

SIERRA MADRE PD MEETS WITH  
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH CAPTAINS

Upcoming Release of CA Prison Inmates May Impact City Crime

Story by Chris Bertrand

On Monday evening, officials from Sierra Madre Police Department met with Neighborhood Watch Block Captains in the first of periodic meetings. Earlier this year, the officials met with the Business Community in a similar format.

Chief Marilyn Diaz, Larry Giannone, Len Hundshamer and Ruben Enriquez each delivered parts of the presentation. They covered current burglary patterns and recommendations to minimize a home's exposure, the expected local impact of the upcoming state mandated downgrade of certain nonviolent crimes to reduce the prison population, the EVG scandal update and other topics.

SMPD Expects October Inmate Release Will Impact City Crime Levels

Chief Marilyn Diaz spoke about the impact of AB 109 & 117 legislation, the State Public Safety Realignment. The main components of public safety realignment are twofold: it defines local custody for non-violent, non-serious, non-sex offenders; and it makes changes to state parole and creates "local post-release community supervision." These changes are to take place October 1, 2011.

At the meeting and in a follow up interview for this article, Diaz stressed that Sierra Madre expects to see the impact in increased property crimes. "These are often drug-related crimes. "For instance, when people need money for drugs, they steal. Burglars often strike on streets in proximity to corridors like Sierra Madre Boulevard, Michillinda Ave., Orange Grove Ave., and Grandview Ave. We are preparing for this prospect when thousands of offenders will be released statewide. Police chiefs have been meeting regularly to plan for the impact of prisoner release to our communities."

Diaz continued, saying we will need to draw on the eyes and ears of the Neighborhood Watch and the community, to pay attention to things that seem amiss, and call them in. Enriquez stepped in with success stories of alert neighbors calling in suspicious activity, including a recent case where a truck with two men pulled up to an adjacent home. After a knock on the door received no response, they broke into the back of the home, taking personal property.

Chatty Burglars Share Their MO with SMPD after Arrest.

When the PD caught up with them later, the duo shared their criteria for choosing a target home: Morning hours after people go to work allow burglars to work uninterrupted and unnoticed for many hours; Homes with long driveways and old, easy to pry windows attracted their attention; and using a vehicle that downgrades suspicion, like a pickup with a lawn mower in the back.

Diaz told of another hair raising story involved another morning attempted burglary. A resident was showering when someone came to the door. By the time he came downstairs from the shower, he viewed two burglars headed to his back door, one pulling on gloves. With the presence of mind to hide in the bathroom with the shower on, suggesting his inattention to the burglary, he called 911, and within a short time, officers showed up, detaining the suspects.

On Tuesday, the very next morning after the Neighborhood Watch discussion, a crime alert email came from the PD, announcing that an attempted burglary with a similar scenario had occurred, followed

by notice of another crime with a block of the first attempt:

"On Tuesday, July 26, 2011, at about 9:41 a.m., an attempted residential burglary occurred in the 500 block of West Highland Ave. Suspect #1 repeatedly rang the door bell at the front door. The resident, an adult male, was home but did not answer the person at the front door. A few minutes later, the resident heard someone trying to open an unlocked window to the rear of the house. The resident yelled out and startled the suspect. The suspect ran to the street and into an awaiting car occupied by two more males. The suspects are described as young males, possibly Hispanic with shaved heads. The vehicle is described as a silver, 4-door sedan, with a rear spoiler. The car was last seen eastbound on Highland Ave. toward Lima St.

Officers suggested that when an unknown person comes to the door, to at least acknowledge that someone is home, though not interested in whatever is offered, hopefully deterring this crime scenario being played out again locally.

Residents Encouraged to Sign Up for Online Reports of Local Crime Events

Capt. Giannone alerted the Neighborhood Watch Captains that a free online service is now available to Sierra Madre and other communities. Individuals can sign up to receive alerts of crimes reported in their area, and/or a relative's area, or other location of concern, like a school or a neighborhood being considered for home purchase or lease. The website is [www.CrimeReports.com](http://www.CrimeReports.com) and requires only about two minutes to setup a customized alert sent by email, or to view crime information online.

Filters are available to determine exactly how often residents receive updates, and even on what types of crimes they wish to hear about. Chief Diaz also recommended that residents check their Megan's Law website, [www.MegansLaw.ca.gov](http://www.MegansLaw.ca.gov) to update themselves on sexual offenders living in an area of concern.

SMPD Seeks Feedback on Operations and Personnel

Giannone pointed out that the police department is very interested in getting feedback on how they are doing, especially when it the observations (positive or negative) are recent, and can be tied to the event or officer for follow-up. While on this topic, Giannone remarked that the PD sometimes receives negative comments about officers observed pulling motorists over for possible offenses. He commented that the officer has the discretion to write and file a warning or a citation, and a passerby will not necessarily be aware which is being given.

SMPD Seeks More Neighborhood Watch Groups and Captains

The PD welcomes the opportunity to offer as many Neighborhood Watch meetings as a group would like to have, according to Giannone. Many of the groups represented had been about two years since a neighborhood meeting was held. Though the city has many active Neighborhood Watch areas, many areas have no active Watch.

To inquire about setting up a Neighborhood Watch in your neighborhood, or give feedback on how the SMPD is doing, contact Capt. Giannone at 626-355-1414 or email him at [LGiannone@CityOfSierraMadre.com](mailto:LGiannone@CityOfSierraMadre.com).

MIDGE MORASH -SIERRA MADRE'S  
RENAISSANCE WOMAN PASSES AWAY

On Saturday, July 23, 2011, Midge Morash, one of the most loved, admired, and cherished residents of Sierra Madre passed away. At age 88, she had struggled in recent months with her health.

Midge was affectionately known as "Mother Nature" in environmental circles because of her commitment to protecting the earth, especially Bailey Canyon. In fact, she was instrumental in developing the first trails at Bailey Canyon Park in the 60's.

Midge was honored by the city for her work as the developer of the Nature Awareness Program more than 30 years ago. That program included field trips once a year for all third graders in town, and the recruiting and training docents for the program.

She was one of the founders of the Sierra Madre Environmental Action Council (SMEAC) in 1972 and designed three of their brochures and helped develop information for the kiosk at Bailey Canyon.

She also devised a trail guide for Live Oak Nature Trail and Canyon View Nature Trail in Bailey Canyon, with assistance from Eaton Canyon Nature Center.

For several years, along with her volunteer work, she was lab technician at the hospital when it was located in town.

In an interview with Midge two years ago, she said her focus has forever been on nature. "I have a passion for nature and teaching others about nature. Kids have to learn respect for nature and the knowledge of the environment, and to live respectfully."

Midge and her husband Tal who preceded her in death, were the parents of four children. Tal passed away in 1988 and their son John



Midge Morash, originally from Northern California, moved to Sierra Madre almost 50 years ago. She and her husband Tal, raised four children, John, Kim, Anne and Paul and three grandchildren.

In addition to her volunteer work with SMEAC and Bailey Canyon, she is also an accomplished artist. Her homes were filled with sculptures. "I like faces", she once said of her work. Much of her work reflects that interest, such as the bust of a gentleman shown below.

also passed away. She is survived by two daughters, Kim Lazaro of Poway and Anne Johnson of Rancho Cucamonga and a son, Paul Morash of Evanston, Wyoming. When the Morash children were small, she also volunteered "in all the usual school functions" and was a leader for Brownie and Girl Scout troops for years.

The recipient of numerous awards and honors over the years, in 2009, she was the Sierra Madre 4th of July Parade Grand Marshal. In 2000, she was the Sierra Madre Older American of the Year.

"A True Renaissance Woman"

Dear friend Fran Garbaccio described Midge as a "true renaissance woman", because of her many talents. For, in addition to the countless volunteer hours spent protecting, nurturing and teaching, Midge was an incredible artist. Her Sierra Madre home, and later her home at The Oaks in Pasadena, was filled with her creations.

On February 13, 2009, Midge fell and broke her pelvis, and shortly



thereafter moved to The Oaks in Pasadena, her residence at the time of her death.

Services for Midge will be held on August 27, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. at the Sierra Madre United Methodist Church. Rev. Mark Trotter will preside.

Story & Photos by Susan Henderson

CORRECTION:

The correct date for the tribute for Ralph McKnight is FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2011 at the Levitt Pavillion at 7:00 p.m. before the Billy Mitchell concert.

ELVIS WAS IN THE HOUSE!



Harry Shahoian rocked Sierra Madre as Elvis in a concert sponsored by the Rotary Club this evening. Harry paid tribute to his parents Mama Pete, who was celebrating her 95th birthday during the show. (Above)

The Concert was a part of the Summer Concert in the Park series put on by the Community and Personnel Ser-

vices Department, with the help of local organizations that sponsor a week/ band.

On Sunday, Southern California Lyric Theater is the sponsor, with a performance of Fairy Tales and Fantasy VI.

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CITY OF SIERRA MADRE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings listed below are held at City Hall 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, Ca. 91024 626-355-7135

CITY HALL CLOSED ON JULY 1, 15 & 29

Sun Jul 24 @ 6:00pm - ELVIS IN THE PARK

July 26th @ 10:30am Summer Fun In The Park

6:30pm CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 27th @ 3-08:00pm Farmer's Market

7pm Library Board of Trustees

July 28th @ 10:30am Summer Fun In The Park

7pm Green Advisory Committee

Aug 2nd National Night Out

Sierra Madre's Farmer's Market Is Back! New Location

The Sierra Madre Farmer's Market new location is in Downtown Sierra Madre on Hermosa Avenue, south of Sierra Madre Boulevard to Mariposa Avenue. The hours will be from 3:00-8:00 p.m. during the summer with the exception of major holidays. During the winter/Pacific Standard time the market could possibly end at 7:00 p.m.

1630 AM

Free on-air publicity for local events

Sierra Madre's new community radio station is now accepting scripts for Public Service Announcements (PSAs) about community events. PSAs will be broadcast on the air at no charge. The station operates 24/7 and can be heard at 1630 on the AM dial.

Any local non-profit or non-commercial organization can have their event information broadcast to the public on Sierra Madre Community Information Radio. This new radio station covers the city of Sierra Madre, plus surrounding areas of Pasadena, Arcadia, and Monrovia.

In a nutshell, your event must:

• Benefit a non-commercial or non-profit entity

• Be open to the public

• Be of general interest to local citizens

Just write a Public Service Announcement that describes your event and e-mail it to [radio@cityofsierramadre.com](mailto:radio@cityofsierramadre.com).

2011 SUMMER POOL MOVIE NIGHT SERIES

The Sierra Madre Aquatic Center will be hosting three pool movie nights this summer. This program is offered at absolutely no charge thanks to a generous donation from the Sierra Madre Community Foundation and is open to all from Sierra Madre and the surrounding community. Each pool movie night will begin at 7:45pm, space is limited so be sure to arrive early. Snacks will be available for purchase at the June and July movie nights and proceeds benefit the Sierra Madre Dolphins Swim Team.

Friday, August 19 – Tangled.

The Sierra Madre Aquatic Center is located at 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. For more information please call 626-355-2356.

Summer Fun in the Park Schedule:

August 2	Los Angeles Zoo
August 4	CATZ Fitness Activity
August 9	Sierra Madre Search and Rescue
August 11	CATZ Fitness Activity
August 16	Mission Renaissance Arts and Craft
August 18	CATZ Fitness Activity
August 23	L.A. Arboretum Arts and Craft
August 25	CATZ Fitness Activity

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Community Youth Service Award

Jay & Jeffrey Sullivan, Tracy Sullivan, Taryn Clark and Brittany Dashek

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Webb Martin Realtors, Savor the Flavor & Sierra Madre Civic Club, Rotary Club of Sierra Madre, Sierra Madre Rose Float Association & Taylor's Ol' Fashioned Meat Market, Sierra Madre Little League

Public Service Award

Elisa Weaver, Chris Cimino, Jun Redil, Bruce Inman, Debbie Henderson

Public Safety Award

Sergeant Keith Abbott; Dave Hillyer, Doug Olsen, Dave Arden & Paul Hagen; Greg Christmas, Sierra Madre Fire Safe Council; Hank Landsberg

Police Chief's Special Award

Clyde Ito, Ted Saraf, Larry Giannone, Barbara Cline, Carroll Eugene Gray

All outgoing commissioners will be recognized for their service.

Accepting 2011 Nominations Now!

SIERRA MADRE CONCERT IN THE PARK SERIES

Join the City of Sierra Madre this summer for the FREE Concerts in the Park Series which begin Sunday, July 10, 2011 and occurs every Sunday through August 28, 2011.

The eight concerts are held from 6:00 pm and run through 8:00pm. All concerts will be held at the Memorial Park Bandshell, 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. next to City Hall. Seating is on the green so remember to bring blankets and lawn chairs. Alcohol is prohibited.

Spectators are encouraged to support local organizations that may provide refreshments.

For additional information please contact the Community & Personnel Services Department (626) 355-5278.

CONCERTS IN THE PARK SCHEDULE:

July 17 – Woodie and the Longboards (beach inspired), sponsored by Sierra Madre Civic Club selling hot dogs, pie, ice cream and water.	August 14 – Ray Bailey and the Rayletts - Blues and Jazz sponsored by Kiwanis and Friends of the Library
July 24 – Elvis (rock 'n roll), sponsored by the Rotary Club of Sierra Madre selling items from the In-N-Out Truck	August 21 – Danny Dean and the Rockabilly Lovers (50's Rock) sponsored by the Senior Community Commission selling desserts
July 31 – Fairytales and Fantasy VI (musical), hosted by Southern California Lyric Theatre	August 28 – The Silver Beatles (Beatles Tribute Band) hosted by the Community and Personnel Services Department.
August 7 – Ghost in the Machine (The Police and Sting Tribute Band), hosted by L.A. County Arts Commission	

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**Project Location:** 232 and 242 West Sierra Madre Boulevard, in the City of Sierra Madre,  
County of Los Angeles, State of California

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the Public Works Department is accepting formal, sealed bids for the modification of the entry ways of the Public Facilities located at 232 West Sierra Madre Boulevard (City Hall) and 242 West Sierra Madre Boulevard (Public Safety Building). This is a CDBG funded project.

## DATE AND TIME OF MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING

City of Sierra Madre  
Thursday, August 11, 2011  
(Meeting begins at 2:00 p.m.)

All parties interested in bidding on this project may attend this meeting.

## PLACE OF MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING

City of Sierra Madre  
City Hall  
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, CA

## DATE AND TIME OF BID OPENING

City of Sierra Madre  
Council Chambers  
Thursday, August 25, 2011  
(Meeting begins at 10:00 a.m.)

## PLACE OF BID OPENING

City of Sierra Madre  
City Hall  
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.  
Sierra Madre, CA

Only those who attended the mandatory pre-bid meeting will be able to apply.

This is a federally assisted construction contract. Federal Labor Standards Provisions, including prevailing wage requirements of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts will be enforced. In the event of a conflict between Federal and State wages rates, the higher of the two will prevail.

The Contractor's duty to pay State prevailing wages can be found under Labor Code Section 1770 et. Seq. and Labor Code Sections 1775 and 1777.7 outline the penalties for failure to pay prevailing wages and employ apprentices including forfeitures and debarment.

For further information on this subject, please contact the Public Works Department at (626) 355-7135.

By Order of the City Council

Bruce Inman, Director of Public Works

## FREE PARENT/CHILD WORKSHOPS AT SIERRA MADRE LIBRARY

The Sierra Madre Public Library is again offering its popular five-week parenting workshop series in September. The workshops, for families with children ages three and younger, will cover general parenting; speech, language and reading; child development; nutrition; physical fitness and play for young children. The informal sessions will be interactive and will include toys, crafts, books and play, in addition to discussions of parenting issues and concerns.

Presenting at the workshops on consecutive Tuesday mornings, beginning Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> through Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., will be community partners with expertise in working with young children. Registration begins August 1<sup>st</sup>, and as seating is limited, reservations are required.

Sierra Madre Public Library is a Family Place library, a statewide initiative to promote the literacy, early childhood development, parent education and family support of young children. Modeled on a national Family Place project, the project is supported by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

For more information or to make a reservation, please contact Sierra Madre Public Library Youth Services Librarian, Meegan Tosh, at (626) 355-7186 or [mtosh@cityofsierramadre.com](mailto:mtosh@cityofsierramadre.com). The Library is located at 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., in Sierra Madre.

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH?

The City of Sierra Madre Community & Personnel Services Department in collaboration with the Pasadena YMCA is assessing the need for afterschool programs. Currently, the YMCA operates afterschool programs for youth under 10 and the City operates programs for those 11-17. The two organizations are evaluating a partnership in which the YMCA assumes the operation

of teen programs as well. The information received here will help the City of Sierra Madre Community & Personnel Services Department and YMCA develop youth programs that focus on academic achievement, enrichment specialty classes, and recreational development. Please help us by filling out our online survey at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/97FJ59B>

Thank you for participating in this voluntary survey inquiring about your family's interest in and need for after school programming in Sierra Madre. For additional information please contact the Community & Personnel Services Department (626) 355-5278.

MUSIC ENSEMBLE, TESSERAE, TO PERFORM A FREE CONCERT AT ASCENSION ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup>

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## Sierra Madre Police Blotter

During the week of Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, to Saturday July 23<sup>rd</sup> the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 314 calls for service. See [crimereports.com](http://crimereports.com) for updated information.

Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>:

5:59 PM- Petty Theft, 200 blk. Foothill Ave. A Sierra Madre resident left her car unlocked in her driveway. On Saturday between 8:00 PM and Sunday 5:30 PM the unknown suspect entered the car and stole 12 music CDs in a case, \$5.00 in U.S. coins, the car dash drawer, clear tub of peppermints, a small gold ID bracelet with "Melissa: engraved on the front, and a bag of newly purchased clothing. The total loss is valued at \$895.00.

Tuesday, July 19<sup>th</sup>:

3:43 PM- Possession of Marijuana/ 1 oz or Less, 700 blk. W. Montecito Ave. An officer conducting overnight parking enforcement came across a man in his car sleeping. Further investigations revealed that the Woodland Hills resident was in possession of marijuana, a marijuana smoking pipe and his license was suspended. The officer cited the man and released him in the field.  
10:55 PM- Under the Influence of Controlled Substance, Foothill Blvd and Michillinda Ave. An officer stopped a 27-year old Alhambra motorist for a Vehicle Code violation. Further investigation revealed that the driver and rear passenger were on active parole. A female in the rear passenger was arrested and booked for being under the influence of a controlled substance. She was later released on a citation.

Thursday, July 21<sup>st</sup>:  
7:09 AM- Unlawful Display Evidence of Registration, 100 E. Montecito Ave. An officer stopped a 42-year old Duarte motorist for a Vehicle Code violation. Further investigation revealed that the man had an expired driver's license, expired vehicle registration, and a stolen registration tab attached to the rear plate. The driver was arrested and later released on a written promise to appear in court.

Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>:

12:43 PM- Petty Theft, 300 Grove St. An unknown suspect(s) took the victim's 4' x 2' clay maroon decorative vase, and a smaller clay maroon decorative vase, 18" x 12".

## What's On YOUR Mind? What Do YOU Think?

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Marianne Cortland, founder and director of Lending A Paw Therapy Dogs will be the guest speaker at the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club on Tuesday, August 2nd at noon.

There will be 4 dogs and their trainers present to share information on how therapy dogs provide affection and comfort to people in hospitals, retirement homes, nursing homes, schools, people with learning difficulties, and for those in stressful situations.

Kiwanis will be collecting donations for Lending A Paw's "Dog Food Bank" and is asking all attendees to bring, if possible, a can of dog food or doggie treats.

The Program is free and will begin at 12:40 p.m. Lunch is served at noon and reservations are necessary. Please call 626-355-7290 by Monday, noon, if you would like to dine with us. The cost for lunch is \$10.00

The Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club meets at The Lodge (formerly the Masonic Temple) at 33 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. Parking is in the rear of the building.

## Armenian Identity Festival Set for Sunday

*Pasadena Mayor Bill Bogaard will cut a cake at 4 p.m. celebrating Pasadena's 125 birthday.*

This Sunday will mark the fourth annual Armenian Identity Festival as hundreds of Armenian American celebrate at Victory Park with Food, live music, booths, children's activities, and a tribute to early Armenian settlers in Pasadena. The Armenian Community Coalition event is co-sponsored by the city of Pasadena.

Founder and President of Armenian Identity Harvest, Khatchik Chahinian said Thursday, "This is bringing the Armenian community together every year to celebrate our dual heritage as an Armenian American citizen and the positive impact in the community and family values."

Chahinian added that this year the festival would also take part in celebrating Pasadena's 125 birthday with a cake cutting by Mayor Bill Bogaard. He said even through the festival has been growing over the year's this year they expect an even larger crowd that will include elected officials and other city employees.

"We expect a lot of people and have partnered with the police department, fire department," he said. "We have outreached to the African American communities, the Latino communities. We would like this to be an event that we can all come together and celebrate."

He also said there would be a classic car show and catering by Robin's Wood Fire BBQ and Grill.

As well as BBQ, Chahinian said there would be plenty of authentic Armenian food. When asked what was a must to try he said, "Easy, Kabob, Hummus [although not a traditional Armenian recipe] and all the beautiful pastries."

He said all the festivities start at noon and go until 8 p.m.

"At 2 p.m. the U.S. Marines are going to do a flag ceremony and Color Guard," he said. "We will also have kid's activities, moon jumpers and a petting zoo."

Chahinian said, last year, the police department landed one of the helicopters in the park an SWAT did a demonstration.

Victory Park is at 2575 Paloma Street. Free admission and free parking he said. For more information go to [www.acc-us.org](http://www.acc-us.org) or call 626-399-1799.

## Pet of the Week



Freddy, a two year old, chow chow mix is so adorable! He can be a bit shy when you first meet him but he will surely blossom in a loving home. He is calm, knows the sit command, takes gently from your hand, and enjoys gentle scratches under his neck. And just look at that smile!

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

Please call 626-792-7151 and ask for A290955 or come to the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA, 361 S. Raymond Ave, Pasadena CA, 91105. Our adoption hours are 11-4 Sunday, 9-5 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and 9-4 Saturday. Directions and photos of all pets updated hourly may be found at [www.pasadenahumane.org](http://www.pasadenahumane.org)



## Opportunity Fair Focuses On Local Hires

The city Finance Department's Pasadena First Buy Local hosted an Opportunity Fair Thursday, in which, businesses and residents interested in working on the Rose Bowl Stadium Renovation project got the chance to meet first hand with those involved in the project.

"Contractors that are working at the Rose bowl, have been working at the Rose Bowl and additional contractors that think they might be working at the Rose Bowl are here," said Larry Hammond the city's Purchasing Administrator in charge of putting the event together. "What we want to do is provide an opportunity, not only for local businesses to talk to those contractors through this renovation process, but also for local hiring."

Hammond said the Rose Bowl renovation was just ending Phase I of the project.

"We are going to ratchet down a little bit as we get ready to go into football season," he said. "After the Rose Bowl game [in January] we'll ratchet up again." He said most of the contractors were getting ready for phase II.

"A big part of all this is to expand the press box as part of phase II," he said adding that they just finished redoing the score boards and cleaning up the billboards around the rim of the stadium. He said they also widened two of the tunnels and removed some seating.

"We do know what's coming down the pike, there will be more tunnel widening and more of the perimeter work will be done, outside bathrooms, that kind of thing," He said.

Sergio Ramos, Field Representative for Laborers Local 300, said they were charged with bringing in the local hires. He said during Phase

I they had about 25 people employed from Pasadena.

"That from our union," he said. "Yah, it's really hard to know how many we will have in the next phase."

Ramos said the contractors all have their own crews but call them to fill in the local hires requirement by the city. He failed to say if there was a quota.

He said they were also responsible for the apprentice program in which laborers can get training while working.

Currently Laborers Local 300 has also put residents to work on other Pasadena projects including, on the 210 freeway, Caltech building upgrades, and street maintenance on Colorado Blvd. among others Ramos said.

## PCC Receives Talent Grant

Pasadena City College has been selected by the U.S. Department of Education to receive funding under the Talent Search Program to serve 500 at-risk students. The grant awards \$230,000 per year over five years to provide students with a comprehensive program of support services, enabling them to complete high school and succeed in higher education.

PCC's Talent Search will begin with a thorough plan to identify and select students according to the eligibility guidelines. The program will target the needs of students through a structured schedule of assessment, monitoring, services, and activities designed to provide them with the skills and motivation to succeed. It will offer academic and cultural enrichment activities, workshops for social and interpersonal communication and collaborative learning skills, tutoring, and assistance in completing college financial aid forms and admissions applications.

Talent Search will coordinate with PCC's other TRIO programs - Classic Upward Bound, Math/Science Upward Bound, and Student Support Services. With the addition of the Talent Search Program, the college's combined TRIO programs will provide more than \$1 million annually and in excess of \$5.3 million over the five-year grant period.

Talent Search is one of eight federal TRIO Programs whose purpose is to assist disadvantaged students starting in middle school and continuing through graduate school. It identifies and assists individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds who have the potential to succeed in higher education. The program provides academic, career, and financial counseling to students and encourages them to graduate from high school and continue on to and complete higher education. The program also encourages young people who left school to go back and finish.

For more information, please call (626) 585-7384.

## Trucker Convicted of Vehicular Manslaughter

A jury Friday convicted a commercial truck driver of involuntary manslaughter, vehicular manslaughter and reckless driving causing injury in the fatal 2009 crash in La Canada Flintridge that killed a 12-year-old girl and her father.

The jury of 10 men and two women found Marcos Barbosa Costa, 46, guilty of the crash that killed Angelina Posca and her 58-year-old father, Angel Posca, both of Palmdale. He was found guilty of two counts each of involuntary manslaughter and vehicular manslaughter.

The jury also found the Massachusetts resident guilty of injuring three people in the April 1, 2009, crash at Angeles Crest Highway and Foothill Boulevard.

The jury found him not guilty of two counts of murder. They hung on two allegations of causing great bodily injury to two victims and found that one allegation

of causing GBI not true.

Deputy District Attorney Carolina Lugo prosecuted the case.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

Costa returns to court on Sept. 8 for sentencing before Pasadena Superior Court Judge Darrell Mavis. Costa faces up to nine years in state prison.

Witnesses testified Costa ignored warnings from an off-duty firefighter who pulled him over and said smoke was billowing from his brakes and warned him the road was worse going down.

By the time the truck reached Foothill Boulevard, the brakes appeared to have failed as the truck ran a red light and slammed into the Poscas' red Ford, dragging it 150 feet. The truck struck six more vehicles before slamming into a bookstore and nail salon.

## Altadena Sheriff's Station Installs Drug Drop Boxes



The Altadena Sheriff's Station announced Thursday the installation of one Prescription and one Illicit Drug drop box in the front of their station. The boxes are located on the northwest side of the Altadena Sheriff's Station at 780 E. Altadena Boulevard, Altadena. Residents are now able to drop off any unwanted prescription drugs and any

illegal drugs at the Sheriff's Station with no questions asked. We anticipate installing a hypodermic needle drop box in the near future. Please feel free to use these boxes as an alternative to flushing unwanted drugs into the sewer system or placing them in the trash.

For further questions contact Lieutenant Joseph Dempsey at 626-798-1131

## Citizen Journalism Meet-up

*Learn not just how to blog but how to report the news*

The Pasadena Community Network and this newspaper are holding a workshop on Citizen Journalism.

This group is the place where aspiring journalists can learn from trained professionals and support their local community by covering what's really happening in their neighborhoods.

We will put the news in your hands. Learn how to find the story, the tools needed to capture the story and the means to tell the story using the power of video, audio and



print along with online social media The next meeting is Aug. 2 from 6 p.m. to 8p.m. at the Pasadena Community Network - Studio G, 2057 N. Los Robles Ave.

For more info call 626.794.8585 or visit [pasadenan.com](http://pasadenan.com).

## PCC Local Vendor Information Meetings Set for August

Pasadena City College wishes to invite local vendors, contractors, and suppliers who are interested in working with the District and PCC to information meetings on August 5 and 6. The event begins at 9 a.m. both days, with a program and presentation beginning at 10 a.m. The event will be held in PCC's Creveling Lounge in the Campus Center.

The sessions are designed to introduce prospective suppliers to PCC purchasing procedures, bidding, invoicing, and general needs of the college. Session highlights include a brief introduction to the District's current and upcoming projects, a question-and-answer session, and group interaction.

PCC contracts with vendors for items such as building materials, painting services,

plumbing services, network cabling, instructional materials, computers, laboratory equipment, and consulting services. Contracts also range in scope from individual purchases to large construction elements associated with the District's \$150 million Measure P projects.

The District strongly encourages local businesses and suppliers whose main office is located within the limits of the District to take part in the information sessions. A District map is available online at the PCC website at [www.pasadena.edu](http://www.pasadena.edu) or by typing [www.pasadena.edu/board/districtmap2.cfm](http://www.pasadena.edu/board/districtmap2.cfm) into your web browser.

Parking will be free in Lots 1 and 4.

For more information, contact Purchasing Services at (626) 585-7367.

## BOARD AWARDS \$486 MILLION CONTRACT FOR 11.5 MILE GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION FROM PASADENA TO AZUSA LIGHT RAIL PROJECT

On Wednesday, the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board of Directors awarded a \$485.9 million contract to "Foothill Transit Constructors - A Kiewit Parsons Joint Venture" to design and construct the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension from Pasadena to Azusa. The project includes final design and construction of 11.5 miles of track, six stations, dozens of crossings, utilities, systems and much, much more. The project will take approximately four years to complete and is estimated to create nearly 7,000 jobs and \$1 billion of economic output during construction (according to Christine Cooper, Director of LAEDC's Economic and Policy Analysis Group). "This team presented the best of both worlds; the top ranked technical proposal and the lowest bid" said Construction Authority Board Chairman and Glendora Mayor Doug Tessor. "I am happy with the outcome and the selected team, and applaud the significant effort staff at the Authority put into conducting this procurement. Ultimately, we had three excellent teams vying for this important project, and the best team won." Kiewit and Parsons have teamed up nearly 20 times in the last decade to complete design-build projects and have designed and built more

than 60 major infrastructure projects in the last forty years. Both are award-winning companies, providing world-renowned experience in successful completion of light rail transit projects. Kiewit was the lead team member on Phase 1 of the Gold Line from Los Angeles to Pasadena (with Parsons as the lead design subcontractor), which was completed in 2003 on time and under budget. Kiewit also recently oversaw demolition of the Mulholland Bridge (part of the I-405 Sepulveda Pass Improvement Project). Coined by the media as "Carmageddon" for its potential impacts to Los Angeles' heavily congested traffic corridor, the demolition was completed by Kiewit Pacific 17 hours ahead of schedule. "Kiewit and Parsons both enjoy a long-time relationship with the Construction Authority, having both worked with the agency since 1999 when we began design on Phase 1. It is an honor to be chosen to continue that work 12 more miles east and to have a chance to work again with the hard working and dedicated team at the Construction Authority" said Bill Westland, Vice President & Area Manager, Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. This contract award keeps the first Measure R rail project to go to construction on schedule for a 2015 delivery.

## LOCAL TEENS CREATE WEB SERIES TO FIGHT UNDER-AGE DRINKING

Pasadena, CA - July 29, 2011 - When most teens are spending their days relaxing at the beach or park, members of the CHP (Campus Health Promoters) have been in pre-production for "Pretty Little Drunk," a web-series being produced by OnWeb Television in conjunction with NATHA (Neighbors Acting Together to Help All). The series follows NORA, a 15 year old high-school girl who begins to use alcohol to hide from her problems and the friend who gains the courage to finally confront her. The teens are from local high schools in the Pasadena area and have been involved in all aspects of the production, including deciding upon the web series title. "Pretty Little Drunk" starts production on August 3rd at the offices of NATHA in Pasadena and will shoot for three days around NATHA. The web-series uses a combination of local teens and professional actors cast in lead and supporting roles and is being produced to help teens realize the negative effects of under-age drinking. NATHA is a true grassroots non-profit organization serving low income families in the largely minority Lincoln Corridor of Northwest Pasadena. The organization was recently funded through the federal Drug Free Communities(DFC) Program, which provides grants of up to \$125,000 to community coalitions that mobilize their community to prevent youth

alcohol, tobacco, illicit drug and inhalant abuse. The Drug Free Communities Support Program will enable NATHA to strengthen their prevention efforts and encourage the community to join forces in their substance abuse reduction efforts.

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, On average, underage drinkers consume more drinks per occasion than adult drinkers. A 2009 Youth Risk Behavior Survey from the organization found that within a 30 day period, 42% of high school students drank some amount of alcohol, 10% drove after drinking alcohol and 28% rode with a driver who had been drinking alcohol. OnWeb Television, a web-series production company based in Pasadena The company was so impressed by the work of the organization and its dedication to the community, it has volunteered it's services for the entire production. "It's been a great experience working with the students, they are very talented and we just wanted to give them this opportunity to get their message out" said Director James Tucker. OnWeb staff have been working with the students for several weeks in preparation for the production. The goal is to create three initial episodes of approximately 3-4 minutes each and the students will use various forms of new and social media to spread their message of reducing under-age drinking.

## DAN F. AUSMAN NAMED METHODIST HOSPITAL PRESIDENT AND CEO

Methodist Hospital announced today the appointment of Arizona health care executive Dan F. Ausman as president and chief executive officer. Ausman is scheduled to begin August 29.

"Dan's appointment as president and CEO of Methodist Hospital assures that the mission and values of Methodist Hospital will continue. He is an extremely talented leader with exceptional credentials and experience," said Michael Hoover, chairman of the hospital's board of directors. "Under Dan's leadership, we can be certain that Methodist Hospital will continue to focus on exceptional patient experiences and meeting the needs of our community. I am excited to welcome Dan and to have his leadership for The Next Generation of Care."

Current CEO Dennis Lee announced his retirement plans earlier this year.

"Methodist Hospital is indeed fortunate to have attracted someone as experienced and accomplished as Dan Ausman to be its president and CEO," Lee said. "Many of the significant strategic challenges Methodist Hospital will face in the next several years are areas where Dan has had experience. His leadership values align closely with those of Methodist Hospital and his advanced business acumen will help the hospital continue to thrive in the future."

Ausman was previously with Abrazo Health Care in Phoenix, Ariz., where he was president from 2006 until 2011. The second largest health care system in Arizona, Abrazo has net revenues of \$1.5 billion, with 5,000 employees, 3,000 affiliated physicians, six acute-care hospitals totaling 1,060 beds and two health plans.

"I am excited to be joining Methodist Hospital as its new president and CEO and look forward to building upon the great history and culture of this excellent organization," Ausman said.

According to a 2008 Phoenix Business Journal article, Ausman defines success as "patient safety and clinical outcomes." He believes an effective business leader shows passion, honesty and vision. And he says his most effective communication skill is "the ability to articulate vision and inspire."

That certainly seems to have worked for him in his last position. In the last four fiscal years with Ausman at the helm, Abrazo negotiated strategic alliances with three large medical groups, improved employee, physician and patient satisfaction, and significantly reduced the nurse turnover rate.

Under Ausman's administration, Abrazo's



hospitals achieved satisfaction scores, as measured by Press Ganey, above 80 percent for inpatient, 90 percent for outpatient and 80 percent for emergency room.

Before assuming the top post at Abrazo, Ausman served as vice president of operations and president of California operations for Vanguard Health System, Abrazo's parent company. In that role, Ausman

managed three acute care hospitals, with 491 beds in Irvine, Calif.

He served as president and CEO for Irvine Regional Hospital and Medical Center, a 176-bed facility owned by Tenet Healthcare. He also has held positions as CEO for Monterey Park Hospital in Monterey Park; executive vice president for Good Samaritan Hospital in Los Angeles; and CEO for Women's Medical Center in Seminole, Fla.

Ausman received his bachelor's degree from the University of California, Irvine, and master's in public administration from the University of Southern California's Health Services Administration graduate program. He has more than 30 years of healthcare administration experience focusing on strategic development, financial success, cultural awareness and change, and quality of care. In 1998 and again in 2002, Ausman was awarded the Tenet Circle of Excellence Award by Tenet Healthcare and was recognized for performing at high levels in the areas of quality, service and operations.

He has served on the board of directors for the Phoenix chapter of the American Heart Association, along with the Arizona Hospital and Healthcare Association. He also was an honorary board member for The Wellness Community. Ausman has two adult sons who live in San Diego. He and his wife, Carolyn, will relocate from Arizona to Southern California.

### About Methodist Hospital

Founded in 1903, Methodist Hospital is a 460-bed, not-for-profit hospital serving Arcadia and surrounding communities. Services include comprehensive acute care such as medical, surgical, perinatal, pediatrics, oncology, intensive care (neonatal and adult) and complete cardiovascular services, including open-heart surgery. Methodist Hospital is accredited by The Joint Commission. An independent, not-for-profit organization, The Joint Commission is the nation's main standards-setting and accrediting body in health care. For more information, visit [www.methodisthospital.org](http://www.methodisthospital.org).

## SHAME ON ARCADIA



Can you imagine? A person buys a lovely home in a nice, quiet neighborhood. He and his wife raise their children there, but stay in the home. It is not too large to maintain and it is near stores, doctor, Church-all important parts of his life. Why would he want to move? I would be *LIVID* if I lost my view of the mountains!

Today, I drove west on Camino Real to photograph the two houses going up. I had a conversation with a woman who had lived across the street from the house for 40 years! I was so surprised that MANY people were upset the house was going to be razed. The neighbor said a gentleman from the Monrovia Historic Preservation Society had even come. (The Monrovia Historic Preservation Group is a non-profit devoted to the restoration and preservation of pre-1930's houses.) But nothing could be done. The house had been moved to the Arcadia site 40 years ago from Hollywood. If the house originally was built on that site, it may have been a different story.

I'm just grateful I live in a county area where houses are not razed.



*News and Views from Joan M. Clayton*

About two months ago, my WORST nightmare happened. I was driving west on Camino Real in the City of Arcadia and saw the UNBELIEVABLE! My favorite house-a darling green Victorian bungalow-probably the ONLY one left in Arcadia- had THE SIGN in front of it, "MURSOL CONSTRUCTION" ! I

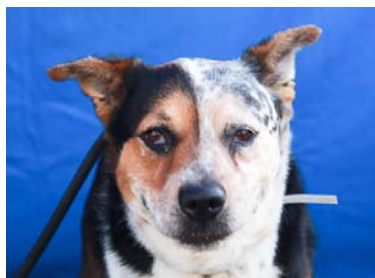
went home and cried! "Mursol Construction" is synonymous with "MONSTROSITY" as far as I am concerned. I have NO PROBLEM with a big house. I grew up in Westfield, New Jersey, and most of the houses are large. But the houses in Westfield and in most East Coast towns are pretty and no one is identical to another! Styles include "Colonial", "English Tutor", "Victorian", or "Greek Revival" to name a few. There are also smaller Cape Cod, bungalow and Ranch Style homes! I live in Monrovia-a few blocks east of Arcadia. Driving west, I saw a corner lot with a chain link fence around it. In front of the chain link was a green covering to block the view of the house. So I just thought that house was being remodeled. But "NO" that house also was a victim of the Arcadia trend: "Raze a beautiful home that has charm and put up a big monstrosity"! If a person travels west on Camino Real in Monrovia, passes Myrtle Avenue to Arcadia, they will see that two attractive homes about a block apart are gone! Construction has begun on yet another two monstrosities. Where the green bungalow was, a very large house is going up! I believe there are barely 3 feet from each side of the house being built to the property line. However, that is nothing in comparison to the other house going up.(I haven't had a chance to attempt to measure it. Suffice it to say, that house equals *THREE* in width to the houses on my street!

Saturday, driving home from the store, I couldn't stand it. So I stopped my car, and asked a walking gentleman, "Do you live around here"? "Yes", he answered. I continued, "What do YOU think of all of this (Building these monstrosities)? His reply, "Disgusting. It takes away my view of the mountains".

## PET OF THE WEEK

Meet Tony (A4306717), a gentle and handsome year-old, black and white male Australian Shepherd mix puppy urgently looking for a new home. Tony was surrendered at the Baldwin Park shelter on July 5th because his former owners could no longer afford to care for a dog. Weighing 48 lbs. this medium-energy boy is a United Hope for Animals volunteer favorite because of his "cool as a cucumber" disposition. Tony walks well on leash, takes treats gently, is friendly towards people and other dogs, and appears to be housetrained. He is an ideal indoor family pet, and is vaccinated, microchipped, neutered, and ready to go home today. To watch a video of Tony interacting with a volunteer, go to [www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jx1e2gbRDBA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jx1e2gbRDBA).

To meet Tony, please visit him at the Baldwin Park



Shelter, located at 4275 N. Elton, Baldwin Park, CA 91706 (Phone: 626-430-2378). Reference his animal ID number: A4306717. His adoption fee is \$80. The shelter is open seven days a week, 12 pm-7 pm Monday-Thursday and 10 am-5 pm Friday-Sunday. This is a high-intake shelter with a great need for adoptions.

For more information about Tony or the adoption process, contact United Hope for Animals Volunteer Adoption Coordinator Meena at [meena@hope4animals.org](mailto:meena@hope4animals.org) or 626-841-9030. To learn more about United Hope for Animals' partnership with the Baldwin Park Shelter through its Shelter Support Program, as well as the many dogs of all breeds, ages, and sizes available for adoption in local shelters, visit <http://www.unitedhope4animals.org/about-us/shelter-support-program/>.



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## HONORING A FALLEN OFFICER

By Joan Schmidt Clayton

July 19<sup>th</sup> marked the 84<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the death of Arcadia Police Officer, Albert Edward Matthies. Officer Matthies, a six year veteran with the Arcadia Police Department, is the only officer from their Department to die in the line of duty. This fine young man's life was cut short-he was only 27 at the time of his death and left behind his young wife and two young daughters.

The evening of July 18, 1927, Officer Matthies was doing patrol. In the patrol car, was his friend, Leo Bertolina, who was going on a ride-along. When Officer Matthies came to the intersection of Northview and Foothill in north Arcadia shortly before midnight, he spotted three men inside a parked vehicle. He walked toward the car to question them, unaware that they were planning a robbery. In the rear seat was Frank Miller who was armed with a .45 cal handgun. Matthias didn't realize this. As Officer Matthies walked toward the car, Miller shot him in his neck and Matthias later died at 12:07 AM, July 19 1927.



Bertolina, Matthias' ride-along was also shot at. He was able to get away, but was hit with flying glass from windows broken by the gunfire. Bertolina called for additional police assistance. Although the three men escaped that evening, they were apprehended in Los Angeles within a few days. The trio were tried and convicted in Officer Matthias' death. They were sentenced to prison. Miller, the shooter, died while incarcerated. His accomplices were eventually paroled, but died shortly after.

Last week, the Arcadia Police Department honored their fallen brother. What they did- I cannot find appropriate words to describe their remembrance and ceremony. "Outstanding, awesome, heart-wrenching, and most appropriate" are a sampling of what comes to my mind.

The remembrance began at 12pm on July 18<sup>th</sup> with a statement from Arcadia Police Officers Association President John Jurman, who spoke of Officer Matthies, his commitment to his profession and his ultimate sacrifice.

Bagpipes were played by retired Arcadia Police Officer Andrew Ballantyne during the posting of colors. The honor guard detail stood watch for twelve consecutive hours with a changing of the guard ceremony occurring every half hour. Newly appointed Chief of Police Robert Guthrie stood a post from 5:00-5:30 PM. At 12:07 AM, July 19, a bell sounded in honor of Officer Matthias' death. The event ended with a closing prayer by Arcadia Police Department Chaplain Thomas Shriver of the Emmanuel Assembly of God Church, Arcadia. All the participants of the Arcadia Police Officers Association donated their time to keep the memory and spirit of Officer Matthies alive.

Thank you, Arcadia Police Department for planning and carrying out such a meaningful remembrance of a brave young policeman who gave the ultimate sacrifice-his life.

## Arcadia Police Blotter

*For the period of Sunday, July 17, through Saturday, July 23, the Police Department responded to 914 calls for service of which 121 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.*

### Sunday, July 17:

Between July 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. and July 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:54 a.m., a burglary occurred in the 700 block of South Golden West Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) pried open the door of a utility box and stole four deep cycle batteries from inside.

At about 7:25 p.m., officers responded to L.A. Fitness, 1325 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a report of a sexual battery. While walking to her vehicle, the 53-year-old Asian female victim was approached by a subject driving a newer model BMW. The driver was described as a Black male, between 25-30 years old with a muscular build, clean shaven and wearing a black t-shirt. The victim stated she ignored the verbal advances by the suspect and then lost view of him. As she approached her vehicle, she felt the back of her skirt pull up and saw the suspect kneeling behind her with a cell phone in his hand attempting to take pictures. A follow-up investigation is being conducted by the Detective Bureau.

### Monday, July 18:

3. At approximately 2:15 p.m., units were dispatched to the 1500 block of Highland Oaks Drive regarding a residential burglary that occurred at about 10:00 a.m. While leaving for school, an 11-year-old resident came face to face with a stranger inside the garage of the residence. The suspect was described as a White male, between the ages of 30-40, approximately 5'09" with a medium build and brown hair, wearing black pants, a black shirt, black shoes and a black jacket. The suspect was seen leaving in a small, red, 2-door, pick-up truck, possibly a Toyota, with a blue tarp over the bed. A composite drawing of the suspect has been created and distributed to surrounding agencies.

4. At about 8:36 p.m., a burglary occurred in the 2400 block of South Holly Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) pried open the door of a utility box and stole four deep cycle batteries from inside.

### Tuesday, July 19:

5. At approximately 1:35 p.m., a residential burglary occurred in the 100 block of West Foothill Boulevard. The suspect cut the screen on the back door of the residence and attempted to enter, coming face to face with the residents. The suspect was described as a Black male, about 20-years-old, 6'00" and 180 pounds, wearing a brown shirt with orange stripes. The suspect fled and there was no loss. A composite drawing of the suspect has been created and distributed to surrounding agencies.

6. Between 4:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m., officers responded to Ralph's, 1101 West Huntington Drive, regarding a theft. The victim, a 92-year-old White female, reported her wallet was taken from her purse by an unknown suspect(s) while shopping in the store.

### Wednesday, July 20:

7. Between July 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. and July 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m., a residential burglary occurred in the 300 block of West Colorado Street. Unknown suspect(s) forced open the front door, ransacked the residence, and stole unknown property.

8. At about 10:17 a.m., units were dispatched to the 900 block of West Huntington Drive regarding a deceased person. A 47-year-old Asian male was found not breathing in the bathroom. The Arcadia Fire Department Paramedics attempted to resuscitate the subject, but were unsuccessful. There were no suspicious circumstances found. The Coroner's office was notified and they are investigating the cause of death.

### Thursday, July 21:

9. At about 2:00 p.m., a burglary was reported in the 500 block of West Longden Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) pried open the door of a utility box and stole four deep cycle batteries from inside. Detectives are aware of other similar thefts in the San Gabriel Valley and are in communication with other police agencies regarding these crimes.

10. Between 5:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., a residential burglary occurred in the 500 block of East Longden Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) pried open the rear door, ransacked the residence, and stole a computer and cash.

### Friday, July 22:

11. Between 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m., an auto burglary occurred in the 11000 block of Goldring Road. Unknown suspect(s) unlocked the door on the driver's side through a rolled down window and stole a cell phone, sunglasses, and a CD set.

12. Around 7:00 p.m., loss prevention personnel from JC Penney at the Westfield Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, detained a juvenile for theft. The suspect took merchandise and concealed it under his clothing, walking out of the store without paying for the merchandise. The 17-year-old Hispanic male was arrested for theft.

### Saturday, July 23:

13. Shortly before 3:00 a.m., a traffic stop was conducted on Peck Road and Hemlock Street for a broken tail light. A records check of the driver and passenger revealed outstanding misdemeanor warrants for the pair. Both the 24-year-old Hispanic male driver and the 19-year-old Hispanic male passenger were placed under arrest for the warrants.

14. At about 4:30 p.m., while on patrol, officers were flagged down by loss prevention personnel from the Sports Chalet at the Westfield Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue. The officers were advised that a female, who had attempted to use a fraudulent debit card, had just left the location. The 30-year-old Hispanic female was located and detained. An investigation revealed an additional fraudulent debit card in her possession. The suspect was placed under arrest for forging an access card with intent to defraud, commercial burglary and use of another's personal identification to obtain goods.

## OVERNIGHT HOT PROWL BURGLARIES LAST TWO NIGHTS IN ARCADIA

Over the course of the last two nights, Arcadia residents were victimized by similar hot prowl burglaries. The first occurred early Tuesday morning at about 4:49 a.m., in the 100 block of Diamond Street, and the second occurred late last night around 11:00 p.m., in the 600 block of West Walnut Avenue. In both cases, the suspect was described as a male White carrying a flashlight.

The Diamond Street resident was awakened to find a suspect with a flashlight in her bedroom grabbing her purse from near the foot of her bed. The suspect immediately fled from the bedroom, ran through the house, and out the front door. The female resident was home with two teenage children when the crime occurred and no one was hurt in the incident. The only loss was the resident's purse. Officers found that the suspect had entered the residential unit through an unlocked front door. In this case, the suspect was described only as a male White, 5'-10", wearing a white t-shirt and basketball type shorts. This crime occurred on July 26, 2011, at about 4:49 a.m.

The second incident occurred last night when a West Walnut resident awoke to the sounds of someone attempting to open his front door. Moments later, the resident heard the suspect now attempting to open a side door. The resident turned on the porch light and was able to see the suspect on the porch. The suspect shined a flashlight in the face of the resident and then fled off the property, never making entry into the location. The resident described the suspect as a male White in his twenties, 5'-10", 150 lbs, wearing a red shirt. This crime occurred on July

27, 2011, at about 11:00 p.m.

Although in different areas of the City, these crimes and suspect descriptions are similar. In both crimes, the suspect appears to be looking for a crime of opportunity, targeting unlocked residential doors. Please remember to check your home before going to bed. Close and lock your doors and windows, and set your alarm, if you have one installed at your home. Many times, thieves will target homes and vehicles that have been left unlocked or open. Take the time to help prevent this type of crime before it happens! If you see or hear anything suspicious, call the police right away.

Anyone with information on either of these crimes is encouraged to contact the Arcadia Police Department at (626) 574-5150.

If you prefer to provide information ANONYMOUSLY, you may call "Crime Stoppers" by dialing 800-222-TIPS (8477), texting the letters TIPLA plus your tip to CRIMES (274637), or using the tip page at Los Angeles Regional Crime Stoppers.

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## ARCADIA FAMILY FLICKS WEDNESDAYS!

This year, the City of Arcadia and Westfield Santa Anita are teaming up to bring you a new program called Family Flicks on the Promenade (upper level of the mall) 400 S. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, CA 91007 .

Family fun starts at 6pm with pre-show entertainment and activities with Radio Disney Street Team, as well as exclusive dining discounts and fabulous prizes. Movies are shown on the following Wednesdays and begin at dusk.

July 27 <sup>th</sup> ,	Shark Tale (PG)
August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tangled (PG)
August 10 <sup>th</sup>	Toy Story (G)
August 17 <sup>th</sup>	High School Musical 2 (G)

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## Summer Concert Series

**August 4, 2011— Cold Duck (70's top 40)**

Join us this summer at Arcadia's annual Summer Concerts in the Park series presented by Target. The seven-week entertainment series showcases a wide variety of musical performances. Bring a blanket or lawn chair for seating on the grass and enjoy a picnic dinner during the show. Kids of all ages will be entertained in our FREE kids' fun zone area with many games and crafts each week.

Become a part of the Arcadia tradition, gather your family and friends and enjoy the sights and sounds of this year's concert series. Whether you attend one or all seven, we are sure you will have a great time! As always, admission and parking are free. (Additional parking held at Santa Anita Race Track, Gate 5.) Concerts take place on Thursday evenings from 6:30-8pm on beautiful City Hall West Lawn located at 240 West Huntington Drive.

### Cold Duck (70's top 40)

Back by popular demand! Join us once again for this special celebration....National Night Out & Arcadia's 108<sup>th</sup> Birthday! National Night Out promotes crime prevention and awareness through police-community partnerships.

## Arcadia Recreation and Community Services Department Sports Camp

Sports Camp is held at Dana Middle School and offers three weeks starting August 1 to August 19. Weeks one and three are for youth entering grades 5-9 and week two is for youth entering grades 1-4. This camp utilizes the Dana Gym and features a variety of fun sports activities for youth including swimming, flag football, basketball, softball, soccer, volleyball and other fun group games.

## Annual End of Summer Carnival

The Recreation and Community Services Department will be celebrating the end of summer with our annual carnival on Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 2pm at Eisenhower Memorial Park (corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> and Colorado). This year's theme is "Under the Big Top". Enjoy crafts, raffles, a photo booth, a balloonist and a caricature artist.

Each week there is an excursion and three swim days.

Sports camp is \$110 per week. To register in person come by our office located at 375 Campus Drive. You can also go to the city's website at [www.ci.arcadia.ca.us](http://www.ci.arcadia.ca.us) to register.

For more questions, please contact the Recreation Department at 626.574.5113.

Carnival games are available for a nominal fee and offer fun, kid- friendly prizes, so be sure to bring lots of change. Bring a picnic lunch or purchase a delicious snack from our snack bar.

For more information please contact the Recreation Office at 626.574.5113.

## Monrovia

## PUSD WELCOMES SUPERINTENDENT JON R. GUNDRY

*Board Approves 3-year Contract*

Pasadena, CA - The Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) Board of Education tonight welcomed Jon R. Gundry as the new Superintendent of Schools, and approved his three-year contract by a vote of 6-0. Mr. Gundry officially begins his tenure on July 27, 2011.

"I would like to welcome Mr. Gundry to the Pasadena Unified School District," said Board President Renatta Cooper. "He brings impressive skills and knowledge to our district, and we wish him much success as we work together for students."

Mr. Gundry, who brings more than two decades of experience as a teacher, principal and instructional leader, joins PUSD after three years at the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE). He served as Deputy Superintendent of LACOE from 2008 until September 2010, when he was appointed Interim Superintendent.

"It is going to be my pleasure to serve this community, these parents and kids, and to work together with the Board to make this the great school district that you envisioned when you put together the Strategic Plan," said Mr. Gundry. "This morning, I had an opportunity to meet with two parent groups, and I look forward to working with all the parents of this district to do what's best for kids. My success will be the success of the students of this district."

Mr. Gundry met with parents from the District's English Learner Advisory Council (DELAC) and the African-American Parent

Council (AAPC) today, and has scheduled meetings with other parents, community leaders, and employees in the next few weeks.

He was also welcomed by representatives of employees in the district at tonight's Board meeting.

"On behalf of teachers, counselors, librarians, and other members, I would like to welcome Mr. Gundry to Pasadena Unified and look forward to working with him," said Alvin Nash, President of the United Teachers of Pasadena.

As the Chief Executive Officer of LACOE and Secretary of the County Board of Education, Mr. Gundry was responsible for ensuring the financial and academic stability of 80 school districts that serve more than two million preschool and school-age children, and for overseeing \$16 billion in school district funding and a staff of nearly 4,000. He was appointed Interim Superintendent by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors following the retirement of Darline P. Robles last summer. Previously as Deputy Superintendent, he had been a vital member of LACOE's Executive Cabinet, developing policy and overseeing strategic projects and initiatives.

Prior to joining LACOE in February 2008, Mr. Gundry served in the Houston, Texas, Independent School District since 1982. His tenure there included 12 years as an administrator, ultimately serving as an executive principal overseeing 17 campuses

in a high school feeder system. A 16-year classroom teacher, Mr. Gundry taught English, Spanish and English as a Second Language in the middle and high schools.

Mr. Gundry earned a Bachelor of Science in English and Spanish from Northern Arizona University in 1978 and a M.Ed. in Administration from Houston Baptist University in 1996. He was awarded the Texas Excellence Award for outstanding high school teachers in 1989. A Fulbright Scholar, he spent a year teaching in Nicosia, Cyprus, in 1990. He is a fluent speaker of Spanish, and spent one of his high school years as a foreign exchange student in Bolivia.

Tonight's approval of Mr. Gundry's contract culminates a five month process that began in March. The process included outreach to parents, staff, and community leaders to identify the qualities they wanted to see in the new superintendent. The Board retained the executive search firm of Ray & Associates to recruit and select candidates. The search firm and Board of Education relied heavily on the results of the community input process when reviewing the strengths of the candidates and finalists in the deliberation.

*Mr. Gundry replaces Edwin Diaz, who retired from PUSD on June 30 after more than four years of leading the district to rising student achievement and a 50 percent decrease in the student dropout rate.*

## BOSCO TECH'S PIONEER TECH SCHOLAR PROGRAM TURNS KIDS INTO SCIENTISTS

ROSEMEAD, CA—July 27, 2011– Nearly 200 local elementary and middle school students are enjoying dissecting lamb hearts, building and operating robots and learning algebraic equations this summer in the high school labs of Don Bosco Technical Institute (Bosco Tech) through the school's unique Tech Scholar program. The five-week, intensive program exposes younger students to applied STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) education. Wrapping up only its second summer, the hands-on, lab-based curriculum has had rave reviews from participating students and their parents, as well as the students' elementary and middle schools. This year, the program more than doubled in size to 190 Scholars eager to participate. As Bosco Tech's program gains in popularity, other Los Angeles County high schools are planning their own versions of the Tech Scholar curriculum. "There's a definite need in this country to expose kids to STEM education at the grade school level in a way that sparks their imagination and fuels their passion for learning," explains Bosco Tech's Director of Admissions Rudy Herrera, who runs the Tech Scholar program. "Young people need hands-on experience with science and technology. We want to teach them the language of science; we see that as a part of our mission." In a time when only 15 percent of U.S. college graduates pursue engineering or computer science degrees, compared to up to 70 percent in China, India and Eastern Europe, Bosco Tech is determined

to become one of our nation's leading schools for preparing students for careers in STEM-related fields. Nationally, STEM programs focus primarily on high school-level education, but Bosco Tech is focusing on elementary school-aged children, believing that they will benefit from the early exposure to science and technology. The seventh and eighth grade students, for whom the Tech Scholar program is free of charge, are selected to participate through a highly competitive process, based on an aptitude for science and math. The program



is divided into four components, each taught by a seasoned Bosco Tech faculty member. The unique curriculum includes study skills, a science workshop, a course in electrical engineering and computer science, and ends with an introductory course in algebra. "We want to create a smooth transition from elementary to high school and dramatically increase a student's opportunity to succeed at a four-year college



or university," says Herrera. "We're doing our part to help prepare tomorrow's leaders. We want to lead by example and encourage other high schools to replicate our program and contribute to much-needed science and technology literacy." Bosco Tech is the only all-male Catholic high school in the state that uniquely integrates college-preparatory and technology education. The academic curriculum allows students to meet university admission requirements while completing extensive integrated coursework in one of five technology and engineering-related fields: Architecture and Construction Engineering; Computer Science and Electrical Engineering; Integrated Design, Engineering and Art; Materials Science, Engineering and Technology; and Media Arts and Technology.

*For further information about Bosco Tech, please call (626) 940-2000 or visit [www.boscotech.edu](http://www.boscotech.edu).*



## Perks of Being Awkward

Some people are born with the ability to carry on in conversation smoothly and naturally. I am not one of them. I am a member of the other type of person – the awkward. Not that I do not try to be natural and nonchalant when I talk, it just happens that my words come out garbled and the conversation becomes slightly uncomfortable. Eventually, though, when someone gets to know me after cracking my outer awkward shell, the conversation and interaction does become smooth and natural, it is just the getting there that is uncomfortable. Not to say that being awkward is such a bad thing to be though. To be quite honest I get quite a kick out being awkward because it makes conversation and meeting people so much more interesting and memorable. A perfect example would be this past Monday at Starbucks.

My best friend Colleen and I were being our usual quirky selves and after, not seeing each other all summer due to my travels, decided to go to Starbucks to get some iced coffees and kick back in the air-conditioned lounge area. Upon entering the store I noticed that once again one of our teacher's brothers was working. After countless times of going to Starbucks when he was there, I decided to introduce myself to him as one of his sister's students. Immediately the conversation became awkward, but he went along with it and introduced himself. Then the more awkward part came. Being prone to misunderstand peoples names I repeated his name to guarantee I heard correctly, and he decided to poke fun and repeat his introduction to me like I was slow, which sent Colleen into hysterics. Embarrassed I introduced her and walked away with our coffee. Colleen and I laughed about it the rest of the day and it will now be another instance of my awkward interactions on which we can look back and laugh.

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# SUMMER FUN



Miss Palmer's 3rd Grade Class, 31 talented and creative students, have published a book! It is called, "Miss Palmer's Third Grade: Once Upon A Wayside" and it includes the work of each of the students in her class. We will publish the book in its' entirety this summer, with 3-4 stories each week. The stories will not be edited, well maybe a few spelling corrections. They are all entertaining and original!

Inspired by the book series they read in class, The Wayside School Series by Louis Sachar, the children created their own episodes of life at Wayside. (Hint: Louis Sachar's Wayside School was supposed to be 30 classrooms, one story high; but by mistake it was built straight up 30 stories. That should give you some insight into the kind of stories you will read from Ms. Palmer's 3rd Grade Class!)

A teacher for six years, Ms. Palmer has been at Sierra Madre Elementary for two years. She was born and reared in Sierra Madre, played on the SM Girls Softball Team and was a Sierra Madre Rose Princess in 2000.

This is a series of stories that will enlighten, inspire and keep you laughing all summer long!

If you want to read the previous week's stories, go to: [www.mtnviewsnews.com](http://www.mtnviewsnews.com).

## THE GREEN BALL

by Cameron Agapito

It was 6:00 in the morning. That's when Wayside School started. All the other kids ran up the stairs as usual, ut DeeDee was walking with her thinking face on. That always meant she was making a plan, which was bad. She was planning on how to finally get the green ball.

When she got to Mrs. Jewel's classroom, she sat down at her desk. Mrs. Jewels started an arithmetic lesson. Then, DeeDee dropped her pencil on purpose next to Leslie's desk. When she went to go get the pencil she whispered to Leslie, "Come with me at recess."

DeeDee then did the same thing to Jenny and Allison. So, when it was recess, they all went down the stairs and to the playground. Then, DeeDee told Leslie, Jenny and Allison they would distract Louis. Then Dee Dee would sneak behind him and grab a green ball. Finally DeeDee would have the green ball.

The girls did exactly what DeeDee said to do. Finally, DeeDee got the green ball and she kept it a secret.

## 30 FLIGHTS OF STAIRS

by Jacob Sattler

Dameon was a student in Mrs. Jewel's class located on the 30th story of Wayside School. He was class messenger, which meant he had to deliver notes for Mrs. Jewels.

One day, Mrs. Jewels told Dameon to bring some papers down the the office. Dameon went down 30 flights of stairs to give the papers to Mr. Kidswatter. After hedelivered them, Dameon ran back up 30 flights of stairs to class.

When he got back to class, Mrs. Jewels told Dameon to go back down to Mr. Kidswatter's office to pick up the signed papers. ON the way back up, Dameon tripped on his shoelaces and fell down.

Dameon was knocked out and fell down to Mrs. Zarves' class. Mrs. Zarves' class is on the 19th story but there is no 19th story at Wayside School. Therefore, no Mrs. Zarves.

When Dameon woke up, he said, "Where am I?" Mrs. Zarves replied, "You are in Mrs. Zarves class." Dameon asked, ""Who said that?" Mrs. Zarves said, "Zarves. Now we are going to take a test." Dameon screamed, "WHAT!" Mrs. Zarves repeated, "We are going to take a test."

Joe was there too. Dameon and Joe started the test. Joe asked, "What is two plus two?" Dameon said, "I can't tell you." Joe said, "But I don't know how to count."

Dameon answered, "So, I can't do your work." Joe wront the answer 163.

At the end of the test, Dameon got hit with a kickball on his head. This work Dameon up from what had been a dream.

Dameon work up and went back to Mrs. Jewels' class. No one was there. It was the end of school.

## THE BASEMENT

by Gianna Malfitano

One day, Bebe and Calvin were eating lunch in the cafeteria when Louis and Mrs. Jewels walked in. They needed a ladder because a ball got stuck high up in a tree.

Bebe said, "I know where one is! It's in the basement. I'll go get it."

Calvin said, "Can I come?"

Bebe said, "Yes."

So Bebe and Calvin started down to the basement. They were scared walking down the stairs. When they got down there they thought they saw someone. So Calvin said, "Let's go back up." Bebe said, "No."

Bebe and Calvin turned on the lights to look for the ladder, ut they didn't find it. Right then, the door slammed shut and locked them in the basement.

So they screamed, "Help!"

Amazingly, D.J. heard them so he came to the basement, but couldn't open the door. So D.J. found the ladder, and they climbed out of the window.

Afterwards, they took the ladder to Louis and Mrs. Jewels and got the ball.

## GETTING KIDS TO LOVE AND RESPECT THE GREAT OUTDOORS

(NAPS)—Connecting with nature offers many rewards for children. Spending time outside gives kids a chance to exercise in the open air, engage all their senses of perception and enjoy the simple pleasure of being outdoors. Introducing kids to nature can be easy and fun for the whole family. Here are a few tips:

### Start in your own backyard:

Children's first introduction to nature can start at home. Even small children can dig a hole, hunt for bugs, plant sunflower seeds and watch them grow, or help fill a bird feeder and watch the flocks come to feed. Parents can plant flowers that attract butterflies and hummingbirds, then ask kids to notice when insect or bird visitors arrive.

**Take a nature walk:** Start your preschoolers with a trip to a park or nature reserve and take note of the flowers, insects and animals you see. If you can't identify them, take a picture and try to research them online when you get home. Some nature reserves offer guided walks, which are great for older kids. Next, try short hikes. Be sure your child has a pair of sturdy shoes. Wearing two pairs of socks—a thin nylon liner close to the foot and a thicker, heavier pair on the outside—may help prevent blisters. Hikes are a lot of fun but your child could become bored if there isn't anything going on for a long time. You can engage them by playing games such as "I Spy" and challenge them to contests collecting leaves, stones or twigs to help them relate to the nature around them.

### Bring nature to the craft table:

Collect items found on nature explorations to create crafts that will bring the outside in. For example, dried flowers and leaves can be used to make place mats or picture frames. Rocks can be decorated and transformed into paperweights.

### Take the kids camping:

When introducing camping, try to keep the first trip short—about two nights—and keep travel time to the site as short as possible. Before you go, you may want to show kids a DVD about camping so they know what to expect. For example, "Mickey Mouse Clubhouse: Mickey's Great Outdoors" features five episodes from the "Mickey Mouse Clubhouse" TV show that showcase how to enjoy outdoor activities such as camping, fishing and exploring nature.

The camping episode shows that when camping, the first thing to be done is to set up the campsite, put up the tent and organize the fire. Only then do Mickey and friends go fishing. The other adventures introduce binoculars, using maps and finding landmarks. Each episode incorpo-



rates the value of using tools to help solve problems.

### Teach children to respect nature and leave a small footprint:

It's fun to catch fish, but check size requirements and throw back fish that are too small. Collect fireflies in a jar but release them at the end of the adventure. Help children remember to clean up after themselves outside and not litter.

### Subscribe to a nature magazine:

Nature magazines can teach kids about different aspects of nature and help keep them interested during the colder months when it's not as easy to spend time outside.

### Look up: Teach children about the planets and the constellations.

Take a lawn chair outside some nights and look up at the stars or plan a picnic at dusk and watch the sun go down. The changing sky offers a fascinating show.

### Take a child to the seashore at low tide:

Point out a few tide pools, give your kids a bucket and let them go. Then have fun discussing everything they bring back.

### Plan a visit to a children's zoo or petting zoo:

Children love the opportunity to see animals in their natural habitat and may even have a chance to pet or feed them. It's another wonderful way to spend time outdoors together.

### Visit natural history museums:

These museums offer information about ecological systems and various animals. They often have special exhibits and play areas specifically for young children. Teaching your children to love the natural world around them can be one of the best gifts you can give them.

Before taking kids on their first camping trip, you may want to show them a DVD so they know what's involved.

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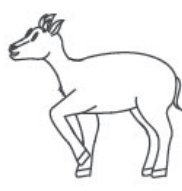


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Some families like the idea of visiting three or four different places during the year. It's also a good way to make time to visit relatives and still be able to have a couple of private getaways for just your own family. **Fill in the puzzle with things you might do or places you might visit:**

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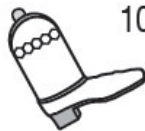
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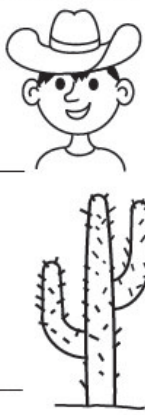
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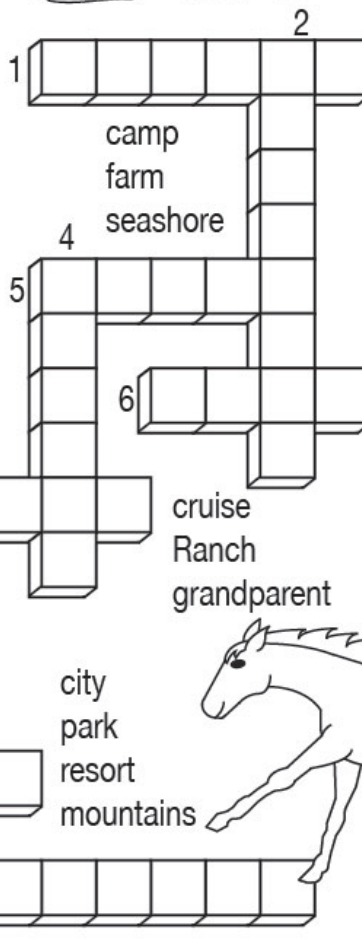
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3. your Mom's or Dad's Mom or Dad
4. place to ski and be entertained
5. place to ride horses or herd cattle; a Dude \_\_\_\_\_
6. learn about raising animals and growing crops on a \_\_\_\_\_
7. ride a Ferris Wheel at the amusement \_\_\_\_\_
8. live in a cabin at a \_\_\_\_\_ near a lake
9. busy place full of people, tall buildings, lights and cars
10. higher than hills; you can see the peaks before you get there



I've stuffed everything into my pack, Forest!



Mountain Views News Saturday, July 30, 2011

## Tipping 101

Our fearless leader Susan asked me to give her my favorite article before I headed out to my vacation in Del Mar, CA. It has to be the feedback I got on the tipping story from last year, so here goes... We all know them, the people that just can't bring themselves to leave a decent tip. What is the thinking behind tipping and what should be given, and when did it start in America?

Tipping began to take hold in States in the late 19th Century after the Civil War. It was widely considered by many groups including the intellectuals of the day as an outright evil. Newspapers wrote vigorously against its vices. They reasoned that it established an aura of servitude, by offering a demeaning handout, or token. It implied a superiority of class and status that conferred on the lowly receiver of these offerings. There were groups such as bartenders that flatly refused tips as they considered it far below their status to

## TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills

receive these patronizing gifts. Now when someone says, "those were the good old days," you may know what they mean. In many ways the objections did make sense at this time in America.

What about the places where you have to tip in advance. This does not insure good service, does it? Only at a place like a Starbucks does this seem to make any sense. There are very few times that I have gone to a restaurant and actually tipped in advance.

When determining a tip at a restaurant, what are you to consider before settling your bill and factoring a tip? At the restaurant you are tipping on the speed, accuracy and usefulness of the servers, and not on the food.



s tipping at a fancy restaurant different than tipping at a coffee shop? Many people believe it is. I feel like I stepped in something when I hear that said. They are to be treated the same.

Here are my guidelines for tipping but not necessarily the way I tip. I even

give 10% for atrocious service. It seems with my picture in this paper, on my TV show "The Chef Knows," that I might get a bad reputation from the Server Syndicate, and be labeled a "bad tipper," which is a stigma that I carefully avoid. You on the other hand can wield far more influence than is available to this restaurant critic.

Here are my suggestions from the Coffee house to Spago..

Fair to medium service 12 to 14 %

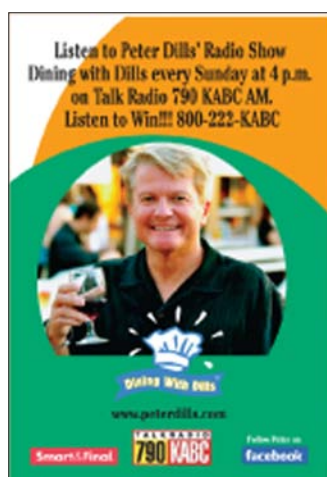
Good to Better than Average 15 to 18%

Great Service 20%

This should be applied to the food and beverage total before tax. Can't figure the whole percentage on tipping. Best way is to just double the tax. Which falls in the Good range.

Have Kids? Of course I do. Luckily mine is as clean and tidy as they make them but they are not all created like her. If your children make a mess, throw food and crayons on the floor. I always leave the busboy at least \$3. If you don't, well you could consider cleaning it yourself.

Email me at [thechefknows@yahoo.com](mailto:thechefknows@yahoo.com) with your thoughts. Join me every Saturday evenings on Charter 101 on The PBS OC thorough out the day.



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## THE PLAYHOUSE DISTRICT ASSOCIATION PRESENTS ITS 8th ANNUAL FREE SUMMER JAZZ CONCERT SERIES

### Eight Sundays of Free Summer Concerts

Pasadena, CA (July 2011) – The Pasadena Playhouse District Association sizzles this summer with its 8th Annual Free Jazz Summer Concert Series.

The concert series takes place every Sunday evening, July 10 through August 28, 2011 from 5 pm until 7 pm at the Vroman's outdoor courtyard, 695 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena. The 8th Annual Free Jazz Summer Concert Series is free and open to the public. The eight week series features an eclectic roster of up-and-coming and notable jazz performers such as the Jacques Lesure Group, Jamila Ford, Faro, and Latin Jazz Syndicate among other groups. From blues to Latin and smooth jazz, the free summer jazz concert series has something for all jazz lovers.

The full concert schedule listed below. In its eighth year the summer jazz concert series has provided the community with all-star jazz entertainment at no cost.

For additional information on the Seventh An-

nual Free Summer Jazz Concert series, contact the Playhouse District Association, 626.744.0340.

About the Playhouse District Association The Playhouse District Association (PDA) is a California non-profit formed in 1995, which serves to enhance and promote The Playhouse District as the historic, cultural, and thriving commercial heart of Pasadena. 2011 Summer Concert

#### Schedule \*

July 31 – Joseph Pernicano  
August 7 – Latin Jazz Syndicate  
August 14 – Michael Haggins  
August 21 – Jacques Lesure Trio  
August 28 – Scott Martin Latin Jazz Soul

\* Performers are subject to change without notice.

## SIERRA MADRE CONCERT IN THE PARK SERIES

Join the City of Sierra Madre this summer for the FREE Concerts in the Park Series which begin Sunday, July 10, 2011 and occurs every Sunday through August 28, 2011.

The eight concerts are held from 6:00 pm and run through 8:00pm. All concerts will be held at the Memorial Park Bandshell, 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. next to City Hall. Seating is on the green so remember to bring blankets and lawn chairs. Alcohol is prohibited.

Spectators are encouraged to support local organizations that may provide refreshments. For additional information please contact the Community & Personnel Services Department (626) 355-5278.

#### CONCERTS IN THE PARK SCHEDULE:

## Friday Night Live Returns to Sierra Madre

Beginning Friday, July 29th, downtown Sierra Madre will again be the site of live music in Kersting Court, as well as shoppers' incentives for those in the neighborhood. And there's a new twist this year: theme nights. Opening week features the music of Ron Ellington Shy and Son, sponsored by Bean Town Coffee House. An outstanding singer, keyboardist, sax player, trombonist, drummer and dancer, Ron puts it all together in a dynamic style of non-stop music that fits all generations with variety, class, and energy. The theme for the evening is "Outrageous Ties" and shoppers are encouraged to wear their most outrageous neckwear. During the course of the evening, one lucky tie wearer will be selected as the winner, and will receive a \$25 gift certificate to Butterfly Effect Day Spa and a Sierra Madre t-shirt. Other themes will include Mad Hatter night, Hawaiian night, Groucho night and more. In addition, anyone who spends \$35 in a retail

store or \$50 in a restaurant during Friday Night Live hours (6:30 to 9pm) is invited to bring their receipt to the Chamber booth in Kersting Court. They will be entered in a drawing to take place the final week of Friday Night Live. Shoppers are eligible every time that they spend \$35/retail or \$50/restaurant – the more times they spend \$35/\$50 the greater their chances of winning. On the final Friday, August 26th, two lucky shoppers will have their names drawn to win a shopping/dining spree at Sierra Madre businesses that has an estimated value of \$500! Friday Night Live will take place in Kersting Court in Sierra Madre from 6:30 to 9pm on Fridays from July 29th to Aug. 26th.

For more information, including an entertainment lineup, list of themes, and a list of businesses participating in the shopping spree giveaway, visit [www.SMFridayNightLive.info](http://www.SMFridayNightLive.info) or call the Chamber at (626) 355-5111.

## Upcoming Community Events at Santa Anita Park ~

#### Foothill Unity Center "Back to School Fair"

Thursday, August 13, 2011  
Santa Anita Park  
[www.foothillunitycenter.org](http://www.foothillunitycenter.org)  
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#### Greek Festival

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#### ISES "JAM"

International Special Events Society  
Tuesday, September 20, 2011  
Paddock Gardens at Santa Anita Park  
<http://ises-la.com/>  
(626) 574-7223

#### Multi Chamber Social Media Seminar

##### presented by HUTdogs

Thursday, September 22, 2011  
Chandelier Room at Santa Anita Park  
<http://www.hutdogs.com/>  
(310) 821-1936

#### Arcadia High School Reunions

Class of 61, 66, 71, 81, 91  
October, 2011  
Chandelier Room at Santa Anita Park  
[www.arcadiaapaches.com](http://www.arcadiaapaches.com)  
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#### Monrovia High School Alumni All Class "Day at the Races"

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Due to the high demand for her tutoring and education services, bookstore owner, Sally Morrison, is opening a new learning center here in Sierra Madre. **Mindspring Education Center** will cater to students (children and adults) interested in furthering their **reading, writing, math, spelling, and comprehension** skills. In addition, Sally offers assistance in **study skills, homework, and test preparation**. She also specializes in helping students with **dyslexia** and other learning difficulties. Those interested in **summer sessions** should contact Mindspring soon because space is limited.

As a result of this business expansion, Sally Morrison and Jeffrey Ingwalson, owners of Sierra Madre Books, will be **closing the bookstore in June 2011**. "We appreciate all the support we've received from our customers over the past few years, but are excited about our new venture. We look forward to continuing to be part of this community."

For questions about **Mindspring Education Center**, please call (626) 355-1972.  
For questions about **Sierra Madre Books**, please call (626) 836-3200.



## SEAN'S SHAMELESS REVIEWS:

### Five Summer Songs You Need To Hear

**Airship** – "Kids" – UK newcomers, Airship, sound like a seasoned

veterans. Their first single, "Kids" provide lively paced drums, low guitar riffs, and verses that augment into electrifying choruses. "Kids" is the just the right song for the summer. Fresh and invigorating, Airship may be the remedy you're looking for in 2011. This explosive and intoxicating new track is a promising indication of what their full-length album may sound like when it debuts this fall.

**Cut Off Your Hands** – "Buried" – Cut Off Your Hands recently released their sophomore album, "Hollow Out", which features the beach-y, foggy, plenty of reverb gem, "Buried". It's a pleasant and multi-layered sound that's quite the directional change for a band whose debut album was fairly loud and recurrently rambunctious. The band seems to be taking a note or two from fellow New Zealanders, Crowded Houses. And why not throw in The Smiths and Beach Boys for good measure? With a colossal line-up of the aforementioned influences, how could you not wanna take a peak inside? Nostalgia, anyone?

**The Echo Friendly** – "Same Mistakes" – "Same Mistakes" is a darkly coated tune with dual vocals (female and male), reminiscent of the band, The XX. Although the least sounding summer song off the list of songs here, The Echo Friendly may supply the substance you need heading into autumn. This 4-piece rock band has abandoned their former sound and seems to be heading into mysterious terrain. Given the straightforward

and honest lyrics, "Same Mistakes" may just be the emblematic song for the thirty-something year olds who haven't grown up or have no desire to do so anytime soon. The band will be releasing a new EP later this year and despite whatever transitional era you may be in, The Echo Friendly could ultimately wind up as your guiding light.

**Real Estate** – "It's Real" – Ridiculously breezy and perpetually catchy, Real Estate have released "It's Real", the first single off their sophomore album, "Days" due out on September 27. "It's Real" has squeaky-clean guitar riffs, wistful melodies, and remains positively upbeat. It's short and sweet at less than three minutes long. The song floats on so effortlessly with such a crisp sound and summery vibrations. This season provided us with surprisingly strong albums, but the upcoming fall releases look to take it one step further. I'm no doctor, but Real Estate appears to show no symptoms indicating a disappointing follow-up record this fall.

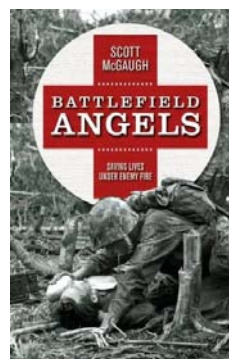
**Mona** – "Teenager" – Nashville rockers Mona are creating major buzz. Their self-titled debut LP is due out in September, but a sneak preview EP recently dropped this month. "Teenager" starts off like a vintage Kings of Leon tune, but quickly explodes into what may become the signature sound of this young and seemingly ultra-talented group of musicians. Their entire EP sounds utterly fresh and tight for 2011, yet at the same time encompasses a worn out feel to it. From the looks of it Mona is bringing good old-fashioned rock and roll back into the forefront (where it belongs). I wouldn't be in the slightest bit surprised if Mona becomes the premier rock band in 2012.

## Jeff's Pics The Book Report

By Jeff Brown

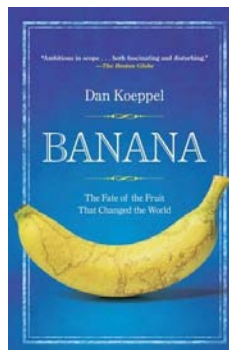
Battlefield Angels: Saving Lives Under Enemy Fire From Valley Forge to Afghanistan by Scott Mcgaugh

A popular history of battlefield medicine from the Revolutionary War to the present, told through stirring portraits of our unsung heroes, America's military medics and corpsmen. From foxholes and trenches, generations of young medics and corpsmen have willingly sprinted into enemy fire to save the lives of their fellow soldiers. Some paid the ultimate price, and many were never recognized for their selfless heroism. From the Revolutionary War to the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, their stories reflect the proud history of America's military medical corps and its pioneering contributions, which include the ambulance, sanitary hospital design, emergency surgical techniques, MASH units, and medical evacuation by helicopter (medevac). America's military medical corps adopted advances in medical science, such as blood transfusions, antibiotics, and antiseptic surgical procedures, field tested them in battle, adapted them, and proved their value. Here are accounts of boundless courage, compassion, and resourcefulness from America's forgotten heroes. But to the fighting men and women whose lives they have saved, they are battlefield angels.



Banana: The Fate of the Fruit That Changed the World by Dan Koeppel

A gripping chronicle of the myth, mystery, and uncertain fate of the world's most popular fruit. In this fascinating exploration of the banana's history, cultural significance, and endangered future, award-winning journalist Koeppel gives readers plenty of food for thought. Fast paced and entertaining, Banana takes us from jungle to supermarket, from corporate boardrooms to kitchen tables around the world. We travel to early 20th century Central America, where aptly named "banana republics" rose and fell over the crop, while the companies now known as Chiquita and Dole conquered the marketplace. Koeppel then chronicles the banana's path to the present, alarmingly taking us to banana plantations across the globe that are being destroyed by a fast moving blight, with no cure in sight and to the high-tech labs where new bananas are literally being built in test tubes, in a race to save the world's most beloved fruit. Dan Koeppel, author of the critically acclaimed memoir To See Every Bird on Earth, is an award-winning



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HOWARD Hays As I See It



“Unfortunately, Congress consistently brings the Government to the edge of default before facing its responsibility. This brinkmanship threatens the holders of government bonds and those who rely on Social Security and veterans benefits. Interest rates would skyrocket, instability would occur in financial markets, and the Federal deficit would soar. The United States has a special responsibility to itself and the world to meet its obligations. It means we have a well-earned reputation for reliability and credibility - two things that set us apart from much of the world.”

- President Ronald Reagan, 1987

Reagan used the term “respon-sibility”, as in the responsibility of Congress to protect the credit-worthiness of the United States. Congress never had a problem fulfilling this responsibility in the past; raising the debt ceiling eighteen times during the Reagan Administration, and seven times under George W. Bush.

House Speaker John Boehner (R-OH) sees it differently, as he referred recently to a deal in which “the Administration gets its debt-limit increase”. It’s not, however, the “reputation for reliability and credibility” of “the Administration” that’s at stake, but that of the United States of America.

\$467 billion in U.S. Treasury securities are set to mature by the end of August, with \$90 billion due August 4. Without an increase in the debt ceiling to allow a rollover of that debt, we (meaning not just Democrats or Republicans, Obama supporters or tea-baggers, but all of us as Americans) could default for the first time in our history.

We are the debtors and, to a large extent, the creditors. 65% of treasury bonds are held as investments for the benefit of fellow Americans. I wonder what those serving our country in Iraq and Afghanistan, tuning in news from home, think of Congressional tea-baggers playing a game of chicken with the very bonds they’re relying on for their retirement.

Much of the debt was incurred with lockstep Republican support during the previous administration; two wars costing \$1.3 trillion since 2001, turning Medicare drug coverage over to private insurers, costing \$370 billion over ten years, and tax cuts, unprecedented in a time of war, costing \$1.7 trillion over 10 years. Now that they’ve maxed out the credit card, Republicans say they won’t pay the bill. As John Avlon wrote in *The Daily Beast*, “You can’t convince creditors that refusing to pay your bills is a brave stand for fiscal responsibility.”

“It’s not about the deficit; when House Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan (R-WI) submitted his proposal last April, analyses showed the deficit would go down more and faster were we simply to do nothing and leave things as they are. Just days ago, the Congressional Budget Office found the proposal from Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) would cut the deficit more than the one submitted by Speaker Boehner.

Nor does it have anything to do with restoring confidence in financial markets. “(W)e want big reforms”, said House Majority Leader Eric Cantor (R-VA) just a few weeks ago, “I am not so sure that if we can’t make the tough decisions now, why we would be making those tough decisions later.” Now, however, Speaker Boehner proposes we allow a stopgap debt ceiling increase, then form another committee to study the matter and have the same debate again in a few months. According to CNN’s Erin Burnett, Boehner’s plan would be unlikely to prevent a downgrade of the U.S.’s AAA credit rating (though Reid’s plan likely would). A J.P. Morgan Chase analyst predicts such a downgrade could cost the economy \$100 billion a year in increased borrowing costs and the risk of another recession - with or without a default.

In explaining the proposal, an attempt to schedule a regurgitation of this “debate” for the height of the election season, one need only be reminded of the promise Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) made a week before last November’s mid-terms, that “The single most important thing we want to achieve is for President Obama to be a one-term president.” Most freshmen tea-baggers demonstrate as much short-term memory as they do long-term historical awareness, and seem to forget how House Speaker Newt Gingrich’s petulant 1995 government shutdown led to his party’s resounding defeat the following year.

As for the deficit, it was never the issue; rather, it’s one of continuing the massive redistribution and concentration of wealth begun under President Bush. A major objection Republicans had to Reid’s plan, though it reduced the deficit more than Boehner’s, was that it didn’t provide for diverting a sizable chunk of Medicare and Social Security funds over to private insurers and Wall Street manipulators - with the sick and the elderly covering the cost.

The Republican budget cuts 12%, or \$832 million, from the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program, which provides nutrition and immunization assistance to low-income women and their young children. As Rep. Jim McDermott (D-WA) points out, such cuts are not only “wrong morally” but “fiscally stupid”. According to the G.A.O., every dollar invested in WIC “generated \$2.89 in healthcare savings during the first year after birth”.

At the same time, they’ll threaten to bring down our nation’s economy in order to protect the average \$2,700-a-week Bush tax cut given those with incomes exceeding \$1 million a year. The estimated 325,000 to 475,000 mothers and young children kicked out of the WIC program under the Republican budget could continue having access if only the 321,000 households pulling in \$1 million a year could go back to their tax rate under President Clinton - for one week. Republicans call this “tough choices”.

In opening a column on the “left” with a quote from Ronald Reagan, I thought of his reminding of a “special responsibility” to protect those “things that set us apart from much of the world”. He’d probably have no more affinity for the Republican Party today than he had when he was out campaigning for Harry Truman.

GREG Welborn

A Life Well Lived



Dear readers, the editor of this paper has extended me great latitude in the editorials I write. I am appreciative of that freedom and that trust. Admittedly, this week I’m going to stretch that freedom a bit more than normal and depart from discussing national political and economic issues. Instead, I want to devote the space I have to something ultimately more important: to the impact on our community of a life well lived. In so doing, my personal religious beliefs will undoubtedly show through. I hope this is a good thing, but know that I mean no harm or insult to any by virtue of sharing how one person who lived her life fully committed to her God and living out her faith in Him has affected our community and what the ripples from that will be in the future.

By now, you’ve probably surmised that a dear friend has past away. Her name was Nancy Gauntlett. She was young, vibrant, accomplished, admired and loved by many – more than I thought genuinely possible, but I have yet to meet a person in attendance at her service that was not authentically and deeply touched by Nancy’s presence in their life.

Nancy died suddenly, without warning, and at the feet of one of her daughters, who tried valiantly to resuscitate her. In human terms, her death was undeserved and massively unfair. I’ll stand by that statement the remainder of my life even as I draw from my faith the understanding that God’s ways are a mystery. But in human terms, this was wrong, it was unfair, and it angered me as it also saddened me. She left behind a hole in her family, among her friends and in this community, but what God has done in bringing glory out of this situation does much to fill the void and bring consolation to the loss. She will always be missed, and her family will ache for a long time. Without in any way diminishing that pain, allow me to share what her life and passing have done that is beautiful and glorious.

Nancy long ago in her youth dedicated her life to God and to His son, Jesus Christ. It was not a casual dedication – not the simple recitation of lines in the front of a church to a gathering of family and friends. Too many of us, myself included, have probably taken those occasions lightly. This was not Nancy’s way. She meant every word of the commitment she made to live life as God would want her to. It was a commitment which continued literally until the day she died.

Nancy’s job, long history in the Pasadena area and her active community service allowed her to meet and to get to know many people. She never stopped at just developing a causal acquaintance. If someone was willing, Nancy would want to know that person at a deeper level so that she could earnestly pray for their hurts, needs and hearts’ desires. She fully believed that these encounters were provided by God that she would have the opportunity to show His love in someone’s life. She cared for many, touched even more and brought scores into deeper relationships with God. To say that she was well used by God is an understatement.

Nancy also lived up to the highest standard of devotion to family. She saw her job – her

love really – clearly as the training of her children to themselves live lives focused on God and dedicated to serving others. Like all of us, Nancy’s family experienced difficult times, various crises and plenty of opportunities to see the unfairness that is present in much of life’s occurrences. All of them occasions when faith would be tested and could falter. Nancy never waived in praying for her family, relying on



God to see them all safely through and offering a comforting word from scripture to soften the cruel blow or encourage the spirit. She did a wonderful job and served as a role model for the rest of us.

It is at this point in my story that I suppose I might get it wrong. Forgive me if I don’t communicate clearly or lovingly the glimpse of God’s handiwork that we all witnessed. Nancy’s service was a celebration of her life. Everyone heard in more endearing and touching ways than I can possibly communicate the devotion to family and community that was Nancy’s essence. We all came away – and I talked to many that day – more deeply rooted in our own walks with God and more steadfastly committed to taking the opportunities that God presents to be the tool of His handiwork and love here on earth. The ripples from Nancy’s life and from the service celebrating that life will be felt for years and by thousands. I cannot speak for God, but if ever there was a person whose passing would change lives dramatically and whose family was fully capable of suffering that loss while still finding peace and comfort therein, it was Nancy Gauntlett. She will be missed, but more importantly she will remain inspirational. Well done good and faithful servant. Well done!

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Marketing vs. Advertising – Part II

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Last week’s article discussed the differences between marketing and advertising. This week’s article provides an overview of the basic tools that need to be developed to create a basic marketing kit for any small business. Your kit should include business cards, stationery (letterhead) and at least one set of marketing materials that you can distribute such as flyers, pamphlets, brochures or promotional postcards – and in 2011 you need to create electronic versions of marketing materials to use for promoting your products and services online.

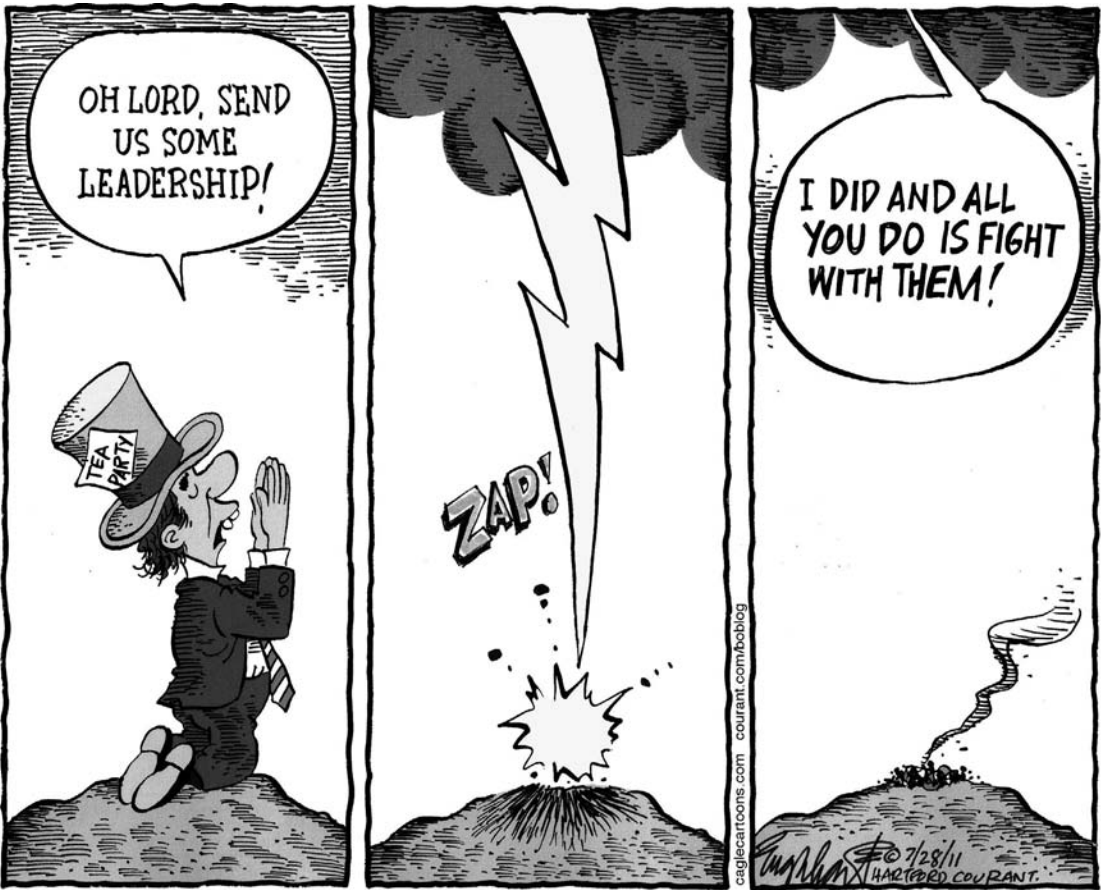
Think of your business card as a miniature, portable billboard that you share with individuals at every appropriate opportunity. The primary purpose of your business card is to provide information for potential customers to contact you. The design should be clean and not cluttered with excessive details that can be included on other marketing materials. Your letterhead should have a similar look and design as your business cards. Even though many companies now correspond primarily via e-mail, letterhead should still be designed for use when the need arises to send official correspondence. With a wide range of printers available starting below \$100, many small businesses print professional quality letterhead on “as needed” basis by investing a bit more to buy a quality stock of printing paper.

The other marketing materials should be designed to serve a specific purpose. Do you

need to provide general information about your expertise and what you are selling? Are you planning a special sale or the release of a new product? Is there a discount for purchases by groups of a certain size or for buying multiple items? Answering these types of questions will help you to determine the most appropriate mix of marketing materials that you need to develop.

The following marketing materials are listed from the least expensive to the most costly. Flyers of different sizes are still used by many companies to announce upcoming sales and promotional events. Promotional postcards are also available in various sizes and may be used for the same purpose as flyers. Tri-fold brochures are commonly used to provide an overview of a company and the goods and services that it offers. Brochures are often designed as booklets and contain more detailed information. In addition to business cards and letterhead, a tri-fold brochure may be the only marketing tool that you need. If you plan to attend a lot of networking meetings or similar events, you may need to develop a set of promotional postcards and keep an inventory that readily available when you need them.

Next week’s article will provide some tips on what to, and what not to, include in the design for your marketing materials. Readers of Mountain Views News will also have an opportunity to register for an upcoming introductory workshop on “Developing Your Marketing Kit.”



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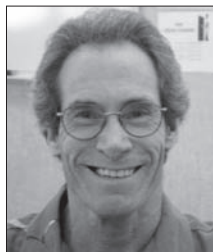
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## HAIL Hamilton My Turn



High School in East L.A. It was a wonderful story about a wonderful young lady -- Genesis Diaz.

However, I was surprised --and frankly appalled -- by certain insulting, contemptuous, and totally undeserved, comments about Genesis' struggle to make a better life for herself and her daughter.

How could anyone find fault in the story of a 17-year old Hispanic teen mom from the barrio wanting a better future? Isn't that what America's is all about -- the opportunity for a better life? Isn't that the reason why our ancestors came to America in the first place?

Sure, Genesis's made some choices that might have been better, but she's also taken full responsibility for them. She didn't take the easy way out by getting an abortion or abandon her baby to an anonymous family from an adoption agency. Quite to the contrary, she accepted her situation and decided to make the best of it.

Genesis spent three hours a day on three different buses with a baby to commute from South Central to go to Ramona High School, an all-girls year-round high school in East L.A. And she did it because Ramona is one of the few schools in LAUSD that offers the special services needed by teen moms, and other "at risk" female students who would otherwise drop out of school altogether.

But completing her high school diploma wasn't enough for Genesis, she wanted more -- much more. She had a dream, and she had a plan to make it come true. It was a simple plan: finish high school and go to college. And she did it, earning an overall 3.95 GPA.

The most onerous comments came from one disgruntled reader, "Julio Childers," who described his best friend: "[He] grew up in East Los Angeles Rowan and Folsom and was not into gangs, did not have a child at age 15, was in the Escalante honor math classes and graduated from Garfield. He as a Mexican American from East LA and was not into the hoodlum culture those at Ramona High are."

## RICH Johnson



### ANTIQUATED LAWS

Methinks with all the attention paid to our legislators in Washington lately, it would be an opportune time to review some of the rules and regulations state and local legislators have lovingly passed into law on our behalf.

First, let's take a peek at Alaska (a very animal friendly state): For example while it is legal to shoot a bear, it's illegal to wake one up to take its picture. In Anchorage don't tie your pet dog to the roof of your car or you'll pay. The Fairbanks authorities tell you to resist the temptation to give a moose a drink if the beverage is alcoholic. In Juneau, the state capital, you may not let your pet flamingo roam in your favorite barber shop.

Arizona will prosecute you if you hunt camels inside their borders. Not only is cocaine illegal, it is also illegal to manufacture imitation cocaine. So resist doing that. Don't ride your horse up the county court house steps when you visit Prescott.

In Arkansas it is illegal for the Arkansas River to rise higher than the main street bridge in Little Rock. (How do they enforce that?) Guys and gals: Don't flirt on the streets of Little Rock. You could spend 30 days in the slammer.

Our home state, California, has put real thought into it's statutes. For example, in Baldwin Park, it is forbidden to ride a bicycle in a swimming pool. In the upscale town of Carmel it is illegal for a buy to go outside wearing a jacket and pants that do not match. (I'd be in big trouble.) In Chico don't plan on bowling on

## REV James L. Snyder



### Mr. Uncle Sam, don't touch my Apple Fritter

I usually live life on an even keel. I once had an odd keel, but fortunately, I had the good sense to throw it back into the water from whence it came. I take pride in maintaining a certain sense of balance in my life. But, there are those times when all balance is thrown

out the window.

Just this past week when I was enjoying an unusually wonderful sense of balance in my life, the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage changed my whole demeanor.

We were watching the news on television. When I say "we," I am not insinuating in any regard that I was paying any attention whatsoever to what was happening on the television screen. I usually have a book in hand I am perusing while I am allegedly watching TV.

Out of nowhere, I heard her exclaim, "They just wouldn't do that."

I continued in my book and paid no attention to her. "What in the world is wrong with those people?" I heard her say.

By now, my curiosity had gotten the best of me and I laid my book down and said, "What has got you all riled up tonight?"

"Didn't you hear what they just said?"

"I'm sorry; I was looking at my book"

"Well," she said in a very disgusted manner, "the government is thinking about taxing junk food. Can you imagine anything more ludicrous than that?"

I always like to, at least try to think of the positive side of things. With the way our beloved politicians have been going these days, it is very hard to find the positive side. Although I am not in favor of taxes, I know that as a citizen I need to pay my fair share. I have no problem with that. I'm not, however, in favor of tacking on some new taxes. What's wrong with the old ones?

Then my wife said something that turned my thinking all the way around.

"You do know what junk food is, don't you?"

That was a crazy thing to say. Of course, I knew what junk food was. I stay away from that food category and pride myself in eating healthy food every day. No junk food for me, thank you.

I shrugged it off at the time and replied to my wife, "Oh well, the government has to do whatever it has to do in times like these."

"You do know that Apple Fritters are considered junk food by our government? And when they start taxing junk food they will be taxing your Apple Fritters."

"They don't"

"They wouldn't"

"They better not!"

At this point, my even keel was experiencing some very turbulent tendencies. I try to be a good citizen

Not true. Some girls at Ramona do come from gangs, but the school strictly enforces its anti-gang policy and makes every effort to discourage gang affiliations.

Childers then attacks Genesis because of her immigrant background: "Merging harms Mexican Americans the most with those from Central America and Mexico, they are of different cultures. The name gave it away because no Mexican American will name their daughter Genesis. These are different cultures with different circumstances and Salvadorians have their own issues independent of Mexican Americans."

This is a stunning admission by a Latino of the current ethnic divide among Hispanics and the prejudice being directed against Central American immigrants, especially Salvadorians.

There were also a number of frivolous complaints from readers about taxpayer money being wasted on these teen moms and their children, money that could be much better spent elsewhere in our troubled economy. But what better way is there to spend our national treasure than to invest it in the betterment and future of our disadvantaged young?

Of course, this means improving the quality of our public schools and expanding access to our colleges and universities. College may not be for everyone but no bright, talented high school graduate should be ever arbitrarily denied the opportunity to continue their education just because they can't afford it.

Genesis has earned her right to attend the college of her choice by successfully overcoming the almost overwhelming challenges faced by most teen moms and graduating from Ramona with honors.

I can't believe that America, the richest country in the world, is so short-sighted that the only option available for a teen mom, like Genesis, is a life on welfare or working at a minimum wage job. How can a nation that purports to praise excellence, initiative, and self reliance allow this to happen. But it is happening and it is happening much too often.

Genesis is a real-life urban hero, an outstanding example of someone pulling themselves up by their bootstraps. Her success is encouragement to all teen moms. She should be praised for her desire for a better life and for her determination to make that desire a reality. Genesis should be praised for her accomplishments, not derided.

the sidewalk. It's just plain wrong. And if you detonate a nuclear device in the city limits you're gonna pay a \$500 fine. Don't annoy lizards in Fresno's City Parks. The Glendale PD will stop you in your tracks if you drive your car in reverse. (I wonder if backing out of a drive way is illegal.) And if you want to drive sheep down Hollywood Blvd, you are limited to 2000 of them...at one time that is. In our fair city of Pasadena it is illegal for a secretary to be alone in a room with her boss. Let's not forget that one. And ducks have the right of way to cross Rancho California Street in Temecula.

I want to remind you again of my upcoming performances with JJ Jukebox. We are a group of guys who play music from the 1960s and 1970s such as the Beatles, Rolling Stones, etc. Come join us and sing along. Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at Mary's Market in the Sierra Madre Canyon for an evening barbecue, 6:00pm to 9pm. Contact Carolyn at 355-4534 for reservations or directions. Saturday, August 13, 6:00 to 8:30 we are playing at Corfu Mediterranean Restaurant, 48 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Call 355-5993 for reservations. Come sing along with us and enjoy really good food.

Finally, the local Comedy Improv group I am involved with will be performing that same week at Caff 322. The date is Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Caff 322 is, coincidentally, at 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Call 836-5414 for reservations. Let's see, barbecue on Wednesday night, Italian food on Thursday night and Mediterranean food on Saturday night. I'd call that a balanced meal. You?

but there comes a time when a person has to put his foot down. I had come to the point where as that old philosopher who said, "That's all I can stands, I can't stands no more!"

What I want to say to good old Mr. Uncle Sam is simply; do not touch my Apple Fritters. Some things in life are sacred and for somebody to fool with them will only rile the anger of those religious people devoted to Apple Fritter Veneration. Believe me; you do not want the Apple Fritter Gang to get riled.

The Creed of these Apple Fritter followers is simply, an Apple Fritter a day keeps the blues away. Nothing cheers the day like starting it with a freshly baked Apple Fritter. Regardless of the problems I have to face during the day, if I start with an Apple Fritter the day seems to go much better.

Now, Mr. Uncle Sam, let me explain some of the facts of life to you.

First, "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness" is one of the most famous phrases in the United States Declaration of Independence and considered by some as part of one of the most well crafted, influential sentences in the history of the English language. These three aspects are listed among the "unalienable rights" or sovereign rights of man. Everybody knows that the phrase "the pursuit of happiness," is a reference to Apple Fritters. No more pure form of happiness exists then enjoying a freshly baked Apple Fritter.

And another thing, why blame the lowly Apple Fritter on the debt problem? I have been associated with Apple Fritters most of my life and I have never known an Apple Fritter to spend money it does not have.

I have given this a lot of thought. Apple Fritters are not responsible for the debt problem in our country but rather politicians are responsible. My thought is simply this. Instead of considering Apple Fritters as "junk food," why not consider politicians as "junk politicians" and tax them. That would make much more sense.

Out in the real world everybody operates along these lines; if you create a debt, you have an obligation to pay that debt and not shove it off on somebody else. The only ones who do this are all those "Junk Politicians" who have no sense of how much a dollar is really worth let alone where it comes from.

I still stand by the words of Jesus. "And he [Jesus] said unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which be Caesar's, and unto God the things which be God's" (Luke 20:25 KJV).

Mr. Uncle Sam, touch my Apple Fritter at your own peril.

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## STUART Tolchin.....On LIFE



### SHOULD WE MAKE LIKE AN OSTRICH?

Yes, it's true that when one buries his or her head in the sand what is left undefended above ground is an enormous (depending on individual body-type) vulnerable target. Sure, burying our head in the sand and ignoring what is going on around us may not

seem like an acceptable solution to coping with the present-day world; but from my point of view this position appears to be the posture of choice for a lot of us. If you picture what I am talking about, you will perceive a very peculiar land and humanscape indeed.

What I'm trying to say is that at this particular point in time the events around us seem so incomprehensible and frightening that perhaps the best thing to do is to ignore as much as possible and simply hold on to a few of one's old accepted truths and to just go on living one's life in an undisturbed and satisfied manner as possible. I think my neighbor up the street successfully lives this way. I am told he is a master craftsman who produces highly individual custom-made furniture and cabinets for his customers. He is an obviously intelligent and educated man with a graduate degree who works all day in his driveway or garage. I pass him a couple of times a day as I walk my dog in the morning. We have these short talks, wherein it quickly becomes obvious that we disagree about almost everything. He is a political conservative and an avid reader and believer of the New Testament. He listens on his radio to Rush Limbaugh for three hours every day and can recite the Limbaugh position on any point. I am in no position to ever question the accuracy of his interpretations of the Limbaugh philosophy or the accuracy of his interpretation of Scripture, but what I marvel at is that he never seems to experience doubt.

He is as certain about the after-life as he is about the evils of Obamacare. He seems to have a clear understanding of this crazy debt-ceiling business and is certain of the right course to follow. He seems healthy; his life seems to be working well, he exercises regularly and is in great shape. I, on the other hand, am unable to properly maintain anything including my own body. I am overweight, frequently out of breath, plagued by diabetes, hypertension, high cholesterol, dental deterioration, and a failing memory. (all this is on a good day); yet I am convinced that his way of being is inappropriately limited, while my way of living is preferable.

Contemporary brain scientists maintain that an individual's experience of a rational united aware inner self does not correspond to present scientific understanding. They explain that, although individuals might experience themselves as some kind of united entity, really behavior, opinions and feelings are governed by many different internal locations of which we are consciously unaware. We are ruled by an unconscious; an unconscious which is often in conflict with itself, like warring political parties alternating in their power and influence. It all kind of reminds me of what seems to be passing for our own political system. The choice we might have at the conscious level is to try and be aware or to ignore the whole thing and maintain that we know what we are doing. Is this kind of unexamined life worth living? Many of us would probably say, "damn right" and hold on to our few time-tested opinions and beliefs, really not caring if these beliefs match the latest scientific or historical revelations.

As I struggle with my weight and health and continual disorganization, I sometimes long for that kind of certainty and power over my behavioral choices. I want to make changes but I cling to old habits. I respect my neighbor who sees no need for change because he is content and his life seems to be working so well. Really, I am certain only of my own uncertainty and might try and give that up if I knew how. At the same time I now believe that this uncertainty is reflective of the actual nature of existence. We are at war inside and outside.

One belief I cling to is that the weekly writing of these articles carries some importance. There is a message contained in these writings that is intended for you and for me. I think that message is something like, IT'S OKAY TO BE UNCERTAIN AND CONFUSED. It is the way things are. Maybe, it is better to go through life with eyes open and above-ground. At least that makes it more probable that we will notice if someone is sneaking up behind us.

TAKE CARE.



### Curbing Bad Behavior: TEMPUS FUGIT

by Ron Carter

It seems the more we age the faster time passes or maybe it's because we place more tasks into our daily lives. As I post this blog, I realize the month of July 2011 ends this coming Sunday. How quickly the first seven months of the year passed? I reminisced on what has occurred in my life during this period year to date. I smiled, because several wonderful events have taken place. And, there was also one sad event. Last week my mentor and good friend Ralph McKnight, a husband, father, fastidious gentleman, intellect and a representation of everything good in the Pasadena community, passed away. Ralph's death reminded me how important it is to pause and smell the roses, exercise, spend time with dear friends and family and most of all to be true to oneself by loving those who "really" look out for us. I will never be the same, because I met a selfless man named Ralph McKnight.

As I contemplate adding another meeting to my schedule, I plan on taking some time to spend a few quiet moments everyday with myself. I will close my office door (whenever I remember) and even turn off the lights to hopefully spend a few moments to rejuvenate the over-worked cells in my body. Today, instead of driving to one of the neighborhood restaurants -- which is about a mile from my office -- to have lunch, I walked. It felt good walking on Lake Avenue in Pasadena while I checked out the cars speeding by. Everyone seemed to be in a rush to get to their next appointment. It's amazing how many of us are rushing through daily activities without regard for the wear and tear on our bodies.

I know that I'm not alone in thinking "Tempus Fugit," the Latin words for "Time Flies," because most of my colleagues complain insistently about where time has gone. It's easier said than done, but I'll say it anyway, "slow down even if it's only for a few moments."

### What's On YOUR Mind? What Do YOU Think?

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Looking Up

with Bob Eklund

Fourth Moon Discovered Orbiting Pluto

Astronomers using the Hubble Space Telescope have discovered a fourth moon orbiting the icy dwarf planet Pluto. The tiny new satellite, temporarily designated P4, was uncovered in a Hubble survey searching for rings around the dwarf planet.

The new moon is the smallest discovered around Pluto. It has an estimated diameter of 8 to 21 miles. By comparison, Charon, Pluto's largest moon, is 648 miles across, and the other moons, Nix and Hydra, are in the range of 20 to 70 miles in diameter.

"I find it remarkable that Hubble's cameras enabled us to see such a tiny object so clearly from a distance of more than 3 billion miles," said Mark Showalter of the SETI Institute in Mountain View, Calif., who led this observing program with the Hubble Space Telescope.

The finding is a result of ongoing work to support NASA's New Horizons mission, scheduled to fly through the Pluto system in 2015. The mission is designed to provide new insights about worlds at the edge of our solar system. Hubble's mapping of Pluto's surface and discovery of its satellites have

been invaluable in planning for the New Horizons close encounter.

"This is a fantastic discovery," said New Horizons' principal investigator Alan Stern of the Southwest Research Institute in Boulder, Colo. "Now that we know there's another moon in the Pluto system, we can plan close-up observations of it during our flyby."

The new moon is located between the orbits of Nix and Hydra, which Hubble discovered in 2005. Charon was discovered in 1978 at the U.S. Naval Observatory and first resolved using Hubble in 1990 as a separate body from Pluto.

The dwarf planet's entire moon system is believed to have formed by a collision between Pluto and another planet-sized body early in the history of the solar system. The smashup flung material that coalesced into the family of satellites observed around Pluto.

Lunar rocks returned to Earth from the Apollo missions led to the theory that our moon was the result of a similar collision between Earth and a Mars-sized body, 4.4 billion years ago. Scientists believe material blasted off Pluto's moons by



micrometeoroid impacts may form rings around the dwarf planet, but the Hubble photographs have not detected any rings so far.


"This surprising observation is a powerful reminder of Hubble's ability as a general

purpose astronomical observatory to make astounding, unintended discoveries," said Jon Morse, astrophysics division director at NASA Headquarters in Washington.

P4 was first seen in a photo taken with Hubble's Wide Field Camera 3 on June 28. It was confirmed in subsequent Hubble pictures taken on July 3 and July 18. The moon was not seen in earlier Hubble images because the exposure times were shorter.

Pluto was discovered in 1930 by Clyde Tombaugh, an amateur astronomer working at Lowell Observatory, Flagstaff, Ariz., and it was hailed as the ninth planet in our Solar System. It was subsequently "demoted" to the status of "dwarf planet" by the International Astronomical Union (IAU) in 2006. The IAU decision was quite controversial at the time, and is not yet universally accepted. For example, in Tombaugh's home state of New Mexico, the Legislature passed a resolution stating that Pluto would always be considered a planet in New Mexico.

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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 where 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 your questions, but I will be totally honest. My objective is to help you achieve your employment goal.

**What is the proper protocol regarding thank you notes and how soon after an interview should I send one to the employer? Mr. Etiquette**

Dear Mr. Etiquette

It is always a "good thing" to send a thank you note. I know candidates that were not hired because they did not send a thank you note to an employer. Job seekers should include thank you notes or letters as key components in the interviewing process. There are employers who believe that receiving a thank you note from a candidate is the ultimate "closer" to making a hiring decision. Sending a thank you note to the employer or interviewer demonstrates that you can follow-through, and would be a considerate employee. Your thank you note should be short and to the point, addressed to the person, include the date or day you interviewed, the position you interviewed for, the reason why you are interested in the position and the company. End the note with a strong closing statement (i.e., I am looking forward to joining your team) and offer to come for another interview or to contact you for further information. Be sure to sign with your complete name, include your telephone number and an e-mail address.

You should send a thank you note within hours after an in-person or telephone interview. Yes, send a thank you note even after a telephone interview. Always request or get the name and contact information of the interviewer or interviewers and send them a thank you note. A majority of job seekers usually send e-mail thank you notes, and this is immediate and appropriate. However, if you want to distinguish yourself from the other candidates, send a handwritten thank you note.

A hand written thank you note implies that you have taken the time to send a personalized message. Select a professional style note card or paper that reflects your personality. Do not choose quirky note cards or flamboyant paper. Thank you notes or cards should always be handwritten. Thank you letters are usually lengthier; computer generated, written on high quality paper and include your signature. I suggest that you send a thank you note to anyone that assisted you in the interview process, this would include: receptionists, assistants, and everyone who interviewed you at the company. You never know who is included in making the hiring decision. Do not write the same message on each thank you note. Individualize and personalize every thank you note, card, letter or e-mail. Do not forget to send your referrals and references a handwritten or e-mailed thank you note every time you complete an interview. This will keep them on board and continue to give you excellent recommendations. It is always appropriate to send thank notes and people really appreciate receiving them.

# Happy Tails

by Chris Leclerc.  
Canyon Canine Dog  
Walking & Pet Sitting Services



# THE CULTURALLY CORRECT CANINE

I have always been amazed at the many ways that a dog can change a human being's life for the better. There are various and sundry reasons why the family dog has earned the age-old title of "man's best friend", and rightfully so. Among the many character virtues that the canine shares with his two-legged human companions, most amazing to me is that fact that the dog is capable - and more than willing - to bridge the gap between humans of differing ages, cultures, lifestyles and languages. The idea that a dog is actually capable of bringing people together who would otherwise most likely not even bother to share the time of day with one another, really hit close to home for me this past week. I am a person who appreciates diversity in my life. I have an eclectic collection of friends including people of various colors, shapes, sizes, ages and walks of life, but I must admit that I am only human, therefore I do still notice the differences between myself and others.

No matter how hard I try to ignore or even erase thoughts and preconceptions that may come to mind when I cross paths with people who look or act different from myself, there are times when I make certain presumptions based on appearance or behavior. When those preconceived notions come to mind, I try very hard to suppress them, but the thoughts are there, regardless. I realize that my mind works this way because I was raised in a culture that inherently encourages the identification of others according to the color of their skin, racial origin, behavioral patterns, or even financial status, and I think that is very unfortunate. If I could change that about my culture, I most definitely would. But, it is what it is and all one can do is live one's own life the way they know they should. I said all that to say this... Thank God for dogs!

During a recent walk with "Bo" and "Loucie", two of my favorite canine client companions, we were trekking up Grandview towards the Arcadia highland community, when we happened to cross paths with an older couple walking two darling silky terriers. Because Bo and Loucie are always very cordial in dealing with other dogs that we meet along the way, I was not concerned about a potential canine confrontation, so we stayed steady on our trail rather than crossing to the other side of the street. As we drew closer to the couple who were walking in the opposite direction on the same side of the road, I looked up at them, gave them a wide, "happy to meet ya" kind of smile, and said "good morning!"

Initially, they both looked away in what may have appeared to be embarrassment. My thought is that they were not completely comfortable with my greeting, simply because they are not completely comfortable with their skills in speaking the English language. Apparently, however the two dogs I was walking, spoke the same language as the two that they were walking, so they greeted each other with nothing but confidence and appreciation and within a moment's time, we humans followed suit and stood and watched the dogs interact and socialize with intent vigor. By the time we parted ways, having observed such kind and reciprocal social behavior between our pets, I felt that I had made a couple of new friends that I hope to bump into again in the near future, and I would like to think that they felt the same way.

See what I mean? How cool is it that our pets can play a part in bridging a gap between ourselves and our neighbors? That is what prompted me to write this short (yet, hopefully effective) article about the value of a dog's social virtues. Perhaps we humans can learn from the canine's willingness and ability to behave in a culturally correct manner. Meanwhile, they are there for us. So, let us be thankful that God created creatures such as the canine to help we humans with our social skills. Who knew the dog could be such a valuable asset in our human lives?



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# On Line

By PJ Carpenter  
It's SAAD...but  
that's a good thing!



Today is July 29,2011...the last Friday in July...does anybody know what day it is? Anybody...Bueller?


That's right...it's System Admin Appreciation Day! First celebrated in July of 2000, System Administration Appreciation Day is the day set aside to show appreciation for keeping the computer systems that we all depend on up and running. Other, more popular Appreciation Days, (Teacher, Secretaries, Nurses, etc) enjoy far more public recognition, but for those of us who happen to be System Administrators (here, here) this day is mostly about a job well done...that we usually congratulate ourselves on...and then obsess about doing said job better. Lol. No...really, we obsess about this kind of stuff all the time. Systems, that is.

I once had an installer from Time Warner come to a job I was working and asked me what my typical day was like. He wondered what could I possibly be doing all day long since everything was up and running. I was a little taken aback by that question but after I thought about it for a second I could see where he was coming. Because, even if I must say so myself, the setup I was managing at the time was pretty sweet. That place looked like a photo shoot for a company that sells server rooms. It was sweet but it didn't look like that when I first met the place. In fact, it looked like a photo shoot for something else entirely, a very not-neat something else entirely. I remember being in the interview for that job, listing my qualifications and experience and relaying to the company my vision of what I could do for their IT infrastructure specifically, and their company in general. After they took me up on my offer I got to work turning their computers and stuff into a fully-staffed, fully-operational IT department that supported an infrastructure consisting of 20 servers, 250 workstations, several branch offices, a field sales force and boasted a 99.9% uptime record. That place didn't get that way on its own and it certainly didn't stay that way on its own. A System Administrator got it where management wanted it to be.

That's what sysadmins do: they make your systems work. And when your systems work the way their supposed to work, take a day to say thanks, at least once a year. Happy SAAD to all of us!

# KATIE Tse.....This and That

## WEDDING FEVER



Ah, summer! Three mellow, sunny months that make the other nine tolerable. There are a myriad of ways to celebrate summer. People enjoy the beach, gardening, barbeques, floating in a pool, or just chilling on the deck appreciating being alive in Southern California in the summer. One of summer's many advantages over the rest of the year is there are not gift-giving holidays you feel obligated to attend (Fourth of July doesn't count). But on that same note, summer has one pitfall --it's wedding season.

Have you been to a wedding this summer? I haven't... yet. Possibly you got by without having to go to any, but most likely you'll have to do face time at at least one. Is it just me, or have a lot of weddings (like the rest of the culture) become totally overblown spectacles of excess? I must confess a couple elements of my wedding (not my idea) were more elaborate than they needed to be, but that's a whole other article.

In the olden days, being a bridesmaid only required that you wear an ugly dress and show up for the rehearsal and wedding. But these days I've heard of brides asking their bridesmaids to change their hair color or get Botox in preparation for the big day. And bachelor/bachelorette parties have grown into week-long affairs such as golf excursions in Arizona and cruises to Mexico. Resorts spas are also popular. I understand that some girls like to bond while getting peeled and exfoliated together, but I ain't one of them.

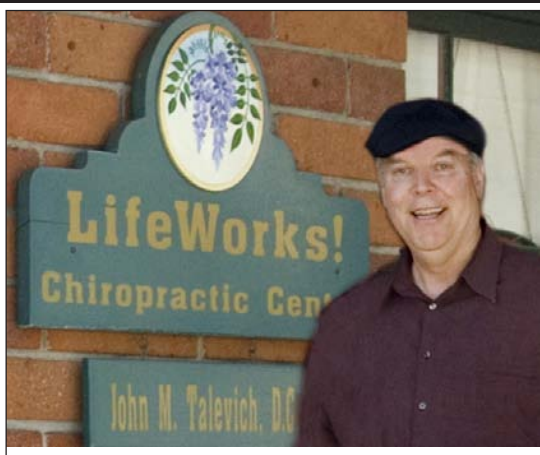
Of course probably the most annoying new wedding trend is the "surprise" first dance. This has been so overused it hardly warrants the terms "new" and "trend." If you're unaware of this gimmick, it starts off with the bride and groom slow dancing to a tame wedding classic. Then SUDDENLY the music turns to static. The happy couple is "shocked." When the sound comes back, it's a rock or rap song, to which the bride and groom start break dancing and doing other gown-threatening stunts. Some even go as far as having their bridal party join the action, and put on a highly choreographed show. It's hard enough coordinating ten or more people for the wedding and one regular rehearsal; I can't imagine the planning necessary for a group that size to learn something worthy of "The Lion King."

While the whole surprise first dance idea is ridiculous in and of itself, it reveals a larger concept now widely accepted regarding weddings. They must be unique and entertaining. Those aren't evil desires, but they have become the driving force among many weddings. I've quoted the book, "The Narcissism Epidemic: Living in the Age of Entitlement" before, and this seems like a good opportunity to put another plug in for it. I agree that no one should purposely bore their guests, but when everyone is trying to have a unique wedding, that means no one really is. And frankly, if I remember someone's wedding because the groom arrived by helicopter or they had Justin Timberlake MC-ing, I'm just going to remember that they overdid it.

I can only speak for myself, but I would wager that most guests don't come to be entertained. If that's what they wanted, they'd go to a Lakers' game. They come because they like you or they're related to you --sometimes even both. At the end of the day, guests have only a few requests: don't make them sweat (literally), don't ask for audience participation (If uncle Bob didn't plan a speech, don't have your MC stick a microphone in his face), the food need not be gourmet, but shouldn't bounce if it falls off the plate. Finally, and most universally agreed upon: make it brief. That's all! No helicopters necessary!



## YOUR HEALTH MATTERS

Today's Subject:  
WALKING

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.

Just about everyone knows about the benefits of walking. If you think about it, a walk every day in the morning and evening would go a long way in promoting lifelong health. Sure, the mini marathons, Mt. Wilson Trail Race, and hot yoga are all good, but they require additional effort to keep up over time. A morning walk seems so natural, so organic. So, why is it that we haven't become a nation of walkers? Not heroic enough?

For many years, we have held our Inner Vacation Workshop here in Sierra Madre. It is based on a simple formula, encouraging great health with these three things: a morning walk, a clean and nutritious diet, and three weekly meetings designed to inform and inspire. In short, WEM (walk, eat and meet) demonstrates a roadmap for a life of involvement and vitality. Although all three parts contribute to the experience, the walk has unique qualities that give the other two a place to ground. It is within walking that movement occurs, people come together in a non-threatening way, and friendships are forged. It is

virtually impossible to come back from a walk as the same person who embarked.

There are some tenets that bear sharing here. For one, strolling and walking are two different things. A vigorous walk, while beneficial in many ways, can exclude the body-centering experience of a slower and more deliberate pace. The former is more focused on the process of pushing the body, while the latter yields an awareness of the environment. During our Inner Vacation, we emphasize a slow, relaxed pace, a reigning in of the "horse race" inclination.

I'd like to share a few tips about walking that others have shared with me:

One of the difficult aspects about walking is that we have to get up and do it! When we don't have anyone to walk with, it's easy to get out of the habit. Create a group, like my friend Linda has with her friends, who meet regularly at our local arboretum.

If you are stopped by the thought of having to walk too far, walk for a certain time period. For example, walk for twenty minutes, then turn around and return.

Don't make a big deal out of it. When you were a kid, you didn't think twice ~ recapture the simple joy of going outside.

If you are seriously disinclined to get moving, start with a simple cross-crawl exercise: Standing in place, lift your left leg and right arm together. Replace them, and lift your right leg and left arm together. Walk in place this way for a few minutes, watching that you don't begin to lift the right arm and right leg together (the same-side arm and leg, in other words). Do this three or four times a day. It's good for firing up the inclination to walk, for your coordination, even for your brain!

Simple, easy for most of us, and a joy ~ walking is the heart and soul of good health.

Enjoy your week,

Dr. John

### John M. Talevich, D.C. CHIROPRACTIC: Simple, Elegant, Effective 31 S. Baldwin Avenue Sierra Madre, Ca. 91024 626-355-4710

Dear Savvy Senior, Can you recommend some good resources to help job hunting seniors? I'm 60 years old and have been out of work for nearly six months now and need some help. What can you tell me? Seeking Employment Dear Seeking,

The tough employment market over the past few years has been particularly hard on people over the age of 55. Fortunately, there are a number of online tools and in-person training centers scattered across the country today that can help. Here's what you should know.

In-Person HelpA good first step to get help finding a job is at a Career One-Stop center. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor, these are free job resource centers that can help you explore career options, search for jobs, find training, write a resume, prepare for an interview and much more. There are around 3,000 of these centers located throughout the country. To find one near you, call 877-348-0502 or go to [careeronestop.org](http://careeronestop.org).

Depending on your financial situation, another program that may help is the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP). Also sponsored by the Department of Labor, SCSEP offers access to training and part time job placements in a wide variety of community service positions such as day care centers, senior centers, governmental agencies, schools, hospitals, libraries and landscaping centers. To qualify, participants must be over 55, unemployed and earning less than 125 percent of the federal poverty level – \$13,600 a year. Unfortunately, 2011 federal budget cuts have significantly reduced this program funding, but it's still a viable option. To learn more or locate a program in your area visit [www.doleta.gov/seniors](http://www.doleta.gov/seniors) or call 877-872-5627.

In addition to the national resources, some states, communities and local nonprofit organizations may offer their own senior employment programs. For example, in certain areas in Indiana, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Texas, Vermont, Washington state and Wisconsin there are Aging Worker Initiative programs to help local job seekers 55 and older. To find out if your community offers any locally-based senior employment programs, contact the Area Agency on Aging – call 800-677-1116 or see [www.eldercare.gov](http://www.eldercare.gov) to get your local number.

AARP WorkSearchAnother resource that offers free job help is the AARP Foundation WorkSearch Virtual Job Coach program. This is a volunteer-

run program that helps any job-seeker (you don't need to be an AARP member), age 40 and older, by connecting you with a trained volunteer to help you search for jobs and get training. The coaching



is typically done via e-mail or over the phone. Call 877-659-0969 or visit [aarpworksearch.org](http://aarpworksearch.org) to find help.

In addition, AARP also offers a jobs search engine that you can access at [jobs.aarp.org](http://jobs.aarp.org). Or, if you want in-person assistance, AARP has 23 WorkSearch facilities around the country that provide free face-to-face help. To search for a facility, contact your state AARP office. See [aarp.org/states](http://aarp.org/states) or call 888-687-2277 for contact information.

Online ResourcesThere's also a wide array of online employment networks that can help you connect with companies that are interested in hiring older workers. One of the best is [retirementjobs.com](http://retirementjobs.com), which offers a job search engine that lists more than 30,000 jobs nationwide from companies that are actively seeking workers over the age of 50. It also provides job-seeking tips and advice, helps with resume writing and allows you to post your resume online for companies to find you.

Some other 50-plus job seeking sites worth a look are [seniors4hire.com](http://seniors4hire.com), [workforce50.com](http://workforce50.com), [retiredbrains.com](http://retiredbrains.com), [retireeworkforce.com](http://retireeworkforce.com), [wiseworker.com](http://wiseworker.com), [seniorjobbank.com](http://seniorjobbank.com), [enrge.us](http://enrge.us) (a site devoted to retired government employees) and [yourencore.com](http://yourencore.com) (an online recruitment firm that connects retired scientists, developers and engineers with companies that offer consulting assignments).

Start a BusinessIf you're interested in starting a small business but could use some help getting started, turn to the U.S. Small Business Administration which offers tips, tools and free online courses that you can access at [sba.gov](http://sba.gov). Also see [score.org](http://score.org) a nonprofit association that provides free business advice for entrepreneurs.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](http://SavvySenior.org). Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

## SENIOR HAPPENINGS

JUNE/JULY 2011 -  
MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

Monday: Closed July 4th 12 noon: Intervale Lunch Café: Come enjoy a hot meal with others. Donation for seniors (60+) of \$2.00; visitors \$3.75. Please call 355-0256 to make your daily reservation. 1:00 pm to 1:45 pm: Strength training with Lisa Brandley. FREE class of stretching with light hand weights while you sit. Tuesday: 2nd Tuesday of each month FREE blood pressure checks by Methodist Hospital; 11 am to 12 noon 12 noon: Intervale Lunch Café; daily reservations needed 355-0256 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 12 noon: Intervale Lunch Café; daily reservations needed 355-0256 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: 12 noon: Intervale Lunch Café; daily reservations needed 355-0256 1:00 to 3:30 pm: Game Day. Join us for 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: City Hall Closed on June 17, July 1, 15 & 29 12 noon: Intervale Lunch Café; daily reservations needed 355-0256 Saturday: 11:30 am: Senior Club brown bag lunch and BINGO at 12:30 pm. Starting July 16 the Senior Club will meet at the Senior Apartments - 70 Esperanza Ave., Sierra Madre

## EXCURSIONS

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 18TH

Exploring Long Beach - Beat the summer heat by spending the day in Long Beach and enjoying lunch on the historic Queen Mary - 8:30 am to 4 pm.

Cost per person is \$44 - this includes deluxe coach transportation, driver's tip, exploring Long Beach and lunch on the Queen Mary.

Reservation for this excursion will open on June 30th either by visiting the Recreation Center in person or going on-line at

[www.cityofsierramadre.com/online/registration](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/online/registration)

BLOOD PRESSURE  
SCREENINGS

Methodist Hospital will host Senior Blood Pressure Screenings on the second Tuesday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Community Center. Take advantage of this free program, which is open to all seniors 50 years of age and older. High blood pressure does not have any symptoms or outward signs and can lead to life-threatening conditions which can become fatal if left undetected. For additional information regarding this program, please contact the Community Services Department at (626) 256-8246.

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RECIPE OF THE WEEK  
FIERY FISH TACOS  
WITH CRUNCHY CORN SALSA

## INGREDIENTS:

1 cup corn  
1/2 cup diced red onion  
1 cup peeled, chopped jicama  
1/2 cup diced red bell pepper  
1 cup fresh cilantro leaves, finely chopped  
1 lime, zested and juiced  
2 tablespoons sour cream  
2 tablespoons cayenne pepper  
1 tablespoon ground black pepper  
2 tablespoons salt  
6 (4 ounce) fillets tilapia  
2 tablespoons olive oil  
12 corn tortillas, warmed

## DIRECTIONS:

Preheat grill for high heat.

In a medium bowl, mix together corn, red onion, jicama, red bell pepper, and cilantro. Stir in lime juice and zest.

In a small bowl, combine cayenne pepper, ground black pepper, and salt. Brush each fillet with olive oil, and sprinkle with spices.

Arrange fillets on grill grate, and cook for 3 minutes per side. For each fiery fish taco, top two corn tortillas with fish, sour cream, and corn salsa.

This can also be done in a pan instead of on the grill. Use cooking spray to coat pan and cook about 2 minutes until flaky, turning once.

## July Birthdays



Shahrzad Azrani, Eunice Banis, Betty Barlow, Cindy Barnard, Jeanne Borge Dahl, Janet Cox, Christine Dufort, Betty Hansen, Dorothy Montgomery, Beth Pancoska, Janet Swanson, Linda Thunes, Barbara Watson, Anthony Gheezo, Joanne Gheezo, Martha Griffin, Beverly Turko,



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One Of A Kind:
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Story by Chris Bertrand and Photographs by Ron Stinnett



Just Listed: Classic Robert Ainsworth Italian Revival Perched on the Arroyo with Miles of Views

Noted architect, Robert H. Ainsworth, designed this gracious Pasadena home in 1930. The 3472 square foot, five bedrooms and five bath villa could be considered a small jewel, as Ainsworth went on to design homes three times the size in Oak Knoll and San Marino enclaves.

Lovingly cared for by just a few owners in its eighty year history, the home was owned by Dr. Robin Bennett for four of those decades. In a 1997 Star News article about it's first and only major renovation by the architect's grandson after Bennett's passing, author Janette Williams says, "For professional and middle class African-American families in the 1950's success meant living 'on the arroyo,' in a home perched on the rim of Northwest Pasadena with spectacular views across to the Linda Vista Hills."

Bennett, an obstetrician and gynecologist who spent a lifetime delivering babies to the African American community, brought his family to the home as the first black residents of North Arroyo. Despite initial backlash, Bennett remained in residence for the next forty years.

The villa was restored and benefit tours were offered in Spring of 1997, touting several professional designer's ideas while preserving the home's elegance and character and livability.

Son, Teddy Bennett, returned to the home to view the remodel, according to Williams, commenting that his father left everything intact after his mother's passing in 1966. Up to the day he died in 1995, "Not a thing would be changed. Not a thing would be moved." Since time nearly stood still in the house for almost thirty years, the 1997 remodel was "simple" and didn't require Ainsworth's grandson, Stephen Ainsworth Kuchen-ski, to undo any interim changes to restore the home to its former glory.

The current owners share the enthusiasm of all the owners in preserving this very livable home.

They proudly and eagerly shared their stories and documentation of its architectural and human history. "Several of the neighbors from Bennett's time still walk the neighborhood, noting details preserved from the doctor's time there," they said, including Mrs. Bennett's roses, some of which still grace the front gardens.

Ainsworth is frequently called prolific, and according to the Pacific Coast Architects Database, the architect, who lived 1895-1970, designed a wide array of over seventy five Southland structures in addition to beautiful homes, including Pasadena's Grover Cleveland and Eugene Field Elementary Schools, the Hastings Ranch library, the Pasadena Humane Society, the campus plan for Pasadena City College, the BOQ and OR at Coronado's North Island Naval Air Station, and his own Sierra Madre home on Orange Grove.

In an April 2009 Pasadena Weekly article about another Ainsworth Mediterranean Revival home, author B.J. Lorenzo quotes designer Jeff Valens-on as he sums up the Ainsworth style, "The struc-tures have a unique and irreplaceable character, history and charm."

One feels that unique and irreplaceable char-acter, history and charm from the first curbside view. The pleasing symmetry features a front gar-den with some of Mrs. Bennett's roses, a reflection area to enjoy both the view and the central fountain. The structure's repeated arches soften the square lines, including beautiful original arched French doors.

A gated side driveway leads to the beautiful yard, pool, garage and extra parking, though since there are no homes on the Arroyo side of the street, guest parking is not a problem. When the pool was renovated, plumbing for a spa was added for the ease of this addition, should a buyer desire.

The sellers have thoroughly enjoyed their perch above the Rose Bowl. "We're UCLA fans, so it's been a wonderful bonus to have the games near-by, and haven't ever been bothered by traffic or games. We've loved the views, the golf course and all amenities of the Rose Bowl, the wildlife the venture up from the Arroyo. It's a rich life



here."

The floorplan, though essentially intact, has aged gracefully, with gorgeous hardwood floor-ing in two species, sumptuous intricate millwork, tying the rooms together. The kitchen and casual dining area includes several functional areas, in-cluding three sink areas. The original wood coun-ter sink offers a butler's pantry area serving both the casual and formal dining area. Beyond, the main kitchen includes a gourmet stainless steel gas stove. A service area with laundry facilities and another sink, allow several cooks to help in cuisine preparation.

The back sun room, which opens to the pool, was enclosed at some time, providing expansive casual living space protected from the elements. A main floor bedroom suite is situated separately, perfect for guests, au pair or extended family ac-commodations. The fifth bedroom is currently

configured as a library.

The west facing views get even better after as-cending the stunning curved staircase to the sec-ond floor, when Brookside Golf Course, located below the home, comes into view. A central nook above the front door offers a computer station with a simply mesmerizing view, as well as entry to the viewing balcony, to enjoy a favorite beverage and watch the sunset over the foothills.

Three more second floor bedrooms, include a wonderful master suite with dressing room, pri-vate bath and balcony with those elevated western Arroyo views, plus two bedrooms with a connect-ing bath.

*1320 N. Arroyo in Pasadena is offered at \$1,295,000 by Shereen Kelly of Prudential Cali-fornia Realty. For more information visit the home's website at www.1320NorthArroyoBlvd.com or contact Kelly at 626-827-5000.*

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# TE BAUMGART - GOING SOLAR

By Christopher Nyerges

[Nyerges is the author of "Self-Sufficient Home," which includes profiles of numerous homeowners who've made the plunge into solar energy, including Baumgart. Nyerges can be reached at Box 41834, Eagle Rock, CA 90041, or [www.ChristopherNyerges.com](http://www.ChristopherNyerges.com)]

Ted Baumgart lives with his family in La Cresenta, California, a wooded residential area nestled near the foothills of the Angeles National Forest.

In 1980, when Baumgart analyzed the largest power consumer in the average household, he saw that the refrigerator was right at the top of the list, by double. Plus, the refrigerators that were manufactured in 1980 were very inefficient.

"I realized that the refrigerator was the power hog, so I read everything I could to find an alternative," says Baumgart. "I read Mother Earth News, Farm News, and anything I could get my hands on. Then I learned about Larry Schlusser in Arcata, California, who was manufacturing refrigerators that were five times more efficient than anything else on the market."

Schlusser's SunFrost refrigerators were made to run on 12 and 24 volts DC, had the motors mounted on the top, and had four inches of insulation in places. These refrigerators are non-standard sizes, and don't always neatly fit into the spot in the kitchen that is designed for normal refrigerators. Baumgart paid \$2400 new for his DC electric SunFrost in 1984.

To power this refrigerator, Baumgart installed an array of 4 solar



modules on his roof. His modules are Arco M75, rated at 40 watts each. (Arco Solar has since been purchased by Siemens which has been purchased by Shell). In 1984, he paid \$350 per module, and they measure approximately 1x 4 feet each.

His array of 4 solar modules charge a large deep cycle marine battery that is protected from over-



charge by a controller. The battery is wired to the SunFrost refrigerator, and has an automatic battery charger backup in his inverter. Though his refrigerator is designed to run from the power stored in his battery, when the battery is low, the inverter will kick in, pulling AC power from the grid to charge the battery. So, his refrigerator is on a stand-alone system that is designed to access the grid when necessary.

He plans to power some 12V lights from this system when he increases his battery storage, and power a regular 110 volt AC household power circuit using his inverter as well.

If he had to do it from scratch today, would Baumgart build the same system today?

"Probably not," says Baumgart. "Well," he added, after thinking about it, "I simply couldn't build the same system now because the parts are not available anymore! But also, in 1984 when I was at the home of the president of ArcoSolar in Chatsworth, he showed me his system. He used two efficient little Sanyo refrigerators powered from his solar array. He was powering his less costly refrigerators and put the difference in the cost into extra solar modules. That makes a lot of sense."

If you already have a solar electrical system sized properly, Baumgart suggests simply buying a highly efficient modern AC refrigerator and also buying an extra solar module for your roof. Baumgart points out that one has to add to a system carefully, making sure the new module has the same ratings as the existing modules.

When Baumgart built his system in 1984, he wasn't sitting around waiting for something better to come down the pike. He simply went ahead and put his money into his belief in solar power.

"A lot of politicians say that this is not cost effective," says Baumgart with a smile. "Wrong! All this (including the refrigerator) has still cost me less than I would have paid for the grid power. My swimming pool solar array paid for itself in about seven years out of what I would have paid to the power company in electricity." The refrigerator and solar array system purchase took longer for a pay-back, but I've never regretted \$15 monthly electric bills for a pool and 3000 square foot house."

His swimming pool solar array consists of an array of 6 solar modules to power his backyard pool pump filter. He uses a 12V 1/3 horsepower electric motor on a standard pool pump, which is directly powered by the 6 modules mounted on his fence. No battery is used.

Why did Baumgart decide to go solar?

Baumgart recalls back in 1954, when he was 8 years old, seeing

an advertisement in the National Geographic magazine by Bell laboratories. It said that solar cells could power the future, and that caught Baumgart's attention and imagination. His family was very talkative, and everyone was aghast at the pollution they then experienced. He was always wondering what's taking the government and industry so long to actually go solar.

"I'm not only an environmentally conscious person," says Baumgart, "But I'm also a Do-it-your-selfer. It galls me that I get a bill for something that I can do myself. It galls me that the power company sees me as a cow they can milk forever."

Baumgart did all the work himself. So what was the hardest part of doing all this?

Laughing, Baumgart says, "The hardest part was simply getting off my ass and getting started."

But what about specialized electrical and electronic knowledge? How did Baumgart know what to do?

"Look," says Baumgart, "this is Tinker Toy technology. Yes, you have to know the basics of electrical safety, but a solar system has no moving parts, and there is virtually no maintenance except cleaning the modules every now and then so they don't lose efficiency."

Baumgart explains that he has no formal electrical background, having never taken an electrical or electronics class. "I just have a tinkerer's mind, and a copy of the Electrical Code book. I have never had to hire anyone to do any of this, and I have never had any problems with my systems here."

Baumgart strongly recommends the Real Goods resource book for everyone, especially those who need a primer for how to plan a solar system, and in order to know the full range of appliances that are currently available.

How does he feel about his journey with solar power?

"I feel as if I am walking a little closer with Thee," he explains, waxing poetic but full of sincerity. "I feel a little closer to Mother Nature. I don't want to pollute, and I don't like the way things are going, so this is what I had to do. Plus, I'm a life-long do-it-yourselfer. This was not a choice for me. I had to do this."

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TRADITIONAL TERMITE CONTROL, 160 E. SHORELINE DR. N30, LONG BEACH, CA 90813. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) NORMAN PAUL WHITE, 160 E. SHORELINE DR. N30, LONG BEACH, CA 90813. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: NORMAN PAUL WHITE. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/15/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: July 23, 30, Aug 06, 13, 2011

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: UPTOWN DIGITAL, 7901 GREENLEAF AVE., WHITTIER, CA 90602. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 03/02/2011 in the county of Los Angeles. The original file number of 2011037640. The business was conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 07/14/2011. The business information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) SIGNED: RAFAEL HERNANDEZ/OWNER. Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: July 16, 23, 30, Aug 06, 2011

FILE NO. 11-063698  
STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: UPTOWN PRINTING, 7901 GREENLEAF AVE., WHITTIER, CA 90602. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 03/02/2011 in the county of Los Angeles. The original file number of 2011063697. The business was conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 07/14/2011. The business information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) SIGNED: RAFAEL HERNANDEZ/OWNER. Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: July 16, 23, 30, Aug 06, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 11-057711  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: C&M CONSTRUCTION, 21022 CENTRAL AVE., L.A. CA 90011. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MARIA ANAYA, 2500 S. HOBART BLVD., L.A., CA 90018. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MARIA ANAYA. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/01/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: July 09, 16, 23, 30, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 11-059732  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CONCOURSE CONCESSIONS; WESTSIDE CONSULTANTS; SIMPSON & ASSOCIATES, 4947 HAYTER AVE., LAKEWOOD, CA 90712. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LAKISHA SIMPSON, 4947 HAYTER AVE., LAKEWOOD, CA 90712. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: LAKISHA SIMPSON. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/07/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: July 09, 16, 23, 30, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 11-058897  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ELECTRONIC REPAIR, 139 ELIZABETH AVE., MONTEREY PARK, CA 91755. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DAVID YUI, 139 ELIZABETH AVE., MONTEREY PARK, CA 91755. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: DAVID YUI. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/06/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: July 09, 16, 23, 30, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 11-057045  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: INDUSTRIAL REL SOLUTIONS; CERTIFIED E.R.; ENVIRCLEAN/ECG COMPANY, 9961 E. VALLEY BLVD. STE A-147, EL MONTE, CA 91731. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ROY GRESSLY, 9961 E. VALLEY BLVD. UNIT A-147, EL MONTE, CA 91731. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ROY GRESSLY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 06/30/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: July 09, 16, 23, 30, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 11-059379  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WISE GROUP, 395 SANTA MONICA DR. #162, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. (CONT.)

and Professions Code)Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: July 09, 16, 23, 30, 2011


FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 11-058006  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: JOYLUCK CHINESE EXPRESS, 13521 FRANCISQUITO AVE., BALDWIN PARK, CA 91706. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DEAN JU, 13605 CLARK ST., BALDWIN PARK, CA 91706. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: DEAN JU. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/05/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: July 09, 16, 23, 30, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 11-059139  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: UME PIZZA, 5439 CHERRY AVE. #B, LONG BEACH, CA 90805. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LINDA NGOV, 1043 E. ANAHEIM ST., LONG BEACH, CA 90813. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: LINDA NGOV. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/07/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: July 09, 16, 23, 30, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 11-055060  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LIFETIME TREASURES HOME CARE, 334 CHEYENNE DR., SAN DIMAS, CA 91773. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) BRITTANY MUNCY, 334 CHEYENNE DR., SAN DIMAS, CA 91773. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: BRITTANY MUNCY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 06/28/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 11-067337  
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