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**New Member  
John Raven  
Superintendent  
Pioneer School.**

**Welcome!**

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CASA of Kings County in California recruits, trains, and supports volunteers—called Court Appointed Special Advocates—to advocate for the best interests of children in the foster care system, focusing on those who have experienced abuse or neglect.

CASA volunteers are appointed by judges and act as independent advocates who gather information from professionals, caregivers, and the children themselves, then provide recommendations to the court to help ensure that each child is safe, has access to necessary services, and moves towards a permanent, stable home. Their advocacy covers health, education, housing permanence, independence, and maturity. Volunteers typically serve one case at a time, allowing for ongoing, personal support from the time of appointment until a safe resolution is achieved or the child ages out of foster care.

CASA of Kings County provides ongoing training and support for volunteers, who must complete a rigorous screening and educational process to be prepared for their role. Their mission is to serve as the consistent adult support for foster children, helping to relay information to judges and advocating for children's rights and well-being in the court system.

CASA volunteers in Kings County serve as independent advocates appointed by the court to speak for the best interests of children in foster care, providing judges with comprehensive information that helps them make well-informed decisions about the child's welfare.

CASA volunteers conduct interviews and gather information from various sources—including legal and child welfare professionals, educators, healthcare providers, foster parents, and service providers—to ensure that the judge is fully informed about the child's situation. Their main responsibilities in the court process include:



# Bobbie Martin

## CASA



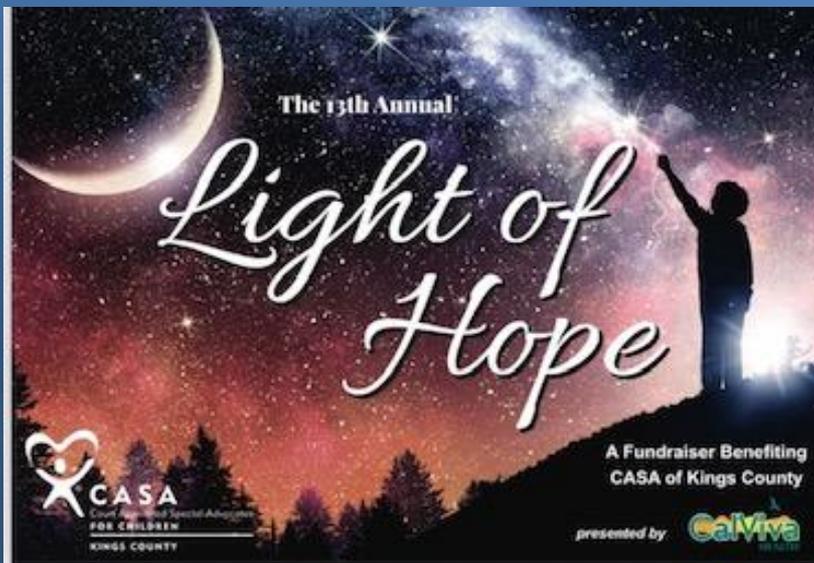
Submitting written reports based on their observations and interactions with the child, which include recommendations about placement, services, and overall well-being.

Appearing in court to advocate for the child, sometimes sitting with them to provide support and speaking directly to the judge if needed.

Ensuring the child's voice is heard by relaying their wishes and needs to the court, even when the child is unable to do so themselves.

Providing a consistent adult presence throughout the court proceedings, which is valuable for children experiencing frequent disruptions in care.

Judges in Kings County rely on CASA volunteers to develop a fuller picture of each child's circumstances, allowing for more accurate and just decisions regarding placement, services, and permanency. CASA volunteers do not represent any parties except the child's best interests, and their recommendations and reports can be influential in shaping court outcomes.



See Maritza for info!

## *You're Invited*

Enjoy an evening of southern charm with dinner provided by Très Bien, cocktails prepared by the Wrecking Bar, and music provided by the Derby Devils.

**Saturday, September 27, 2025**  
**Hanford Civic Auditorium**

6pm Doors Open  
Silent Auction and Social Hour, Dinner,  
Live Auction and an Opportunity to Sponsor a Child  
Attire – Business Casual

### *Tickets*

\$100 per person • \$800 table of eight

#### **For more information**

Call (559) 587-9908 or visit [casakingco.org/tickets](http://casakingco.org/tickets)



Take a photo of this code with your smartphone

**At the CASA event they will silent auction 8 trips!**

#WANDERLUST

*Where are you  
dreaming of  
vacationing?*

Don't Miss Your Chance to Win  
a Special Vacation for Two with  
3 years no blackout dates to  
travel.

Thanks to our partner AmFund,  
we will be offering a fabulous  
collection of trips for you to  
win.

Where would you like to travel?



# Fines





## Fines!

Gaby paid \$25 because she hadn't been fined yet this year!

Bruce M paid negative \$5 to Polio Plus for using the chair cushion.

Amory Paid \$20 for being gone so long from the club!

**Patient: "I really don't drink that much."**



**Doctor: "Your urine sample had an olive in it."**



Kristi



***Victor's new digs!***

**Pics by Debra Garske**





## Sausage Peppers and Onions

Ingredient	Amount
Vegetable oil	1 tbsp
<a href="#">Sausages</a> (Cumberland, Andouille, Bratwurst)	8
Onion (thinly sliced)	2
Red bell peppers (thinly sliced)	2
Orange bell peppers (thinly sliced)	2
Garlic (finely chopped)	2 cloves
Tomato (roughly chopped)	2 cups
Italian seasoning	1 tbsp
Salt	To taste
Black pepper	To taste

## Instructions

### ◆ Step 1: Sear the Sausages

- Heat a cast-iron skillet over medium heat and add vegetable oil.
- Sear sausages until browned on all sides, about **5 minutes**. Remove and set aside.

### ◆ Step 2: Sauté the Onions

- In the same skillet, add sliced onions.
- Cook for **5 minutes**, stirring occasionally, until softened.

### ◆ Step 3: Add Peppers & Garlic

- Stir in bell peppers and garlic.
- Cook for **3 minutes** until fragrant and slightly tender.

### ◆ Step 4: Build the Sauce

- Add chopped tomatoes and Italian seasoning.
- Bring to a simmer, reduce heat to low, and season with salt and pepper.

### ◆ Step 5: Simmer with Sausages

- Return sausages to the skillet.
- Simmer for **20 minutes**, until sausages are cooked through and sauce has thickened.

## To Serve

Plate **two sausages per person**, spoon over the peppers, onions, and a generous ladle of sauce. Serve with crusty bread, mashed potatoes, or over rice for a complete meal.



***Recipe corner***



Scott Merovitch did everything right, or so he thought. A longtime Wells Fargo customer, he got a call that seemed totally legit. The person on the line knew his recent transactions. They said his debit card had been compromised and the bank needed to send someone to his house to collect it.

A woman actually showed up. Professional. Calm. Friendly.

She took Scott's debit card, cut it in half right in front of his Ring doorbell camera, then left. Within an hour and a half, over \$20,000 vanished from Scott's account.

⚠️ Why this scam is different

This isn't your usual sketchy email or random text with broken grammar. They hit up local ATMs at grocery stores, withdrawing cash like it was Monopoly money. Gone.

These scammers:

Spoof real Wells Fargo phone numbers.

Know your account activity.

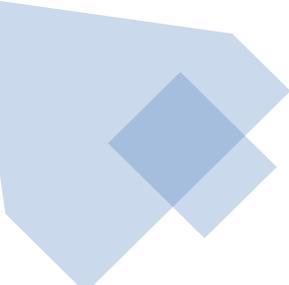
Sound exactly like a fraud rep you'd trust with your taxes.

And yes, they literally walk up to your front door like they're returning your lost dog.

By the way, this can happen with any bank. It's not limited to just Wells Fargo.

💔 The cost can be more than money

This scam has claimed more than cash. In Florida, 52-year-old Paul Schendel lost \$6,800 to the same scheme. He was told the bank wouldn't refund him.



## New you can use cont.

👉 Here's how to protect yourself

Never hand your card to anyone who comes to your door. Ever.

Hang up if someone calls saying they're from your bank. Call the number on your card to verify. Don't be fooled by caller ID, scammers can spoof numbers.

Urgency is a red flag. The more "immediate," the more scammy.

Don't send money or share account details unless you initiated the transaction.

This scam is slick, believable, and it's spreading.



Lina Contreas RC Lindsay



Mathew Kredit



Guest of Susan

Henry Ordonez



Guest of Dean

Welcome!



Special Club Events

When people tell me  
“You’re gonna  
regret that in the  
morning”  
I sleep in until noon  
because  
I’m a problem  
solver.

August 21 Rep Vince Fong’s office  
August 28 Charm House Kristen Smith  
**September 4 Thursday evening Wine  
Auction Victor’s house 1591 N.  
Madeline Dr Hanford**  
September 4 Dark/no meeting



It’s easy to make a monthly donation to  
H.R.C.F. Just ask Bruce to bill you!

# ***Announcements***

Bruce M announced the wine auction September 4th. He needs gift baskets donated. There will be a foundation luncheon November 5. Speaker will be Shirley Grace. See Bruce for details.

Deb announced the play the Odd Couple. See below flyer. A group is getting together for Chinese dinner and see the play September 7. See Deb for details.

President Steve reminded everyone that school is back in so watch out for kids on their phones and not paying attention to traffic.

President Steve also said that Babe Ruth World Series is coming to Hanford.

Bruce M gave out letters to members to let you know how much money you would need to donate in cash to the Foundation to achieve your next Paul Harris level.

***If you have program ideas, please let Gaby know. We all need to help with programs.***

August 14, 2025

**RUMBLER**

# Birthdays/Club Anniversaries

August Birthdays

Rushi Panchal 8/24

Dean Osterling 8/1

Crystal Jackson 8/5

Victor Rosa 8/15

Happy  
Birthday!

Today, I asked my phone "Siri, why am I still single?"  
And it activated the front camera.



Lee Fausett/Paula 8/6

Roger Reynolds/Melissa 8/16

Rodney Moffitt/Sandie 8/24



*Rotary Club of Hanford*

# *WINE AUCTION*

*Come together for a memorable night of fine wine,  
fellowship, and meaningful giving — to benefit  
The Rotary Foundation*



Thursday, September 4th at 6 p.m.

Victor & John's Home

1591 N Madeline Drive, Hanford

RSVP to Joe (559) 381-6975 by August 31st

**Kings Players presents...**

**TEMPLE THEATER**  
514 E VISALIA St  
HANFORD, CA  
559-584-7241  
WWW.KINGSPLAYERS.ORG

# The Odd Couple

**By Neil Simon**  
**Directed by Cyndie Maxwell**

## **SHOW DATES**

**AUG 16, 22, 23, 29, 30 & SEPT 5**

**AT 7:00PM**

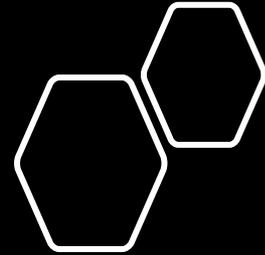
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**AUG 17, 24, 31 & SEPT 6, 7**

**AT 2:00PM**

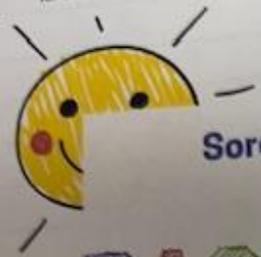
**PRODUCED BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH CONCORD THEATRICALS**

**2025**



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Soroptimist International  
of Hanford

# BACK TO SCHOOL CHILDSPREE

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

**SEP**  
**13**

**7:00 AM**  
**CHECK IN**  
JCPenny's  
Parking Lot

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**To Register**



**Deadline: 9/1/25**

Volunteer instructions are emailed  
after registration  
For any questions contact our club at  
[sihanford@soroptimist.net](mailto:sihanford@soroptimist.net)





Kings County Commission on Aging

# Senior Day at Burris Park

September  
19, 2025

Food • Prizes  
Vendors • Games • Elvis • Car Show

6500 Clinton Ave  
Kingsburg 93631

9:00AM  
1:30PM

Please call to make a reservation 559-852-2828  
Suggested Donation \$3



This event would not be possible without our Sponsors KTAAA, Kings County Board of Supervisors, Kings County Human Services Agency, Kings County Behavioral Health, City of Corcoran, United Way, Hanford Sunset Rotary and many generous donations

Visit us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/kingscountycommissiononaging>

***Volunteers needed to help with this event. If you can volunteer for this event let Lori Bentley know.***

*See Victor  
for more  
info!*

Hanford Education  
Foundation



# Bourbon

## TRAIL



Saturday  
October 4, 2025  
5:30PM

HJUHS Ag Farm

## Bourbon Tastings & Dinner

Just \$75 per person

### Three Tasting Trails

1. High-end Bourbons
2. Top-rated Bourbons
3. Flavor Trail (Flavored Bourbons)

- Craft Bourbon Tastings
- Dinner by Dowd's Catering
- Silent Auction
- Door Prizes
- Ice Cold Beer and Seltzers
- Signature Cocktails
- Live Entertainment

Call Victor Rosa (559) 217-3112 for more details!

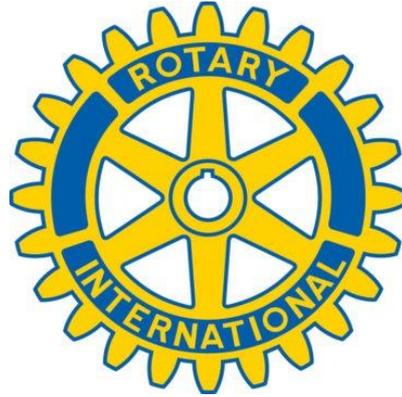
21 and Over Only





## MEMBERSHIP

When you invite a guest please introduce the person as your guest, not as a potential member. After your guest attends a few meetings and we think they are a good fit for the club, then you as the member will fill out a short form proposing membership. It then goes to the board for approval. After the board approves, it will go to the membership for approval or disapproval. If approved, then you can approach your guest to see if they would like to join the club. We are an invite club. We need to get back to the structured way of proposing people for membership. If you have any questions please ask Kristi, Joan, Larry or Bruce or Patrick.



***If you Remember the truth, you don't have to remember anything!***

Monthly Board Meetings: All members are welcome to attend board meetings which occur the second Thursday of the month right after the noon meeting. Board President Steve Stout, President-Elect, Patrick Nelson, Vice President, Gaby Curtis, Kristi Lee, Immediate Past President, Joan Darling, Secretary, Bruce Bentley, Treasurer, Member at large Judy Holwell, Joe Casey Member at large, Joan Darling, Sergeant at Arms, Club Administration, Gaby Curtis, Kathy Andes, Membership Director, and Lori Bentley Public Image Director, Director PP Victor Rosa, New Generations Director, PDG Bruce Mackey, Rotary Foundation Director, PP, Robert Butts, International Director.

Our mailing address is PO Box 11 Hanford CA 93232-0011

