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Join along the route to watch all the decorated vehicles and lights. This event will happen rain or shine! If you are interested in participating this year, with a festive lit up vehicle, trailer or golf cart, please sign up/register here, all proceeds go to support our Teen Council



## LET IT SNOW TOY PROJECT RETURNS THIS SEASON

The spirit of giving is in full swing, as several local Nonprofit organizations join forces to make the holidays a spectacular for children in need. The 5th annual "Let It Snow Toy Project" returns this season, bringing together the Orangevale Recreation and Park District, Kiwanis Club of Orangevale-Fair Oaks, California Storm, Orangevale-Fair Oaks Food Bank, Orangevale Women's Club, and Helping Hands Orangevale to create a very magical winter wonderland for local kids.



The vision for this experience is to give children the unique opportunity to tour Santa's Workshop with the help of a friendly elf where each child can select gifts for themselves. Santa's workshop is full of dolls, stuffed animals, sports gear, baby toys, school backpacks, educational books, gift cards, bikes, scooters, art supplies, skateboards and other gifts, inspiring each kid to roll into a merry and brighter new year. Each family will go home with a pantry bag full of food to help put food on their tables during the holidays. As parents awaits for the excitement to see what the kids have chosen, they can warm up with a cup of hot cocoa and finish up

with pictures with Santa!

This adventure is generated by the leadership and generosity of local nonprofits, community members and businesses. Collection boxes for new, unwrapped toys, helmets, bikes, scooters, and gift cards are now available at participating locations throughout the area. Donations will be accepted through December 10th. Please help make it a magical season and support the Let It Snow Toy Project!

Local drop off locations: Orangevale Recreation and Park District (6826 Hazel Ave. OV), House to Home Moving (8974 Greenback Ln OV), Rose Senior Placement (8856 Greenback Ln, suite c OV), Katie Yount State farm (8908 Madison Ave. FO), Grocery Outlet OV (8835 Greenback Ln OV), Mode Brewing & Kitchen (9110 Greenback Ln OV), Waterfly Car Wash (4350 Sunrise Blvd FO). We also, want to thank Ladies About Business, Toro Z Muy Thai, and PS Apparel for their commitment and support.



Other events supporting the "Let It Snow Toy Project": Helping Hands OV is hosting Laugh Your Head Off Comedy Show. December 6, 6:00 pm, No cover, venue Scotty Hideaway, 9353 Greenback Ln, OV. Featuring Ben Miller Drag Queen Bingo, @ The Boardwalk, 9426 Greenback Ln, OV December 11th 5pm Sponsor by Ladies About Business Se more details on page 7

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Santa and New Exhibits Orangevale History Museum Santa will be visiting the Museum on Saturday, December 6th for pictures with the children from 12pm - 3pm. Activities will include crafts, hot chocolate and food for all visitors. Come join the fun! The museum will be unveiling the new display Orangevale Roots: A History of Agriculture. The museum will be closed from Monday, November 24 to Friday, December 5 to prepare the new displays.

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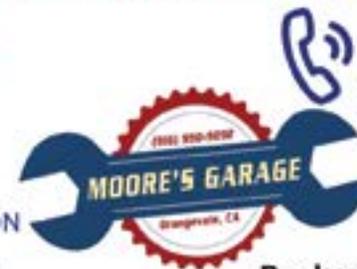


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# CLOSING THE ILLEGAL CAMPING LOOPHOLE

## Closing the Illegal Camping Loophole

By Supervisor Rosario Rodriguez

Over the last several years, homelessness in Sacramento County has changed dramatically. Much of this began after a Ninth Circuit court decision made it essentially legal for people to camp on public property unless enough shelter beds were available. Cities and counties across the West Coast felt the impact, including ours.

Camps grew along our parks, trails, and the American River Parkway, and local governments were left with very limited tools to address it. COVID then intensified the problem. More people fell into crisis, service providers were stretched thin, and encampments expanded into places we had never seen before. Even when deputies and outreach teams worked to offer services, they were often stuck in a legal gray zone where enforcement was not permitted.

In 2024 the United States Supreme Court issued a ruling that reversed the old Ninth Circuit decision. For the first time in years, Sacramento County once again was able to enforce rules against camping on public property. The County immediately began work to restore safety and access to parks, open spaces, and trails while continuing to offer supportive services as the first step in every contact.

As enforcement on public land increased, many illegal encampments shifted to private property. Some owners posted signs or signed a "602 notice", which allows the Sheriff's Office to enforce trespassing laws when the owner is not present. But many owners do not have these notices, and the challenge becomes even more difficult on vacant parcels or when the owner lives far away and cannot be reached.

This created a frustrating situation for neighborhoods and law enforcement. Businesses cannot



Supervisor Rosario Rodriguez

monitor their property around the clock, and deputies have limited authority without the proper legal tools. Meanwhile surrounding communities deal with the impacts that come with unmanaged camps, including trash, fires, unsafe conditions, and blocked walkways.

Early in my first year on the Board, I was briefed on this gap in our laws. I immediately began asking why the County could not step in on private property when an encampment created a clear nuisance or danger.

After raising these questions, I convened meetings with County Counsel and law enforcement to understand the underlying issue. Through that work we learned that the County already has a nuisance abatement process for hazardous conditions on private property, but illegal camping had never been formally connected to it.

This missing link is what we are now working to fix. On December 16 the Board of Supervisors will consider a change to the unlawful camping ordinance that closes this loophole. If adopted, it will al-

low the County to begin abatement when a private property owner is absent, unreachable, or unwilling to act, using the same nuisance abatement process that already exists for other dangerous conditions.

Law enforcement supports this update because it provides a clearer path to protect neighborhoods from blight and unsafe conditions. Deputies will continue to offer services first and help people connect with housing, mental health support, substance use treatment, and other resources. For individuals who refuse services and continue to seek ways around the law, our communities deserve stronger tools that keep neighborhoods clean and safe.

This ordinance is an important step in restoring order and accountability. I look forward to the Board's discussion on December 16 and to continuing our work on solutions that support both public safety and public compassion.

If you'd like to share your thoughts or concerns with me, you can always reach my office at 916-874-5491 or email me at SupervisorRodriguez@saccounty.gov.

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## HISTORY PROJECT



*Ernest and Myrtle Pittman*

US Navy, enlisting in 1943. In 1946 he married Helen Pauline Dundas and had 5 children. They bought a house at 6817 Pecan Ave in Orangevale. After 45 years he retired from a lumber company.

Marilyn Pittman (1937-2024) was a vibrant presence in the community. She attended San Juan High School, where she was active in the Girls Athletic Association and the California Scholastic Federation. A talented pianist and avid horseback rider, she was crowned queen of the Youth Center Carnival in 1952. She had two children, Mark Dawson and Travis Black. Marilyn stayed involved in the OV communities.

### Expanding the Homestead

In 1951, Reggie and Lillian built their home on 1.5 acres at 6651 Pittman Lane, while Marilyn established her residence on a 1-acre parcel at

6619 Hazel Avenue—both carved from the original family property. These homes became extensions of the Pittman legacy, each filled with memories and milestones.

### A Tragic Loss and a Quiet Transition

On October 4, 1966, tragedy struck when Ernest, age 67, died in a car accident on Auburn Boulevard near Van Maren Lane. Just weeks later, Euna passed away, marking the end of an era for the original Pittman couple.

In 1968, the property was rented to Don Gualdin, and by 1969, it was sold to Ronald Robb and his wife Betty Lee—close friends of the Pittman family. The house at 8897 Central Avenue changed hands again in 1973, first to the Burkes and then to the Lees.

### Coming Full Circle

In 2025, the home found its way back to family roots when Kyle and Katy Sunzeri purchased it. Katy, the granddaughter of Gary and Rosemary Burke, had long dreamed of living in the house where she spent cherished childhood moments. Her return to 8897 Central Avenue is a testament to the enduring emotional ties that bind generations to the places they call home.

Article and photos submitted by Kay Barnes

## WOODMORE OAKS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LIGHT CONTEST

Happy Holidays from Woodmore Oaks Neighborhood Watch. Once again, we are having our Annual Christmas Light Contest for our community. Our contest has grown to over 175 streets and we have our volunteers ready to judge the Best Christmas Lights Display for each street within our boundaries of our program. Our program is within the boundaries of Greenback Lane to Oak Ave. and Sunrise Blvd. to Kenneth Ave. The judges will go out from December 1st - 15th and pick one winner per street. Please have your lights on from 5PM-10PM each day. The judges will then report back to Tom DiGiacomo (President of Woodmore Oaks Neighborhood Watch) the winners by December 15. From December 16th-24th, Tom will be knocking on the doors of each winner and congratulating them with a beautiful color framed certificate that can be displayed in a window or with your holiday decorations. This has been an annual popular event since it started in 1992. Tom has said that the joy and spirit of our neighbors has been priceless through the years. Also "this is like the Publishing Clearing House- the Neighbors are just waiting for me to knock on their door!". The talk is on so get your lights up and get into the Holiday Spirit! We are always looking for volunteers to help distribute our monthly Newsletter (Crime Stats & Tips for Safety) to our Neighbors by placing them at their front door. Please contact Tom DiGiacomo at 916-606-7462 to see if your street is available! Happy Holidays!

### A Legacy Rooted in Orangevale: The Pittman Family and the House on 8897 Central Avenue

Nestled at the northwest-corner of Central and Hazel Avenues in Orangevale, California, stands a home that has witnessed generations of family, community, and change. Originally part of a 20-acre parcel once owned by the Close family, the property's story took a pivotal turn in 1942 when Ernest and Euna Pittman purchased 10 acres—including the house—for \$805.00. That modest investment became the foundation of a legacy deeply woven into the fabric of Orangevale.

### From Spenceville to Orangevale

Ernest Leonard Pittman, born in 1899 in Yuba, California, and Euna Myrtle Peckman, born in 1897 in Smartville, were married in Marysville on June 2, 1917. During World War II, the Pittmans were displaced from their Spenceville Ranch near Beale Air Force Base due to government action under eminent domain. Seeking a new beginning, they moved to 8897 Central Avenue (lot 148) in Orangevale—a home that would remain in the family for decades.

Euna's heritage added depth to their story—her family had journeyed to California from Illinois in a covered wagon, making her and

her descendants proud native Californians.

### Building a Life and Community

Ernest worked as a warehouseman for several companies, while Euna nurtured their home and family. Together, they raised three children: Reggie, June, and Marilyn.

Reggie Wayne Pittman (1921-1999) served in the U.S. Army, spending two years overseas in England and France. In 1947, he married Lillian Davis of Roseville, they had 2 children James and Sandra. Reggie's entrepreneurial spirit led him to open a Shell service station in 1956 at the corner of Greenback and Hazel that he operated for 26 years. Lillian was part of Ladies in White Rescue Squad.

June Leonard Pittman (1925-2005) -served in the



*Pittman House on 8897 Central Avenue*

## Christmas Is Coming - Don't Lose The Wonder!

By Jathan Good

Thanksgiving's in the rear-view mirror, and we're headed full steam toward Christmas. I love seeing lights go up around my neighborhood and across town—though I'm still not sure how I feel about giant Santa blowups competing with giant Halloween skeletons at hardware stores in early October.

As I write this, a Balsam Fir candle burns on my desk, Brandon Heath's new Christmas album Long Expected is playing (give it a listen!), and I'm drinking hot cocoa. I'm looking forward to time with family and to opening Christmas cards from old friends.

But in the hustle of Christmas decorating, parties, and shopping (thank God for Black Friday deals that now last all week, and Cyber Monday too), I hope we don't lose the wonder and mystery of Christmas. We've all

heard the story—Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem that ended in a stable. We know of baby Jesus, the shepherds, angels, and wise men. But when did you last think about how astonishing it is? Who but God would choose such a humble, unexpected plan to save the world? And how does the Creator of the universe step into His creation as a newborn child?

My prayer this Christmas is that we'd allow ourselves to be caught up again in the wonder of it all. One of my favorite ways to focus on the wonder, is at the Songs of Christmas Dessert Concert at Sunrise Community Church. You'll hear the story through music, reflect on its mystery, and experience the season with fresh perspective.

Tickets are only \$5 when you buy four or more, and there are two shows: Friday, December 5 at 7pm and Saturday, December 6 at 2pm. Get tickets at [www.Sunrise.Church/Christmas](http://www.Sunrise.Church/Christmas). See you there!

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This week, I am sharing a recipe from the 1990 Orangevale Community Center Cookbook. This book was a community fundraiser to raise funds for our present community center! We did not have a community center back then. This recipe is one that I make every Christmas as an appetizer before our Christmas dinner. It makes a great appetizer to bring to holiday gatherings. Karen Balch donated this recipe.

If you would like to share a favorite holiday recipe, please

send a copy to Suzanne Feblowitz at the Orangevale View ([editor@ovview.com](mailto: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.

#### OLIVE CHEESE BALLS

8 oz sharp cheddar cheese  
1 ½ cup flour  
½ cup melted butter  
Spanish Olives (green) drained

Grate the cheese. You must grate the cheese, because it must be freshly grated so it mixes well with the flour and butter. (Do not use packaged grated cheese because it will be too dry.) In a bowl, add the flour to the cheese and mix. Then add the butter and stir. Knead with your hands until it is moist. Mold 1 teaspoon or a bit more around an olive. Repeat with the remaining olives until you run out of dough. Place on an ungreased cookie sheet. Refrigerate 1 hour or more (you can prepare the night before!) Bake at 400 degrees for 15-20 minutes or until golden. Serve warm or cold. Makes as many olives as you want depending on how much dough you use around the olive.

Note: I make two batches for 21 oz. olives.

### DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S IN YOUR CHILD'S TEXTBOOKS?

#### SAN JUAN UNIFIED ASKS YOU TO TAKE A LOOK, GIVE FEEDBACK BY DEC 17,

Do You Know What's In Your Child's Textbooks? San Juan Unified Asks You To Take a Look, Give Feedback by Dec 17, In History, Math, More

By Patsy McGavock

Through December 17, from TK-8 math to high school history, psychology, ethnic and language studies San Juan Unified School District is asking parents and community members to open the books and share feedback on learning materials choices the district's adoption committees will soon make - textbooks students will use for the next seven years.

To review visit [SanJuan.edu/curriculum](http://SanJuan.edu/curriculum). Find materials being considered, tips for how to review, feedback forms, and other resources. To review physical books schedule an in-person appointment at Choices Charter School (email [loretta.naas@sanjuan.edu](mailto:loretta.naas@sanjuan.edu)).

While teacher and community committees do the heavy lifting—reviewing rubrics, hearing publisher presentations, narrowing options, and piloting

materials— public feedback directly influences the selection committee's final recommendation. Recommendations move to the advisory committee, then to the Board of Education.

In early November, district staff updated the Curriculum, Standards, and Programs Advisory Committee, sharing the large teacher interest specifically in math adoptions, and the work done refining the history and language text selections. They hope more families and community members will provide input. "Whether you join us in person or review online, your feedback is important," states the district's Sept. 29 announcement. It helps guide final decisions.

Participation is growing, but still small. While selection committee applications rose from 32 last cycle to 92 this year, as of early November, only 22 public reviews had been submitted. While up from 12 last year, it's still a small response in a district of nearly 50,000 students.

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Patsy McGavock is a member of the Curriculum, Standards & Programs Advisory Committee in San Juan Unified School District, supporting family and community engagement.

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## Casa Roble's Season Ends in Hard-Fought 42-27 Battle With Sutter

Casa Roble's postseason run came to a close Friday night in a 42-27 loss to Sutter, ending a season defined by grit, growth, and a locker room that never stopped believing in itself. The Rams traded early blows with the Huskies, answering an opening Sutter touchdown with a strong drive of their own to tie the game 7-7. But field position became a major factor as the night went on. Sutter consistently started near midfield, capitalizing on short fields and a few critical Casa miscues to build a lead.

Casa continued to press, including a long pass that was wiped out when a fumble on the play offset the yardage gained. Although a roughing-the-passer penalty prevented a turnover, the Rams still lost field position they desperately needed. Sutter used the next possession to extend its advantage, leaning on a steady ground attack that kept the chains moving and the pressure on



Casa's defense.

The Rams showed the resilience that carried them all season. A big kickoff return, followed by a clutch scramble from quarterback Lopez, led to a touchdown that kept Casa within striking distance late in the second half. Another strong offensive series pulled the Rams to within one score at 27-20. But a failed

onside attempt and yet another short field allowed Sutter to close the game with two late scores.

As the final seconds ticked down, the scoreboard told only part of the story. What lingered on the field after the whistle was the emotional weight of a season's end. For some seniors, this marked the final time they will ever suit up and take the field with the friends they've played beside for years. For others who will continue their football careers, this moment still represents a turning point — a chapter that closes faster than anyone expects. High school football is brief, personal, and formative, and its final game rarely arrives on the terms players hope for.

Despite the outcome, Casa Roble's players and coaches walked off the field having built something meaningful. This team energized a community, filled the stands week after week, and showed a brand of toughness and unity that sets the foundation for the seasons ahead. The loss may sting, but what the Rams accomplished this year will be remembered far longer than the final score.

Casa Roble football is moving forward with pride — and with the certainty that this program is headed in the right direction.

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Here are participants from the Crew Master's Program February 2024 Learn to Row event. Photo courtesy of Capital Crew Masters Program

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## HOURS

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. 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.

## KIDS

Family Storytime Thursdays, 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. There will be no Storytime on November 27th due to the holiday closure.

Explore and Learn Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room Join us for Explore and Learn, a program with fun learning activities for young children and their caregivers to meet others and play together.

Read to a Dog Friday, December 12, 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. 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 from the library.

STEAM - LEGO® Robotics Saturday, December 20, 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 design, create and program a Lego robot and learn STEAM skills with this fun, hands-on project.

Family Art Lab Saturday, December 27, 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, February 5, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room Enjoy this computer game on our own library server! Participants should be aged 6 - 17; Registration is encouraged at [www.saclibrary.org/events](http://www.saclibrary.org/events). There is a 15-minute grace period for checking in to this pro-

gram. If you have not arrived by then, we cannot guarantee a spot will be available.

## ADULTS

Genealogy: Getting To Know You Saturday, December 6, 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! Age group: Adults

Genealogy: Book a Genealogist Saturday, December 6, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Jane Wise Community Room Need help with your family history? Root Cellular volunteers are ready to help with free individual 30-minute sessions at the Orangevale Library. Reserve your session at [www.saclibrary.org/events](http://www.saclibrary.org/events) Age group: Adults

Mixed Media Art Journaling Saturday, December 13, 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. Age group: Adults

Orangevale Adult Book Group – The House of Eve Saturday, December 20, 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 House of Eve by Sadeqa Johnson. 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.



14 | 12:00–2:00 PM This hands on CPR/AED workshop is geared toward active adults who play on our courts. Participants learn how to respond in an emergency on and off the court.

Winter Pickleball Socials and Events All events held at Rollingwood YMCA, 9373 Winding Oak Dr, Fair Oaks. Paddles & Brew Ugly Sweater Social Friday, December 5 | 6:00–9:00 PM Rotating doubles, music, refreshments, and an ugly sweater prize drawing for adults 21 and older. Pickleball & Cookie Exchange Saturday, December 6 | 11:00 AM–1:00 PM Players bring two dozen cookies to share and enjoy

social games and holiday treats. Jingle Up, Jingle Down Holiday Socials Ladies Night: Thursday, December 11 at 6:00 PM Guys Night: Thursday, December 18 at 6:00 PM Social doubles play with a festive, community focused feel

Best of Fair Oaks 2025 – Best Gym / Fitness Center Nomination Rollingwood YMCA has been nominated for Best Gym / Fitness Center in the Best of Fair Oaks 2025. Our members and neighbors are encouraged to vote and help recognize the Y as a welcoming, community centered place to be active. Rollingwood YMCA 9373 Winding Oak Dr, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 Phone: (916) 988-1727

Pilates Birthday Spotlight Tuesday, December 9 We are celebrating the legacy of Joseph Pilates with special recognition in our Pilates classes and education about the history of the method. It is a fun way to highlight mind body fitness for older adults and active adults in our community.

CPR/AED Class for Pickleball and Tennis Players Sunday, December

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