



100 Club of Solano and Yolo Counties Community News

Honoring Fallen Officer Adam Gibson & K9 Riley



On Monday, January 18, Sacramento Deputy Adam Gibson was killed in the line of duty, as well as Police K9 Riley assigned to Deputy Jesse Brucker.

Gibson, 31, was with the Sacramento Police Department for six years, during which he worked in corrections, patrol, and as a K-9 handler. He received the Sheriff's Office Bronze Star for Bravery and a Major Incident Ribbon in 2018 after he saved an apparently suicidal man who attempted to jump off a bridge.

Gibson is survived by his wife, Rachel, and their 9-month-old child, as well as his parents, Doug and Sandee Gibson, and several siblings. According to the SCSO, Gibson served in the US Marine Corps, completing two deployments to Afghanistan before leaving the military.

A socially-distanced funeral service was held at Bayside Adventure Church in Roseville. A motorcade of law enforcement officers led a funeral procession for fallen Deputy Gibson from the church to the gravesite. California Highway Patrol (CHP) motorcycle officers were out in front of the group and lined up outside the church as the funeral wrapped, ready to escort Gibson's body to be laid to rest.

Several people also came out to line the route, holding signs and flags honoring the deputy.

**RIP Deputy Adam Gibson and K9 Riley
Thank you for holding the Line.**

Reporting from [ABC10](#) and [Coffee or Die](#); Photo courtesy of Coffee or Die

Remembering Joe Gates



Representatives from public service groups and non-profits in both Solano and Yolo counties reacted with dismay Friday to news that nationally-acclaimed auctioneer Joe Gates had died after being hospitalized due to Covid-19.

Gates had served various services organizations and nonprofits for years as an auctioneer at fundraisers across the region. He had also served as auctioneer at fairs in both Dixon and Vallejo.

B. Konard Jones, president and CEO of NorthBay Healthcare, cited Gates' role in the success of events to benefit the hospital system.

“Joe was a great friend and supporter of NorthBay Healthcare,” Jones said in a prepared statement. “As we grew over the years, Joe’s involvement in our foundation’s fundraising was a huge part of our success. It will be hard to imagine our world going forward with his God-given talent and wonderful sense of humor not being part of it. He loved his community, and his community loved him back a hundred-fold.”

Representatives from other organizations – Soroptimist International of Central Solano County in Fairfield and Suisun City, Soroptimist International of Vacaville, both the Future Farmers of America and the Police Activities League in Vacaville, Court Appointed Special Advocates of Solano County, among others both in Solano and in Yolo counties – offered similar remembrances.

“For 18 years, Joe Gates had the third week of October on his calendar for our annual lobster dinner,” Lisa Hilas, past president of the Soroptimists in Vacaville, said in a prepared statement. “He was a giant, towering man who took command of the stage and had a method to his madness. It really involved a personal touch. He knew people in the room. He’d use humor to get them to open their pocketbooks for a good cause. He made it a delight and joy to go to an event. Our hearts are broken. He will be deeply missed.”

We thank you, Joe, for your support and service to our communities. May you Rest in Peace.

Reporting and photo from [*The Daily Republic*](#)

A Word from 100 Club SYC President Ron Turner



Dear One Hundred Club of Solano and Yolo Counties Community:

Farming has always been a core part of who I am. Those who know me know that my people, our Agriculture community, are hard-working people who live a way of life that encompasses respect for the land and that cherishes what the land has to offer. The land supplies us with life through its many seasons; we make hay while the sun is shining. We watch the crops rise up out of the ground and we witness that there is a cycle of life. In every

living thing, there is a season of life and a season of death. We learn to appreciate Mother Nature's abundance of life and to find peace in death, knowing that, in its essence, death paves the way for new life.

We recently experienced a devastating death when we lost Sacramento County Deputy Adam Gibson. We are constantly reminded that our Police Officers place themselves between civilized society and criminal behavior-- the thin blue line. They put on their uniforms each day and say: "Not me. Not one of my Brothers or Sisters. Not on my Watch." We continue to support our Officers each and every day as they step outside to protect the lives of all mankind.

On February 5, we lost one of the Club's best friends and supporters, Joe Gates. Joe's heart was pure and true. He understood the truth that we are stronger together, as well as the importance of helping each other. Joe was the kind of person that you could open up and ask hard questions to. You may not always like the answer, but he always gave you the truth. It's rare to find a father, brother, husband, and a friend like Joe. Joe was my friend and a friend of everyone in Solano and Yolo Counties. When we lose a person like Joe, it's a reminder of the seasons of life. I will miss my talks with Joe and his words of wisdom. Ride into the sunset, my brother; your new ranch is just over the next horizon. The fields need to be watered, the cows need to be fed, and there is a home there to be built. Joe, you will be greatly missed, but you will never be forgotten.

This has been a very difficult year for all of us-- especially for those of us whom have lost loved ones. Our hearts break as we mourn these losses, as well as so much more that we have lost this year. My hope for us, my wonderful friends, is that we can find peace in these losses. I hope we can learn from Joe and recognize that we are stronger together. May we find each other's hands and hearts and find hope in the knowledge that to everything there is a cycle, and each loss we experience helps to fertilize the soil for a new spring.

Be well,

Ron Turner, President
The One Hundred Club of Solano and Yolo Counties

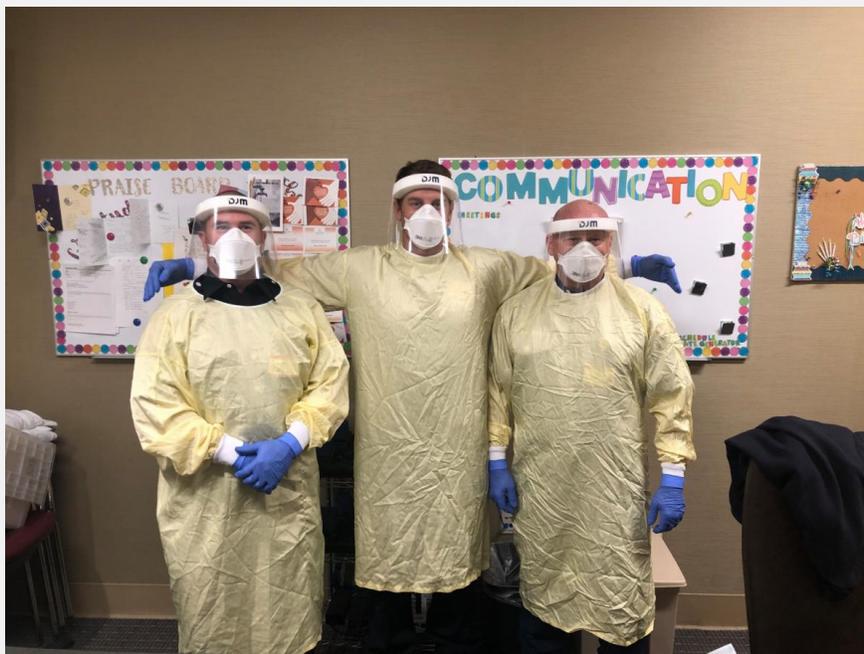
In Memorium
Natalie Corona Two-Year Anniversary



It's hard to believe it's been two years since Davis Police Officer Natalie Corona was killed in the line of duty. Her life and service to her community touched the Yolo County and surrounding communities. This year, the Davis Police Department put together a [beautiful tribute video](#) for Natalie. Click her iconic photo below to watch.



Vacaville Firefighter/Paramedic Teams Deployed to Support Frontline Healthcare Workers



In January, three Firefighter/Paramedics from the [Vacaville Fire Department](#) were deployed by the [State Office Of Emergency Services](#) (OES) to work at Queen Of The Valley Hospital in Napa. The three Paramedics were assisting with the surge in patients due to COVID-19 and worked on the healthcare frontline prior to returning home for their regular duty.

As the three Vacaville Firefighter/Paramedics finished a their two-week COVID Surge deployment, two more Firefighter/Paramedics and an Engineer/Paramedic started their two-week deployment to Mercy Hospital in Merced. These crews were augmenting nursing staff at the hospitals they were deployed to.

We are so grateful for our frontline healthcare works and all of our first responders, who have had to wear many hats during the unpredictable twists and turns of the pandemic.

Photos courtesy of [Vacaville Fire Department](#)

Community Uplift Opportunities *Extend Your Hand*



Solano Volunteers - Snack Donations Needed



It's not too late to join Solano Volunteers MLK 30 Days of Service and **help create solutions to social problems** such as youth hunger!

CVNL is requesting your support by donating healthy, pre-packed, non-

perishable snacks or a gift to purchase such times.

Will you help? Visit [MLKDAY2021](#) to learn how you can give back!

Solano Volunteers, a program of Center for Volunteer & Nonprofit Leadership, connects people to volunteer opportunities across Solano County.

Yolo Food Bank - COVID-19 Relief



Demand for food assistance has increased more than 60% due to COVID-19 and programs have adapted and expanded quickly to meet the need.

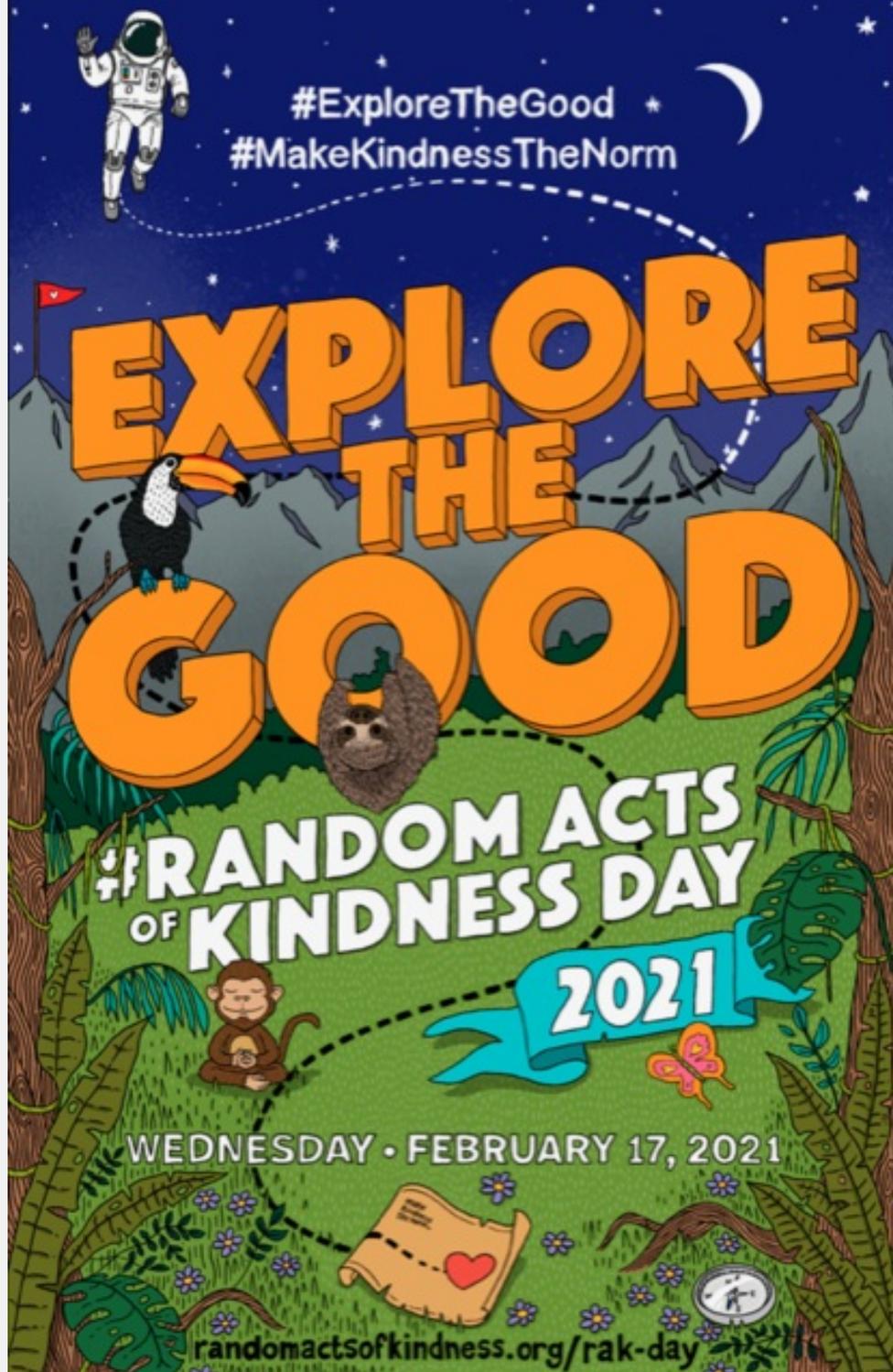
Your support now saves lives.

Delivery assistance, food distribution site monitors, packing and sorting, and other roles are needed on both an ongoing and occasional basis.

To volunteer and/or donate food or funds to the Yolo Food Bank, visit the [Yolo Food Bank website here.](#)

Many communities are facing the same challenges due to the pandemic. If you are in Solano County, see how you can help by visiting the [Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano website here.](#)

Random Acts of Kindness Week



Click the flyer below to visit the website and see how easy it is to perform [Random Acts of Kindness](https://www.randomactsofkindness.org/rak-day)! Join us all week long in **spreading kindness to others.**

Acts of kindness are simple, don't have to cost you anything, and they make the world a better place.

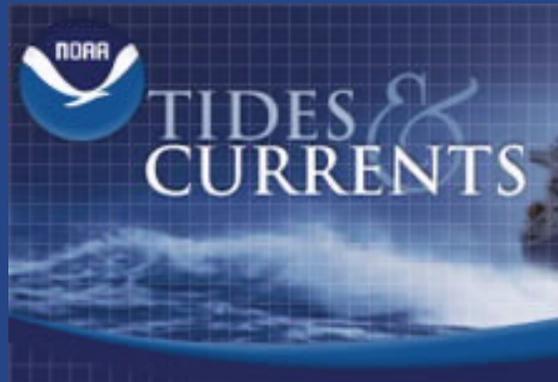


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I'm born and raised in Solano County and now am happy to be raising a family here of my own. My husband, our son, and our 2 dogs, Bella and Buster enjoy being a part of the community and value the relationships we've built with our loyal customers.

Our caring, experienced all-women team – Sondra, Cat, Maya & myself- wants to understand your story and protect the people and things that matter most to you. I am an Ambassador Travel Qualifier, and a 4-year consecutive Honor Club Qualifier. I've been the Vallejo/Benicia BNI President for the past 2 years, and also a member of Soroptimist Benicia.

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