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## Welcome and Happy New Year

CHAIR PAUL CANEPA, DISTRICT TWO

Happy New Year! As we step into this new term, I am thrilled to welcome our newest members to the Board of Supervisors. Their presence strengthens our shared mission, and I am looking forward to their insights and expertise as we navigate this year together.

This year holds special significance as we celebrate our County's 175th anniversary. It's a testament to the enduring dedication of everyone who has been part of this incredible community. Let's take pride in our rich history while looking ahead to the opportunities that lie before us.

This year, I want to highlight youth activities and programs, focusing on education, innovation, growth, and opportunities. Together, we will continue to empower the next generations to lead with resilience and vision.

Lastly, our thoughts are with those impacted by the recent LA County fires. We are committed to supporting recovery efforts and working to ensure the safety and well-being of our communities while also helping our neighbors.

Here's to a year filled with celebration, collaboration, progress, and achievements.

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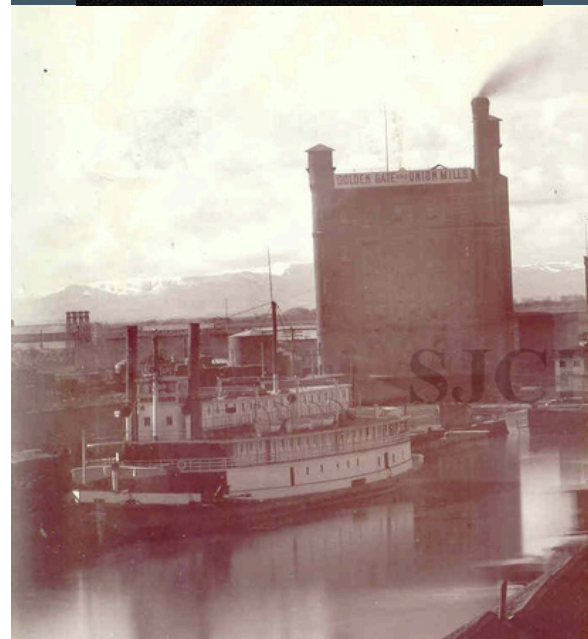


## News of Note

- [Board Allocates Funding for Families and Development](#)
- [Board Members' Inauguration Held on Monday, January 6th](#)
- [Board Approves Supervisor Rickman's Proposal for Supervisorial District 5 Funds](#)
- [Canepa Chosen as Board Chair for 2025](#)
- [San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors Proclaim "Religious Freedom Day" in San Joaquin County](#)
- [San Joaquin County Provides an Update on Labor Negotiations with the California Nurses Association](#)
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## Remembering Jimmy Carter

President Jimmy Carter rose from humble beginnings as a farmer to become the 39th President of the United States. His dedication to our nation was clear through his service in the United States Navy, and he was widely known for his deep love of faith, family, and country. After leaving the White House, President Carter continued his life of service, working to ease suffering, especially among the world's most vulnerable. Through the Carter Center, he set a new standard for post-presidency activism, advancing efforts to educate developing nations, protect democratic institutions, combat rare diseases, and address housing shortages in the United States through his work with Habitat for Humanity. President Carter exemplified the values of public service, compassion, and unwavering faith in both democracy and God. We encourage all our residents to reflect on his extraordinary legacy and his example of giving back to both his community and our nation.





## Supervisor Gardea

San Joaquin County has been a blessing and my home for my entire life. I am a proud husband of more than 30 years, and a proud father to our four amazing daughters. As a twenty-year veteran of the Stockton Fire Department, and Former President of the Stockton Firefighters Association. I have given my all to protect and serve the place we call home. As your County Supervisor, I will continue that service. I'm proud to be a regular, blue-collar son of Stockton, just like you. I look forward to bringing the County back to the basics of how we govern: to provide for safe communities that we can live, work and play in; to fix our roads and sidewalks; to ensure we have employers, both public and private, that provide the kind of union-friendly jobs you can support a family on.

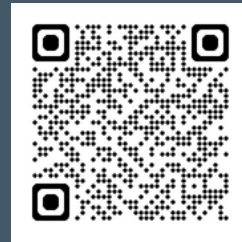


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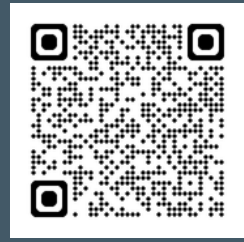


As Lathrop's longest-serving mayor and having nearly 22 years of experience, I am thrilled to share my deep passion for local government that has helped Lathrop become the fastest-growing city in San Joaquin County. This expertise empowers me to effectively serve our region by focusing on collaborative solutions for homelessness, safeguarding our water resources, improving infrastructure, and driving economic growth. I understand the challenges our community faces firsthand, having navigated them as a union member, as a husband, and as a father of four. It is truly an honor to now serve and give back to the county that has given me so much.

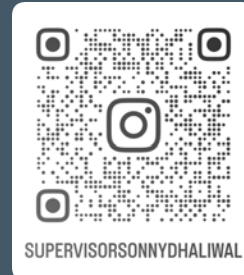
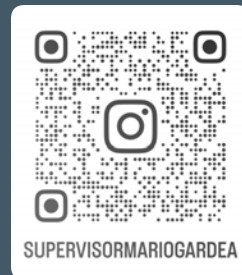
Follow our new Board members!



Supervisor Mario Gardea



Supervisor Sunny Dhaliwal





## 175th Anniversary

San Joaquin County is proud to be celebrating its 175th anniversary this year with a theme of “175 Years of Growing Greatness.” As one of California’s original counties from when the state joined the Union, San Joaquin County has a deep and rich history.

Prior to the gold rush, San Joaquin County was inhabited by Yokuts and Miwok people, who lived off of the fish, acorns and native plants for food. In 1843, the Mexican government of California granted Charles Weber a large piece of land for settlement in what is now French Camp. From there, Weber went on to found the City of Stockton, alongside the native people’s leader, Jose Jesus.

During the gold rush, Stockton and San Joaquin County grew to be an agricultural and economic hub, especially the City of Stockton, with its inland water ways. Once considered a wild and untamed place, with innovation and the industrial revolution, the county became a transportation center and was able to provide industrial and agricultural jobs to many.

Now, at the crossroads of California, San Joaquin County is growing once again, as bedroom communities to the East Bay and Sacramento region flourish among the cherry and almond orchards, vineyards, and fields that feed the world.

As a county of vibrant diversity, San Joaquin brings together immigrants from all over the world. This rich blend of cultures has strengthened and enriched our community in ways our founders could never have imagined.

We look forward to this year, as our community embarks on a journey to learn more about our history, celebrate our heritage, and look to the future for continued growth and opportunity.

(Thank you to the San Joaquin County Historical Museum for their partnership on this project. Photo credits for all of the historical pictures included in this month’s newsletter goes to them.)



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