choreographed by Lisa Barker. Joining Barker will be Raquel Santiago Boluda, Azriel LaMarca, Eileen Jorgensen, Juliet Lin, Marni Marshall and Marcy Risque.

Nevada County Arts Council welcomes students free of charge, assuming they can share their ID. Similarly, it is partnering with the County of Nevada through its Military Appreciation Program through which it offers registered discounts and special offers for active military, veterans and Gold Star parents who show accepted forms of identification.

Kirsten Casey, Nevada County Poet Laureate, a program of the Council’s says: “We couldn’t be more grateful to our wonderful sponsors for this year’s festival. A special shout out to Coldwell Banker Grass Roots Realty Commercial Division, the Entekin Family Foundation, Caseywood, Volz Bros., The National Exchange Hotel, Grass Valley Courtyard Suites, and Elevation 2477’. When we support poetry, we invest in our youth, support positive dialogue, and shine a light on our amazing community as we emerge from a crippling pandemic.”

For more information about Sierra Poetry Festival, and to buy tickets, visit sierrapoetryfestival.org/tickets.

For more information about California Arts, Culture & Creativity Month, see NevadaCountyArts.org.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SIERRA COUNTY AWARDED CALIFORNIA FIRE SAFE COUNCIL GRANT

The grant-funded County Coordinator is key to enhancing Sierra County wildfire preparedness and resilience.

(DOWNEVILLE, CA, April 7, 2022)—Sierra County was awarded a \$175,000 California Fire Safe Council grant to fund two contract positions to assist with improving county-wide wildfire resiliency. The County Coordinator and Outreach Specialist positions will work within Fire Safe Sierra County (formerly Sierra County Fire Safe Council) to develop local collaboration between fire mitigation and emergency preparedness groups, communities, government agencies and stakeholders to enhance Sierra County’s wildfire preparedness and resilience. The County Coordinator will also serve as the Fire Safe Sierra County Council Coordinator during the term of the grant.

The County Coordinator and Outreach Specialist will coalesce the wildfire mitigation groups, assess constraints and needs regarding wildfire resiliency efforts, and make recommendations to address deficiencies in mitigation efforts. Based on data gathered during this collaboration, the County Coordinator will develop a multi-year “Wildfire Resiliency Program of Work” that identifies desired outreach, education, and wildfire mitigation activities, potential funding sources, anticipated timelines, and environmental compliance needs. This Program of Work will provide a framework, timeline, and strategic pathway for which Fire Safe Sierra County can continue to grow and enhance its role in helping Sierra County residents become better prepared for wildfire.

The funding of these positions will directly benefit Sierra County through improved communication and responsiveness to wildfire mitigation concerns; establishment of a collaborative framework inclusive of all county stakeholders; and development of resources to assist Fire Safe Sierra County in achieving its mission.

Tim Beals, Sierra County Director of Planning, stated “The Fire Safe Coordinator grant is one of several funding programs that the Board of Supervisors is pursuing to serve the County’s highest priority of protecting life and property from the devastating impacts of wildland fires. The current ‘County Coordinator Grant’ has allowed the County Fire Safe Council to benefit from the expertise afforded by its recently appointed Coordinator/County Forester, Danielle Bradfield of Feather River Forestry - to develop an extensive Program of Work that implements fire safe planning, landscape-based fuel treatments, public outreach, and a host of other projects aimed at fire resiliency and fire prevention”.

The grant funding for the County Coordinator will run through March 2023. This grant program is funded in full by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) as part of the California Climate Investment Program.

The Sierra County Fire Safe Council is a coalition of public and private sector organizations that share a common, vested interest in wildfire prevention and loss mitigation. The Council’s goal is to preserve Sierra County’s natural and manmade resources by mobilizing the public to make their homes, neighborhoods and communities fire safe. For more information on how to get involved, call the Fire Safe Sierra County voicemail at (530) 289-8025, visit the website at firesafesierracounty.org, or email at sierracountyfsc@gmail.com.

 The California Fire Safe Council goal “is to preserve California’s natural and man-made resources by mobilizing all Californians to make their homes, neighborhoods, and communities fire safe.”

<https://cafiresafecouncil.org/grants-and-funding/2021-county-coordinators-grant-opportunity/>

Endorsement Statement The views and conclusions contained in this document are those of the authors and should not be interpreted as representing the opinions or policies of CAL FIRE or the State of California. Mention of trade names or commercial products does not constitute their endorsement by the California Fire Safe Council or the State of California. Subrecipients must comply with requirements regarding nondiscrimination, accessibility, endorsement statements and funding source acknowledgements. Compliance includes using the above verbiage in printed materials, media messages, and public notices.



LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: AB’S LANDSCAPE
 Full name of registrant: Antonio Bautista
 Registrant Address: 234 Colina Court, Portola, CA 96122
 Business location: 234 Colina Court, Portola, CA 96122
 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 403, Portola, CA 96122
 Phone number: (530) 394-0230
 This business is being conducted by: an Individual
 The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/7/2022
 /s/ Antonio Bautista
 This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 7, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000061
Published in The Mountain Messenger: April 21, 28, & May 5, 12 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: WILL ANDERSON CARPENTRY
 Full name of registrants: Will Anderson
 Registrant Address: 58563 Rich Lane, Cromberg, CA 96103
 Business location: 58563 Rich Lane, Cromberg, CA 96103
 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 828, Quincy, CA 95971
 Phone number: (530) 394-0246
 This business is being conducted by: Individual
 The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 1/31/2022
 /s/ Will Anderson
 This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 14, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000069
Published in The Mountain Messenger: March 31 & April 7, 14, 21 of 2022

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Plumas Unified School District ("District"), acting by and through its Board of Trustees, hereinafter referred to as the DISTRICT will receive up to, but not later than **3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, 2022**, sealed bids for the award of a contract for the **Plumas Unified School District (PUSD) Building A & B Modernization Project at Chester Elementary School - Bid Package PU2022.5.23.B Mechanical**. Bids shall be received at the Plumas Unified School District office located at 50 Church Street, Quincy, CA 95971 and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time and place. Responses must be sealed and clearly marked **"Building A & B Modernization Project at Chester Elementary School- Bid Package PU2022.5.23.B Mechanical"**. Facsimile copies of the bid will not be accepted.

Each bid must conform and be responsive to this Notice to Contractors, the Information for Bidders, and all other documents comprising the pertinent Contract Documents. All interested parties may obtain a copy of the bid package from the Plumas Unified School District office located at 50 Church Street, Quincy, CA 95971 or via email request to brandy@crmgroupca.com. **The District and CRM Group shall not be held responsible for contractors receiving bid documents from any other entity, plan/bid exchange, or posting. All formal Bid Documents should be requested from CRM Group directly. Failure to contact CRM Group for comprehensive bid documents as CRM posts, shall not constitute grounds for a bid protest.**

The successful bidder shall commence work on or before **May 31, 2022**. All work shall be completed within **20 working days, and not later than August 19, 2022**. There will be a pre-bid walk at **Chester Elementary School, 158 Aspen St, Chester, CA, at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, April 25, 2022**.

In contracts involving expenditures in excess of \$25,000.00, the successful bidder shall file a payment and performance bond issued by an admitted Surety authorized to conduct business in California, in the form set forth in the Contract Documents. A payment bond may be required for contracts involving smaller expenditures at the option of the District.

All forms must be completed, signed, and returned with the bid. The contract award will be based on the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The lowest bid shall be the lowest total of the bid prices on the base contract. Minority, women, and disabled veteran contractors are encouraged to submit bids.

The contract is for a public work. Contractor and any subcontractor shall pay all workers on the project at least the general prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR") pursuant to Labor Code section 1770 et seq. Prevailing wage rates are available from the District or online at: <http://www.dir.ca.gov>.

No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal or awarded a contract for public work unless currently registered with the DIR pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the DIR.

All contractors and their employees may be subject to COVID-19 testing and vaccine verification per PUSD Appendix B – Health and Safety Protocols. The document can be viewed here: https://www.dropbox.com/s/5kxge925pncf5rq/PUSD%20Appendix%20B%20Public%20Health%20RTS%20QA%2018_22.pdf?dl=0

All contractors will be **required** to obtain Department of Justice and FBI fingerprint clearance prior to beginning any work on-site.

Each bidder shall be a licensed contractor at the time of bid pursuant to the Business and Professions Code and such license(s) shall remain in active and good standing for the duration of the contract. The bidder shall be licensed for **all work and individual disciplines within the entire scope of work**, and, at minimum, in one or more of the following classifications: **California C-20/C-4/C-38 license in good standing**.

Signed: D. Kevin Nolen, Construction Manager for
PLUMAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
50 Church St., Quincy, CA 95971

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The successful bidder shall commence work on or before **May 23, 2022**. All work shall be completed within **45 working days, and not later than August 19, 2022**. There will be a pre-bid walk at **Chester Elementary School, 158 Aspen St, Chester, CA, at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, April 25, 2022**.

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The contract is for a public work. Contractor and any subcontractor shall pay all workers on the project at least the general prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR") pursuant to Labor Code section 1770 et seq. Prevailing wage rates are available from the District or online at: <http://www.dir.ca.gov>.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Plumas Unified School District ("District"), acting by and through its Board of Trustees, hereinafter referred to as the DISTRICT will receive up to, but not later than **2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, 2022**, sealed bids for the award of a contract for the **Plumas Unified School District (PUSD) Quincy Jr/Sr High School Athletic Fields - Bid Package PU2022.9.31.A Grading / Storm Drain / Concrete**. Bids shall be received at the Plumas Unified School District office located at 50 Church Street, Quincy, CA 95971 and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time and place. Responses must be sealed and clearly marked **"Quincy Jr/Sr High School Athletic Fields - Bid Package PU2022.9.31.A Grading / Storm Drain / Concrete"**. Facsimile copies of the bid will not be accepted.

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The successful bidder shall commence work on or before **May 23, 2022**. All work shall be completed within **40 working days, and not later than July 29, 2022**. There will be a pre-bid walk at **Quincy Jr/Sr High School, 6 Quincy Junction Rd, Quincy, CA, at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, April 25, 2022**.

In contracts involving expenditures in excess of \$25,000.00, the successful bidder shall file a payment and performance bond issued by an admitted Surety authorized to conduct business in California, in the form set forth in the Contract Documents. A payment bond may be required for contracts involving smaller expenditures at the option of the District.

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Signed: D. Kevin Nolen, Construction Manager for
PLUMAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
50 Church St., Quincy, CA 95971

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE SALE - TS No. CA-21-294919-NJ

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-21-894919-NJ Order No.: 8771813 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/8/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the accrued principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **DAVID R. STORY AND MARIE I. STORY, TRUSTEES OF THE STORY FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST DATED FEBRUARY 27, 1998** Recorded: **11/15/2007 as Instrument No. 2007-0009288** of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **PLUMAS** County, California; Date of Sale: **5/10/2022 at 11:00AM** Place of Sale: **At the main entrance to the County Courthouse located at 520 Main Street, Quincy, CA 95971** Amount of accrued balance and other charges: **\$289,943.70** The purported property address is: **1 NON-GATI TRAIL, GRAEAGLE, CA 96103** Assessor's Parcel No. : **130-304-001-000** **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 **916-939-0772** for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the trustee: **CA-21-894919-NJ**. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. **NOTICE TO TENANT:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 916-939-0772, or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-21-894919-NJ** to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. The undersigned trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. **If the trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the mortgagor, the mortgagee, or the mortgagee's attorney.** If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting



LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant are doing business as: **HEAVENLY HOME ASSISTED LIVING**
Full name of registrant: **Lowell A. Young & Sarah M. Young**
Registrant Address: **321 Utah Street, Portola, CA 96122**
Business location: **321 Utah Street, Portola, CA 96122**
Business Mailing Address: **321 Utah Street, Portola, CA 96122**
Phone number: **(530) 832-5750**
This business is being conducted by: **a Married Couple**
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: **3/13/2017**
/s/ **Lowell A. Young & Sarah M. Young**
This statement was filed in the office of **Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder** on: **March 28th, 2022** FILE NO: **2017-0000063**
Published in **The Mountain Messenger: April 14, 21, 28 & May 5 of 2022**

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrants are doing business as: **DEACON WILDFIRE ENTERPRISE**
Full name of registrant: **Michael E. & Alyssa Deacon**
Registrant Address: **206 Calpine Ave., Calpine, CA 96124**
Business location: **206 Calpine Ave., Calpine, CA 96124**
Business Mailing Address: **P.O. Box 221, Calpine, CA 96124**
Phone number: **(530) 412-1509**
This business is being conducted by: **a Married Couple**
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: **N/A**
/s/ **Michael Deacon & Alyssa Deacon**
This statement was filed in the office of **Heather Foster, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder** on: **April 4, 2022** FILE NO: **2022001839**
Published in **The Mountain Messenger: April 21, 28, May 5 & 12 of 2022**

on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. Date: **Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio S San Diego, CA 92108 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 916-939-0772 Or Login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com> Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No.: **CA-21-894919-NJ IDSPub #0177589 4/14/2022 4/21/2022 4/28/2022****

Elements

Night Sky: International Dark Sky Week

The world is losing its night skies. An unintended consequence of the wonder of electric light is the loss of natural light from distant stars. Modern lighting has allowed us to work and live beyond the window of sunrise and sunset, and without the safety issues of candlelight. This new light can also bounce upward, where the glow of the Milky Way becomes harder to see.

To raise awareness about light pollution, International Dark Sky Week is April 22-30, 2022. It's a good time to learn how you can help your area have darker skies, and perhaps save a few dollars on power bills.

In big cities, some kids have never seen a truly dark sky. During the Northridge earthquake in LA, it's said, when the city went dark after the electricity grid failed altogether, people asked if the glow in the sky caused the earthquake. They were seeing the Milky Way for the first time!

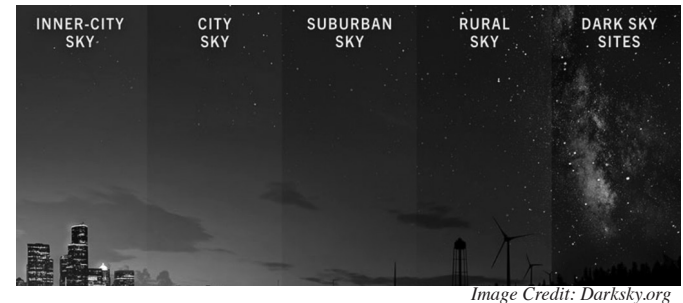
I would say parts of Sierra County would qualify for official dark sky status, likely those shielded from the glare of Sacramento, Reno, Grass Valley, and now Truckee I suppose. More at the official website: <https://idsw.darksky.org/>

Keep lookin' up — Collin O'Mara-Green

Sun & Moon

Date:		Thu. 4-21	Fri. 4-22	Sat. 4-23	Sun. 4-24	Mon. 4-25	Tue. 4-26	Wed. 4-27
Sun	Rise:	06:15	06:14	06:12	06:11	06:10	06:08	06:07
	Set:	19:45	19:46	19:47	19:49	19:50	19:51	19:52
Moon	Rise:	00:55	01:57	02:47	03:28	04:02	04:30	04:55
	Set:	09:57	11:04	12:15	13:28	14:38	15:46	16:52
	Illumination	72.2%	60.7%	48.9%	37.4%	26.7%	17.5%	10.0%

Source: <https://www.timeanddate.com/> using Calpine as a reference point. M = Moon does not pass the meridian on this day.



"Cityscape to the Milky Way"
 A lot of the outdoor lighting used at night is inefficient, overly bright, poorly targeted, improperly shielded, and in many cases, completely unnecessary. This light and the electricity used to create it are being wasted because it spills into the sky rather than being focused on the objects and areas that people need illuminated." — Darksky.org

Road/Trail/River Conditions

The rare, late winter storm arriving today with rain, snow and high winds is causing dangerous road conditions at higher elevations and Caltrans has warned motorists to simply avoid traveling. However, the extremely low probability of precipitation through the weekend and early next week indicate the period of weather-related hazards will be brief.

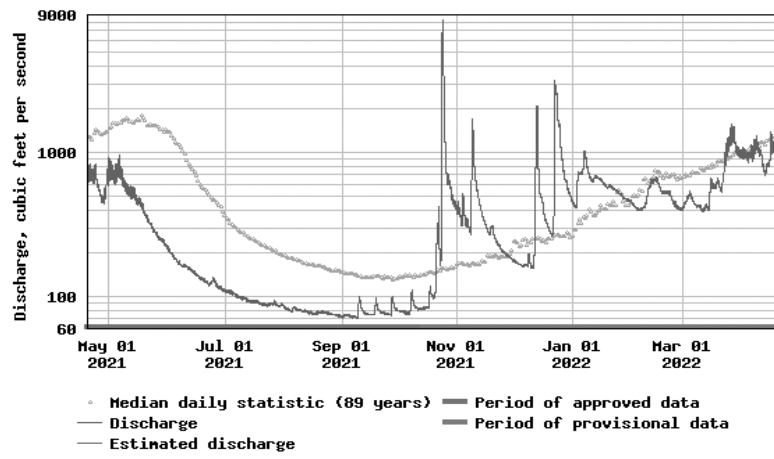
Meanwhile, while today's storm will certainly delay the opening of the mountain biking season, the rain and snow is likely to extend the period where kayakers and rafters can enjoy themselves on the creeks and rivers.

As the graphic to right shows, the storm is also doing a good job of raising water flow volumes above the historic norm for this time of year. As a consequence, the weather is pushing the onset of high wildfire danger out slightly.

Water Flow on the North Yuba River

April 20, 2021 - April 20, 2022

USGS 11413000 N YUBA R BL GOODYEAR'S BAR CA



Last Week's Weather

Courtesy of the Grubstake Saloon

Date	Hi	FE	Lo	FE	Precip.	Snow
Apr. 12	46	-10	31	-7	-	-
Apr. 13	48	-9	31	0	0.94"	1.5"
Apr. 14	33	-15	31	+1	1.03"	-
Apr. 15	55	+10	38	+5	1.38"	-
Apr. 16	50	-4	38	+3	0.09"	-
Apr. 17	65	+14	30	-1	-	-
Apr. 18	62	-1	42	+10	1.43"	-

F-forecast Error (FE) is found by subtracting the forecasted temperatures from the day's recorded value. M = Missing.

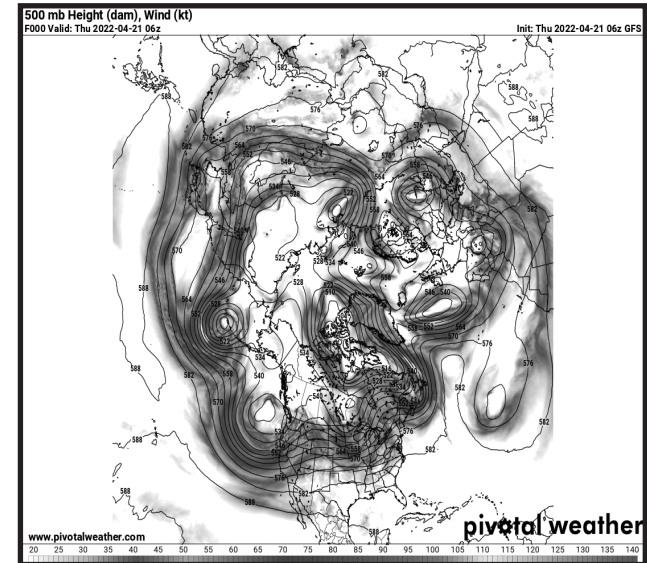
Seasonal Precipitation

July 1 to date	54.54"
To-date last year	31.23"
Yearly average	65.28"

7-Day Local Forecast

Towns	Info	Thu. 4-21	Fri. 4-22	Sat. 4-23	Sun. 4-24	Mon. 4-25	Tue. 4-26	Wed. 4-27
Downieville	High/Low (°F)	61/34	47/31	51/29	63/34	70/38	69/40	66/35
	Cloudiness (%)	93%	61%	5%	21%	40%	35%	19%
	Wind (mph)	S 11 mph	W 7 mph	NE-N 6 mph	NE-W 6 mph	SW 7 mph	SW 10 mph	SW 8 mph
	Humidity (%)	93%	88%	70%	54%	61%	64%	63%
	Chance of Precip.	74%	24%	0%	0%	0%	3%	1%
Loyalton	High/Low (°F)	M/32	43/26	46/24	55/27	63/33	65/38	61/33
	Cloudiness (%)	78%	51%	11%	14%	44%	26%	20%
	Wind (mph)	SW 14 mph	W 9 mph	NE-N 5 mph	E-SW 8 mph	SW 19 mph	SW 14 mph	SW 11 mph
	Humidity (%)	91%	74%	64%	53%	51%	54%	49%
	Chance of Precip.	64%	20%	0%	0%	0%	1%	3%
Quincy	High/Low (°F)	56/32	48/28	52/24	63/26	69/33	69/36	65/
	Cloudiness (%)	81%	51%	8%	21%	35%	29%	32%
	Wind (mph)	SW 13 mph	W 7 mph	NE 5 mph	NE-W 6 mph	S-SW 8 mph	SW 12 mph	SW 9 mph
	Humidity (%)	88%	83%	67%	65%	61%	65%	63%
	Chance of Precip.	63%	18%	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%

Source: <https://www.weather.gov/wrh/wxtable> [National Weather Service WFO STO 01:17 AM PST Thursday April 21, 2022] M=Missing



Jet Streams: April 21

Source: <https://www.pivotalweather.com/model.php>

Game Corner

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	2			6				7

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: N equals R

VUYGPU CMEC JEO KGYUX CZ
EVEI CZ MUBR MGI JGCM OZGB
IEGX CUXEXPU GX CMU KENVUX ZA
UVUX: E AGNOC-RUNOZX EUNECZN.

Last Week's Answers

1	7	4	5	6	9	2	8	3
8	5	2	3	1	7	6	9	4
9	3	6	2	8	4	7	5	1
2	4	1	6	9	3	8	7	5
3	8	5	7	2	1	9	4	6
7	6	9	8	4	5	1	3	2
5	1	3	9	7	2	4	6	8
4	9	8	1	3	6	5	2	7
6	2	7	4	5	8	3	1	9

CryptoQuip

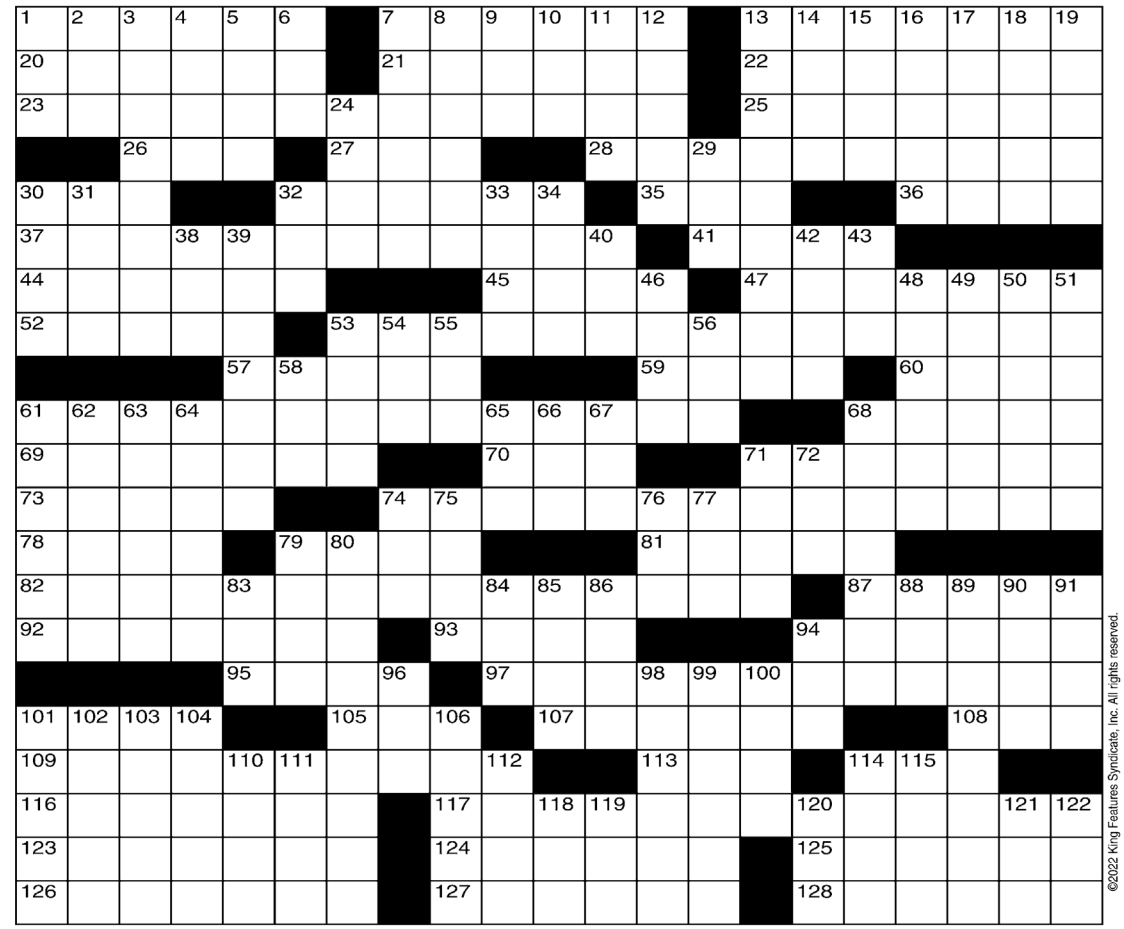
If somebody fails to properly care for something, there might be untended consequences.

MAD SUBSEA YKNOW SHOP
ERE ERRAND ECOLI TABU
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BAUER TIA AMP STEAM
ANGOLAANGORA SUBURBAN
SASHES ELIA PSI SANE
PRE GAMBIA GAMBIT
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ADAMS MIO TSAR SIN
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RADICAL TANYA DISEASE
AGE SEP MEXICOMEDICO
SAK STET DAP ENRON
ASAHIT SHA MALTAMANTIA
PANAMAPAJAMA MSS
AFAR LAW FITS IMLOST
RECIPTERS FRANCEFIANCE
RONAN ERA ITRV AMTHE
CONGOCONDO SPAINSPANW
LODI ONEIN PENCAM PAI
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Outlook
7 Opponents
13 Rolling Stones frontman's family
20 Despise
21 Funny in a twisted way
22 Shrinking salt lake in Asia
23 "Does this medication act as a sedative at all?"
25 French painter Henri
26 Pops
27 Dark warrior Kylo of sci-fi
28 Magical elixir that turns people into mouse-like rodents?
30 Sun or moon
32 People using paste
35 — Moines
36 26th letters, to Brits
37 The singer of "Kiss an Angel Good Momin'" was nosy?
41 Caustic liquid
44 Mogul
45 Football field
- 47 Loss of the sense of smell
52 Out of kilter
53 Upkeep of a kitchen stove?
57 Peter of Herman's Hermits
59 Freeman of "Angel Face"
60 "... roughly"
61 Landscaping tool used by a large company?
68 Culinary mushroom
69 Not ingested
70 Coll. in Lower Manhattan
71 First letter
73 Follies show that turns someone who rudely interrupts a chat?
78 Ruckuses
79 Teeny power source
81 Nation in "The Hunger Games"
82 Captured during a revolt?
87 Frosting tools
92 Bit of conjunctivitis medicine
- 93 Ballesteros of golf
94 Pages transmitted by PCs
95 Gave the heave-ho to
97 Cost to buy an airline ticket?
101 FBI workers: Abbr.
105 Cooke of soul
107 Actor Chuck
108 Small child
109 Arsons?
113 Some refinery input
114 Bummed
116 Emilio of Hollywood
117 Apt things to feel when solving this puzzle?
123 Really dumb
124 6-Down plus one
125 State tree of New Jersey
126 — Pilate (biblical official)
127 Most tender
128 Wisenheimer
- DOWN**
- 1 — Baba
2 "Mayday!"
3 Avenged
4 Kett of comics
5 Neighbor of Sudan
6 What X may mean
7 Creep higher, as shorts
8 Wrinkle remover
9 "I do," e.g.
10 Sothern of "Kid Millions"
11 Actor
12 Young cod
13 "Misery" star
14 Give — (care)
15 Cat, to Juan
16 Ostentatious showiness
17 "Charlotte's Web" actress
18 Turf anew
19 Camille
24 Annual: Abbr.
29 Meadow
30 Eight: Prefix
31 "Wide Sargasso Sea" novelist
32 With 118-Down, child of a boomer
33 Emma Peel player
34 Withered
38 Jane in court
39 Something hit by a basso
40 Lightly lit
42 Swenson of "Benson"
43 John in court
46 Title for 33-Down
48 Not rough
49 — Melodies (old toons)
50 Pant-leg line
51 Coral rings
53 Bicolor horse
54 Busy insect
55 Once named
56 Fish-fowl link
58 Some refinery input
61 Run, as an art exhibition
62 In the future
63 Rescind
64 Waited a bit
65 Ltr. holder
66 Henna or anil
67 Chap
68 Orange Bowl loc.
71 Motels
72 San Francisco's — Valley
74 Astros, on scoreboards
75 Rock blasters
76 Unseal, in poetry
77 Old Egypt-Syr. alliance
79 "Life is like — of chocolates"
80 They're large in large-print materials
83 Pro-gun org.
84 Sports arbiter
85 Tennis' Lendl
86 Blood fluid: Prefix
88 Coral islet
89 Way out of a building
90 Nevada city on I-80
91 USAF NCO
94 Bad grades
96 Flow barrier
98 Wears away
99 Set straight
100 Movie
101 Tons
102 Painter's undercoat
103 Tarte — (apple treat)
104 Artery insert
106 Some viral trends
110 Roman 107 lens solution
112 Farm tower
114 Banana part
115 Verdi opera
118 See 32-Down
119 Eden evictee
120 Hosp. areas
121 Cable TV's — Geo Wild
122 Cloud's place



From the Woods — Scott Alexander, Part 2

There was an incident with Muggs Wilcox. I bucked logs for him when it was real slow one year and I didn't have a Cat job. I was pretty young, maybe in my mid-twenties, and we had this great big tree, a big Doug Fir about five- to six-foot through, that was leaning over the power lines. He was going to get somebody to get the loader and push on it. I had pushed trees with loaders before, but this was a huge tree and we had a 977 loader. The loader operator was pushing it and Muggs was cutting it, I was just watching, because I was going to buck it. All of a sudden that tree starts pushing back on the loader as Muggs was cutting it, and it is hanging over the power lines. They told me to get the Cat, and so I got it, and I was right underneath the lines with this five-foot Doug Fir hanging over me, and I was pushing on the loader. The 977 had a winch on the back of it, and finally the 977 and I were able to push that tree over. Pretty scary moment for me.

I rolled a Cat one time, I was on a real steep side hill. Instead of going back, like I should have, I went forward, and there was a stump in front of me, and it flipped the Cat over. I had battery acid all over my pants. It didn't hurt me and we fixed the Cat. We flipped it back over and went back to work.

There was another incident with "Lucky" Gillette. He was the Forest Service guy on this job and I had loaded for Jerry Jenson for many years with Robinson. Lucky, Jerry and I were talking about the job and the faller was working close by. He loses a tree and is yelling, "Look out, Look out!" Me and Jerry took off running sideways, and Lucky Gillette went underneath the pickup. The tree hit the pickup and messed Lucky up pretty bad—he was hurt pretty bad.

I did three years working on a helicopter job and I was loading trucks in the landing. I had this one kid that was pretty heavy, he

was a new guy and they wanted me to see how he worked. I had three or four guys watching him all day, a couple of saw guys and choker rollers. I told them that this guy isn't going to make it, he's not fast enough, he's too big. They told me that they would take him and put him to work in the woods. It was about a week later that he got killed. It was a real steep hill with the helicopter working. When you work real steep ground, the fallers start at the bottom and work their way up. But to get the logs out, you start at the top and work your way down, to keep the danger below you the whole time. Apparently, this was big timber and the helicopter picked up some logs and kicked another log loose. This guy was underneath and it was the log it kicked loose that got him. It took a while to find him, because they couldn't reach him on the radio.

Everybody was searching and couldn't find him, and they thought that maybe he just ran off. About an hour later we started looking under logs and they found him. I will never forget that! The funeral was so bad. It just broke your heart, because he was only about 18 at the time. It still gives me chills thinking about it, it was so very sad.

I fell timber for one year with Don Southworth. We worked for Gene Elliott and it was right up at North Columbia. I would fall

and Don would buck and limb. We would do that for a couple of days. Then I would get the Cat and Don would set chokers. We would get them in a deck and I would round up trucks and he would bump knots. It was a two-man job all summer. I had a few close calls falling timber that summer and I just thought, you know what? I don't want to do this for the rest of my life. I still liked the woods, but I didn't want to do that every day. I still go out and cut trees down here and there, but not all the time.

In the loader you were the quarterback of the crew, and while dealing with the Cats and trucks, you had to be there and wait for this truck. Running a feller buncher was cool. With the feller buncher you were just pretty much on your own, as long as you stayed ahead of the crew. You could leave early if need be, or take a break. Robinson had some older ones and you were always wrenching on them and fixing them. Then Robinson got a brand new one and they said, "Here is a brand new one for you, Scott, you can run this, all computerized, push button!" It was so cool! I love my music. I had Sirius XM radio, it was nice and I loved that. The greatest part of falling timber with a feller buncher is that I could listen to music all day long—it was great. I ran that for four years until I retired.



"Lucky" Gillette was under Jerry Jenson's pickup when a tree fell on it in 1990.

Loyalton Electric Light Company

I was recently contacted by Bob Feeny, who reached out recently to me and those who read the Sierra Booster for information regarding the Loyalton Electric Light Company. He wrote "Tom Dotta's grandfather, Antone Dotta, operated a hydroelectric generating plant from 1900 to 1915. It was called 'Loyalton Electric Light Company' and supplied electricity to Loyalton and to the California Pine Box & Lumber Company. Thanks to Tony Finder, we believe we have found the remaining foundation or ruins on Smithneck Creek just south of Sierra Brooks Campground. We are hoping someone has knowledge or photographs of the actual site and route of the original transmission lines."

The 1912 Sanborn map of Loyalton, which can be found on the Library of Congress website, shows the Loyalton Electric Light Company plant located at the south end of Railroad Avenue at the edge of town, just north of the Roberts Lumber Company's lumber yard (in the vicinity of the present-day cogeneration plant). A note stated the electric light plant "runs night only. Man in charge at night. Steam power from Plumas Box & Lumber Co."

The Sacramento Bee of June 16, 1904 states "George Taylor, cashier of the Bank of Nevada, of Reno, has come into control of the Loyalton Electric Light Works. The plant is now out of commission, owing to the fire which destroyed the power house in March last, but the damage is being repaired and the 1st of July promises to see the lights on again."

It is stated here on good authority that the new management will raise the price of lights at that time. This has aroused a storm of protests on the part of Loyalton people. The old basis was made on Reno prices for lights, and the people of Loyalton will not stand for a raise.

There are at least two ways

to get back at the Company. The people have been using oil lamps for some time, and find they can get along without the electric lights, and, also the Electric Light Company has no franchise, and never has had, from this city.

Should the attempt be made to raise the price of lights, the new Company might have troubles of its own."

The Feather River Bulletin of July 3, 1905 states "R. W. Bender was over interviewing the Beckwith people in regard to electric lights the first of the week. He only got 300 lights guaranteed, which will not pay to build a line from Loyalton to Beckwith, but the Loyalton Electric Light Co. may conclude to build the line on the strength of increasing business over that way when the Western Pacific comes through." Around the same time, Bender was making money mining in the area. The Sacramento Bee reported "Ralph Bender, Manager of the Loyalton Electric Lighting Company, has had a gang of men from [Loyalton] for some time past, working the Antelope Mine located about three miles southwest of here in the mountains."

As for the hydroelectric ruins recently found on Smithneck Creek - the Feather River Bulletin of December 18, 1905 states "Manager Bender has had a surveyor from Reno out here during the past week surveying for a water power proposition for the Loyalton Electric Light Co. He tells us they can get a 200-foot fall in a mile and a half and they will probably put in the reservoir in the spring and put in a large plant. An electric railroad from here to Sierraville is one of the possibilities of the new plant." The Sacramento Bee of December 20, 1905 reported "The Loyalton Electric Lighting Company has just finished a survey in the canyon above this place, with the view of adopting water power for their plant here, which is now operated by steam. It is reported that so far the

outlook is satisfactory."

By 1915, managing the Loyalton Electric Light Company wasn't easy. The Sacramento Bee of March 6, 1915 reported "Officials Resign When Salaries Are Reduced - Loyalton Trustees Prune Payroll; Seek to Force Continued Operation of Electric Light Plant." Later, the Feather River Bulletin of March 25, 1915 reported "The Loyalton Electric Light company, which after 10 years' operation, was planning to suspend service unless a better patronage was given, may not find it so easy, as an act of arbitrary suspension is contrary to law."

In reply to an inquiry City Clerk Paul J. Meroux has received a letter from the state railroad commission to the effect that a public utility having been once dedicated to the public and undertaken to give service, cannot withdraw its property from that use. This might be modified in the case another public utility of like character existed and was in a position to give adequate service to the entire community, including those formerly served by the other utility."

The Sacramento Bee of March 30, 1915 reported "The Loyalton Electric Light Company has filed an application with the Railroad Commission requesting authority to discontinue its electric system in the city of Loyalton, Sierra County. The application states that the company has been conducting its business at a loss for the past seven years, and that as the population of Loyalton has been diminished by more than half there is no hope of ever conducting the business at a profit."

If anyone has more knowledge of the hydroelectric plant ruins on Smithneck Creek, please let the Loyalton Museum know!

I am always open to feedback and suggestions for my history articles. If you have a comment or a subject to propose, please email me at corypeterman3@gmail.com, thanks!

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Henry Quigley Dies In Sacramento

Henry E. Quigley passed away at a Sacramento hospital Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. He had been in failing health for some time and was removed from his home here to a hospital in Sacramento some time ago. He continued to fail, however, and his death was not unexpected.

Henry Edwin Quigley was born in Bernadotte, Fulton County, Ill., and was 74 years of age. When a child of 4 years, he came across the plains in a covered wagon with his parents. A stop of several weeks was made at Salt Lake City, where they became acquainted with Brigham Young, the famous Mormon leader, who presented the boy Henry with a pair of buckskin gloves.

Resuming their journey, the Quigleys finally arrived at North San Juan, where they remained for some weeks before proceeding to the Sierra Valley. Here, they settled on a ranch, where the family lived for many years, young Quigley receiving his education in the Sierraville school. Growing to manhood, he remained a resident of Sierra Valley until July 1897, when he was appointed to fill the unexpired term of County Clerk A.J. Meroux upon the latter's death.

At the expiration of his term, deceased was elected to succeed himself successively until 1930, making 33 years of continuous service as county clerk. During all that time, it is said the county records were kept in a most careful and accurate manner.

The surviving relatives are five sons, John A. Quigley of Jerome, Ariz., Edwin A. and

Harry E. of Richmond, Frank of Los Angeles and William M. of Sacramento, and two daughters, Mrs. Martin Miller of Berkeley and Mrs. M.F. Lusk of Downieville, besides three grandchildren.

He was a member of the Odd Fellows and Masonic lodges and had been secretary of the latter for more than 25 years which office he held up to the time of his death.

Many Prizes Offered to Best Trout Fishermen

In order to stimulate trout fishing in this vicinity and to encourage our young folks to take advantage of this fine sport right at our very doors, the merchants and businessmen of the town are offering various prizes in contests, the terms and conditions of which are of their own making.

Read carefully the conditions of each contest. The contests are so varied as to include all who care to participate. Following is a list of the contests and their prizes.

Costa Grocery will give a fine split bamboo Montague-Rapidan fishing rod to the one catching the trout that weighs the most. Contest closes at 6 p.m. May 13. Antone Lavezzola and Miss Josephine Tomola will be the judges. Trout should be taken to the St. Charles Hotel to be weighed.

J.E. McDonald offers a one-pound box of fine candy to the Downieville school girl who catches the largest trout the first day and a like prize to the Downieville school boy who catches the largest trout the first day. Trout are to be weighed at either Costa's or Meyer's Grocery.

St. Charles Hotel, Antone

Lavezzola, proprietor, offers a two-pound box of choice candy to the woman who gets nearest a limit catch in any one day up to 6 p.m. May 13.

Downieville Produce Store will give a quart of ice cream to the schoolboy or girl under 18 years of age who catches the most trout the first day. Tony Lavezzola and Miss Tomola are to be the judges.

Lloyd's will give a quart of ice cream to the boy or girl under 20 who catches the biggest trout up to 6 p.m. May 13. Take trout to either Costa's or Meyer's Grocery to be weighed.

Mountain Messenger will give a \$2.00 check to the first trout brought to the St. Charles Hotel caught between Durgan and Jersey bridges.

R.L. Taylor offers a nice "Sunshine" cap to any boy or girl under 15 years of age who catches the largest string up till 6 p.m. May 13. No age limit.

Wonderful Yuba River Canyon

DOWNIEVILLE! The romantic capital of the most fascinating region in California! Its realm is the entire canyon of the North Fork of the Yuba River, together with the mountainous ridge on either side.

Shortly after leaving Camptonville half-way between Nevada City and Downieville on the Downieville State Highway, we cross the county line into Sierra County, of which Downieville is the county seat. Already advantage is being taken of the picturesqueness of this mountainous country by the establishment of rustic cabins and camps, such as Bear Park, which is passed by the highway. At the Yuba-Sierra County line is the home of Fred Joubert. Just

beyond his home the highway passes along the brink of the Joubert Hydraulic Mine, which due to the heavy snow and rain fall of the past winter will have a sufficient supply of water to operate well into the summer. We do not have to get out of our car to see the operation of the huge monitor throwing its stream of water against the base of the gold-bearing cliff. It is one of the very rare experiences that gives you a hint of the millions in gold that were recovered during the '60s and '70s by this method, when hydraulic mines produced the money which to a large degree contributed in making San Francisco the financial capital of the West.

From here the road gives us a glimpse of the inspiring canyon of the North Fork of the Yuba as we rapidly swing down the grade. The picturesqueness of Mosquito Creek, which is crossed on the way down, and the impressiveness of the long lacy Depot Hill Falls on the south side of the canyon, thrill the beholder. Swinging around a sharp point, we find ourselves just above the Yuba River itself. The highway crosses to the north side and by going slowly we can see a beautiful waterfall up through the trees on the left. To really see it, the car must be stopped.

The next stream to be crossed is Fiddle Creek. Who named it so and why was probably already forgotten by 1850. Here, visitors are welcome to go through the State Fish Hatchery, from which surrounding streams and lakes are restocked each year with trout that brings thousands of sportsmen in pursuit. The State Highway Department has made a veritable boulevard out of a

portion of the highway along the North Fork and the scenic beauty of this canyon is indescribable. As we sweep along looking up tributary canyons and watching the blue-green water of the deep pools foaming white over the rocks, we try to picture the years '50 and '51 when the miners were so thick in this stream, with their 30-foot individual claims, that word could be passed from mouth to mouth between Downieville and Marysville - 100 miles away - in less than fifteen minutes.

In a short time, we round a high bluff and look down upon the village of Goodyears Bar and we wonder how long it will be before some enterprising company takes this marvelous spot and turns it into a resort that will have everything necessary to fame and fortune. Lying in the bottom of the canyon, it is a small triangular valley formed by Woodruff Creek and the North Fork and its scenic setting is superb. Saddleback Mountain, Monte Cristo, Fir Cap and other peaks look down upon it. Forest trails and old stage roads lead up the mountain-sides in various directions and through it all flows the beautiful crystal-clear North Fork of the Yuba.

We are within four miles of Downieville. Half-way there the road follows the river through a rocky gorge where the canyon walls come close together. It is here that the early stage road, still in use, crosses the river on the old toll bridge, which is now free and maintained by the county. Downieville still gives not the slightest indication of its existence until we suddenly round Cannon Point and have it flash into view at our very feet. It is as though you were sitting

in a theatre looking at dark green velvet curtains. Suddenly the curtains are swept aside and the stage leaps into view before your eyes. And a stage it is, one that will hold any audience spellbound.

Ground Sluicing Going On at Pilgrim Mine

Four men are engaged in ground sluicing operations at the Pilgrim Mine in the American Hill district. Advantage of the plentiful supply of water is being taken and washing is in full progress.

This is an old property that has a most interesting history which reads not unlike a dime novel. It also contains a quartz ledge, and work will be begun right away in extending No. 5 tunnel, which is on the ledge. At one time there was a 20-stamp mill on the property, which burned down.

New Suction Dredge to Be Operated on River

A.G. McCoy of Los Angeles arrived last Wednesday with a small suction dredge ... which weighs but 200 pounds when set up, is run by gasoline and consumes only one gallon in eight hours. It has a capacity of from three to five cubic yards of gravel in an eight-hour shift.

It is claimed for the little machine that streambeds that would not pay to work in the usual way can be worked profitably by this method. This applies particularly to small, out of the way creeks, and to streams having large boulders. The gravel is sucked from beneath the boulders and the gold recovered. Work with the new machine will begin on the Frank Gaskill property, just west of Secret Canyon.