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OUR RECREATION AND PARKS UNDERSTANDING SPECIAL DISTRICTS, HOW THEY ARE FUNDED

By Patsy McGavock

(Orangevale, CA) As ballots arrive in voters hands, matters of local funding may take a back seat during a presidential election. Yet, local matters most directly affect the quality of daily life and local amenities. Understanding how those services are run, governed and funded warrants front seat attention as voters consider the ballot.

Regarding taxes and bonds, arguments fall on either side. Some point to apparent improvement needs. Others question why taxes already paid are not meeting those

needs and whether further accountability is required, not further funding.

Part of the answer lies in understanding which taxes go where and how those funds are allowed to be used. Then voters can decide if further accountability or further funding is needed to maintain the facilities and services they value.

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*Violet Morrison, Luke Morrison and Forrest Johnson
Photo by Jayden Velasquez*

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Photos Courtesy of Matt Lettau Casa Rams vs Dixon Rams

CASA ROBLE STAYS HOT WITH TWO BIG WINS, BLEVINS SUR- PASSES 1,000-YARD MARK

By Tim Engle



*Photos Courtesy of Heidi Lettau
Casa Rams vs Dixon Rams*



Photos Courtesy of Tim Engle

The Casa Roble Rams continue to fire on all cylinders, securing back-to-back victories over Natomas and Dixon, and positioning themselves as a force to be reckoned with as the season winds down.

On October 11, the Rams dominated Natomas 38-0. Braylen Blevins led the charge on the ground with 151 yards on 11 carries and 2 touchdowns, while quarterback Aidan Lopez threw for 233 yards and 2 TDs. The Rams' defense also shined, with key plays from Zander Freitag and Darren Dalton that shut down Natomas completely.

The momentum carried into the following week, where Casa Roble defeated Dixon 44-20 on October 18. Aidan Lopez had a career game, throwing for 307 yards and

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This article dives deep into special districts and funding to hopefully answer those questions, using as example independent, non-enterprise districts. One such district, the Orangevale Recreation and Parks District is running a current bond measure, Measure L.

According to the California Special District Association, special districts are formed by electorate vote to provide services the local city or county do not provide, such as parks, fire, water, cemetery or utility districts. Their boundaries do not match those of a city or county, but rather the shape of the communities they serve.

Special districts are locally formed, locally governed and locally funded - through a small portion of property taxes. Local residents choose how they support these services as they approve or don't approve additions to their property taxes. School districts, another hot topic on the ballot, fall under a different umbrella as they are primarily state governed and state funded. Yet both face complicated budgetary challenges.

"It's all about tax and authority," says Michael Aho, Fair Oaks Recreation and Parks District administrator. Aho explains the complexities and limitations in matching incoming funds with specified expenses. "It's a juggle of using the funds for the uses they have been regulated for."

In example, general obligation bond funds can only be used for improvements or substantial long-term maintenance projects. Earned revenue from facilities rentals or class registrations (for non-enterprise districts like parks) can only cover operating expenses. Impact fees levied on new home development must to be used for the direct benefit of those new residents. State grants, if a district can obtain one, must match existing funds for a specific project.

Regular routine maintenance does not fit in these categories and is often met by neighborhood sized

special assessment districts, such as the landscape and lighting districts of Gum Ranch, Phoenix Park, or more broadly in Orangevale. School districts also navigate similar budget and regulatory restrictions, although primarily funded directly through the state.

As overwhelming as budgetary puzzle fitting can be, Aho shared that local accountability and ownership, as well as regulation, drive funding.

"A bond is a referendum from the community. Either yes or no," says Aho. "If it passes, it's a mandate from the public. Strong approval shows us they are serious about what they want."

Funding also changes with tax shifts and regulations change, either by legislative action or electorate referendum.

When California voters passed proposition 98 in 1998, they constitutionally set a required minimum annual funding amount for K-14 education. By 1991, reductions in state revenue did not meet the minimums set.

"The state began shifting significant portions of property tax revenue away from special districts," says Becky Herz, director of the Orangevale Recreation and Parks District, in an interview held in June when the district considered proposing a bond. "Our district lost \$1,012,654 in property tax revenue the first year. The annual revenue loss sustains to present day."

The Orangevale Landscape and Lighting Assessment District, formed the next year in 1992, made up about half that loss, yet, as Herz notes, current assessments do not increase even while the Consumer Price Index in our region increased by 228% since then.

"The Orangevale Recreation and Parks District has successfully maintained the parks, facilities and programs with its frugal budget," says Herz, "but the current revenue structure makes it challenging to upgrade aging infrastructure and almost impossible to add new amenities such as restrooms, trails, a splash park and sports field improvements."

Voters get to choose how they value those improvements. Many

parks districts use the phrase "Parks Make Life Better." Various studies, including National Recreation and Park Association and University of Washington studies, agree on the mental, social, health and even property value benefits of well-maintained local parks, where values assess 8% to 20% higher. David Dill, longtime resident and community volunteer working with the districts Tiger Sharks swim teams, says parks were one of his three criteria in choosing Orangevale.

"This is a once in a generation opportunity to invest in our community," Brad Squires, president of the Orangevale Fair Oaks Foundation, says of Measure L. In a way, today's parks carry forward a prior generation's legacy of community ownership. They gave the gift of parks by forming and funding the district. The legacy lies with those who use them today.

On a broader scope, Ralph Carhart, Fair Oaks Recreation and Park board chair shares, "it is so important to reinvest in your community - parks, facilities, schools - or the established community you moved to and the reasons you moved there diminish. If that happens, then where do you go? In our unincorporated areas, we have citizen power. Let's use it."

CASA ROBLE STAYS HOT WITH TWO BIG WINS, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5

6 touchdowns despite 1 interception. His top targets were Connor Campbell (6 receptions for 97 yards and 2 TDs), Cohen Peabody (3 receptions for 109 yards and 2 TDs), and Ethan Horner (2 receptions for 64 yards and 1 TD). Anthony Maher also added a touchdown with a 19-yard reception.

On the ground, Braylen Blevins was once again unstoppable, rushing 20 times for 175 yards, pushing his season total past 1,000 yards, a major milestone for the se-



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nior running back. Lopez also contributed with 1 rush for 8 yards. The Rams' offensive balance has been key to their success, as Blevins continues to rack up yards while Lopez and his receivers dominate through the air.

With these two victories, Casa Roble improves to 5-3 overall and remains undefeated in league play at 4-0. As they prepare for their next matchup against El Camino on October 25, the Rams are hitting their stride at the perfect time as they push toward the playoffs. Go Rams!

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The journey of the Taketaya family through Orangevale and beyond was presented recently by Mark Aring, President of the Orangevale History Project. Contact was made with surviving family members who provided information and photographs.

For a little background, immigration to the United States was open until the late 1800's. Japan, China, and Korea banned emigration. In 1884, Japan permitted laborers to work in Hawaii. In 1907 Japan agreed to restrict travel documents to immigrants to laborers. In 1913, California passed the Alien Land Act which bars aliens from owning, mainly Japanese, from owning land. This law was not repealed until 1948. In 1923 the Supreme Court ruled that Japanese and Asians were not eligible for citizenship and then in 1924 a National Origins Quota Act for citizenship. The final anti-Asian Act in 1942 was enacted with the Internment of 120,000 Japanese Americans on the West Coast.

Kamichi Takedata (original name) came to the United States with most of his family in 1903. Hanichi, the oldest son, remained in Japan. Kamichi was raised by his Ji-chan "grandmother." His name first appears on the 1920 census living in Wheatland. In 1923, he made a trip to Japan for a bride and married Umeyo. He needed to return to the United States before the Immigration laws changed. In the 1930 census, the family was still in Wheatland.

Time in Orangevale starts in 1932. The two older children, May and Jim can be seen in a photograph of Orangevale Grammar School. May went on to be Valedictorian for her

eighth grade class and graduated from San Juan High School in 1942. Jimmy was on the Honor Roll. May was in the 4-H Club and served as secretary.

Father Henry "Hairichi" focused on his farm and the children focused on education. Henry raised vegetables and fruits and was planning to start a vineyard. The farm was located approximately what is now Hazel Avenue north of Greenback Lane. He was able to support his family, but all was changed as a consequence of the December 7th attack on Pearl Harbor by Japan.

President Roosevelt issued an Executive order 9066 in 1942 which ordered 120,000 Japanese residents on the West Coast to Internment Camps. The Taketaya Family left at the end of May in 1942. They had to sell all their belongings they could not carry in one duffel bag. They advertised in the newspaper these items: household items, car, truck, tools, fruit plants, grapevines, and their lease of 15 acres. They also posted a Thank You to all his customers and everyone do their kindness.

The family was sent to Pinedale and then to Poston, Arizona, where housing was hastily built and finished only in tar paper. At first were housed in horse stalls in a barn with a stall for a family. The area was an arid desert, and nothing would grow. They formed a Japanese Rock Garden. May had a job in the office. Later the family was moved to Tule Lake, California where she married another internee.

The War Department 304A was looking for new recruits and produced a questionnaire for Selective Service. Form 304A

was intended for young Japanese men. The War Relocation Agency decided to give the form to all adults. It asked if willing to serve in the armed forces and Do you swear allegiance to the United States or next Are you loyal to Japan?

Those young men answering yes to serving and loyalty to the United States were primarily placed in one unit which became a highly honored unit. Those who showed their anger with the government having lost all their possessions and rights and moved to bare housing answered were considered disloyal to the United States and were sent to Tule Lake which was a secure facility.

In 1945, the family was released at Sanger, California. Most found job with the railroad which provided housing having lost all their possessions previously. Clifford Feaver hired Henry to look after his chicken farm. He provided a cabin, and his family was much happier. The family eventually settled in San Dimas, California. The younger children finished their education, had their own families, and led successful lives. Henry died in 1973 with his youngest living until 2021.

Eleanor Roosevelt may have said it best when she visited the internment camps. "A Japanese is always a Japanese and is an easily accepted phase that has taken hold on the West Coast because of fear bit it leads no where and achieves nothing." FEAR!

The presentation was written by Hilda Hawkins and the entire presentation may be seen on the Orangevale History Project YouTube channel presentation



OV Woman's Club Gives to Community

Since 1913, the Orangevale Woman's Club (OVWC), now over 90 members strong, has been giving back to this community. In early October, we again cleaned up two blocks of Madison Ave (east & west of Main Ave) through our Adopt-a-Street project. Besides the usual paper trash of disposal food containers, empty mini bottles, and cigarette butts, this time we sadly found torn discarded kids' jackets, and smashed small toys. Two unusual finds were a coat rack that we saved to be re-purposed, and fake money! All in all, we collected eight bags of trash to help beautify those two blocks a little more.

Also in October, we held our semi-annual Bunco night fundraiser. The beverages and dessert bars along with our fabulous raffle baskets added to the fun and fundraising of the evening. Please save the date in your calendar for our Spring Bunco night to be held on Friday, April 4, 2025.

Be sure to find our booths at OV Park's Holiday Craft Fair on Friday, November 15th and Saturday, November 16th. We will have a wide variety of crafts made by our very own members that will make great gifts for your loved ones or for yourself! Proceeds from our fundraisers help the Club provide college scholarships to local high school seniors, donations to our local Food Bank, and help other local commu-



nity groups with their specific projects. OVWC is grateful to our generous community who helps us give back to those in need. To find out more about helping our community while having fun doing it, please visit our website at: www.orangevalewomensclub.org.

Submitted by Mary Witcraft
Orangevale Woman's Club
Photos – Adopt-a-Street image and event workers



The Orangevale Grange Harvest Celebration: A Tribute to Community and Giant Pumpkins

Orangevale Grange's harvest celebration is a testament to the community's spirit and the wonders of agricultural achievements. Each year, the event was designed around the extraordinary harvest and celebration of a giant pumpkin, cultivated by local grower Sankalp Immadisetty. Sankalp, a young and dedicated farmer, has been mastering the art of growing giant pumpkins for four years, and his passion for horticulture has brought a unique charm to the festival.

Children and adults alike were captivated by the pumpkin carving contest, where chickens, rather than people, took the stage to showcase their 'pecking' artistic skills. The scarecrow contest allowed creativity to flourish, as participants crafted figures ranging from the traditional to the avant-garde. The small pumpkin patch offered a hands-on experience, connecting visitors to the earth and the produce it bears.

Underneath a tranquil tree, families gathered to capture the moment, creating lasting memories with fall festival photos. This spot, shaded and serene, provided a space for reflection on the season's bounty and the community's unity. Looking for-

ward, the organizers are filled with anticipation, aiming to enrich next year's celebration with more activities for children, ensuring that the festival's future is as bright as its present. The Orangevale Grange harvest celebration is more than just an event; it's a vibrant expression of community, tradition, and the simple joys of the harvest season.

The celebration was a cornucopia of autumnal joy, with activities that engaged all ages. The highlight was undoubtedly the giant pumpkin, which grew at an astonishing rate of up to 30 lbs. per day. This magnificent pumpkin became the centerpiece of the festival, symbolizing the fruits of hard work and dedication.

At 15-years old Sankalp from Orangevale has once again impressed his community by growing an enormous 777-pound pumpkin, securing first place at the Elk Grove Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off. This marks his fourth consecutive year of pumpkin growing, and each season has brought new challenges and triumphs. Four years ago, Sankalp Immadisetty began his pumpkin-growing journey with modest ambitions. Inspired by his love for gardening, he set out to grow his first pumpkin, never imagining how much it would spark a passion that would grow just as large as his pumpkins.

"After four years of growing

pumpkins, each season has been a journey of learning and improvement, leading to this year's exciting success," said Sankalp. In these four years, Sankalp's pumpkins have grown bigger with each passing season. His first weighed 472 pounds, followed by 585 pounds in his second year. Last year, he reached a milestone with a 1,334-pound pumpkin. This year's 777-pound pumpkin may seem smaller than last year's, but it was a remarkable achievement considering the tough challenges he faced.

"Each season has presented its own set of challenges and rewards, and this year was no exception. One of the most important tasks was keeping the plant healthy for six months while the pumpkin grew, sometimes adding up to 30 pounds a day," he shared. This year's growing season was far from smooth. Sankalp battled both intense summer heat and an unexpected hailstorm. He set up a misting system and shade cloth to protect the pumpkin from the heat, but the hailstorm destroyed the shade structures. "It was a frantic few days as I scrambled to repair the damage and ensure my pumpkin would continue to be protected from the heat," Sankalp explained. He also had



Chicken Pumpkin Carving

to bury the vines throughout the season, ensuring strong root growth to support the pumpkin's rapid development.

When it came time to harvest the pumpkin, another obstacle emerged: the tractor he planned

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Chicken Pimpkin Carving Winners -Tatyana and Juan to use had a hydraulic leak. However, with the help of four people and the remaining power of the tractor, they managed to load the pumpkin. "Harvesting it was one of the most difficult steps, but we got it done," he said.

At the Elk Grove Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off, Sankalp anx-

iously watched as his pumpkin tipped the scales at 777 pounds, beating the second-place competitor by over 200 pounds. "It was an unforgettable experience, and I'm incredibly thankful to the Orangevale Grange and everyone who supported me throughout the process," he added with a smile.

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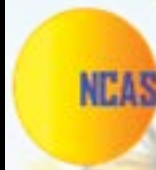
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I've shared this recipe once before, but it is one of my family favorites, so I thought I would share it again. It is a recipe from a 1970's Sunset Magazine and I have been making it regularly since then. When my boys were young, I would make it on Halloween night before we headed out to Trick-Or-Treat. You can add different vegetables and different shaped pasta for the time of year. It is an easy recipe that I hope will become one of your family favorites!

If you would like to share a favorite fall recipe, please send a copy to Suzanne Feblowitz at the Orangevale View (editor@ovview.com). Be sure to include your phone number or email with your recipe just in case we need to contact

ORANGEVALE CAN GROW NATIVE

California native plants have many benefits and make excellent additions to our home landscapes. Word is finally getting out about these amazing plants that have evolved over millennia with our local climates, and wildlife. They have survived extended periods of drought as well as fire and floods. California natives have extensive root systems that allow them to reach water other plants can't reach, sequester carbon and facilitate water infiltration when it rains. They are accustomed to native soils and require no fertilizers or pesticides. As a result they require less maintenance than traditional landscapes. More importantly they support birds, bees,

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- 1 tsp. garlic salt
- 1 (20 oz.) bag frozen mixed vegetables
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- 2 small zucchini, sliced ¼ inch thick
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- Grated Parmesan cheese

Brown beef until it crumbles in a 6-8 quart Dutch oven or large pot and cook over medium heat for about 3-4

butterflies and beneficial insects. These species are rapidly declining here as well as globally. Remember one of every three bites of food comes from something that requires pollination. In Orangevale we are uniquely positioned with our larger lots to help by planting local California natives in our landscapes that will support local wildlife, reduce water use and maintain and beautify our landscapes. Did I mention California natives are beautiful? An estimated 85% of land in the US is privately owned so transforming not only our yards but public spaces such as parks, public building landscapes and roadways to incorporate California native plants is necessary if we want to increase the biodiversity in our area. Finally with

minutes; add onion and cook until limp. Drain excess fat. Add the tomatoes and their liquid, the water, bouillon cubes, basil, oregano, and garlic salt. Bring to a boil, stirring and breaking up the tomatoes with a spoon if they are whole. Reduce heat and boil gently uncovered, for 5-10 minutes. Add frozen vegetables and cook, uncovered, about 3 minutes. Stir in macaroni and cook for another 4 minutes. Add zucchini and wine and cook about 5 minutes longer, or until vegetables and macaroni are tender. Pass the Parmesan cheese at the table. Makes 6-8 servings. Serve with garlic bread for a complete meal. If you have small children and the soup is hot, just place an ice cube in the bowl to cool it off.

these wildlife friendly plants you create a private space for viewing nature, reducing stress and relaxing. So next time you are looking for additions to your landscape consider California native plants and you will be happy you did. A few resources to help you are listed below:

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- calscape.org
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How is male breast cancer treated? Treatment for male breast cancer is based on the stage of the cancer and other things, such as your overall health. The main treatment is:

Surgery. Usually the doctor removes the breast (mastectomy) and some lymph nodes under the arm. Sometimes the doctor removes just the part of the breast that contains the cancer (breast-conserving surgery). Other treatment options may include:

Chemotherapy. These medicines kill fast-growing cells, including cancer cells and some normal cells.
Endocrine therapy. These medicines block hormones that cause certain cancers to grow. This helps slow or stop cancer growth.
Radiation therapy. This uses high-dose X-rays to destroy cancer cells and shrink tumors. Other treatment options may include targeted therapy or immunotherapy. A clinical trial may be a good choice.

Your doctor will talk with you about your options and then make a treatment plan.

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BREAST CANCER IN MEN (Male Breast Cancer) Skip Navigation Condition Basics

What is male breast cancer?
 Breast cancer is the growth of abnormal cells in one or both breasts. Male breast cancer usually develops in the breast tissue found behind the nipple. Male breast cancer is often a type called invasive ductal carcinoma.

What causes it?
 The exact cause of male breast cancer isn't known, but some things increase risk. These include radiation exposure, a family history of breast cancer, and inheriting gene changes such as BRCA. Having Klinefelter syndrome or cirrhosis also increases the risk of male breast cancer. It mostly affects those older than 65.

What are the symptoms?
 The most common symptom of male breast cancer is a painless lump or swelling behind the nipple. Other symptoms may include changes in the nipple, a discharge from the nipple, or a lump or thickening in the armpit. Any breast lump in an adult should be checked by a doctor.

How is it diagnosed?
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MaryAnne Povey
Orangevale Live

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- ✓ Making upgrades and renovations to existing buildings, including the 76-year-old Youth Center, which are used for a variety of community programs for people of all ages.
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By MaryAnne Povey

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Papou's Produce Market, a three-generation family business, celebrated its grand opening with a ribbon-cutting ceremony hosted by the Orangevale Chamber of Commerce. The event welcomed the community, chamber members and representatives from Supervisor Sue Frost, Assemblyman Josh Hoover and Congressman Kevin Kiley's office, who came out to support George Vathis and his new retail venture in Orangevale.

The market is open Monday through Friday, 9 am - 5 pm, and Saturday, 9 am - 4 pm.

Don't miss the opportunity to support this new local gem and enjoy some of the freshest produce in the area.

A special thanks to Cathy Kurtz Photography for capturing the event.



George's grandfather started the first Papou's produce stand in the 50's, and his father kept the business going. Now George is carrying on the 70 year plus tradition, opening their first retail location here in Orangevale.

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Electric Dreams or
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By Sue Frost

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It sounds good in theory, but the reality is complex. The people who run our supply chains, from businesses to truck drivers, face a huge challenge. There's even legal pushback, including from the California Trucking Association, arguing that this rule goes too far and disrupts the national goods movement industry.

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A FAMILY AFFAIR AT RESCO

When Los Angeles based-company Emergency Services Restoration sold their company to new owners during the summer of 2019, Luke Morrison new he had to start over. He had worked with ESR for 15 years in the Sacramento area, and the new owners wanted to cut his salary as a water damage restoration lead technician. "When loyalty isn't valued, I move on," Morrison said. "It was always my dream to operate my own company, so I went for it."

Born and raised in the Orangevale area, he's been in almost every trade: From carpet cleaning to carpentry, from home

cleaning services to home restoration. He got in the game at just 15-years old and never looked back.

Twenty-eight years later, he's at the pinnacle of operating a small, thriving, local, family business. On Wednesday, Oct. 9, the Orangevale Chamber of Commerce, family and friends joined RESCO in their ribbon-cutting ceremony.

"I'm a blue-collar guy," Morrison said, "but after being in the industry for so long, I knew I could start my own business and improve on mistakes other companies have made."

After operating out of his house for a couple of years, he leased out the building next to The Boardwalk on Greenback Lane, and completely remodeled it. RESCO Restoration was on its way.



Of course, it wasn't easy. The business started under the COVID-19 pandemic, additional safety restrictions and protocols for entering homes had to be applied. A company truck was stolen just one year into business, and acquiring permits to the building at 9418 Greenback Lane was quite the process.

"I just had to remodel the entire thing. It was kind of a mess," Morrison said.

When the company began increasing its production, he called upon that loyalty. His brother Joel Morrison, who was also a former lead tech with ESR, joined him. Joel's son, Noah, started hopping on the truck when he was 18. His wife Violet Morrison took over billing and office management. He then reached put to his cousin Bryan DeMain, who's local residential appraisal company was sinking due to the market.

"I needed sales and marketing and he's good at that stuff," Luke Morrison added. "That's also why I reached out to my sister Sam to help organize the office."

However, the backbone of the company are the everyday technicians who put in the physical work to help homeowners get their houses back to pre-loss conditions.

Whether it's a sewage backup, mold, dry rot, a sudden burst or a pin-drop leak, RESCO is available 24 hours, 7 days a week.

One of many friendly faces, Mike Custer, soon joined on as a lead technician, as well as Nathan Braithwaite (Bryan's brother-in law), Erick Garibay and Trevor Crandell.

"We're all family here," Morrison said. "Even if you're not family, you're family. We take care of our guys."

RESCO Press Release by Bryan DeMain

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Heirloom Seeds Available at the Orangevale Library The Orangevale Library has heirloom seeds to start your own garden and our cool weather seeds are now available! Grow a variety of herbs, ornamentals, and edible plants. Save money and reduce your carbon footprint by growing nutritious food at home. The seed library is completely free of charge and available to anyone. The seed library is available daily.

Kids

Family Storytime Every Thursday, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Jane Wise Community Room Families with young children (0-5) are invited to join us for songs, rhymes, and stories designed to build early literacy skills. Older siblings are welcome to attend. After the storytime we will put out toys and activities for a stay and play session where children can play and communicate with each other.

Family Art Lab Saturday, Oct 26, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room We bring the art supplies, you bring the creativity! Families, kids and teens are welcome to join us as the library puts out a variety of art supplies and let everyone make whatever art they want! Paints, modelling clay, markers, air brushing, and more are available for us to make pictures, sculptures, and mixed media projects!

Minecraft Gaming Thursday, Nov 7, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room Enjoy this computer game filled with mining, crafting and exploring! Play with new friends on our own library server at the Orangevale Library! We will do two 45-minute shifts if there are more participant than PC laptops. This program is for students aged

6-17; registration is encouraged at www.saclibrary.org/events

Read to a Dog Friday, Nov 8, 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room Come read to some PAW-some pooches! School-age readers are invited to read to furry and friendly canine volunteers and their trainers. This is a great program for struggling and reluctant readers or for those who enjoy practice. The dogs are wonderful listeners. Woof!

STEAM LEGO® Robotics Saturday, Nov 16, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room Design, build and program a robot using the LEGO® SPIKE™ Prime kit. Led by a team of student instructors, kids ages 9 to 14 will work in groups to create a robot and learn STEAM skills with this fun, hands-on project.

Adults

Genealogy: Book a Genealogist Saturday, Nov 2, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room Need help with your family history? Not sure how to begin? Want to know where to look next? Root Cellular volunteers are ready to help you discover your roots! Free individual 30 minute help sessions are available at the Orangevale Library. Reserve your session online at www.saclibrary.org/events

Mixed Media Art Journaling Saturday, Nov 9, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room Use your imagination and all kinds of mixed media to create a free-style art journal. Both inexperienced and lack of talent are welcome! The Friends of the Orangevale Library have graciously provided art journals and supplies to create a place for creativity to unfold. Please note, supplies are limited so feel free to bring your own too.

Blood Pressure Clinic Tuesday, Nov 12, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community room Join us at the Orangevale Library to have your blood pressure taken and learn tips for how to improve heart health.

Orangevale Adult Book Group - The Women Saturday, Nov 16, 2:00

p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room Join us in-person for a lively and engaging discussion and make new friends! This month we will be reading *The Women* by Kristin Hannah. Starting one month before the meeting you can pick up a copy of the book from the front desk of the Orangevale Library or check our library catalog for available copies of the books and ebooks

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charge, and take up to three hours to recharge. And with only a few public charging stations available, meeting the state's goals will be a massive, costly project.

Also, our push for more renewable energy sources like wind and solar has its own set of challenges.

Just days after mandating all new cars be electric by 2035, Californians were asked to cut back on electricity to avoid blackouts. Plus, the costs to produce these electric batteries are high, both financially and environmentally.

The trucks themselves need two huge batteries that add a lot of weight, which means trucks will need to carry lighter loads or more trucks will be needed, potentially leading to more traffic.

The bottom line is that the extra costs—from the trucks to the infrastructure and electricity—will ultimately fall on us, the consumers and taxpayers. This includes higher prices and taxes to cover these expenses and likely shortages of goods.

I support cleaner air, but we need to be practical. Instead of just using catchy slogans or unrealistic plans, we should use proven methods. Let's improve our roads and highways to help reduce traffic jams and update our ports and freight stations to keep trucks from idling while they wait for loads. These steps can truly help reduce emissions.

Thank you for Reading – and as always if you want to contact me, call me at 916-874-5491, or e-mail me at SupervisorFrost@saccounty.gov. Sacramento County Supervisor Sue Frost represents the 4th District, which includes the communities of Citrus Heights, Folsom, Orangevale, Antelope, North Highlands, Rio Linda, Elverta, and Rancho Murietta.

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