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Voters can look forward to two 'Neals' on the ballot this November

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FRESNO, CA--Distant may be the days of Lemoore Councilman Edward "Eddie" Neal, as a professional successful boxer; instead his second round in the ring is in city politics, running for the Lemoore City Council this upcoming 2016 November elections.

Neal, 48 years-old, was elected to the Lemoore City Council in 2012, and is known for having a strong reputation of advocating for youth services and facilities and for improving Lemoore's water treatment facilities to attract more businesses to the city.

With his family roots in Lemoore dating back to the 1940s', Neal, born and raised in Lemoore, is a local rancher and minister by trade, as he continues the legacy of his renowned father who was a thriving minister in the community.

As a two-time All-American athlete in wrestling and football, where he starred at Lemoore High School, and traveled the word thereafter, Neal could

Police shootings of African-Americans continue in Golden State

October 6, 2016| By McKenzie Jackson | California Black Media



LOS ANGELES, CA--Protesters took to the streets for two consecutive evenings in South Los Angeles last weekend.

Demonstrators shut down traffic at 108th Street and Western Avenue in the Southern California locale on Saturday and Sunday nights in protest to the fatal shooting of 18-year-old Carnell Snell Jr. by Los Angeles Police.

Snell's death was one of three deadly shootings by California law enforcement of an African-American man over the weekend that added to a growing list of black men gunned down by police across the country.

Law enforcement officers shot Snell dead Saturday afternoon outside of his home near 107th Street and Western Avenue. Police's shooting of the teenager put an end to a car and foot chase that police said began with a suspected stolen car being pursued by officers. Snell, armed with a gun, was one of two people to jump out of the vehicle, after police attempted to pull it over because it had paper plates.

As of press time, Los Angeles police have not said why Snell was shot, but a handgun was recovered at the scene. The other person that jumped out of the car with Snell has not been found by police.

have went anywhere; instead, home was where his heart was.

Valley Black Talk Radio talked to Councilman Neal where viewers could learn more about his passion and priorities for the city of Lemoore, CA.

[Hosts also talked to his wife, Myeisha Neal, who is running for Lemoore Elementary School Board.](#) [Watch full video at: www.onmenews.com](#)



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BAPAC Candidates Forum on education brings insight to southwest community

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State Center Community College District and Fresno County Office of Education candidates discuss their priorities if elected.

Snell's death sparked a vigil and two nights of protests. Residents in South L.A. questioned why police did not just use a taser on Snell and why police had to kill another African-American man.

Two other black men – Reginald Thomas and Alfred Olango – were also killed by police last week. Thomas, a father of eight, died on Sept. 30 after being tasered by police in Pasadena and Olango, 38, died on Sept. 27 after being shot by police in El Canjon.

The both men's deaths after 9-1-1 calls reported that the men were acting erratically. The Ugandan-born Olango was unarmed when he was shot by El Cajon police officer Richard Gonsalves. Police responded to calls of a "mentally unstable" man walking in traffic. Police said Olango ignored commands to take his hand out of his pocket before pulling out an object later determined to be a vaping device used to inhale nicotine. Law enforcement said Olango assumed a "shooting stance" and pointed the device.

Thomas was tasered by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department officers in Pasadena. Deputies responded to a call about a man with a knife at an apartment complex. When police got to the scene, they confronted Thomas, but according to police he did not follow their commands as he attempted to re-enter an occupied apartment.

Police used a taser on Thomas in an attempt to disarm him and a fight ensued. After restraining him, the same officers noticed Thomas was not breathing and began lifesaving measures until paramedics arrived. Thomas died at the scene.

Olango's and Thomas' deaths ignited protests and rallies by activists in their areas. At a rally and march held in response to Olango's death last Saturday, Rev. Shane Harris of the National Action Network's San Diego chapter told a mixed race and faith crowd 200 people there is an issue with how police interact with blacks and minorities.

"What happened to Alfred Olango shocked the world," Harris said. "It shocked the world because Alfred not only represents what it is to be here in America, but Alfred represents a whole coalition of

FRESNO, CA--

With the Tuesday, November 8 election day less than 50 days away, candidates throughout the Valley are addressing niche communities, sharing their stance and priorities if elected by his or her constituents.



The BAPAC Educational Candidate Forum held this past Saturday, September 24th, at Fresno Temple COGIC provided two candidate forum sessions: Session one included Central Unified School District incumbent Terry Cox, Fresno Unified School District candidates Jack Jarvis and Claudia Cazares of area 6, along with Clovis Unified School District candidates Isabelle Machado and Scott Troescher.

Session two candidates included State Center Community College District area two candidates, incumbent Eric Payne, Pao Yang and Cherella Nicholson (area 2 candidate Paulina Miranda was not present) along with area 6 candidate David Rowell (incumbent Pat Patterson was not present.)



worldwide leaders that have seen what has happened here in America.”

Harris said Olango’s African heritage adds a different aspect to the police killings of black men that have swept the nation in recent years. The reverend said the whole world is watching how the justice system in the United States will handle Olango’s death. He questioned why police initially only released a photo of Olango’s confrontation with police and delayed showing the video to the public for five days.

“The way that this whole process has been handled is unfair and critical of his family and what Alfred represented,” Harris said. “We have to make it very clear that what we believe happened to Alfred Olango on that day was murder.”

Olango’s father, Richard Olango Abuka, vowed to fight on for justice for his son.

“We’re here praying for peace, but we can’t have peace if we don’t have the independence and freedom to pursue our goal of seeking justice for my son,” Olango Abuka said. “Because when that officer pulled the trigger on my son, he declared war on humanity.”

Mourners protested near Pasadena City Hall and held a vigil for Thomas the night of his death. Gatherers held candles and held up signs that read “STOP KILLING US!!” and “Reginald Thomas Black Lives Matter.”

Also on Sept. 30, the Sacramento Police Department released dash camera video of two Sacramento police officers attempting to run with their police cruiser over Joseph Mann, 51, a mentally ill homeless man on July 11.

The footage, just over a minute long, shows officers Randy Lozoya and John Tennis direct their vehicle at a fleeing Mann twice mere seconds before they stopped the car, chased Mann on foot and shot him 14 times.

The video begins with the officers speeding down a roadway and one of the officers saying, “Fuck this guy.” Mann then darts in front of the oncoming cruiser and the driver says, “I’m going to hit him.” The other officer says “Go for it. Go for it.”

The officers aimed their vehicle toward Mann, backed up, turned and then drove toward him

The session two also included Fresno County Office of Education area three candidates, incumbent Barbara Thomas and Nelsen Esparza.

Candidates were provided scripted questions geared toward their first priorities they would initiate if in office, current challenges they see can be resolved as a board of trustee and questions relative to the current societal impact such as the California high speed rail and the Common Core curriculum.

[ONME News](#) grabbed an excerpt from session 2, which foretells of a competitive race for the SCCC area 2 seat, against knowledgeable incumbent Eric Payne. Watch full: www.onmenews.com



An advertisement for "The Credit Pros". It features a smiling couple in the background. Overlaid on the image is a red banner with the text "IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO FIX YOUR CREDIT WE CAN HELP YOU!". Below this, a list of services is shown with checkmarks: "FREE CONSULTATION", "PAY ONLY AFTER RESULTS", and "A RATING WITH BBB". At the bottom, it says "GIVE US A CALL 888-705-1840" and includes the "The Credit Pros" logo with the tagline "LEGAL CREDIT REPAIR".

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again. Shortly after Lozoya and Tennis got out of the car and chased Mann.

Mann's death and release of the video shocked and outraged members and leaders of Sacramento's black community.



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Valley Black Talk Radio review the propositions on the ballot this November

With the help of political analyst, Steve Frank of the *California Political News and Views*, *Valley Black Talk Radio Show* hosts recap extensively on each proposition. [Watch the entire show for details and discussion on each proposition if there is more information needed for you to decide:](#) www.myonme.com

Meanwhile here is the short of the long of it; enjoy!

Proposition 51 (School bonds funding for k-12) On the ballot they claim this is a \$9 billion bond. This is an \$18 billion bond, when you add the interest to Wall Street. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE NO ON PROP. 51**

'Schools Not Prisons' Art & Music Festival educates the Valley of shocking realities

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Touring music and arts activist are performing throughout California to inform, educate and entertain communities about the staggering statistics among people of color in prison and youth detention centers.

FRESNO, CA --As stated on their website, ["#SchoolsNotPrisons"](#) free music and art tour has been partnering with California communities that have been impacted by the overuse of punishment and incarceration to ask the question:

What really keeps us safe?"

The advocates for "Schools Not Prisons" have a list of facts and figures concerning the lack of resources



for students and the dominance and punishment mainly among students of color. The website also states:

For decades, California has been overspending on prisons under the mistaken idea that punishing and incarcerating people is what keeps communities safe, whereas instead it

Proposition 52 (medi-cal hospital fee program) This is to allow hospitals to pay a fee and the money "goes" to Medi-Cal coverage. According to Frank, hospitals NEVER pay the fees—the private patients are charged MORE and the hospital passes the fee to the government. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE NO ON PROP. 52**

Prop. 53 (Revenue Bonds) According to Steve Frank, this measure would mandate that if a government agency sells \$2 billion or more in bonds for a project or project they will sell \$2 billion or more over time for a project, the voters need to confirm the sale before it occurs. That part is great. The devil is in the details. Under this measure if an agency is part of a joint powers agreement they must get a public vote—statewide. The city of Simi Valley is under orders to upgrade our sewer system—it has some joint powers agreements. The cost could be between \$2-3 billion. That means the people of Simi Valley get to vote for it—and the folks in Chico, Chino and El Centro. Simi Valley can turn it down, but if the folks statewide approve, we get stuck with the bill. Let them come back in 2018 with a clean measure.

The goal was to stop the financing of the choo choo to nowhere and the environmentally unsafe Delta Tunnel. The measure is supported by the California Republican Party and the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association. Well intended—but defective.

VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE NO ON PROP. 53

Proposition 54 This measure brings transparency to the legislative process. It mandates a 72 hour period of being published before any measure can be voted on by the legislature. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE YES ON PROP. 54**

Proposition 55 (tax extensions to fund education) According to Steve Frank, this measure expands Pro. 30 that passed in 2012 and expires in 2019. Prop. 30 raised taxes by \$6 billion a year for seven years. Prop. 55 collects between \$11 and \$12 billion a year for twelve years. Allegedly the money goes to education—the same education that created a 54% real graduation rate in the Los Angeles school district. This is a \$140 billion transfer of money from families and businesses to government. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE NO ON PROP. 55**

breaks apart families and communities – especially communities of color.




Since 1980, California has built 22 prisons but just one UC campus. And in 2014, youth arrests outnumbered youth votes.

Tour partners & artists are standing up for a new vision of school and community safety centered on health, education, and investing in youth.

And we are ready to get loud for #SchoolsNotPrisons and VOTA!

[ONME News](#) was also able to get an exclusive interview with Oakland native rap activist Mistah F.A.B. who has family members and relatives currently serving long prison sentences due to underprivileged circumstances-- lack of funds for an attorney.





"Measure C" Informational Forum

Thank you for your support in successfully passing Measure C on June 7. Your time and efforts are appreciated!

Join us to learn more about the Measure C bond projects specific to Clovis Community College.

Wednesday, November 2, 2016
5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
 Clovis Community College, Academic Center Building One, Forum Hall 150
 10309 North Willow Avenue, Fresno, CA 93730 (cross street is International)

Questions: Stephanie Babb – stephanie.babb@scccd.edu
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Proposition 56.(Cigarette Tax) According to Steve Frank, this is the \$2 a pack added tax on cigarettes. The measure exempts itself from Prop. 98, meaning that every year approximately \$600 million will NOT be going to schools. Only 13% will be spent on smoking reduction. In New York, per CNN, 60% of the cigarettes sold are black market—a whole new criminal industry was born due to the high taxes—kind of like Prohibition. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE NO ON PROP. 56**

Proposition 57(criminal sentences) According to Steve Frank, this is the measure by Guv Brown to reduce sentences. Current law gives determinant sentences. Prop. 57 would allow a political appointed Parole Board to decide that if an inmate takes classes, visits the clergy and work with other they are allowed an early release.—if convicted of a “non-violent” crime. Under Prop. 57 the RAPE of an unconscious women is a NON VIOLENT crime. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE NO ON PROP. 57**

Proposition 58.(English proficiency) This the “English Proficiency Act” which helps students to become proficient in English using methods that include teaching in their language. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE YES ON PROP. 58**

Proposition 59. This measure tells members of Congress they can introduce a Constitutional Amendment to repeal the Supreme Court decision “Citizens United” which allowed corporations to donate in Federal election to Super PACS.

According to Steve Frank, this measure presupposes that California members of Congress are not smart enough to know they can introduce a repeal bill without a ballot measure or vote of the people. Total waste of time and tax dollars. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE NO ON PROP. 59**

Proposition 60 If you want to assure that porn actors—and those filming themselves at home having sex use a condom, this measure is for you. Los Angeles County already has such a law... Pornography is an \$8 billion industry...there's nothing else to be said. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE NO ON PROP. 60**

Proposition 61 This measure mandates the State of California pay no more for drugs than the Veterans Administration pays. Note: the VA in their contracts with the drug companies have a confidentiality clause—

FUSD candidate brings fresh views on education and politics

October 16, 2016 | ONME Staff



FRESNO, CA --FUSD Trustee Area 2 candidate Elizabeth Jonasson Rosas has a plan and a vision for a robust, healthy school district in Fresno.

Valley Black Talk Radio show hosts were pleased to hear a direction that seemed right on track of what is needed to help refresh and repair Fresno Unified School District's woes.

Three of the seven seats on the Fresno Unified School District Board of Education are up for by-district general election on November 8, 2016: Trustee Area 2 incumbent Luis Arthur Chavez and Trustee Area 6 incumbent Janet Ryan did not file to run for re-election, guaranteeing at least two newcomers will join the board.

Elizabeth "Rosas" Jonasson and Yuritz Villaseñor are vying for the open Trustee Area 2 seat, and Claudia Cazares and Jack Jarvis are running to replace Ryan in Trustee Area 6.

In her bid for re-election to Trustee Area 5, incumbent Carol Mills is running unopposed.

Take a look at the in-depth interview of [Elizabeth Jonasson Rosas](#) on Valley Black Talk Radio: www.onmenews.com

they are not allowed to tell anyone what they are paying. California asked for the price lists and the VA turned them down. Now they are trying to use a ballot measure to get the Federal government to reveal their contracts. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE YES ON PROP. 61**

Prop. 62 and Prop. 66 These measures are on the same subject. Prop. 62 outlaws the death penalty and converts the death sentence to "life in prison without a possibility of parole". Of course that could change and the courts can change it by fiat. California has approximately 750 people on death row, only 13 executions since 1978. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE YES ON PROP. 62**

Prop. 66 ends some of the regulations, puts time limits on others and ends the frivolous lawsuits.
VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE NO ON PROP. 66

Proposition 63. This proposition would limit the number of rounds allowed in a magazine and includes background checks of those purchasing a gun. **VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE YES ON PROP. 63**

Proposition 64 With the passage of Prop. 47 in 2014 it has been de facto legalized, this just formalizes the common usage of marijuana. People will no longer go to jail for use of the substance.
VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE YES ON PROP. 64

Proposition 65 and Proposition 67 are on the same issue. According to Steve Frank, the grocers association spent a lot of money to pass a statewide ban on the use of plastic bags in grocery stores. They lobbied hard to outlaw these bags. This is one of those yes means no and no means yes measures on the ballot.

If you vote YES, that means you want to keep the statewide ban on plastic bags. If you vote NO, that means you want to end the statewide ban.

If defeated, more NO votes, the statewide ban is repealed—BUT, if your city or county has voted a ban, that stays in place—this only affects the statewide ban.

We agree with Steve Frank who supports Prop. 65 because: "the crony capitalist grocery association used lobbyists to make themselves \$700 million a year by banning plastic bags and selling canvas and paper bags. Their effort was not for the consumer, it was for

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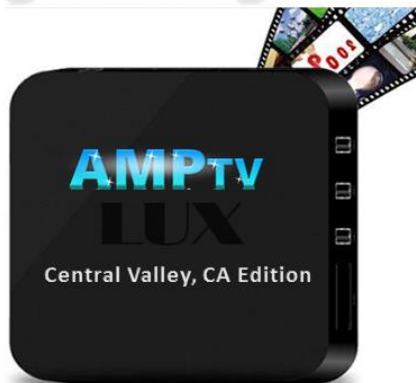
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profit. The only way to punish them—and to show others we will not tolerate the use of government to steal from the public, is to vote YES on Prop. 65. The money will instead all go to environmental organizations...But, to make a point, this will be cheap in the long run. Vote to tell businesses that government cannot be used to profit at your expense—that is not the free market.

VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE YES ON PROP. 65

VBTalk Radio's Vote: VOTE NO on Prop. 67

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