

Tesla Mass Layoffs Continue----

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Layoffs are coming in waves at Tesla facilities in California. The electric car manufacturer is entering its fifth consecutive week of job cuts in the Bay Area. State government filings this week show Tesla plans to lay off roughly 600 employees combined at its Fremont facilities and Palo Alto offices starting June 20th. This comes after the company announced the layoffs of more than 27-hundred employees. Tesla also got rid of 34-hundred vacant positions from its job listings board and canceled its summer internship program last week.

Tijuana Police Chief Gunned Down --- 5/16/2024

Officials in Mexico are investigating the killing of a municipal police district chief who was gunned down east of the city. The State Attorney General's office says officer Julio César Silva Herrera, known in the department as "El Burrito" was shot in a subdivision while driving a private car. Mexican officials say at least two types of guns were used in the attack. Mexico police have located the suspect's abandoned car but not the suspect. Tijuana homicide prosecutor Miguel Ángel Gaxiola says this is the second attack against municipal officials in less than a week.

CA Getting Nearly \$64M To Repair EV Charging Stations ---

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There's another investment to help California drivers going green. The state will be receiving nearly 64-million dollars in federal funding for electric vehicle charging. This money will be used to repair and replace broken and non-working stations. Meantime, this week is the deadline for cities to take advantage of new federal EV tax credits. They reimburse up to 75-hundred dollars for light-duty vehicles and 100-thousand for charging stations.

**What's next for Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant? This meeting discusses that ---
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Pacific Gas and Electric Company and a panel of community members focused on matters related to the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant are hosting a public meeting next week on potential plant repurposing opportunities. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 22nd from 6 to 9 p.m. at Atascadero City Hall. Agenda topics include an update from PG&E on repurposing opportunities of the 750-acre site where the plant is located, what PG&E calls Parcel P; a briefing from the governor's office on its repurposing analysis; and wind and other clean-energy project opportunities. The decommissioning panel, formally called the Diablo Canyon Decommissioning Engagement Panel, is made up of local community members from across the Central Coast. It was created to "foster open and frequent dialogue between members of the local community and PG&E on matters related" to the plant's decommissioning.

>Baby Abandoned at Store

(Lomita, CA) -- Authorities are working to identify a baby who was abandoned at a store in Lomita. Daniel Martindale reports.

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>>Stage Set For Biden And Trump Debates

(New York, NY) -- The stage is set for President Joe Biden to debate former President Donald Trump next month. Natalie Migliore has more.

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>>Arrest Made in 2004 Murder Case

(Moorpark, CA) -- A 72-year-old man is behind bars in connection with a murder that happened in Moorpark in 2004. Daniel Martindale with more.

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>>Recent College Graduates Finding Jobs In Sun Belt Cities

(New York, NY) -- The fastest growing job markets for entry-level rolls are drawing recent college graduates to the sunbelt. Erin Real reports.

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>>Pro-Palestinian Protester Charged in Death of Jewish Man Will Stand Trial

(Thousand Oaks, CA) -- A pro-Palestinian protester charged in connection with the death of a Jewish man in Thousand Oaks will stand trial. Daniel Martindale has the latest.

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>>California Developing A New Plan To Protect Black Bears And Reduce Conflicts With People

(Sacramento, CA) - The state of California is developing a new plan to protect black bears and reduce conflicts with people. Here's Dean'a Kodiak.

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**You may notice smoke in northern San Luis Obispo County this week ---
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CAL FIRE is conducting a hazard reduction burn class at Camp Roberts this week, and smoke may be visible in northern San Luis Obispo County. Firefighters from Camp Roberts and the San Luis Obispo County and San Benito-Monterey CAL FIRE units are participating in the class. Officials say they will be learning how to "fight fire with fire" while also creating a fuel break along the southeastern border of the military base. Approximately 250 acres will be burned. Burning is expected to take place today and tomorrow, concluding by 5 p.m. each day.

>>CA Workers At UC Schools Vote To Strike For Free Speech

(Los Angeles, CA) -- Nearly 50-thousand University of California workers are on the verge of a strike. Graduate students, teaching assistants and others voted for that yesterday, citing free speech. This is over college crackdowns on protests against the Middle East war in Gaza. The union listed five demands such as amnesty for those who've been arrested. UC officials responded by saying "if a strike is allowed for political and social disputes," it would set a dangerous precedent by introducing non-labor issues into labor agreements.

>>CA Gov To Meet With Pope Today At Climate Summit In Rome

(Rome) -- Governor Newsom is meeting with the leader of the Catholic Church today in Rome. He was invited by the Pope to speak at a climate change summit in the Vatican. He plans to discuss what California is doing to address the crisis, saying "No state has more to lose." Newsom will talk about recent fires, floods and droughts. He'll also focus on his 2035 goal of eliminating the sale of new gas-powered cars and his 2045 goal to be carbon neutral.

>>CA Program To Test Different Ways To Fund Highway Repairs

(Sacramento, CA) -- California is considering changing how drivers pay their share of highway repairs. Funds from the gas tax cover most of it, but less money is coming in as more people go electric. So starting in August, the state will test some new alternatives. One would tax for the number of miles driven versus how much gas is bought. Those who want to sign up for the six month pilot program will pay a monthly fee and could earn up to 400-dollars in credit.

>>CA Disneyland Getting Avatar Land As First New Themed Area

(Anaheim, CA) -- Disneyland fans are taking to social media over the latest Avatar news. They're guessing where the new land will be built. It was confirmed yesterday that the Avatar experience will officially be the first themed area to break ground now that expansion plans have been approved. Concept art of what it could look like was revealed last month. Other additions to the Southern California park will be unveiled at the D-23 event in August.

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HERE'S WHATS UP FOR " INFORMATION NOW " ON
FRIDAY:

805AM --- TINA TONASCIA-- SHE WILL HAVE AN UPDATE
ON THIS YEARS SANTA MARIA ELKS RODEO AND PARADE.

820AM --- ESME MEDINA-- FROM SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
ANIMAL SERVICES-- SHE WILL TALK ABOUT PET
ADOPTION OPPORTUNITIES.

PLUS, THE LATEST LOCAL NEWS, SPORTS, TRAFFIC AND
WEATHER.

THANKS, BEN

>>Warriors' Stephen Curry Wins Second Magic Johnson Award

(Undated) -- Stephen Curry will need to make room in his trophy case for some new hardware. The Golden State Warriors superstar guard has been named the winner of the 2023-24 Magic Johnson Award. The award is given annually to the NBA player who excels both on the court and in how they deal with media and fans. It is the second time that Curry has won the award after taking it home for the first time in 2016. Damian Lillard and Shane Battier [[BATTY-ay]] are the only other two-time winners. The 36-year-old Curry was named the NBA's Clutch Player of the Year last month.

NBA Playoffs ----- 8:30 p.m. - Denver Nuggets at Minnesota Timberwolves
(Nuggets lead best-of-seven West semifinals, 3-2)

MLB American League ----- 1:10 p.m. - New York Yankees at Minnesota Twins
7:10 p.m. - Tampa Bay Rays at Boston Red Sox 8:10 p.m. - Oakland Athletics at
Houston Astros

MLB National League ----- 6:40 p.m. - New York Mets at Philadelphia Phillies 7:40
p.m. - Pittsburgh Pirates at Chicago Cubs 10:10 p.m. - Cincinnati Reds at Los Angeles
Dodgers

MLB Interleague ----- No Games Scheduled

NHL Playoffs ----- 7:00 p.m. - New York Rangers at Carolina Hurricanes
(Rangers lead best-of-seven East semifinals, 3-2)

10:00 p.m. - Edmonton Oilers at Vancouver Canucks (Best-of-seven West
semifinals tied, 2-2)