

SATURDAY OCTOBER 16, 2010

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The 411 on The Proposed Water Rate Hike

The Sierra Madre City Council will hold a special meeting on Tuesday, October 19, 2010, dedicated to water operations and water rates. Residents are encouraged to attend! The meeting will be held in the council chambers at 6:30 pm. City Hall is located at: 232 W. Sierra Madre Boulevard.

This meeting is being held at an important juncture in the City Council's deliberation process. The City Council wants to hear from you regarding the future of our water system.

If you have any questions, please contact the City of Sierra Madre, Department of Public Works at 626-355-7135.

2011 Tournament of Roses Royal Court Finalists



Top row, from left: #4 Catherine Huh (La Salle High School), #31 Hope Hood (Westridge School), #44 Joan-Elise DelSanto (Mayfield Senior School), #54 Brittany Tom (Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy), #35 Camille Coffey (Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy) #22 Mindy Lewis (La Salle High School)

Fourth row, from left: #67 Margaret O'Brien (La Canada High School), #130 Tenaya Senzaki (Pasadena High School), #243 Dana Kert (Maranatha High School), #273 Crandalyn Jackson (Marantha High School), #201 Katie Thomson (Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy), #85 Kyndall Taylor (La Salle High School)

Third row, from left: #279 Ashlie Hampton (Blair High School), #317 Kathryn Czuchaj (Maranatha High School), #421 Sarah Fredrickson (Maranatha High School), #433 Evanne Friedmann (La Canada High School), #389 Maanika Keesara (La Canada High School), #305 Jaslyn Elders (Arcadia High School)

Second row, from left: #441 Giselle Hillier (Arcadia High School), #513 Megan Hubbard (Temple City High School), #703 Emily Pipes (Westridge School), #708 Melody Wang (San Marino High School), #526 Heather Mann (San Marino High School), #473 Paige Conti (Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy)

First row, from left: #745 Jessica Montoya (Flintridge Preparatory School), #850 Madeleine San Martin (Westridge School), #946 Tatyane Berrios (Arcadia High School), #1025 Jennifer Der (Temple City High School), #969 Lindsey Reed (Pasadena City College), #888 Morgan Kennedy (South Pasadena High School), #833 Michelle Washington (Pasadena City College)

Photo by Dean Lee/MVNews

Sierra Madre Individual Preparedness Project Enters Final Phase and Your Participation is Needed!



Research has shown that even in the wake of 9/11 and recent natural disasters, there has been little increase in the number of citizens who have a "preparedness plan" in place to cope with a crisis or major state of emergency.

Donna Cayson, a former Sierra Madre Police Department Sergeant and graduate of the Naval Postgraduate School, is working with FEMA's National Preparedness Directorate in Washington D.C. Donna has developed a pilot project, Sierra Madre Individual Preparedness Project, to assess, encourage and increase individual and family preparedness through an all-inclusive, collaborative, community-based approach and Sierra Madre has been selected as the beta site. If successful, the "template" created in Sierra Madre will be available for use in communities nationwide.

Phase 1 of this project was a pre-survey to determine the current state of preparedness among the residents of Sierra Madre and of those who work in the city. A total of 647 residents participated in the anonymous pre-survey, thank you!

Phase 2 of the project consisted of preparedness education and training by all stakeholder groups from May through August along with hosting the Sierra Madre Family Preparedness Festival on September 11th in Memorial Park.

To measure the project's success, phase 3 of the project is currently underway and consists of a post-survey of Sierra Madre residents in order to determine the effectiveness of the all-inclusive, collaborative, community-based approach to increasing individual and family preparedness.

The success of this project will, in part, depend on how many people agree to participate in the post-survey. We ask that you do so by taking a minute to complete this anonymous survey. You can also learn more about the Sierra Madre Individual Preparedness Project by visiting the project online at <http://site.smipp.org>.

Remember, preparedness is a shared responsibility -- everyone plays a role. YOUR INVOLVEMENT COUNTS!



RESPECT

Sierra Madre Schools bring Children and Community Partners Together



Members of the Sierra Madre Elementary 5th Grade Classes performed a variety of classic tunes about Respect including the Staple Singers 'Respect Yourself.'

Parents, Students, Teachers and Administrators participated in Sierra Madre Elementary School's Community Partners Outreach Day on Thursday. The event, which began with the monthly Spotlight Assembly, was designed to give supporters a 'close up' look at the schools' daily activities.

The assembly, attended by 6th, 7th and 8th graders from the Upper Campus, was the first for this school year. Students unveiled the first of the six 'pillars' of character - RESPECT. There will be a different pillar each month, with the goal being the development of character through the performing arts. In addition students are honored for academic and civic achievement.

This is the fourth year this program has been in effect.

For the 2008-09 school year the theme was The History of the U.S.; The History of the World was the theme for the 09-10 school year and last year's theme was Character through The Visual Arts.

PTA President Melissa Castillo, along with the 5th Grade Student Council, Principal Gayle Bluemel and Vice Principal Garret Newsom, then took the partners, which included representatives from the Sierra Madre Woman's Club, The Mountain Views News, The Sierra Madre Library, The City of Sierra Madre Community Services Department and The Sierra Madre Police Department, on a tour of the campus.

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PADDLED AFTER 50 LONG YEARS!



The saying, "better late than never", is certainly fitting for an event that occurred last week, 50 years after it was originally scheduled.

Sierra Madrean Dick Clark, pictured above left, finally presented to his fraternity brother, Jim Carlin, above right, the official pledge paddle of the Dracon Chapter of the Delta Phi Kappa.

Technically, Dick's entry into the fraternity was not complete until he had presented his mentor with the paddle. However, thanks to mutual friend and frat brother Larry McCrary, the 'paddle passing' ceremony took place at a restaurant in Pasadena.

In 1957, Clark, Carlin and McCrary were all students at Pasadena City College. According to sources, former Sierra Madre Mayor Clem Bartolai was also a student at the college and a member of that fraternity. For reasons that no one can remember, Dick was never able to give his 'big brother' his 'paddle'.

As that fact came to light in recent months, McCrary decided to bring all parties together and finally 'seal the deal'.

Clark, who lives in Sierra Madre with his wife Jan, used to manage an auto dealership in Pasadena for many years.

The BUCK Turns 50!

On Tuesday, October 19th, the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce will perform the ceremonial ribbon cutting associated with new businesses, but in this case, the event will be celebrating longevity. The Buccaneer Lounge will be celebrating fifty years in business. The Buc, as it is known locally, originally opened in the 1940's as Club 60, taking its name from the address of the establishment at the time.

The owner at that time, Roger Miller, changed the name to The Buccaneer Lounge in 1960, and moved it to its current location at 70 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. in 1984. For twenty years now, the Fraser family has owned the business. Brian, who was also a volunteer firefighter in town, passed away in 1998 and the bar is now run by his wife, Gerri. Well known artist Frank Bowers, whose murals can be found at several locations in Southern California, created the 30 foot long mural that depicts pirate scenes and provides the backdrop behind the bar at the Buccaneer. Several other Bowers pirate paintings adorn the walls at the Buc. Legend has it that Bowers, who also painted sets for *Gone With the Wind*, did this work to pay off his bar tabs.

The Buccaneer, with its "Cheers-like" atmosphere, is a favorite watering hole for locals and non-locals alike.

The ribbon-cutting and mixer are scheduled for 5:30 to 7pm on the 19th. Admission is \$7 for Chamber members and \$15 for non-members which will include a complimentary buffet, as well as your choice of two draft beers, two glasses of wine, or two well drinks.

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ST. RITA 2010 HARVEST FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, OCT. 23RD 12:30-9:30PM

Games, Rides, Prizes, Food, Entertainment, Baked Goods, Silent Auction, Plants, Garden Decor & More!

FRIDAY NIGHT FAMILY PRE-FEST

BEER, BRATS & BINGO

OCT. 22ND, 6:00-9:00 P.M.

Brat or Hotdog, chips & lemonade \$5

\$1 Bingo, Music, Beer Garden

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Weather Wise

5-Day Forecast Sierra Madre, Ca.

Mon:	Showers	Hi 70s	Lows 50s
Tues:	Showers	Hi 70s	Lows 50s
Wed:	Showers	Hi 70s	Lows 50s
Thur:	Showers	Hi 70s	Lows 50s
Fri:	Partly Cloudy	Hi 70s	Lows 50s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

BARGAIN BOOK SALE AT SIERRA MADRE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Sierra Madre Library will hold a Bargain Book Table Sale inside the Library, Monday, October 18 through Saturday, October 23, during the Library's open hours. This month's featured topics are Sports, Fiction, Art, Biographies, Specialty and Children's books. Books are replenished daily, and are only \$1.00 each.

For more information call (626) 355-7186, or visit our website at www.sierramadre.lib.ca.us. The Sierra Madre Public Library, located at 440 West Sierra Madre Boulevard in Sierra Madre, is open Monday through Wednesday from Noon to 9 p.m., Thursday and Friday from Noon to 6 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Alverno's Festival of Haunts is October 30!

Come as you aren't to Alverno High School's Festival of Haunts on Saturday, October 30 from 4-7 p.m. Alverno's freshman class sponsors dress-up fun and games on the first floor, while older kids can explore the creeepy attic, with shills and chills caused by the sophomore class.

Don't miss this opportunity for Halloween fun at Alverno High School's Villa del Sol d Oro, 200 N. Michillinda in Sierra Madre. Admission is \$2 for kids aged 1 to 9, \$3 for kids aged 10 to 99. Anyone older than 99 gets in free! Call (626) 355-3463 for more information. All proceeds go to charity.



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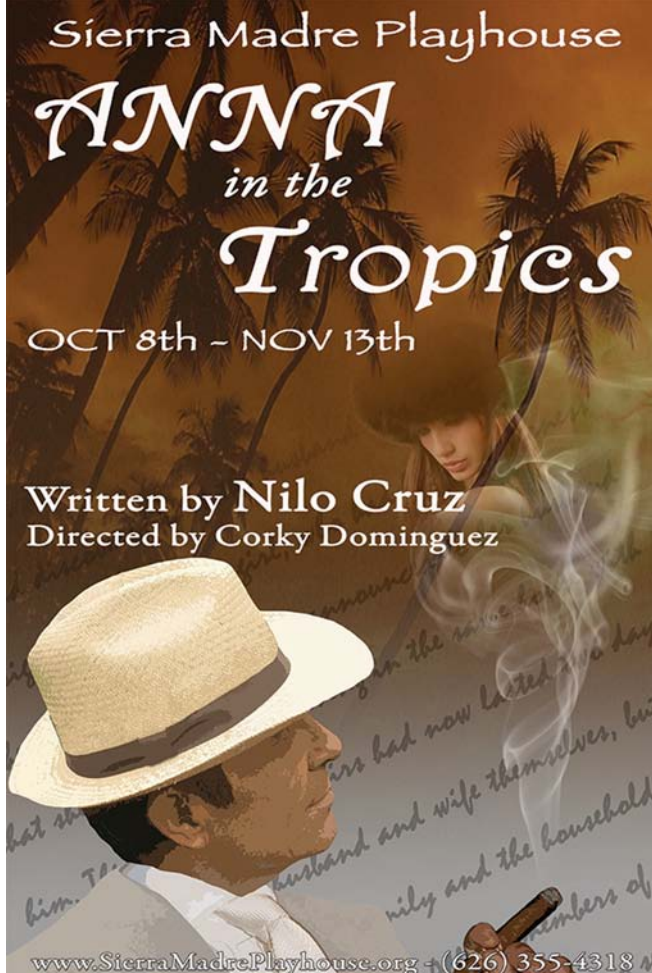
Halloween Family Event

Sierra Madre United Methodist Church

What will you be for Halloween? Whether you are a child or an adult past the age of trick or treating, you are invited to join us on Sunday, October 24, at 10:30 a.m., following church services, for the church's annual Halloween Chili and Mummy Dog Brunch.

In addition to preparing the chili 'n' dogs and sweet treats, Adult and Family Ministries will be providing materials for children to make one-of-a-kind canvas trick or treat bags. There is no age restriction, and all are welcome at this family-friendly event.

The Sierra Madre UMC is located at 695 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. in Sierra Madre, on the northeast corner of Michillinda and Sierra Madre Blvd. There is ample parking in the church's lot, accessed off Michillinda. For more information or directions, please call the church office at 626-355-0629.



ANNA IN THE TROPICS OPENS AT SIERRA MADRE PLAYHOUSE ON OCTOBER 8

WHEN: Oct. 8- Nov. 13, 2010. Fri. & Sat. at 8, Sun. at 2:30. Dark on Oct. 10. Gala Opening Night performance on Friday, October 8 is preceded by a light buffet and Champagne reception at 7:15 p.m.

ADMISSION: \$20. Seniors (65+) and students (13-17), \$12. Children 12 and under, \$12.

RESERVATIONS: (626) 355-4318.

ONLINE TICKETING: www.sierramadreplayhouse.org

The cast for the Sierra Madre Playhouse production of "Anna in the Tropics" includes Arturo Aranda, Gerry Del Sol, Minerva Garcia, Eric Neil Gutierrez, Vanessa Marquez, Arturo Medina, Will Vasquez and Claudia Vazquez.

Assistant director: April Ibarra.

Sierra Madre Playhouse has found a comfortable niche, presenting mid-century American and British classics. In its new period of growth, it plans to expand its audience by presenting more challenging contemporary works. That includes "Anna in the Tropics," one of the new century's best plays.

Sierra Madre Playhouse Second Stage Coming Up

October 24, 7:30pm War of the Worlds radio play directed by Bill Martyn

You are in the studio as this exact rendition of the original October 30, 1938 Orson Wells radio broadcast captures the horror that set off panic across the nation.

November 7, 7pm Tin Pan Alley Years by Julia Riva
Three-time Academy Award winner Harry Warren got his musical start in Tin Pan Alley in the early 1900s. Julia Riva, Harry's granddaughter, wrote and stars in this memoir of those early days. Join Harry, Julia, and the Theatres of Vision Gang as they sing and dance some of Harry's Tin Pan Alley hits like "I Found a Million Dollar Baby," "You're My Everything," "This Heart of Mine," and many, many more.

"THE WIZARD OF OZ" AT SIERRA MADRE PLAYHOUSE ; BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND THROUGH NOVEMBER 13



Join Dorothy, Toto and all of their new found friends in this lively, colorful, magical musical adventure based on L. Frank Baum's much loved story. The interactive show permits the kids in the audience to be Munchkins, stuff the scarecrow, oil the tin woodman, play poppies in the field and hide Dorothy from the wicked witch.

The yellow brick road through the audience is much traveled by Dorothy and her friends on their adventure-filled journey to the magical land of Oz.

June Chandler, long associated with Sierra Madre Playhouse, directs a cast that includes Steve Cipriani, Guy Crawford, Dan Ellis, Ron Johnston, Donna Ieraci, Shirley McConnell, Bruce Nehlsen and Lynda Rohrbacher.

Written by Steve and Kathy Hotchner. Presented by June Chandler's Fairy Tale Theatre. Produced by special arrangement with Dramatic Publishing Company.

"The Wizard of Oz." At Sierra Madre Playhouse, 87 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. Plenty of free parking behind theatre. September 25, October 9, 16, 23, 30, November 6 and 13. Saturdays at 2 p.m. Adults, \$18. Children 12 and under, \$12. (626) 355-4318. Online ticketing: www.sierramadreplayhouse.org



By Sierra Madre Sue Behrens

HOT STUFF!

"We're havin' a heatwave, a tropical heatwave..." I was going to pose the questions as to who sang it first, who made it more famous the second time, in what movies, and who wrote it, but all you have to do these days is look it up on the internet - way too easy! For those of you who do, check out the lyrics - pretty racy stuff for 1938 and even 1954! I'm not gonna give away the answers though... you never know when QuizMistress Deanna might want to use 'em in her Tuesday Night Trivia at Cafe 322! I suggest you do your homework. Trivia Night details below and photo of the hostess attached. You can also see her perform with the Mellow Dz, Mercy & the Merkettes and New Astroturf.

"TUESDAY NIGHT TRIVIA" @ CAFE 322 with QUIZMASTER DEANNA, 8pm. \$2 per person to play, CASH or gift certificates to the top 3 teams. Fun and educational! 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414.

"WEDNESDAY NIGHT PLATTER PARTY" @ THE BUCCANEER, 9pm. Bring your favorite vinyl records and play an entire side on the house turntable, commercial free! 70 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-355-9045. No cover, full bar, friendly service!

SUN. 10/17 - BARRY "BIG B" BRENNER @ FIREFLY BISTRO IN SOUTH PASADENA, every Sunday, 11am - 2pm. 1009 El Centro. 626-441-2443. <http://www.bigbbrenner.com/>

SUN. 10/17 - "OPERA TO BROADWAY" VOCAL PERFORMANCES @ CAFE 322 IN SIERRA MADRE, 7-10pm. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. Full bar and great Italian food. Every Sunday evening. Get there early - they pack 'em in!

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TUES. 10/19 - Band practice with the Aluminum Marshmallow & The Age of Aquarius Horns at Mario's Cafe 322, immediately following trivia with Quizmistress Deanna (9-11ish). 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414.

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THURS. 10/21 - BARRY "BIG B" BRENNER @ FIREFLY BISTRO IN SOUTH PASADENA, 6 - 9pm, every Thursday. 1009 El Centro. 626-441-2443. Burgers, Brews & BLUES. <http://www.bigbbrenner.com/>

THURS. 10/21 - RICK SHEA & THE LOSIN' END @ CAFE 322 IN SIERRA MADRE, 8 - 11pm. Full bar & great Italian food! 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. Americana/Roots/Country.

SAT. 10/23 - "BLUESAPALOOZA" IN DOWNTOWN COVINA WITH LIVE MUSIC ON SEVERAL STAGES, BEER GARDEN, KIDS' ACTIVITIES, ETC. bluesapalooza.org

SAT. 10/23 - St. Rita's Harvest Festival. (Show time and supporting acts to be determined.) The annual pilgrimage to the birth place of the Aluminum Marshmallow. Games, rides, food, beer/wine. 322 N. Baldwin Ave. Sierra Madre.

FRI. 10/29 - HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS IN DOWNTOWN SIERRA MADRE FOR THE KIDS - TRICK OR TREATING @ SHOPS & RESTAURANTS 3:30-5pm, COSTUME CONTEST SIGN-UPS in Kersting Court 4-5pm, COSTUME PARADE from Kersting Court to Memorial Park 5pm, COSTUME CONTEST in the Park 5:30pm.

FRI. 10/29 - SWING DANCE PARTY with FLAT TOP TOM & HIS JUMPCATS @ CAFE 322, 8 - 11pm. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. Full bar, great Italian food, dance floor.

SAT. 10/30 - HALLOWEEN FREAKOUT COSTUME PARTY AND CONTEST WITH MERCY & THE MERKETTES @ CAFE 322 IN SIERRA MADRE, 8pm - Midnight. 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-836-5414. Cash prizes!

SAT. 10/30 - HALLOWEEN COSTUME & DANCE PARTY @ THE AMERICAN LEGION IN EAST PASADENA, 8pm - Midnight with SNOTTY SCOTTY & THE HANKIES and HORSES ON ASTROTURF. 179 N. Vinedo Ave. 626-792-9938.

SAT. 10/30 - MORE HALLOWEEN MADNESS and 1st ANNIVERSARY BASH @ T. BOYLE'S TAVERN IN PASADENA, 9pm? 37 N. Catalina (in the alley - formerly Toe's Tavern and the Handlebars) Live band, costume contest, spicy pickled eggs! <http://www.tboylestavern.com/>

Please remember to call and verify all info. before making plans. Everything is subject to change. This is show biz, after all...

Hope to see you out & about, SierraMadreSue
sierramadresue@yahoo.com

FUMC VARIETY HOUR

On Saturday, November 6th at 7pm, First United Methodist Church of Pasadena presents the "FUMC Variety Hour."

The public is invited to come see the entertaining talents of members of the church and also support the "Friends in Deed's" food pantry. A pre-show dinner is also available to those that purchase tickets in advance, but, to see the show there is merely a suggested donation of canned goods which will go directly to "Friends in Deeds".

For more information or to purchase tickets for the pre-show dinner contact the church at 626.796.0157. The show will be in the Great Hall and First United Methodist Church is located at 500 East Colorado Blvd. Pasadena, CA 91101. All are welcome.

ST. RITA'S SEMI-ANNUAL WELCOME EVENT

Sunday, November 7 at 3 p.m.

New to St. Rita's church or school and don't feel you know many members? Moved to Sierra Madre recently, and looking for a new Catholic church home? Belonged to St. Rita's for a long time, but don't feel you've connected yet? Let us welcome you to St. Rita's!

Join us Sunday afternoon, November 7, at 3 p.m. for a casual wine and cheese gathering at the home of Dick and Chris Bertrand. Please bring a bottle of wine or your favorite beverage, a cheese and crackers plate, or an appetizer to share.

Representatives of various St. Rita organizations will join our pastor, Monsignor Krekelberg, to welcome you to our wonderful parish community! At 5 p.m., following the gathering, we will tour the St. Rita's campus and facilities, with those who are interested. Children are always welcome! RSVP to Chris Bertrand at 626-355-1621 or to PR@St-Rita.org.



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2010

3:30-5:00PM - DOWNTOWN TRICK-0-TREATING
4:00-5:00PM - COSTUME CONTEST SIGN-UP (@ KERSTING COURT)
5:00PM - COSTUME PARADE (STARTS IN KERSTING COURT)
5:30PM - COSTUME CONTEST (@ MEMORIAL PARK)

ALL EVENTS FREE
CALL 626-355-5278 FOR MORE INFORMATION
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REMEMBRANCE

JOE GRIPPI - 1925-2010

Joe Grippi, 85, passed away peacefully at his home in Sierra Madre on October 7, surrounded by his loving family.

Born on July 10, 1925, to Cosma and Joseph Grippi at the family home on North Mountain Trail, Joe lived most of his life in Sierra Madre. He was the first child to be baptized in St. Rita's RCC on North Baldwin Avenue.



After graduating from John Muir High School in 1942, Joe enlisted in the U.S. Navy, serving on a destroyer in the South Pacific, and training gunners at the Navy center in Dahlgren, VA. After an honorable discharge in 1946, he returned to Sierra Madre to raise a family.

Joe worked for the U.S. Post Office before establishing a career as a local independent distributor of the LA Times. He was deeply committed to his hometown throughout his life, serving for nine years as chairman of the City's Parks and Recreation Commission, and playing an integral role in the development of the Recreation Center at Sierra Vista Park, Dapper Field, and a Bailey Canyon Wilderness Park protected area. Joe was also a longtime member of the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club, serving as president in 1964.

Many will remember Joe as a lifelong baseball player and ardent fan. His love of the game led him to serve as a youth baseball coach throughout the 1960s and 70s.

After retiring from the LA times, Joe enjoyed reading, gardening, cooking, traveling, concert-going, and attending UCLA football and Dodger baseball games.

Joe was preceded in death by sisters Margie and Annie, and brothers Joseph and John. He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Barbara; daughters Linda Grippi, Margie Lorusso, Beth Brady, and son Vince Grippi; seven grandchildren; and brother David Groth.

A High Mass Funeral was held on October 13 at the Church of the Ascension in Sierra Madre, followed by internment at Sierra Madre Pioneer Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Church of the Ascension, 25 E. Laurel Ave., Sierra Madre, CA, 91024, in care of the Very Reverend Michael Bamberger, to honor Rev. Bamberger's longtime service to the residents of Sierra Madre.

In An Emergency Tune To 1630 (()) AM Sierra Madre Community Radio

If there's an earthquake, fire, or other emergency, **1630-AM** will broadcast important safety information. Listen on any **AM** radio.

Put a sticker on your radio!

Stickers courtesy of the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club



Sierra Madre Police Blotter

During the week of Sunday, October 3rd, to Saturday October 9th, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 302 calls for service.

Sunday, October 3rd:

3:00 PM- Battery, 100 block N. Mountain Trail Ave. A resident reported a domestic fight call. Upon officers' arrival, neither party was interested in prosecution.

Thursday October 7th:

5:21 PM- Use Another's Personal Identification to Obtain Credit/Etc, 600 block Camillo St. No additional information available.

Friday October 8th:

9:47 AM- Grand Theft Exceeding \$400.00, 100 blk. N Baldwin Ave. Suspect(s) entered an unlocked parked car and took a Dell 15" laptop computer valued at \$1800.00, two external hard drives valued at \$400.00 and a checkbook valued at \$35.00. Item were later found at a Pasadena golf course.

1:58 PM- Inflicting Corporal Injury on Spouse, 600 blk. Oakcrest Dr. Officers responded to a call of an argument between a boyfriend and girlfriend. Officers determined that the man was a danger to himself and others. He was detained for a 72 hour psychiatric evaluation.

2:33PM- Grand Theft Exceeding \$400.00, Baldwin Ave and Laurel Ave. A suspect entered an unlocked and parked car and stole a Blackberry cell phone, \$7.00 in cash, and a wallet containing credit cards.

Local Artist Prepares for Beverly Hills Show

Sierra Madrean Djibril N'Doye hosted a "Signing Ceremony" at his home studio to sign 8 new original ballpoint pen drawings, in anticipation of his upcoming exhibit in Beverly Hills at the annual outdoor art festival called "Affaire in the Gardens", to be held October 16-17th, in the Beverly Gardens Park, 242 N. Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, along Santa Monica Blvd.

Long-time friend and art collector, actor, CCH Pounder, attended the Signing Ceremony as Guest of Honor, along with other dear friends and artists. Djibril has recently been honored by the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library annual Wine and Cuisine Tasting fundraising committee by being asked to design original art for the 41st annual event poster. The poster will herald the upcoming fundraising event. The original colored ballpoint pen drawing will be for auction at the event. Djibril is donating all proceeds from the sale of the original to the Friends of the Library.

Having been a ribbon winner at the Beverly Hills art show last Fall, Djibril is very much looking forward to exhibiting his newly signed ballpoint pen drawings, and has chosen several to be available as signed/numbered, limited edition prints.



Attending the 'signing' are, (l to r): Hortense Scott, Djibril N'Doye, Moira Love, Tom Love, and CCH Pounder.

Affaire in the Gardens

October 16 & 17th
Saturday and Sunday
10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Beverly Gardens Park
Santa Monica Blvd at Rodeo Drive
Free and open to the public Booth #119

Creative Arts Group 50th Anniversary

Creative Arts Group's 50th Year Celebration continues as the nonprofit art center kicks off its 2010 Art Festival with a gala opening and reception Friday, November 5th from 7-9 p.m. The work of more than 80 artists will be on display and for sale in the Jameson Gallery and art center located at 108 N. Baldwin Ave. in Sierra Madre. Several 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 maché 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 - on Saturday from 1-4 pm.

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. Even our students get into the festivities with a Student Art Sale Friday and Saturday.

Festival hours on Saturday, November 6th are from 10 am to 5 pm, and Sunday, November 7, from 11 am to 5 pm. For more information contact Creative Arts Group at (626) 355-8350 or visit our website at www.creativeartsgroup.org. (See our ad - pg. 16)

Do You Know Me? Turtle Found



I'm lost. I was found on W. Highland just strolling around on Thursday. If you recognize me, please call the Mountain Views at 626-355-2737

GENERAL PLAN COMMITTEE CALENDAR

Mon, Oct 25th
222 W Sierra Madre Blvd
Hart Park House Senior
Center, 7:00 pm
Outreach/
Communications Team

Wed, Oct 27th
City Council Chambers,
6:00 pm
General Plan Steering
Committee



Halloween Games Tea At Woman's Club

Sierra Madre Woman's Club will host an afternoon of bridge or a game of your choice on Saturday, October 23rd from 1 to 4 pm at the Essick House, their historic clubhouse. The clubhouse is located at 550 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre.

Jan O'Day, tea chair extraordinaire, will once again provide a lavish tea buffet for players to "take tea" at anytime all afternoon. She is well known for her delicious and delectable refreshments.

Eva Poet chairs the event and invites you to gather friends and play together or come alone and join a group. For a hoot, she suggests you come in costume.

Tickets are \$15.00 with proceeds supporting club philanthropies. For reservations or more information, call Dorothy Murphy at 626-355-6395. It will be a "Boo To You" if you miss this lovely party.



2011 Entertainment Books Are Here!



Please help the Sierra Madre Rose Float Association raise funds for the 2011 Entry "Suenos De California" buy buying an Entertainment Coupon Book today. You'll not only be helping a wonderful cause, you will save \$\$\$ when you redeem the coupons.

The book starts at \$25.00 for the San Gabriel Valley. Others are available at various prices.

Please call Ann at 626-574-1331



Request for Proposals for Wistaria Vine Newsletter and Brochure

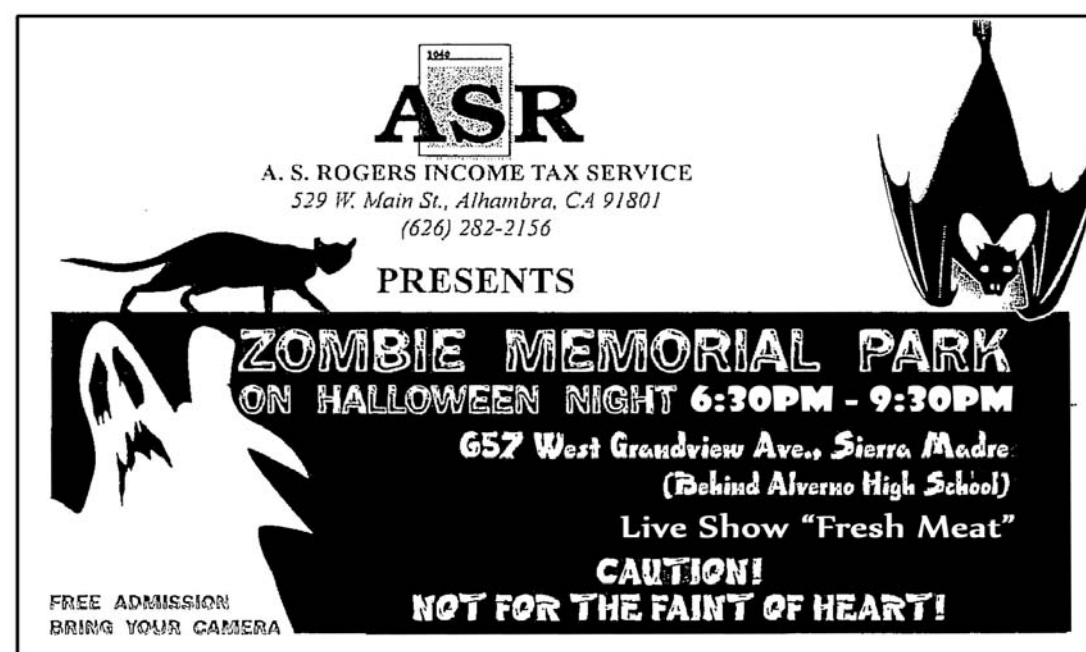
The City of Sierra Madre is inviting proposals for the printing of the Wistaria Vine Newsletter and

Brochure publication. Interested parties must submit a complete proposal by Monday, November 1, 2010. Copies of the Request for Proposal (RFP) may be obtained from the Community and Personnel Services Office, located at 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024 or from the City's website at www.cityofsierramadre.com.

For more information please contact Adam Matsumoto, Recreation Supervisor, at 626-355-5278 ext. 704.



Call 626.836.8353
Fax 626.836.8373



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General Plan Hearing Oct. 26

The Arcadia Planning Commission will hold a final public hearing on the proposed General Plan for the City of Arcadia on Oct. 26 before making a recommendation to the City Council, which will hold its own public hearing on Nov. 16.

On Sept. 14 about 50 people attended a Planning Commission workshop and provided good feedback relative to the proposed zoning code amendments that are being recommended in the Plan. The same day the City received a favorable letter from Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) that the Housing Element in the draft of the Plan complies with State housing and Element law, which means no changes will be required. Subsequently, Council members were provided hard copies of all the completed draft materials, including the Draft General Plan, the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), and the proposed zoning code amendments to the Municipal Code, which they went over at a Study Session on Oct. 5.

All of these materials continue to be available to the public on the City's General Plan website.

— By Scott Hettrick, Arcadia's Best

GOBLINS IN THE GARDEN

A HALLOWEEN HAUNT AT THE ARBORETUM

Saturday, October 30, 2010
10:00am-2:00pm

HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AGES 10 AND UNDER
Special Treats for Children in Costume!


<p>TRICKS & TREATS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frightfully fun art, gardening games & facepainting Scary Stories - Mystical Magic Lively Lurking Critters - Beguiling bugs 	<p>WHERE THE GHOSTS & GOBLINS GO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore the Weaver's Garden Desert Display & Water Conservation Gardens Madagascar Spiny Forest Epiphyllum Shade & Carnivorous Greenhouses Creepy crafts - Ghouliah golf
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ECTOPLASMIC EXTRAS

Frightful food - Magical potions - Shrieking sweets
Phantasmagoric photos of boys and ghouls
Spooktacular souvenirs - Bewitching books
Haunting Horse-drawn Hayrides

Regular Arboretum Admission Fees Apply
Additionally, to participate in Children's Halloween Activities:
Members @ \$5.00/Child Non-Members @ \$10.00/Child
Admission Cash Only - No Credit Cards
- No Reservations -

Free overflow parking in Santa Anita Park, Lot 7 (across from The Arboretum)
- No tram service -
www.arboretum.org


The Arboretum
1001 NORTHERN AVENUE, ARCADIA, CA 91007

Arcadia Police Blotter

For the period of Sunday, October 3 through Saturday, October 9, the Police Department responded to 1,007 calls for service of which 112 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, October 3:

- Officer's responded to the 900 block of West Duarte Road regarding a vehicle burglary. At approximately 7:30 p.m. the victim parked his car in his detached garage, secured the windows but left the doors unlocked, did not set the car alarm and did not close the rolling garage door. Taken was a GPS, a bottle of cologne, a pair of sunglasses and an I phone charger.
- Officers responded to the 100 block of West Leroy Ave. regarding a grand theft. The victim's vehicle was parked in the driveway and was left unlocked. Stolen was a digital camera, a GPS and an Apple Ipod. The total loss was \$900.00.

Monday, October 4:

- The victim came to the station around 12:42 p.m. to report a battery. The victim observed a suspect by his vehicle and approached the suspect, which was known to him. The suspect was the victim's former employer. The two engaged in a verbal argument that escalated into a physical fight.
- Officers were dispatched to the 200 block of Colorado Blvd. regarding a check written with insufficient funds complaint. Between August 3, 2010 and September 9, 2010, the victim worked for JKC Productions LLC. On September 2, 2010, the victim was given a Bank of America check for \$1,200.00 for his services. On September 3, 2010, the victim attempted to cash the check but could not due to insufficient funds. He later finds out that the account has been closed and the company is no longer in business.

Tuesday, October 5:

- Officers were dispatched to 40 N. First Avenue, Yvonne's Hair Studio, regarding a vandalism investigation. The victim arrived at her hair studio around 9:00 a.m. and found that her business sign next to the main entrance had been vandalized with some type of abrasive material. No suspects were seen.
- An auto burglary occurred in the 900 block of West Huntington Dr. between 6:30 p.m. on October 4, 2010, and 8:30 a.m. on October 5, 2010. Unknown suspect(s) smashed the front right-side window with an unknown blunt object and stole the victims GPS.

Wednesday, October 6:

- Officers responded to 12 N. First Street, The Frame House, regarding a vandalism investigation. Unknown suspect(s) inscribed several words on the victim's business windows using an unknown hard object and white paint. Officers at the scene noticed five other businesses on the same block had also been vandalized.
- A grand theft occurred between September 29, 2010, and October 5, 2010, in the 1100 block of Louis Street. Unknown suspect(s) entered the house by unknown means and stole several items of jewelry from the bathroom. The total amount of property stolen was in excess of \$10,000.

Thursday, October 7:

- Officers respond to an audible alarm in the 100 block of El Dorado Street. Upon arrival the officers saw that the front door had been forced open and the master bedroom had been ransacked. An unknown amount of property had been taken.

Friday, October 8:

- Officers responded to 11621 Clark Street, Total Office Solutions, Inc., regarding a commercial burglary. The unknown suspect(s) entered the business through the front door by unknown means, since there was no damage or signs of forced entry. The suspect took various specialty computer tools, a vacuum cleaner and a portable stereo.
- A traffic stop for an equipment violation was made on Camino Real Avenue around 11:43 p.m. When contact was made with the driver, the officer noticed the driver's eyes were bloodshot and red and he also noticed the odor of marijuana emitting from the vehicle. During a consensual search of the vehicle, the officer found a green plastic bottle on the front passenger floorboard. Inside the bottle was a green leafy substance. The driver was cited and released at the scene.

Saturday, October 9:

- Officers were dispatched to Westfield Shopping Center where JcPenny Loss Prevention Officers were holding a female adult in custody for theft. The suspect was seen and caught on video surveillance cameras selecting numerous items from the sales rack and concealing them in her purse and pants pockets then walking out of the store without paying for the items. The total amount of stolen items was \$472.99. The suspect was taken into custody and booked for grand theft.
- Officers were dispatched to the Westfield Shopping Center parking lot around 10:21 p.m. in reference to a battery report. The victim stated he was approached by an acquaintance who said he needed to talk to him. The victim followed the suspect into an elevator. Once inside the elevator, the suspect began hitting the victim with a closed fist in the head and face.

GONE WITH THE NEW, BACK WITH THE OLD: Santa Anita Main Track Under Construction - Horses To Return In Time For The Holidays

ARCADIA, Calif. (Oct. 12, 2010)—Construction to replace Santa Anita's synthetic main track with a natural dirt surface began on Monday and it is anticipated work on the project will continue into early December. Horses are projected to return to training over the one mile oval on Dec. 6, roughly three weeks in advance of Santa Anita's traditional winter/spring meeting opener on Dec. 26.

"This marks the beginning of a very important chapter in our history here at Santa Anita," said Santa Anita President George Haines. "There is a great deal of anticipation from all corners of the Thoroughbred industry and we're very excited to get this project underway and to return to live racing."

Santa Anita was required by mandate from the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) to install a synthetic main track in the fall of 2007. In order to remain in compliance with CHRB regulations, Santa Anita recently petitioned the CHRB to issue a waiver to this mandate.

Haines noted that in order for the waiver to be granted, the top layer of the new track surface will need to undergo a variety of tests which will be overseen by the CHRB.

"We are currently working with both the California Thoroughbred Trainers (CTT) and the CHRB, and together, we're developing a consensus with regard to the composition of the various soils that we'll be using," said Haines.

MI Developments (MID), Santa Anita's

parent company, has dispatched Ted Malloy, who has been involved with the installation of several tracks around the country and who has been involved in track maintenance for more than 38 years, to oversee the project.

"We just started to take the synthetic

Malloy said following the removal of the current drainage system, work will begin on installing an organic base.

"After the rocks are completely removed, the new base material will be applied and we anticipate that will take about two weeks (Oct. 31-Nov. 13). After the base is in place and compacted to proper density, we'll start to apply the cushion mix, which is what we run on."

Malloy noted that the cushion will be mixed by Vulcan Materials in nearby Irwindale.

"The soils will be coming from several different places and Vulcan will make the cushion mix out of a conglomeration of several types of sands and clay, to our specifications.

"After the cushion is in place, we will harrow and water it until the material is stabilized and this should take at least one week."



material off today," said Malloy on Monday. "We've had skip loaders out on the track, piling it up and we'll start hauling it off tomorrow. We anticipate it'll take about two weeks to remove all of the synthetic material.

"We hope to clear the rocks underneath, which are part of the drainage system, the following week (Oct. 24-30)."

Santa Anita is currently closed for training but is open for simulcast wagering on tracks around the country, including Hollywood Park.

For more information on Santa Anita's simulcast schedule, the upcoming winter/spring meet and the main track construction project that is currently underway, fans are encouraged to visit www.santaanita.com.

Cancellation of Knott's Berry Farm Excursion

The Knott's Berry Farm Excursion scheduled for Friday, October 22, 2010 has been cancelled due to low enrollment.

Veterans Day Event

Arcadia Senior Services is having their annual Veterans Day event on November 9, 2010 at 11:30am honoring all those individuals who have served in the military services. This special tribute to our armed forces includes a catered lunch and music by the "Swing Machine" playing patriotic songs. This event takes place at the Arcadia Community Center, 365 Campus Drive. The cost is \$10.00, non-refundable but if you have been a member of the armed forces and can provide proof of service, your lunch will be complimentary.

There is limited space available and this event is for individuals age 50 and over. If interested in attending tickets can be purchased at Arcadia Senior Services Department before November 1, 2010. For additional information please call 626.574.5130

What's New At The Arcadia Historical Museum

"History of the Arcadia Public Library" Topic of the Next Brown Bag Lunch Talk

Carolyn Garner-Reagan, Director of the Arcadia Public Library and the Arcadia Historical Museum, will be the guest speaker October 21 at noon. Brown Bag Lunch Talks take place the third Thursday of the month on the Museum's outdoor patio. Please dress appropriately according to weather conditions. Bring your lunch and listen to our guest speakers who will present snippets about Arcadia history, people, places and events. For more information on each talk, please call the Museum or consult our website at 574-5440.

Celebrate Dia de los Muertos On Saturday, October 23 at 12:30 p.m., come celebrate a festival tracing back to the Aztec period; Dia de los Muertos or Day of the Dead.

There will be fun for all. Activities will include making a calacas puppet, making sugar calaveras, hearing a story about this cultural holiday and other fun activities.

Seating is limited. Families will be accepted in the order that they are in line.

The Arcadia Historical Museum is located at 380 W. Huntington Drive, immediately behind the Community Center. The Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is always free.

Cooking for Tots and Fun with Cooking Classes

The City of Arcadia Recreation and Community Services Department is excited to announce a second session of cooking classes for tots (ages 4-6) and youth (ages 7-12). The Cooking for Tots offers hands on basic cooking for younger children. The Fun with Cooking for youth teaches kitchen basics, table setting, manners and shopping tips as well as cooking simple meals and snacks.

Both the Cooking for Tots and Fun with Cooking classes are held once a week on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays (no Thursday class on November 11th, 25th and December 2nd) starting October 18th for 5 weeks at a cost of \$30. A \$25 materials cash fee for food prepared during the class series must be paid at the first class meeting. Children need to bring an apron and a container to each class. Tot class times are from 4-5pm and Youth class times are from 5:15-6:45pm.

All classes will take place in the kitchen at the Community Center, 365 Campus Drive, Arcadia, CA 91007. For more information please call 626.574.5113

"Cover to Cover Club" at the Arcadia Public Library

In-N-Out Burger is back with a new name for their annual Fall reading program at the Arcadia Public Library. Are you a hungry reader? Then join In-N-Out's "Cover to Cover Club" at the Arcadia Public Library.

For every five books read, children ages four to twelve can earn a certificate good for an In-N-Out hamburger, up to three certificates maximum.

Sign up at the Children's Information Desk at the Arcadia Public Library beginning Saturday, October 9. The last day to report is November 20.

The Arcadia Public Library is located at 20 W. Duarte Rd. Arcadia. For more information, please call (626) 821-5566.


Dragon Tales at the Arcadia Public Library

Saturday, October 23; 2:30 p.m.

Join us for a Saturday afternoon of dragon stories and tales on other magical creatures. Sing songs from some of your favorite fairy-tales, and create an amazing craft to take home. Younger children may need to be accompanied by an adult to assist with the craft.




The Arcadia Public Library is located at 20 W. Duarte Rd. Arcadia. For more information, please call (626) 821-5566.


LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARBORETUM & BOTANIC GARDEN

LECTURE
Sunday, October 24, 4pm

CHARLES PERRY: History of Wine Making in the San Gabriel Valley



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FOOTHILL UNITY DENTAL FOR KIDS



Fear has disappeared for this young lady as she 'hi fives' her dentist. (above) Below, first class, state of the art care is provided at no cost to children who participate in the program.



100+ low-income kids get much-needed dental care at no cost through Foothill Unity Center collaboration October 12, 2010 — When the University of Southern California School of Dentistry conducted free screenings at Foothill Unity Center's 2009 Back to School event, they found a shocking 87% of the children they saw had one or more visually decayed teeth. 15% had urgent care conditions that included abscesses and pain. Dental problems are the #1 reason children miss school. Foothill Unity Center, the USC Mobile Dental Clinic team, and the Monrovia Unified School District worked together to find a solution.

On October 9-15, the team presented a week-long mobile clinic for local low-income children with serious dental conditions. The event, held at Plymouth Elementary School in Monrovia, began Friday and Saturday with care and evaluation for all children including X-rays, cleaning, sealants, and a plan of treatment. Children returned during the week as many times as needed complete the treatments from USC dental students and faculty, supervised by licensed pediatric and general dentists. The work was done in a fleet of converted RVs equipped with full dental equipment and furnishings. While the USC Mobile Clinic is a model of organization, its visit to Plymouth Elementary demanded a separate set of complex logistics. They were masterminded by Foothill Unity Center Health Services Director Cathy Klose, RN., in collaboration with Loretta Whitson, Director of Student

Support Services for MUSD. Center volunteers were positioned throughout the program area to provide directions, handle sign-ins, and help keep the process running smoothly.

An estimated \$1,500 to \$2,000 worth of free dental services was provided to each child. Much of the amount was covered by donations from the community. "We're very grateful to our sponsors for making this event possible," said the Center's Executive Director, Joan Whitenack. "Key funders of the \$51,000 USC Dental Project include the San Marino Women's Club (\$25,000), Kaiser Permanente Baldwin Park (\$15,000) and a host of individual contributors. The Center still needs help to cover \$8,000 in costs. For more information, contact Cathy Klose at 626-359-1777 or cathy@foothillunitycenter.org. About Foothill Unity Center Now in its thirtieth year, Foothill Unity Center provides a range of services unparalleled not only in the San Gabriel Valley, but across Los Angeles County. Operating with a small staff and a corps of dedicated volunteers, the nonprofit, nondenominational organization distributed over four million pounds of food to 3,974 unduplicated very low-income families last year. It also provides some health services, limited motel vouchers, and referrals to the homeless and people in crisis. Clients meet stringent income guidelines and are recertified annually. Over 93% of every dollar goes to programs. For more information, call the Center at (626) 358-3486.

Monrovia Police Blotter

During the last seven day period, the Police Department handled 526 service events, resulting in 123 investigations. Following are the last week's highlighted issues and events:

Robbery

September 23 at 6:27 a.m., an officer responded to Duarte and Myrtle regarding a robbery that had just occurred. A female victim reported that a male subject in his early 20s, thin build, buzzed haircut, no facial hair, and wearing a baggie gray sweatshirt exited a vehicle and punched her. The suspect grabbed her purse and got back into a black, four-door vehicle, possibly a Nissan Maxima, and fled southbound on Myrtle. The victim sustained a cut above her right eye. Investigation continuing.

Grand Theft

September 23 at 12:54 p.m., an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 700 block of West Duarte regarding a theft. The victim parked his motorized bicycle in front of his door in the evening, but failed to secure it. The next day, he went outside to go to work and found his bicycle was missing. He did not hear anything suspicious during the night.

Assault

September 24 at 2:41 p.m., an officer met with the victim of an assault who had come to the police station to file a report. The victim was in a wheelchair and was accompanied by a friend. The victim reported that he had been at a bar in 300 block of West Huntington on Friday, September 17. He said he had been drinking and that two subjects had assaulted him. He was driven to a hospital and admitted for injuries. The victim did not have much information to provide about the incident. Investigation continuing.

Residential Burglary

On September 24 at 10:41 p.m., an officer responded to the 500 block of East Foothill regarding a residential burglary. Unknown suspects had entered the victim's residence and the victim's rear house through open bathroom windows. Once inside, the locations the suspects stole a television set and power tools. The investigation is continuing.

Grand Theft

September 25 at 10:41 a.m., an officer responded to the parking lot of a business in the 100 block of West Foothill regarding a theft. The female victim had pushed her shopping cart to her vehicle. As she opened the door of her car, a vehicle pulled up next to the shopping cart and a subject grabbed her purse from the cart and fled in the vehicle. Investigation continuing.

Burglary

September 25 at 3:56 p.m., a business in the 500 block of West Huntington reported a theft. An officer responded and determined a subject had walked into the store, grabbed a mesh shopping bag, selected three men's electric shavers and exited the store without paying. As the loss prevention officers exited the store, they saw the suspect getting into a burgundy Toyota Camry that fled the scene. Investigation continuing.

MONROVIA CELEBRATES THE ARTS

By Vivianne-Marie Parker

Sundays are a perfect day to spend in the park. Featured artist Ginger Van Hook remembers the times when she played at Library Park in Monrovia, California, as a child. "Monrovia is one of the beautiful cities in Los Angeles," said Ms. Van Hook as she looked around the park where today she was being honored for her work in giving back to the community.

Today's event was an artisan fair called "Celebrate the Arts", which is sponsored by the Monrovia Association of Fine Arts. The purpose was to help raise funds for community art programs for Monrovia schools both public and private through booth sales and silent auctions from the two-day event. The fair also is a great platform for artists like Ms. Van Hook to display their work. The artists there had unique and simplistic approaches to developing their work from metal art frames to watercolor pieces to photographic pieces.

At the Castellanos booth, artist Manuel Castellanos said he used a simple approach. He uses one camera, a Nikon D80 and its lens to produce the landscape and nature photographs on display. "You can have a \$20,000 camera, but if you don't have the eye, the picture is not going to look good," said Castellanos as he described photographs made in Sedona, Arizona and Mono Lake, California. On his shoots, he

shot for the day. "I do things very simple," he said. "A lot of people can do the same thing." Laura Dean uses block printing to create her art images in various ways. Lynda Pyka of Poor Little Rich Girl uses pieces of jewelry and laminates them as earrings, necklaces, and other pieces of wearable art. The inspiration came to her as she made "creativity out of crisis" when she looked for items to cover up her scar from having had cancer.

Another advantage of the fair is the affordability of purchasing and seeing the artwork. "At Art Fairs," said Mary Archibald, who brings her students work from Monrovia Community Adult School to the event, "you can get really good deals than at a gallery. MAFA shows are a great opportunity for budding artists." Ms. Archibald encourages her Watercolor and Plein Air art students to develop their work for production by completing the full cycle of producing art--Going from idea to getting the work out there and ready for a show. The process includes selecting the correct mat for the work, framing it, and putting a price on it.

Candyce Wagner, who attends the Watercolor class, agrees that there are many people who develop pieces but are afraid to show their work. This event is the motivation for the student to realize a goal in seeing their work out there being judged by the public. In a year and a half, Ms. Wagner feels she has developed the confidence to where she can develop pieces, put the price on them, and get them ready for a show. Next month, she will be a participant in the Montrose Art Walk with her own booth of artwork to be displayed. Ms. Wagner credits Mary's help in building her confidence level in this area.

Mary Archibald structures her class on enjoying the process of developing art. "You always want to spend time with someone who likes to do what you like to do. So, we all enjoy doing it. Part of the mission of adult education is to create life-long learning. So, by doing this people have the opportunity to continue doing something they enjoy as an adult."

That was exactly the same factor for Ms. Van Hook in getting involved with the Monrovia art organizations. As a child, she had enjoyed



The Monrovia Association of Fine Arts honored Ginger Van Hook as its 2010 Featured Artist for her work in the community as a fine arts reporter, artist and teacher. MAFA President Bill Beebe stops by her booth for a moment.

Photos by V. Parker

participating in many events held in the city. When she graduated from art school in 2005 with her Master's degree specializing in darkroom photography, she wanted to give back to the community that had supported her as a child. "I found my new passion in the darkroom and came out in the light." This passion led her to become involved with the MAFA organization as a media liaison. Later, she began developing an artist blog writing about art shows and activities around Monrovia.

"I had so many pictures that I said to my husband what am I going to do with all these pictures. That's where my position needs to be," remembers Ms. Van Hook. From there, other opportunities came. "Whenever I go to an artist event, I interview the artists and I put the pictures up on that blog," she added. Ms. Van Hook started with one blog covering Monrovia and now she covers 35 cities. She considers her time as providing a community service for the artists who some may not be at the level yet where traditional newspapers and magazines would feature their work. Covering an event she met a woman from Otis Parsons College of Design who listened to her passion about darkroom and offered her an opportunity to teach at the school within 35 minutes.

The MAFA event may have been a two-day show, but its impact reaches many people throughout the year--artists, community members, and children's arts programs from elementary to high school.



Candyce Wagner, a former graphic designer, has been in the Monrovia Class for about a year and a half. She sold 6 pieces over the two-day event.

takes his one camera and lens and plenty of water as he hikes up to get the spectacular

organizations. As a child, she had enjoyed

MHS All-Class Reunion Raises Funds for Band Trip to Carnegie Hall

Photo and Story by Bill Coburn

On Sunday, October 10th, there was a Monrovia High School all-class reunion at Santa Anita Park. The reunion, originally scheduled to take place during the Oak Tree meet, was cancelled when Oak Tree moved to Hollywood Park, but due to interest from some of the alumni, was resurrected. Despite the on-again, off-again nature of the reunion, and the lack of live racing, more than one hundred people from several classes turned out to catch up with their old friends, with the class of '78 having the most in attendance.

One of the highlights of the day was the appearance of the MHS Wildcat Marching Band. The band has been invited to perform at Carnegie Hall in 2012, and was appearing at the reunion as a fundraiser, with half the money from the 50/50 raffle that took place at the reunion to be donated to the Band.

To the band's good fortune, the winner of the 50/50 raffle was Tom Radu. Radu (Class of '77) was a member of the Marching Band during all four years of high school, and he elected to give his winnings to the band, doubling their take for the day.

There will be another All-Class Reunion on April 3rd, 2011. The April reunion will again feature the band, and be a fundraiser for their Carnegie Hall trip. There will be raffles, drawings, prizes and more, including live thoroughbred racing. For more information about that reunion, visit www.MHSAllClassReunion.info. Also, Facebook users can look for the reunion's page on Facebook.

To make a donation to the Band's Carnegie Hall Fund, call the school (626) 471-2800.

BOY SCOUTS TO HONOR MAYOR LUTZ

The San Gabriel Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America, is proud to be honoring Mayor Mary Ann Lutz of the City of Monrovia with the Distinguished Citizen Award on October 29, 2010 from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm at the DoubleTree Hotel located at 924 W. Huntington Drive in Monrovia. The Distinguished Citizen Award is intended to recognize prominent area leaders who have a wide influence in the community, while serving as exemplary role models for our young people. Mary Ann Lutz's contributions to the quality of life in our community and her commitment to the values of Scouting make her a very deserving community leader and honoree.

In 2009, Mary Ann Lutz was elected as Mayor of the City of Monrovia having served as a City Council Member since 2003, after a long history of volunteering within her community. Mary Ann attended Boise State University. Mary Ann is the owner of



Lutz & Company, Inc., a court reporting consulting firm, in Monrovia and is the Chair of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board, an appointment by Governor Schwarzenegger. Proceeds from the award dinner will help fund scouting programs of the local communities. If you would like more information please contact Lucia Bernal, District Executive of the San Gabriel Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America at 626-351-8815 ext. 236, e-mail lucia.bernal@scouting.org or visit <http://www.sgvcbsoa.org/about-us/districts/lucky-baldwin>.



The Class of '78 had the most people turn out at the MHS All-Class Reunion at Santa Anita Park

Duarte Accepting Applications for Appointment to Newly Established Youth and Family Committee

The City of Duarte has begun taking applications for a newly established ad hoc Youth and Family Committee of the Duarte Parks and Recreation Commission. Following a year-long community-involved process, a Youth and Family Master Plan was recently endorsed by the Duarte City Council. The formation of the ad hoc committee is the next step in the City's plan to implement the Master Plan intended to guide the City of Duarte, Duarte Unified School District, community organizations, and others over the next five to ten years regarding youth and family programs, services and facilities.

Duties of the ad hoc committee will include preparation of an annual Youth and Family Master Plan report card, working with community stakeholders to implement portions of the Youth and Family Master Plan, and promotion of the Youth and Family Master Plan at community events.

The ad hoc Youth and Family Committee will consist of 12 members, including one current member appointee of the Parks and Recreation Commission. At least 25% of the appointees will be youth up to 24 years of age, and 25% will be former Youth and Family Master Plan advisory committee members. Ad hoc committee members will be appointed by the Duarte City Council for a term of two years.

Applications are available online at the City's website, www.accessduarte.com and at Duarte City Hall, 1600 Huntington Dr. Deadline for submitting applications is Oct. 28. For more information, call Donna Georgino, Parks and Recreation Dept. at (626) 357-7931.

And This Is For Buddy..... Gooden School Blesses Our Very Best Friends



Dozens of The Gooden School students' dogs, cats, gerbils, snakes and yes, even a horse, were blessed on Thursday, October 14. Chaplain Michael Cooper blessed live animals, photos of favorite pets living and deceased and even pet stuffed animals as part of a celebration of the feast day of St. Francis, patron saint of animals. For more information, visit the school's website: www.GoodenSchool.org

Photo by Chris Bertrand

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS

The NFIB Young Entrepreneur Foundation is currently accepting applications for the 2011 Young Entrepreneur Awards. High-school seniors with a flare for entrepreneurship are encouraged to apply online for a chance to win a scholarship valued from \$1,000-\$10,000. The deadline for applying for an award is December 15. If you know an impressive young entrepreneur, encourage them to apply today. Students can visit www.NFIB.com/YEA to apply for a scholarship.

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Of course, college is part of what you see in your future. We're proud to announce that 100% of the Class of 2010 will attend college this fall, which is typical for Alverno graduates. "Before I came to Alverno I never imagined that I would be 8 for 8 in college admissions," says Shelby Mitchell, Class of 2010. "I had so many choices, as well as the confidence to make the right decision."

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As well as fine academic and leadership programs, Alverno offers a strong service program which involves the entire school

in helping others. As evidence of our continuing commitment to service, twenty-one girls were recognized for having given more than 420 hours of service to others, and overall, our students performed more than 18,000 hours of service as a school.

Are you an athlete? Our Jaguars are Horizon League champions in five out of six sports. Artists in our graduating class were accepted to such esteemed art colleges as the Rhode Island School of Design, Art Institute of San Francisco, the School of Visual Arts in New York, and the Los Angeles Film School.

"We believe that the best way for girls to

find out who they are is to give them the opportunity to try new things," says Gillick. "High school is a chance for girls to find out what they're good at and what they love to do. At Alverno, girls see their horizons grow."

Learn more about how Alverno can help you become exactly the person you want to be at our upcoming open house on

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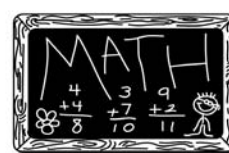
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JAPON BISTRO

Over the last five years I have become friends with Clarence "Koji" Wong, the owner of Japon Bistro in Pasadena. I have been an observer, taster, fan, advisor, and sometime troubled spirit as I watched a proud man be seared by the realities of the restaurant business. What I have seen over the years is a sense of unwavering vision in a man that reminds me of our ancestors and the difficulties and determination that eventually made this country great. So, it has been this man and his devotion and unrelenting determination to give Pasadena his vision of a Restaurant that has left an impression on this restaurant critic. Japon Bistro is the Japanese Menu at its best, with a Sushi Bar and main dining room that will appeal to the senses of even the most discriminating diner. At Japon Bistro you will encounter a sense of pride that is inspiring. The type of pride of personal responsibility and freshness of product that is achieved the old-fashioned way. I believe freshness has to be the fundamental element in any great Sushi restaurant and they insure it here. Koji personally drives down to the LA Fish Market at least four times a week to select and buy the fish for the restaurant. You say, "Impossible!" Not in this day and age! Koji has the pictures to prove it. Would you rather taste fish from a man that drives down to the docks and takes his time to select the fish he serves his customers, or from a place that has fish delivered to it? I say, "Keep driving, Koji".

Over the years Koji has remained steadfast to not become a two-for-one sushi restaurant and lose the freshness and quality that is his pride. I must admit, a few years ago when business was struggling, I even suggested to Koji, that he go that path, and adapt to the market structure, but Koji was resolute, "No two-for-one Sushi." I knew that he was drawing a line in the sand. Pride can be a great thing, a needed thing, but could he make his vision last long enough to catch on? I had my doubts!

Koji wasn't standing still, though, for he re-invented the restaurant by adding an extensive Sake selection to pair along with his Japon Bistros menu. If names such as Nigori, Dalginjo, Junmai, confuse you, don't worry, Japon Bistro has expanded their selection of Sake to a such place that owner Koji Wong has created the Sake Institute of America right in the restaurant. Who said going back to school wasn't fun? And what exactly does that mean for you and me? An incredible selection of sake's for sure, but also knowledge that is generously offered. Japon Bistro offers a way to ease into this new taste sensation. Yes, Sake Parings are available throughout the day. It has hints of that same great idea in wine and food. Here you can enjoy, to my knowledge, LA's only house made Sparkling Sake, and of course you can order from their regular Sake menu.

Let's talk about Koji's food: Bistro Mini Crab Cakes (\$8) my recent selection, Koji's Crispy rice topped with Spicy Tuna (\$7), Tatsutage - Japanese Fried Chicken (\$5) and Salmon Ceviche tostadas at (\$6). Other Regular menu items include many of the names that you are familiar with: Sashimi and Sushi, rib eye steaks, tempura and a variety of noodles. Koji has truly created a one of a kind restaurant experience and you are sure to enjoy this true Japanese Food experience.

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GENERAL ELECTION ENDORSEMENTS

In this election just a few weeks away, we have much at stake. We are to choose the next Governor and one of the two U.S. Senators. All of our statewide elected officials will be chosen along with numerous State Assembly and U. S. Congressional seats. Those are important positions. These are the people who ultimately will decide our future. They are supposed to represent the best that we have to offer, capable of leading California, one of the 10 largest economies in the world (we used to be the 5th). They need to actually be qualified to do the job.

Qualified? Yes. Each and every candidate running has the superficial qualifications – they are citizens of the US, residents of California, well educated and felony free. However, the most important credential that they need is to have a demonstrated commitment to the people of this state. It is in that last qualification however, that we find that we find too many of the candidates, who are willing to spend the most money, seriously lacking.

When making decisions on who to vote for, the first thing a responsible voter should do is turn off the TV and Radio. The commercial marketing of candidates is no way to choose a leader. It is okay to let a commercial lead you to the purchase of a new brand of cookies, because if you don't like them, you can throw them away. But when the salacious sound bites blindly lead you to their candidate, when you find out you don't like your choice, you can't take it back. So, voters, do your homework. Know who and what you are voting for.

Having said that, and with the contributions of a dozen members of the Mountain Views Editorial Board who reach across both sides of the aisle, here are this papers recommendations for the November 2, 2010 Election.

Susan Henderson, Publisher/Editor

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Proposition 19. Should California legalize the possession and cultivation of marijuana for personal use of adults 21 years and older, and local state and local governments to regulate and tax related commercial activities? **NO**

Proposition 20. Should the state Constitution be amended to have the Citizens Redistricting Commission redistrict for the U.S. House of Representatives, to change existing redistricting criteria, and to reduce the redistricting timeline? **NO**

Proposition 21. Should the state levy an additional annual \$18 vehicle license surcharge to provide funds to operate and maintain California's state parks and wildlife protection programs? **YES**

Proposition 22. Should the California Constitution be amended to prohibit the state, even during a severe fiscal hardship, from redirecting certain tax revenues dedicated to transportation or local governments? **YES**

Proposition 23. Should the AB 32 air pollution control law be suspended until unemployment drops to 5.5 percent or less for a full year? **NO**

Proposition 24. Should recent tax law changes that allow some businesses to pay lower state income tax be repealed? **YES**

Proposition 25. Should the state Constitution be amended to allow passage of budget bills by a simple majority in each house of the state Legislature and should legislators be required to forfeit their pay if a budget is not passed on time? **NO**

Proposition 26. Should the California Constitution be amended to require two-thirds vote approval for the imposition of certain state and local fees that now require majority vote approval? **NO**

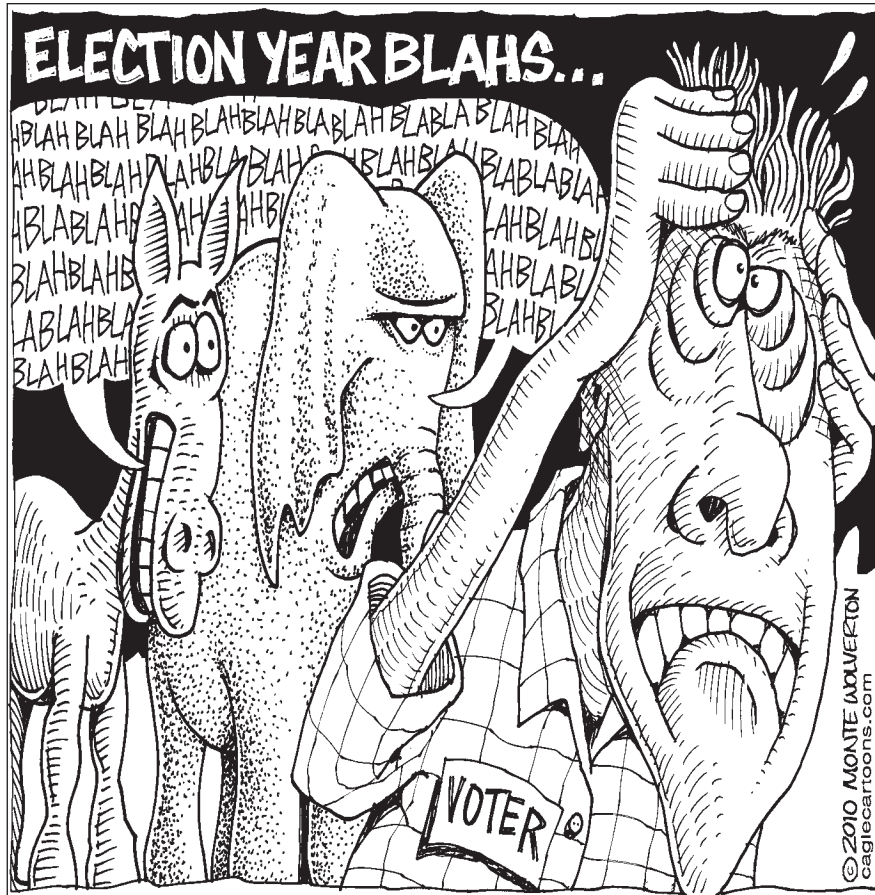
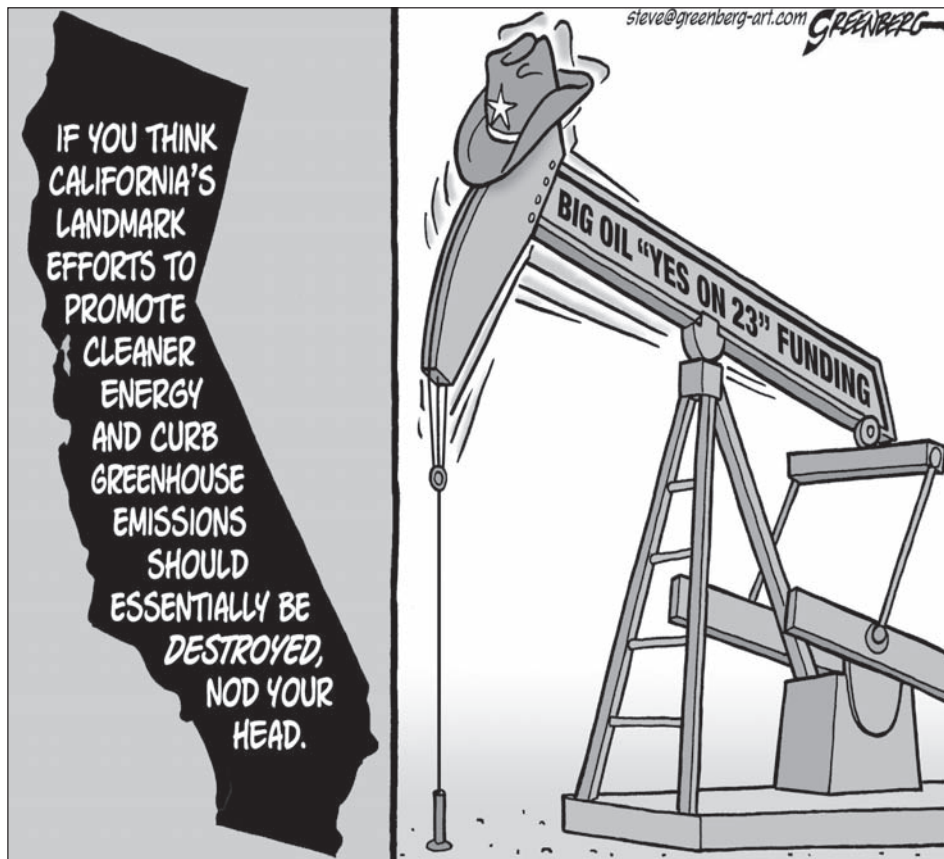
Proposition 27. Should the state Constitution and state laws be amended to eliminate the Citizens Redistricting Commission established by the voters in 2008, return all redistricting to the state Legislature, and change the redistricting criteria? **NO**

Dates to Remember

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STUART Tolchin.....On LIFE The Aggrieved Element In Everyone



Today is my first day back from an East Coast Vacation and while leafing through magazines that arrived while I was absent I came upon this language describing the subject of a new movie. "...as insensitive as he is, (he) reaches the aggrieved element in everyone, the human desire for response." All at once the rockets go off, finally I have reached some understanding of myself. Do those words, "the human desire for response" mean anything to you? Perhaps not; I will try and explain.

Returning from my trip and looking at the pictures taken mainly by my wife I realized that, for me, the most memorable and enjoyable parts of trip were the conversations that I had with strangers. Often these were momentary exchanges or sometimes even prolonged discussions. My major realization is how much I enjoyed being alive, really being alive and being me, during these moments of unexpected contact. It is true that I have a habit of making comments to strangers. I do this when I am alone and I do it when accompanied by wife, children, or friends. Generally people—not the strangers—but my friends and relatives find this practice annoying. I have been accused of flirting or showing off or just wanting to make a pest of myself but really I don't think that's what's going on.

By way of explanation I will recount an instance that occurred about three or four years ago. It was a very hot day and my wife and I, accompanied by her two nephews aged four and five,

took a moderately long hike to the waterfalls in Eaton Canyon. There were not many hikers that day and the hikers we saw were coming back from the falls. I, like most Sierra Madreans, nodded hello or said something to each of the hikers as we crossed paths. I noticed that, at first, the boys were surprised by this behavior but very soon they started greeting people on their own. As we saw other hikers approaching the boys became visibly excited; they could hardly wait to say hello and would add other words like "Great Day for a hike!" When people responded, as they invariably did, they boys were elated—actually jumping for joy. Eventually, some hikers approached and the boys said something and received no response. The people were Asian and perhaps did not speak any English. In any case, the boys were very hurt. They were hurt and angry and deflated. In the words of the article I mentioned above they were aggrieved because their desire for response had not been realized. They were no longer happy about being themselves; now they had doubts. Had they done something wrong or was there something wrong with those other people. I think I recall one of the boys saying he hated those people and I probably tried in vain to talk him out of his feelings. I was younger then.

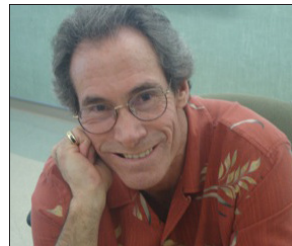
Enough said about the incident I guess; but I think it makes my point more easily understood. I would not write any of these articles if they were not being published but I know that I am not writing in an attempt to please any particular reader. I know I am writing to meet some personal need of my own and yet I am absolutely thrilled when someone reacts to my. I am elated when, as

a result of reading my article, people are motivated to e-mail me. I am happiest when people share their feelings and recollections with me. I value these responses more than appraisals of the worth of my articles or a discussion of political opinions. I really believe that a few of my almost 150 articles have allowed people to gain a greater understanding of their own lives and I treasure that feeling.

Really, during my trip to the East Coast, I must have had at least twenty significant conversations with strangers. These strangers were waiters or waitresses, people I met while waiting in line or people sitting next to me on a train or bus or plane. There were tears in several of these conversations which touched upon frustrations and dreams and loneliness. When a stranger listens to us attentively we are not distracted by individual characteristics but instead feel their individual humanity and our own. During that brief conversation we feel connected and cared about and alive—at least I do.

Sure, eventually, our desire for connection and response will be thwarted and, yes, we will be aggrieved. Really, though it is my experience that this disappointment usually happens with friends and loved ones of whom we unrealistically maintain expectations of connection and understanding. With strangers we have no expectations and therefore cannot be disappointed. I hope the time you took to read this article is a time you felt was well spent but I can say without reservation that I have enjoyed my conversation with you. So far so good.

HAIL Hamilton My Turn



My Country Is Guilty As Charged

I don't believe in blaming the US for all of Mexico's problems. But I do think we deserve much of the blame for the narco-terrorism that is increasingly engulfing much of Mexico, occurring and growing in Guatemala and rightly so.

I am a teacher in East LA and am married to a naturalized U.S. citizen from Mexico. Until 2006, for 14 years I owned a beach house in Puerto Escondido, Oaxaca. I have always had my misgivings about the war on drugs. However, seeing it up close and personal for the past decade has only increased my misgivings into on the drug issue. It is the devastating effect of the drug war that finally made me decide to sell my house in Oaxaca.

How are the cartels and the mafias and the narco-traffickers able to maintain their reign of terror. It's the money. Billions of dollars of easy money every year. The vast majority of this money comes from the drug consumers of the US. And that is what finally hit me. US citizens are financing all of cartels and mafias and the narco-traffickers and that makes the US government responsible for all of killing and corruption and terror in Mexico, and elsewhere in Latin America.

Because the drugs are illegal, there is risk in bringing the product to the customer and that results in the high prices that the consumer has to pay. The US war on drugs has effectively placed a very high tax on the drugs that, of course gets passed on to the consumer. But, the ironic thing is its not the US government that gets to collect the tax, its the cartels,

the mafias, and the narco-traffickers that collect the tax. They have more money than the national governments. They are better armed than most police. They hold entire cities hostage. They fight each other for control of territory, killing not only each other but anyone else that happens to be in the way.

Crime in the streets, Tijuana, Juarez, Nuevo Laredo, it doesn't matter where, is like fighting a gorilla war. You can never win a gorilla war. It just keeps going on and on. For normal crime we have police and they do what they can to protect us. But the drug business is no normal criminal activity. There just so much money involved. It makes the narco-traffickers absolutely ruthless. With so much money, they can easily corrupt officials and those they can't corrupt they kill.

Unlike all other gorilla wars, this gorilla war can be won, sort of speaking. If drugs were legalized, there would no longer be the profit motive that there is now. This idea is usually rejected for fear that drug use would increase. I'm not convinced. From what I've read, Holland and Portugal, which have very liberal drug laws, have seen an increase in drug use. There will always be a segment of society that are going to use drugs and they are going to use them whether the drugs are legal or not. Legalizing drugs would free up billions of dollars that could be better spent on programs to help people free themselves from their addictions.

I don't know if the US will ever change their stance on the drug issue. I certainly hope so. I feel bad that my country is responsible for so much suffering in the world. Good luck to you and to all the people of Mexico.

HOWARD Hays As I See It



An erudite columnist noted last year that the U.S. Supreme Court would be taking up the Citizens United vs FEC matter early in its upcoming term, presciently surmising "The timing . . . suggests the Court wants to hand down its decision before the 2010 campaign season heats up." (Check out "As I See It" in the mtnviewsnews.com Archive from July 11, 2009.)

Another bit of prescience came 150 years earlier, when President Lincoln wrote in 1864, " . . . corporations have been enthroned and an era of corruption in high places will follow . . . until all wealth is aggregated in a few hands and the Republic is destroyed."

The Court itself dealt with the issue on numerous occasions, notably in 2000 when, under Chief Justice William Rehnquist, it ruled the State of Michigan's restrictions on corporate political donations " . . . are justified by a compelling state interest: preventing corruption or the appearance of corruption in the political arena by reducing the threat that huge corporate treasuries, which are amassed with the aid of favorable state laws and have little or no correlation to the public's support for the corporation's political ideas, will be used to influence unfairly election outcomes."

Five years later, Rehnquist was replaced by one of his former law clerks, who promised during his confirmation hearings to abstain from "judicial activism" and instead act like "an umpire calling balls and strikes".

Chief Justice John Roberts broke that promise with the Citizens United case. Rather than ruling on the narrow issue of banning the airing of an anti - Hillary Clinton "documentary" within thirty days of an election, he took the opportunity to overturn a hundred years of precedent protecting the integrity of our elections by equating corporations with "persons" and money with "speech".

There was consolation that Congress would be able to plug some loopholes, such as ensuring no matter how much money is poured into a campaign, at least We the People should be entitled to know where the money's coming from. "Independent expenditure" committees (the preferred vehicle for corporate largesse) would become as transparent as Political Action Committees under the DISCLOSE Act. Not surprisingly, Senate Republicans made sure that Act would never come up for a vote.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce couldn't be happier, as suspicions of illegal foreign funding of U.S. elections, courtesy of the Chamber, won't go away. At first they tried to divert attention to the relatively small amounts gathered in their "AmCham" affiliates overseas, but now we know of the huge sums solicited and going directly into the very 501(c)(6) entity used to fund the \$75-80 million in attack ads this campaign cycle (about twice what was spent two years ago).

How do they keep foreign and domestic money separate? "We are not obligated to discuss our internal procedures." How do we know foreign money isn't going into attack ads? We'll just have to take their word for it. As presidential advisor

David Axelrod said on FACE THE NATION last week, "If the Chamber opens up its books and says 'here's where our political money's coming from,' then we'll know. But until they do that, all we have is their assertion."

Here in California, the Chamber has already spent over \$800,000, primarily in attacking Sen. Barbara Boxer and promoting such talking points as blaming unemployment and the economic downturn in the Central Valley on the Endangered Species Act. Sean Hannity was trotted out to offer his expertise on Central Valley water issues.

The Chamber is heavily invested in at least eight other senate races throughout the country, along with keeping up its lobbying activities in Washington (where it failed earlier this year in blocking passage of Wall Street reform). In 2009 alone, the Chamber spent \$144 million buying off Congress - twice the amount spent the year prior. As Chamber head Thomas Donahue observed, "People seem to listen to you more when you've got a bagful of cash."

Sen. Boxer (along with Sen. Harry Reid and other prominent Senate Democrats) is also being targeted by American Crossroads and Crossroads GPS, creations of Karl Rove which came about largely thanks to the Citizens United decision. Led by Republican Party and Chamber of Commerce veterans, the groups have already raised \$32 million - and plan to spend \$52 million by election day.

When Barack Obama ran in 2008, much was made of the internet-driven campaign funded by citizens sending in their \$20, \$50 and \$100 contributions. That was before Citizens United. Karl Rove's groups, according to limited disclosed records, show contributions from individuals and corporate interests able to write checks for a few hundred thousand to over a million dollars.

It's not surprising that the ads being financed aren't extolling the backgrounds, records of accomplishment, or ideas of the preferred candidates. Nor will you find any promoting notions of "compromise" or a more cooperative, productive environment in Washington. Rather, it's the demonizing of opponents with false charges - secure in the knowledge the authors and funders of those ads will never be held accountable.

We see a slew of candidates more suited for caricature on Saturday Night Live than making decisions on our future. They aren't being sent to Washington to work for the nation's interest, but to block the efforts of those who are.

It's not that we didn't see it coming. Four Supreme Court Justices did, with Justice John Paul Stevens writing in his dissent last January: " . . . the Court's opinion is thus a rejection of the common sense of the American people, who have recognized a need to prevent corporations from undermining self-government since the founding, and who have fought against the distinctive corrupting potential of corporate electioneering since the days of Theodore Roosevelt. It is a strange time to repudiate that common sense. While American democracy is imperfect, few outside the majority of this Court would have thought its flaws included a dearth of corporate money in politics."

The Last Thrashing of Dying Dinosaurs **GREG Welborn**

We've seen it a thousand times in horror movies and suspense thrillers. When something dies, it usually dies slowly with a last gasp of thrashing about as it tries to cling to life. Inevitably, as the audience always realizes, the monster is dying, and everyone knows it except the dying monster. Such is the case with liberal economic theory, represented by the philosophy, pronouncements and actions of the current administration. Everyone realizes that the policies of the last 22 months of the Obama administration have failed, that liberal theory is dead as a doorknob, except liberal themselves.

How do we really know that liberal economic theory is dying? By the fact that every Democrat running for office in the mid-term elections has turned to personal attacks rather than debate the issues or defend the actions taken by the administration and the congress - both controlled by the liberal majority. Consider where we are today.

The September jobs report showed that another 400,000 people have filed for unemployment.

More people are now in poverty than since the Census Bureau began keeping these records.

Foreclosures hit an all time high in August.

Unemployment is up to 9.6% 32 months after the recession began. The longest previous period since WWII was 16 months.

The country has been flooded with new money from the Fed, yet banks and Fortune 500 America sit on wads of cash, rather than invest or loan it out, because they are nervous about the future.

As bad as things are for the "average" American, they are even worse for African Americans. Unemployment among this group stands at 16%.

As if these statistics didn't tell the entire story, we have the video image of Velma Hart, an African American who has steadfastly defended this president, telling him in public, "I am exhausted of defending you, defending your administration, defending the mantle of change that I voted for, and deeply disappointed with where we are right now."

But perhaps the most telling of all symptoms is the fact that Democrats have resorted to accusing the Republicans of accepting "foreign" money without one scintilla of evidence. As they say in law school, if the law isn't on your side, pound the facts; if the facts aren't on your side, pound the opposition. All that's left is to try to demonize the Republicans. Even the most stalwart of liberal defenders, CBS anchor Bob Schieffer, criticized White House Senior Advisor, David Axelrod, by asking if this was the best he could do -to make up an accusation about where campaign contributions were coming from.

The reality, as most Americans have figured out by now, is that the Obama administration and the Liberal Congress have only their jealous ideology to inspire them in how to handle the current economic crisis. In the midst of the most stubborn recession we've had since the Great Depression, with unemployment climbing again and GDP trending down, the administration and Congress have proposed across-the-board tax increases to punish the rich but which will

actually affect every single American in one form or another.

If they have their way:

Capital gains taxes will increase 60%, and new investments won't be made,

Income taxes will increase on the most productive citizens by 20%, and

Small businessmen and farmers who try to pass on a legacy to their kids will see their assets taxed 55% after the capital gains and income taxes mentioned above are already created.

And we wonder why nobody is willing to invest in starting a new business, opening a new branch or hiring more people to try to grow their business. When you tax the rich or the entrepreneur, ultimately you tax the blue collar worker.

The only debate we're having now is how bad the democratic blood bath is going to be. Americans are not stupid. In fact, they are among the most reasonable, educated and dedicated citizens on the planet. They may not vote in all elections or on all issues in any given election, but that's because they usually trust either their current elected representative or their neighbor who knows more about the issue than they do. But every poll shows that they are going to vote on November 2nd, and they are going to vote with a consistency that will bring shock and awe to those who are in power, who are content to allow taxes to further destroy this great economy.

Liberals have gone so far over the edge of reasonableness that their political lives are destroyed. They are dying. They have only the remainder of this term (through January 2nd) and they will be either tossed from office or relegated to such minority status that they'll be lucky if they are allowed a key to the executive washroom. Like the dying dinosaurs of old, they have enough energy in them only to thrash about as life ekes out of their political bodies. There is no way to debate the issues or offer a reasonable solution for what ails the country, which their policies caused. All they can do is trump up spurious personal attacks against the opposition in hopes of staving off the inevitable.

So when we hear about the next personal scandal of some Republican or Tea Party candidate, bear in mind that the sound is only that of the dinosaurs who refuse to accept the fact that time and life are passing them by. This election is a referendum on Liberal thought, philosophy and policies, and the devastating results which inevitably follow their implementation. The new era is at hand, and soon the dinosaurs will be but a distant flicker in our collective memories.

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CALIFORNIA GENERAL ELECTION 2010

A Word From The Editor: The Mountain Views News will continue in its tradition of providing readers with as much unbiased information as possible regarding the issues and candidates on the General Election Ballot in November. The series will run for the next seven weeks and will include coverage of all Propositions, The U. S. Senate Race, The California Governor's Race, all other Statewide races, and the California Legislative Races. Please remember that the opinions of ALL columnists are not necessarily the position of the paper, but rather, those of the individual author. Those opinions will NOT be a part of our General Election Coverage. The official position of the Mountain Views and its' Editorial Advisors will be clearly stated prior to the election. We do encourage readers, however, to submit their views as Letters To The Editor. The more we communicate with each other, the more informed our decisions will be. -Susan Henderson, Publisher/Editor Mountain Views News

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Looking Up

with Bob Eklund

Ghosts of the Future: First Giant Structures of the Universe

Astronomers using the South Pole Telescope report that they have discovered the most massive galaxy cluster yet seen, at a distance of 7 billion light-years. The cluster (designated SPT-CL J0546-5345) weighs in at around 800 trillion Suns, and holds hundreds of galaxies.

“This galaxy cluster wins the heavyweight title. It’s among the most massive clusters ever found at this distance,” said Mark Brodwin, a Smithsonian astronomer at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics. Brodwin is first author on the paper announcing the discovery, which appeared in the *Astrophysical Journal*.

Located in the southern constellation Pictor (the Painter), the cluster has a redshift of z=1.07. (Redshift measures how light from a distant object has been stretched by the universe’s expansion.) This puts it at a distance of about 7 billion light-years—meaning that we see it as it appeared 7 billion years ago, when the universe was half as old as now and our solar system didn’t exist yet.

Even at that young age, the cluster was almost as massive as the nearby Coma cluster. Since then, it should have grown about four times larger. If we could see it as it appears today, it would be one of the most massive galaxy clusters in the universe.

“This cluster is full of ‘old’ galaxies, meaning that it had to come together very early in the universe’s history—within the first two billion years,” stated Brodwin.

Galaxy clusters like this can be used to study how dark matter and dark energy influenced the growth of cosmic structures. Long ago, the universe was smaller and more compact, so gravity had a greater influence. As the universe expanded at an accelerating rate due to dark energy, it grew more diffuse. Dark energy now



dominates over the pull of gravity and chokes off the formation of new galaxy clusters.

Brodwin and his colleagues spotted their quarry in the first 200 square degrees of data collected from the new South Pole Telescope. The SPT is currently completing its pioneering millimeter-wave survey of a huge swath of sky covering 2,500 square degrees.

In their search for giant galaxy clusters, the team uses the Sunyaev-Zel’dovich effect—a small distortion of the cosmic microwave background (a pervasive all-sky glow left over from the Big Bang). Such distortions are created as background radiation passes through a large galaxy cluster.

Surveying for this effect has significant advantages over other search techniques. It works just as well for very distant clusters as for nearby clusters, which allows astronomers to find very rare, distant, massive clusters. Further, it provides accurate measurements of the masses of these clusters, which are crucial to unraveling the nature of dark energy.

Once this distant cluster was found, the team studied it with the Infrared Array Camera on the Spitzer Space Telescope to pinpoint galaxies within the cluster. Detailed observations of the galaxies’ speeds with the Magellan telescopes in Chile proved that the galaxy cluster was a heavyweight.

The South Pole Telescope is an NSF funded project, run by an international collaboration involving scientists at over a dozen institutions. See <http://pole.uchicago.edu> for more information.

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Ask jai.....

Ask jai is a weekly column that will strive to honestly answer your job search questions relating to job searching techniques, networking skills, resume writing and interviewing. The employment situation is getting better, however, it is still a challenge finding were the jobs are located and how to get pass the “gate-keepers”. As an Executive Recruiter I was privy to working directly with Corporate Recruiters and understanding their process in selecting which candidates to interview and hire. I will candidly answer your questions, possibly bluntly answering you questions, but I will be totally honest. My objective is to help you achieve your employment goal.

Functional vs Chronological Resume

Q: A friend said that I should write a functional resume instead of a chronological resume because I have over 15 year’s professional accounting experience. I am currently seeking a Senior Accountant position with an accounting firm. Which style of resume should I use? Malik

Dear Malik:

If you have extensive years of experience with one company and in the same professional field then the functional resume is most likely the right format for you to use. A functional resume is an acceptable format to use if you have: gaps in your work history, over 10 years experience with one company or are changing careers or industry. A functional resume is not easy to write and I have seen numerous versions. This type of resume could also throw up a “red flag” for some employers who feel that functional resumes are written to hide job seekers inadequacies. A well-written functional resume should highlight only those transferable skills and accomplishments that relate to the new position that you are currently seeking. This is an excellent resume format to highlight your areas of specialization in accounting. The resume layout should include the following: A dynamic summary statement at the top of your resume that will capture the employer’s attention. Next, headings for each area of specialization (i.e. finance, auditing, customer service). Each heading should highlight your quantitative and qualitative accomplishments. Then chronologically list your work history. Only list the company name, location and dates of employment. Include a heading for skills that relate to your area of specialty. Add your educational history and other related headings.

Recruiters and hiring managers receive thousands of resumes daily and take approximately 10 seconds to review each resume. The functional resume usually requires an employer to spend more than 10 seconds to review. Most employers will not take that time. You as a job seeker want to ensure that your resume is always reviewed for consideration. Therefore, I strongly suggest that you consider writing a chronological formatted resume. This type of resume is currently preferred by employers and recruiters and can easily be reviewed by them within 10 seconds. This format is great if: you are looking for employment in the same field, you have professionally advanced, your skills and work experiences are consistent. The chronological resume can easily be converted by you to an electronic resume and uploaded into employer databases. Finally, only you can decide which resume format best represents you, your accomplishments and skills.

KATIE TseThis and That

The Eye Of The Beholder



I’m so blessed to have such a considerate husband! I’m not being sarcastic! In addition to the many ways he daily shows his devotion, for our anniversary my hubby bought us memberships to the Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA). Although visiting this venue is an activity we do together, we both know it’s more for me than for him.

On a recent trip we toured the ancient Oceanic artifacts, and then made our way over to the modern art section. We found ourselves staring at squares of solid colors with titles like “Envy” and “Anticipation.” My husband patiently stopped to view piece after piece but finally exclaimed (mutedly), “This isn’t art! I could do this. Maybe I should buy some paint and canvases. I could really do this!”

My natural inclination is to try to coax some meaning out of the arrangement. “Look,

Babe,” I said, pointing to a solid green square, “This one’s called ‘Hesitant Release.’ So, all the other squares only have one word in their title, but *this* one has two. So you wonder... *why* did he call this release hesitant?” “I don’t give a %#! why he called it hesitant,” he answered. “It’s a green square! What’s hesitant about it?”

Again, I tried to draw blood from the radish and suggested, “Maybe since green means ‘go,’ he’s saying

that people can’t be hesitant if they want to go somewhere in life?” My husband looked at me wearily. “No, Honey, I think it means nothing. That’s the whole point –there is no point!”

Hmph. I declined to retort and silently moved on to the next few items. There was a collage of pastel geometric shapes titled “Number 172.” A few paces down we came across what appeared to be a blood spatter analysis done in orange and blue. It was deceptively titled “Youth seated by orchids.”

My husband and I continued on in respectful silence, ever cognizant of the fashionable, artsy patrons who looked as if they could have been part of the exhibit itself. Finally we stopped at three consecutive large panels, blank save for several crude streaks of blue and yellow paint. It could have reasonably been named “Practice in Vertical Brush Strokes,” but was instead titled, “Croatian Revolutionary Uprising.” My husband and I both stared straight ahead for a moment, and then busted out laughing.

“Yes, Babe,” I said, laughter tearing my eyes, “I’m 100% behind your decision to become an artist!”

There’s yet another breaking news story about the state of *Net Neutrality*. And, some of the big players are yet again angling for advantage in what looks to be a deal of blockbuster proportions for all parties involved.

The details of the completed or un-completed deal will be available for public display soon enough and this matter bears significance in that it shows in no uncertain terms exactly how the ever-murkier issue of *Net Neutrality* will be decided once and for all.

The issue of *Net Neutrality* suffers from no shortage of available information, both public and private, attempting to educate consumers on the pros and cons of either position. If one reads either position long and deep enough one would be hard-pressed to decide against the arguments being

made in favor of one side over the other.

What’s also becoming clearer is that with the FCC deciding to opt out of the process of forging a sensible plan.

A plan whereby telecoms, content providers and consumers would all benefit from clear delineation as to what each was required to contribute and what each could expect from a Net Neutrality plan. You, We and Us as consumers look to be the only parties involved that will actually be neutral, as in having no effect or input on any decision reached. The FCC was the only entity involved that had any real obligation at all to look out for the interests of the consumers in these transactions.

But, as it stands now, Big Business will once again be crafting and enforcing the policies that will affect access to, and content delivered, on what is arguably the most important technological innovation in the last generation. They will most likely be writing the



legislation that will pass into law concerning this issue and we as taxpayers will eventually be subsidizing this private enterprise even though it has now pretty much evolved into a must-have public utility as more and more of our telecommunications are swallowed by (and interestingly enough, sprang from) our telecom infrastructure in the first place.

The reason why this issue matters at all is that the freedom of innovation, access and

content that grew the Internet in the first place is now in danger of being usurped by the biggest players in the marketplace. Their reasons for their insistence on a new state of affairs will probably sway an already-compliant marketplace into acquiescing even further with their new demands. We will end up paying for and subsidizing an

Internet that costs more and delivers less.

Now that the FCC appears to be opting out of the game the consumer will have even less input into how things eventually turn out. But don’t worry. Consumers have long become accustomed to accepting less and paying more and will make the necessary adjustments yet one more time without too much fuss. The real shame in the matter is that in this case those who do care are too small to do anything about it and those who don’t care are too big to have to care. George Carlin had a rant about the real owners of this country and went on and on about how they always end up getting what they want. Unfortunately for us, this appears to be yet another case of just that.

Taraneh Salke To Speak on Womens’ Health Issues in Afghanistan

Recently returned from her 17th trip to Afghanistan, working under the radar of the Taliban, International Women’s Health Care advocate Taraneh Salke will bring shocking and



enlightening true life stories and pictures of her life in the villages of Afghanistan, Iran and Sierra Leon (Africa). Salke is the founder and executive director of Family Health Alliance (FHA), a female-led nonprofit, nonpolitical organization focused on the reproductive health and rights of women in countries with few, if any, resources. Salke is a frequent lecturer at UCLA and California State University at Northridge. Space is limited. A Thanksgiving lunch will be served – cost

\$20 members, \$25 nonmembers. \$10 and \$15 is tax deductible and will be donated to the health organization for medical supplies.

The event is hosted by Arcadia Woman’s Club at 324 S. First Ave. on November 3, 2010 at 11:00 A.M. For reservations, send Checks to P.O. Box 661675, Arcadia, CA 91066. For more information, call Floretta Lauber, (626) 355-6945.

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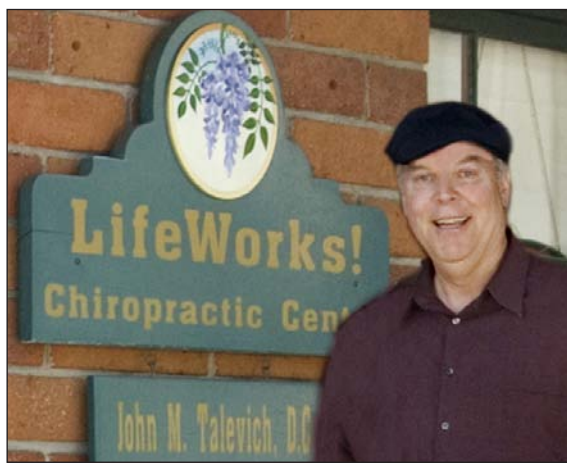
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YOUR HEALTH MATTERS

Today's Subject:

HEARTBURN!



Dr. John Talevich, D.C. has practiced in Sierra Madre for thirty years. His clinic, LifeWorks! Chiropractic, offers patient-specific approaches to the alleviation of pain and individually tailored wellness programs.

Most of us have suffered from acid indigestion at some point, but for those who have an ongoing battle with this condition, there may be some good news.

Lifestyle

Although there can be underlying concerns with chronic indigestion (ulcers, esophagitis, etc.) and your doctor should be consulted, the place to start is with behavior patterns. For example, a weight loss of as little as five to ten pounds can make the difference between having discomfort and being in a symptom-free state.

- A stroll after dinner has been shown to settle the digestive process down; avoid too strenuous a walk.
- Smaller, simple meals are more easily digested.
- Sip water with meals to avoid

overly diluting digestive enzymes.

- Avoid combining proteins and starches at the same meal; each has its own specific digestive requirements.
- Smoking increases levels of stress hormones, thereby decreasing digestive efficiency.
- Eat your last meal/snack at least three hours before bed.
- Avoid foods that you know or suspect may be irritating. Spicy foods, coffee, and soft drinks are a few culprits that can easily cause upsets in many people.
- Sleep on your left side. The greater curve of the stomach typically is on the left; by lying on that side, the contents are not tossed around as much.
- Raising the head of the bed four to six inches is beneficial in some cases as it encourages the movement of food downward, rather than back up. Finally, it is important to put worries aside before bed. A warm shower or bath with a few minutes of relaxation and breathing turns down the volume on our daily activities. You may even want to incorporate the practice of writing down your concerns and placing them in a small box where they will be safe and sound while you sleep.

To your good health! Dr. John

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VETERANS

So many veterans feel confused about benefits and services they've earned. There's so much to know...and so many changes from one year to the next. That's why the nonprofit Disabled American Veterans (D-A-V) and the Harley-Davidson Foundation have teamed up to offer help.

The DAV Mobile Service Office will be at the Laidlaw's Harley-Davidson Sales, Inc., 1919 Puente Avenue, Baldwin, California, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 23, 2010, to personally provide the best counseling and claim filing assistance available. This event is part of the nationwide Harley's Heroes tour and is free to all veterans and members of their families.

“Going The Distance”



San Marino Community Church welcomes you to Sunday worship. Rev. Jeffrey V. O'Grady preaches at both the 9:15 traditional service and “The Gathering” at 11:15 am. The music of worship is led by the Chancel Choir at the early service and The Ensemble (a multi-voice group) at “The Gathering”.

Check out a new video about the 11:15 am worship service, “The Gathering”, at www.smccpby.com.

9:15 am Traditional & Student Worship Services
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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



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Tickets can now be purchased at:

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Hart Park House / Senior Center
Sierra Madre Library



Meals-On-Wheels

Meals are delivered to home-bound seniors by volunteer drivers through the YWCA Intervale Lunch Program M-F (with frozen meals for the weekend.) Call the YWCA at (626) 214-9460 or Darlene Traxler at (626) 355-0256 for more information.

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Recipe of the Week:

EAT, DRINK AND BE SCARY....FROM NOW 'TILL HALLOWEEN!

A SPOOKY SUNDAY BRUNCH

1. Blood Orange Mimosa

Ingredients:

- 1 bottle Prosecco
- 1 1/2 cups fresh blood orange juice
- 1 tablespoon super-fine granulated sugar
- 2 tablespoons orange liqueur (recommended: Grand Marnier)

Directions:

Chill bottle of Prosecco. Combine fresh blood orange juice with sugar and orange liqueur in a large measuring cup and stir to combine. Cover and refrigerate until chilled. To serve, pour into the bottom of Champagne glasses and slowly top-off with ice-cold Prosecco.

2. Pumpkin Waffles w/Trail Mix Topping

Ingredients:

For the Waffles:

- 1 small sugar pie pumpkin (2 to 3 pounds)
- 2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons pumpkin-pie spice
- 1/2 cup packed light brown sugar
- 2 large eggs, separated
- 1/4 cup plain Greek yogurt
- 1 cup whole milk
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted

For the Topping:

- 1/4 cup slivered almonds
- 1/4 cup raw sunflower seeds
- 1 1/2 tablespoons pure maple syrup
- Coarse salt
- 1/4 cup dried cherries or cranberries
- Whipped cream, for serving (optional)

Directions:

Prep the pumpkin: Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Remove the stem and cut the pumpkin into quarters with a serrated knife. Scrape the seeds and pulp into a strainer; set aside.

Roast the pumpkin: Put the wedges on a baking sheet and cover tightly with foil; bake until the flesh is tender, about 1 hour, 30 minutes. Remove the foil and let cool.

Puree and strain: Scoop the pumpkin flesh into a food processor and puree until smooth. Transfer to a sieve set over a bowl to drain the excess liquid, about 1 hour.

Toast the seeds:

3. Spiced Maple Sausage Patties

Ingredients:

- 1 3/4 pounds ground pork (not lean)
- 1 small onion, grated and squeezed dry
- 4 cloves garlic, finely grated
- 2 tablespoons minced fresh sage
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh thyme
- 3 tablespoons pure maple syrup
- 1 tablespoon paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon ground allspice
- 1/2 teaspoon ground coriander
- 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil

Directions:

Mix the pork, onion, garlic, sage, thyme, syrup, paprika, allspice, coriander, cayenne, 2 1/2 teaspoons salt and 1/2 teaspoon black pepper with your hands. Form into 18 patties, 2 inches wide and 1/2 inch thick; put on a foil-lined baking sheet, cover and chill overnight.

The next day, preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Heat 1 tablespoon olive oil in a skillet over medium-high heat. Cook half of the patties, turning once, until golden, about 5 minutes. Transfer to a baking sheet. Wipe out the skillet. Repeat with the remaining 1 tablespoon oil and patties, then transfer the patties to the oven to finish cooking, 5 to 10 minutes.



October Birthdays

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One Of A Kind: *Featuring unique homes & gardens and the people who create them* Story and Photos By Chris Bertrand



PASADENA'S RONALD McDONALD HOUSE

Chris is taking a few week's vacation. Please enjoy a few of her favorites while she's away.

Two beautiful Craftsman homes at 763 and 765 S. Pasadena Avenue were built in 1912 for the daughters of California governor, Markham. The 9000+ square feet of combined living space that once housed the extended family of California's political elite, now provides a clean bed and hot showers for families with hospitalized children at the Huntington Hospital across the street, Children's Hospital LA and several other area hospitals.

These elegant homes lie on land set aside for the 110 freeway extension decades ago. The ensuing political turmoil over that freeway construction made Caltrans the owner of some spectacular homes that now survive in a kind of limbo. Caltrans now leases out the homes, and refurbished these two in 1990. The first was originally rented to the predecessor foundation, San Gabriel Valley Hospitality House, now Ronald McDonald House. The adjacent home was just leased and added to this use in 2006.

With ten bedrooms, seven and a half bathrooms, and two stocked pantries, families with critically ill children spend an average of two weeks in the caring confines of these two homes. While the foundation charges \$15 a night for those who can pay, (no one is turned away for inability to pay), it costs about \$144 a night to house these families who travel here from far flung states and countries, as well as within California.

Grand, covered porches which provided cool, shaded seating for the original residents, now provide respite to these families in crisis with newly completed cedar Adirondack furniture built by an ambitious Eagle Scout. An enormous living room in one of the homes creates a welcoming semblance of home with several comfortable seating areas.

The elegant dining room seats over 20 now, albeit in a more utilitarian setting. Laundry facilities in both homes are a blessing to parents who have little energy to feed themselves, much less search out a laundromat at odd hours. These days, internet and computer access is very important, allowing parents to keep in touch with loved ones as well as for some to telecommute while remaining close to their children.

The large lots offer space for visitor parking, children's play including small bikes and play equipment, meditation, an herb garden and a barbecue area. Little bits of normalcy, like grilling some burgers on the grill, peels back a bit of the enormous burden of what these families are undertaking here. Refuge is truly the word that defines these spaces. Here they can clean up and rest up near their child's hospital. But they can also

share experiences with other families in similar circumstances, one most of us pray never to face ourselves. Some have sold their homes to make this trip for their child's ultra-specialized eye surgery, reconstructive plastic surgery from burns, cancer treatment, etc. Some try to maintain dual lives, supporting the sick child undergoing treatment, then going home periodically to try to keep up mortgage payments and see to family members left behind.

Only a bare bones staff is paid, while volunteers take up the rest of the manpower needed to keep the homes in good repair. The homes bear the name of Ronald McDonald House, giving them access to supplies normally provided to Mc Donald's through Golden State Food and many sponsors such as Sleep Comfort bedding. Surprisingly though, only 8% of the budget comes from that source.



Operations director, Nita Moore, sits for just a moment with Ronald Mc Donald on one of the porches.

For the rest, they rely on the generosity of large corporations, charitable organizations, and scout troops, down to individuals filling decorated tennis cans full of change. They've come up with a myriad of opportunities for individuals, groups or companies to help keep the doors open. Rooms can be sponsored, such as the Pasadena Firefighters Association did recently with one of the bedrooms. Meals for about 30 can be donated or prepared and delivered yourself for 6:00 dinner nightly. They have projects organized for volunteer groups to finish in just a day. Or donate as little as \$50 to be recognized as the house sponsor of the day.



Duarte Mc Donald's manager, Lorraine Mata, helps sort canned food donations.



The spacious living room gives families a place to unwind a bit and interact with others facing the same challenges.

Their wish list is long but not frivolous. Single serving packaged foods of all kinds, twin sheets, towels, liquid hand soap, earthquake disaster supplies like tents and new sleeping bags, crafts supplies, postage stamps and telephone calling cards, roses and wisteria for the garden, gift cards to Vons, Target and Walmart, etc. Contact Ronald McDonald House of Pasadena at 626-585-1588 or visit their website at www.PasadenaRMH.org.

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by Luther Tsinoglou

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Now those days are over, thanks to the Mortgage Disclosure Improvement Act (MDIA). What was once the Truth In Lending Act has been rewritten with new rules to help consumers understand the loan costs and alert borrowers to changes in fees well in advance of closing.

Now the lender must provide their Good Faith Estimate within three days of receiving the borrowers' application, and closing cannot occur until the buyer has seven days to review the disclosure. If the final APR (annual percentage rate) differs more than 0.125% from the original quote, a new disclosure must be provided, granting the borrower the right of rescission.

This relieves the pressure that buyers once felt to agree to pay higher fees and rates at the very last minute. As always, borrowers can review the final documents one day before closing, providing an excellent opportunity for you to review all the figures with your real estate agent and to ask any lingering questions before you make it official.

Luther Tsinoglou has just been named the top producing sales agent in Dickson Podley Realtor's Sierra Madre office for 2009, making the top 10% at the company overall. Luther has been licensed and practicing real estate since 1992. He specializes in residential and income property in Southern California. Luther can be reached at his direct line (626) 695-8650 or at luther@tsinoglou.com.

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California Friendly Garden Contest Under-Way

Foothill Municipal Water District (FMWD) is sponsoring a California Friendly Garden Contest. Three sets of prizes will be given: one in the Crescenta Valley area, one in the La Canada area and one in the combined Altadena and Kinneloa areas. First place is \$500, second place is \$250 and third place is \$100. Judges will consider overall attractiveness, appropriate plant selection, design, appropriate maintenance and efficient methods of irrigation when evaluating the gardens.

"Water efficient landscaping is quickly becoming an important part of the conservation solution to the water supply problem in California" said General Manager Nina Jazmadarian. "The aim of this contest is to encourage residents to change out water thirsty turf to less thirsty California friendly plants. This contest goes hand-in-hand with our turf replacement rebate where customers receive an incentive for changing out lawns to California Friendly plants or pervious material."

Customers of Foothill Municipal Water District's retail agencies can participate. Although applications are due April 15, 2011, now is the time to plant most California native and friendly vegetation. Judging will take place April 30, 2011 or soon thereafter in case of inclement weather. Rules and an entry application can be found on the District's website at www.fmwd.com.

Foothill Municipal Water District provides imported water to Crescenta Valley Water District, La Cañada Irrigation District, Mesa Crest Water Company, Valley Water Company, Lincoln Avenue Water Company, Las Flores Water Company and Rubio Cañon Land & Water Association. Kinneloa Irrigation District, another retail agency, takes no water from Foothill.

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PUSHING YOUR IRONS TO THE *RIGHT*



I am going to be straight with you, pushing your iron shots to the right is a pretty tough mistake to fix. Allow me to explain myself. The golf ball sits on the ground and with the technology that has come along in the past 20 years, the superintendents can mow the fairways closer than the putting greens I grew up on.

What does that have to do with missing iron shots to the right? For those of you that struggle with this mistake, the golf club swings too much from the inside to the outside in the downswing. When the golf club swings in that direction the club **BOTTOMS** out behind the golf ball. The direction the club is swinging in the downswing is to the right of the green.

Oh, there is one more challenge. When the golf club swings too much from inside to outside, the bottom of the arc reaches the ground behind the golf ball and then it begins to swing back up. You never really find the bottom of the ball. You will either top it or hit it real thin. Yes, you add insult to injury. Not only does it go right but it goes short-right.

Of course there are a number of ways to correct it, but I am going to give you something to work on and I know it will help. After you aim correctly (not left) I want you to look at the bunker or edge of the **LEFT** side of the green. Not the middle of the green, not the pin but the left of the green.

Now you are aiming at the center of the green but you are **LOOKING** a little bit left of the green. I want you to make sure you swing to the left side of the green in the downswing. Not a lot of thought just think left. This is huge: **DON'T HOOK IT LEFT**, but simply swing and turn through to the left.

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Alverno X-Country Falls to San Gabriel Mission

By Story and Photo by Lara L. Larramendi

Despite a blistering first place finish by sophomore Eryn Blakely (19:03) and a solid 2nd place finish by senior Audrey Davy (21:51), the Jaguars Varsity cross-country team lost to San Gabriel Mission 28-60 at Pasadena's Rose Bowl course. San Gabriel Mission's top 5 runners finished 3rd, 4th, 6th, 7th and 8th. The remainder of Alverno's top 5 runners finished 16th (frosh Jessica Lopez), 20th (sophomore Ashley Haylett) and 21st (frosh Francesca Rueda).

Blakely, who has been dominating the Horizon League competition since her freshman year, improved on her winning time (20:12) of two weeks ago in League competition against Holy Family at the 3-mile Rose Bowl course by 1:09.

Rounding out the Jaguars Varsity runners were sophomore Adrianna Martinez, seniors Miranda Akkari, Bianca Melkonian, Sahhara Assafiri and frosh Bella Daniels-Campos. Almost all of the varsity runners significantly improved on their finishing times from two weeks ago at this same 3-mile Rose Bowl course.

The Junior Varsity runners fared better than their Varsity sisters, but still fell short to San Gabriel Mission, 32-52. Frosh Reagan Dowd bested her finish time of two weeks ago by 3:20. Her JV teammates also improved on their finish times; juniors Holly Coates (1:29), Andrea Gochez-Wilson (2:21), Madi Daniels-Campos (1:37), soph Nicolette Rodriguez (2:19) and frosh Victoria Pintado (1:46).

Alverno will host the next Horizon League meet on Wednesday October 20th @ 4:00 P.M. at Eaton Canyon, the Jaguars "home" course. To date, the school that has hosted the League meet has won the team competition. Come out and cheer the Jaguars to victory.



Alverno Sophomore Eryn Blakely goes all out with a blistering 19:03 1st place finish against San Gabriel Mission.

Take Your Best "Shot" - Land A Spot In The Pro Football Hall Of Fame

(NAPSI)-As children across America put on their helmets and pads and take to the gridiron to play football, parents will fill the stands, cameras in hand, hoping to capture priceless moments in their children's lives. One will also capture first prize in a football photography contest.

The Pro Football Hall of Fame is looking for the best youth football photos from across America. Football fans are encouraged to pick up a camera and enter the sixth annual "Why Do You Love Football?" Photo Challenge. The image of a child's first time taking the field to a player making a leaping catch to a cheerleader rooting for the home team could earn the winning photographer a trip to attend Super Bowl XLV in North Texas. In addition, the winner will receive a trip to the 2011 Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Celebration and have his or her photo displayed in the Pro Football Hall of Fame for a year.

A judging panel consisting of Archie Manning, former NFL quarterback and father of two Super Bowl MVP quarterbacks; Peter Read Miller, Sports Illustrated photographer; and other prominent staff photographers and photo editors will determine the group of 14 finalists in each division. Once the field is narrowed, fans will make the final call by voting for their favorite photo from December 20, 2010, through January 7, 2011, via the contest website.



"Year after year I look forward to seeing how PHS - Muir Turkey Tussle 2008 - MVNews

fans portray their passion for the game of football through their photography," said Manning. "Each year the photos entered in the contest get better and better and I am looking forward to see what this year's will produce."

Making photography part of your day-to-day routine lets you capture memories that last a lifetime. Here are some sports photography hints that may help:

- Get to the game early so you can find the best place from which to take your pictures.

- Get panning down pat. When you move the camera in the same direction as the action, you get the subject in sharp focus and the background blurred.

- Vary your shutter speeds. Very fast shutter speed will get a stop action look. Slow shutter speeds will give the picture the appearance of motion.

- Prefocus your camera so you can get the shot as it happens, unless your camera has a "quick release" setting.

- Try to stay steady. Use a tripod or other sort of support to keep camera from shaking.

- Vary the angle at which you take the picture.

- *Enter the contest. You can submit as many as 10 images each from September 2, 2010, to December 1, 2010, by visiting Canon U.S.A., Inc., a leader in digital imaging, at www.usa.canon.com/nfl and following the online instructions.*

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS CALENDAR

October 16, 2010 - October 22, 2010
LASALLE HS



Monday 10/18
TBA G V Golf @ League Pre-lims
Tuesday 10/19
3:30PM G V Tennis vs. Bishop Montgomery
3:30PM G JV Tennis @ Bishop Montgomery
4:00PM G FS Volleyball @ Bishop Amat
5:00PM G JV Volleyball @ Bishop Amat
6:00PM G V Volleyball @ Bishop Amat

Wednesday 10/20

3:15PM B V Water Polo @ Chadwick
4:15PM B JV Water Polo @ Chadwick
TBA G V Golf @ League Finals

Thursday 10/21

4:00PM G FS Volleyball vs. St. Joseph HS (Lakewood)
5:00PM G JV Volleyball vs. St. Joseph HS (Lakewood)
6:00PM G V Volleyball vs. St. Joseph HS (Lakewood)

Friday 10/22

3:15PM B V Water Polo @ Flintridge Prep
4:15PM B JV Water Polo @ Flintridge Prep
7:00PM B V Football vs. Verbum Dei High School
TBA BG VJ Cross Country @ Mt. SAC Invitational



ARCADIA HS

October 19

Varsity Girls Volleyball vs Burbank HS
Varsity Boys Water Polo at Pasadena HS
Frosh/Soph Girls Volleyball vs Burbank HS
Jr Varsity Girls Volleyball vs Burbank HS
Jr Varsity Boys Water Polo at Pasadena HS

October 21

Varsity Girls Volleyball vs Herbert Hoover High School
Freshman Boys Football vs Burbank High School
Frosh/Soph Girls Volleyball vs Herbert Hoover High School
Junior Varsity Girls Volleyball vs Herbert Hoover HS

October 22

Junior Varsity Boys Football vs Burbank High School
Varsity Boys Football vs Burbank High School



PASADENA HS

October 19

V Boy's Water Polo vs Arcadia
JV Boys Water Polo vs Arcadia
V Girls Tennis vs Crescenta Valley
V Girls Volleyball vs Crescenta Valley
JV Girls Volleyball vs Crescenta Valley

October 21

JV Girls Volleyball at Burbank
JV Girls Tennis at Crescenta Valley
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JV Girls Tennis vs Burbank

October 21

V Boy's Water Polo at Crescenta Valley
JV Boys Water Polo at Crescenta Valley

October 22

JV Football vs Crescenta Valley
V Football vs Crescenta Valley
V Girls Tennis vs Polytechnic
JV Girls Tennis vs Polytechnic

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GENERAL ELECTION

2010

November 2, 2010

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October 4, 2010 (Monday)
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