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## Swine Flu (H1N1) Cases Increase; President Declares State of Emergency - Vaccine Supply Limited

A National Emergency has been declared by President Barack Obama due to the spread of the swine flu (H1N1 Virus). The declaration will give hospitals the power to move emergency rooms offsite in order to handle the rising number of patients and to protect patients that do not have the virus.

The President signed the order on Friday night as "optimistic estimates" of 120 million doses of the vaccine could be available by mid-October, but may not be sufficient. The County of Los Angeles Health Department is urging those most at risk to get vaccines as soon as they are available.

A List of locations where the county is providing the vaccine free of charge may be found on Page 14 of this publication.

The City of Sierra Madre sent out a press release encouraging residents and visitors to take advantage of the LA County H1N1 Vaccination Program.

In Monrovia, both the H1N1 and Seasonal Flu Vaccines will be available

at the Monrovia Community Center on Sunday, October 25 and a week later on Sunday, Nov. 1, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Center is located at 119 W. Palm Avenue in Monrovia's Old Town, on the north side of Library Park. Both vaccines are free to the public.

H1N1 will be available for high-risk, priority populations only.

Priority groups include: (partial listing)

- Low income residents
- Uninsured individuals
- Persons 6 months to 24 years of age
- Persons living with or caring for a child under 6 months of age
- Persons 25 to 64 years of age with immune-compromised medical conditions
- Pregnant women
- Health care workers
- Emergency services workers

Individuals who do not meet the priority qualifications for the H1N1 vaccine may still obtain it free from their physicians and should contact their doctors immediately.

## 1 Carter/Stonehouse Settlement/Tolling Approved With Conditions

### Council Authorizes Execution of Agreement

By Susan Henderson

In an effort to end the ongoing battle between the residents and officials of Sierra Madre and the Developers of the One Carter/Stonehouse projects, the Sierra Madre City Council unanimously approved a motion to, "...authorize the City Manager and Mayor, subject to the City Attorney's approval as to form, to execute a settlement and tolling agreement in the form presented at the meeting with the following changes and additional terms:

1. The exceptions [to the city's existing codes] for grading within Slope Category 4 on Lots 4,5, and 6 shall be removed;

2. The exceptions to the height limits for Lots 4,5,6,18 and 19 shall be removed;

3. The property owner shall meet with neighbors immediately adjacent to Stonehouse and One Carter prior to submission of the CS Settlement Proposal Plan for processing by the city; and

4. The land included in Lot 3 on One Carter shall be permanently restricted and dedicated as Open Space."

The Agreement will stop the clock ticking on the numerous lawsuits that have been filed by both the current and previous owners and work towards a complete settlement of the litigation.

The vote came after years of discussions with the developers of the property and residents. And, although the authorization passed unanimously, not everyone is happy about it.

Resident Tracy Thomas, who resides on Lilliano Drive which borders the Stonehouse Project, spoke on behalf of her neighbors. She says that the community wants to see the strict application of the Hillside Management Zone, which resident Angelyn Moore earlier in the evening said, "reflects the values of the community."

The proposed agreement allows for some exceptions to the HMZ and Moore would like to see only those exceptions that are not 'offensive' to the community allowed.

The Hillside Management Zone is at the heart of all the litigation on both the One Carter and Stonehouse developments. The claims against the city range from challenging the HMZ standing on the One Carter Property to whether or not the passage of the HMZ was done in accordance to state law.

Residents near Stonehouse have asked that the HMZ govern all home sizes and heights and are built on lots no less than 25,000 square feet. They want the construction period limited to 7 years, with lots to remain in the current condition until owners are ready to develop. They also want strict management of the tree screening and watering and Lot 18 allocated for Open Space, similar to the request on Lot 3 at One Carter.

Since the original owners of the properties, Dorn Platz, defaulted on their loans, the properties were taken over by Capital Source Funding (CSF). CSF was represented at the council meeting by Susan Hori, an attorney with the high powered law firm of Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP, and Brian Salsner, Director of the project. Both Salsner and Hori stated that Capital Source had been working with city staff to try and address some of the city's concerns.

Hori pointed out to the council that they have made several changes to the original settlement plan including decreasing the number of units on Stonehouse from 35 to 20. Said Hori, "Our desire is to arrive at a point to finalize the Settlement Agreement."

Salsner told the council that Dorn Platz was in no way affiliated with Capital Source. "We had issues with Dorn Platz. We were appointed conservators, not partners. We have our own litigation with them." He went on to ask the council and residents to, "Judge us by our actions."

However, whether or not residents will ever the developer of the projects is doubtful.

## Brownie's Lead The Way

Local Brownie Troop 5361 served as Flag Bearers for the recent Sierra Madre Awards Dinner honoring outstanding community service and commitment. The Troop is a member of the Central Region of the Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles (formerly the Mt. Wilson Vista Council).



## Sierra Madre Elementary Student To Appear On Today Show's "Kid Reporter Contest"



Owen Migel, 10, will be on the Today Show on Monday, October 26, 2009 competing with 3 other children in a segment to choose the finalist. Photo Courtesy Migel Family

Sierra Madre Elementary School fifth grader Owen Migel has been chosen as one of 16 semi-finalists on the national Today Show "Kid Reporter Contest." Owen, age 10, will be on the morning show on Monday, October 26, competing against three other children in a segment to choose the finalist. Owen will travel to New York this weekend.

Just before leaving for New York, Owen told the Mountain Views News that although this was not his first trip to New York, he was "very excited". Owen has previously visited the "Big Apple" with his family on vacation.

An aspiring child actor and musician, (he plays the Guitar, Drums and Saxophone), Owen is currently a student in Mrs. Siberell's 5th grade class at Sierra Madre Elementary.

"We are so excited for Owen and his family," said Sierra Madre School Principal Gayle Bluemel. "We're urging our students, staff, parents and community to go online and vote for him."

To enter the contest, Owen submitted a 1-minute video he made as part of a class project investigating how video games,

when used properly, can help kids communicate using technology. His report details the history of gaming, how kids can play live with people all over the world, and how games such as Guitar Hero" allow kids to interact with others.

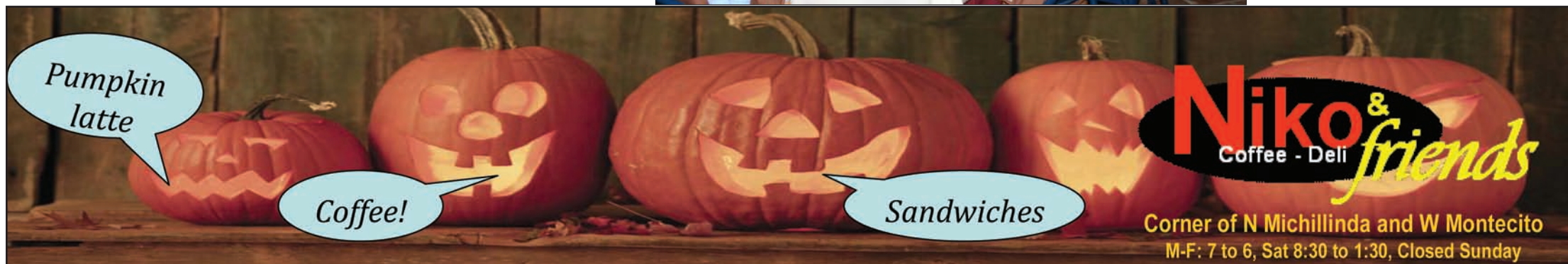
Owen's video is unique in the competition, since it was originally made for a class project and not something he made up just for the contest.

"Sierra Madre Elementary School has helped Owen find his voice, to frame and share his opinions with the world," said Owen's mother, Robyn Migel. "The school's focus on arts and music helps kids become more expressive, and prepares them to be adults in our world." The family has posted Owen's video on Youtube at

www.youtube.com/

watch?v=2FEAQakILBs

Viewers can log on to the Today Show's website, www.todayshow.com, to vote for their favorite kid reporter on October 25-26. The overall contest winner is scheduled to be announced next month. The "Kid Reporter" segment typically airs between 9 and 10 a.m.



Read The Paper Online At: [www.mtnviewsnews.com](http://www.mtnviewsnews.com)



## Weather Wise



## 5-Day Forecast

## Sierra Madre, Ca.

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Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

## DUARTE HISTORICAL SOCIETY SPONSORS BIRD WALK

Ornithologist Kimball Garrett, collections manager of the L.A. County Museum of Natural History, will lead a bird walk on November 1, commencing at the Duarte Historical Museum in Encanto Park, Duarte, at 8 a.m. Coffee and donuts will be served at 7:15 a.m.

The walk will cover the area around the museum and the river trail north of the Puente Largo Bridge. A host of fall migrants may be seen. More than 50 bird species have been sighted on past walks.

The walk, sponsored by the Duarte Historical Society, is free. Binoculars are helpful. Call 636 358-0329 for more information. The museum address is 777 Encanto Parkway. Garrett has co-authored several birding books including Birds of the Los Angeles Region and Peterson's Guide to Warblers.

For more information contact Claudia Heller, President, Duarte Historical Society 626 3580329

<h1>OCTOBER</h1>		<h1>Sierra Madre</h1>	
		7 SMTV3 Committee Meeting Community Recreation Center, 7:30 am	
		14 Arts Commission Meeting, Council Chambers 6:30 pm	15 Third Thursday Book Club Meeting SM Public Library 11:00 am
		17 Oktoberfest Golf & Tennis Tournament October 17th Rec Center 8:00 am - Noon	
19 What do Publishers Want? Talk at the Library October 19th 7:00 pm	20 Improve Home Energy Performance How Residents' Houses Can Measure Up The Arc 14403-B East Pacific Ave Baldwin Park 1:00 - 4:00		
		28 Library Trustees Meeting, City Hall Conference Room 7:00 pm	



## Upcoming Halloween Activities

## Halloween Happenings - Sierra Madre

Activities include the downtown trick-o-treating, costume parade, and costume contest. This year's festivities will be held on Friday, October 30, 2009. Downtown Sierra Madre merchants will be distributing candy from 3:30pm-5:00pm. The Halloween Costume Parade will begin at Kersting Court at 5:00pm sharp. The Sierra Madre Fire Department will lead parade participants down Sierra Madre Blvd. to Memorial Park. Once the parade arrives at Memorial Park, the Halloween Costume Contest will begin at the Bandshell at approximately 5:30pm. Participants in the Costume Contest must sign up in Kersting Court before the parade from 4:00pm-5:00pm. Contestants will compete in five age categories: walking to 2 years, 3 to 4 years, 5 to 7 years, 8 to 10 years, and 11 and up. For more information call 626-355-5278.

## Goblins in the Garden - Arboretum

Arboretum members' children invited at no charge. Regular Arboretum admission fees apply for non-members, plus \$10 per child to participate in the event. Registration is not necessary.

Children up to age 10 and their parents are invited to celebrate fall, nature, and of course Halloween. Explore the wonders of the Arboretum gardens. Activities include nature-related crafts, art projects, story-telling, pumpkin decorating, music, face painting, photo opportunities, and lots of tricks and treats! Special surprises for all children dressed in costume. October 31st, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

## Haunted Halloween Happening - Arcadia

The City of Arcadia Recreation and Community Services Department is excited to announce the sixth annual Haunted Halloween event! On Friday, October 30th, elementary school students can roam the haunted hallways of the Community Center and enjoy activities like the Ewey Gewey Room and Scary Crafts. Come dressed in your best costume to enjoy Trick or Treating, Goblin Games and outdoor activities. This event is free of charge and open to the public. The festivities run from 4:30 - 6:30 pm. For more information please call 626-574-5113.



## Pumpkin Roundup at Descanso Gardens on Oct. 24 - 25

Children and families can explore a lush landscape where pumpkins peek around nearly every corner at Descanso's annual Pumpkin Roundup, Oct. 24 and 25.

The highlights of the days are the costume parades, taking place at 10 and 11 a.m., when children can join in a cast of costumed characters and creatures who will make a grand procession through the Gardens with Mr. Dave singing the way. Afterward, everyone meets at the Under the Oaks Theater for a sing-along.

In addition, the Moo Doo Puppet Show takes place at 10:30 and 11:30 at the Under the Oaks Theater. Catch a show that promotes peace, diversity and imagination.

Other activities include: free face painting (noon- 2 p.m.) and pony rides (Saturday, Oct. 24 ONLY from noon - 4 p.m. for \$3), a pumpkin decorating station (\$2 per pumpkin) and rides on the Enchanted Railroad (\$3).

Admission to Descanso's Pumpkin Roundup is free with Gardens' admission: \$8 adults, \$6 seniors/students and \$3 children. For more information, call (818) 949-4200 or visit www.descansogardens.org.

## "Under the Oaks 2009" Native Plant Sale

## California Native Plant Society, San Gabriel Mountains Chapter

The San Gabriel Mountains Chapter of the California Native Plant Society (CNPS) will host its "Under the Oaks 2009" annual native plant sale on Saturday, November 14, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Eaton Canyon Nature Center, 1750 N. Altadena Drive, Pasadena, CA 91107.

A wide variety of California native plants and wildflower seeds will be available for sale, including many that are hard to find in most nurseries, and all are appropriate for gardens in the Los Angeles Basin. Knowledgeable Chapter members will be on hand to answer questions and offer recommendations. Only cash or checks will be accepted at the plant sale, and CNPS members will receive a discount.

Most residential gardens can be adapted for native plants and this is an excellent opportunity to learn about and buy natives at reasonable

prices. The use of natives in the garden is a good way to adapt to water restrictions brought about by years of drought and a growing population. Many drought-tolerant native plants will survive summers on less water than most garden plants. For optimal plant establishment in Southern California, it is best to plant natives during the cool, rainy months of fall and winter.

"Under the Oaks 2009" will feature a short, informative presentation related to gardening with native plants, and reference materials will also be sold. A free native gardening workshop will be held at Eaton Canyon Nature Center on the following Saturday, November 21, at 3:00 p.m. <http://cnps-sgm.org/PlantSources.html> has further information about the plant sale and the gardening workshop.

Read Early, Read ALOUD!  
Celebrate Child Literacy Month in November

The Arcadia Public Library has joined the First 5 L.A.'s Read Early, Read Aloud Literacy campaign to encourage parents and caregivers to visit their local library and sign up for a library card - not just for them, but for their children too!

For each family with a child age five and under who visits the Arcadia Public Library during the month of November and registers for a library card, First 5 L.A. will donate a special Read Early, Read Aloud tote bag, while supplies last, to be given at the time the family signs up.

Reading aloud to your child is one of the best and free gifts you can give. Not only does it provide a chance to spend quality one-on-one time together, it is putting in place one of the fundamental building blocks to raising a reader. With a free Arcadia Public Library card, you can open book after book of fun....all for free!

## Creative Arts Group 2009 Art Festival

Creative Arts Group will kick off its 2009 Art Festival with a gala opening and reception Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 p.m. The work of more than 85 artists will be on display and for sell in the Jameson Gallery and art center located at 108 N. Baldwin Ave. in Sierra Madre.

Twenty new artists will be added to this year's show which includes fiber arts, blown glass, ceramics, jewelry, metal arts, painting, photography, mosaics, silk painting, papier mache and more. Many artists will be on hand to demonstrate their work and Erika Oller will be autographing her "fragments"-original small watercolor and monotype studies. This is an excellent opportunity to acquire that special piece for yourself, or find one-of-a-kind gifts for the upcoming holiday season.

Join us for refreshments and festivities and meet some of our most talented local artists. The festival continues Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 6 pm, and Sunday from 11 am to 5 pm. For more information contact Creative Arts Group at (626) 355-8350.



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Children through age 14 may come dressed in their finest clothes and wear a mask for a disguise to this elegant ball. We will hear stories and songs about some other grand parties and a film and craft will make this a great way to celebrate the holiday season and the end of 2009! No registration required.

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## Remembrance

### Richard D. Probart, Former Sierra Madre Fire Chief

Richard D. Probart, age 88, went to be with the Lord on September 15, 2009 in Fallbrook, Ca. at the home of this son, Tim. He passed away peacefully with Tim's family by his side.

Born in Austin, Minnesota in 1921, he joined the U. S. Marines in 1942. Richard served in the South Pacific (Guadalcanal) during World War II. He began his Fire Service career in Austin. In 1956, he moved to California where he worked at Hughes Aircraft in Culver City as a Fire Prevention Inspector. His next position was with the Pacific Architect & Engineers working in Vietnam, inspecting and teaching fire skills to Vietnamese at American military bases. This turned into a four year contract with

many interesting stories and memories.

Returning to the States, Richard began working with the Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Department as their full time Fire Marshall and later accepted the Fire Chief position. He worked in the dual role capacity until a position with Garrett Airesearch was offered as their Vice President of Fire Operations. Chief Probart retired at the age of 65 after a long and colorful career in the fire service. His son Tim also retired from the Oceanside Fire Department in 2003 after serving 30 years. Tim may be contacted at tprobart@aol.com or by phone at 760-940-0602.

After moving from Sierra Madre in 2004, Richard lived his last five years in Fallbrook

at the Regency Assisted Living Center. A memorial service was held there on September 22, 2009, led by Pastor Jim McClintock, attended by his family and many residents and employees. We celebrated his life, and the eternal life he has just begun in Heaven with his Lord. He was dearly loved and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Richard was preceded in death by his wives, Helen and Miriam and beloved companion, Pearl Lutzow. He is survived by his three sons, Ray in Albuquerque, New Mexico; Tim in Fallbrook, California; Brian in Bellview, Washington; his daughter, Suzie in Mukilteo, Washington; six grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

## Pasadena

### CALIFORNIA'S CAN OF WORMS

#### A League of Women Voters Public Forum - Thursday, Nov. 5

How to repair a broken California will be the topic of Pulitzer-prize-winning journalist and L.A. Times columnist, Michael Hiltzik, Thursday, Nov. 5, at a free public forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters Pasadena Area at The Women's City Club, 160 N. Oakland Ave., Pasadena. Registration is at 9:30 a.m.

Beginning at 10 a.m., a panel of knowledgeable members of the League and Common Cause will discuss the can of worms that constitutional reform will open.

The speakers will discuss two proposed ballot initiatives that would completely revise the patchwork California constitution and questions related to the state's health.

*Is California governable? Is the legislature paralyzed by a constitution built on initiatives?*

*What are the legal obstacles to revising the constitution?*

Sharon Mullenix, former president of LWVPA, will moderate. Local League panelists Ann Anzman, Carole and Jim Bradley will be joined by Xandra Kayden, director of action and advocacy for the California League, and Kathy Feng, chief executive officer of California Common Cause. Hiltzik will be the luncheon speaker.

Lunch is \$20, including tax, tip and parking. Reservations and further information are available by calling 626-798-0965.

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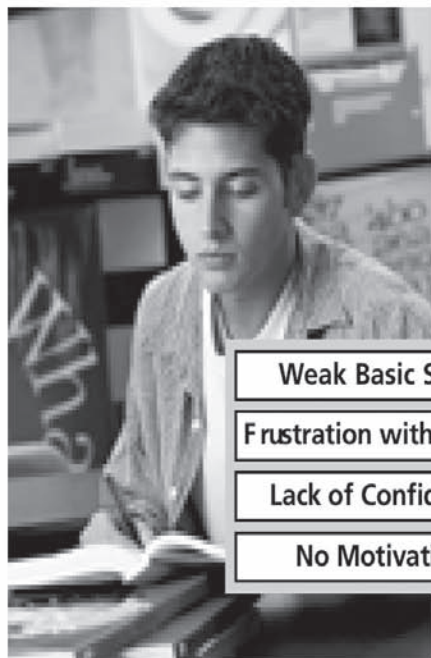
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Last week I ran out of space, so today I'll finish up the Mayor's visit to our New Horizon's Senior Club. Mayor Mary Ann Lutz ended her visit with detailed information concerning the latest on the "Gold Line". Plans were ready to go two months ago but a very large detail surfaced: where to station the main tenance yard. There are four possibilities in the area involved: One in Irwindale but they refused; the MTA found one in Duarte but they don't want to be bothered; I really didn't get where the third one was, but after thorough research, lo and behold, the best possibility is at Duarte Rd. and Shamrock in Monrovia near the tracks. There are enough 24-hour businesses to keep it going, it will create 400 jobs and these trains are not noisy. Of course all of this will take much time, even to make the decision.

## Pasadena

### Jean Guyot: 104 Years Young

By Susan Schroeder

When I was given the assignment to interview Jean Guyot, a 104 year old resident of Villa Gardens Retirement community in Pasadena, the first thing that came to my mind was an interview that I had seen recently on television about a woman that had just turned 100 and the difficulty the interviewer had in getting his centurion to speak at all. For that unlucky reporter it was 'no deal', she was not talking. So this image being fresh in my mind, I had no idea what to expect.

It was 9:00 AM when I arrived at Villa Gardens. As I walked into the lobby I felt more as if I was walking into the lobby of a five star hotel. I anxiously waited for the administrator, Silvia to introduce me to Jean. On the way up in the elevator I asked Silvia if Jean was an assisted living resident. Silva looked at me and in a very "matter of fact tone" told me "Jean is a resident here and she does not need assistance".

This aroused my curiosity because my Mom was a centenarian and while I, myself am not a "spring chicken" and every now and then I could use a little assistance of some kind or another.

When we reached Jean's apartment, the door was unlocked and Silvia and I walked in. My first reaction was that of amazement. There, organizing her gift wrapping, was Jean - a tall fit woman, without a hair out of place and dressed to the 'nines' in a blue and white silk blouse, a tailored blue skirt and black (not too high) heel pumps.

Silvia introduced me and we went into Jean's meticulous, well-appointed front room to talk. When I mentioned how well dressed Jean was, Silvia immediately said "and she did not dress up for you, she dresses like this every day".

While Jean did use a walker because of a recent hip surgery, I felt as if the walker was merely a precautionary measure and she was using the walker to please those around her. To say that Jean's presence was amazing is an understatement.

Her apartment at Villa Gardens was beautifully furnished with lovely antiques and mementos of a well-lived life. When I asked her about the antiques, she said without missing a beat, "I guess you could say that everything

in here is an antique, including me".

Jean was born in Los Angeles in her family home located in the middle of downtown LA on October 17<sup>th</sup>, 1905. There were no automobiles then and Jean remembers the preferred mode of transportation at the time was the "Red Car" - an electric streetcar that was the most efficient method of mass transportation. Jean suggests that now it probably would not work as well because there are far more people than in the early days of Los Angeles.

Her memory is extraordinary. She remembers her father's first car. She was six years old and his car was a Regal, though she doubted that they made them anymore.

A University of Southern California graduate in 1927, and she fondly remembered that her father, a football fan, insisted that she go to USC because they had a great football team. Jean's father, a prominent Los Angeles Attorney worked for Mobil Oil, then General Petroleum, loved football and according to Jean, wanted to play football but was not big enough.

After graduating, she went to New York and studied Library Science at Columbia University. Jean has always loved to read, and has been a voracious reader her entire life.

I asked her if her late husband of over 50 years also loved to read and she remarked, "I would call him a book worm".

When I asked her what she would attribute her long and healthy life to, she told me that she was very fortunate in her life. She considers her life ordinary, but she always had a place to live and food to eat, and she felt very lucky.

I also asked her about the "stress factor" in her life and she told me that she really never remembers feeling stressed or being stressed, and considers herself a homebody. The Guyots were disappointed that they did not have children, and were able to adopt because both her husband and she were too old (at 40) to qualify for adoption.



As fascinating as the interview was, there was one amazing piece of information that astonished me and proves that this is truly a small world.

As we were winding up the interview, Jean asked me, "Well, you have asked me lots of questions, what about you?" I told her that I had gone to Cal Berkeley majored in music performance and played the cello. Her eyes lit up and she told me that when she and her husband lived in Glendale, they lived next door to a cello player, Joe Ditullio. I could not believe it - Joe Ditullio was my first cello teacher!

She went on, "It was such a pleasure living next door to a steady diet of classical music". She then told me that for a short while a band moved into the house on the other side of her by the name of *Chicago*. "They did not stay long because they were renting". She remarked that being between the two musical groups, the Ditullio's and the band *Chicago* gave her an experience in music appreciation she would never forget.

An avid bridge player and reader, Jean attributes her long and happy life to loving to read, playing bridge every Friday, lots of friends, a simple life absent of stress, and being fortunate enough to live in a beautiful place while doggedly maintaining her independence.

Jean Guyot is a very cool lady and you would never, ever be able to guess her age either physically or mentally.

*Happy Birthday Jean!*

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## MTA Approves Seeking Gold Line Extension Federal Funding



A motion Thursday by Supervisors Mark Ridley-Thomas, Michael Antonovich and Duarte Mayor John Fasana to make the Gold Line and Crenshaw Line the top MTA priorities for new federal, state and local funding was strengthened by the demands of a bipartisan coalition of 15 congressional representatives in Southern California.

“The attempt to jumpstart the unfunded subway extensions over the long-awaited Gold Line and Crenshaw Line was derailed by a unanimous vote of the MTA Board,” Antonovich said.

This team effort helped bring a regional package for federal funding to ensure equity for all parts of the County. For the first time ever, MTA will commit to fund and operate the Gold Line to Claremont. Also, MTA will commit to fund needed grade separations and improvements to the Crenshaw Line to LAX. In addition, the Antonovich/Thomas/Fasana motion also provides for an evaluation of the allocation of funding for the Interstate 5 improvements from I-605 to I-710 and from SR-14 to the Kern County Line to improve major goods movement corridors in Los Angeles County.

## Pet of The Week



Luna, an adorable, three year old, Chihuahua mix is calm, friendly and gets along well with other dogs. She would be perfect in an apartment or condo that allows pets. Come visit with this great little dog!

The regular dog adoption fee is \$120, which includes medical care prior to adoption, spaying or neutering, vaccinations, and a follow-up visit with a participating vet.

Please call 626-792-7151 and ask for A259945 or come to the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA, 361 S. Raymond Ave, Pasadena CA, 91105. Our adoption hours are 11-3 Sunday, 9-4 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and 9-3 Saturday. Directions and photos of all pets updated hourly may be found at [www.pasadenahumane.org](http://www.pasadenahumane.org)



## Tournament of Roses Names Queen

It took Natalie Innocenzi just a few seconds Tuesday morning to figure out she was named this year's Rose Queen as she stood in front of the Tournament House when suddenly the six other princesses turned to congratulate her.

Last year's Rose Queen, Courtney Lee, then passed on good wishes to her.

Innocenzi and the six Rose Princesses were selected based upon a combination of qualities, including public speaking ability, poise, academic achievement and community involvement.

“2010 Rose Queen Natalie Innocenzi and our six princesses are perfect

ambassadors for the Tournament of Roses, and the city of Pasadena. They are talented, graceful and stellar examples of what it is to be A Cut Above the Rest,” said Tournament of Roses Acting President Jeff Throop. “We are delighted to have Queen Natalie lead our court and reign over the 121st Rose Parade and 96th Rose Bowl Game.”

Innocenzi, 16, is an Arcadia resident and a senior at Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy. She is captain of the junior varsity tennis team at her school and participates in track and field. She is president of the Amnesty International

Club and as a member of the board for the Alzheimer's Foundation of America Teens, Natalie started an Alzheimer's Awareness week at her school. She has lived in the Pasadena-area her entire life and plans to stay in California for college where she'll study occupational or physical therapy with an emphasis in gerontology. Her parents are Robert and Jeannette Innocenzi. She has one sibling, Kevin, 14.

As an official ambassador of the Tournament of Roses, Innocenzi will participate in approximately 150 community and media functions along with the royal court.

## District Attorney Clears Officers in Shooting

*New details emerge leading up to the death of Leroy Barnes*

By Dean Lee

Pasadena Police released a letter Tuesday outlining the findings and review made by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office concluding that two officers acted in lawful self-defense when they used deadly force against Leroy Barnes February 19.

The report states, with names altered or blacked out, “The evidence examined in this investigation shows that officers “Doe” and “Roe” initiated a traffic stop... Leroy Barnes was seated in the backseat and appeared to be hiding something. As officers approached the vehicle, Barnes ordered [the driver] to drive away. The officers attempted to remove Barnes from the vehicle but Barnes struggled with the officers and removed a handgun from a backpack. The officers, in fear for their lives, responded with deadly



force.”

Police said the names of the involved officers were altered in order to comply with a legal challenge by the Pasadena Police Officer's Association that, “disallows the police department to release the identity of the officers in the investigation.”

They also said the Office of Independent Review (OIP) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) are conducting similar investigations into the shooting.

“Transparency is part of our organizational values,” Police Chief Bernard Melekian said. “When these other investigations are completed, we will provide them to the

community as well.”

Details in the report reveal that Banes pointed a gun at one of the officers, and as the officer yelled, “gun,” another officer, fearing for his partner's safety, fired at Barnes. He then pulled Barnes out of the vehicle still holding the gun. According to the report Barnes then fell to the ground with both his hands concealed under his body. Fearing Barnes still had possession of the handgun officers opened fire. Barnes was shot 11 times, including seven in the back.

The report also states Barnes was a known gang member and on active parole at the time. He was convicted of multiple prior felonies including, assault with a firearm, assault by means likely to commit great bodily injury and felon in possession of a firearm.

During an interview, the driver of the car told investigators that Barnes told her not to stop for police and attempted to grab the gearshift while telling her to drive away.

## JPL iPhone Developer Speaks as Part of Tech Week



Estes Photo J. Avery/MVNews

By Dean Lee

Who knew that every JPL employee is given an iPhone as part of a deal made by AT&T and the government contracted laboratory? Apparently not many attending this year's Los Angeles County Tech Week in Altadena as Mobile Application Engineer Joe Estes casually mentioned it as part of a panel discussion Thursday to a few surprised

participants.

Estes even said that AT&T went so far as to put a cell tower on 177 acre campus although not everything was bliss for those in love with the sleek device.

After another speaker from JPL Kevin Klenk spoke about problems with cell service in the buildings, Estes explained how an app he wrote helped with the situation.

“We find in the newer buildings were we put in a nice glazing on the windows for energy efficiency, it very effectively blocks the wireless signals,” Klenk said. Estes later explained how one of the iPhone apps he wrote, called the “Conference Room Locator,” helps with this problem. Most of the wireless access points are located in or near the conference rooms he explained.

“This lets you see where

you are in relationship to an open conference room he said. “And if one is in use the app will tell you where the next open one is.” The app can also obviously be used to just find a conference he later said.

Estes also wrote a similar app showing route information and schedules for the local bus system on the campus. He is also working on a collaborative JPL tour guide app he said they hope to soon make public. “You can scroll through and we have actual facts and information, a photo tour and audio tour.”

Both spoke as part of the Info2Go panel discussion. According to event organizers, “L.A. Tech Week events are designed to inform those with an interest in technology about the state of the technology landscape in Los Angeles County.”

For more information go to <http://www.latechweek.com> or call 626-446-3126

## Upcoming Free City Events

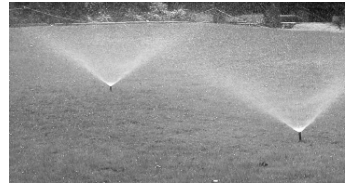


**Tuesday 6:30 p.m.** – The Fair Oaks Project Area Committee will host a community meeting at Jackie Robinson Center, 1020 N. Fair Oaks Ave., to discuss issues related to Robinson Park, including the name of the park and local hiring for the construction project. <http://tinyurl.com/y15sqv8>

**Wednesday 6:30 p.m.** – “Sharing Water, Energy and Other Resources” is the topic of the next event in the General Plan Speaker Series at PCC's Community Education Center, 3035 E. Foothill Blvd. Speakers include PWP's Phyllis Currie, MWD's Tim Brick, and Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers Watershed Council's Nancy Steele. [www.cityofpasadena.net/generalplan](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/generalplan).

**Saturday, Oct. 31 9 a.m. to noon** – Learn the most effective methods for

pruning, watering and developing healthy root systems in your trees so they thrive, provide energy-saving shade and add beauty to your home, especially in Pasadena's dry climate, during a workshop at the Salvation Army Pasadena Tabernacle, 960 E. Walnut St. . Reservations are required at [www.cityofpasadena.net/savewater](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/savewater) (scroll down to “Free Lawn and Garden Workshops”).



**Sunday, Nov. 1 Noon to 4 p.m.** – Assistant City Manager Julie Gutierrez will be one of the storytellers at Un Dia de Fiesta de Otoño in the gardens of Pasadena Museum of History's Fenyes Mansion, sponsored by the Pasadena Mexican American History Association. The festival includes live music, dance performances and special workshops. Admission is free; there is a fee for food, beverages and special workshops. [www.pasadenahistory.org/programs\\_events](http://www.pasadenahistory.org/programs_events)

## Lawsuit to Remove Surveillance Systems From Metrolink Trains Criticized

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen (BLET) took legal action this week in both State and Federal Court to try and remove recently installed video surveillance systems from Metrolink trains.

Metrolink Director, Supervisor Michael Antonovich criticized the actions.

“The union's lawsuit to derail Metrolink's efforts to prevent future tragedies is stupid and irresponsible,” said Antonovich. “After months of investigations and studies to enhance safety, Metrolink spent over one million dollars installing cameras to prevent deadly mistakes and protect our passengers, the public and

our employees.

The union's troubling message, ‘public be damned,’ is reckless. Police officers, bus drivers and others in the service sector are all subject to video recording in the workplace Antonovich added.

According to the BLET website, “The Federal lawsuit charges the installation of video cameras inside locomotive cabs violates the Railway Labor Act. The cameras were installed in violation of the railroad's collective bargaining agreement with the BLET.”

It also states, “That the installation of cameras violates federal wire tap laws as well as the Federal Rail Safety Act of 1970.”

## City holds Compost Bin Sale

The Pasadena Public Works Department will hold a compost bin sale at the Victory Park Farmers Market on Saturday, Oct. 24, from 8 a.m. to noon.

Soil Saver compost bins are available for \$50 each, payable by cash or check. Composting helps improve soil structure and saves home gardeners money and

water. Backyard composting also reduces the amount of waste that would otherwise go to landfills.

Staff will provide information on improving plant growth by using certain kitchen scraps and lawn cuttings, and by cultivating worms. Spanish translation will be available.

The Farmers Market is located in the parking lot south of Pasadena High School, 2925 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.

For more information call (626) 744-4721.

## PCC Student Appointed to Tournament of Roses Royal Court



Kinsey Stuart, a first-year student at Pasadena City College, was recently named one of seven members of the 2010 Tournament of Roses Royal Court. As ambassadors of the Tournament of Roses, Stuart will attend more than 150 community and media functions leading up to the 121st Rose Parade and 96th Rose Bowl Game.

Stuart, a resident of South Pasadena, is studying

psychology at PCC. In high school, she was captain of the varsity cheerleading team, a youth swim coach, and vice president of Be the Change Club. At PCC, she is a member of the Student Activities Committee, where she assists in planning school events.

Stuart was chosen from a pool of more than 1,100 Pasadena-area young women. Her selection was based on a range of qualities, including public speaking ability, poise, academic achievement, community involvement, and personality.

“These young ladies were selected from a pool of the most talented and poised in the Pasadena area. They are truly remarkable and will be wonderful ambassadors for our Rose Parade and Rose Bowl Game,” said Alex Aghajanian, chairman of the Queen and Court Committee.



## Sierra Madre Police Blotter

*During the week of Sunday, October 11th, to October 17th, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 268 calls for service.*

Sunday October 11th

2:58 AM – DUI Arrest, Sierra Madre Blvd/ Michillinda Ave. Officers responded to a call of a traffic accident at the intersection. When the officers arrived, they discovered a vehicle had veered off the roadway and struck a tree east of the intersection. While speaking to the driver, it was discovered he was under the influence of alcohol. The driver was arrested for driving under the influence and transported to the Pasadena Jail for remand.

7:04 AM - Burglary, 00 block E. Laurel Ave. The reporting party called the police department to report that during the night unknown suspect(s) had broken into the church and stole three brass candlesticks from the altar. The candlesticks are valued at approximately \$10,000.00. Later in the day, someone called the police department to report they had found the candlesticks on the corner of Alegria Ave and Mountain Trail. The candlesticks were returned to the church.

Tuesday October 13th

4:52 AM – Grand Theft, 600 block E. Sierra Madre Blvd. The reporting party called the police department to report that unknown suspect(s) went into their unlocked vehicle during the night and stole their DVD/ navigation system.

8:36 AM – Vehicle Burglary, 100 block N. Baldwin Ave. The reporting party called the police department to report that unknown

suspect(s) had gone into her unlocked vehicle and stole her purse from the passenger front seat. The total loss is estimated at approximately \$220.00.

12:27 PM – Residential Burglary, 500 block W. Sierra Madre Blvd. The reporting party called the police department to report that unknown suspect(s) entered her house through a locked side window sometime between 8:00 am and 12:00 pm. The suspects ransacked the house, and stole various items, including a laptop computer. Total loss is estimated at approximately \$2100.00.

8:55 PM - Vehicle Burglary, 600 block W. Highland Ave. The reporting party called the police department to report that unknown suspect(s) had smashed the passenger side window of their vehicle sometime during the evening and stole their navigation system from their vehicle.

Friday October 16th

5:07 AM – Arrest, Foothill Blvd/Michillinda Ave, Driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license. Officer stopped a vehicle for a Vehicle Code violation. Further investigation revealed the driver was driving on a suspended license. The driver was arrested for the misdemeanor violation and released in the field on a written promise to appear.

Saturday October 17th

12:18 PM – Hit & Run Collision, 100 block E. Sierra Madre Blvd. A woman parked her boyfriend's vehicle in the parking lot behind her apartment at 12:00 PM on 10/16/09. When she left her house at 6:30 PM, she noticed damage on the rear portion of the vehicle.

## Arcadia Police Blotter

Sunday, October 11:

An armed robbery occurred around 7:45 a.m. in the 5000 block of South Peck. Two men were sitting in a parked vehicle when a male Hispanic approached, produced a handgun, and demanded their wallets. They complied and the suspect fled in an older grey BMW driven by another male Hispanic. An area search was conducted, but the suspects were not located.

Units responded to President Square, 1300 South Golden West, in reference to a strong-arm robbery that occurred around 5:20 p.m. A male Hispanic, 30's, approached the victim and demanded her purse. The woman refused and he grabbed her purse, pulled her to the ground, and dragged her for about 10 feet before she released her purse. The suspect took the purse and fled in a tan Honda. The suspect was not found during an area search.

Monday, October 12:

Shortly before 10:00 a.m., officers were dispatched to a business in the 11700 block of Clark regarding a grand theft report. The victim hired a cargo company to transport 944 cartons of plastic scooters to Texas. On October 5, a male Middle Eastern driver, 35-40 years of age, loaded his truck with the merchandise, but the shipment never arrived in Texas. The total reported loss was over \$50,400.

Units were called to the 1800 block of El Vista regarding a vandalism incident that occurred around 11:30 p.m. A victim had discovered that his car window was smashed and his mailbox was damaged. He saw a man carrying a baseball bat near the area but was unable to detain the suspect so he called the police. Officers later found an intoxicated 33-year-old male Caucasian and arrested him for vandalism and disorderly conduct/drunken in public. Further investigation revealed that several other vehicles and mailboxes were also vandalized from El Vista to Sierra Madre to Perkins.

Tuesday, October 13:

Shortly before 3:00 p.m., an officer stopped a vehicle near Second Street and Foothill Blvd. During the contact the officer smelled an odor of marijuana in the car. Further investigation revealed marijuana in three different locations in the vehicle as well as a police issue only PR-24 baton. Both passengers were cited for the marijuana possession and the driver was arrested for possession of the baton.

Between Sunday evening and Tuesday morning suspects entered a Honda Civic which was parked in the 500 block of Fairview Avenue and tried to steal it. The steering column in and around the ignition was damaged. The suspects abandon their efforts to steal the vehicle and took an MP-3 player from inside the car before leaving the area unseen.

Wednesday, October 14:

Around 7:00 a.m., a residence in the 1100 block of Singingwood Drive was burglarized. The resident awoke to a figure standing in the bedroom doorway. When the victim made himself known, the suspect fled the home and the area undetected. Investigation revealed the suspect made entry through an unsecured kitchen window and had taken the victim's purse and contents.

Between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. suspects smashed out a rear passenger window of a Chevrolet Suburban and took property from inside. The vehicle had been parked and unoccupied in the 11000 block of Clark Street. Items taken were the in-vehicle television monitor and the victim's purse.

Thursday, October 15:

Shortly before 10:00 a.m. an officer contacted a female in the parking lot a motel located in the 200 block of Colorado Place. A records check revealed she had two outstanding felony warrants for her arrest. One warrants for theft and the other for forgery. The suspect was arrested.

Around 10:20 p.m. an officer made a traffic stop on a vehicle in the 00 block of east Huntington Drive. Investigation led to the arrest of the driver for three misdemeanor warrants and possession of marijuana.

Friday, October 16:

Between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. unknown suspects smashed the front window of a business in the 500 block of Las Tunas. The business was unoccupied at the time of the crime and no property was taken.

Officers were dispatched to a motel in the 100 block of west Huntington Drive a report of a man down. Upon arrival officers discovered a man lying in the bushes. While rendering aid, it was discovered the man was too intoxicated to care for his safety. He was arrested for drunk in public, processed, and later released after he sobered.

Saturday, October 17:

Shortly after 1:00 a.m. officers were dispatched to an assistance needed call in a home in the 00 block of Alta Street. Upon arrival the officer could hear a woman calling for help from inside. With no other viable alternative, the officer forced entry to the home and discovered the elderly woman had fallen on the floor and she was not able to get up. Paramedics were on scene and were able to render aid.

Between 4:30 p.m. and 5:00 pm., unknown suspects removed gardening equipment from the rear of a Chevrolet Astro van which was parked in the 500 block of Fairview Drive. The landscaper, and owner of the van, was in the rear yard of a residence working at the time of the theft. No suspects were seen.

## A Weekly Spotlight on Sierra Madre Volunteers

### Gary Hood - Consummate Volunteer

Do you need a firefighter? Call Gary Hood. Are you looking for the Director of Education of the Fire Safe Council? Call Gary. You need a coordinator of CERT (Community Emergency Response Team)? It's Gary. Are you seeking someone who's involved in the newly approved Emergency Radio Station in Sierra Madre? Yes? Call Gary.

And then there's his role as an inventor of PAL (Personal Alarm Locator) that identifies a firefighter in trouble.

That's Gary. Gary Hood, the ultimate in volunteers.

Gary was an L.A. City Firefighter from 1971

As if philanthropic work in Sierra Madre isn't enough, Gary volunteers at the L.A. Firemen's Museum in Hollywood.

What about PAL, the acronym of his invention called "Personal Alarm Locator"? The invention spiraled from an experience he had in 1976 in which Hood ran out of air in a basement fire. After surviving the travail, he came up with the idea for an alarm to be attached to firefighters' equipment. He built a test model and for years distributed the invention around the country.

Gary's appreciation for Sierra Madre's Police and Fire Departments prompted him to say: "I'm impressed with the caliber of training in both



to 2003 and spent four years (1966 to 1970) with the U.S. Air Force in helicopter air rescue. He also served as a public information officer for the L.A. City Fire Department during his tenure there.

The Sierra Madre Fire Safe Council, started by Mike Kinney, president, with Caroline Brown as public relations officer, has really caught on in this fire-conscious foothill town. Gary is director of education, a role that includes working with both the local Police and Fire Departments. The Sierra Madre chapter is part of the state-run group that was organized in 1993 and has over 200 chapters.

"We also have a 'chipper program' that is run by Caroline Brown. We've cleared brush from City property, church property and we offer a 20 percent rebate to landowners if they clear their own lots," Gary explained.

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is run under the auspices of the L.A. County Fire Department with the purpose of providing basic training in safety and life-saving skills. It's a seven-week training program that started Sept. 16. Students learn First Aid, Search and Rescue, Triage, Medical Care and Psychology of Emergencies. Teachers are members of the L.A. County Fire Department. Dr. Paul Neiby of Sierra Madre has volunteered to provide vests, helmets, a whistle and an equipment bag for all certified graduates.

An Emergency Warning System for Sierra Madre has been approved by the City Council, and an FCC license has been granted. When completed, information will be received by tuning an AM radio to 1630. All local emergencies will be announced, from brush fire warnings to mudslides to flooding, medical aid locations, to name a few. Gary, who, of course, is part of the group, lauds George Maurer and Dr. Paul Neiby for getting the program going. Hank Landsberg, with his engineering skills, has shown the City how it can be done. Look for the pickle jars, donated by E. Waldo Ward & Son, to start showing up in town. The jars will have information on how we can all help this worthy cause.

departments."

Concerning volunteerism Gary said, "We can learn so much by being involved in helping the community...That's why the Fire Safe Council is here -- to help." He added that he doesn't have enough hours in the day to do all he wants to do, and calls philanthropy "a labor of love. I volunteer every day and I like to practice random acts of kindness."

Gary Hood was born in Altadena and lived in El Monte until he was 5 years old. He moved to Pomeroy, Iowa, where he lived until moving back to California when he was 15 1/2.

He and Kathy were married in 1966 and they have a son, Scott, who is married to Heidi. They and their children, Kees and Luella, also live in Sierra Madre.

Has he thought of any other inventions lately? "I'm working on wristbands for my grandchildren so that their wasted energy can be transferred," he quipped.

Gary Hood -- the consummate and ubiquitous volunteer.

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Following the drawing, we'll take the kids on a Halloween Procession up and down Lake Avenue and around to the back of the store. You're encouraged to participate, but definitely bring a camera -- you won't want to miss out on this perfect Kodak moment! We'll march back into the store for more festivities, fun and Halloween treats!

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## Attack of the Swine Flu!!!

By Trisha Collins

Today I was walking from my Spanish class to my English class like I do every Tuesday and Thursday. As I strolled along I glanced and waved at people I knew, adjusted my book bag, and stopped abruptly. There was a line of at least 75 people in front of my school gym, talking, laughing, and patiently waiting. "Waiting for what?" I thought to myself. This was definitely not normal. Usually people were hustling and bustling to get to their classes, not standing around in a line (and a straight line, too!). After contemplating the situation for 30 more seconds, I decided to go and investigate myself. I approached the line and asked the nearest boy "What's everyone doing here?" He replied by saying "Uhh...Swine Flu," and turned around, so asked the girl next to him my question. "Well, we're here to get our shot for the Swine Flu, you know, a vaccination...but you need your parents and stuff so..." she glanced at me "...yeah." I nodded and walked away pondering to myself.

It feels like almost everyone at my school is now getting a swine flu vaccination. It's funny because no one at my school has come down with the swine flu. In fact, no one in my city has, yet people are running around frantic and fearful. Everywhere I turn it's

## Trish's Truth

By Trisha Collins

Swine Flu! Get your Swine Flu vaccinations!" No. I'm not going to.

As far as I'm concerned, there is no way I would allow someone to inject me with a virus, even if it is supposed help better prepare my body in fighting a virus that I MIGHT get. The side effects of the Swine Flu vaccine include headaches, muscle pains, chills, nausea, fever, and vomiting. Actually, I would be more concerned with the side effects that go along with the vaccine than the chance of even obtaining the virus.

All in all, I honestly view this Swine Flu epidemic as just another national scare. I can remember the outburst a few years ago with the Bird Flu. Everyone was afraid of coming down with it and I was scared to eat chicken for a week! That paranoia is clearly over and I know this, too, shall pass.

## Angst Over Rising College Costs Turns Teens Into Bigger Savers Than Their Parents

(NAPSI)-If you're Pollyannish, the good news is that today's teens are bigger savers than their parents were at the same age.

Then again, some may feel pressured to save out of concern their families might not otherwise be able to afford to put them through college.

With even the wealthiest families' net worth having taken a beating in the recession, a new Opinion Research Corporation survey found that having to help parents finance their college educations was the biggest reason why so many teens--87 percent--said they banked "some portion" of whatever money they receive each month versus just 56 percent of adults who recalled being young savers. Tuition costs specifically weighed on the minds of 62 percent of those teens questioned.

Just to show you how much times have changed, back when those adults surveyed--Gen Xers, Gen Yers and the youngest of the baby boomers--were teenagers, most of them saved up to buy clothes and accessories.

"Today's teens have grown up with an understanding that paying for college is a challenge for most American families," says Diane Young, director for retirement and goal planning at TD Ameritrade. "And since they see higher education as essential to their future success, it's not surprising that they're taking the initiative to start saving now."

They'll have to stash away a lot of bucks.

Right now, tuition and room-and-board expenses at public universities average \$14,333 per year for in-state students and \$25,200 for those out of state, according to College Board data. And by the time today's Gen Zer is freshman age, the only safer bet than private university costs being higher

than they already are--an average of \$34,132 annually--may be that the world will be even more globally competitive.

One sign that teens are serious about helping foot those bills is that 41 percent of those surveyed had heard of 529 college savings plans. (The "529" refers to a section of the IRS tax code. Immediately, that should be a tip-off that the federal and most state governments have loaded the plans' three different tax-advantaged versions with what SmartMoney.com calls "plenty of perks to make [them] an exceptionally attractive tool" for funding a child's education.)

Young says the trick is sorting through "the pros and cons" of each, as well as the lesser-known (but also perky) Coverdell education savings accounts, to determine which is right for you. While it's recommended that you consult with a tax adviser regarding your personal tax situation, TD Ameritrade's own Web site can walk you through the process, starting with access to a "College Planner" tool that helps families estimate how much they'll need to save by answering a series of questions. From there, you can choose among:

- Standard 529s, which work much like a 401(k) or IRA and let you sock away as much as \$300,000 or so, per beneficiary, in some states. While not deductible on federal tax returns, there's no tax on earnings or qualified educational distributions, and certain states--you needn't stick to your own if you don't like its options--sweeten things for residents with upfront

deductions on contributions.

- Prepaid 529s, which let you lock in public colleges' current tuition by prepaying all or part of the bill through the purchase of "tuition units" or "contracts" issued by the schools. However, only 18 states now offer this option, and most restrict participation to residents.

- Independent 529 plans, which are basically prepaid plans for private universities. Should your son or daughter wind up not attending one of these schools, the money is returned--plus or minus an annualized 2 percent, depending on the performance of the trust holding the money.

- Coverdell accounts, which limit annual contributions to \$2,000, but--unlike 529s--also permit spending on certain qualified kindergarten through 12th-grade expenses.

As for all that teen angst, one way to ease it is through what Young calls a "parent match" that commits adults to contributing a certain amount for every dollar your child saves.

Be warned: Unlike at companies, kids can't be fired to get out of it.

For more info on saving for college, visit [www.tdameritrade.com](http://www.tdameritrade.com) (member FINRA/SIPC).

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## HAIL Hamilton



### Strong Rhetoric but No New Promises to LGBT Community

By Hail Hamilton

President Obama continues to exhibit a lack of urgency about the nature and magnitude of many of the challenges facing his administration. Our economy is in shambles; our national debt is skyrocketing; millions of Americans are unemployed; we are still at war in Iraq and Afghanistan; Guantanamo is still open; and there is still no health care reform.

Add to this list one more pressing challenge: Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT) citizens are still being discriminated against and are still not being allowed to integrate into mainstream American society.

On October 10, before a welcoming crowd at the Human Rights Campaign's (HRC) annual dinner in Washington, Obama delivered an eloquent speech strong on rhetoric but that did not make any new promises or commitments to the LGBT community.

In his speech, the president mentioned all of the major issues that motivate LGBT activists: He said that he had called upon Congress to repeal the so-called Defense of Marriage Act, which forbids the allocation of federal marriage benefits (like collecting a spouse's Social Security) to LGBT folks legally married in a state, and protects any state from having to recognize LGBT marriages performed in another. Obama rattled off other LGBT priorities, including the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, for which he said his administration is "pushing hard," and a domestic partnership bill. And he promised (again) to end the military "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" (DADT) policy.

Obama also promised to defend any of his employees from attacks based on their sexual orientation, a likely reference to Safe Schools Chief Kevin Jennings, who has been under attack from anti-gay right-wing and religious groups. He also trumpeted recent House passage of a federal hate crimes bill and promised to sign it once it reaches his desk.

But he offered no timetable, no specifics; nor did he mention the anti-same-sex marriage ballot measures popping up in several states, most notably, Maine and Washington State, where the

religious right is organized to overturn recent marriage equality laws.

The President did, however, discuss his commitment to gay and lesbian families, using as an example his invitation to allow them to roll Easter Eggs at the White House.

According to comments posted on the internet by LGBT's after the HRC gala, many are angry and disappointed with the President's speech.

"Obama gave a great and stirring speech—full of sound and fury, but specifying nothing—a spineless insult to the LGBT community."

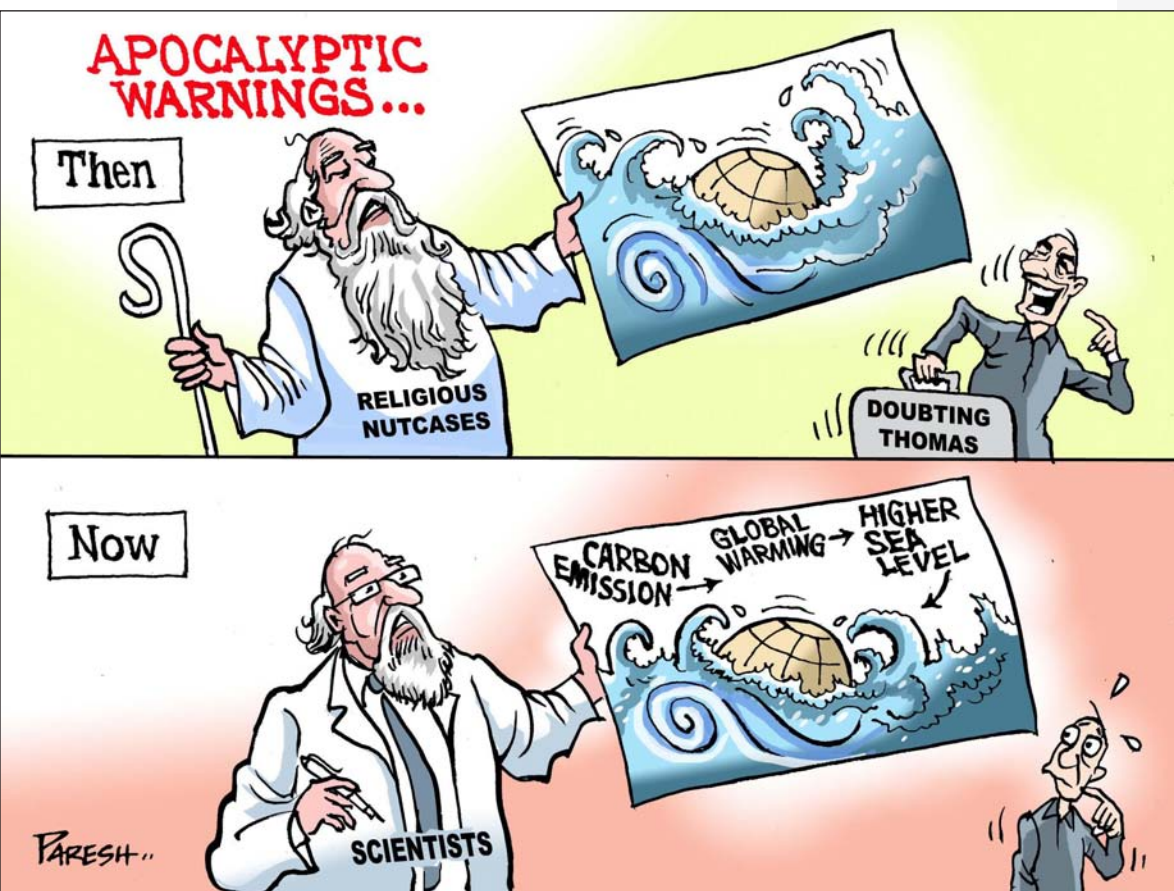
"Nothing but more words piled higher and deeper. No action; not even concrete promises or timelines for action. Total BS; ridiculous; I'm furious that lots of gay people will probably be satisfied with the crumbs that Obama offered. My wallet has long been closed to the HRC. After Saturday, it's slammed shut for Obama and the Democrats. Screw them."

"All flash and no substance; words and promises are easy. Mr. President it's time to prove yourself and deliver. You have the power to end discharges under DADT immediately. You know there are actions you can take that would ensure equality for LGBT citizens and yet you don't. I have no doubt that you believe in gay equality, but part of your job is to act boldly and decisively. You were elected on a platform of change. Justice delayed is justice denied."

"Take a deep breath, breathe into a paper bag. The president's speech came off like he was still a candidate talking to a LGBT group during the primaries. He was able to 'talk big' and yet offer nothing concrete. It was a terrible disappointment."

"The speech was a disaster. I kept waiting for Obama to mention the upcoming anti-gay votes in Maine, Washington State and Washington, D.C. NOTHING! No specifics about DADT, no hard talk about gay marriage and civil unions--nothing new or solid at all. And this tepid speech comes the day after winning the Nobel Peace Prize!?"

"Mr. Obama words will no longer suffice; immediate action is required. It's time to deliver on your pledge to the LGBT community!"



### RICH Johnson Hyperbolic

Hyperbole is defined as, "an obvious or intentional exaggeration." I am not sure if Hail Hamilton was waxing hyperbolically through his column last week entitled, "The Tyranny of Capitalism and Our National Demise." Knowing Hail I suspect not. But since I had the privilege of being "to-the-right" of him (double entendre intended) I've decided to make a few remarks. I will never forget a comment made twenty-eight years ago by NBC's Tom Brokaw. He was covering the swearing in of Ronald Reagan as our new commander-in-chief. Brokaw marveled at how, in the most powerful country in the world, power transitioned so peacefully every four or eight years. That particular transfer of power was even more striking in 1981 due to the dramatic differences between Ronald Reagan and Jimmy Carter.

And we all know throughout human history the transition of power, more often than not, was brought about with great bloodshed.

Power dramatically and peacefully transitioned here in 1994, 2006 and again in 2008. Whether you were pleased with the results, or who currently wields power, you should marvel at the peaceful transitions of authority. Possibly the greatest example of a predominantly nonviolent transfer of power occurred throughout Eastern Europe in the late 1980's. Frankly, I didn't believe the Soviet Bloc was unraveling until East German Dictator Erich Honecker resigned in 1989 and was later prosecuted in 1992. How did this transition of power take place? I believe technological advances in communications brought the Soviet Bloc down. Novelist George Orwell was only one hundred and eighty degrees off (sorry George) in the predictions detailed in his novel "1984". Instead of Big Brother (the communists) gazing into everybody's living room, everybody ended up gazing into Big Brother's living room via the internet. Tyranny Hail? Come on. It's insulting to the millions

of victims of real tyranny to compare our problems to theirs. Is there a BIG need for change? Of course. A giant leap forward would be to dismantle the suffocating influences of special interests. Are both parties overly beholden to special interests? Without a doubt.

Let me close with an idea: A small step and, hopefully, a good place to start. Let's insist that lawmakers sign up for the same insurance plan they end up passing into law. According to a August 2, 2009 article in the LA Times, lawmakers currently have access to one of ten healthcare plans. How many does your company offer? The typical monthly premium for federal employees and their families is about \$1030. Oh, the government (that would be you) pays \$700 of that monthly bill. Also, there is no such thing as pre-existing conditions in their plan. By the way, Congressperson Steve Kagen (D-Wisconsin) is the only lawmaker who has refused the federal healthcare. He says he won't accept coverage until everyone in America can have the same benefits.

I have another idea: Steve Kagen for President! (Wait. He's a Democrat. Darn!)

## STUART Tolchin On...LIFE

### Who's Calling the Shots?



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pundit has recently published an article discussing the concept of character and conduct. He presents two models. First, the philosopher's model in which each of us has certain ingrained character traits which we express through our behavior, at least most of the time. An honest person will be honest most of the time.

The second, or psychologist's model, asserts that individuals don't have one thing called character. Instead, based upon a century's worth of experiments, it is maintained that each of us have a multiplicity of tendencies inside which are activated by this or that context. It all depends on which buttons are pushed. On sunny days we may behave kindly and on a cloudy day we may act callously because we are feeling glum. Human behavior, according to this view does not exhibit what the psychologists call "cross-situational" stability or what I would call essence.

I want to believe in the first model. I assert that human beings are rational creatures who at each moment have the ability to make choices consistent with their own best sense of rightness. When bad choices are made it is the result of abusive parenting, oppressive conformating socialization and education, prolonged drug or alcohol usage, chronic fear and stress. Yes, I know, it seems like people are just plain nuts and have no idea what's right for them. Many of my articles

focus on this point and I am always trying to figure out a method whereby everyone, including me, can cleanse themselves sufficiently to wake up and figure out the best way to act and then do it. This belief in the possible redemption of rationality is probably no more or less empirically verifiable than any other professed religious belief. For right now that is not my question—but, yes, I do believe in the existence of rational life forms which include humans.

A month or so ago I made the decision (at least I think it was me) to stop taking diabetic medication and resume a vegan diet which I had previously successfully followed for about a year. I have now maintained the diet for a month and feel better and my clothes

are getting larger (I have not weighed myself) and suggested (perhaps strongly urged is more correct) friends and relatives follow the diet. These are people who strongly desire weight loss, who have inquired about surgical remedies (I think of them as surgical mutilations) and have been on Weight Watchers, Jenny Craig, Herbal Life, multiple times and have always gained any lost weight back and more. They all daily pop some prescribed mood elevator, anxiety relieving "medicine" and are troubled by their obesity. What kind of reaction do I receive from these people, and these are people that I am close to; they HATE me!

Why would I propose such a wacky diet? Am I jealous because my freezer is not filled with expensive Omaha steaks? No, it's even worse than that. People admit to me that they just don't want to take responsibility for themselves. They want a magic pill, or surgery, or some program to select and provide food to them. They know that they themselves cannot be considered as responsible decision-makers concerning their own health and well-being and, worse yet, they don't want even to think about it.

Well that's the state of America today. People who admit they cannot even think for themselves and really don't want to. Am I making too much out of this? Is this lack of personal responsibility the intended end result of the way in which we are socialized and educated? Does this explain why we as members of the shrinking middle class allow ourselves to be abused by the privileged banking system and their formerly employed, highly suspect, political- appointees? If we all decide to pull our money out of the banks and deposit it only in Community Banks won't good things happen?. But we don't even think of it. Sure, maybe we have all been lulled to sleep believing that we have done enough by voting for the right man. (I do not choose to speak the language of non-Obama supporters.) We must do more. There is an inherent character deep-down inside of each of use in charge of our own lives. We have almost been convinced of our own non-existence and powerlessness. We must reclaim our sanity and our strength and stop letting ourselves be pushed around. Is weight loss and health a way to affirm our existence. Well, at least, it's a start. Okay, ready! I DO NOT EAT CHEESEBURGERS AND THEREFORE I AM (Sorry Descartes)

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## HOWARD Hays As I See It



This story begins with a gang rape - and then gets worse. Jamie Leigh Jones, then 19, went to work for Halliburton subsidiary KBR in 2004. The next year she ended up at Camp Hope in Baghdad. It was there in July of 2005 that she was offered a drink by a co-

worker, of which she later testified she took only “two sips”. She awoke from unconsciousness some time later, bleeding, bruised, with lacerations and other injuries that would require reconstructive surgery. She said up to seven co-workers participated in the assault. Jones was initially treated by a U.S. Army doctor, who collected evidence for a “rape kit”. The kit was turned over to KBR, and then somehow disappeared. (It re-appeared two years later, but missing photos and notes.) She was then held in a locked storage container under armed guard by KBR for more than 24 hours with no food, water or medical care. Two options were given her; either “stay and get over it” or return home, and don’t expect a job waiting when she gets there. With a cell phone borrowed from a sympathetic guard she called home. Her Dad phoned their congressman, Rep. Ted Poe (R - TX), who contacted the State Department, and Jones was eventually released by agents from the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad.

The assailants of Jamie Leigh Jones were protected under CPA Order 17, which barred prosecution under Iraqi law. In June 2007, Jones and three other women filed suits against KBR in federal courts in Texas, Florida and Oklahoma. She went public with her frustration that after nearly two years neither the U.S. Justice Department nor any other federal agency was investigating the case, stating, “There needs to be a voice out there that really pushes for change. I’d like to be that voice.”

Halliburton’s response was that it had spun off KBR so was not liable. The Bush Administration stonewalled Rep. Poe’s dogged pursuit of the case. KBR was more direct: Read the fine print in your employment contract. Your only recourse is arbitration - with arbitrators hired by us, behind closed doors, no public record, no appeal.

Jones testified before the House Judiciary Committee in December 2007, as did others who made clear hers was not an isolated case. The Department of Justice refused to send a representative to explain what, if any, actions were being taken in pursuing the matter - an absence Chairman John Conyers (D - MI) called “an absolute disgrace”

In May of last year, a federal judge ruled that Jones could indeed bring her case to trial; although her employment contract required arbitration for workplace disputes, the court found her bedroom did not to qualify as a “workplace”. Just last month, the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed the lower court’s decision.

At a senate hearing earlier this month, Sen. Al Franken (D - MN) reminded a representative of KBR who asserted Jamie Leigh Jones had already “had her day in court” that Jones had spent almost four years battling KBR for merely the right to be heard. The day before, Sen. Franken saw passage in the senate of his amendment that would ban government funds from going to contractors who similarly prohibit employees from taking “sexual assault, battery and discrimination cases” to court. The amendment easily passed with unanimous Democratic support and that of a number of Republicans (including all female

Republican senators). Three-quarters of senate Republicans, however, voted to protect the right of government contractors to demand that their victimized employees just shut up and “get over it”.

Sen. Jeff Sessions (R - Ala) argued on the senate floor, “We should probably be looking for ways to utilize . . . arbitration more in these kinds of disputes.” Jon Stewart on The Daily Show responded, ““These kinds of disputes?” That’s the best euphemism you can come up with for gang rape?” Sessions went on to characterize the amendment as “a political attack directed at Halliburton.” Stewart wondered, “to protect Halliburton you have to side against rape victims?” On his show, Stewart showed clips of amendment opponents Sens. Mike Johanns (R - Neb), Richard Shelby (R - Ala), Christopher Bond (R - Mo) and Lindsay Graham (R - SC) all demanding we not give “a dime of taxpayer money “ to the community services group ACORN, and then he drew the distinction between “someone who advises fake prostitutes on how to commit imaginary crimes” and “committing real gang rape.”

I noticed a couple of major newsmakers among the list of opponents; there’s Sen. John Ensign (R - NV), whose parents tried to pay off a staff



member, the husband of another staffer with whom the senator was having an affair, and Sen. David Vitter (R - La), who had a tearful re-commitment to Christian family values after having been nailed as a regular on the “D.C. Madame”’s client list. The other twenty-four senators on the list are also prominent in the news as esteemed voices in the national debates on health care, economic development and the direction of our country. Many have also been disturbingly disinterested in the bliking of tens of billions of taxpayer dollars by Halliburton, KBR, and other contractors through disappearing funds, over-billing, non-delivered goods and shoddy supplies and workmanship endangering the lives of our troops overseas. Protecting the interests of war profiteers is clearly a higher priority than protecting the right of rape victims to bring those responsible to justice.

Not too long after the incident, Jamie Leigh Jones established a foundation to provide help for those who have been similarly abused while working for government contractors overseas (www.jamiesfoundation.org). Unlike many in her situation, she has decided to go public and speak out. As I see it, the least we can do ourselves is to speak out, loudly, against those thirty senators who would deny Jamie, and those like her, their right to do so in a court of law.

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **MILIAN WORLDWIDE SERVICES**, 5005 S. CENTRAL AVE., L.A., CA 90011. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) **ANDRES MILIAN, 1527 E. 49<sup>th</sup> ST., L.A., CA 90011**. This Business is conducted by: **AN**

**INDIVIDUAL.** **Signed: ANDRES MILIAN.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **10/06/09**. 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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**File No. 09-1516284**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **LAKEWOOD GLASS AND SCREEN; LAKEWOOD GLASS AND MIRROR; LAKEWOOD WINDOW AND DOOR**, 17828 BELLEFLOWER BLVD., BELLEFLOWER, CA 90706. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) **LAKEWOOD GLASS AND SCREEN, INC., 721 KILBOURNE DR., UPLAND, CA 91784**. This Business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION.** **Signed: MICHAEL L. SOUZA.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **10/06/09**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/1989.

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

**File No. 09-1510625**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **M SPEC MOTORS**, 2675 DAWSON AVE., SIGNAL HILL, CA 90755. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) **ANDRES GIBBEL, 1536 PALOS VERDES DR. W. PALOS VERDES ESTATES, CA 90274**. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL.** **Signed: CHASEN GIBBEL.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **10/05/09**. 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. 09-1511950**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SAGAS WHOLESALE OF FRESH FLOWERS**, 734 SAN JULIAN ST., HD, L.A., CA 90014. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) **FELIPE ANTONIO SAGASTUME, 15117 MCRAE AVE., NORWALK, CA 90650**. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL.** **Signed: FELIPE ANTONIO SAGASTUME.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **10/05/09**. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/3/1999.

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## GREG Welborn

## A War of Words and Deeds

There is a war raging in this country, and while bullets aren't flying the stakes are just as important as they have been in

any of the great military conflicts this country has faced. We are in the middle of a culture war for the hearts and minds of the American republic. We need look no further for proof of this titanic clash than the last several appointments made by this president.

What has been portrayed as naïveté or sloppy vetting in the appointments of several cabinet members, key advisors and various czars in truth has been very conscious and purposeful. Obama's appointments do not reflect inexperience in office as much as they reflect his attempt to make good on his campaign promise to radically change the direction of this country. There is a pattern here which is deliberate and fully reflects the philosophical leanings of President Obama.

The most recent example of course is White House Communications Director Anita Dunn.

boys (those under consenting age) and grown men (those over consenting age), otherwise known as statutory rape. As a teacher, Mr. Jennings not only failed to report the sexual relationship between one of his 15 year old students and a grown man, but advised the boy to use a condom.

Please understand that these are not examples of a bad vetting process. President Obama's ties to and knowledge of these characters is much too deep for that, and there are certainly too many of them to argue that a naïve mistake was repeated over and over and over again. If you can't see this pattern, you're living in a different universe than I am. Each of these advisors and czars advocates a total remake of the moral and philosophical underpinnings which have guided our country from its inception.

In the early part of this year, Newsweek approvingly claimed that we had all become socialists now. But that label almost seems quaint, and it certainly doesn't communicate the full extent of what's being attempted. President Obama and his fellow travelers on the left are seeking a much more complete control over our lives than any socialist ever did.

Team Obama has nationalized car companies and banks, threatened the bond owners who were doing nothing but standing up for their rights, ignored contractual rights in order to reward political cronies, loaded our country down with more debt than it has ever been able to repay before and seeks to transfer wealth from American shores to third world dictators through byzantine cap-and-trade legislation. Each effort tears down some basic component of American economic strength, culture norms or political freedoms.

Those on the left have always claimed to be working for the people, but it has always been a lie to camouflage their absolute disdain for the people and the choices they make out of their freedom. The left has always seen itself as knowing better what's good for the rest of us. Representative democracy has been embraced only to the extent that it transfers power to those who believe they know what's best. Perhaps we've all forgotten exactly what leftist governments of the past century accomplished in their pursuit of building a better man and transforming society. On the very conservative side of the estimate, it was 100 million deaths through dislocation, forced re-education efforts, torture, imprisonment and mass starvation.

Like so many on the left, President Obama and his advisors remain woefully ignorant of human nature and arrogant in their sense of moral superiority. They forget that power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. They may believe they are pursuing a worthy goal, a glorious end, but they pursue an end-justifies-the-means strategy willfully oblivious to the fact that such strategies always lead to death and destruction.

They may have forgotten these things, they may remain ignorant of the human condition, but that doesn't mean we have to. Republican or Democrat, rich or poor, black or white, we do not have to – we cannot – allow this to continue. Whether it is in the name of healthcare reform or some other social justice goal, we must all remember that power transferred to the federal government while a popular and even benign appearing man holds the reins is power that will remain in place when someone else of less charitable or worthy character holds those reins. Sadly, democracies often take the first steps down the road to serfdom because of temporary panics and the endearing personality of one man. I fear that is where we are today, but I hope that Americans will wake up. We have more to lose than anyone imagines.

*Gregory J. Welborn is an independent opinion columnist. He writes and speaks frequently on political, economic and social issues. His columns have appeared in publications such as The Los Angeles Daily News, The Orange County Register, The Wall Street Journal and USA Today. He can be reached at [g.welborn@mtnviewsnews.com](mailto:g.welborn@mtnviewsnews.com).*

### City of Sierra Madre Public Hearing Notice

**To:** Property Owners within a 300-foot radius  
**From:** The City of Sierra Madre  
**Subject:** PARCEL MAP 09-02  
**Applicant:** David Brock

**Project Location:** 2219-2225 Santa Anita Avenue, in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider a request for a lot split for the property at 2219-2225 Santa Anita Avenue. The applicant is proposing to split the existing 43,795- square-foot parcel into two (2) parcels measuring 15,500 square feet and 28,295 square feet.

#### DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre  
City Council meeting  
**Tuesday, November 10, 2009**  
(Hearing begins at 6:30 p.m.)

#### PLACE OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre  
City Council Chambers  
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.  
Sierra Madre, CA

All interested persons may attend this meeting and the City Council will hear them with respect thereto. **ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** The project qualifies for Class 15 Categorical Exemption (Minor Land Division), pursuant to Section 15315 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). **APPEAL:** If in the future anyone wishes to challenge the decision of the City Council in court, one may be limited to raising the issues that were raised or presented in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or before, the scheduled public hearing. For further information on this subject, please contact the Development Services Department at (626) 355-7135.

By Order of the City Council

Danny Castro,  
Director of Development Services

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

**File No. 2009-1606210**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **ADIRA & SANDIS CONSIGNMENT BOUTIQUE** 1840 Walnut Street, Pasadena, CA. 91107. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) **SANDRA RIVAS, 9938 Telfair, Pacoima, CA. 91331** and **ADI RUIZ ALTAMIRANO, 2030 E. Foothill Blvd., Pasadena, CA. 91109**. This Business is conducted by: **A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP** **Signed: ADI RUIZ ALTAMIRANO.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **10/23/09**. 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. 2009-1594833**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **HERIZECO**, 1110 Royal Oaks Dr. Apt. 31, Monrovia, Ca. 91016. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) **HAROUTIOUN KOCHAKIAN**. This Business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL.** **Signed: ARMENAK INDEJIKIAN.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on **10/21/09**. 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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## TABLE FOR TWO

By Peter Dills

### It's A fine Ugo

week's article to go al Fresco. Find a restaurant with nice open air and a sun bleached patio. I began by looking at the back of this newspaper for leads. Well, actually my friend Houda of Sierra Madre, a most celebrated Hair Stylist suggested Ugo's, "A Taste of Tuscany," here in Sierra Madre. Maybe she is on to something, Susan our lady of letters advertises them, so with both their blessings and I can dine outside. I actually wrote about this over a year ago but at that time it was more of a deli with cheese samples and the celebrated display case. So what was I to order? I wanted the signature dish, something Sierra Madre could want to sink their teeth into.

I began by perusing through the menu, classic salads, gourmet Panini (fancy name for sandwiches), No, a Sandwich does not seem right for this adventure. There are the entrees, New York Steak, no, not at lunch, Lobster Ravioli is a possibility? I am starting to feel like I am on the trail. There it is I have found it!!! Gnocchi, yes, those little potato

rolls served in a pesto and chicken cream sauce.

I started off with bread and with each entrée you do get your choice of a salad, I went for the Caesar Salad. I would call it a bed of lettuce with Caesar salad dressing. The croutons were house made, a great bonus. Sierra Madre rejoice with the chatter of knives and forks, this stuff is great. The Gnocchi at Ugo's get's an enthusiastic thumbs up.

Ugo's is a small European style restaurant with about 12 tables inside and three two tops outside, there is a small wine bar inside but not sure of the traffic it receives. Ken was my waiter, and being from Wisconsin he naturally brought his Mid Western charm with him.

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## Looking Up

with Bob Eklund

### Behind the 2012 Doomsday Craze: What You Need To Know



On December 21, 2012, Earth's magnetic poles will not flip, California will not break apart and slide into the sea, and a secret monster planet will not smash into Earth out of the invisible nowhere.

But every week, more and more people are coming to believe such things will happen—thanks to a spectacular blend of bad astronomy, bad Maya ethnography, several popular books, and spreading internet hysteria. Confusingly, it all sounds like it's based on science.

And it will arrive in theaters soon—when the disaster movie “2012” premieres everywhere on Friday, November 13th. The movie's slogan is: “Find out the truth.” Anyone who reports on science, pop culture, or internet manias had better know the truth by then.

“The world will not come to an end on December 21, 2012,” says prominent astronomer and astro-historian E. C. Krupp, Director of Los Angeles's Griffith Observatory and Sky & Telescope magazine contributing editor. “The 2012 doomsday idea starts with a misinterpretation of the Maya calendar.”

Krupp debunks the 2012 doomsday idea in the cover story of the November 2009 issue of Sky & Telescope, which is now on sale at newsstands. The article explains what you need to know for your 2012 defense kit.

E. C. Krupp, Ph.D., is an accomplished astronomer, author, and science educator, who has been Director of Griffith Observatory since 1974. He is an internationally renowned expert on ancient astronomy, including the Maya, and has visited nearly 1,900 ancient and prehistoric sites throughout

the world.

“If you believe what you hear,” writes Krupp, “The ancient Maya of Mexico and Guatemala kept a calendar that is about to roll up the red carpet of time, swing the solar system into transcendental alignment with the heart of the Milky Way, and turn Earth into a bowling pin for a rogue planet heading down our alley for a strike.”

Krupp explains the realities, the many falsehoods, and the mixed exaggerations of astronomy and the Maya calendar system that supposedly combine to predict catastrophe. Krupp also reviews other recent end-of-the-world astro-manias: the “Jupiter Effect” doomsday of 1982, the “Harmonic Convergence” overthrow of the old world order in 1987, and the “5-5-2000” planet-alignment catastrophe predicted for 2000. Interestingly, some of the same people and their notions were behind these erroneous predictions too.

“As we approach 2012, more and more professional and amateur astronomers are being asked about the doomsday scenario, so we want to help educate them, so they can inform the general public,” says Sky & Telescope Editor-in-Chief Robert Naeye. “Dr. Krupp's article thoroughly demolishes this pseudoscience drivel, and serves as an outstanding resource for scientists, educators, and the media.”

To download a copy of Dr. Krupp's article in Sky & Telescope, visit <http://media.skyandtelescope.com/documents/Doomsday2012.pdf>

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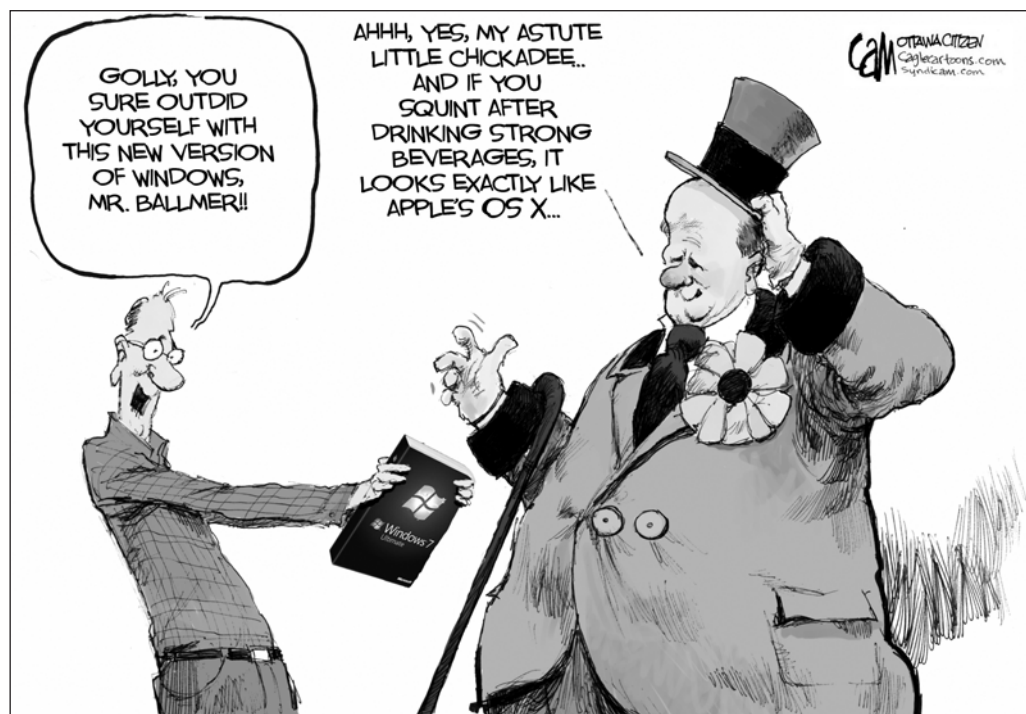
By PJ Carpenter

### They Really Mean It This Time

Today saw the release of the latest version of the Microsoft Windows Desktop Operating System, Windows 7. The name itself signals yet another departure from Microsoft's traditional naming convention and for headquarters in Redmond, hopefully a step away from its last major release, the not-so-popular Vista. Despite all of the ups-and-downs that the public-at-large has had with the long succession of releases from Microsoft, it has become a near-fact of modern life that if a person does any amount of Business or Personal computing, that person will have to deal with Microsoft and one or more of its many software products that dominate the computing landscape.

with OEM and only ships with low-end computers while the Home Basic Edition is available only in emerging markets so it's unlikely that one would run into it at the local big box store. The first thing that the casual browser may notice is that the prices for these releases are significantly lower than previous releases with the

upgrade version of Home Premium coming in around \$120 retail. There are (or probably will be) further price breaks for those who know how to spot a deal or find one in the fine print. As with any installation of a new operating system the choice of upgrade path still boils down to three main options: Purchase a new computer and migrate your old programs and files over to the new machine, Upgrade your existing system in place or Re-format your hard drive and install the new OS fresh. Each choice has its merits and its pitfalls. While the safest and least troublesome upgrade choice is the re-format/fresh install



This release represents an important step for Redmond as it attempts to retain its position as the dominant provider of Consumer and Professional computer software while at the same time delivering a much-improved user experience for its customers. According to early adopters of Windows 7, Microsoft may just have accomplished both goals and it couldn't have happened at a better time for the company.

Windows 7 was released in six different versions and each has a specific target user base in mind. The new versions are as follows: Windows 7 Starter (OEM only), Windows 7 Home Basic, Windows 7 Ultimate Edition, Windows 7 Enterprise Edition, Windows 7 Home Premium Edition and Windows 7 Professional. The Starter version is available

route, the cheapest for this release is the upgrade path. Whatever option is chosen the first step must be the completion of a full backup of the system before any upgrade option starts. While many upgrades of this type do go off without a hitch, these things do have a way of going horribly wrong and sometimes the only recovery option is a full system restore and for this a full, recent system backup will be needed.

None of this is new to anyone, like many of us, who've been through more upgrades than we would care to remember. The reasons for upgrading are always the same, the steps are always the same, the hype is always the same (It's really worth it this time!) and more often than not the results are the same: A brand new set of issues to deal with.

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## The Senior By Bruce Lamarche You Are What You HEAR! Spot

For years, we have heard the quote, "You are what you eat." This has been proven true by studies that show that our bodies are hurt or helped by the food we consume. What about other elements of our environment? Does what we surround ourselves with affect our attitudes or even our entire outlook on life? I would say yes.

As parents we attempt to raise children by keeping them from the "wrong crowd". Yet, as adults we tend to ignore this principle. Consider the affects of the following:

1. We maintain friendship and associate with people who have a seriously negative attitude about life in general. This can taint our view of the day and cause us to become negative also. We cannot change these people; only they can change themselves. Of course, we should be friendly and helpful, but to immerse ourselves in repetitive negative behavior can be a serious detriment to our own psyche.

2. We watch the 11:00 P.M. news every night! This seems harmless enough. However, realize that we are watching the sensationalism of murder, rape, and violence in general. While these things do happen, they are not as prolific as the reporters would have us believe. Watching this kind of news creates in us a feeling that the world is a terrible place. It specifically ignores the 1,000 positive events that occurred today because that one "juicy" violent event helps sell advertising time. We must not be unaware of our world and what is happening, but to load up our brains with this negativism only thirty minutes before we go to sleep is a bad thing.

Our subconscious then dwells on this as we sleep. This, in turn, helps create our attitude for the next day; not a good thing!

3. Our choice of entertainment is crucial to our attitude on life. We justify watching movies with violence, killing, and betrayal and justify it as harmless escapism. Are we overlooking the negative effects on us as helping human beings? Do these movies have the power to change us? Perhaps there are better choices of movies that show heroism, nobility, and amplify the positive aspects of life. We do not let our impressionable children watch certain movies, yet we indulge in it ourselves. Why?

Our lives are often ruled by circumstance and events that push us onto different paths. We certainly can control our attitude about these changes. When we think of it, many of the "so-called" negative events of life are, in retrospect, changes that brought about good things. What can we do to maintain our optimism and keep our faith that all things tend to work together for good? What can we do to help us make good choices with a clear mind? What things should we avoid to help us be more positive? Life is about choice. Choose wisely!

*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 He can be reached at (626) 335-4292.*

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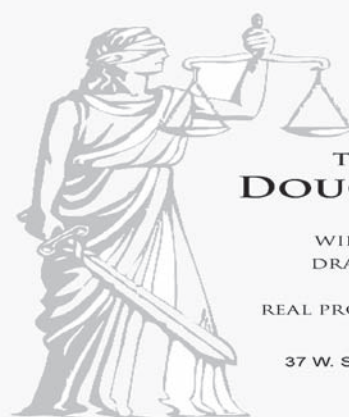
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## SENIOR HAPPENINGS

### FYI:

**Where To Get A Flu Shot**  
**Sierra Madre Woman's Club Flu Shot Clinic** - Saturday & Sunday, October 17rd & 4th, 9 am to Noon. Cost is \$25. For more information please call 355-8586.

**Mandarin Baptist Church in Alhambra** - **FREE** Flu Shot Clinic on Sunday, October 4th—10:30 am to 12 noon - 210 N. Garfield Ave.

**La Fetra Center in Glendora** - **FREE** Flu Shot Clinic on Monday, October 5th - 9 am to 11:30am - 333 E. Foothill Blvd.

**Duarte Senior Center** - **FREE** Flu Shot Clinic on Tuesday, October 6th - 9:30 am to 11:30 am - 1610 Huntington Drive

**Monrovia Health Center** - **FREE** Flu Shots - 330 W. Maple Ave. - (626) 256-1600. This center offers weekly shots - please call ahead to get days & times.

**Special note:** If you have questions regarding the Pandemic H1N1 (aka Swine Flu) please either pick up the flyer that is available at City Hall, the Library and the Hart Park House / Senior Center or contact the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention at (800) 232-4636 or [www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/general\\_info.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/general_info.htm)

Eligibility requirements to receive the LA County Public Health influenza vaccine include the following:

Those 50 years or older  
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Households with adults over 50 years of age or children 6- 59 months of age  
Out-of-home caregiver of children under 6 months of age  
Children 6 months thru 18 years old

Please feel free to call the Senior Desks at (626) 355-7394 if you have any questions

### Recipe of the Week:

#### Downeast Maine Pumpkin Bread

##### Ingredients:

1 (15 ounce) can pumpkin puree  
4 eggs  
1 cup vegetable oil  
2/3 cup water  
3 cups white sugar  
3 1/2 cups all-purpose flour  
2 teaspoons baking soda  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1 teaspoon ground nutmeg  
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves  
1/4 teaspoon ground ginger

##### Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Grease and flour three 7x3 inch loaf pans.

In a large bowl, mix together pumpkin puree, eggs, oil, water and sugar until well blended. In a separate bowl, whisk together the flour, baking soda, salt, cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves and ginger. Stir the dry ingredients into the pumpkin mixture until just blended. Pour into the prepared pans.

Bake for about 50 minutes in the preheated oven. Loaves are done when toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.

### For Your Funny Bone

A woman's printer type began to grow faint so she called a local repair shop, where a friendly man informed her that the printer probably needed only to be cleaned. Because the store charged \$50 for such cleanings, he told her that she might be better off reading the printer's manual and trying the job herself.

Pleasantly surprised by his candor, she asked, "Does your boss know that you discourage business?"

"Actually it's my boss's idea," the employee replied sheepishly. "We usually make more money on repairs if we let people try to fix things themselves first."

### Helpful Hints

#### Taking Good Care of Wood Furniture

Shoe polish and felt tip pens work well in hiding small scratches in furniture. Shoe polish applicator bottles work well for furniture touch-ups, when filled with stain.



### October Birthdays

Pat Birdsall, Sole Krieg, Angela Stella, Mary Jane Baker, Monrovia; Barbara Cline, Dixie Coutant, Cathleen Cremins, Lillias Eubanks, Margit Johnson, Dorothy Lee, Adie Marshall, Alma Mays, Eva Poet, Anne Tyler

### Quote:

Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in rising up every time we fail.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

### Pasadena Highlands Sponsors Bingo Prize

Pasadena Highlands, an independent and assisted living community, is proud to provide a special gift basket on the first Tuesday of each month. Bingo takes place every Tuesday at 1:30 pm in the Hart Park House / Senior Center in Memorial Park. The game begins at 1:30 pm but those wishing to play must arrive 10 minutes before to secure your Bingo cards. Join us on the first Tuesday of each month for your chance to win this special prize and learn more about the Pasadena Highlands.

### 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:

1:00 pm to 1:45 pm: Strength training with Lisa Brandley. FREE class of stretching with light hand weights while you sit.

#### Tuesday:

2nd Tuesday of each month FREE blood pressure checks by Methodist Hospital; 11 am to 12 noon 3rd Tuesday of each month FREE financial consulting; 10 -12 noon call 355-7394 for an appointment

1:30 pm to 3:30 pm: BINGO; cards are only 25 cents each so stop by & play  
5:30 pm to 7 pm: Yoga; \$7.00 - 50 & over. Please call 355-5278 for more information

#### Wednesday:

11 -11:45 am: Balance Class with Teryl. FREE class designed to improve balance & refresh the joints

2nd Wednesday of the month: FREE Legal

Consultations: 10-11:30 am. Appointments call 355-7394

Wii Wednesday - 1:00 pm or call the senior desk at 355-7394 to arrange another time & day to learn how to play. No previous experience or skills required and it is great exercise.

#### Thursday:

1:00 to 3:30 pm: Game Day. Join us for UNO and Poker with Bridge on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays; so please call for more information.  
5:00 pm to 6:30 pm: Yoga; \$7.00 - 50 & over. Please call 355-5278 for more information

#### Friday:

1:00 pm: Ping Pong

Saturday: 11:30 am: Senior Club brown bag lunch and BINGO at 12:30 pm

**Free Lawn Bowling Lessons:** The Santa Anita Bowling Green Club will have beginning lawn bowling lessons each Saturday morning starting at 10:00 AM.

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For information call Gene at 626.351-5327.

## Lunch & Learn Series

The Lunch & Learn series will continue on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 12:20 pm. A variety of topics will be covered ranging from health issues to resources for seniors. **October 7th** - Suzi McConnell from the City's Public Works Dept. will talk with you about being "water wise."

**October 21st** - the Sierra Made Police Department will discuss the topic of Senior Scams.

\*There is no cost for the lectures but if you wish to have lunch first, please make reservations by 12 noon the day before by calling the Lunch Café at 355-0256; there is a \$2 donation for each meal.



### Senior Excursions

Thursday, November 19th - Nixon Library & Museum - 10 am to 3:30 pm

Cost is \$26 per person and includes transportation, lunch & driver's tip

Thursday, December 17th - Christmas Show - 10:30 am to 4 pm Join us at the Candlelight Pavilion Theatre in Claremont Cost per person is \$51.00 for lunch, show, transportation & tip.

To register for future excursions, please call (626) 355-7394. \*Payment required to reserve space\*

### 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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Chris Bertrand

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## Eclectic Sierra Madre Home: A private place for every person and interest

If you drive north on Lima Street in Sierra Madre, you might notice several homes that have fully embraced the town's love of "Wistaria purple", painted in soft to bold shades of Sierra Madre's famous Wistaria plant. A festival is even

space. The front of the home remains charmingly intact. My favorite living space is the three sided bay in the living room. Eleven windows bring cheerful tree shaded light into the spacious room throughout the day. Beautiful wainscoting, stained in the natural wood color, gives the room character. The dining room's white-painted wainscoting



geared around the celebrated flowering of this fast growing vine that once crushed a house, and is purported to be the largest single plant in existence... covered with purple flowers every March. The town's logo incorporates it. Sierra Madre stores sell all manner of purple-oriented things.

198 N. Lima appears at first to be a small cottage not unlike many that dot the landscape of the town, albeit in that signature, though soft, shade of Sierra Madre purple. Built in 1913 with two original bedrooms, a kitchen, living and dining rooms, the home grew and grew over the years, accommodating varied interests. Each in its own private

contrast crisply with the hardwood floors, giving it distinction from the living room, yet tying the wainscoting design element together. A built in hutch and display area provides ample storage, while keeping the floorspace open for walkspace.

The kitchen features a large vintage gas stove with a griddle for Sunday pancakes. The original, two bedroom wing offers generous storage. Then the fun and opportunities to explore your creativity begins.

In the original attic, accessed by pull down stairs, a huge, fully finished space has been completed with four windows, two skylights, an air condi-



tioner, carpet and closets. A playroom for the kids? A hideaway from the kids? Mega Christmas decoration storage? You choose.

Beyond the kitchen and the back door, there's a generous master suite, an addition from the 1980's. It was just refreshed with new carpet here, in the other bedrooms and the living room. An indulgent, jetted tub offers respite in the master bath. A long passageway multitasks as a library, with built-in bookcases for a large collection, or extensive display opportunities. The master offers its own outside entrance, so if two families chose to occupy, privacy can be maintained. But there's more, like the commercial says.

Up above the master, with ITS own exterior staircase and entrance is a huge artist's studio or fourth bedroom, built out in 2002. Both the attic and this large studio space offer north facing windows, the preferred light for the artistically inclined. Though

permitted, county records don't reflect the added square footage.

More yet! The oversized garage includes 220 power, a big draw for a workshop or hobbyist plus air conditioning. Many of the hidden but important updates have been done in the home, like recent copper plumbing, forced air heating and cooling, roof, etc.

An unusual home, to be sure, but I'm thinking it might be perfect for a household with two or more artists or musicians or writers, who build furniture or boats or cars in the off hours!

198 N. Lima, with 2053 square feet, three bedrooms and two baths, was just listed by Luther and Georgina Tsinoglou from Dickson Podley at \$835,000. The home will have an open house, Sunday, October 25 from 2-4:30 p.m. More information and photos are available at [www.Tsinoglou.com](http://www.Tsinoglou.com) or 626-408-1401.

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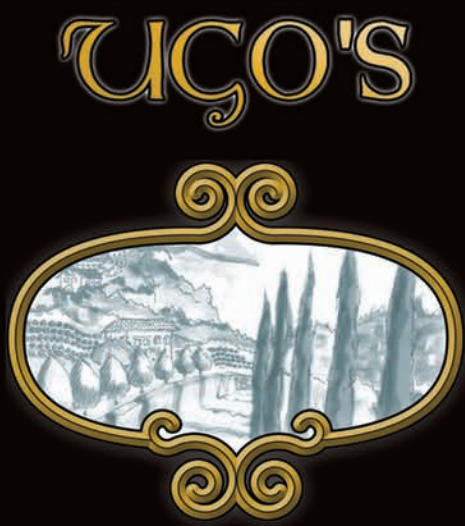
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Thursday, October 29, 2009 Time 11:00AM - 7:00PM Memorial Park North Recreation Center 340 N. Orange Pl. Azusa	Friday, October 30, 2009 Time: 9:00AM - 5:00PM Live Oak Park Community Center 10144 Bogue St. Temple City	Sunday, November 1, 2009 Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Monrovia Community Center 119 W. Palm Ave Monrovia
Tuesday, November 3, 2009 Time: 9:00AM - 5:00PM Fairplex - Pomona 1101 W. McKinley Ave Gate #3 Pomona	Thursday, November 5, 2009 Time: 10:00 AM - 6:00PM Barnes Park Community Center 350 S. McPherrin Ave. Monterey Park	Thursday, November 5, 2009 Time: 9:00AM - 4:00PM Cal Poly Pomona 3650 W. Temple Ave Pomona
Friday, November 6, 2009 Time: 10:00AM - 6:00PM Barnes Park Community Center 350 S. McPherrin Ave. Monterey Park	Saturday, November 7, 2009 Time: 9:00AM - 2:00PM Indian Hill Mall 1460 E. Holt Blvd. Pomona	

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