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CASA ROBLE FFA WINS NATIONAL TIKTOK COMPETITION



Casa Roble FFA Wins National TikTok Competition, Earns \$3,500 and Truckload of Supplies
By MaryAnne Povey

Casa Roble's FFA students are making headlines after winning a national TikTok competition hosted by Ram Trucks! Their creative and engaging video awarded them \$3,500 in prize money and a truckload of gardening and farming supplies to support their agricultural program.

The celebration took place at Folsom Lake Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, where General Manager Vince Bloom and his team gave the students, their families, and supporters a warm welcome.

But they didn't stop there! They also donated a truck full of soil and supplies to help the Food Bank Farm, a vital part of Orangevale's mission to provide fresh produce for those in need.

"To win this competition was extraordinary in many ways. We got the chance to be a part of something so big and we were able to cultivate new ideas and work with not just our FFA members, but our community," said Casa FFA Junior Tayler Thayne.

"Just being a part of the competition was an amazing experience within itself, let alone winning."

As the only agriculture program in the San Juan School District, Casa Roble FFA offers students hands-on experience in farming, leadership, and responsibility. Right now, these students are caring for animals that will be auctioned at the Sacramento County Fair, showcasing their hard work and dedication.

If you'd like to support these outstanding FFA students, they are hosting a Western Spaghetti Feed on March 28 at the Orangevale Grange. This event is a fun way to contribute to the program while enjoying a great meal with the community.

Casa Roble takes pride in providing this unique and impactful program, shaping future leaders in agriculture. Congratulations to the students and FFA Advisor Christina Tannehill for their well-earned recognition!

To learn more about Casa Roble FFA and ways to support their efforts, follow them on their Facebook page Casa Roble FFA Boosters. Go Rams!

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MARCH COMMUNITY MEETING
Rosario Rodriguez-County of Sacramento District 4 I encourage you to come, as this is the best opportunity for you to hear directly from me, and for you to have access to be able to ask me questions face-to-face Wednesday, March 19 6:00pm Orangevale Community Center 6826 Hazel Avenue

Casa FFA Spaghetti Dinner & Western Dance: March 28 from 6:30 to 9 PM, Orangevale Grange. Tickets: \$25 per person. All proceeds support the Casa FFA program

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HOW TO GROW

By Jathan Good

It's officially Spring, and things are growing like crazy all around us. If you're a gardener, you're seeing the fruit of your labor and loving it. If you're like me, you wish you were a gardener and could get your hands into the dirt and then make things grow. But there are other ways to grow things than just dirt, water, and sun. I'm talking about personal growth. But not the self-help kind. Don't get me wrong, the self-help movement is wonderful; I love seeing people become their best (or better) selves by implementing newly learned strategies and devel-

oping new habits. I'm all for that.

But even better than self-help personal growth is God-help personal growth. If we want to become our best selves, why not turn to our creator for guidance? He designed us after all. The Bible says God has a plan for you, "to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)

Why not plant yourself in the fertile soil of a good church this Spring. Deepen your relationship with God and see what kind of growth He brings about in your life. Easter is coming up on April 20th - a perfect time to set about growing in God. Easter is about the resurrection

of our Savior Jesus who said, "I have come that you might have abundant life - life to the full." (John 10:10)

But don't just show up to a Sunday service once or twice, get connected. Go deeper. Seeds need to be watered regularly. Water your faith with deeper prayer. I'm inviting you to a unique Prayer Experience at Sunrise Community Church. We'll have directed prayer and self-guided prayer stations where you can engage in various kinds of prayer guaranteed to take you deeper in your connection with God. Don't miss this opportunity on Wednesday, April 16th from 6-8pm. See you there at 8321 Greenback Lane, Fair Oaks.

BREAKFAST WITH BOB AT THE ORANGEVALE GRANGE



member—he's been an inspiration, a mentor, and a cherished friend to everyone in our community. Now, as he prepares to embark on his journey back to The Clouse Family Farm in Spokane, WA, let's gather to celebrate his contributions and share in some heartfelt memories.

Breakfast will be served from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., featuring: Regular Breakfast for \$8.00: Scrambled Eggs, Meat, and all-you-can-eat Blueberry Pancakes.

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Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate Bob Clouse, enjoy great food, and come together as a community. See you at the Grange!

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Mush! Orangevale's Scout Troop 144 camped two nights in the snow near Truckee last month at a "Klondike Gold-Rush" themed event. Our Scouts competed against other Sacramento area Troops in numerous skill-based

events and even took First Place in compass navigation. The Scouts were well prepared for the cold conditions, and everyone had a great time. Come join the adventure. <https://bsatroup144.wordpress.com/>



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SPRING FOOD DRIVE EXPANDS TO BRING EASTER JOY TO LOCAL FAMILIES

Patsy McGavock, JustServe.org

The Orangevale Fair Oaks Spring Food Drive returns with a heartwarming twist - hosting both the Spring Community Food Drive and Helping Hands OV-Orangevale-Fair Oaks' Easter Baskets for Kids in Need on the same morning, Saturday April 12.

To prepare, residents are encouraged to run a simple neighborhood collection the week before, to maximize the food drives impact in our community, with neighborhood flyers easily downloadable from their website.

On Saturday, April 12, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., residents are encouraged to drop off non-perishable food donations at the Orangevale Fair Oaks Food Bank. Easter basket donations, which have been pre-matched with families, will be collected from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. A community Easter celebration, including face painting, treats and photos with the Easter Bunny, will last through 12 noon.

Again this year, the food bank is encouraging residents to take food collection a step further by organizing mini neighborhood drives. Even small efforts add up—if just ten neighbors each fill a bag, neighborhood by neighborhood, the collective impact can quickly multiply. The food bank offers easy instructions and printable flyers on their website, invitations for neigh-

bors to leave filled bags on their porches for pickup. Participants can then collect their neighbor's donations and deliver a trunkful of food to the food bank on April 12.

The impact of organized efforts is undeniable. According to Orangevale Fair Oaks Food Bank Director Andrea Scollay, more than 50% of donations at community drives come from neighborhood-led efforts. Last year, congregations that distributed collection bags to their neighbors delivered several truckloads of food a piece. A local scout troop can bring over 1,100 pounds of food, while two members of the Orangevale Woman's Club gathered over 700 pounds through a single neighborhood outreach.

"Every year, we're amazed by how generous our community is," said Sydnie Anderson, president of Helping Hands OV-Orangevale-Fair Oaks. "From donating Easter baskets to supporting the food drive, it's a heartwarming reminder that together, we can make a huge impact on the lives of local families."

Get involved as a volunteer at the big days event. Bring your friends and coordinate your neighbors to make a lasting impact on the food bank and lasting memories of serving your community together.

How to Get Involved:

- For neighborhood flyers and volunteer opportunities, visit JustServe.org and search for "Spring Community Food Drive" or go directly to: www.ovfofb.org/host-a-food-drive



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Learn more about the OVFO Food Bank, to make monetary donations, or volunteer opportunities





A Glimpse into History: The Victorian Gem of Central Ave, Orangevale

By Teri Schuessler

Nestled on 9281 Central Ave in Orangevale stands a beautiful Victorian home, a testament to timeless architecture and meticulous preservation. Built in 1906, this historic residence remains in pristine condition, offering a unique glimpse into the past. The current owners graciously allowed us to tour the home and its

surrounding property, even sharing a 1910 title report. This document revealed fascinating details about the home's history and its various owners over the years.

Originally sold as a 10-acre parcel, Tract 156, the property was purchased by C.R. Burroughs, a real estate investor from San Francisco. In 1897, Burroughs acquired three 10-acre tracts in total: 90, 154, and 156, for the price of \$10.00. The property changed hands

several times before being sold for \$1500.00 to Cora L. Stone in 1910.

Early Life and Marriage

Cora L. Draper was born in September 1861 in Michigan, while Melville Stone was born in 1851 in Maine. Their paths crossed in Michigan, where they married in 1881. By 1910, four of their six children were still alive, and the family decided to relocate to Orangevale. The 1910 census lists Melville as a fruit farmer. The Stone Family lived there for 4 years and relocated to Roseville.

In 1921, the Fox family purchased the house and thrived there for 48 years.

A Modern Touch to a Historic Home

The current owners are John and Patricia Weber; they purchased this house from their son. In 2017, the home underwent significant renovation by the Webers' son. The son gutted and remodeled the interior while preserving the

original size and charm of the house. This took about a year and required the entire rewiring of the house, replacing the flooring, and an upgrade to the fireplace. The result is a perfect blend of modern amenities and historical character.

The home features two bedrooms upstairs and two bedrooms downstairs, providing ample space for a family. The original foundation, made of river rock, remains intact—a common feature in older homes in Orangevale. The house includes a small basement, most likely used as a cellar. One of the most enchanting aspects of this Victorian gem is its beautiful wrap-around porch. This feature adds to the home's aesthetic appeal and offers a serene space to enjoy the surrounding landscape.

In the yard is a building that resembles a barn and is currently being used as a man cave. The front yard has an antique wagon in the driveway full of planted flowers adding to the charm.

As we walked through the home and explored its grounds, it was clear that this property is more than just a house—it's a piece of living history, lovingly preserved for future generations to appreciate.

Orangevale History Project Meeting

Join the Orangevale History Project meeting as we welcome Phoebe Astill, a 5th-generation Roseville resident and dedicated historian! The date is Wednesday, April 2nd at the Orangevale Library at 8820 Greenback Lane at 6pm.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear stories from a true Roseville legacy!

Members are available to give tours to any school class or youth group. Call the museum at 916 800-4711 for information and scheduling.

As a reminder, if you have not seen the Boardwalk Exhibit in the History Museum at 6920 Hazel Ave it will be leaving in a couple of months. Come and enjoy all the exhibits on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 12pm to 4pm. Orangevale T-shirts were won by Janice, adult, and Benny, child, at the Special Free Museum Day.

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9430 Golden Dr	3	2	1,730	\$550,000
5831 Oak House Ct	3	2	1,880	\$570,000
6409 Wittenham Way	3	2	1,580	\$640,000
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Locksmith

If a locksmith picked a pizza, it could be a combination. A pizza box is where that combo could be safe in. To enjoy food for thought: comprehension is a key. It opens up possibilities (including comedy)...

Pi Day (the 14th of March), National Reading Month and International Ideas Month (both are March) remind me of these thoughts (in this article: they're its heart). This poem (about a topped dish and about a locksmith) promotes the use of logic (which can help folks posit)...

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Local SPORTS

Casa Roble Freshman Breaks School Pole Vaulting Record

By Katy Day

A Casa Roble High School athlete set a schoolwide record in pole vaulting at a recent track and field meet on March 1.

Freshman Siena Scott is currently participating in her first season as a track and field athlete on the Casa Roble team, but her interest in the sport sparked long before. "One weekend when I was younger, I was doing cartwheels and handstands during my brother's flag football game. A track and field coach men-

Oakmont held the first meet of the season on March 1 for the Glenn Poole Invitational. Going into the meet, Scott was well-prepared and ambitious. "I jump twice a week, year-round with the club, and I attended the National Pole Vault Summit in Reno this winter. I also train with Casa's track team on sprinting to help me become faster on the runway. As my training and ability progressed, my personal goal was to break [the record] at the first meet," she said.

Scott returned home victorious, not only placing first in the varsity women's pole vault, but breaking the school record.

freshman competing in the category.

Head coach Andre Ayala shared that he has had a very positive experience working with Scott. "Siena has been a fantastic addition to the team. Her eagerness to break records and achieve things no one else at Casa has done has been evident since day one. She has high expectations for herself which is exciting. Pun fully intended, the sky is the limit," Ayala said.

Looking ahead, the track and field team will be participating in the first GEL Center Meet on March 26, hosted by Casa Roble. Following this will be the Valhalla Distance Invitational at Oakmont High School on March 28. Scott says she hopes to qualify for the State Meet and ultimately become a D1 athlete with a scholarship. "It's been a really cool experience to be a part of a high school team, and to bring a special sport to the school," Scott said.

Casa Roble Distance Team Breaks Records at Crump Invitational

On Saturday March 22, the Casa Roble Track & Field team traveled to Dixon for the Crump Invitational. 3 members of the Distance team not only won their races, they also set new meet records in the 800m and 1600m! Sophomore Brooklyn Rozumowicz ran a 2:31 in the 800m and a 5:32 in the 1600m. Sophomore Micah Heberlein ran a 2:05 in the 800m. Junior Corbin Faircloth ran a 4:41 in the 1600m. Congratulations to these athletes for their achievement! Submitted by Kathy Faircloth



tioned to my mom that gymnasts are very good pole vaulters," Scott said.

Years later, in 2024, Scott decided to try her hand at pole vaulting. "My grandpa helped me find a pole vaulting club in Granite Bay, coached by Curt Roth. I've been training with them for a year now," she said.

The freshman cleared a 10-foot jump. "Breaking the record first meet was beyond exciting, and just another reminder that setting big goals for yourself is key to achieving big things. I was a little nervous but I'm so glad I set that goal for myself because it

proved my ability," Scott said. To make this achievement more remarkable, she was the only



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BY
Suzanne Feblowitz

When I was growing up in Watsonville, my grandma would make these bars. We knew we were going to be getting a treat when we smelled coffee percolating on the stove. She was a tea drinker, and grandpa would get his daily coffee at the coffee shop, so we know these special treats were coming when we smelled coffee!

If you would like to share a favorite 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 in case we need to contact you. If you wish to remain

anonymous, just let us know and we will omit your name.

COFFEE BOY COOKIES

1 cup brown sugar
1 cup Crisco
2 eggs
1 cup coffee, cooled
2 cups flour
1 tsp baking soda
1 tsp baking powder
1 tsp cinnamon
1 tsp nutmeg
1 cup walnuts, chopped
1 cup raisins

Prepare a jellyroll pan with non-stick spray or oil and then dust with flour. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Mix Crisco and sugar together in a large bowl and then add eggs and mix and then

add coffee. Set aside. In another bowl, mix flour, baking soda, baking powder, cinnamon and nutmeg together, then add raisins and nuts.

Add the dry ingredients to the other bowl and mix. Do not overmix. Pour into the prepared pan and bake for 30 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the bar comes out clean.

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WHO YA' GONNA CALL? HOW 311 AND YOUR ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES CAN HELP

By Patsy McGavock, JustServe.org

Have you ever seen a need or issue in your community and simply don't know where to start? Whether it's reporting potholes and fallen trees, getting help with state agencies, or navigating a permitting processes, 311 and the staff at your elected representatives' offices can change overwhelmed and uncertain to efficiently and effectively resolved.

With Orangevale and Fair Oaks among the 67% of Sacramento County that is unincorporated, county offices and special districts serve as the primary local government. Knowing who to call, and knowing you'll find an advocate there, empowers you to make a difference.

311: A Direct Line for Non-Emergency Issues

Sacramento County's 311 system is a direct tool for addressing almost any non-emergency, generally property related issue in unincorporated areas, from illegal dumping and potholes to verifying business licenses and garbage collection dates. Available 24/7 by phone, website, or app, it allows users to report concerns and track progress.

"311 is a great tool that lets residents and the county work together," said Vanessa McCarthy-Olmstead, Chief of Staff for Supervisor Rich Desmond. "It creates a record of the issue, is geo-tagged, and allows residents to check for updates."

While 311 is best for non-urgent concerns, county staff step in when issues require more than just a service request.

How County Supervisor Staff Can Assist
If an issue involves people rather than property, staff at your County Supervisor's office can help navigate complex situations and advocate for an issue that remains unresolved. Examples include issues of public health, child support, Medi-Cal, adult protective services, and state-mandated county services including land use and permitting.

"Often we work hand-in-hand with multiple agencies," McCarthy-Olmstead ex-

plained. "Our staff can help make the right connections so people aren't spinning their wheels."

In example, McCarthy-Olmstead mentions speeding in neighborhoods. The supervisor's office knows the proper steps: connecting with the Department of Transportation for monitoring, determining whether traffic calming measures like speed tables are needed, and even coordinating with California Highway Patrol when necessary.

"If it deals with Human issues and someone don't know where to start, needs a follow up, or are bringing an issue that impacts their community to the attention of their elected official - these are excellent reasons to contact your supervisor's office," concludes McCarthy-Olmstead.

State-Level Assistance: Your Senator's Office

Anyone having trouble with a state related agency, such as DMV, Caltrans, Employment Development (EDD) and licensing agencies, should contact their State Senator's office, says Rob Olmstead, District Coordinator for Senator Roger Niello.

"We have staff who can take a concern, digest it, and figure out which agency to reach out to on behalf of the constituent," said. "We also have direct phone lines that the public doesn't have access to, which helps us advocate more efficiently."

Visitors are also welcome to come in person to their senator's district offices, open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Staff can even come to those who are physically unable to visit.

"Very few people know we are able to help with these kinds of services," Olmstead added. "No matter who you are—we just want to help. That's why we're here."

Leveraging the Staff's Connections

"When you call an elected representative's office, you're calling the agency's bosses, bosses, boss," said Matt Hedges, Chief of Staff for Supervisor Rosario Rodriguez. "Of course they respond. They want to do well for their boss."

The goal, Hedges said, is simple: "We want people to feel welcomed, not overwhelmed."

For city-related concerns, residents should start with their city manager's office.

Your local government is accessible with elected officials' staff excited to help. When you see a need, feel empowered to make a difference with your local government connection.

For more information:

- Report property-related concerns: 311. cityofsacramento.org
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"We are excited to welcome local youth back to our farm camps!" said Lacey Yuke, Food Bank Farm Manager. "One of our favorite parts is teaching children how the farm



and Food Bank work together to help others. Last year, our farm grew over 10,500 pounds of fresh produce!"

Each farm camp features a different theme, allowing children to attend multiple sessions, although activities are similar. Campers will rotate through various activities, including harvesting vegetables, exploring

insect life cycles, creating art, and more.

Parents have praised the program for its fun, engaging and educational impact. "Brooklyn had a fantastic time at Farm Camp this summer," said a local parent. "She was always eager to go every morning and happy to share her experiences when we picked her up. Her favorite part was picking carrots and when the chicken visited. We knew she had a fabulous time when she came home covered in dirt. Thank you for the wonderful experience."

Registration is now open for one camp or all three! Each camp costs \$120 and is limited to 30 campers. Volunteers aged 14 and older are also needed. Visit FoodBank.Farm to register and learn more.

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ORANGEVALE FARM AND GARDEN CLUB

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ALTHEA CANINES NAMED 2025 CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT OF THE YEAR

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Althea Canines is honored to be selected as a 2025 California Nonprofit of the Year by Assemblyman Josh Hoover, District 7. This recognition celebrates Althea Canines' impactful work supporting individuals with mental health and psychiatric disabilities through service and facility dogs.

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Althea Canines offers a range of low-to-no-cost programs, from owner-train service dog classes to full board-and-train options. They also train facility dogs for agencies like University of California campuses, police, fire, educational, and senior care facilities. We are able to do so through the generous support of our community, such as Walmart/Sam's Club, Orangevale Dairy Queen, R.R.U.F.F. Healing Heroes and more.

"As a volunteer organization, we work every day to build transformative human-canine relationships," said Shannon Kane, Executive Director. "We are deeply grateful to

Assemblyman Hoover for this recognition." Geoff Green, CEO of the California Association of Nonprofits, praised the organization's contributions: "Nonprofits like Althea Canines provide critical services and enrich lives. Their dedication strengthens communities and exemplifies the power of volunteer work."

Now in its tenth year, the California Nonprofit of the Year initiative honors organizations making a difference across the state. The celebration culminates in a luncheon at the Capitol on California Nonprofits Day, May 21.



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HOURS

Sunday Closed
Monday Closed
Tuesday 10AM-6PM
Wednesday 10AM-6PM
Thursday 10AM-6PM
Friday 10AM-6PM
Saturday 10AM-6PM

Heirloom Seeds Available at the Orangevale Library The Orangevale Library has heirloom seeds to start your own garden and our warm weather seeds are available now! 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.

Minecraft Gaming Thursday, April 3, 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, April 4, 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. - Special date for April Jane Wise Community Room Kids are invited to practice their skills by reading aloud to a certified therapy dog (and their Handler). Attendees may bring a book to read or choose one at the Library.

STEAM - LEGO® Robotics Saturday, April 19, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room Led by a team of student instructors, kids ages 9 to 14 will work in groups to create and program a robot and learn STEAM skills with this fun, hands-on project.

Family Art Lab Saturday, April 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!

TEENS

Teen Space Thursday, April 10, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Thursday, April 17, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Thursday, April 24, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Meet other teens, and hang out in a space dedicated to you.

ADULTS

Genealogy: Getting To Know You Saturday, April 5, 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room Do you need help researching your family history? Learn the basics, try new resources, and share discoveries with a group of Time Detectives. There's always something new to learn on a genealogy adventure!

This program is for adults.

Genealogy: Book a Genealogist Saturday, April 5, 3:00 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 Cellar 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, April 12, 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.

Orangevale Adult Book Group - Long After We Are Gone Saturday, April 19, 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 Long After We Are Gone by Terah Shelton Harris. 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.

Small Business Workshop Tuesday, April 22, 10:30a.m. - 12:00p.m. Jane Wise community Room Small Business Workshop featuring representatives from Sacramento County BERCC (Business Environmental Resource Center).

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Ribbon-Cutting Celebration Welcomes Slayed by J to Orangevale!

By MaryAnne Povey

The Orangevale Chamber of Commerce, along with the Fair Oaks Chamber, hosted a joint ribbon-cutting celebration for Slayed by J—the business of talented hair stylist and lash artist Jennifer Ponciano—now located inside the award-winning Last Tangle Salon in Orangevale.

It was a fantastic evening surrounded by family, friends, and local community members, all there to celebrate Jenn’s exciting new chapter. Representatives from Assemblyman Josh Hoover’s office and Senator Roger Niello’s office also attended and commemorated the occasion with official recognition certificates.

Before the official ribbon cutting, Jenn thanked everyone for attending and expressed her appreciation to her family and friends for their ongoing support and to Julie King, owner of the Last Tangle Salon for inviting her to be part of the Last Tangle Salon award winning team!

Jenn’s move to this new location marks an exciting step forward for her growing business which specializes in hair styling, lash and hair extensions.

If you’d like to experience Jenn’s incredible work firsthand, appointments can be made by calling 916-757-9234. She’s known not only for her skill but also for her care and attention to every client.

This ribbon-cutting reflects the best of what our local chambers are all about—supporting entre-

preneurship, building community, and celebrating success.

If you’re a business owner looking to join a strong, connected network, we’d love to celebrate your milestones too! Visit www.orangevalechamber.com and click on Membership to learn more about becoming part of the Orangevale Chamber of Commerce.

Welcome to your new home, Slayed by J—we’re thrilled to have you in the community!



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PETACULAR



Desert Rose (A877735), 10 years old – A sweet senior Pit Bull Terrier with a gentle soul who deserves a loving home for her golden years



Tiramisu (A879039), 1 year 2 months old – A playful Siberian Husky who enjoys canine friends and is currently sharing her kennel with a buddy. adoption fee is waived!



Dexter (A878784), 5 years old – A friendly German Shepherd Dog who does well in playgroups and shares his kennel with a buddy.



Maddie (A878737), 11 years old – A calm and affectionate Pit Bull Terrier who walks well on leash and enjoys the company of other dogs.



Braxton (A877642), 1 year 8 months old – A lovable Husky/German Shepherd mix who adores affection but needs patience to build confidence outdoors.



Kendrick (A857234), 1 year 7 months old – A sweet and playful German Shepherd Dog who's improving on leash and enjoys canine friends

Name: Mr. Sweetheart
Animal ID: 57886447
Breed: Domestic Shorthair
Gender: Neutered Male
Age: 2 years
Adoption Fee: Sponsored!!

Mr. Sweetheart is estimated to be 2 years old and weighs 11 pounds. He may take time to warm up in his new home but will be the biggest cuddle bug once he does! He enjoys chin scratches and all the treats you have to offer. Mr. Sweetheart would love a warm pair of arms to snuggle in!

Mr Sweetheart is FeLV positive. FeLV positive kitties can sometimes live normal happy lives but are at risk of developing illnesses related to this virus. They should be indoor only and receive regular vet checkups. If there are other cats in the household they should be vaccinated against this disease. As part of my adoption, my new family can receive a complimentary FELV test and initial vaccination series of the FELV vaccine for up to two resident cats in the family!

The adoption fee has been fully sponsored by The Joe Willie Initiatives

I don't have a history of living with other cats. I may do well



with a slow introduction.

I don't have a history of living with dogs. I may do well with a slow introduction.

I don't have a history of living with children and would potentially do well with older calm/cat savvy kids

If you are interested in this specific animal, please come to the shelter for walk-in adoptions Tuesday through Saturday from 10:30am to 5:30pm. We recommend coming in as early as possible, as adoptions are first-come, first-served. Sacramento SPCA
6201 Florin-Perkins Rd
Sacramento, CA 95828
Desk: 916-504-2834



We're excited to invite you to the 2025 Tour for Life event at Bradshaw Animal Shelter on Sunday, March 30th, from 12 PM to 5 PM! This nationwide event, hosted in partnership with North Shore Animal League America, is the world's largest mobile pet adoption campaign, aiming to raise awareness about rescue animals and find them loving homes.

Bradshaw Animal Shelter will be showcasing adoptable dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens, with special giveaways and the North Shore Animal League America Mobile Adoption Unit on-site. Please see the media alert attached for more information.

We'd love for you to cover the event, and we are also available for interviews with shelter representatives and partners leading up to the event to discuss this incredible initiative. Please RSVP by contacting Brittani Peterson at peterstonb@saccounty.gov



BRADSHAW ANIMAL SHELTER

Visit BradshawShelter.net to see all available dogs and see who you fall in love with or visit the shelter at 3839 Bradshaw Rd.!

ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS THROUGH UNIFIED ACTION



Addressing Homelessness Through Unified Action

By Supervisor Rosario Rodriguez

When I took office, tackling the homelessness crisis was my top priority. As a member of the Folsom City Council, I witnessed firsthand how fragmented and uncoordinated the response was between the County of Sacramento and individual cities. Each jurisdiction worked

independently, duplicating efforts, lacking coordination, and ultimately failing to drive meaningful change. This disjointed approach has led to a system that simply

doesn't work. Homelessness is a regional crisis, and until we commit to working together as one unified force, we won't see a real decline in the numbers.

According to the most recent Point-in-Time count, Sacramento County has at least 6,615 homeless individuals—though I firmly believe this is an undercount. Even with this conservative estimate, the picture is stark: we have a fraction of the shelter beds, permanent supportive housing, and services needed to meet the demand. Without a collaborative strategy, we remain stuck in a cycle where homeless individuals are simply moved from one city to another as encampments are cleared, rather than being placed on a meaningful path to stability.

At the same time, we cannot allow illegal encampments and the status quo to continue. Sacramento County residents should not bear the brunt of inaction—whether it's in the form of blight, negative impacts on local

businesses and neighborhoods, or increased crime. These encampments are unsafe, both for those living in them and for the surrounding communities. Clearing them isn't just about restoring order; it's about ensuring individuals have access to the treatment and services they need to get back on their feet.

The solution is clear: we must drastically increase the availability of shelter and supportive housing, while ensuring that our local government—county and city—works together in a unified system. This includes:

●**Coordinating Resources Across Jurisdictions:** Rather than cities and counties working in isolation, we need a shared strategy to efficiently allocate shelter beds, housing and services where they are most needed.

●**Maximizing Existing Shelter Capacity:** We must better manage our available shelter beds to ensure individuals have a safe place to go when encampments are cleared.

●**Expanding Services Alongside Shelters and Housing:** Simply providing housing isn't enough.

True progress requires robust mental health care, substance use disorder treatment, and job training programs to help individuals transition back into society. Without these critical services, the cycle of homelessness will continue.

●**Holding Ourselves Accountable:** A fragmented approach has failed us. It's time for all local governments to take responsibility and focus on results over bureaucracy. As elected officials, we must ensure real-time data is used to improve efficiency and effectiveness, enabling quick action and problem-solving.

●**Requiring Outcomes from Community Partners:** Organizations receiving government funding must be held accountable, with key performance indicators based on measurable and achievable results reported monthly.

●**Establishing Effective and Efficient Communication:** Homelessness is the top priority for most of us living in Sacramento County, and addressing it requires clear, concise, and timely communication. We must utilize data to foster dialogue, understanding, and collabora-

tion to drive better outcomes.

Sacramento County has a unique opportunity to set a new standard for addressing homelessness—not through fragmented efforts by individual cities and agencies, but by coming together as a unified force. I've been working to bring leaders together, including recent meetings with Sacramento City Mayor Kevin McCarty, to develop a collaborative strategy that will drive real, lasting change. We are joining forces to bring leaders from all cities in Sacramento County to identify the gaps and challenges within the current system, uncover deficiencies, and create a cost-effective, long-term plan to significantly reduce homelessness throughout our county.

If we fail to collaborate, the crisis will only deepen. But if we unite, we can build a system that helps move individuals off the streets and into stable, fulfilling lives.

I want to hear from you—how can we better coordinate our efforts? Reach out to my office at 916-874-5491 or email supervisorrodriguez@saccounty.gov. Let's come together and take real action to solve this crisis.

Golden Valley Charter Schools Invite Community to Annual May Festival & Picnic

Golden Valley Charter Schools are delighted to invite families and community members to the annual May Festival & Picnic, a cherished tradition celebrated for 25 years. This vibrant festival, held at both Golden Valley River School and Golden Valley Orchard School, symbolizes the arrival of spring and serves as a special moment for eighth graders, many of whom have been part of the schools since kindergarten, to perform their last dance together.

The May Festival at Golden Valley River School will take place on Saturday, April 26, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, while the May Festival & Picnic at Golden Valley Orchard School is scheduled for Saturday, May 3, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Both events embrace

the beauty of the changing seasons, celebrating spring with joyous community gatherings.

Before the dance, guests will have the opportunity to create delicate flower crowns, weaving blossoms into wreaths to wear during the festivities. The event begins with seventh graders playing recorders to introduce the celebrations, followed by the grand procession of the May Queen. First graders will gently scatter rose petals along the path, creating a fragrant walkway for the eighth graders as they step forward for their final May Pole dance. Dressed in traditional white attire, the eighth graders will methodically weave colorful ribbons around the May Pole in a time-honored display of unity and tradition.

Attendees are encouraged to wear white and bring a picnic to enjoy after the festivities. Lemonade and strawberry shortcake will be available for purchase, with proceeds supporting field trip funds.

The mission of the Festival

Committee is to strengthen and build community through these beloved festival offerings. These celebrations not only honor the rhythms of nature but also provide an opportunity for families to connect and share in the warmth of Golden Valley's public Waldorf school community.

This event is open to the public, and everyone is welcome to join in the festivities. Bring your loved ones, a picnic blanket, a camping chair, any needed shade, and a joyful spirit to experience the magic of May with Golden Valley Charter Schools!

Event Locations:

Golden Valley River School - 9601 Lake Natoma Dr, Orangethale, CA 95662

Golden Valley Orchard School - 6550 Filbert Ave, Orangethale, CA 95662

Written by Marlene Laughter, Marketing & Development Manager of Golden Valley Charter Schools



OVparks Summer Open House

Saturday, April 12th

12:00 - 1:30 pm

Orangevale Community Center

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Summer Swim Lessons

Session 1: June 16-26

Session 2: June 30- July 10

Session 3: July 14-24

Session 4: July 28-Aug 7

Rec'ing Crew: Summer Day Camp

June 16-20: Event- Naturalist

June 23-27: Field Trip- Sac State Planetarium

June 30-July 3: Event- Magician

July 7-11: Field Trip- Sunsplash Water Park

July 14-18: Event- Tankwars

July 21-25: Field Trip- Skatetown Ice Arena

July 28-Aug 1: Event- Petting Zoo

Aug 4-8: Field Trip- Sunrise Roller Land

Wiggles & Giggles Summer Camp

June 10-12: Under the Sea

June 17-19: Dinosaur Theme

June 24-26: Camping Adventure

July 1-3: Galaxy Explorers

July 8-10: Zoo-Tastic Fun

July 15-17: Circus Fun

July 22-24: Bugs & Other Crawlle Things

A summer Camp especially for ages 3 to 5

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Theatre

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Kayaking

Scan the QR code to go to OVparks.com for more information about Open House and our available programing

