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# YUBA SUTTER BAR ASSOCIATION

## NEWSLETTER

February 2024

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Courtney E. Gengler, President

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### Local Response to Homelessness

**Tuesday, February 27, 2024, noon – 1:00 p.m.**

**Carlito's Mexican Restaurant, 885 Richland Road, Yuba City, CA 95991**

**Lunch is \$20 per person.**

Please RSVP to [mpoulos@suttercourts.com](mailto:mpoulos@suttercourts.com), by **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2024.**

This month, we will have a panel of speakers from different community organizations to discuss the local response to homelessness. This meeting will qualify for 0.5 hours of MCLE.

Our speakers are: **Johnny Burke**, Executive Director of the Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium;  
**John Floe**, retired Program Manager Community Services Sutter County Public Health, Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health  
**Andre Licon**, Sutter County Sheriff Deputy, Homeless Outreach and Engagement Coordinator

Since 2020, Johnny Burke has served as the Executive Director for the Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium, which connects the local homeless population with available programs and services. In this role, Burke has helped develop the future of the consortium by coordinating the services of community-based organizations, faith-based organizations and local governments to provide a continuum of services and maximize resources to better serve the homeless people of Sutter and Yuba Counties. He also serves as a pastor at the New Beginnings Wesleyan Church in Marysville, and has worked with many local ministerial organizations to help with the concerns of homelessness in the bi-county area.

Prior to retiring last year, for 17 years, John Floe led a team of professionals at the Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health Department managing behavioral health, substance abuse, and homeless service programs. He has worked as the Resource Specialist, Prevention Services Coordinator, and Program Manager. The teams have provided Homeless, Health Education and Prevention, and Early Intervention Programs helping those in our community. Those served has found shelter, housing, supportive services, health education, suicide prevention, bullying prevention, life skills, and mental health first aid to name a few. He served on the Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium Board of Directors since 2010, providing leadership to the Executive Director, and providing Staff for the homeless programs with partners in two counties. Since 2014, he served as the elected OPUD Board Member. He holds a Master's Degree in Organizational Management. He is a US Air Force Veteran, 23 years, and the Assistant Pastor at Truth Tabernacle Church of Marysville since 1991.

Andre Licon is a member of the Sheriff's Community Response Team that focuses on quality of life issues impacting Sutter County. As the Homeless Outreach and Engagement Coordinator, Deputy Licon has dedicated significant time and energy towards helping some of the most vulnerable members of our local communities. A self-described "Jack of all Trades," he has also worked as a patrol deputy, field training officer, bike patrol coordinator, court security, tactical team member, range instructor, dive team member, and search and rescue team member. In 2021, he was awarded Officer of the Year, with Sutter County Sheriff Barnes stating that, "Andre exemplifies what it means to represent the Sutter County Sheriff's Office, through his hard work and focus on bettering our communities."

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### 2024 YSBA Board Member Elections

**It's time to elect YSBA board members for 2024.**

Email any nominations to [mpoulos@suttercourts.com](mailto:mpoulos@suttercourts.com) by **February 21, 2024**, for an election at the February meeting. All positions are available. If you are interested or want to know more about what the positions entail, please reach out to any board member.

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### Lindhurst High School Mock Trial Exhibition

**Friday, March 1, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.**, the Lindhurst High School Mock Trial Team will have an Exhibition at the Yuba County Courthouse with Judge Berrier presiding. Everyone is encouraged to come and show support.

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### REMINDER NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Our next regular meeting will be March 19, 2024. Details TBA.
- 2024 Scholarship Applications are available to local high school seniors with a due date of April 15, 2024. One recipient from each local high school will receive \$1,500.00 and one All-School recipient will be selected to receive \$2,500.00.
- All of our newsletters and events are posted on our website: [www.yubasutterbar.org](http://www.yubasutterbar.org), as well as our Fee Arbitration program information, and a page for employment opportunities.
- We are now accepting YSBA Member Dues for 2024. Please send a check in the amount of **\$100.00** payable to YSBA, to P.O. Box 204, Marysville, CA 95901, or bring it with you to the next meeting. Please note: our dues increased this year due to increasing operating costs and lunch meeting costs.

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## 2024 YUBA SUTTER BAR ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

Eleanor Bordsen	Courtney Gengler	Tom Hill	Cameron King
Amy Byrne	Robert Gengler	Fritzgerald Javellana	Deborah Micheli
Penelope Changaris	John Guth	Sydney Johnson	Melissa Poulos
Maria Davari	Noel Guth	Ambrose Jordan	Kimberly Steffenson
Aaron Esparza	Stephanie Hansel		

Membership dues for the Yuba Sutter Bar Association are **\$100** per year. Mail a check payable to YSBA to P.O. Box 204, Marysville, CA 95901 or bring cash or check with you to the next meeting.

Please remember to pay your annual YSBA dues! These funds pay for our operating costs, including the P.O. Box, our tax preparation, our website, our MCLE provider fees, and they supplement our lunch costs. Without these fees, we cannot operate.

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### Yuba Sutter Bar Association Meeting Minutes

1. Courtney Gengler called the meeting to order.
2. Lindhurst mock trial students provided a brief demonstration.  
See attached letter regarding the program, their goals, and information about how to provide support (financial and other).
3. Courtney Gengler made announcements:
  - We are now accepting annual dues for 2024. \$100 per member. Our dues are used to pay for P.O. Box, website, accountant for tax preparation, MCLE provider renewal fees, and supplementing our lunch meetings.
  - Our next regular meeting will be February 27 to avoid the Monday holidays. More details to come.
  - YSBA Board elections for 2024. No nominations yet. We'll push the election to February.
4. Courtney Gengler introduced the speakers: Gary Bradford and Seth Fuhrer from the Yuba County Board of Supervisors and Mat Conant and Nick Micheli from the Sutter County Board of Supervisors, to briefly discuss important issues in our local community. Issues included levies and flood maps, infrastructure, county jails, funding, the importance of voting, and more.

Questions were asked and answered.

5. Courtney Gengler thanked the speakers and adjourned the meeting.