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New Rules To Cover Municipal Code Violations

The Sierra Madre City Council, it what appears to be an effort to quell the furor over the recent arrest of a resident for violation of the city's water conservation ordinance, has established a new law that will establish an administrative enforcement process that includes fees and penalties for violations of the municipal code rather than turning the violators over to the police and/or courts.

In a 4-1 vote, Councilman Don Watts being the lone dissenter, was opposed to the measures because they do not provide for an impartial third party to intervene on behalf of residents. He expressed concern that the city, which is responsible for enforcement, would be deciding whether or not a person was guilty.

The city attorney noted, however, that the ordinance does not change conduct, it just allows for a tool of enforcing the laws that are already on the books.

Captain Larry Giannone says that the new process will be a much friendlier way to address violations. "We can give warning notices and extensions."

There was much discussion and public comment on how this new process will work. Mayor Mary Ann MacGillivray asked that staff monitor the new process carefully and give the council a review within 60-90 days.

Council Holds Joint Meeting With PUSD

On Tuesday, the city council held a joint meeting with the Board of the Pasadena Unified School District to discuss and review the budget and other issues of mutual concern. Sierra Madre School, Upper and Lower Campuses are part of the PUSD.

Sierra Madre Councilmember Kurt Zimmerman was absent along with Councilmen Don Watts. Councilmember Watts, however, was reported to be ill.

One of the biggest concerns is how the District will handle renovations that are scheduled for the Upper Campus. Estimates for renovation of the school, according to Councilmember John Buchanan, are around \$38,000. The funds are to come from Measure TT. However, one of the dilemmas facing the school is that fact that renovations of that amount indicate that a new building should be constructed rather than repair the existing one. The logistics of how to handle students should the Lower Campus be razed raised a lot of unanswered questions.

Council To Revisit 'Noise Ordinance'

Modifications of the city's 'Power Gardening Ordinance' will be discussed at the City Council meeting on May 26, 2009 after residents brought forth complaints on the law which was passed in February.

Of greatest concern were the restrictions regarding the hours a person could run power gardening equipment - 9 am to sundown, Monday - Saturday and Noon to sundown on Sundays.

There have also been complaints that the ordinance does nothing to prevent contractor's from using power equipment early in the morning; that tree trimming services should or should not be included; and that the issue which brought the matter to the council's attention in the first place, the use of gas powered leaf blowers, has been lost.

There is also a suggestion that the city issue permits for special landscaping needs. S. Henderson/MVNews

City of Sierra Madre

Public Hearing Notice

From: The City of Sierra Madre
Subject: FY 2009/2011 Proposed Budget
Applicant: City of Sierra Madre

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider FY 2009/2011 Budget and GANN Limits

PLACE OF HEARING DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre City of Sierra Madre
City Council Chambers Special City Council meeting
Thursday, **May 28, 2009**
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.
(Hearing begins at 6:30 p.m.) Sierra Madre, CA 91024

All interested persons may attend this meeting and the City Council will hear them with respect thereto.
For further information on this subject, please contact the Administrative Services Department at (626) 355-7135.
By Order of the City Council

Karin Schneider,
Director of Administrative Services

Update Officer Involved Shooting Still Under Investigation - Victim May Be Charged

Two of the three agencies investigating the January shooting of a 46 year old man found sleeping in a stolen van by Sierra Madre Police Officer Henry Amos, have completed their review of the case. However, Officer Amos remains on paid leave. Investigations by Norm Traub and Associates, hired by the City of Sierra Madre and a review by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department have been completed. However the contents have not been publicly disclosed. The sheriff's department has forwarded their findings

to the LA County District Attorney's Office for review.

The District Attorney's review is not an indication that Officer Amos has violated any laws, nor does it exonerate him of wrongdoing. The DA's office review is routine after the investigating agency, in this case the LASD, has completed their review.

Details on the contents of the Traub and LASD investigations are still confidential. However, more details will be available after the DA's office completes their investigation.

According to SM Police

Chief Marilyn Diaz, the District Attorney's office has indicated that they will try to complete their review in less than 90 days.

The shooting took place on January 30, 2009 when the victim is alleged to have lunged at Officer Amos from the back of a stolen van that had been towed by SMPD. The vehicle was stolen from Pacifica, California.

The shooting victim, who also has not been identified, is under investigation for criminal acts related to the stolen vehicle. He has not, however, been charged with any crimes at press time.

Artists Showcase Work To Help Library

Photo by Dean Lee



The 47th Annual Sierra Madre Art Fair drew hundreds last weekend to view the creative works of more than 100 exhibitors. This year's featured artist was reknowned still photographer Kenny Tong (above). The event was sponsored by the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library and will benefit the continued operation of the SM Library

CIVIC CLUB'S PHILANTHROPY TOPS \$20,000 Includes Education Awards For Five High School Seniors

By Phyllis Chapman

Sierra Madre Civic Club brought a successful year to a close this May with philanthropy give-away totaling \$23,600. Included were their Education Awards 2009 presented to five high school seniors.

The following graduating students were honored: Carolyn Bickel, Alverno High School; timothy Crilly, St. Francis High School; Kelly Hartman, La Salle High School; Stephen Loesch, Pasadena High School; and Jordan Wingate, La Salle High School. Among major points considered in choosing these honorees from a list of applicants were their volunteerism and keeping up scholastically. Monetary awards were presented at the club's May meeting held in Memorial Park Hart Senior Center. Family members were invited to be present.

The large overall philanthropy distribution went to a long list of needs locally that were investigated by members. Included in the list were: Sierra Madre Fire Dept. Paramedics, Sierra Madre Public Library, Rose Float Association, Historical

Society, Convalescent Aid Society, Sierra Madre Middle School, City of Hope and Foothill Unity Center.

The club also gave numerous volunteer hours of service. Among those were the planting and care of the City Hall Rotunda, Halloween Window Painting, Huck Finn Fishing Derby, Sierra Madre Clean-Up Day, and the Mt. Wilson Trail Race.



Seated above with members of the Civic Club are recipients (l-r) Jordan Wingate, Carolyn Bickel, Kelly Hartman, Stephen Loesch and Timothe Cro;u. The club was first organized in 1944 and has always been ready to step up to the plate to help where needed in the community. Helping young people has always been a priority.

Mira Monte Reservoir Dedication Ceremony Wednesday, May 27th at 5:00pm

The City of Sierra Madre would like to invite the community to attend the Mira Monte Reservoir Dedication Ceremony on Wednesday, May 27th at 5:00pm. The event will take place at the newly renovated Mira Monte One reservoir located at 189 E. Mira Monte Ave. Staff will provide a BBQ meal and refreshments for attendees.

The Mira Monte project consisted several phases, beginning with the removal and replacement of the existing steel reservoir located behind Mira Monte (or "Turtle") Park. As this phase was being completed, the second removal and replacement of the partially underground steel tank west of Mt. Wilson Trail Road was initiated. The final phase of the project consisted with the construction of a new pump house, exterior architectural work, landscaping of the park, and replacement of water system piping throughout the location.

This important project was undertaken as a result of a 1997 Corps of Engineers Seismic Reliability study of the City's water system. The 1928 Mira Monte Reservoir was identified as being susceptible to failure during an earthquake. Additional research demonstrated that both storage tanks would need to be replaced in order to enhance the safety of the community. The price of the project was approximately \$8 million. It was financed with existing water bond proceeds, a low-interest loan from San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, local and federal grant money and will be repaid though water rates paid by all City residents. Water rates are not expected to increase to cover the cost of this project.

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Mother's Day Sunday May 10th 				May 16 & 17 Sierra Madre Art Fair Memorial Park, 9:30 am		
May 2009 				Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm Council Chambers	Mt. Wilson Trail Race 	

SIERRA MADRE SWIM LESSON INFORMATION

The Sierra Madre Aquatic Center will be opening on June 15, 2009. Early registration for summer swim lessons will begin by mail on Monday, June 1, 2009. Online registration is available on Tuesday, June 9 and walk-in registration will be accepted on Monday, June 15. All swim information including: fees, schedule, class descriptions, and registration forms can be obtained online at www.cityofsierramadre.com. On the right side of the webpage please find the link that reads "Wistaria Vine Summer 2009" for swim program information. Are you ready for summer swim lessons? Don't know which level to place your child in? Visit the Sierra Madre Aquatic Center on Saturday, May 30, 2009 for a free swim test day. This is a great opportunity to have your child evaluated by Sierra Madre Swim Instructors and have recommendations made for swim lesson placement. The pool will be open from 12:00pm -2:00pm for swim lesson evaluations. *The Sierra Madre Aquatic Center is located at 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. For more information call 626-355-5278.*

HOT TIME, SUMMER IN THE CITY

Creative Arts Group kicks off the summer with a sizzling reception featuring the work of our "oh-so-cool" faculty Sunday, June 7th, from 12-5 pm at the Jameson Gallery located at 108 N. Baldwin Avenue in Sierra Madre. Our talented instructors will be on hand to answer questions and watercolors, oils, ceramics, enameling, mosaics, puppetry and more will be on display representing summer classes available for children and adults. Light refreshments will be served and the public is invited.

Creative Arts Group is proud to be a participant in the Open Studio Artists' Tour which takes place the same day. Visit working artist studios in the canyon and village in this self-guided tour of Sierra Madre. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 the day of the tour and can be purchased at the gallery.

Creative Arts Group is the place to indulge (or maybe just become acquainted with) your artistic muse; and it all starts June 7th. For more information or questions, call (626) 355-8350.

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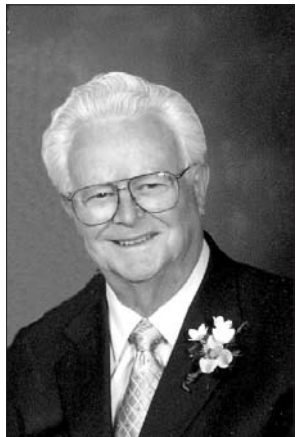
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REMEMBRANCE

James David Brown

St. George, UT - James David Brown, 77, died May 22, 2009 in St. George, Utah. He was born November 17, 1931 in Mar Vista, California to William George Brown and Edith May McClendon. He married Ann Virginia Gourley. They were married in the Los Angeles Temple on June 1, 1956.

He is survived by his wife, Ann Virginia Gourley Brown, daughters; Debra Ann Nemrow and husband Nathan Nemrow of Chino Hills, CA, Karen Kay Allsop and husband David Sid Allsop of Henderson, NV, Susan Elizabeth Morgan and husband Michael Perry Morgan of Cedar Hills, UT, Jennifer

Jean Bennett and husband Matthew Philip Bennett of St. George, UT, and son, James David Brown and wife, Barbara Lenore Peterson of Enterprise, UT, 22 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, May 22, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. at the Mulberry Chapel, 3381 S. Mulberry Dr., Bloomington, Utah. A visitation will be from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. prior to services at the Chapel. Interment will be in Tonaquint Cemetery, under the direction of Metcalf Mortuary, (435) 673-4221. Please visit our website at www.metcalfmortuary.com for condolences, complete obituary and funeral listings.

WHEATLEY MAKES A JOYFUL NOISE - FOR FREE!

David Wheatley, co-writer of "Hands!" The Musical, now the principal Organist at First Christian Church in North Hollywood, is giving his second concert in a series of four on June 7th. If you missed the first one last March, don't miss this one!

Wheatley, really enchants and engages the audience as he moves back and forth from organ to piano; classical to jazz; sing-a-longs to TV Themes.

This time around, David is planning to do interpretations of some of the Beatles songs, a little Bach, a little Beethoven, a few standards, some original work, AND, a song or two from "Hands!" The Musical and the new Christmas musical, Star of Wonder.

If you're an organ fan, the organ at First Christian is a combination digital and pipe organ, one of the premier organ installations in North America which provides an amazing listening experience with 50 digital stops and 19 pipe ranks (1,063 pipes!). This all means that it can make the walls shake!



David Wheatley presents his second concert in a series of four on June 7th

WHEN: Sunday, June 7th at 2 p.m., and admission is FREE!

WHERE: First Christian Church is at 4390 Colfax Ave. (SE Corner of Moorpark & Colfax), Studio City 91604.

For information or directions, call 818-763-8218.



Around Monrovia

by Pat Ostrye

A New Monrovia Library and a New Monrovia Hospital!

It did happen - Monrovia's new library opened its door for business last Saturday, the 16th day of May. The brand new Mayor, Mary Ann Lutz, cut the ribbon with much back-up from the City Council members and the Library Board. If you haven't seen it, do! An awesome edifice! I missed the appearance of well-known author, Ray Bradbury, in the afternoon, also a fantastic Spelling Bee - only the beginning of numerous events and challenges to take place in this library for residents of all ages.

The much larger computer areas, one for the general public and one for the youth, have both been handsomely enhanced due to the magnanimity of Lathrop and Dorothy Ann Hoffman, long-time benefactors from Sierra Auto Cars in Monrovia. I remember working with Lathrop many years ago when Monrovia/World Vision won the Pioneer Trophy for its super entry, Angel's Flight in L.A., in the Rose Parade; Lathrop was President of the Chamber and I was Mayor, so with our spouses, we enjoyed activities at the Tournament House in Pasadena. Ancient history.

Also in the limelight in Monrovia is the newly reopened Monrovia Community Hospital, now named Monrovia Memorial Hospital. More ancient history. Back in 1974, the Petrie family were owners, with Lou Petrie, now deceased, as General Manager. One of my campaign promises had been a much-needed Meals On Wheels program, which

I was able to produce in January of 1975 because of the hospital's largess, Kiwanis, paying for the necessary equipment and volunteers doing the delivering. The hospital provided the meals as well as packaging them, then placing them in the special equipment for the drivers to pick up. The program still goes on non-stop even with the closing of the hospital in 2004. Lisa Magno at Leven Oaks Resident Hotel, picked it up the very next day of the closing of the hospital. Pattie Tellez, director of the Volunteer Center, still takes care of the business end of it.

Terry Miller of Monrovia Weekly puts it in a nutshell: "A small group of investors joined forces to reopen the 49-bed acute care facility under new ownership and modernize the much-needed community resource. CEO is Ron Kupferstein; along with partner Kevin Smith and property owner Jeff Holmes, the Hospital has a thirty-year lease. . . and 'they're in it for the long haul'. Currently, there are 50-60 full and part-time employees. The state of the art equipment helps the lab do 99% of their blood and other tests in-house. They have two full operating rooms and provide outpatient service on referrals, no emergency room at this time.

Kupferstein is a seasoned Health Care professional who knows how to make a successful and happy place not only for patients but also the staff of doctors and nurses, plus all the ancillary professionals needed to operate a hospital smoothly." postrye@netzero.com.

Sierra Madre

From The Desk Of Phyllis Chapman:

SYLMAR MUSEUM HIGHLIGHTS EARLY ELEGANCE

On May 28, Sierra Madre seniors will go to Sylmar on their monthly bus outing to view the collections at the Nethercutt Museum, owned by the Nethercutt family, producers of Merle Normal Cosmetics. There are two buildings that feature an amazing collection of restored antique, classic and special-interest automobiles, antique French furniture, musical instruments and car hood ornaments.

The original first building is three stories and basement with a Grand Salon on the first floor. The floors are marble, the walls mirrored glass and columns rising to the ceiling, all an elegant backdrop for the car display. The upper floors house other antiques of interest to Mr. Nethercutt, the late museum owner.

Built more recently is the second building across the street displaying more of the collection. Also on view is the restored luxurious 1912 private Pullman Palace care once owned by Clara Baldwin Stocker, oldest daughter of pioneer millionaire Elias Jackson "Lucky" Baldwin who made millions in the Comstock Lode of Nevada. In 1875, he purchased Rancho Santa Anita the heart of which today is the Arboretum in Arcadia. After he died in 1909, Clara and her younger sister Anita inherited the bulk of his estate worth upwards of twenty million dollars.

Anita also had a Pullman car; however, it has been list in time. She owned "Anokia,"

the 20-acre Arcadia estate located on the northwest corner of Foothill and Baldwin Ave. Her mansion is now gone and replaced by 30 homes, with many selling for two million dollars each.

When Clara's car was discovered again it was purchased in 1998 by the Nethercutt Museum and underwent three years of restoration. The museum was fortunate to have access to Pullman's original manuscripts, build sheets and factory blueprints.

The car's floor plan is comfortable and quite spacious. There is advanced heating and air conditioning, chandeliers, complete bathroom facilities, with tub, shower, elegant furniture, silk draperies, beautiful stained class windows, and three bedrooms outfitted with regular beds and fine bedding. The large combination dining and observation room are paneled in Cuban mahogany. The kitchen and servant's section are less grand with quarter-sawn native oak.

Owning a private Pullman car back then is comparable to owning a private jet today. They were popular among the affluent until the depression days of the 1930s.

This Sylmar Museum with its incredible collection is open to the public at no charge. Reservations are needed by calling (818) 364-6464.

"INSIDE PRIVATE LIVES" AT FREMONT THEATRE ON MAY 31st TO BENEFIT OPTIMIST YOUTH HOMES & FAMILY SERVICES



The Fremont Centre Theatre in South Pasadena is the venue for a special performance Sunday, May 31 (7 p.m.), of the acclaimed "Inside Private Lives," which will benefit Optimist Youth Homes & Family Services, a major education and treatment center for at-risk children.

The play, created by Kristin Stone, is an interactive theatrical experience where audiences venture behind the headlines into the private lives of very public personas including John Dillinger, Elia Kazan, Timothy Leary, David Koresh, Christine Jorgensen and former first brother Billy Carter.

Total proceeds from the benefit performance will go towards supporting the services and programs offered by Optimist Youth Homes & Family Services, a Highland Park center founded in 1906, which provides culturally

sensitive, comprehensive treatment, specialized education and support services to abused, neglected or at-risk children and their families.

Ticket prices are \$50 each, or \$90 for two. The theatre is located at 1000 Fremont Ave., South Pasadena. Tickets can be purchased by telephoning Gretchen Mucci at (323) 443-3022, or via email at gmucci@oyhfs.org.

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First Area Case Of Swine Flu Confirmed

The Pasadena Public Health Department confirmed Wednesday the first case of the Influenza Type A H1N1 (swine flu) after lab results were received according to the city.

“We are not surprised that this case, reported as probable earlier this week, has been confirmed,” said Dr. Takashi Wada, director of public health and public health officer. “Working under the guidelines of the California Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control, about 95 percent of cases screened as ‘probable’ are confirmed following positive lab results.”

On Friday, May 15, the Pasadena Public Health Department reported that a probable case of the H1N1 was being investigated. An adult in the 40-to-50 age range had mild symptoms and was seen by a physician. Prescription medication was not necessary, and the patient has recovered fully and is no longer contagious. An investigation into the individual’s family and other contacts found no spread of the disease.

The department continues to urge the community to continue good public health habits, including regular hand washing, to help minimize the potential spread of influenza. Department staff will continue to conduct contact investigations for any possible cases that arise in the community.

Pet of the Week



Ginger, an adorable and very active seven month old puppy is ready for a new home. She needs someone who will invest in a training class and give plenty of love, attention and exercise. Ginger is such a doll and would love to be adopted today!

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Ride of Silence Brings Out Hundreds



Bikers Take Laps In Memory of Their Own

By Dean Lee

Wearing colored armbands as a memorial to those killed or injured in bicycle vs. automobile crashes, cyclists Wednesday night rode three laps around the Rose Bowl in silence as part of a larger world wide event.

Most of the riders had black armbands for remembrance although a few wearing red signified they themselves had survived a crash. Over a hundred riders participated in the event said Rick Babington the ride’s organizer.

“A gentleman in 2003 started it in Texas,” Babington said. “In honor of a friend who was killed, and just by word of mouth it spread to different cities around the nation and now around the world.”

According to the event website, “Chris Phelan organized the first Ride of Silence in Dallas after endurance cyclist Larry Schwartz was hit by the

mirror of a passing bus and was killed.”

Several riders were at the Rose Bowl ride in honor of someone they knew who died.

“Before we start, I want to ask is there anyone, friends, acquaintance that you know of that has been killed on their bicycles in the last year?” Babington asked. “I’d like you to say their name out loud so we can ride in their honor tonight.”

Cliff Becker was the first of several names given. One rider wore the name of Rob “Lilo” Levin pinned to his jersey. Levin was a well know Open Source programmer killed after being hit by a car in 2006. The collision happened at night in Houston, Texas by a hit-and-run driver.

Babington said the good news was that the number of deaths in the area was down from nine last year to three



this year.

He said there were about 300 other rides going on in the country each starting at 7 p.m. “there are rides in Australia, Great Britain and three of four other counties in their respected time zones,” he added saying some drew out over 500 riders.

Cyclists lined up two by two in silence and then rode the nine miles at 10 to 12 miles an hour. Babington said the slow speed was to make it possible for anyone

participating to keep up. The ride lasted less than an hour. A Ride of Silence poem was also read before the ride. The message was clear, share the road. It was also translated in Spanish.

A number of other nearby cities also held a Ride of Silence including, Upland, San Bernardino, Irvine, Fullerton, Ventura and Thousand Oaks.

This was the third year the ride was held in Pasadena Babington said.

New Tool for Exploring the City Launched

By Dean Lee

At a cost of \$18,000 to \$20,000 a piece, it is no wonder the city would want to show off new touch-screen information kiosks installed at Metro Gold Line’s Memorial Park Station and other locations around town including the Del Mar and Lake Stations.

And that is exactly what they did Thursday afternoon as Mayor Bill Bogaard and members of the Rotary Club, including board member Bob Martin, christened the new machines with a quick 20 minute celebration honoring the club for donating \$10,000 to get the project off the ground.



Mayor Bill Bogaard and Bob Martin

The project’s manager, Leon White said it would not have been possible without the Rotary’s contribution. He said most of the other money came from MTA funds. He also said they were looking for new ways to fund the kiosks not ruling out advertising.

City staff said, “the kiosks provides directions to visitors and residents looking for dining, shopping, entertainment and other amenities within walking range of the station, including Old Pasadena and the Civic Center area.”

Bogaard commented on the cutting edge technology.

“It’s a exciting event for us to be able to be able to incorporate this kind of twenty-first century technology into the use of our light rail system,” he said. “We look to the light rail system to reduce our traffic in the city and enhance the quality of life by increasing mobility.”

Kiosks are planned for all six Metro Gold Line stations in Pasadena and ultimately throughout the city’s business districts staff said.

The kiosks use a touch screen interface for navigation. White said the kiosks can be updated manually although in the future he said they would all be wireless allowing them to be more specific, such as tailored for events like the Rose Parade and Rose Bowl Game.

Bicycle Plan Moves Forward

City staff said the goal of a second public bicycle master plan meeting Wednesday night was to look for more opportunities to make the city “Bike friendly.”

One suggestion was to put more traffic circles around the city. Consultant, Ryan Snyder said the traffic circles allow cyclists a way to pass through intersections without having to stop. He also suggested blocking off certain streets to cars and trucks by narrowing the street and putting in removable posts.

He said Marengo Avenue was

a good example of how this could work.

About 40 residents participated in breakout sessions ranging in topics from reducing crash rates, to getting five percent of the population to ride bikes. They also discussed making roads safer and bike parking.

One objective is to creating a

network of bikeways so every neighborhood has an effective route in north-south and east-west directions.

Transportation Planner Rich Dilluvio said a draft plan should be completed by the end of next month which would be open for review.



included the Pasadena Fire Department, Los Angeles County Coroner’s office, and Huntington Memorial

Hospital. Lt. Riddle, of the Traffic

Section, explains the conse-

quences of making the decision to drink and drive, and will commentate during the program.

With high school graduations in the next few months, this is a reminder for students, parents, family members, the implications of drinking and driving. (the program can be seen on the web at www.pasadenacommunitynetwork.com click on the “56” icon) for those without cable access.

Officer, City Not Liable In Civil Rights Case

On May 14, in a wrongful death shooting trial that lasted more than four weeks, a civil jury in downtown Los Angeles returned with a defense verdict in favor of the city of Pasadena and Pasadena Police Officer Timothy Bundy.

The case was originally filed by the mother and daughter of Erica Hindman, a passenger in a car driven by Walter Villanueva, at the time of the shooting.

During the early morning hours of Sept. 3, 2006, Officer Bundy responded to a report of a drive-by shooting in Pasadena. As he was interviewing one of the victims, Officer Bundy saw the suspect’s car pull up one block away at Marengo Avenue and Tremont Street. Officer Bundy witnessed Villanueva exit the car and fire five shots at homes on Marengo Avenue.

Villanueva got back in his car and drove toward the victims of the drive-by shooting. By that time, Officer Bundy had run up the sidewalk in an attempt to stop the car and arrest Villanueva. When the car approached him, Officer Bundy saw an arm rise inside the vehicle, pointing in his direction. In response, he fired one shot, killing Ms. Hindman.

After approximately two hours of deliberation, the jury found that Officer Bundy was not negligent and did not use excessive force; they also found that the city of Pasadena was not liable.

“The jury’s decision vindicated the actions of the officer and the separate investigations of the Police Department and the District Attorney’s Office, making great strides in saving taxpayer dollars,” said Pasadena City Attorney Michele Beal Bagneris.

The city of Pasadena and Officer Bundy were represented at trial by Assistant City Attorney Hugh Halford and Deputy City Attorney Javan Rad.

Coincidentally, in a separate criminal proceeding on May 14, Villanueva was sentenced to 39½ years to life in state prison for the provocative act of murdering Ms. Hindman.

Family Fun Day at La Pintaresca Library

Join us for Family Fun Day on Saturday, May 23 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at La Pintaresca Park and Branch Library. Enjoy great food, entertainment, arts and crafts, a skate park competition, music with a disc jockey and more!

The La Pintaresca Branch Library is located at 1355 N. Raymond Ave., Pasadena. For more information, call (626) 744-7268.

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Environmentally Speaking, Did You Know?

Bats: Unique, Beneficial and Misunderstood

By Pat Birdsall

The other night at dusk, I saw a bat darting about the sky in pursuit of its nightly meal...insects. I was very happy to see this little guy doing the beneficial work that many don't appreciate, or perhaps don't know about.

For your edification...

Bats are *unique* in that they are the only mammal that can truly fly. Scientists have classified bats into a unique group or order called "Chiroptera," which means "hand wing" in Latin. Their wings are much like our hands, but with longer fingers and a thin, but tough membrane between the fingers. World-wide there are over 1,000 species of bats. In North America, north of Mexico, more than 40 species can be found. From fossil records we have learned that bats existed over 65 million years ago. Today, they inhabit all areas of the globe except Antarctica and the extreme desert regions.

Bats are truly *beneficial*. Seventy percent of the world's bats eat insects. One bat can devour up to 3,000 insects in a night! Most insectivorous bats eat their body weight in insects each night. It has been estimated that the 22 million Mexican free-tailed bats roosting in Bracken Cave, Texas during the summer eat 250 tons of insects each night, a large portion of which are agricultural pests. It is little wonder that bats are considered the most important natural controller of night-flying insects.

In the tropics, fruit and nectar bats play a vital role in the survival and re-growth of the rainforests. Fruit bats spread seeds as they fly and digest their food. Nectar feeding bats pollinate many valuable plants. Banana, avocado, date, fig, mango and balsa wood are a few of the trees that depend upon bats. Agaves, saguaro and organ pipe cactus depend on bats for pollination. Even the huge baobab tree in Africa, commonly called the "Tree of Life," relies on bats for its survival.

Bats are *misunderstood*. There are many myths and misconceptions regarding bats. Bats are not blind. They have the same five senses we do, smelling, hearing, tasting, seeing and feeling. Some bats, however, have highly developed sonar capabilities, called "echolocation" which they use to navigate and catch insects in total darkness. Bats do not attack people and they won't get tangled in your hair. Bats are actually quite timid and basically ignore humans. Bats are not flying rodents. There are no vampire bats in the United States. They are only found in southern Mexico, Central and South America. The most common misconception that people have is that all bats are rabid. This is not true. Studies have shown that less than one percent of bats contact rabies and when they do they usually die within three or four days. Common sense would dictate that you never handle a wild bat with your bare hands however, and make sure your pet's vaccinations are current.

I'm going to make it a point to go out at dusk more often. It's quite a treat to see nature's little exterminators at work. Join me, please.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rethink

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Your thoughts and comments are welcome...

FREE CHIPPER PROGRAM REMINDER

All residents in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone—
FREE curbside Chipper Program for all homes north of

Grandview Ave. Call the Sierra Madre Fire Safe Council
at 355-0741 for information and an application packet. This
program is made available through a grant from the US Forest
Service and the California State Fire Safe Council.

Caroline Brown, Public Relations SMFSC



Sierra Madre Police Blotter

During the week of Sunday, May 10th, to Saturday May 16th, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 192 calls for service.

Tuesday, May 12th:

2:25 AM – Arrest, Residential Burglary, 600 block East Grandview Ave. An alert resident reported suspicious activity after hearing a car drive up the street and park. A short time later, the resident heard a loud bang and saw two people running to the car, which then drove away westbound on Grandview. Officers found the car and stopped it. The officers' investigation led to the discovery of a smashed rear glass door of an unoccupied home under construction. Police searched the car and found burglary tools, drug paraphernalia, blank cashiers checks, checkbooks and identification in various people's names. Officers arrested the four occupants, Monrovia and Duarte residents, for residential burglary.

4:53 PM – Identity Theft, 200 block E. Alegria Ave. A resident reported receiving a statement from DIRECTV for a deposit fee. The resident discovered that an unknown person used his personal information and attempted to open a new account with DIRECTV, without his permission. There was no financial loss at this time, since the new account required a deposit fee.

Arcadia Police Blotter

For the period of Sunday, May 10, through Saturday, May 16, the Police Department responded to 1,082 calls for service of which 144 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, May 10:

Shortly before 2:00 a.m., units responded to the 00 block of Campus in reference to a verbal argument between a man and a woman. Investigation revealed that a 22-year-old male Caucasian suspect choked the victim, causing minor visible injuries to her neck. He was taken into custody for inflicting corporal injury to a former co-habitant.

Monday, May 11:

An assault occurred at First Avenue Elementary School, 301 South First, around 8:55 p.m. The victim advised that he was playing basketball at the location when a male Asian player from the opposing team punched him in the face. Additional subjects joined in the attack and struck and kicked him; one suspect also sprayed him in the face with pepper spray. The suspects then walked to their vehicle, retrieved a long metal pipe, threatened him, and told him that he should run. Fearing for his safety, he fled the scene.

Tuesday, May 12:

About 4:51 p.m., units were dispatched to Active Statewide Funding, 150 North Santa Anita, regarding a 39-year-old female Asian who had made terrorist threats against an employee. Investigation revealed that during a meeting, the suspect grew agitated over suspicious loan requests that were not processed. She brandished a firearm and made criminal threats against an employee.

Wednesday, May 13:

Officers responded to Longden and Holly

Thursday, May 14th:

10:01 AM – Arrest, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, 200 block W. Sierra Madre Blvd. The victim, a day laborer, walked into the Sierra Madre Police Department and reported being beaten in front of Memorial Park. The victim sustained serious injuries to his left eye. He said that the suspect fled after the unprovoked attack. The victim described the suspect as a male Hispanic wearing a purple bandana over his head. Paramedics treated the victim and took him to a local hospital for treatment. Officers found the suspect nearby and arrested him for Assault With a Deadly Weapon and took him to the Pasadena Police Dept. jail for housing. On Monday morning the District Attorney filed misdemeanor Assault With a Deadly Weapon and Criminal Terrorists Threats against the defendant.

Friday, May 15th:

3:53 PM – Mail Fraud, 300 block Sierra Woods Drive. The victim reported receiving a cashier check for \$2,950.00 from a suspect who hired the victim as a driver. The victim received an e-mail from the suspect instructing the victim to deposit the check into the victim's personal checking account. The check was supposedly over the agreed amount by \$2,350.00. The suspect told the victim to return the overpayment. Officers conducted an investigation and discovered it was a scam, as the check was issued from a fraudulent out-of-state checking account.

around 7:53 a.m. in reference to an indecent exposure report. The female victim advised that she was walking near the location when a dark colored sedan pulled up next to her. The male Hispanic driver, 35-40 years of age, called to her. Thinking that he was going to ask for directions, she approached the vehicle and saw that he was naked below his waist and was exposing himself.

Thursday, May 14:

Loss prevention personnel from JC Penney advised that they had detained a male juvenile for theft around 7:30 p.m. He took two pairs of shoes into a fitting room, hid the shoes in a gym bag, and left the store without making payment. A private person's arrest was made, and a 16-year-old African-American was taken into custody for petty theft. He was later cited and released to his uncle.

Friday, May 15:

Around 4:24 p.m., units were sent to a dental office in the 00 block of West Las Tunas in reference to an embezzlement report. A 38-year-old female Asian was hired at the location as an office manager/bookkeeper, and she embezzled about \$17,000 from the business and patients by collecting cash payments for free consultations and other services. During the investigation, it was discovered that the same suspect had also worked at an auto body shop where she had embezzled \$60,000.

Saturday, May 16:

A traffic stop was initiated at Peck and Live Oak around 1:54 a.m. for a code violation. Officers detected the odor of an alcoholic beverage from the driver, and a field sobriety test revealed that the 39-year-old male Indian was operating the vehicle while intoxicated. The driver was arrested at the scene for DUI without incident.

A Weekly Spotlight on Sierra Madre Volunteers

Anna Laws - An Activist in Retirement

It didn't take Anna Laws long to become a Sierra Madre activist. She arrived in 2004, and her concern about over-development led her to join the petition efforts for Measure V, the controversial measure that passed two years later.

Anna explained, "To impose the number of units proposed for the Nursing Home Facility and Howies Market would have adversely impacted the City. Water supply, traffic, City police and fire services and the financial position would have been severely stressed. Measure V maintained the hillside views and the low level nature of the City by securing the two-story height restriction."

Anna said, "Everyone's entitled to a place to live but not on top of each other...I was delighted when Measure V passed."

She also helped the Police Department obtain signatures on a petition for their increased salaries. She said she had many ideas that the tax implications would be greater or wouldn't yield enough to give the police a salary increase.

Anna audited the Ad Hoc committee that submitted recommendations for the Utility Tax that would support the police salary increases. She believes that the Utility Tax was the only measure considered that would have yielded sufficient funds

to cover the increased funding required for police and emergency services.

As a retired accountant she felt the City agenda reports with warrant details, zoning proposals and other matters to come before the council were an excellent insight into the operation of the City.

Anna is surprised at the small number of people who attend City Council meetings. "We need to support people on the council because they give us their energy and time."

Anna is a native Californian, having been born in the San Joaquin Valley. She was raised in Oceanside and Carlsbad, living in the "back canyon," and was bused to school. She said the ambience of that area in the '30s was much like Sierra Madre. After graduation, Anna went to work in the defense plants to do "her share," and was married at the end of World War II.

As a trained accountant she worked at local and national advertising agencies, living in Hollywood and raising her son, Peter, who, with his wife, Teri, live in Sierra Madre. And that's why she moved here -- to be near them. She retired in 1996.

In conclusion, Anna said she was surprised at the "acrimony" at City Council meetings.

What cause will she take on next? "Let's see what the local miscreants are going to do next."



Huntington Hospital

Huntington Hospital Offers Tips on Preventing Heat-Related Illnesses

(PASADENA, CA – May 15, 2009) – With summer-like temperatures predicted over the next several days, Huntington Hospital encourages residents to practice some easy safeguards that will help avoid heat-related illnesses.

"Although children and the elderly are most susceptible to heat-related illnesses, anyone can be affected," said Robert Goldweber, MD, emergency room physician at Huntington Hospital. "Taking simple steps to keep your body cool and hydrated on hot summer days is the best defense against an unwanted trip to the emergency room."

Huntington Hospital and the American Red Cross offer the following tips for preventing heat-related illnesses or injuries:

- **Dress for the heat.** Wear lightweight, light-colored clothing. Light colors will reflect away some of the sun's energy. It is also a good idea to wear hats or to use an umbrella.
- **Drink water.** Carry water or juice with you and drink continuously even if you do not feel thirsty. Avoid alcohol and caffeine, which dehydrate the body.
- **Slow down.** Avoid strenuous activity. If you must do strenuous activity, do it during the coolest part of the day, which is usually in the morning between 4:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m.
- **Stay indoors when possible.**
- **Take regular breaks** when engaged in physical activity on warm days. Take time out to find a cool place to relax.

There are three stages of heat-related illnesses – heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heatstroke. While heat cramps and heat exhaustion are less serious, Dr. Goldweber cautions that heatstroke, also known as sunstroke, can be life-threatening. The signs of heatstroke include: vomiting; decreased alertness level or complete loss of consciousness;

Save Your Skin

(Washington, D.C. – May 19, 2009) To remind Americans to practice sun-safe behaviors on Memorial Day weekend and the rest of summer, EPA's SunWise Program and the National Council on Skin Cancer Prevention have designated the Friday before Memorial Day as "Don't Fry Day." Skin cancer is largely preventable; however, new cases of melanoma, the most deadly of skin cancers, continue to rise at a faster rate than the seven most common cancers.

"Any change in your skin, whether burned or slightly tanned, is a sign of ultraviolet radiation damage," said Drusilla Hufford, director of EPA's Stratospheric Protection Division and council co-chair. "The good news is you can protect yourself and your family members from too much sun, the main cause of skin cancer, by taking simple steps like putting on sunscreen, a hat, sunglasses and a t-shirt."

"Many people believe skin cancer occurs after a lifetime of exposure, and yet, melanoma is the second most common form of cancer for young adults 15-29 years

of age," said Dr. Henry Lim, council co-chair. "In the last 30 years, the number of women under age 40 diagnosed with basal cell carcinoma has more than doubled while the squamous cell carcinoma rate has also increased significantly."

EPA is encouraging schools to participate by pledging to incorporate sun safety into their May activities. Participating classrooms will receive a Don't Fry Day poster and a classroom set of sun safety stickers. In addition, each classroom will be entered into a drawing for a SunWise Classroom Prize Pack – a set of UV-sensitive SunWise bracelets, a real-time UV monitor, and other sun safety resources.

EPA recommends some simple ways to stay safe in the sun. Remember, Slip, Slop, Slap and Wrap and plan activities away from the midday sun. Slip on a shirt, Slop on sunscreen (SPF 15 or higher), Slap on a hat, and Wrap on sunglasses to protect the eyes and sensitive skin around them from ultraviolet light.

For media inquiries, please contact the Public Relations Department at Huntington Hospital at 626-397-5464

Banned from Prom - Singing a New Misogyny Free Song

by Jenny Lin & Elaine Tsui, AHS

With lyrics that have the words “b_____s” and “hos” and themes aimed at degrading women, referring to them as objects and animals, some people wonder why the new generation of adolescents and young adults is so fascinated by these songs. These songs are popular and loved, but one AHS club is saying enough is enough. Inspired by two episodes of “The Oprah Winfrey Show,” in which the hip-hop community was asked if they thought these songs were degrading to women, members of the Women’s Health and Issues Club started a controversial petition to ban songs with misogynistic overtones.

Two weeks before prom, a petition circulated through campus, asking students to ban misogynistic songs from prom in hopes of raising awareness and moving toward a “misogyny free” prom in the next few years. “We are not pushing for abstinence,” said member and senior Lani Luo. “We are just trying to advocate for respect.” After the petition gained enough support with its 130 signatures to ban popular but misogynistic songs from prom, activities director Mr. John Tung guaranteed that 20 demeaning songs would be removed from the disc jockey’s playlist. Although the club original-

ly wanted to prohibit 300 songs from playing, the large number of songs would make monitoring the playlist very difficult.

The 20 songs that were banned included: “Shake” by Pitbull; “Get Buck in Here” by P. Diddy; “Drop” by Timbaland; “Low” by Flo-Rida and T-Pain; “One More Drink” by Ludacris; “Starstruck” by Lady Gaga; “Go Girl” by Pitbull; “Right Round” by Flo-Rida; “Smack That” by Akon; “Lollipop” by Lil’ Wayne; “Get Low” by Lil’ Jon; “Turning Me On” by Keri Hilson and Lil’ Wayne; “Rockin’ That Thang” by The Dream; “Beep” by Bob-b Valentino and Young Jaz; “Boom, Shake, Drop” by DJ Laz; “Turn Me On” by Kevin Little; “I’m In Miami” by LMFAO; “A Mille” by Lil’ Wayne; “Bojangles” by Pitbull; “Put that Thang Down” by Ying Yang Twins.

Despite the success of the petition in initiating a ban on the offensive songs, the club members faced much opposition from other students. Even though the club only wanted to stop songs that sexually exploit and disparage women from playing, opponents believed that the club was promoting pre-teen and G-rated songs, such as songs from Miley Cyrus and the Jonas Brothers. According to club members, one student even went as far as to send a text message chain persuading students to ignore the petition because they felt that the club was ruining their prom—especially after ticket

sales skyrocketed with more than 1,200 people attending prom this year.

Others argued that the ban violated the freedom of speech of singers and songwriters and that the club did not have the right to make decisions for the thousand other people who attended prom. Senior Kyle Kim said, “Even though prom was fun, I don’t think it’s the club’s decision to dictate which songs are played at prom. If you don’t like the songs being played, don’t go or don’t dance. It’s as easy as that. Prom wasn’t ruined, but I’m still mad that 130 signatures took off 20 good songs for over 1,000 people who attended prom. That’s not even the majority.”

The news of banning misogynistic songs spread like wildfire after the ABC News visited the AHS campus to interview the officers of Women’s Health and Issues Club. Some immediately supported the petition and some passionately opposed the ban, but to some, it did not matter who won the debate because prom was still “amazing and memorable,” according to junior Kevin Yuan. Despite the amount of opposition the club faced this year, they look forward to the next one because the 20 songs that were banned this year is just the beginning of an effort which the girls of the Women’s Health and Issues Club hope to continue for years to come.

Six Alverno Seniors Honored

Six Alverno seniors will be recognized for their commitment and dedication to community service and will receive the Fr. Joaquin Masmitjá Community Service award.

Initiated in 2008, this award recognizes students who have shown a consistent and generous dedication to community service. Each young woman completed a minimum of 420 verifiable service hours over her four years at Alverno High School. The six seniors who will be honored are Dominique Barr, Carolyn Bickel, Colleen Busser, Michelle Hendricks, Alexis Salazar, and Janelle Shima.

“I’m so proud to have earned this,” says Carolyn Bickel, who spent the last two summers volunteering on the Navajo and

Paiute Indian Reservations in Arizona and Nevada. “I got so much out of these projects, and I’m going to work on a reservation in northern California this summer before college.”

Alexis Salazar was also awarded the Archdiocese of Los Angeles Christian Service Award. “I volunteer regularly in a pre-school,” she says. “I love children and realized that this is what I want to do with my life.”

Dominique Barr is a confirmation mentor at St. Elizabeth Church, and notes that she found great satisfaction in leading younger students to their faith.

Colleen Busser volunteered at a retirement center. “It made me feel great,” she says. “Everyone was always so happy to



see me and I loved helping them.”

At the graduations ceremonies, they will be given a gold tassel to wear so that they stand apart for their dedication to their faith, and their community.

“Our students performed 16,200 hours of service this year,” says Ann Gillick, Alverno Head of School. “Service to others is an important part of our philosophy.”

PUSD NAMED AGENCY OF THE YEAR BY USC

The Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) announced that its School-Based Mental Health Clinic (SBMHC) was selected by the University of Southern California (USC) Graduate School of Social Work to receive their coveted “USC School of Social Work Agency of the Year” award.

“Our school-based mental health staff are critical to our overall strategy to link students to the social services they need for success inside and outside of the classroom,” said Edwin Diaz, Superintendent of Schools. “They are part of our overall problem-solving approach to removing barriers to student success. They provide early intervention and support when students first show signs of faltering in school.”

Each year, the USC School of Social Work faculty selects an agency that has been an outstanding partner in the education of social work students. This year, the faculty enthusiastically nominated and selected the Pasadena Unified School District for distinguished service to the USC School of Social Work. The award cites the work of Elaine Lomas, Director, PUSD SBMHC, who serves as a field instructor to eight graduate social work student interns who provide mental health counseling services

to students and their families at PUSD schools.

The USC interns support PUSD’s broader strategy to reduce truancy by providing early intervention and assistance to parents and students to improve school attendance.

PUSD’s Child Welfare, Attendance and Safety Division, created last year, has partnered with the Pasadena City Attorney to develop a pilot anti-truancy program at Wilson Middle School and John Muir High School. There is early evidence that the program is proving successful in reducing truancy through early identification and intervention. The ability to provide social services assistance to families struggling with difficult financial, economic or emotional challenges has helped many students reestablish a positive attendance record.

“Truancy reduction, links to supportive social services and viable alternative education options are all key to reducing the number of students who drop out of school,” said Diaz. “This comprehensive approach will enable us to keep students engaged in school, and give them the support they need to graduate prepared for college and a career.”

Lauren Gochez Wilson & Nerea Zallo graduate from Historic Mills College

Mills College presented its 121st Commencement on Saturday, May 16, 2009 with an address given by Kavita Ramdas from the Global Fund for Women. The ceremony included 270 undergraduate women and 237 graduate women and men, as well as students receiving certificates and credentials in a variety of fields.

The following local students graduated from Mills College received degrees or certificates marking their accomplishments at one of the oldest women’s colleges in the country:

Lauren Gochez Wilson, a resident of Sierra Madre, CA, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Art History. Nerea Zallo, a resident of Pasadena, CA, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Anthropology & Sociology.

“Because of your education, you know that we live in a world that continues to be so unequal in terms of gender relations--whether in a developed country like our own, where women still hold just 15 percent of seats on Fortune 500 boards or in the developing world where women own less than 2 percent of the land but provide 70-90 percent of the agriculture and food production labor,” said Ramdas. “Your education will help you be sensitive to issues of race, class, gender, and privilege of all kinds.”

The commencement also includes special guest Ryan D. Limaye, a partner at Goldman Sachs, a global investment banking and securities firm.

Goldman Sachs has selected Mills College as the first U.S. based educational partner of its 10,000 Women initiative, a five-year global philanthropic program designed to increase the number of underserved women receiving a business and management education.



Members of the St. Rita School kindergarten Daisy Scouts pose together after a hearty breakfast at the annual SMVFA Pancake Breakfast on Saturday.

Photo by Bill Coburn

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As I See It

By Howard Hays

In this column two weeks ago, I mentioned President Obama's declaration that science, not politics, would guide policy. It was in reference to stem cell research, but it also applies to proposals dealing with greenhouse gases that Gregory Wellborn addressed in his column last week.

The current debate goes back to President Bush's first term when his Environmental Protection Agency reversed position and asserted that carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases were not air pollutants covered by the Clean Air Act.

Melissa Carey of Environmental Defense responded, "Refusing to call greenhouse-gas emissions a pollutant is like refusing to say that smoking causes lung cancer. The earth is round. Elvis is dead. Climate change is happening."

Twelve states joined in disagreement with the EPA, and pursued the matter up to the U.S. Supreme Court (Massachusetts v EPA). The Court ruled against the EPA in April 2007, directing it to determine whether greenhouse gases "may reasonably be anticipated to endanger public health or welfare". Addressing the "sovereign state" challenge to a federal agency, the Court quoted Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr. in a ruling from 1907: "The state . . . has the last word as to whether its mountains shall be stripped of their forests and its inhabitants shall breathe pure air."

The Bush Administration fought to avoid compliance with the ruling. Rather than encouraging independent, objective analysis,

In a July, 2008 letter to Sen. Barbara Boxer, Jason Burnett, Associate Deputy Administrator of the EPA, explained that though the "basic logic" was "straightforward" - "If the public is endangered, the government must act", the reality was anything but. Burnett related how the White House pressured him to stop work on the report altogether, and how the Office of the Vice President asked him to intervene and gut testimony on the health effects of greenhouse gases being prepared for a Senate hearing by the Centers for Disease Control. Burnett refused to comply and submitted his resignation.

Two years after the Supreme Court ruling and with a new Administration in office, the EPA released its finding: "... greenhouse gases in the atmosphere endanger the public health and welfare of current and future generations. Concentrations of greenhouse gases are at unprecedented levels compared to the recent and distant past. These high atmospheric levels are the unambiguous result of human emissions, and are very likely the cause of the observed increase in average temperatures and other climatic changes. The effects of climate change observed to date and projected to occur in the future—including but not limited to the increased likelihood of more frequent and intense heat waves, more wildfires, degraded air quality, more heavy downpours and flooding, increased drought, greater sea level rise, more intense storms, harm to water resources, harm to agriculture, and harm to wildlife and ecosystems -

effects on public health and welfare within the meaning of the Clean Air Act. "

The finding is explained in detail at <http://epa.gov/climatechange>. Suffice it to say, though, that skeptical claims being made today are predictably similar to those made in the past - claims that didn't hold up.

In the 1990s, manufacturers warned that projected health benefits of the Acid Rain Program "are not clearly supported by science, and their adoption could deal a crushing economic blow to U.S. business." Instead, costs predicted to reach up to \$25 billion a year came in at \$0.8 billion after two years, while sulfur dioxide levels were reduced by 40%. According to the Office of Management and Budget, "the Acid Rain Program accounted for the largest quantified human health benefits - over \$70 billion annually - of any major federal regulatory program implemented in the last 10 years, with benefits exceeding costs by more than 40:1."

In 1995, DuPont warned that phasing out ozone-depleting chemicals would cost over \$135 billion, and "entire industries would fold." Instead, costs came in at a little over a billion, and DuPont made millions in marketing substitute products.

There's the charge made by President Bush a year ago, echoed by Mr. Wellborn last week, that the law might "force the government to regulate smaller users and producers of energy—from schools and stores to hospitals and apartment buildings." Robert Sussman, now EPA Senior Policy Counsel, responded that we could "limit these standards to large power plants and other facilities that are significant emitters of CO2, and to exclude

smaller sources, such as the hospitals, schools, stores, and apartment buildings of concern to the president."

Mr. Wellborn repeats the familiar warning of \$1,600 increased costs per household, a figure that assumes revenues from cap-and-trade simply vanish from the economy, and ignores the refunds to consumers, savings from energy efficiency and investments in green technology that are integral parts of programs under consideration. According to the American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, increasing energy efficiency 15% by 2020 will save families and businesses nearly \$170 billion on electric bills.

Regarding the prospect of jobs moving overseas, that's already happening as other countries prepare for the future. The second largest German export, after cars, is wind turbines. China and Korea are leading us in manufacturing the next generation of hybrid batteries. As noted by Rep. Edwin Markey (D-Mass.), co-author with Rep. Henry Waxman (D-Cal.) of the American Clean Energy and Security Act now before Congress, it would be a shame if our reliance on Middle East oil is simply replaced by a reliance on East Asian batteries.

Discussion will and should continue, but to quote again from Mr. Sussman of the EPA, "Raising a false alarm . . . without any analysis to back it up—is a diversionary tactic that we can ill-afford as Congress debates legislation that would in fact take an important step forward."

Tax Relief Now



By Gregory Wellborn

demonstration of non-partisanship and grass roots effort to reclaim the state from uncontrollable, out-of-touch arrogant politicians.

To understand just how important this vote was, one needs to understand the lengths to which the advocates of greater spending and taxation went in trying to pull the wool over our eyes. Every major player – the governor, the legislature, the unions, and most large newspapers - supported these propositions. The official, and overly favorable, descriptions of the ballot propositions were written by the legislature instead of by the more neutral Secretary of State as had been customary up until now. The "yes" side out spent the opponents by \$25 million to \$1 million. As if all that weren't enough, the ad campaign in favor of these spending propositions represented the worst scorched earth promises/threats to reduce critical services that I've seen in many a year. If after seeing these ads you weren't scared that criminals would roam the streets, fires go unattended and children be dropped from the education roles, you just weren't paying attention.

All of those advantages and tactics made the defeat all the more politically significant. Hopefully, we've turned a corner in the fiscal management of this state, and we voters won't slip back into a comfortable complacency thinking the job is done. It is far from done. Defeating these propositions didn't fix California's problem. It just prevented the politicians from papering them over, kicking them down the road a couple of years and setting the stage for even larger tax hikes in the future. Now, they have to get down to the real job of managing their fiscal affairs – just like the rest of us – and making the hard decisions that we actually pay them to make.

What needs to be done now is simple in concept but will require further efforts by the voters to force the Sacramento politicians to spend wisely and to create a desirable environment to attract businesses and employers.

Lest one think that scorched earth tactics like gutting basic services below a safe level are necessary, let me remind you of some simple statistics I discovered the last time I wrote on this topic. Over the last 5 years, California has seen about 19% inflation and 3% population growth. Meanwhile, spending has increased by 54%. That means we over-spent by roughly 32%, which is almost exactly the amount of our budget deficit. The problem here is not cheap, tight-fisted voters. The problem is irresponsible politicians.

Sadly, Californians had already solved this problem 30 years ago. In 1979, three-quarters of the voters approved the Gann Amendment, which limited the growth of spending to population growth plus inflation. With the passage of that amendment, California's out-of-control spending habits were tamed and the state's economy grew 14% faster than the national economy for the next decade. Unfortunately, that success ushered in a new period of voter complacency, and in 1990 the Gann Amendment was affectively gutted by a couple of new amendments which exempted education and transportation spending from the Gann limits.

As a result, spending started increasing by leaps and bounds, and our economy started to fall behind the nations. As further proof of just how unwise it was to open the spending spicket again, keep in mind that all that extra spending on education took us from 8th place in the U.S. in 1980 to 49th place in 2009, and our public transportation isn't all that better either.

What needs to be done now is simple in concept but will require further efforts by the voters to force the Sacramento politicians to spend wisely and to create a desirable environment to attract businesses and employers. First, we need to make sure that the governor doesn't simply turn to Washington for a bailout and thus avoid the budget negotiations which need to be won in favor of the taxpayers. Second, we need to reduce spending to that level anticipated by the Gann Amendment where it equals levels required by population growth and inflation. Third, we need to fix California's excessive tax environment. Our 10.5% top income tax rate and 9% sales tax rate are driving taxpayers and employers from the state. We are actually experiencing a net loss in both right now. Without taxpayers, there will be no tax revenues.

That's not really much of a list, but it covers the important things. Force the hard decisions to be made, don't over-spend in the future and make us an attractive place to live and set up shop. The results will be like magic. Whether on the state level or on the national level, well crafted tax reductions and spending restraints have always resulted in economic prosperity and fiscal abundance. Perhaps after all is said and done, if our dear governor can accomplish these things he will be able to leave office taking credit for a rebirth of California's fortunes and as the incubator for a successful national tax relief movement. Plenty of great political careers have been built on just such wise leadership.

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Stuart Tolchin On..LIFE

WHAT WE NEED IS A LONG DAY AT THE BEACH



A few days ago I noticed this odd little book partially hidden in my bookcase. I noticed

its cartoonlike dustcover impressionistically depicting exotic underwater sea creatures undulating slyly before their potential mates. The inside cover describes the book as "Filled with wit and wisdom; The Courtship of Sea Creatures is a playful meditation on the sexual strategies of sea life found along the shores of Brittany."

I read these beautiful descriptions as I sat in Court awaiting the arrival of a specific Public Defender with whom I was not previously acquainted. I asked another attorney for a description of this person and was told something like, "Wore a black and white striped shirt yesterday". As I was not at the Court yesterday this description was not particularly helpful but it was, nevertheless, very instructive as to the present condition of political correctness that exists within our professions. It is almost universally understood that it is best to avoid saying anything which might be considered offensive. Therefore, I gather, individual traits such as weight, age, race, color, gender, and almost everything else are avoided. I assume length and color of hair may be allowable but I cannot say that with certainty. Certainly descriptions of a more specific nature are to be excised from the vocabulary.

I returned to my reading of The Courtship of Sea Creatures and learned of the behavior of female crabs that "disseminate molecules of a ripe and harrowing odor to the wind, which the male captures---to a point of intoxication". Such olfactory appreciation might of course be inappropriate in a Courtroom but it is a sad realization that our most intimate of senses is anesthetized by the antiseptic deodorization required by civilized society. Perhaps, even more

sadly, the only odors which may safely be emitted are fragrances purchased elsewhere and having little to do with the individual.

As I sat in Court I observed the beauteous young attorneys, all attired similarly, in dark, drab clothing negating their considerable charms. Male and female attorneys dressed as similarly as possible to convey, I guess, an attitude of professional competence that obliterates and makes irrelevant any differences in age, sex, or anything else of personal interest. Yes, I understand the need for this behavior and it is sign of increased personal freedom that gender is no longer a bar to participation within almost any profession and, of course, I applaud this. Still, as my senior-citizen self watches these hard-working young people stressfully practicing a profession that requires 10 and 12 hour work-days, I am saddened. It seems to me that many of these young people have adopted a way of living that prevents them from fully experiencing themselves and their purpose. Too much time is being spent on career and too many families are being delayed. Patterns of reinforcement and validation are established which are inconsistent with living within the normal restrictions of a nuclear family.

Sea creatures maintain knowledge about survival that humans may have lost. Today the need to prosper, to be rich famous, successful, and secure seems to obscure everything else. It is self-defeating! Often we busy humans fail to see ourselves or others as participants in the creation of families and ongoing, continuing, romantic relationships. Well, at least we will be kept busy on our way to extinction. I think it might be better if we all stopped working for a while (an eon or so) and joined the sea creatures at the beach and spent some time figuring out a more practical way to live and to survive.

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH! NOW WE HAVE TO LISTEN TO LIZ CHENEY SPIN THE TRUTH TOO!



By Hail Hamilton

After watching Dick Cheney disingenuous answers on "Meet the Press" my immediate thought was enough is enough. Give it a rest Dick. Now I discover I have to listen to his daughter spin the truth too.

Liz Cheney has been making the rounds on cable TV to defend her father against torture charges,

re-hashing the same tired, bloated arguments in a shameless attempt to shine up his tarnished legacy and rewrite history. Most recently, on Morning Joe May 12 telecast Ms. Cheney repeats her father's lies: torture works, it was necessary to protect Americans, there were legal memos written to justify torture, and, in any event, waterboarding can't be torture because we waterboard our own service members when we train them how to stand up to interrogation.

This only a week after host Joe Scarborough—not noted for his political objectivism—justified former Vice President Dick Cheney's "quickness" to attack the new president. "[Obama] dismantled this program on his second day in there ...I knew by the second day that America was less safe," Scarborough said, "if you believe like I believe and 50% of Americans believe, that this program actually made America safer."

Each time that these inane, morally bankrupt arguments are repeated, they must be rejected. The Morning Joe crew isn't quite up to the task (Mika Brzezinski just told Andrea Mitchell that President Obama is "having things both ways" by not releasing all information about torture because, if it "works", most Americans would support it), so I'll explain again why Cheney is wrong (the Morning Joe-ers told Liz, after she finished her nauseating act, that her father must be proud of her).

As Eugene Robinson tried to point out on Morning Joe (Liz Cheney bullied him off his position pretty effectively—not with substance, but simply with condescension), the defenders of torture are trying to complicate a simple issue. *Waterboarding is torture and torture is a crime under US law.*

The arguments Liz Cheney and others make are either attempts to excuse a crime, or distractions, or both. Saying that torture "works" doesn't mean it's not a crime. I would have thought that was obvious, but somehow, defenders of torture keep repeating this transparently insufficient "argument". It's like as claiming that by successfully robbing a bank, it's not a crime.

Saying that Bush and Cheney found lawyers willing to say torture was ok similarly does not make a difference. These lawyers did not have the power to change the law—in the U.S.; we have a process for changing federal laws. It requires action by Congress and the President—and unconstitutional laws are invalidated by the courts.

Finally, insisting that waterboarding simply isn't torture because we waterboard our own service members during training is another ludicrous pseudo-argument. A former Navy instructor who trained Navy SEALs to stand up to torture has debunked this lunacy.

What we're witnessing is the latest example of the traditional media's failure to call out liars. When the traditional media is presented with one group of people arguing it's ok to commit crimes and another insisting that it's illegal to commit crimes—that's why we have laws—, all the media does is throw up its hands and say "well, there are two equally valid points of view here". No, actually there aren't.

With the media's failure, I think the only way to break this logjam is for a critical mass of Republicans to have the courage to stand up and say "wait a second, a crime is a crime." There were Democrats who crossed party lines during the Lewinsky frenzy to call out Bill Clinton over acts that don't inhabit the same universe as the authorization of torture. The question is: where are the Republicans, now, with integrity, and respect for the rule of law?

Vice President Cheney took an oath when he was inaugurated promising to "support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic... (and to) take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion..." The big question is did he honor this oath or circumvent it?

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File No. 09-0684021
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BELLAJO NURSING SERVICES, 7117 ALENIDA ALTISIMA, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90275. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ROSARIO ANGELINA ALEJO, 5630 RAVENSPUR DR. #308, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90275. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ROSARIO ANGELINA C.ALEJO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/08/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 5/8/09.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0688677
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BUSTO SOUTHERN ENTERPRISE, 9600 MELVIN AVE., NORTHRIDGE, CA 91324. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DONALD CICERI, 9600 MELVIN AVE., NORTHRIDGE, CA 91324. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: DONALD CICERI. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/11/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0684700
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BRANDON FOUCHÉ DOG REHABILITATION, 5979 S. ST. ANDREWS PL., L.A. 90047. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) BRANDON FOUCHÉ, 5979 S. ST. ANDREWS PL., L.A. 90047. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: BRANDON FOUCHÉ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/08/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/08/09.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0690373
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: EBBY FASHION & EMBROIDERY SILK SCREEN PRINTING, 533 W. 80th ST., L.A., CA. 90044. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LORENA RIVAS, LUIS RIVAS 533 W. 80th ST., L.A., CA 90044. This Business is conducted by: HUSBAND AND WIFE. Signed: LORENA RIVAS. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/11/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0690838
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: EXPRESS'S AUTO DETAIL CENTER, 8313 EASTERN AVE., BELL GARDENS, CA 90201. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ERNESTO MERIDA, 10001 W. FRONTIAGER DR., SOUTH GATE, CA 90280. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ERNESTO MERIDA. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/11/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 5/11/09.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0705557
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GLOBALTEC ENERGY, 16010 SHOEMAKER AVE., CERRITOS, CA 90703. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) WINDOM LLC, 16010 SHOEMAKER AVE., CERRITOS, CA 90703. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) V.M. PILEK, 6 WINDSTAR ALISO VIEJO, CA 92656. MICHAEL MARTIN CRAWLEY, 3205 LERENDARIO, SAN CLEMENTE, CA 92673. WILLIAM PHILLIPS, 757 SOUTHEAST 17th ST., FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33316. This Business is conducted by: A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP. Signed: ALVIN HAO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/13/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0707157
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: HIGLEY DR. CRYSTAL S.V.C., 645 N. HUEL ST., LA HABRA, CA 90631. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GEVORK SAPONYAN, 645 N. HAZEL ST., LA HABRA, CA 90631. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: GEVORK SAPONYAN. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/13/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0708279
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: INDUSTRIAL MACHINE REPAIR & INSTALLATION, 4811 MARTIN ST., MIRA LOMA, CA 91752. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LUIS A. CRUZ, 4811 MARTIN ST., MIRA LOMA, CA 91752. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: LUIS A. CRUZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/13/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0690690
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LUCKY MART, 608 E. VALLEY BLVD. STE. E, SAN GABRIEL, CA 91776. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ANN HA, 2630 PEPPERDALE DR., ROWLAND HTS., CA 91748. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ANN HA. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/11/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/01/2009.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0691164
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PASADENA SIT MEANS SIT, 928 N. SAN FERNANDO BLVD. STE. J198, BURBANK, CA 91504. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JENNIFER FRESE, 417 S. HILL ST. #1250, L.A., CA 90013. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JENNIFER FRESE. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/11/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0705556
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PRECISION YACHT DETAIL, 16010 SHOEMAKER AVE., CERRITOS, CA 90703. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) WINDOM LLC, 16010 SHOEMAKER AVE., CERRITOS, CA 90703. This Business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Signed: ALVIN HAO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/13/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0691524
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1. PUEBLO INSURANCE SERVICES 2. PUEBLO TAX SERVICE, 36455 NAVIGATION PL., PALMDALE, CA 93552. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JUAN RAUL FLORES, 36455 NAVIGATION PL., PALMDALE, CA 93552. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JUAN RAUL FLORES. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/11/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0690434
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WOOF RESORT, 11401 ILEX AVE., SAN FERNANDO, CA 91340. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ZORA PAVLOVICH, 11401 ILEX AVE., SAN FERNANDO, CA 91340. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ZORA PAVLOVICH. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/11/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on MAY 1, 2009.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0669927
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CORITA'S BAKERY, 12010 RAMONA BLVD. #5, EL MONTE, CA 91732. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MICHELLE ARROYO, 3303 S. ARCHIBALD AVE. #133, ONTARIO, CA 91761. DORA A. GARCIA, 1634 N. DURFEE AVE., EL MONTE, CA 91732. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: MICHELLE ARROYO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/06/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0647702
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CTS LOGISTICS, 831 N. NIAGARA ST., BURBANK, CA 91505. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JUAN FERNANDO GONZALEZ, 831 N. NIAGARA ST., BURBANK, CA 91505. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JUAN FERNANDO GONZALEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/04/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0660470
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CUSTOM SOURCE CONSTRUCTION, 18817 ALBURTIS AVE., ARTESIA, CA 90701. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) CHRISTIAN ROJERO, 18817 ALBURTIS AVE., ARTESIA, CA 90701. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: CHRISTIAN ROJERO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/05/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0660666
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: EAGLE ROCK MARKET & LIQUOR, 4729-31 EAGLE ROCK BLVD., L.A. CA 90041. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) BASSAM WAW, 12643 OLAF PL., GRANADA HILLS, CA 91344. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: BASSAM WAW. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/05/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0653094
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: FRANCO LETRER SHOES, 302 E. 68th ST., L.A. CA 90003. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MARIO FRANCO, 214 E. 68th ST., L.A. CA 90003. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MARIO FRANCO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/04/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 09-0670066
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: JGA HEALTH CARE & NURSING SERVICES, 19323 ANDRADA DR., ROWLAND HTS., CA 91748. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JUDY G. AMOR, 19323 ANDRADA DR., ROWLAND HTS., CA 91748. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JUDY G. AMOR. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/06/09. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on APRIL 15, 2009.

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Rich Johnson

I'd Rather Gandhi Give Me a Smack to the Head

All right, I broke the window. But it was an accident. I certainly didn't do it on purpose. Yeah, I know Mom told me not play with the baseball bat and ball in the back yard. I, I, uh forgot. Besides, I was sure sliding glass doors were bulletproof. Mom could have given me a swift smack on the backside. I could have handled that. But no, she went down the road of excruciating torture. She uttered those fearful words that have created a race of neurotic nambypambys: "WAIT 'TIL YOUR FATHER GETS HOME."

I don't want to be a stickler for our rights as Americans but by uttering that phrase my mom violated them under the 6th and 8th Amendments to the constitution. If you don't remember those amendments just pull your copy of the constitution out of your back pocket and follow along. The sixth amendment guarantees my right (and yours) to a speedy trial. Well, excuse me, but Dad said he wouldn't be home until after dinner. Where's the speedy in that?

She also violated the eighth amendment which guarantees me protection from cruel and unusual punishment. By making me wait 8 hours to face "the music" she is slowly torturing me. I'd rather Gandhi give me a smack to the head. I committed the crime in a speedy fashion. The punishment should be doled out in a speedy fashion. I'm sure most of you have faced that sort of mind-numbing

persecution. What's more, I'm sure most of you would agree that swift, and okay, even severe punishment is preferable to the agony of waiting. Time and solitude through the afternoon left me alone with my imagination. More than enough time to conjure up unspeakable horrors associated with what punishment dad, aka the executioner, would inflict on me.

Enough Rich. So where are you going with all this? Well, okay, I do have an uplifting and positive point to make. Dad finally did make it home. And as is most often the case, the punishment was far less severe and painful than what my fertile imagination had cooked up. In a real way many, if not most, of us are enduring a similar type of afternoon worrying about the economy and its effect on us. A good number of us have lost our jobs and who knows what else? And we are sitting around in our solitude conjuring up worst case scenarios as to our future plight. That results in STRESS. And STRESS is a killer.

The bottom line: We will survive. And somehow, things will work out. No, we can't see the light at the end of the tunnel. And sure, we might lose possessions or be forced to live a more meager lifestyle. But a big so what? Resist the temptation to stress out. 'cause you know what's really important? Your health.

Let me end with a quote from George Burns (who lived to be one hundred years old): "If you ask what is the single most important key to longevity, I would have to say it is avoiding worry, stress and tension. And if you didn't ask me, I'd still have to say it."

Schiff Lauds President Obama's Commitment to Closing Guantanamo

WASHINGTON D.C. – Today Rep. Adam Schiff, author of the Terrorist Detainees Procedures Act (H.R. 1315), welcomed President Obama's steadfast determination to close the Guantanamo Bay Detention Facility. Rep. Schiff has been an outspoken critic of the prison for years and has authored a number of bills, similar to the President's plan announced today, that aim to reform detention policy. Rep. Schiff is committed to seeing that the prison is closed, our national security objectives are met, and adequate due process for detainees being held at Guantanamo Bay is provided.

"The President today demonstrated again why the American people have such confidence in him -- he does not shy away from the most difficult issues and his national security strategy is tough, smart and true to our highest ideals," said Schiff. "I fully

support his decision to close Guantanamo, his willingness to prosecute the detainees within the rule of law, and the necessity of our sharing the burden of their incarceration with other nations. I remain concerned about the continued use of the military commissions established by the prior administration, and believe we would be better served by prosecuting the detainees in the military courts martial, or, when feasible, in federal courts. It will also be important to ensure that those the Administration must continue to detain, receive an appropriate level of judicial review of their status as unprivileged belligerents. I look forward to working with the Administration to ensure that our national security is ensured, our values are upheld, and that the Congress provides the legislative means to accomplish these essential ends."

Dreier Votes to Support Small Businesses

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman David Dreier (R-San Dimas, CA) voted yesterday to create more opportunities for small businesses to grow and expand. Dreier voted for House passage of H.R. 2352, the Job Creation Through Entrepreneurship Act, which was approved with overwhelming bipartisan support.

"Small businesses are the life-blood of our economy," Dreier said. "They fuel the engine of economic growth, creating good paying jobs here at home and providing new and innovative products and services for the American people and the rest of world. This bill provides the resources and support

needed to help these entrepreneurs expand their businesses, hire more workers and get our economy back on its feet."

H.R. 2352 establishes new grant programs to help local small firms secure capital and repair damaged credit and assist small businesses to compete for procurement projects. The bill also provides greater support for Veteran, Native American and women-owned companies. In addition, the measure increases accountability by requiring the Small Business Administration to report on the performance of the new programs.

United Nations Association of Pasadena Foothills Needs Your Support!

Organization Seeks To Raise Matching Funds To Continue Programs

The United Nations Association Pasadena Foothills Chapter is proud to announce that in June, we will hold our first Model United Nations Conference at Pasadena City College involving three of Pasadena's public high schools. Join us to witness this event and to support over 100 local students who will explore and debate the impact of Water Scarcity in the Middle East. A culmination of a two year UNA initiative, The PUSD collaborated to facilitate our Model UN training program for area high school teachers. The national award winning Pasadena City College Model UN team has provided hands on mentoring for local high



Global Friends students at Blair High School after the first load in of supplies for partner schools in rural Nigeria

school students.

With community support, the UNA can continue to enhance the international and cultural life of this community. Your donation translates to very specific benefits locally and globally. Your gift will ensure that our community has an international forum to engage in discussion and action to impact poverty, economic development and safeguarding the environment for future generations. It will ensure that school supplies and thousands of text books will reach the students of our 15 partner schools in rural Nigeria through our Global Friends Program this summer. Your donation will ensure that the ongoing work of the UN thrives locally.

The generous challenge grant of \$1500 will expire on June 5, 2009. Please make your donation today to the UNA Pasadena Chapter. Every dollar makes a difference and we cannot do it without you. To learn more about us and to make easy on line donations, please visit unapasadena.org. Checks are payable to UNA Pasadena and can be mailed to our office at 75 South Grand Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91105.



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**City of Sierra Madre
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

To: Citywide
From: The City of Sierra Madre
Subject: **Reconsideration and Ratification of Ordinance 1256, an amendment to Chapter 17.52 H-Hillside Management Zone (HMZ) of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code.**

Applicant: City of Sierra Madre, 232 West Sierra Madre Boulevard, Sierra Madre, CA

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that on May 21, 2009 the Planning Commission will reconsider Ordinance 1256, an amendment to Chapter 17.52 H-Hillside Management Zone of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code. Further, on May 26, 2009, and June 9, 2009, the City Council will also reconsider Ordinance 1256, an amendment to Chapter 17.52 H-Hillside Management Zone of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code. Ordinance 1256 altered standards in the Hillside Management Zone for new and existing lots, including design and development standards. The Ordinance also addressed construction, grading, drainage, architecture, landscaping, fire prevention, fuel management and biotic resources standards for hillside development. In addition, Ordinance 1256 specified permit requirements, filing and review procedures, and application contents. Finally, the Ordinance amended the City's zoning map to expand the boundaries of the HMZ to better reflect the shape and topography of land in the northern areas of the City. As a result of this change, additional residentially zoned properties, not previously in the HMZ were included within the new HMZ boundaries. Ordinance 1256 was originally adopted on October 6, 2006; subsequently, the City Council directed staff to conduct further environmental analysis of the Ordinance. This analysis has been completed and the Planning Commission and City Council are now being asked to reconsider and ratify Ordinance 1256. A full and complete copy of the text of Ordinance 1256 is available at Sierra Madre City Hall, Development Services Department at the address noted below.

DATE AND TIME OF MEETINGS	PLACE OF MEETINGS
City of Sierra Madre Tuesday, May 26, 2009 & Tuesday, June 9, 2009 (meetings begin at 6:30 p.m.)	City of Sierra Madre City Council Chambers 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, CA

All interested persons may attend these meetings and the Planning Commission and City Council will hear them with respect thereto. **PROJECT LOCATION:** Citywide, in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California. By Order of the Planning Commission and City Council

Elaine Aguilar, City Manager Danny Castro, Director of Development Services

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racetrack that birthed it. As you walking into the restaurant you will encounter a portal of time, as their walls document the historic and present race track heroes. Over the years the sport has lost some of its fan base as television waters the interests of other subjects. Maybe I think it is American to like horseracing and boxing, but whatever it is there is a majesty in those animals that is inescapable for me. The great thing is that you don't have to be a race



Steak and seafood at The Derby Arcadia.

fan to enjoy this historic restaurant. But the history here is so interesting that it must be mentioned. The restaurant was made famous by its purchase in 1938 by Hall of Fame Horse Jockey George “The Iceman” Woolf, who wanted a place to gather his friends in the horse racing industry. He was famously known for his cool rides on horses. As other jockeys aggressively moved their mounts just a fraction too early, he waited and waited and would finally unleash a devastating well timed run that would place his horse's nose on the winning end of the photo. Today the restaurant finds itself managed by the able hands of two young entrepreneurs that have maintained the identity of the restaurant.

What to order... Steak of course!!! I was able to order off the menu, a Porterhouse Steak that was so tender and good that I'll be gnawing

TABLE FOR TWO

By Peter Dills

The DerbyArcadia

on the bone. My dinner companion ordered the Seafood Linguini that was stuffed with Scampi, Scallops and lump crab meat all in a fresh garlic cream sauce. It is enough food to feed a cavalry. We started off the evening with two salads, one the Derby Iceberg Salad, this salad brings up thoughts of the “Molly Salad” at Taylor's that I swoon over, but here at The Derby it has Avocado Slices . The Raspberry Salad was exceptional; it features baby greens, tossed in raspberry vinaigrette with candied pecans, pears, mandarin oranges and Gorgonzola Cheese. Our appetizer was Ahi Wontons. Crispy Wontons topped with

Sushi Style Ahi Tuna. Desserts, many on the list but for a special occasion I would go for the Baked Alaska. The Bar has Large screen TV's and I had one of best Mojitos I've had in quite some time.

Note: Now open for Lunch

Heads Up: It can be crowded during the weekends especially during racing season.

Price Rage: Moderate to Expensive

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May is “Older Americans Month,” an opportunity to bring attention to the issues that affect older adults. **Right at Home**, a local provider of in-home senior care, offers a worry-free and affordable elderly care option for the growing senior and disabled adult population in the San Gabriel Valley.

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The theme for “Older Americans Month 2009” is ‘Living Today for a Better Tomorrow,’ proclaimed by the Administration on Aging. The aging population has evolving needs and making behavioral changes in their lifestyles can reduce the risk of disease, disability, and injury. While all age groups are vulnerable, 80 percent of fall-related deaths occur among people 65 and older, according to the National Safety Council.*

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Looking Up

With Bob Eklund

The Science Behind “Angels and Demons” Is No Laughing Antimatter

On May 15, Sony Pictures released “Angels and Demons” and brought the world’s largest particle physics laboratory to the silver screen. Four days later, on May 19—in an unprecedented collaboration between scientists and filmmakers—a panel of particle physicists at the CERN collider in Geneva, Switzerland, held a public briefing on the real science behind the movie.

Based on Dan Brown’s best-selling novel, this major motion picture, starring Tom Hanks and directed by Ron Howard, focuses on a plot to destroy the Vatican using a small amount of antimatter. That antimatter is made using the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) and is stolen from the European particle physics laboratory CERN. Parts of the movie were filmed at CERN.

Embracing this opportunity to discuss the real science of antimatter, the LHC, and particle physics research, the United States’ National Science Foundation (NSF) hosted this live media briefing, which featured three world-renowned physicists: Rolf-Dieter Heuer, director-general, CERN; Nobel laureate Leon Lederman, author of the book, The God Particle: If the Universe Is the Answer, What Is the Question?; and Boris Kayser, chair, American Physical Society’s Division on Particle Physics.

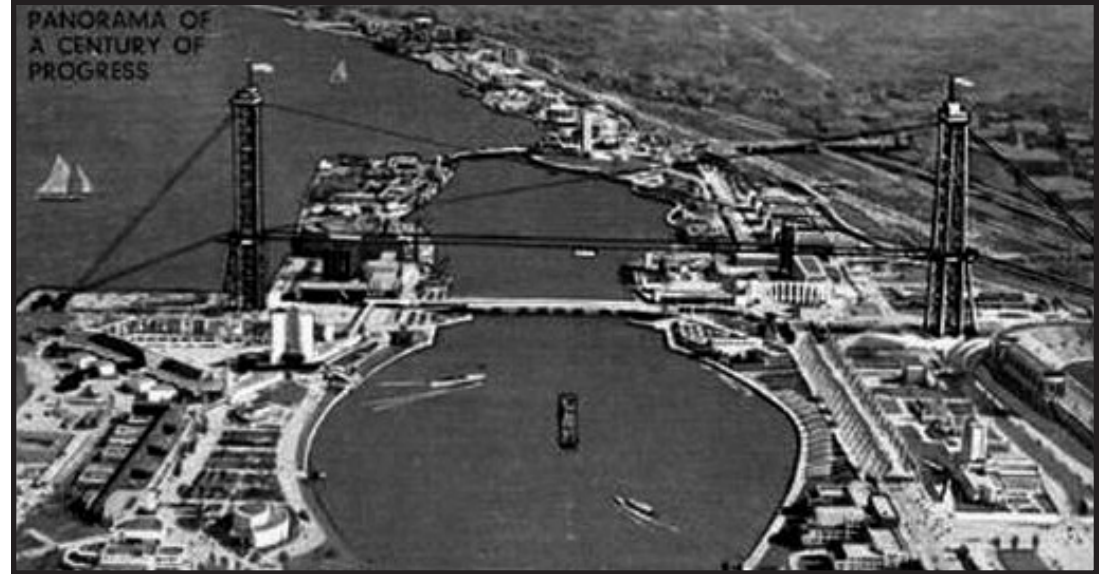
*** ANOTHER COLLABORATION between scientists and show biz took place 76 years ago this week, at the opening of the Chicago “Century of Progress” World’s Fair on May 27, 1933. I

mention this because it happens to be one of the major memories of my early childhood. I was then living at the home of my grandfather, George C. Blakslee, who was the photographer and public lecturer for Yerkes Observatory in Williams Bay, Wisconsin—at that time one of the world’s major astronomical sites and still the home of the world’s largest refracting telescope.

Just before his retirement in 1932, the Observatory’s director, Edwin B. Frost, had suggested that the Fair’s lights could be turned on at the opening ceremonies by using the light from a star, amplified through the Yerkes 40-inch telescope and projected onto a photocell.

The chosen star would be Arcturus, one of the brightest objects in the spring sky, whose distance from us had been measured to be about 40 light-years. This meant that the light reaching the photocell now would have left the star 40 years earlier—by coincidence, just when the unfinished tube of that same 40-inch telescope had been on display at the previous Chicago World’s Fair, the Columbian Exposition of 1893.

In retrospect, the idea seems like the perfect opportunity to educate the public and gain support for astronomy—and it was in fact quickly accepted by the man in charge of science exhibits for the Fair. Then Yerkes Observatory’s incoming director, Otto Struve, heard about the plan. Struve was a dedicated researcher who, as Donald Osterbrock notes in his book Yerkes Observatory 1892–1950, regarded anyone engaged in raising public awareness of science as a “showman”—and



he was highly skeptical of the idea.

Osterbrock adds that the plan might well have died at that point, but when the Fair’s management agreed to give the Observatory 5 percent of any surplus of their receipts over expenses, “Struve’s dedication to popular education suddenly increased tremendously.”

In the immortal words of Yogi Berra, “It’s déjà vu all over again.”

If you’d like to learn more, you can contact Bob at: b eklund@MtnViewsNews.com



Photo by Aaron Dominguez

On Line About Craigslist

with P.J. Carpenter

Just in case you’ve been stranded on an island or are just emerging from some sort of underground bunker for the last year or so, there has been quite the buzz surrounding Craigslist over the last month or so. Even before the tragic events that lead to the death of an East Coast young woman advertising as an escort in the Erotic Services section of the popular message board, Craigslist was widely known and used by millions of visitors for the sale, barter or trade of a wide range of licit goods and services. People looking for interesting social events, seeking employment, looking for housing or just interested in meeting new people have been using the service since it first began posting in 1995. Since that time it has ballooned to provide service to some 50 million unique visitors each month in the US alone. Per a recent Wikipedia article about Craigslist the site is now the 28th most visited web site in the world and the 9th overall most visited web site in the US as of March 2009.

Craigslist has been under pressure by various law enforcement entities around the country to do a better job at keeping a tighter rein on its Adult Sections which some law enforcement official have called “the nation’s busiest street corner

where prostitution runs rampant”. In response to these charges and the highly-publicized “Craigslist Killer” murder case, Craigslist, much to its credit, took stringent measures to clear its site of the offending material, going far beyond the actions recommended by AG’s around the country. Despite the actions taken by Craigslist they have still been threatened with criminal charges. In response to these continued threats Craigslist has taken legal action of its own against the Attorney General’s Office in South Carolina, demanding that the office stop the threat of continued legal action since Craigslist has complied and even surpassed the restrictions requested by the AG’s office and has also asked for a public apology.

These and other pressures for Craigslist to conform to standards not enforced for other media in the actual jurisdictions where the complaints originated have led many to wonder what is meant to be accomplished by the continued legal action being threatened by the SC AG’s office against Craigslist.

Free Speech advocates and Internet Users in general will be watching these developments with interest as certain outcomes may well signal the beginning of an irreversible trend of Internet censorship, brought about under the guise of Public Safety.



Jeff’s Pics The Book Reports - A Memorial Day Collection

Remembrance: A Tribute to

America’s Veterans by Robert B. Fletcher (Author/Illustrator)

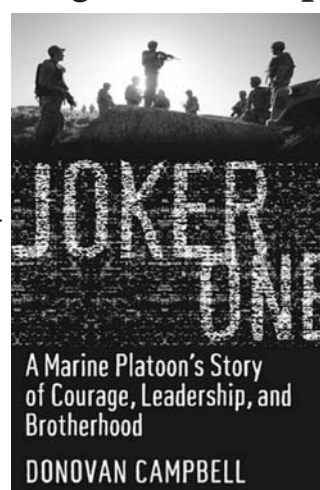


With compelling scenes from the Revolutionary War to the Afghanistan War, Remembrance tells the story of the nation’s 26.2 million veterans who are alive today and all who came before them. Nearly half of all Americans who served during wartime in our country’s history are still alive, and nearly 80 percent of America’s veterans served during a war. The book pays tribute to those warriors by providing a new view of every major war in our nation’s history and a view of a veteran’s life that has not been done before. This is first book to portray veterans and military funeral scenes from all of America’s wars in a series of outstandingly watercolor paintings and pencil drawings. This father and son team has produced a fitting and touching tribute to those who have lost their lives in our nations armed forces.

Joker One: A Marine Platoon’s Story of Courage, Leadership, and Brotherhood

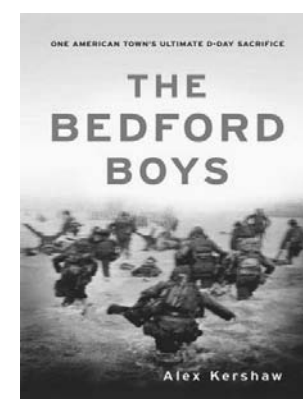
by Donovan Campbell

The author states, “I was a platoon commander, a young lieutenant 24 at the time in charge of a 40 man platoon. I joined the Marines to defend my country, a dirty job and someone has to do it. The reason I wrote this story was because I felt that what my Marines did was remarkable. It was my job to take care of them and to accomplish a mission. Sometimes they conflicted. I would have to ask them to do things which may get them killed or hurt. But we had to do it as I was their leader. There are stories about camaraderie, brotherhood that forms under war, leadership, faith in god and doubt and about love formed under the most difficult circumstances imaginable. It is about my guys. I hope by reading this book you will know my men as I did and knowing them will come to love them.” Donovan Campbell served in Iraq.



The Bedford Boys: One American Town’s Ultimate D-day Sacrifice

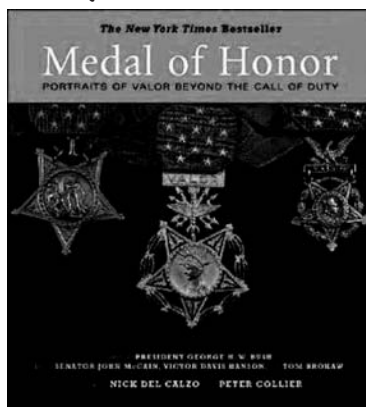
by Alex Kershaw



It is a history of what war does to individuals and those left behind. We are told that 5,000 Americans died on June 6, 1944, D-Day, but that is only statistic. This narrative is about the men who died trying to cross the beach code named Omaha O Bloody Omaha. It is the names that make this volume uniquely harrowing, and distressing. Bedford, Va, lost a higher percentage of its sons on D-Day than any community in America and that is the main reason the National D-Day Memorial was dedicated in the tiny village of Bedford in June, 2001. But 56-years of time and the presence of the president of the United States were not enough to assuage the losses on Omaha Beach. This book, unlike most others on the account of D-Day, tells the story of the Normandy invasion from the viewpoint of the families left behind.

Medal of Honor: Portraits of Valor Beyond the Call of Duty

by Peter Collier (Author), Nick Del Calzo (Photographer)



Since the Civil War more than 39 million men and women have answered the call to serve. Of those, 3,440 served with such valor and extraordinary courage that they were presented with the Medal of Honor. 140 are alive today. Each of their heroic actions is as unique as the person who performed it, and here more than one hundred of America’s living Medal of Honor recipients are honored and their stories told. These stories describe acts of duty, courage and selflessness that inspire a deep gratitude and admiration for these men and the thousands who have passed on.



Have you ever longed to hear the applause of an audience, clapping wildly just for you? Do you long to fill a blank canvas with your very own brush strokes? Do you have a poem in your heart, just waiting to be recited? Is there a musical instrument that calls to you? If so, there is good news. Arts programs designed specifically for seniors are springing up across the United States. People are finding that health and social benefits come with the effort.

Here are two of my favorite quotes. Pablo Picasso once said, "Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist when he grows up." Danny Kaye liked to say, "Life is a great big canvas. You should throw all the paint on it you can." What spirit!

These programs are part of a movement fittingly called Creativity and Aging. Senior centers in most cities and your local YMCA have a number of different programs to help seniors fulfill that creative urge. These opportunities appeal to active seniors of all ages.

Several years ago, I followed my wife into a Monrovia store called The Dollmakers. She wanted to take a class in doll making. She had always wanted to do that. As I was doing the "patient husband" thing while she talked about dolls with the proprietor, I heard the most beautiful music coming from the back of the store. I was mesmerized. Wandering back, I saw Jennifer Ranger giving a music lesson on the Hammer Dulcimer. Instantly, I was in love . . . with the instrument! I knew that I could learn it and wanted to. A week later I was taking my first lesson. That was six years ago and I now love playing it every day. (Note: I'm not that good but the instrument makes me sound great, no matter what.) Now, my home has my music reverberating down the hall and beautiful dolls everywhere. My wife even takes violin lessons there. While that instrument is not so

forgiving, I know she's having fun.

The point is that each of us has a passion hidden inside us. Find it and "let it rip!" Life is too short not to pursue our dreams. You don't need to be a natural or worry about others expectations. Treat yourself and chase that passion. Fun is not just for the young.

Not only is the "Creativity and Aging" movement fun and enriching, the programs are wonderfully good for you. Research has found a direct connection between creative expression and healthy aging. Arts programs for seniors heightened morale, lessened depression, increased social and recreational activities, and decreased doctor visits and medication usage among senior artists. Considering that the average age of those studied was 80, the reporting of widespread improvement is remarkable. So what's stopping you? If you are saying "Oh, I wouldn't be very good at that," please go back to the beginning and read this article again.

Some resources:

1) Locate a fun program in your area. Check out The National Arts and Aging Resource Directory at www.creativeaging.org.

2) Contact Pasadena City College for non-credit adult classes. (They are not expensive.)

3) Go see the folks at your local senior center.

4) Check with your local YMCA for activities.

And . . . there's always the doll shop. Got a question? Ask Bruce by phone-(626)335-3412 or e-mail: blamarche@verizon.net. This article is provided by Bruce Lamarche, a member of Society of Certified Senior Advisors®, www.csa.us. Bruce's company, R & B Reverse Mortgage Services (Glendora) helps seniors make an informed decision about obtaining a reverse mortgage. www.LASeniorMortgage.com

SENIOR HAPPENINGS...

By Pat Birdsall

FYI:

A couple of money saving suggestions from the current AARP Magazine:

Get a loyalty discount "I register as a frequent diner with various restaurants to receive coupons and unadvertised specials. ~ L. Granzow, Mesa, Arizona

Get the "I asked" discount "Always ask if an establishment has a discount for people over 50. Many do, but they won't offer it unless you ask. ~ C Johnson, China Spring, Texas.

~Helpful Hints~

Toothpaste isn't just for your pearly whites...

1) Want to clean and whiten the rubber part of your sneakers? Get out the non-gel toothpaste and an old toothbrush. After scrubbing, clean off the toothpaste with a damp cloth.

2) Clean the bathroom sink. The tube's sitting right there, so just squirt some non-gel toothpaste in, scrub with a sponge, and rinse out.

Recipe of the Week: Spinach Dip

Ingredients:

- * 2 packages (10 oz. each) frozen chopped spinach, thawed
- * 1 can (8 oz.) water chestnuts, drained & finely chopped
- * 1 cup sour cream
- * 1 cup plain yogurt
- * 1 cup finely chopped green onions (9 medium)
- * 2 tsp chopped fresh or ½ tsp dried tarragon leaves
- * ½ tsp salt
- * ½ tsp ground mustard (dry)
- * ¼ tsp pepper
- * 1 clove garlic, crushed
- * Rye crackers, rice crackers or raw vegetables for dipping, if desired

Directions: 1- Squeeze excess moisture from spinach until it is dry. Mix spinach with remaining ingredients except crackers, in a glass or plastic bowl.

2- Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour to blend flavors. Serve with crackers and/or raw vegetables.



Happy Birthday!

May Birthdays: 5/6 Juanita Loera, 5/17 JoAnn Serrato-Chi, and 5/20 Barbara Soulanille

For Your Funny Bone

It got crowded in heaven, so for one day it was decided only to accept people who had really had a bad day on the day they died. St. Peter was standing at the pearly gates and said to the first man, "Tell me about the day you died." The man said, "Oh, it was awful. I was sure my wife was having an affair, so I came home early to catch her with him. I searched all over the apartment but couldn't find him anywhere. So I went out onto the balcony, we live on the 25th floor, and found this man hanging over the edge by his fingertips. I went inside, got a hammer, and started hitting his hands. He fell, but landed in some bushes. I got the refrigerator and pushed it over the balcony and it crushed him. The strain of the act gave me a heart attack, and I died." St. Peter couldn't deny that this was a pretty bad day, and since it was a crime of passion, he let the man in.

He then asked the next man in line about the day he died. "Well, sir, it was awful," said the second man. "I was doing aerobics on the balcony of my 26th floor apartment when I twisted my ankle and slipped over the edge. I managed to grab the balcony of the apartment below, but some maniac came out and started pounding on my fingers with a hammer. Luckily I landed in some bushes. But, then the guy dropped a refrigerator on me!" St. Peter chuckled, let him into heaven and decided he could really enjoy this job.

"Tell me about the day you died," he said to the third man in line. "OK, picture this; I'm naked, hiding inside a refrigerator..."

Quote:

The patriot's blood is the seed of Freedom's tree.

~Thomas Campbell~

Activities:

Unless listed differently, all activities are at the Hart Memorial Park (Senior Center) 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre

Lunch Program: Monday- Friday at the Intervale Café -12:00 Noon-Call (626) 355-0256 to make your daily reservation. Suggested donation \$2.00 for seniors (60+) and \$3.75 for visitors.

Monday: Free strength Training Class with volunteer Lisa Brandley 1:00-1:45

Tuesday: Bingo- 1:30PM- 3:30 PM .25c per card

Yoga- 5:30 PM- 7:00PM Instructor Andrea Walsh- \$6.50 for seniors (50 and over.)

The Santa Anita Bowling Green Club will be having beginning lawn bowling lessons each Saturday morning starting at 10 AM. Anyone interested come by the park before 10 AM. For information call Gene at 626-351-5327. FREE!

Senior Opportunities and Excursions

Monthly Excursions: Thursday, May 28- Nethercutt Collection & Museum in Sylmar- 8:45 am to 2:30 pm \$18.00 per person (includes lunch) 5 floors of treasures that range from classic and vintage automobiles to antique furniture. For more information about the museum, please visit their website at www.nethercuttcollection.org To register, call 626.355.7394.

Free Blood Pressure Clinic- Second Tuesday of each month 11:00 AM- Noon
No appointment necessary

Financial Consulting- 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Hart Memorial Park House from 10:00AM- Noon. Please call (626) 355-7394 for an appointment.

Call 355-5278 for more information.

Wednesday: 1st & 3rd Wednesday-Community Lunch & Learn Program

Thursday: Game Day- 1:00PM- 3:30PM- Poker, UNO, Scrabble, Cribbage, Chess, Checkers, Backgammon, Pinochle...you name it.

Yoga- 5:00 PM- 6:30 PM \$6.50 for seniors (50 and over) Call 355-5278 for more information

Friday: Ping-Pong 1:30 PM

Saturday: Senior Club for those 55 and older- Brown bag lunch at 11:30AM Meeting at Noon- Bingo at 12:30 PM- only .25c per card

Senior Stretch and Balance- A free class designed by volunteer instructor Teryl Willis, for seniors to refresh the joints, soothe the spine, and improve balance. Come and join in some simple and gentle exercises, a little light yoga, and a bit of easy tai chi. On Wednesdays at 11:00 am.

Free Lawn Bowling Lessons: The Santa Anita Bowling Green Club will have beginning lawn bowling lessons each Saturday morning starting at 10:00 AM. Located just north of the golf course at 405 S. Santa Anita Ave.<

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For information call Gene at 626.351-5327.

Meals-on-Wheels:

Meals are delivered to homebound seniors by volunteer drivers through the YWCA Intervale Lunch Program M-F (with frozen meals for the weekend.) \$2.00 suggested donation per day. Call Susan Garcia at (626) 858-8382 for more information.



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Protect Yourself from the Heat

With high temperatures predicted for the next week as we enter summer, keep yourself cool and safe with these tips from the American Red cross:

1. Dress for the heat: Wear lightweight, light colored clothing. Light colors will reflect away some of the sun's energy. It is also a good idea to wear hats or to use an umbrella.

2. Drink water: Carry water or juice with you and drink continuously even if you do not feel thirsty. Avoid alcohol and caffeine, which dehydrate the body.

3. Slow down: avoid strenuous activity. If you must do strenuous activity, do it during the coolest part of the day, which is usually in

the morning between 4:00 am and 7:00 am.

4. Stay indoors when possible.

5. Take regular breaks when engaged in physical activity on warm days. Take time to find a cool place and relax.

There are three stages of heat related illnesses - heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heatstroke. While heat cramps and exhaustion are less serious, heatstroke (or sunstroke) can be deadly. The signs of heatstroke include: vomiting, decreased alertness level or complete loss of consciousness, high body temperature, rapid and weak pulse, rapid and shallow breathing. If you recognize these signs in someone you're with, call 911 at once.

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By Chris Bertrand



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Sumptuous Arcadia Estate Steeped in Tradition

An invitation to view an estate just listed took me to a lane I'd never visited before. Though it's just ½ mile or less to just about everything you might need in life, the tony Upper Rancho location is secluded, even bucolic. Overarching trees enfold the street in a leafy splendor that makes it feel miles from civilization.

The ornate driveway gate was open as I sauntered past a prolific rose garden on my way to the front door. Every inch of the home, both the new and original sections of the 7769 square foot manse, blends tradition with privacy and verdant vignette views of the landscape.

The 1.1 acres truly fulfills the real estate term often bandied about: "Park-like." If one could imagine an acre-size green cocoon insulated from the outside world with magnificent trees, this would be it. Many walls of windows seem almost to glow with that lush green of the outdoors that fills the glass from grass, skyward to the encircling mature trees.

The homesite separates naturally into informal "rooms" with a gorgeous pool area, a deeply shaded gazebo, in traditional white, nooks and crannies, sitting spaces, play spaces, covered outdoor dining room and sunny patios. At the back of the property, a workshop and gardener's shed reflect the style of the main home and the interests and hobbies of owners past.

Built in 1938, this Georgian Colonial home includes seven bedrooms on three levels, a separate 600+ square foot game room. The traditional formal rooms set the tone for the home. The bridge from formal to casual living comes by way of a wall of windows. One that for some reason drops the jaw. Somehow the angles reveal and keep your attention.

Yet, it was the spectacular family room that opens to an outdoor dining room that captivated me. A magnificent built in sofa repeats the semicircular architectural statement that binds the formal and informal in the home. Though it faces inward, I can picture myself stretched out here, absorbing the conversation indoors, yet with my eyes drawn outward to the yard.

In 2002 and 2003, Cynthia Bennett and Associates of South Pasadena undertook extensive remodels. First, the kitchen, breakfast room, pantry, a fabulous laundry/gift wrap center & office were seamlessly updated.

Only as year later, Bennett again worked her magic, expanding the library with alder wood

cabinetry and walls. Today, a state -of-the-art audio & flat screen television are featured unobtrusively amid a fireplace and a magnificent wall of windows. Though the room is large in scale, the gorgeous detailed wood walls and cabinetry and thoughtful furniture placement make it comfortable and inviting.

As a musician, I was drawn to the magic of the music room. Every room seemed to exude a certain peace and tranquility, yet I was particularly mesmerized by envisioning myself at the grand piano in this room. Surrounded by a wall of windows in a semicircular bay, the sheen of the enameled white on white box beam ceiling reflected even more of the verdant green of the yard into the room. The hard, yet textured surfaces in the room will certainly provide excellent acoustics for a salon concert!

The second floor master suite enjoys a private balcony overlooking the magnificent yard, to be viewed in the shade, or out for a little sun... from a perfect set of white (of course) rocking chairs. The same semicircular room design of the music room is repeated above here, creating a reading nook perfect as an aerie, high above it all.

As a brief aside, I used a fascinating neighborhood evaluation website for the first time this week. The site, www.Walkscore.com, takes any address and gives a walkability score, for pedestrian ease in accessing a laundry list of services, retail, cultural, public transport and business activities while leaving the car at home. It's become a hot topic especially in reference to the economic and real estate recovery, with analysis and references in the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times Freakonomics column and blog and nationwide television recently. It's received awards from Inman News, as one of seven ideas changing real estate, and as a top 10 website by the urban planning organization, www.Planetizen.com.

As I mentioned earlier, this home's location rated high for its walkability to everything from grocery and pharmacies to restaurants, parks and bus transportation, etc. I love this new tool and have added it to my real estate toolbox! Try it out on your own home... or even use it when choosing a hotel!

1061 Fallen Leaf in Arcadia is listed at \$3,998,000 by Jan Thornton of Coldwell Banker. For more information, contact her at 626-893-3303 or at JanRThornton@aol.com

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OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 1-4. Fabulous Location \$729,000 A quiet cul-de-sac location with wonderful mountain views, this 3 bedroom, 2 bath home has a family room, master bedroom suite, formal and informal dining, CAIFA, hardwood floors, new laminate flooring in family room and kitchen, fireplace, covered patio, pool, large spa, grassy play area and 2 car detached garage. Great floor plan. (S460)



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More Home than Townhome \$619,000 A wraparound yard and patio on two sides of this home provide privacy and lush landscaping to this unique townhome. A generous 1877 square feet with 3 bedrooms, 2 ½ baths, breakfast/den, formal dining area, separate laundry room, spacious living room with fireplace, ceramic tile floors, CAIFA, high ceilings, two sets of sliding doors, direct access two car garage. (E103)



ALTADENA
Quiet Neighborhood \$448,000 Beautiful north Altadena home featuring 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, gorgeous master bedroom with huge sunken tub, vaulted ceilings & sky lights. Large dining area, large kitchen with lots of cabinets & storage. (W303)



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Memorial Day - A Day Of Remembrance

ODE TO THE SOLDIERS

By Craig Hakola

They went to places named Monmouth, Gettysburg, Somme, Omaha, Blood Ridge, Saigon and Fallujah. The careless days that youth should have known for that multitude was ushered away. It was trampled down on hills and patches of crimson ground, which they would never be able to forget. It disappeared into the vanishing and haunting fogs of gunfire. They witnessed among the field of the fallen the enemy and also their best friends. It is those that made it through this horror and the duty of us, that we never forget the Monument the fallen have left us.

This Memorial Day as we reach out and touch their spirit we are humbled by an example which we know we are unworthy to hold. We think back to a countries tender beginning and the troops that have habitually set aside their fondest dreams and suspended the pursuit of their personal aspirations; foregone their sweetheart's loving touch and their families' familiar embrace for a cause and for a country that they cradle upon their hearts. At times they have bore unfounded ridicule, and waded through misunderstanding, they have suffered the petty arrows of the small minds that have scornfully challenged

their service to their country with uncouth pronouncements. Yet they firmly remain the standard which we must judge our country. They rest as a pillar of the most durable American ideal. Maybe the opinion of a future generation will accusingly mock the brave souls that risk their precious life and run into a burning building to save another irreplaceable human. Maybe ones own life will be understood to be so uniquely precious that it will not be thought worthy to be yielded for any cause, or placed at risk for any single humanitarian purpose which we hold dear today. And if some future or present generation wishes to rob the faith and morality of their actions it will still remain just as worthy even if these critics are enduringly blind to its beauty.

Have we given enough to those that

have given everything? They have embarrassing asked for a pittance in return from us, simply a small measure of respect and dignity. They have never demanded it, but rightful believed that it was implied. They have been so masterful in the application of their duties that they have entrenched in us the familiar ease of security and tranquility. In our generation it is the athlete that holds our attention with worshipful adoration and the business mogul our respect with profane opulence. It has become the copious theater and coveting emotion of our

Soon after the Civil War a newly united nation choose to set aside a single day to remember and honor the sacrifice of its departed soldiers. It is a brief and inadequate marker for those souls that have honored their country with a timeless gift that immortally stretches through the ages. We have been consistent recipients of a good fortune because they alone have suffered and carried on our behalf in the tough and often deadly troubles that are inevitably to be found in war. For the brave countrymen that were

which has cast his lot with their own, will undoubtedly rectify, master, and overcome those many hurdles which youth has cast before him. Instantly the unmistakable power of their fellow soldier's inspiration renews and rekindles their weary spirit. But soon they are inescapably reminded by a grotesque monster, which answers to the name of Fate. Which takes not them, no, not them, but rather plucks this angel from the world. And they are left behind to try and square the injustice of it all. It is the impossible weight and the unanswerable question,

which they must now bare. So when they do not wish to discuss the events that have forever seared their soul, do know that words are hauntingly hollow and condemned conveyances of those emotions that only a heart can truly ever dip a cup within the well of those enshrined waters. Like a message carved upon a granite mountain our many departed heroes have left us an ageless message of the eternal belief and bottomless love for their country. Sadly, they can no longer visit us and we can only visit them and honor them with the empty gifts of flowers and puddles of tears and the unfulfilled wonder of what may have been their life. It is with the greatest pride and assurity that their families must lean most heavily on the strong and eternal knowledge

of their righteousness.

As you look over your country and also off into those distant waters and those foreign shores that bear our dearest loved ones. You can still see their heroic light radiating abundantly in those once dark and forbidden places, which they alone have branded with the torch of Liberty. And when the flags straight lines, and fifty watchful eyes are standing at attention of an urging and insistent wind. Their spirit and their perfect dreams can be felt once again and their voices can be heard in the whispers that rouse a flag.

Remember me America and how I loved thee.

Oh sweet land of LIBERTY

Dedicated to the Memory of Captain Peter Sinclair
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time. These soldiers are actors of a different stage where no glamorous lights appear and their rewards are issued in a tangible commodity they understand best, known as character, honor and freedom. They are forever steady, consistently reliable, humble to a fault, and eternally self-sacrificing. They have met our nations and countless other nations every desperate cause, they have rescued the very many when hope was but an expired and imprisoned thought. They are your soldiers America. They come from the dusty roads in Mississippi and the woodlands of Kentucky; they are to be found in subways throughout New York and white sandy beaches of California. They are to be found at dinner tables and little league games. But because of us they are found in distant lands as well.

eyewitnesses to their fellow soldier's courage they must carry burdens that we can only hope to never know. From the first rugged gathering at boot camp they commence an unbreakable rock of friendship and understanding, a bond of might cables which link two souls to one another in the exchange of the human heart. They become the intrigued audience as their comrade's offer up their seldom told hopes, their distant loves and their private fears. They share in their comrade's sadness and they lend them a consoling ear. They are told of the abundantly missed opportunities that their fellow soldier reflectively contemplates. They see and understand their comrades shallow experience that is the inevitably possession in the age of youth, and they know that in time and maturity one day their extraordinary partner,





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