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“BILL” SULLIVAN, SR. PASSES

Long time Sierra Madre resident, business owner and philanthropist William “Bill” Sullivan, Sr., passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2011 at the age of 82.

Born in Chicago on July 7, 1929, Bill served in the Army during the Korean War. He moved, along with his wife and three children then aged 7, 6 and 4, to Sierra Madre in 1963 and opened The Bottle Shop liquor store, which he owned until 1984 when he sold it, though it remains in the family. Following that, Bill and his wife Marie constructed and own Sierra Madre Self Storage on Montecito Ave.

In addition to running his businesses, Bill was active in the local business community and service organizations, serving on the Board of Directors of the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce and the Sierra Madre Community Hospital. He also served on the Bank of America Achievement Award Board and was a recipient of the “Recognition of Service” award from the American National Red Cross. He was a past president of the Kiwanis Club of Sierra Madre and Sierra Madre Little League.

One of Bill’s lasting legacies is the Sierra Madre City College, a philanthropic organization which each year is one of the first entries in the Sierra Madre’s Fourth of July parade, represented by a marching band and a float which is one of the most anticipated entries in the parade, because most years it is an irreverent look back at something that is or has been a subject of topical discussion in the community. Bill and the late Hugh Warden were two of the driving forces behind the City College,

and for the last several years, Bill has driven or been driven in the SMCC’s “president’s” vehicle in the parade. Each year the SMCC raises money to put back into the community. Over the years, the City College has donated to the City’s ambulance fund, and to Sierra Madre Search and Rescue. They donated a flagpole to St. Rita’s School, and installed a concrete art patio for the Kindergarten students at Sierra Madre School. They’ve installed lighting at Sierra Vista and Mountain Trail parks, funded a patio on the east side of City Hall and the south side of the Senior Center. With Kiwanis, they helped fund the pergola area in Memorial Park, and they are also responsible for the covered barbecue area in Sierra Vista Park (a revenue generator for the City). They’ve also installed barbecue sets in Memorial and Sierra Vista Parks.

Bill also took pride in being cantankerous and in his efforts to keep City Hall honest.



William “Bill” Sullivan, Sr.

Mr. Sullivan is survived by his wife of fifty-six years, Marie, and three children, his daughter Kathy (Paul) Copeland, and two sons, Bill, Jr. (Patty) and Dan Sullivan. He also leaves behind six grandchildren, Melissa, Michael, Jay, Jeff, Tracy and Sarah. His brother Frank Sullivan and his sister, Betty Davis, preceeded him in death.

A memorial service will be held at St. Rita Catholic Church, 318 N. Baldwin Ave. in Sierra Madre, on Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2011 at 10am, followed immediately by a reception at O’Malley Hall, also at St. Rita.

THE BRITISH HOME CELEBRATES ITS 80TH ANNIVERSARY AND OPENS REMODELLED JAMESON COTTAGE

On Saturday, September 17th, the Mayor of Sierra Madre, John Buchanan, officially opened the recently remodeled Jameson cottage at The British Home. It was a double celebration for the Home which was officially opened 80 years ago on September 22nd 1931.

A group of around 70 invited guests which included local dignitaries, representatives of the Daughters of the British Empire, friends, and residents attended the opening. Margaret Jenkins ,

President of The British Home, accepted two ‘Certificates of Recognition’ from California State Assembly member Bob Huff ‘s representative David Monroy in honor of the outstanding, high quality

it for its many years of service to the local community. He also praised the Home for recognizing that in today’s world people are living longer which is creating a greater need for accommodation which provides 24 hour nursing care. Jameson cottage, which has five single bedrooms and one double bedroom, has been remodeled specifically to meet this need. The Mayor performed the ribbon cutting to the accompaniment of a rousing tune played on the bagpipes by Cindi McIntosh.

It was appropriate that a member of the Sierra Madre community officiate at the opening of Jameson cottage as it was originally built with money donated by Mrs. Ida M. Jameson in memory of her husband J.W. Jameson



Sierra Madre Mayor John Buchanan and his wife Terri take a moment for a snapshot with the Board of Directors of the British Home.

service given to seniors for the past 80 years and the reopening of Jameson cottage.

The Mayor congratulated the British Home on its anniversary and thanked

back in 1958. The Jamesons settled in Sierra Madre in the early 1920’s. They were involved in philanthropy throughout their lives and later Ida established the Jameson Foundation which continues their work today.

DO YOU KNOW THESE TOP MODELS?



Get gussied up and come to the Fabulous Fall Fashion Show and Tea sponsored by the Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society and see them in all their glory!

On Saturday, October 15, 2011, costume designer Shon Le Blanc of Valentino’s Costumes will present textiles, clothing and accessories Sierra Madre style. Having furnished costumes for many plays, movies and television shows, as well as the Sierra Madre Rose Float in 2008, Le Blanc will narrate the show’s different eras, as he describes costume details.

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Thur:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
Fri:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

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 Hours:

Monday - Thursday	7:30 am to 5:30 pm
Fridays	8:00 am to 5:00 pm

September 27

6:00pm

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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.

Sierra Madre's
Farmer's Market Is Back!

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.

KIWANIS OFFERS "HEALTHY HALLOWEEN" SNACKS

If you'd like to give trick-or-treaters a healthy alternative to candy, Kiwanis can help!

The Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club is selling peanuts and trail mix in Halloween-size bags, perfect for the hungry trick-or-treaters who'll come to your door on October 31st. These healthy treats will be sold at the Kiwanis Club's annual Pancake Breakfast in Memorial Park on Saturday, Sept. 24. They'll be bargain-priced at only \$20 for 50 or \$35 for 100. They can also be purchased in advance; please call Hank Landsberg at 355-3656.

Peanut and trail mix sales are a fundraiser for the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club. Proceeds will provide scholarships for local students and support for Sierra Madre's schools and library.

SEPTEMBER IS BARGAIN BOOK TABLE MONTH!

You can never have enough books, but sometimes not enough room to store them! The Friends of the Sierra Madre Library have an overstock of volumes that they will be selling during another Bargain Book Table Sale at the Library, Monday, September 19, through Saturday, September 24, during the Library's open hours. The featured topics will include Mysteries and Thrillers, Art and Artists, Crafts and Quilting, Coffee Table, Young Adult and Children's Books. Books are replenished daily, and are only \$1.00 each.

The Friends welcome book and DVD donations in good condition. Magazines may be placed on the "Free Bench" at the back of the Library, or, if the issues have been published within the last 6 months, they can be brought to the Service Desk for the Library's magazine takeaway section. For more information, please call the number below.

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



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SIERRA MADRE OKTOBERFEST TOURNAMENT

Saturday, October 15, 2011

OKTOBERFEST
GOLF AND TENNIS TOURNAMENT

benefiting Sierra Madre Youth Programs

Tennis Tournament: All ages and skill levels are welcome to play! Tennis will be played as a round robin doubles tournament with rotating partners in co-ed divisions at the Arcadia-Orange Grove courts. Participants start out the tournament by trying their luck in a serving contest (prizes for winners). The tournament first, second, and third place winners each receive a trophy and the first place winner will have their name engraved on the Oktoberfest Tennis Tournament perpetual trophy.

Golf Tournament: Played on a nine-hole course as a foursome, best-ball format at Eaton Canyon (tee times assigned). All skill levels welcome and the best-ball format is perfect for beginners! Golfers can sign up as a team or individual and the top team receives individual trophies and immortality on the Oktoberfest Golf Tournament perpetual trophy. Want some additional fun! Take a chance in our Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive, and Putting contests. For those concerned with their swing, Mulligans are available to ensure a better score.

Lunch Reception: Following the tournaments join us at the Community Recreation Center located at 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. for an Oktoberfest-style lunch, including beer, brats, and German chocolate cake. During this time bid on various silent auction packages, purchase tickets for the raffle, and watch the awards ceremony.

Register online at www.cityofsierramadre.com/online registration or in person at the Community Recreation Center no later than Friday, September 30, 2011.

Tennis start time 8:00 am
Location: Arcadia-Orange Grove Tennis Courts
Cost: \$50 (including lunch)

Lunch Reception 12:00 pm **Location: Community Recreation Center** **Cost: \$25**

Golf start time 8:00 am
Location: Eaton Canyon Golf Course
Cost: \$70 individual (includes lunch)
Team Reg: \$250 (for 4 includes lunch)

Tax-deductible opportunities may exist with this event! Please contact Kyle Schnurr at kschnurr@cityofsierramadre.com if you would like to contribute.

**FOR MORE INFO
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REMEMBRANCE CHRISTOPHER JAMES MAROE



Christopher James Maroe will forever be remembered by his loving wife Kelle and his two adoring daughters, Maranda and Nikole. Maroe, president of Bacara Media and Entertainment and former executive producer of Ringside LA with Johnny Ortiz on KMPC and producer of the syndicated show "The Gold Sheet" passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 14th at the age of fifty.

A celebration of Chris' life will be held at 11am on Saturday, September 24, 2011 at Douglass & Zook Chapel of Remembrance Funeral Home, 600 East Foothill Blvd, Monrovia, with a reception to follow at Cafe 322, 322 West Sierra Madre Blvd.

In lieu of flowers, the family would accept donations for Chris' daughters' education.

Courtesy Bill Coburn

MEMORIAL SERVICE SET FOR EPH KONIGSBERG

A Memorial Service for Eph Konigsberg, who passed away earlier this month, will take place on Sunday, October 2, 2011 at The Lodge (formerly the Masonic Temple) in Sierra Madre.

The service will begin at 3:00 p.m. The Lodge is located at 33 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, Ca. 91024.

DOGS, CATS, BIRDS, CHICKENS, BUNNIES AND HAMSTERS, OH MY

– *It's a Celebration of the Feast of St. Francis – Join Church of Ascension's Blessing of the Animals*

Sierra Madre's Village Church (Ascension) will be holding its annual "Blessing of the Animals" ceremony on Sunday, October 2, 2011 at noon in the Outdoor Worship Area. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments provided.

Blessing of the Animals is conducted in commemoration of the October 4th Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis,

arguably the most beloved of the named Saints, was particularly fond of animals of all breeds. The community is invited to bring your animals, no matter how big or small, breed or religion. Some animals may require a leash or a container, so keep that in mind. All of God's creatures are welcome!

Church of the Ascension is located at 25 East Laurel on the

corner of Baldwin and Laurel in Sierra Madre.

This event makes for a wonderful family outing to meet new neighbors and check out a wonderful community church. For more information, please call (626) 355-1133 or visit: www.ascension-sierramadre.com.

SIERRA MADRE SCHOOL STARTS THE YEAR ROCKIN'

Shake your leaves and join the fun at the Fall Dinner Dance benefiting Sierra Madre School's Annual Fund, Saturday, October 15th from 6:00 to 10 p.m. at the exclusive private club *Area 51* in Monrovia.

Hire a sitter, leave the kids at home and put on your dancing shoes. Enjoy a delicious Italian dinner and

dance the night away with local DJ Denny Barry. Join the hippest party in town for the best cause, our School and our Kids. Tickets are \$50 per person. No host bar. Adults only please.

Sierra Madre Annual Fund helps Sierra Madre School be the outstanding educational center for the community's children. The Annual Fund

provides financial support to a variety of school programs including visual and performing arts programs, science programs, librarians and health aides.

For more information on the dance or to purchase your tickets, please contact Lisa Brault at ljbaction@yahoo.com.

BENEFIT FOR FAMILY PROMISE BIG BAND MUSIC CONCERT & DINNER

The Sierra Madre United Methodist Church is hosting a dinner and concert of Big Band music on Saturday, October 22 in the church's Hartzell Hall. After dinner, the concert will feature the popular local group, Big Band Theory (BBT).

Packed with Ph.D.s, BBT is composed of musicians affiliated with the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in Pasadena. BBT was started in 1998 when the group provided music for holiday parties at JPL. This scientific swing band

performs a play list that leans heavily toward the heavens, including "Fly Me to the Moon," "Orange Colored Sky" and "Ja-Da," one of the first songs to be heard in space.

The concert benefits the San Gabriel Valley Family Promise Network. This organization has a mission of caring for homeless families through a network of local churches, including the Sierra Madre UMC.

The evening begins with dinner at 6:00 p.m. The cost for the dinner only is \$15.00 and concert only

is \$15.00 per person, or both can be purchased for \$25.00. Dinner reservations are required. Please call Pat Tomlin at the church office, (626) 355-0629, 8:30 a.m. to Noon, Monday through Friday, to make your reservation by October 20.

The Sierra Madre United Methodist Church is located at 695 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre (enter the parking lot on Michillinda). For more information, please call the church office: (626) 355-0629.

Sierra Madre Police Blotter

During the week of Sunday, September 11th, to Saturday September 17th, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 312 calls for service. See crimereports.com for updated information.

Sunday, September 11th:

11:19 AM- Attempted Residential Burglary, 600 blk. W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Unknown suspect(s) removed a living room window screen and tried to pry open the window. No entry was made and the suspect(s) left in an unknown direction.

Tuesday, September 13th:

4:52 PM- Assist to other Agency, 200 blk. Rancho Rd. This case involves an Adult Protective Service case involving a possible neglect on a 75-year old man.

Wednesday, September 14th:

12:00 PM- Petty Theft, 700 blk. E. Sierra Madre Blvd. An unknown suspect(s) entered an unlocked car between 11:40 am and 12:00 PM. The suspect stole a black diaper bag containing a wallet, \$100.00, a CA license, and personal items.

4:49 PM- Trespassing on Real Property, 400 blk. Ramona Ave. This case involves a 15-year old female and a 16-year old male trespassing on private property to smoke marijuana. The juveniles were in possession of marijuana. Both juveniles were cited and released to their parents.

Thursday, September 15th:

10:13 AM- Child Neglect, 100 blk. Auburn Ave. This case involves a 5-year old girl wandering around the neighbor's apartments without the parent's knowledge.

1:28 PM- Battery Against Current/Ex-Spouse/Cohab-Non Cohab, 400 blk. Mariposa Ave. This case involves a man and a woman fighting inside their home. Further investigation revealed that the primary aggressor was the husband. The 43-year old man was arrested and later released on a citation.

4:05 PM- Battery, 500 Woodland Dr. Officers responded to a fight between two 59-year old men. There were no independent witnesses and neither was desirous of prosecution.

Friday, September 16th:

1:50 PM- Use Another's Personal Identification to Obtain Credit/Etc. This case involves the unauthorized use of the victim's credit card number.

3:49 PM- Petty Theft, 300 blk. N. Canon Dr. This case involves an unknown suspect(s) that stole 80-100 red clay Spanish roof tiles from a roof of a home under construction.

10:08 PM- DUI Alcohol/Drugs, Foothill Blvd and W. Baldwin Ave. An officer stopped a 33-year old Anaheim motorist for a Vehicle Code violation and determined that the driver was under the influence of alcohol. The driver was arrested and transported to Pasadena Police Department for booking.

Saturday, September 17th:

12:43 AM- Willfully Resists, Delays, Obstructs, 100 blk. W. Sierra Madre Blvd. This case involves a 42-year old intoxicated man that ran away from an officer into the Buccaneer Bar. The man was arrested and transported to Pasadena Police Department Jail for obstruction and public intoxication.

10:31 AM- Grand Theft Exceeding \$950, 600 blk. W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Unknown suspect(s) phoned an 82-year old woman and claimed to be her grandson. The caller told her that he had been in an accident involving serious injuries. Another man came on the line and claimed to be the grandson's public defender. The second man told the victim that she needed to wire the man \$3,000.00 to pay the injured parties on behalf of her grandson. The victim believed him and wired \$3000.00 via Western Union to a name and address in the Dominican Republic. After doing so, the suspect called the victim again and asked that an additional \$3,000.00 be wired to dismiss the case. The victim was about to send the additional funds from her bank, when a bank official intervened, suspecting that she was the victim of a fraud. Further investigation revealed that the victim's grandson was not involved in an accident and had no knowledge of the scam.



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The Way We Were: An Historic Adventure with Costumes

Join us for a Victorian Tea • Saturday, October 15, 2011



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Sierra Madre Methodist Church, Hartzell Hall, 695 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre

Presented by Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society 501(c)(3)



City Manager Gets Lifelong Contract



The city council voted unanimously earlier this month to remove a clause from City Manager Michael Beck's contract stating that his employment agreement would expire every four years.

Without any public input, the council also made the agreement retroactive.

"This agreement shall commence as of October 1, 2008, and shall remain in effect until terminated by either party as provided in herein," the terms read.

The item was part of the council's Sept. 12 consent calendar. Consent items are usually voted on with a single motion.

According to the city staff report, Beck would still go through an annual performance review, at which time, the contract for salary and benefits would be reviewed.

The contract also states, "The City desires to ensure the continuity of management services provided to the City, to provide inducement for Beck to remain in the city's employment, and to make possible full work productivity by providing Beck with assurances regarding his employment."

The contract can be terminated, at any time, by the city council or Beck himself.

Beck oversees all city employees and, according to records, has an annually salary of \$265,000.

City Attorney, Michele Beal Bagneris and City Clerk Mark Jomsky have similar contracts.

Pet of the Week



Irma is a very sweet energetic pit bull cat about 2 years old. She is playful, friendly and good on leash. She loves attention, is great with kids and other dogs.

She has earned her Blue Ribbon in Shelter School because she learned her basic commands. Now her adoption fee is \$95. Her fee includes spay/neuter surgery, a microchip, the first set of vaccinations, and a free follow-up health check at a participating vet.

Call the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA at 626.792.7151 to ask about A293846, or visit at 361 S. Raymond Ave. in Pasadena. Adoption hours are 11-4 Sunday, 9-5 Tuesday - Friday, 9-4 Saturday. Directions and photos of all pets can be found at www.pasadenahumane.org.

Local Barber Found Dead

By Dean Lee

A Pasadena man was found dead in a pool of his own blood early Wednesday morning after a resident discover the body in the parking lot behind businesses in the 900 block of E. Washington Blvd.

Police later identified the victim as King E. King, 43, a Pasadena resident and owner of King King Barber and Beauty Salon. A memorial for the popular barber sprang up on Thursday in front of the business with candles, flowers and balloons surrounding a photo of him with friends.

Police said they received a call about 12:45 a.m. Wednesday, officers and paramedics were dispatched.

No information was released on the possible cause of death although reports from witnesses suggest King was stabbed to death.

Police said the Los Angeles Coroner's Office would officially provide the cause of death after completion of an autopsy.

During the course of the investigation, detectives said they detained four persons of interest, shortly before 8 p.m. Wednesday, in the 1000 block of E. Washington Blvd. and later arrested them all on murder charges. Police said one of the suspects fled officers and was later found



King King Barber and Beauty Salon.

in a nearby home with the others.

Arrested were, Devon Wesley, 22 of Los Angeles, Alfred Mayes, 22 of Pasadena, Michelle McGowan of Pasadena and Sabrina King of Compton. Police said Sabrina King is not related to the victim.

Police said investigators found physical evidence at the scene that may lead to the suspects.

Police said the investigation is on-going and the public is asked to contact the

department if they have any information regarding this case.

The public may also report information on Crime Stoppers tip line at (800) 222-8477 or <http://lacrimestoppers.org>. Remember to say or insert "Pasadena".

King lived his entire life in Pasadena and was the father of three daughters family member said.

They also said Thursday the barber shop would remain open for business.

Annual Wiggle Waggle Walk Sunday at the Rose Bowl



The Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA invites animal lovers to put their best feet forward on Sunday, September 25, 2011 during the shelter's 13th annual Wiggle Waggle Walk fundraiser for the animals. Organizers hope to raise \$315,000 through the event, which will provide food, shelter and medical care to homeless animals, nearly 12,000 of which are taken in by the humane society every year.

Some 2,000 people and their dogs are expected to take part in the walk, which begins at 9 a.m. at Brookside Park at the Rose Bowl. Walkers and their dogs can choose either a one-mile or three-mile route around the outside of the stadium before enjoying a free Fair & Pet Expo at the park. Participants do not need a dog to join the fun—just a desire to help the animals—and they can walk

PCC to Host Performance 100 Years of Women's Right to Vote

Pasadena City College will host writer/performer Amy Simon's one-woman show, "She's History! The Most Dangerous Women in America...Then and Now." The show will be held Monday, Oct. 10 at 7 p.m. in Creveling Lounge. A reception for the artist and local women's civic organizations will follow at 8:15 p.m.

The event is co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters and the PCC Office of Student Affairs and the

individually or form teams.

Registration is free but participants are encouraged to fundraise for the animals by creating personal web pages through the Wiggle Waggle Walk website and asking family, friends and co-workers for donations. The address is www.wigglewagglewalk.org. Non-walkers, and those unable to attend the event, can also create fundraising web pages through this site. Raise or donate at least \$50 and receive an official Wiggle Waggle Walk T-shirt.

This year's sponsors include Wells Fargo, Merrill Lynch-Tanimoto Group, Three Dog Bakery, VCA Animal Hospitals, Petco/Petco Foundation, Centinela Feed & Pet Supply, Eye Care for Animals and TLC Pet Medical Center.

Event day check-in starts at 8 a.m. at the entrance to Brookside Park in Parking Lot I. The walk will begin at 9:00am and the Fair & Pet Expo will take place immediately after the walk and will be open until 2 p.m. The Fair will feature Muttley Crew's dog agility show, Glendale and Pasadena Police Departments K9 demonstrations, a variety of pet product booths, paw-tapping music, and fun dog contests, including best trick contest and cutest canine.

For more information (626) 792-7151 ext. 167 or visit www.wigglewagglewalk.org.

College Diversity Initiative. General admission is \$7; PCC students are admitted free with school ID.

"She's History!" celebrates 100 years of California women's right to vote. Simon's show includes true stories of some of America's most celebrated women, from Eleanor Roosevelt to Susan B. Anthony, in Simon's poignantly funny style.

On-site voter registration will be available.

For more information, call (626) 798-0965.

Tournament of Roses Speakers Available

Tournament of Roses official speakers are available to speak to community and professional groups about the history and tradition of the Tournament of Roses Association®, the Rose Parade® and the Rose Bowl Game®. Speaking topics may include: History of the Tournament of Roses, Economic Impact, Rose Parade participation and Rose Bowl Stadium construction. The Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association is a non-profit, 935-member volunteer organization that is dedicated to bringing America's New Year Celebration—the Rose Parade and Rose Bowl Game—to the world.

Speakers are available throughout the year for groups in Pasadena and surrounding communities. To book a speaker or to obtain further information please call the Tournament office at 626-449-4100.

Schiff Makes Statement on Don't Ask, Don't Tell

Congressman Adam Schiff released the following statement Tuesday on the end of the military's Don't Ask, Don't Tell policy,

"Today's end to the 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' policy is a major turning point in our nation's history, finally ensuring a fair opportunity for all Americans to serve in the military. We should never discriminate against any American, and the need to ensure equality is all the more compelling when you consider that these men and women are putting their lives on the line for their country. I have been proud to support the repeal of this policy and I welcome this long-overdue change."

Downs Steps Down as Chief

Fire Chief Dennis Downs will retire as of Monday. He first made the announcement July 21 after serving as Pasadena's fire chief for the last seven years.

"Chief Downs has been a tremendous leader and a mentor to many of the Fire Department members," said Pasadena City Manager Michael Beck. "A large percentage of the department has been hired or promoted under his command. He is a true professional that I value as a friend, and hold him in high regard for the numerous achievements during his tenure."

Beck will oversee the hiring process for a new fire chief. He has named Pasadena Deputy Fire Chief Calvin Wells to serve as Interim Chief. Wells is a Pasadena resident and has served over 30 years with the Fire Department.

Over the course of Downs numerous years with the Fire Department, he had oversight of the preparation and administration of an annual budget exceeding \$40 million and managed and lead a full service Department consisting of three divisions and 185 employees. Additionally, he demonstrated the ability to

successfully manage sensitive issues, such as striving to employ a diverse work force that reflects the community and restructuring the Department to meet changing needs. Some of his key projects include the development and administration of two successive Fire Department Strategic Plans, securing funds for the Department's fifth rescue ambulance, initiating a Standards of Cover study to determine whether Fire Station locations are located for optimal emergency response, enhancing disaster preparedness for Pasadena community members and progressive community outreach. Beck said in a statement in July.

"Thanks to the dedication and commitment of the men and women that are the Pasadena Fire Department, I believe that the Department is in a better position today than when I started," Downs said. "The first responsibility of a leader is to chart a course for the future; the last is to say thank you."

Downs had chaired and/or participated on several boards including the League of California Cities and the California Fire Chief's Association among others.



Fire Chief Dennis Downs

Police Foundation to Host 'Breakfast with the Chief'



Avenue.

This year's theme is "Youth Crime Prevention – Still Our Best Investment" presented by Chief Phillip L. Sanchez. The community is welcome.

All proceeds from this event support and enhance the Pasadena Police Department and its programs for youth, including: the Youth Accountability Board, the Kids Safety Academy, and the Junior Public Safety Academy.

For more information or to purchase tickets for the Pasadena Police Foundation Breakfast, please visit www.pasadenapolicefoundation.org or contact Ronnie Nanning at rnanning@cityofpasadena.net

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 Sept 27. from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Pasadena Community Network - Studio G, 2057 N. Los Robles Ave. For more info call 626.794.8585 or visit pasadenan.com.

New Date and Time for Meeting on Heritage Square

A community meeting regarding the proposed development of an affordable senior housing project at the northern portion of the Pasadena city-owned Heritage Square site, at 750-790 N. Fair Oaks Ave., has been rescheduled to Saturday, Oct. 1. The original meeting date was to be Sept. 24.

The time of the meeting has also changed, and will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Jackie Robinson Center Auditorium, 1020 N. Fair Oaks Ave.

City Housing staff will introduce the development

team of BRIDGE Housing Corporation, which Pasadena City Council approved on September 12, 2011 for exclusive negotiations to undertake the development of the Heritage Square senior housing project.

An overview of the proposed project, including design concept, financing plan and local benefit, will be presented.

To receive alerts about future community meetings on Heritage Square senior housing project, email jwong@cityofpasadena.net or call 626-744-8316.

"What's Going On?"*News and Views from Joan Schmidt***LEARNING HISTORY OR LIVING HISTORY:*****The Choice is Yours at Homestead Museum***

When one hears of the City of Industry, a vision comes into mind of a city with several businesses and industry! But there is a Wonderful surprise located within the City. It is Homestead Museum. As I said in my first "Museum" column, this venture was begun to provide my visiting mom with a fun, stimulating and inexpensive outing. An excursion to Homestead Museum is that and then some. It's a place to explore the history of the Los Angeles region from the 1840's when it was still part of Mexico, through the 1920's, when Los Angeles was known world-wide as a metropolitan city. Encompassing six beautiful acres, there are THREE sites to see. First the Workman House, an 1870s Victorian country home constructed around an 1840s adobe; La Casa Nueva, a 1920's

*Temple Family*

Spanish Colonial Revival mansion, and El Campo Santo, one of the region's oldest private cemetery. It might help if I give a brief look at three generations. The first generation was William "Don Julian" and Nicolasa (Urioste) Workman. William was born in England, but migrated to the states with his parents. William lived in Missouri and New Mexico (where he met his wife) before coming to Mexican California in 1841. Their living quarters began with a simple 3-room adobe. As they prospered, they added on rooms, and eventually in 1870, the now Victorian-style home had two stories. (This structure is the Workman House). William and Nicolasa had two children, Antonia Margarita and Jose Manuel Workman.)

The second generation is FPF (Francis Phinias Fisk) Temple who came from Massachusetts. He married Antonia Workman and they had eleven children, eight survived to adulthood. They owned land and were financially successful until 1876, when their bank failed. (This was a joint venture with FPF's father-in-law, William Workman.)

The third generation is Walter P. Temple. He is the grandson of William Don Julian) and Nicolasa Workman. He is also the son of FPF Temple and Antonia Workman. Walter Temple and his wife Laura Gonzalez made a small fortune from an oil discovery. They repurchased seventy-five acres of the family's original rancho. They commissioned prominent LA architects Walker and Elsen to construct the "La Casa Nueva" New House) or "the new house". It took five years to build the magnificent Spanish Colonial revival Mansion, but they only lived there fifteen

years. The last site is El Campo Santo, the cemetery. Pio Pico, the last governor of Mexican California and many members of the Workmans and Temples are interred there.

The Homestead Museum strives to "foster a better understanding of the past and people's ability to shape history". This is accomplished in two ways. First there are the informative free tours, available Wednesday through Sunday at 1, 2, 3, and 4 pm. After the tour, one can enjoy a picnic lunch at the designated picnic area with 8 tables. After eating, one can explore the grounds and walk around the beautiful koi pond.

There are also SPECIAL tours. "Behind the Scenes Tours" allows you to visit basements and areas seldom seen by general public. Coming up are the "Beyond the Graves Tours" Saturday & Sunday, October 22 and 23, and October 29 & 30. You will see how American attitudes toward death changed from the 1840s to 1920s. My family and I went last year and learned why a Funeral PARLOR has its name!

The second aspect of the museum is the "living" or "participating" part. There are several neat activities throughout the year! A few weeks back, there was the "Ticket to the Twenties"! Everyone was encouraged to dress in attire from that era. The event lasted from 3-7pm. There were music, dancing, exhibits, demonstrations and food! Admission was free; money needed for food or shopping. Some fun upcoming events include a "Wreath Making Workshop" on Saturday, November 19, 10am-1pm. "Victorian Merriment" is Sunday, December 5 at 5 & 7pm. Ring in the holidays like revelers from the Victorian Era with a lively show curated by Tom Axworthy. "Holiday Living History Tours" is Saturday and Sunday, December 10 & 11, 2:30-6:30 pm.

"Just for Kids" is Saturday, December 3, 10-11:30 am or 12:30-2pm. There will be holiday-themed story-telling, crafts, food and more. Ideal for children ages 4-8. Admission free, Reservations required. I am looking forward to going again. I will probably take my grandson to "Just for Kids". Many activities are free. Some have a fee, but it's an affordable one. There is so much to see and do!

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BUSINESS TODAY***The latest on Business News, Trends and Techniques*****CREATING WIN WIN PARTNERSHIPS**

By LaQuetta Shamblee

Being small doesn't need to stop entrepreneurs and community businesses from adopting the use of strategic partnerships that have worked very well for big entities like the government and large corporations. From the construction of large hotels and sports complexes, to the donation of goods and services as silent auction items for a nonprofit fundraiser, when structured and managed properly, strategic partnerships can create value and benefit for everyone involved.

Often for large-scale ventures, the proposed project is only made possible by concessions that are granted by the government entity, like waiving or reducing fees for permits and related processes, or expediting approval processes – considering that "time is money." Corporate entities are able to provide the cash to fuel the progress of projects, and what they get in return is heightened visibility and market exposure. The Staples Center downtown Los Angeles and The Honda Center are just two examples of how investments by businesses help to develop or sustain major facilities that are used by the public. Of course, their primary focus is on generating profits, but they also provide free use of space at their facilities for a number of nonprofits and community events. Annually, Santa Anita Race Track hosts the largest "Back-To-School" event in the Pasadena-Foothills region on behalf of Foothill Unity Center, a local nonprofit and federally-designated Community Action Agency.

The 1984 Olympic Games held in Los Angeles remains as one of the most prominent and contemporary examples of the widespread and long-term examples the benefits. That was the first time there was a net profit generated in the history of this international event. Economic benefits were sprinkled throughout Los Angeles County. Among the lingering affects was the birth of

the L.A. Marathon in 1986. Sponsored by Mercedes-Benz, it attracted 10,000 entrants, making it the largest inaugural marathon in the world.

The L.A. Marathon has become an international event, with runners from around the globe. The event generates millions in revenue hotels, restaurants and other venues. It also provides broad market exposure for corporate sponsors. Some nonprofit arts agencies got media exposure as their dance troupes and bands were featured in news casts and feature stories broadcasts to millions throughout the event. This type of media exposure is very useful for nonprofits to mention in funding proposals. Many nonprofits use the marathon as a fundraising opportunity by getting friends and supporters to donate a certain amount of money per mile or simply pledging a specific amount. Public-private partnerships were at the core of both of these historical successes, and the benefits continue to this day.

In preparation for the Olympics, there was a massive influx of economic activity from the construction of facilities like the velodrome built on the campus of Cal State Dominguez Hills for the cycling competitions. With additional corporate investment, it now the nation's most complete training facility for Olympic, professional and amateur athletes. Renamed "The Home Depot Center," it is now a 125-acre campus that is designated as an "Official Olympic Training Site." It is home to the LA Galaxy Soccer Team and features state-of-the-art stadiums and amenities for soccer, cycling, track & field, tennis, lacrosse, rugby, volleyball, baseball, softball, basketball and other sports. Next week's article will provide specific examples of how sole proprietors and small businesses have used this approach to create win-wins situations that increase market exposure, revenue and profits.

THE PASADENA EDUCATION NETWORK ANNOUNCES FALL PROGRAMS FOR PARENTS

Free Programs for Parents to Learn about Kindergarten and Middle School Options

The Pasadena Education Network (PEN) kicks off its fall program schedule with "What You Should Know about Choosing an Elementary School" on Thursday, October 6 at 6:30 p.m. at All Saints Church, Sweetland Hall, 132 No. Euclid Avenue, Pasadena.

Selecting a school is one of the most important decisions a parent will make, yet myth and misperception often cloud conversations about schools. One of PEN's most popular programs, this session

provides parents of pre-school aged children with valuable information about what to look for when evaluating a school for their children. Parents whose children attend Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) schools will be on hand to share their experiences in public school.

The program also includes social time and refreshments when parents can talk with one another and PUSD parents.

PEN's other programs for parents include "What to Look for When Choosing a Middle School" (October 11), "Choosing a Middle School/Parent

Networking Night" (November 10), and "Navigating Open Enrollment in the Pasadena Unified School District (November 29)." Complete program information, school information, and school tour schedules are available at www.penfamilies.org.

All programs are free. Spanish translation is available.

The Pasadena Education Network is an independent, grassroots nonprofit organization that promotes family participation in public education to ensure a quality education for all students in Pasadena, Altadena and Sierra Madre. PEN provides services to help parents explore, evaluate, and engage with our community's public schools.

Come Up To Our Place! RENT A CABIN AT STURTEVANT CAMP

We are excited to announce that we have added a web page dedicated to Sturtevant Camp on our website (<http://www.adamspackstation.com/>). Just click on Sturtevant's Camp on the banner.

Or, you can go directly to information regarding this historic camp by clicking on: <http://adamspackstation.com/sturtevant/>

There is lots of information on the camp, photos, and a video on a day at Sturtevant. On the top of the page are a number of tabs with information about the various cabins.

The greatest feature, in my humble opinion, is the reservation page. You can now see what is booked and request a reservation. As you can see

there are a number of open spots in October and November; December is wide open. The camp takes reservations year round except for June (the deer flies will eat you up ;-o))

Start booking now for winter and spring. Not sure if you would like to stay over during the winter? Think about a warm fire, a hot drink, good friends, and hearty food. Add to that a comfortable bed and you have it made. Where else can you find that in Southern California just 4 miles into the Angeles Forest. Remember that you do not need to carry your food or gear. Let our donkeys do the work. Just enjoy the weekend. For more information, give us a call.

Pet of the Week**Ursula: Animal ID #A4331363**

Meet the sweetest dog at the Baldwin Park shelter: Ursula (A4331363). Ursula is an affectionate one-year-old black and white female Boston Terrier/Chihuahua mix puppy who was found in Baldwin Park on August 27th and brought to the shelter. Slightly underweight at twenty-two pounds, this little girl walks well on the leash, is well socialized, and is probably housebroken. She also gets along great with other dogs and is fantastic with children. Ursula is a medium-energy girl who is going to make a lovely indoor pet for an individual or family in any living situation. To watch a video of a volunteer interacting with Ursula, please visit: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S-kA5cnPe0s>

To meet Ursula in person, please see her at the Baldwin Park Shelter, located at 4275 N. Elton, Baldwin Park, CA 91706 (Phone: 626-430-2378). She is currently available now. For any inquiries about Ursula, please reference her animal ID number: A4331363. The shelter is open seven days a week, 12 pm-7 pm Monday-Thursday and 10am-5pm Friday-Sunday. This is a high-intake shelter with a great need for adoptions.



For more information about Ursula or the adoption process, contact United Hope for Animals Volunteer Adoption Coordinator Samantha at samanthasayon@gmail.com or 661-309-2674. 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/>.

HEART IN HAND HUMANITARIAN AWARDS

Los Angeles County Mayor Michael D. Antonovich presents the Heart in Hand Humanitarian Awards to Robert "Bob" Bartlett and Robin Salzer during Foothill Unity Center's 13th Annual Golden Plate Awards at Santa Anita Park in Arcadia on September 22, 2011. The event's honorees also included Henry and Lou Thedinga, Southern California Edison and the Monrovia Family Restaurant who were presented with the Neighbors Helping Neighbors Award. Foothill Unity Center provides food, crisis and health services to many families in the San Gabriel Valley. More information, please visit their website at www.foothillunity-center.org

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Mayor Kovacic's Health Scare

From Arcadia's Best

Just 24-hours before making a presentation at Saturday's dedication ceremony of the new north tower of Methodist Hospital (Sept. 10), Mayor Gary Kovacic was a patient at the same hospital, having come dangerously close to a serious heart attack or worse.

A day earlier, on Thursday, Kovacic had an emergency procedure to put a stent in one of his three major heart arteries when it was discovered that the Left Anterior Descending (LAD) artery was 90% to 95% blocked.

He was released Friday (Sept. 9) after an overnight stay at Methodist, and 24-hours later was back at Methodist for the previously-scheduled dedication, sharing the story and before-and-after angiogram photos of his artery with the VIP crowd.

Kovacic said he had been unusually exhausted after a short back-pack hike with his son and the recent "Cool Breezes" bike ride from Ventura to Santa Barbara and back. But that didn't spark him to see a doctor or to cancel his plane trip to Texas to see his beloved UCLA Bruins' opening



football game.

It wasn't until his friend Tim Murphy, a former fire chief and current member of the Arcadia Human Resources Commission, strongly suggested he see a cardiologist that Kovacic was ordered to have an immediate angiogram that showed the blockage.

AAR TO HOST THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

On Saturday, November 5th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the Arcadia Association of REALTORS® will be hosting a Thanksgiving Food Drive. Both REALTORS® and members of the public alike are invited to bring their non-perishable food items to the AAR building parking lot, 601 South First Ave., Arcadia.

All canned goods will be donated to the Foothill Unity Center so that those less fortunate will have food for the holidays. Please help by

joining together in the spirit of giving.

The Arcadia Association of REALTORS® is a full-service real estate Association servicing the needs of local REALTORS® in the east San Gabriel Valley. They are the local advocate for their REALTOR® members and work to enhance the professionalism, integrity and competency of their members and to promote private property rights for the community. The Arcadia Association of REALTORS® can be reached at (626) 446-2115.

GARDENING LIKE THE FOREST: STEPS TO ECOLOGICAL GARDENING

Saturday, October 8, 8:30am - 5:00pm

Sunday, October 9, 8:30am - 3:30pm

\$195 includes Public Talk on 10/7: See above

Ecosystem agriculture attempts to mimic the structure and function of natural communities in food-producing ecologies. This workshop explores the vision, theory, design, and practice of ecosystem agriculture. Lectures, field observations, and experiential classes will reveal the nature of ecosystem architecture, social structure, underground economics, and succession. Participants will draw conclusions from these experiences, developing practical design principles, practices, patterns, and processes for garden design and management. You will leave this workshop with an increased ability to design your own backyard food-producing ecosystems.

The cost of the weekend workshop includes the Friday night lecture, which will lay critical

groundwork for these two days.

Dave Jacke, primary author of the award winning two-volume book *Edible Forest Gardens*, has studied ecology and design since the 1970s, and has run his own design firm—Dynamics Ecological Design—since 1984. An engaging and passionate teacher of ecological design and permaculture, Dave has designed, built, and planted landscapes, homes, farms, and communities in the many parts of the United States, as well as overseas. A co-founder of Land Trust at Gap Mountain in Jaffrey, NH, he homesteaded there for a number of years. Dave holds a B.A. in Environmental Studies from Simon's Rock College and a M.A. in Landscape Design from the Conway School of Landscape Design.

TO REGISTER for either or both classes: 626-821-4623 / Jill.Berry@arboretum.org

Full Details: <http://SayPermaculture.com>

Tree Pruning Fundamentals

Saturday, October 1

10am-Noon

Dr. Jerrold Turney, instructor

\$25 Arboretum members

\$28 non-members

(no admission fee to the Arboretum is charged when you register for a class)

Please call the class registration line at 626.821.4623 to register though you may also pay at the door.

Learn how and when to prune trees and shrubs from Dr. Jerrold Turney, certified arborist and licensed CA agricultural pest control advisor. Dr. Turney will cover the fundamentals of

pruning following the guidelines established by the International Society of Arboriculture. The pruning of fruit trees (stone fruits, apple & pear, citrus, avocado, etc.) for increased fruit production and disease control will also be covered, as well as the major diseases that attack fruit trees.

Arcadia Police Blotter

For the period of Sunday, September 11, through Saturday, September 17, the Police Department responded to 888 calls for service of which 130 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, September 11:

At about 3:45 a.m., a traffic stop was conducted on Santa Anita Avenue and Colorado Boulevard for a missing headlight and flat tire. Through investigation, the officer learned that the driver, a 33-year-old male of unknown race, had collided with a pole in the center median and was under the influence. The male was booked at the Arcadia City Jail for D.U.I.

Officers responded to the 1100 block of West Duarte Road in reference to a male and female arguing inside a parked vehicle. The two parties were contacted and a records check of the involved 22-year-old White male revealed two outstanding misdemeanor warrants, for which he was arrested.

Monday, September 12:

3. Arcadia High School, 180 Campus Drive, and Holly Avenue Elementary, 360 West Duarte, reported that sometime over the weekend the campus vending machines were vandalized. The locking mechanisms were broken and the money inside was stolen.

4. At approximately 5:21 p.m., officers responded to the Westfield Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue regarding suspicious circumstances. The victim told officers that on September 1st, he received a voicemail from a male with a heavy "Indian accent" who stated he was from "Consumer Affairs and Business Regulations" and that he had a business/legal matter to discuss with him. Upon returning the call, the victim spoke with a female subject that identified herself as an attorney, also with a very heavy "Indian accent", and told the victim there was an outstanding debt which he needed to pay immediately or legal action would be taken. The victim, believing this was a true debt, purchased a prepaid Visa as instructed and then faxed the card information to the number provided by the female. The victim believes the incident was fraudulent and possibly from outside the country.

Tuesday, September 13:

5. Between Monday September 12th at 9:30 p.m., and Tuesday September 13th at 8:15 a.m., a vehicle theft occurred in the 200 block of San Antonio Road. Suspect(s) stole a 2007, black, GMC Yukon SUV, parked to the front of the location.

6. At about 4:00 p.m., a victim came to the station to report that a fraud had occurred on September 8th. An 81-year-old female victim advised that after shopping at Walgreens, 253 East Foothill Boulevard, she was approached by two males described as Hispanic, in their mid twenties, about 5'-07", 170 lbs., with medium length black hair in the parking lot. The suspects told her that they were mechanics and would be able to repair the existing collision damage on her vehicle. The victim agreed and gave the men a check to purchase the materials and later meet her at her residence to fix the car. The check

was cashed later that day and the suspects never arrived at her home.

Wednesday, September 14:

7. At about 5:30 a.m., officers responded to Arcadia Reclamation Inc., 12321 Lower Azusa Road, regarding damaged property. Sometime between September 12th at midnight, and September 14th at 2:00 a.m., suspect(s) stole approximately 300 feet of copper wiring from the in-ground traffic signal boxes at the location.

8. A theft occurred in the parking lot of Ralphs, 16 East Live Oak Avenue, sometime between 8:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Suspect(s) stole the front tire of a bicycle that was parked and locked at the location.

Thursday, September 15:

9. At approximately 9:10 a.m., a 49-year-old Hispanic male, who was soliciting in the area of Tenth Avenue and Derek Drive, was contacted by officers. A records check of the subject revealed he was a Parolee at large with outstanding warrants. He was taken into custody and booked for the warrants at the Arcadia City Jail.

10. Between 9:02 a.m. and 5:35 p.m., a residential burglary occurred in the 700 block of West Fairview Avenue. Suspect(s) entered the residence through an unlocked front door, ransacked the house and stole jewelry.

Friday, September 16:

11. Between September 15th at 10:15 p.m., and September 16th at 7:00 a.m., a theft occurred at Baldwin Stocker School, 422 West Lemon Avenue. Suspect(s) forced open two vending machines and stole the currency inside.

12. A home in the 200 block of West Magna Vista Avenue was burglarized between 12:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Suspect(s) entered the residence through an open sliding door and stole two televisions.

Saturday, September 17:

13. Shortly after 1:00 p.m., loss prevention personnel from Zumies at the Westfield Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, detained one adult female and one juvenile female for theft. The suspects entered a fitting room, hid merchandise in their purses and attempted to leave. The 22-year-old Hispanic female admitted that she brought previously stolen merchandise with her to return for cash. Both females were arrested, and during a search of the 14-year-old Hispanic female, marijuana and other narcotic paraphernalia were found on her person. Both females were booked at the Arcadia City Jail for commercial burglary and additional charges.

14. A victim came to the station around 3:00 p.m. to report a theft by false pretenses. The victim stated that on September 15th she had attempted to purchase a vehicle advertised for sale on Craigslist. She met the selling party, described as a White male in his early to mid 40's, heavy set, clean shaven and well-dressed, in the 900 block of West Duarte Road to inspect and purchase the vehicle. The victim gave the suspect a \$500.00 deposit, and has not heard from him since.

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Falling Into Autumn!

The autumn season is a very colorful and busy time. People take drives or hikes to view the bright fall leaves. We fall to work to get our homes and clothes ready for the winter months ahead. Football games and apple picking fill our free time while hot cider and doughnuts fill our stomachs! What are your special family activities this fall?

hmmmmph?

I think I like this football thing! Do you like to toss a football around with your pals?

Can you find and circle all of these fun fall things?

apples	cider	harvest	sweater	acorns
leaves	gourds	school	football	frost
scarecrow	pumpkins			rake
Indian corn				
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ASSEMBLYMAN PORTANTINO AND CITY OF HOPE HOST HIV/AIDS ACTION SUMMIT

By Joan Schmidt

This morning I was privileged to attend an inspiring, informative HIV/ AIDS Action Summit: Progress and Opportunity presented by City of Hope and Assemblyman Anthony J. Portantino. Also attending: from Duarte, Council Member Lois Gaston and School Board Member Reyna Diaz. From Pasadena, Council Member Jacquie Robinson, and Blair H.S. Health Program members and nursing students. I was blown away by the amount of information provided and tears came to my eyes as I listened to Jake Glaser, son of Paul Michael Glaser (From “Starsky & Hutch series) and the late Elizabeth Glaser.

Assemblyman Portantino began with the goals of the summit: to promote awareness of pediatric HIV/ AIDS. What is currently being done to prevent pediatric HIV/ AIDS? What progress has been made? Why we must continue to alert the public and stop the spread of this disease.

The first speaker to give an overview was Dr. Alexandra Levine, Chief Medical Officer, City of Hope. Every 9 ½ minutes, in the US, one person dies from AIDS and each year, 8 million people die-the numbers are staggering! Dr. Levine explained about the changes over the years. Between 1996-1997, drugs were available to treat Aids/HIV. In that year, the percentage of deaths dropped 80%! Dr. Levine explained how the virus attacks healthy cells, and AIDS is spread through transfusions with infected blood, sexual contact, and an infected mother giving birth. The virus attacks our T-cells. Doctors today look for signs: HIV in the blood, number of T-cells. Over the years, patients are now treated when they have a lower cell rate. This has lowered the number of deaths. Unfortunately for every 2 patients who began treatment, 5 had developed the infection.

Jake Glaser was the keynote speaker. He began with a short video of his mom. She said, “I am Elizabeth Glaser. While I was giving birth to my first child, Ariel, I hemorrhaged. I was given a transfusion with infected blood. Not knowing this, I breast-fed my daughter, and she caught the disease. My son Jake developed HIV in vitro. My goal is that all children live long healthy lives. More needs to be done.”

It now was time for Jake to speak. After composing himself, he said, “This still gets to me.” Jake began his story. “Doctors had said I wouldn’t live past ten. I stand before you, 26 years old- only because of my mother and her work.”

Elizabeth, his mom, found out the terrible news- not only was she infected, but her two young children also! Their family’s lives would never be the same. His Dad was just finishing his thirty-year acting career. Their family was well-known and because of their popularity, all the family’s medical news was given out. “Our family reached out to the community. But back then, there was NO education about AIDS. Four-year-old Ariel’s applications at various preschools were denied.

But Ariel had such a positive attitude-always



smiling. The beautiful picture with sunshine and flowers that she drew is our logo. Ariel passed away at seven.”

1200 infected children are born per year around the world. Jake reminded us, “I am alive because of my mom. After Ariel passed away, doctors said I would die next. She could NOT accept this. She saw the need for an advocate. She embraced the unknown and her actions saved lives. It began in our kitchen- Mom sitting with two friends. Something HAD to be done. She had reached out to friends in the entertainment community and fundraisers were held. But MUCH MORE had to be done. In 1988, Mom took her first trip to Washington DC when Reagan was president. She met with the Researcher of Heath, bringing new ideas and refusing to take “no” for an answer. After her trip to DC, President Reagan set up the first Grant for Research.”

Elizabeth passed away in 1994. At the time, she was at home and there were machines and nurses. It wasn’t the greatest environment for a child. Often Jake spent time with family and friends. One day, he and his friend Mike were sitting in Mike’s family car, waiting for Mike’s dad. They were all going to Hamburger Heaven. Mike’s dad came out to the car with a strange look on his face. He told Jake “You have to go home”. Jake walked down the street to his home. When he opened the door, his dad was sitting on the steps crying.

Jake spoke of his own life. He tested HIV positive at age 10. He grew up angry, lived many years in denial, not taking his meds. At 15, it was his Dad’s turn. “He knew I needed help. I wanted to rebel. He sent me on a journey and at the time I hated him for that. But it was the right decision. At 16, I had to let go. No more being angry. I was in Idaho and working. I loved nature. Years passed. I received a call from the CEO of Mom’s foundation. I was asked if I’d like to be involved...To commit yourself is a hard decision to make, but I went to Washington, DC.

Jake travels and does speaking engagements. He wants to continue his mom’s goal. Children SHOULD live long, healthy lives.

Pictured above: Assemblyman Portantino (right) and Jake Glaser.



Duarte Unveils New Playground Equipment for Glenn Miller Park

DUARTE, CA, September 20, 2010 - It was a wild and fun start to the school day for first and second graders at Valley School in Duarte who were invited to be the first children to enjoy the newly installed playground equipment at Glenn Miller Park.

Following a formal ribbon cutting ceremony by Duarte Parks and Recreation attended by City and Duarte School District officials, the kids were let loose to swing, slide and climb the colorful new equipment. The \$37,000 project was funded through the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District Grant, Excess Funds

– Cities Grant Program. Designed for use by children 2 to 12 years old, the playground meets all current federal and state standards for safety. It has poured-in-place rubber as surfacing, allowing the mobility impaired to access the equipment, along with swings, slides, climbing structures and interactive elements.

Glenn Miller Park, named after the famed band leader who once owned a citrus ranch in Duarte near where the park is now situated at 205 Melcanyon Rd.

For more information, call Duarte Parks and Recreation at (626) 357-7931 ext. 201

THIS IS IT! HELP FOOTHILL UNITY TODAY!

Final weekend to help Foothill Unity Center Auxiliary raise funds by filling a Goodwill semi trailer This Saturday and Sunday, September 24 and 25, mark the last weekend to collect advance donations for Foothill Unity Center Auxiliary’s fundraising drive in partnership with Goodwill. If the Auxiliary can fill a 28-foot Goodwill semi with donated items by 2 p.m. October 1, the Center will receive \$900 to \$1,500. If they can fill a 48-foot trailer, the Center will receive \$1,542 to \$2,570.

The last two-hour pre-collection days will be this Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon and Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. (Other arrangements can be made by calling 626 - 387-3906.) The final collection hours will be on Saturday, October 1, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. All three collection days will be held in the parking lot of Albertson’s, 725 E. Huntington Drive in Monrovia.

For information on the event and guidelines for donated items, visit www.foothillunitycenter.org.

City of Monrovia

Public Comment Period

The Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Hillside Wilderness Preserve and Hillside Recreation Area Resource Management Plan is available for viewing on the City’s website at www.cityofmonrovia.org and at the Monrovia Community Center, Monrovia City Hall, and Monrovia Public Library. The Public Comment period is August 1 through September 29. Comments may be submitted to Alice Atkins, CMC, City Clerk, City of Monrovia 415 South Ivy Avenue, Monrovia, CA 91016 (Response to Environmental Plan), or to the City via e-mail at: CLOAKING .The Community Services Department will hold a public meeting (open house) on Wednesday, September 21, at 7 p.m. at the Monrovia Community Center, 119 West Palm Avenue, Monrovia, at which time interested persons may submit written comments on the Draft EIR.

WHAT’S HAPPENING IN MONROVIA

Friends of the Library Monday Night Family Movies

The Monday night family movies sponsored by the Friends of the Monrovia Public Library will begin on Monday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m. For additional information and movie titles, please contact the Library at (626) 256-8274.

Curious George Escapes the Nazis

Everyone’s favorite monkey turns 70 years old this year. The Library will be hosting a very special birthday party for Curious George on Tuesday, September 20, at 6:30 p.m. Learn about Curious George’s authors Hans and Margret Rey’s daring escape from Paris, just hours before the Nazi invasion. Participants will hear stories and watch short films on World War II. This program is free, open to all ages and is part of the Monrovia Cultural Series.

Youth Sports Program

The 2011 Fall Youth Sports Program is designed to teach boys and girls fundamental sports skills, teamwork, sportsmanship and character building. Flag football and cheerleading are available to fourth and fifth grade boys and girls from Bradoaks, Mayflower, Monroe and Wild Rose Elementary Schools. Youth must participate at the school which they attend. For example, a student attending Mayflower Elementary School must register for the Mayflower team or squad. Registration is being taken at the Community Center located at 119 West Palm Avenue. The program fee is \$35 per participant. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and is limited to 20 participants per team or squad. For additional information, please contact the Department of Community Services at (626) 256-8246.

Monrovia Reads and Plays

Monrovia Reads and Plays (MRP) is a mobile Literacy and Recreation Program operated by the Community Services Library and Recreation Divisions. This program provides a variety of youth and family literacy and recreation programs that build self esteem, promote positive behavior and character building. Activities include tutoring for youth and adults, active and passive games, arts and crafts, story times, and health and wellness programming. The Monrovia Reads and Plays Program operates on the corner of Sherman and Cherry Avenues on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. and on the corner of Ivy and Los Angeles Avenues on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. For additional information regarding the Monrovia Reads and Plays Program, please contact the Department of Community Services at (626) 256-8246.

Great Adventurers - Score with Books! Second through Fifth Grade Students

Great Adventurers, second through fifth grade students, will begin a seven week session on Wednesday, September 28, at 3:30 p.m. Sports are the thing this fall as kids explore the Library and expand their knowledge through books, games, crafts and more! Attend four of the seven classes and receive a free book. Attend one of the seven classes and you will be eligible to join us for the finale party. Sign up now, let us know you are coming, and bring a friend. For additional information, please contact the Library at (626) 256-8274.

Senior Trip to the Los Angeles County Fair

A senior day trip to the Los Angeles County Fair will be held on Wednesday, September 28. The participants will meet at the Community Center at 9 a.m. and are scheduled to return by 2 p.m. Tickets may be purchased for \$7 at the Community Center. Transportation and admission is included. The participants are responsible for lunch on their own. Enjoy the many attractions, eateries, shopping and much more, at the Los Angeles County Fair. Senior Days offers free rides on the ferris wheel in the carnival area. Space is limited and reservations are required. For additional information and reservations, please contact the Department of Community Services, at (626) 256-8246.

Monrovia Police Blotter

During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 550 service events, resulting in 93 investigations. Following are the last week’s highlighted issues and events:

Parolee-at-Large - Suspect Arrested

On September 9 at 3:50 p.m., Monrovia’s Special Enforcement Team officers, augmented by Monrovia, Arcadia, and Baldwin Park police officers, and Los Angeles County Sheriff deputies, went to the 200 block of Los Angeles to search for a parolee-at-large. The parolee was found in the attic trying to hide from the officers. He was taken into custody without further incident.

Department of Child and Family Services Referral / Resisting and Delaying a Police Officer - Suspect Arrested

On September 10 at 7:30 a.m., officers went to a residence in the 200 block of Madeline to investigate a referral from the Department of Child and Family Services. Upon their arrival, they found the mother of a minor child under the influence of alcohol. She was so intoxicated she was unable to care for the child. There were six additional adults in the residence who were all at varying stages of intoxication. The officers took the minor into protective custody. The mother tried to prevent the officers from leaving with the child, and she was subsequently arrested for resisting and delaying a police officer. After a caseworker from Department of Child and Family Services interviewed the child, she was released to her father.

Fight in Progress / Possession of a Concealed Weapon / Public Intoxication - Suspect Arrested

On September 11 at 1:52 a.m., officers were dispatched to the 600 block of South Primrose regarding a fight in progress. When officers arrived, they detained five subjects and conducted pat-down searches on them. During the investigation, a female subject was found to be in possession of a dagger. She was arrested for the weapons violation and for being drunk in public. The other subjects were released in the field.

Driving Under the Influence / Traffic Collision - Suspect Arrested

On September 11 at 3:04 a.m., officers on patrol in the 100 block of West Huntington heard the sound of a traffic collision. The officers observed a vehicle leaving the area westbound on Foothill at a high rate of speed. An officer followed the

vehicle and eventually caught up to it as it entered into the City of Arcadia. The driver was detained and was determined to be driving under the influence and was arrested. The investigation revealed the driver had fled the scene of a traffic collision. It was discovered that the suspect struck an unoccupied parked vehicle in the 100 block of Stedman. The suspect was arrested for driving under the influence and hit and run.

Residential Burglary

On September 12 at 3:43 p.m., a resident in the 200 block of Bradoaks heard noises in her home. When she went to check, she found two male subjects, approximately 19 years old; one was wearing a baseball style hat. The two suspects ran from the residence and a white Chrysler 300 was seen speeding away from the location. Investigation continuing.

Residential Burglary

On September 12 at 5:06 p.m., a resident in the 400 block of Oakcliff returned home from work at about 5:10 p.m. and found the inside of his home ransacked. He looked around his home and found the kitchen screen had been taken off and a window was open. Investigation continuing.

Residential Burglary

On September 13 at 1:09 p.m., a burglary was reported in the 500 block of West Maple. The resident left for work at 8 a.m. and returned home at 1:11 p.m. The victim found the backdoor of the residence open. The victim called police and did not go inside. Officers responded and checked the home to ensure no suspects were inside. No suspects were located. Jewelry and a computer hard drive were taken. Investigation continuing.

Gang Injunction Violation / Brandishing a Weapon - Suspect Arrested

On September 15 at 2:45 a.m., Police received a call from a female subject in the 100 block of Montana stating her ex-boyfriend, a gang member, was in front of her house and was playing music loudly. When she asked him to turn down the volume, he responded by brandishing a pistol in a threatening manner. Officers responded and detained the suspect without incident. The pistol turned out to be a realistic-looking toy. The suspect was arrested for violating the curfew of the gang injunction and brandishing a replica firearm. Because the suspect was arrested two days ago for violating the injunction’s curfew, he was held for bail on the likelihood of recurrence.

OH DO WE ROCK!

PUSD Board President Renatta Cooper Delivers a Factual and Inspiring State of the Schools Address

“Strong public schools create a more stable community. They minimize the differences between the public system and children who are being educated in the private sector. They enhance and increase the value of housing.

The greater Pasadena Community has been consistently supportive of its public schools for a long time. In recent years two construction bonds, Measure Y (1997) and Measure TT (2008) have been passed to upgrade school facilities. Even in the narrow defeat of Measure CC (2010), school district supporters garnered a majority of the votes cast, while missing the super- majority which would have insured passage. Close, but not close enough.

Meaningful collaborations and partnerships

The City of Pasadena and the Pasadena Unified School district partner to maximize access to resources that benefit students, families and residents of Pasadena. Joint priorities include truancy reduction and improved attendance, campus security, student internships and joint use of facilities to improve the quality of life for students and residents. I would like to thank Mayor Bogaard members of the city council, with special thanks to PHS alums Chris Holden and Victor Gordo, and John Muir alum Jacque Robinson, city manager Michael Beck special Assistant Lisa Fowler and child Care Coordinator and PHS alum, Peggy Sission for their dedication and support in strengthening this important collaboration.

The joint Attendance Improvement and Truancy Reduction Program improves attendance and helps reduce the dropout rate. PUSD officials, with the assistance of the City Prosecutor and District Attorney, reinstated SARB (Student Attendance Review Board) to track and counsel chronic truants while providing them and their families with support to reduce the dropout rate.

PUSD high school students participate as paid summer interns at city departments as part of the City/School District/PCC collaborations on College and Career Pathways.

The City of Pasadena provides crossing guards at 16 elementary school sites during peak school start and ending hours where significant numbers of elementary school-aged children walk independently.

Pasadena Police Department's Safe Schools Team provides policing services to all the PUSD school sites located within Pasadena. The goal is for the Safe Schools Team members to develop a positive rapport with students to ensure attendance and safety. The Safe Schools Team is fully funded by the City of Pasadena including, salaries, equipment, vehicles and supplies which free up PUSD funds for core educational purposes.

Joint use of Facilities offer campus' unused outdoor play space to provide essential neighborhood recreational opportunities, particularly in densely populated neighborhoods, by making them



Cooper and Gundry Photo courtesy of Pasadena Now

available during daytime, weekend and in some cases, after school hours. Added improvements include purchasing and installing play equipment and landscape improvements.

Resource sharing: PUSD provides physicals for new City employees; the City donates surplus furniture and equipment to PUSD schools. Last year PUSD provided printing services to the city to save costs. With our expanded capacity at PHS, our ability to do this should increase as our students learn to operate and manage a printing business.

Construction of the McKinley and Washington Middle School gymnasiums is partially funded by the City of Pasadena to provide joint use by students and the community.

PUSD is the lead agency in developing a strategic plan around the Washington Complex, an exciting opportunity for North West Pasadena.

PUSD students participate in the city – wide afterschool programs that offer recreational activities on 12 campuses.

These partnerships are a positive addition to the quality of life to the many Pasadena residents, whether they currently have children attending PUSD schools or not.

Schools as the heart of their communities, this is a model we are engaging in a community schools project for the Washington School Complex. We will be discussing truly innovative educational practices around this proposed complex; a place that could be open 12 -14 hours a day 6-7 days a week. A complex where programs are offered for children, parents and serve as a vital hub for the community.

Academics
Over the past three years, student achievement in the PUSD has raised its Academic performance Index (API) score by 52 points, surpassing State and County growth rates.

More PUSD students are testing advanced and proficient every year. Are we where we want to be in relationship to student proficiency? No, however we are progressing and that is note worthy.

Ten schools scored 800 or higher on the

API, meeting or exceeding the State's goal for academic achievement: Sierra Madre School became the first school in PUSD to score above 900 on the API, posting a score of 908.

PUSD has cut the percentage of students who drop out by more than half in two years, outpacing the State and the County.

All of this in spite of the crippling, 23 million dollars in cuts that we have endured of over the past three years. These cuts have challenged our district greatly. Forcing the layoffs of many excellent teachers some who had received special training as part of the John Muir reorganization. We have also been forced to increase class size.

It is ironic that in an era when we have so much research and data on what is good for children educationally, in the state of California, we are unable to fund those best practices. All over the country school districts are shortening school calendars, as budget realities dictate teacher furloughs as a budget strategy. In the U. S. we have had at 180 days, the shortest school year in the western industrialized world. We need a longer school day and a longer school year and should be experimenting with models to get us away from an educational model based on the agrarian life style of the 19th century.

Due to the extensive research that has been conducted over the past 10 years, we know we as a nation are moving in the wrong direction potentially sacrificing our future for current financial problems. It is short sighted and not in the best interest of our children or our future in the competitive global economy. Some call this educational mal-practice; it is not educators who are allocating the funds that lead to these decisions. I will just say we are making the best decisions under the worst conditions.

And still our students manage to shine and make us proud.

Student and School Awards

Blair High School is a 2011 California Distinguished School - the first high school in PUSD to win this award. Blair was also awarded a 6 year accreditation by WASC which is about as good as it gets.

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Let The Pigskin Fly!



According to reports, LaSalle's 2011 Football Season "started with a new attitude, a new look, and a new mentality". Although the season is beginning with a tough start,

9/2/2011 L 21-26 2:30PM Home
Village Christian High School
9/9/2011 L 3-20 2:30PM Home
Maranatha High School
9/16/2011 L 0-24 1:45PM Away

San Marino High School

With three consecutive losses to Village Christian, Maranatha and San Marino HS, the team has 'enormous potential' and has faith that the tides will soon turn. They move forward with new Athletic Director Anthony Harris' words in mind, "quitting is not an option" Go Lancers!

CHANDLER SCHOOL TO DEDICATE NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASSROOM BUILDING ON FOUNDERS DAY

PASADENA—Chandler School co-founder Katie Chandler and Pasadena Mayor Bill Bogaard will join Chandler students, faculty and staff to dedicate Chandler's new Middle School classroom building as a part of Founders Day on Friday, Sept. 30 at 8:15 a.m. on Chandler's South Campus.

The new building opened at the start of the 2011-2012 school year. The three-story Craftsman-style building more doubles the teaching and learning space previously available and features a multipurpose auditorium, a library and media center, a music room, three science labs and 12 classrooms in addition to offices, meeting spaces and lush courtyards.

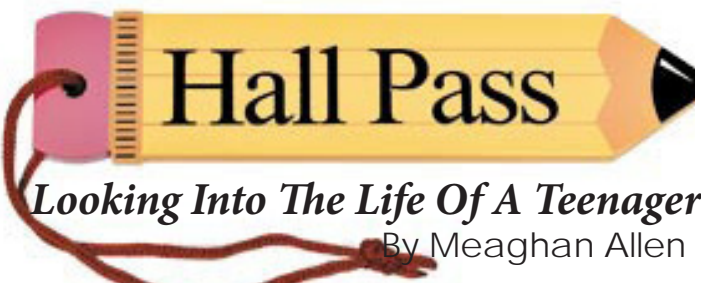
The expanded South Campus has allowed Chandler to increase enrollment to 450 students, the largest student body in school history.

The new building and renovations to Chandler's gym and field are the first phase of the South Campus building project, with a price tag of \$15 million. Chandler continues to actively raise funds to finish paying for the project. Phase two of construction, slated to begin in 2013, will add a music and art wing, a new entrance to the school and a two-level parking structure on Seco Street.

For more information on Chandler School please visit chandlerschool.org.

We'd like to hear from you!
What's on YOUR Mind?

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Rite of Passage

I walked up to the judges and stood there nervously. Making sure my back was straight, my shoulders were calm, and I looked confident I smiled, looked them in the eyes, and began my speech. "Hello, I am number 915 and..." Only one of them smiled while the rest looked at me intently and nodded their heads or scribbled some notes down. My fifteen seconds passed not as quickly as I would have thought, but quickly enough. I walked away, making sure my gait was not haughty or stiff but natural and proper. I was escorted into the house and met up with my friends, relaxing with some water and breathing now that it was over.

This past Thursday a Rose Court representative came to our school at lunch and briefed us on what the Rose Court is, what it stands for, and how to try out. We watched a little video and had our questions answered. After the meeting we discussed whether or not we were going to try out, what we would wear, if we would go on Saturday or Monday, etc. At first I was hesitant to audition, but then I realized that I almost had to. Growing up in Pasadena, I have watched the Rose Court since I was three. I have helped make floats, been offered to be on floats, I have even been inside the Wrigley Mansion to see where everything is decided. Being a girl in Pasadena, trying out for the Rose Court is almost a rite of passage into graduation and college; it's just something that all Pasadenan girls should do. And to be honest, I had a great time dressing up in 1940's attire, fixing my hair in victory rolls, and trying something different, regardless to whether or not I get selected to advance to the next stage.

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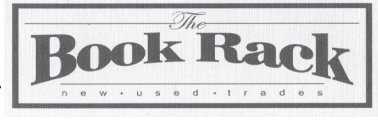


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Due to the high demand for her tutoring and education services, bookstore owner, Sally Morrison, is opening a new learning center here in Sierra Madre. **Mindspring Education Center** will cater to students (children and adults) interested in furthering 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 Ingwolson, 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.



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FLEEING DILLS PART 2 + A TASTE OF MONROVIA

Just a few months ago I wrote this.....Just when I believe I have been promoted to a five star General of the restaurant army and certain I will win every battle. I am hit by a surprise attack and defeated. It was Saturday Night and it commenced in a promising fashion. The heat of the day was receding beneath the pledge of a California evening. One shouldn't be forced to ask for the price of the special. I hate to be forced to wallow in shame that inquiry.

You may recall a previous article where I was critical of a reader named Tony for getting burned by a (\$14) glass of house Chardonnay. He said, "I will take the House Chardonnay." Falsely believing it would run in the (\$6-\$8) range, but he never made the effort to inquire into the price. Tony, This is one of those do as I say not as I do. Well, friends it happened to me again. Just last week I went to my favorite wine bar and asked the bartender what the nights specials were, you see this particular wine bar has nightly specials and they are always in favor of the patron. I guess I forgot about house rules. My bartender said the entire night is happy hour, I asked the bartender for the happy hour menu. I ordered a glass of sparkling wine by name and knew it wasn't on the menu, and asked

TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills
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ON PERMACULTURE

by Christopher Nyerges

It turns out I was practicing permaculture before I ever heard the word. The coined word means "permanent agriculture," referring to finding the way to let nature seek its own balance in gardening and other areas of life.

Here are some sections adapted from my "Self-Sufficient Home" book, which is available wherever books are sold, or from www.ChristopherNyerges.com

FIGURING THINGS OUT

When I was still living with my parents, we had no space at all to garden. It was unthinkable then to tear up a front lawn and use it for a garden – something I wouldn't hesitate to do today. The next door neighbor offered us the use of an empty yard between our houses. My mother – who grew up on a farm – sat up at night with me planning how to use that space for gardening. Most of what I learned about what to plant and not to plant was learned by making mistakes.

I began by planting herbs, tomatoes, and corn, all neatly arranged in north-south lines with some pathways in-between. I knew nothing about fertilizer or mulch or pest control. I just went out there and planted what I believed would make the best garden, and I watched the results.

Herbs took care of themselves – mints, fennel, oregano, lavender, and others. Herbs tended to be drought-tolerant, and required very little of my time and effort.

Tomatoes grew good too, but I learned that they just grew and grew, longer and longer, and only began to produce lots of tomatoes when I pinched back the stems so the branches would not grow as long. Yes, I got tomato worms, which I just picked off and tossed to the birds.

Corn was quite an education. It grew tall and the ears formed. As they got bigger, I noticed that they were very infested with lots of ants, and aphids, and earwigs. In horror, I would take the hose and wash all the bugs off, and this worked to some extent since it was a small garden.

That first season's corn was a disaster, with bug-infested, half-developed ears, and I even used some bug poison for the first and last time. I experimented with some of the natural pest-repellants, and made my own insecticide from a mixture of garlics and hot peppers, liquified in the blender, and sprayed on the plants. I even added a little Basic H to the mix.

I had some results, but I was still working with poor soil.

In desperation, I studied all I could on natural pest control. After all, I had fresh memories of one of my uncles in Chardon, Ohio, who had to dress up in what looked like a bee suit every time he went into his apple orchards so he would be protected from all the pesticides that he sprayed on the apples. (He died of cancer). Shouldn't farming and gardening be about life, not death, I wondered? Can't nature take care of itself? Isn't there a way to find a balance so that the bugs keep the other bugs in check?

BUILD THE SOIL

I learned that – regardless of what you grow or where you live – the health of the soil is the single most important factor in producing plants that are drought-tolerant, bug resistant, and able to survive in the greatest range of temperature.

My next experiment in that small yard was to go to the grocery store and get boxes of old produce and just dig a hole here and there in the garden and bury the old vegetables so they'd decompose and enrich the soil. Simultaneously, I went to the local cemetery and obtained bags of grass clippings. I began to layer the bare ground around the base of the plants with liberal amounts of grass clippings.

This was a thick layer, not a thin sprinkling of grass clippings. The top layer would dry out a bit, but underneath, it stayed moist, softened the soil, and provided an environment where earthworms thrived, as well as lots of other bugs. With the layered grass clippings on the ground, I now noticed that the herbs and vegetables thrived and grew well, and the bug infestation was at a minimum.

Plus, I didn't need to water as much. I continued to get as many bags of grass clippings as possible and mulched the soil. And I continued to bury old vegetables in the garden. I produced onions and tomatoes and Swiss chard and zucchinis, and lots of herbs. I decided to skip the corn.

THE SQUATTER'S GARDEN

A few years later, I was a squatter in a house in a hilly part of Los Angeles. The house was empty and I simply moved in, had utilities turned on in my name, and lived there for a year and a half until it was clear I had to move on.

I had an enclosed yard, and I kept some ducks there. I grew many vegetables there, corn included. I had tomatoes and peas and vegetables. I didn't bring grass clippings here, but I did maintain a compost pit where I produced my own fertilizer from kitchen and yard scraps. I had a tree pruner dump his massive load of wood chips in my yard and I used them to mulch every square inch of my garden. At night, I would put the hose in my corn patch and let it dribble out. My ducks would spend the evening there, and they loved to eat all the earwigs and whatever other bugs the water brought out.

And the corn grew tall and strong. One day my friend David Ashley and I stood in the corn patch eating raw corn. David had assumed that corn had to be cooked, and was amazed at the sweetness of the raw corn. We stood there for 15 minutes or so talking, and David was amazed that the experience of standing in my little duck-fertilized corn patch was like being in another world. It was like my own postage stamp-size field of dreams, my own Walden Pond. David talked about it for years afterward.

In this garden, I grew only non-hybrid varieties whose seeds I could harvest and replant. These were the vegetables also known as the heirloom varieties. At the time, I was not aware of how today's farmers are captive to the corporations which produce the hybrid seeds, the widely touted miracle of modern farming. I was always disturbed about hybrids, whose seeds would not produce the same plant that they came from. Wherever possible, I have always obtained and used the non-hybrid, or heirloom seeds, and would save some of the seed for the next season, just as small farmers and families have done for centuries.

Part of my garden was the famed three sisters of the Southwest – corn, squash, and beans, which David Ashley suggested I grow. Squash is planted, and allowed to sprawl on the ground as a ground-cover, keeping some moisture in the soil. Corn is planted throughout the area, and once it gets a foot or so tall, native beans are planted. The roots of the beans fix nitrogen, meaning, you are increasing the nitrogen content for your corn by growing the beans nearby. And the corn provides a trellis of sorts for the beans. This "three sisters" garden is a common theme in arid Southwestern gardens.

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SEAN'S SHAMELESS REVIEWS: DRIVE

Director Nicolas Winding Refn is an aberrant visual artist. Drive, his latest work of art, combines striking imagery and an essence of cool that's been missing in American cinema for quite sometime. It's funny how a Danish director is the one to bring cool back in a way we haven't seen in years. I'm not going to lie, Refn (winner of this year's Cannes Film Festival for Best Director) was inspired by earlier films of the genre, but figures out a way to make this endeavor completely his own body of work. Essentially, Drive is about a chivalrous Hollywood stunt driver and loner, who moonlights as a getaway driver. He quickly finds himself caught up with the wrong people in a heist that goes terribly wrong. Yes, we've all seen movies of this conformation before, but I can promise you that you haven't seen it like this. At face value, Drive is minimalistic and straightforward, but at its core, this uniquely developed drama/suspense film is ultra sleek, eloquently violent, beautifully composed and superbly acted.

The screenplay, adapted by Hossein Amini from the book by James Sallis is solid, but is light on dialogue. Drive is elevated by the electrifying performances of its cast. Ryan Gosling plays the nameless protagonist known as "The Driver" in such a subtle, but harrowing way. A man of few words, Gosling has never been this good. The mannerisms, the facial expressions, the pain behind those blue eyes make this character so memorable and exemplary. From Clint Eastwood to Steve McQueen to James Dean, Gosling exemplifies a true yet complex action hero with this character. Carey Mulligan, the woman down the hall of the driver's apartment building, is affecting and excellent as Irene. She plays a mother waiting for her husband to be released from prison. However, she forms a strong affinity for the Driver and her little boy finds a surrogate father while his own father is locked up. The Driver sees a life he has never had and may never have with Irene and her son. In this light, the Driver seems vulnerable, sensitive, and compassionate. Without sappy or lovey-dovey trite dialogue, The Driver and Irene's bond blossoms with little words that are ever spoken. Credit is due to Cliff Martinez's romantic, electro-pop, electronica score. The tone and textures of this resonance

while Drive deliberately starts off in the slow lane, it eventually kicks into overdrive at a blazing pace you can only hope to be equipped for.

Refn's penchant for violence and gore is overwhelmingly present here, but the bursts of brutality is enthralling, if not disturbing. While not for the faint at heart, the violent behavior in Drive is artful and vividly produced. These particular scenes rank among the finest of the year. On a technical level, Drive is flawless. I love the way it was shot. Every scene, every shadow within a scene, and the precise way light is used matters. Nothing feels wasted or oversaturated. Always taut and suspenseful, you're eyes will never veer off screen. The film easily takes over all your senses with every single scene telling a story within itself. It's simply the coolest film of the year. With powerhouse performances and Refn's skillful directing, Drive is a tightly and impressively constructed motion picture worth seeing. Despite an extremely familiar storyline, a somewhat scattered plot, and earlier film influences, Drive still takes the viewer on a ridiculously wild ride. Buckle up because "it's going to be a bumpy ride" is clearly an understatement here.

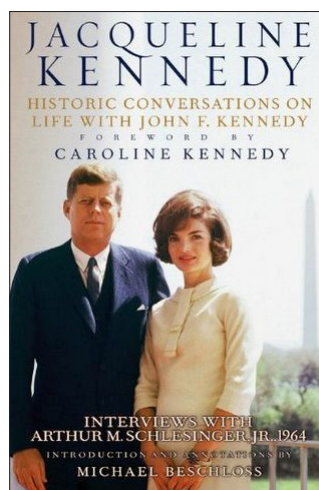
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Rated R for strong brutal bloody violence, language and some nudity
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Jeff's Pics The Book Report

by Jeff Brown

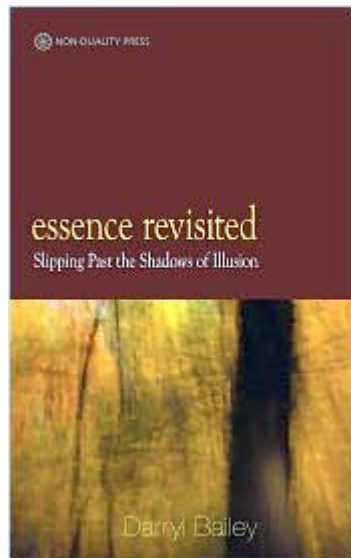
JACQUELINE KENNEDY: HISTORIC CONVERSATIONS ON LIFE WITH JOHN F. KENNEDY by Caroline Kennedy & Michael Beschloss

In 1964, Jacqueline Kennedy recorded seven historic interviews about her life with John F. Kennedy. Now, for the first time, they can be heard and read in this deluxe, illustrated book and 8-CD set. Shortly after JFK's assassination, with a nation deep in mourning and the world looking on in stunned disbelief, Jacqueline found the strength to set aside her own personal grief for the sake of posterity and begin the task of documenting and preserving her husband's legacy. In 1964, she and Robert F. Kennedy approved a planned oral history project that would capture their first hand accounts of the late President as well as the recollections of those closest to him throughout his political career. For the rest of her life, the private Jacqueline Kennedy steadfastly refused to discuss her memories of those years, but beginning that March, she fulfilled her obligation to future generations of Americans by sitting down with historian Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., and recording an astonishingly detailed and unvarnished account of her experiences and impressions. The tapes of those sessions were then sealed and later deposited in the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library upon its completion. The resulting 8 1/2 hours of material comprises a unique, compelling record of a tumultuous era, providing fresh insights on the significant people and events that shaped JFK's presidency but also shedding new light on the man behind the momentous decisions. Here are JFK's unscripted opinions on a host of revealing subjects, including his thoughts and feelings about his brothers Robert and Ted, and his take on world leaders past and present, giving us perhaps the most informed, genuine, and immediate portrait of JFK we shall ever have. Mrs. Kennedy's perspective, candor, and her flashes of wit also give us our clearest glimpse into the active mind of a remarkable First Lady. Introduced and annotated by presidential historian Michael Beschloss.



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HOWARD Hays As I See It



"Clearly, this is a job-killer. . . The impact on job creation is going to be devastating."
- Rep. Dick Arme (R-TX)

"The tax increase will . . . lead to a recession . . . and will actually increase the deficit."
- Rep. Newt Gingrich (R-GA)

"I feel bad for . . . the working people in this country . . . who are going to get the penalties from people who don't want to invest more, take any more risks."
- Rep. John Kasich (R-OH)

"Never in the history of the world has any measure been brought here so insidiously designed as to prevent business recovery, to enslave workers and to prevent any possibility of the employers providing any work for the people . . ."
- Rep. John Taber (R-NY)

" . . . one of these days you and I are going to spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was like in America when men were free."
- Ronald Reagan

The top three quotes aren't reactions to President Obama's proposal to raise taxes on the richest Americans. Those noticing the attributions might wonder about the "Rep." designations, since neither Arme, Gingrich nor Kasich are in congress. (Kasich is Governor of Ohio, Gingrich is a candidate for president, and Arme runs an outfit funneling corporate money to the Tea Party.)

They were congressmen, though, in 1993 when they offered those views of President Clinton's proposal to raise taxes on the wealthiest to clean up the mess left by Reaganomics. (Those last two quotes are there for good measure; Rep. Taber offered his remarks in 1935 in reaction to President Roosevelt's proposal for Social Security; Reagan in 1965 told us what to expect should congress pass Medicare.)

Then, as now, Republicans were in lockstep opposition to a Democratic president's plan to restore prosperity. Then, as now, Republicans unanimously predicted economic devastation should the rich be asked to share in the sacrifice. Then, as now, Republicans were shown to be consistently, predictably, and utterly wrong.

President Clinton's budget passed with no Republican support; it got through the House on a 218-216 vote, and in the Senate a 50-50 tie was broken by Vice President Gore. The plan Republicans told us would tank the economy instead provided the longest economic expansion of post-war America. Unemployment dropped from 7% to less than 4% by 1998, a year which brought our first budget surplus after three decades of deficits (and a \$400 billion hole left by President Reagan). The plan Republicans called "job-killing" helped add 20 million new jobs.

Those same voices who were wrong in 1993, and whose support for President Bush's policies brought the worst economic meltdown since the Great Depression, now presume credibility as they pass judgment on President Obama's

With so many Americans still out of work, though, and with responsibility for adding tens of thousands of public workers to the ranks of the unemployed, Republicans aren't using the "job-killing" line as much as they did in 1993. Now, the pitch phrase they recite in unison and repeat endlessly is "class warfare".

I see a battle between those who have a clue, and those who don't. An example of the latter is Rep. John Fleming (R-LA), who asked to be spared further taxes on MSNBC. His chain of Subway and UPS stores bring in \$6.3 million a year, of which he gets about \$600,000, "and so by the time I feed my family, I have, you know, maybe \$400,000 left over . . ." Interviewer Chris Jansing observed, "to the average person out there making \$40-50-60 thousand a year, when they hear that you have only \$400,000 left over, it's not exactly a sympathetic position." Rep. Fleming then brought up "class warfare".

(The minimum wage in Louisiana is \$7.25 an hour, about \$15,000 a year. For a teenager preparing a Subway, there's a "training wage" of \$4.25 an hour.)

As for economic classes, it's getting simple. A 2005 report prepared for Citigroup saw only two classes; "the rich and the rest", and suggests understanding the future is understanding there's "no such animal as the U.S. consumer". Where the top 1% earn as much as the bottom 60%, and have as much wealth as the bottom 90%, "economic growth is powered by and largely consumed by the wealthy few". The "rest" don't matter.

Aside from purchasing Congress, one of the ways that top 1% ensures favored policies is to maintain the myth of upward mobility; that through hard work the rest of us might someday benefit from those same policies ourselves. According to a Brookings Institute study, over 60% of Americans believe in it, though in America we're near the bottom of developed countries in achieving it. In Germany, you're 1.5 times as likely to move up through your own efforts than in America, 2.5 times in Canada, and 3 times more likely in Denmark.

While promoting the myth, there are simultaneous efforts to make sure we stay in our place. One is the demonization and destruction of unions, lessening opportunities for working men and women to improve their situations through collective bargaining. Another is to ensure we remain the only developed nation where healthcare means corporate profit, not public responsibility, and where there's no direct federal involvement in higher education.

There's a reason education is a favorite target: If there were an understanding of history, more would recognize discrediting similarities between policy arguments today and those of the past. Students of economics might learn that since 1950, the years with the highest GDP growth were the years with the highest marginal tax rates. They'd better understand as President Obama explains, "The money has to come from someplace", if we choose not to "put the entire burden on the middle class and the

SOCIAL SECURITY PREVARICATIONS

GREG Welborn



A lot of hash was made over Social Security at last night's Republican debate with the two leading candidates trading jabs about their respective past statements on the issue. Perhaps it would do us all some good to take a serious look at what Social Security is and what it was.

Social Security today is a ponzi scheme. If you think I'm being unduly biased and partisan, reflect on the words of notables from both sides of the political spectrum. Dr. Milton Friedman (on the right) said it was "the biggest ponzi scheme on earth". Dr. Paul Samuelson (on the left) said it was "greatest ponzi scheme on earth". Dr. Paul Krugman (further on the left) said that "the ponzi game will soon be over". Three Nobel Prize winners in economics have all testified that Social Security is a ponzi scheme. In terms of hard evidence, murderers have been convicted on less.

What exactly is a ponzi scheme? It is defined as an operation that pays returns to its investors from the money paid by subsequent investors, rather than from any actual profit.. That is exactly what Social Security does. The system does not take your money, invest it or save it for your future use. It does not try to grow your money. The money does not go into a separate lockbox. The system takes your money and then immediately pays it out to a current retiree recipient.

The retiree's ability to collect his or her social security is dependent on you making your payments into the system. On a larger scale, the ability of all current recipients to collect their social security payments is dependent on there being enough workers paying into the system. Since we can predict demographics fairly well and have a pretty good idea of what the long-term historical inflation rate is (benefit payments increase with inflation), we can predict fairly accurately how many retirees, how many workers and how much

money will flow through the system at any given point in the future. All those predictions show that there won't be enough money from workers to pay retirees in the future. The only debate is about what year the system will actually crash.

In private affairs, the date the system crashes is usually the date someone goes to jail. The market downturn doomed Madoff's ponzi operation, and he saw the proverbial writing on the wall. He went to jail, but thousands of other people suffered worse fates: they lost their retirement savings with little hope of recouping their losses.

The only difference between Social Security and a ponzi scheme is that Social Security is legal and actually sanctioned by Congress. Unfortunately, unless the system is changed, thousands will suffer in the same way Madoff's victims suffered: they will lose what they thought was a substantial part of their retirement savings.

The reason most people believe that their payments into Social Security are part of their retirement savings is because that's what they have been lead to believe by politicians. Every time a politician refers to "your social security benefit" he's reinforcing this false notion that is at the heart of the ponzi scheme.

So if today, the system is a ponzi scheme, what was it before? It was a massive lie. To prove this, let's rely on some of the research work of Walter Williams, who dug up the old pamphlets and reviewed the various court cases. The 1936 pamphlet said "the United States government will set up a Social Security account for you. The checks will come to you as a right". Unfortunately, within a year of that false promise, the government argued the opposite before the Supreme Court and won. In the 1937 Helvering case decision, the

court held that "the proceeds of both (employee and employer) are to be paid into the Treasury like internal revenue taxes generally and are not earmarked in any way". A later case - 1960's Flemming V. Nestor - allowed the court to firmly state that "to engraft upon the Social Security system a concept of accrued property rights would deprive it of the flexibility... it demands".

A ponzi scheme, a lie, and a massive fraud are all legitimate descriptions of the Social Security system. We ought not get angry when a candidate has the integrity to point this out. He's not being naïve; he's not trying to throw granny off the train; he's not exaggerating for cheap political gain. The candidate who tells us that the system is terminally sick, doesn't work, was always a lie and is a ponzi scheme is telling us the truth. Even the Social Security Administration is finally owning up to the truth. Their website now says that the benefits are not a contractual right.

The simple truth is that not all promises to all beneficiaries can be honored. The next presidential election will decide who we entrust to fix this system. It can be fixed, but it can also be destroyed. My vote is for someone from the outside who is honest enough to tell us that and courageous enough to fix it.

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TINA Dupuy



Yesterday, I was idling behind a seven-year-old Saturn sedan with an anti-Obama bumper sticker reading: "Because everyone deserves some of what you've worked hard for."

There's a knee-jerk response to dismiss the driver as being some dupe naively parroting slogans not meaningful in his tax bracket. (You'd never see that sticker on a Rolls-Royce.) It's not just the success of Republican "messaging" - there's more to it than that.

According to the CafePress page selling these bumper stickers, the \$5 decal was created on December 4, 2008. For all you history geeks, that was before the Obama presidency. This sentiment even existed before the bank bailout. It was also weeks before reputed capitalist, George W. Bush, approved the \$17.4 billion American auto industry bailout. Specifically, for GM, the parent company of Saturn.

"If we were to allow the free market to take its course now, it would almost certainly lead to disorderly bankruptcy and liquidation for the automakers," said Bush in the Roosevelt Room on December 19, 2008.

After GM took government money - taxpayer money - as an emergency loan to save their company suffering from a disturbing combo of willful blindness and ignorance of the market - the first thing the automaker had to do was downsize. They shut down factories and dealerships, shedding jobs. They even eradicated some brands. One of those was Saturn.

Now this driver can look forward to higher prices for parts and repairs for a vehicle that's essentially worthless since it was discontinued. The Bush bailout of GM was paid for by this driver at least twice. So the trade-in value losses for putting a sticker on that car? No longer an issue.

Why does this anti-wealth distribution sentiment resonate with him? Why doesn't he want bankers and CEOs to pay up? "Because everyone deserves some of what you've worked hard for."

This message was written and uploaded before the tea party, when the economy was still in free fall. And even though "thinkers" like Samuel R. Staley, a fellow at the Reason Institute, wrote the unintentionally hilarious talking point now being repeated by GOP lawmakers: "It appears we are two years into a 'lost decade,'" the fact of the matter is the middle-class has already had a

WHY THE MIDDLE CLASS FEARS TAX INCREASES ON THE RICH

lost decade - the '00s.

In the middle-class wages are flat. The three million jobs Bush created in his eight years in office were moot since the population grew by 22 million. Prices have gone up, salaries have not. Home values have fallen, retirement plans are gone, savings are drained. Not since the 1930s has a generation been less prosperous than the one before. In 2008, the economy for the middle-class went from long-term stagnation to suddenly much worse.

And this reasonably caused a fear reaction in this Saturn driver. What is he concerned about? Wealth distribution. Why?

It's usually assumed that the reason Americans specifically don't want to see taxes raised on the rich is because, in spite of driving a defunct GM brand four-door, they think of themselves as the "soon-to-be rich." But a paper published in the National Journal of Economic Research in July suggests otherwise. They offer that it's not hoping to be on top that makes us not want the wealthier to be taxed more - it's the fear of being at the bottom. It's referred to as "last-place aversion."

The Economist wrote, "In keeping with the notion of 'last-place aversion,' the people who were a spot away from the bottom were the most likely to give the money to the person above them: rewarding the 'rich' but ensuring that someone remained poorer than themselves."

So taxing the rich isn't about the fantasy that we're going to someday be rich - it's about the very real visceral fear of being, well, the poorest. If the government helps those below you, then they'll be at your level - that's the unfairness they're afraid of.

Named one of the worst CEOs of 2008, GM head Rick Wagoner received a \$20 million dollar retirement package, yet an owner of one of his beaters has a bumper sticker decrying higher taxes for him.

The driver isn't fantasizing about being Wagoner - he's terrified of being driven even lower in the middle-class. And the GOP has successfully exploited that fear. Because when people are afraid, they do all kinds of irrational things...like vote Republican.

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HAIL Hamilton My Turn



Conspiracy Theory and the Crime of Conspiracy

I can't let the 10th anniversary of 9/11 go by without saying a word about conspiracy.

Conspiracy is an agreement between two or more persons to engage jointly in an unlawful or criminal act, or an act that is innocent in itself but becomes unlawful when done by the combination of actors. Conspiracy is considered a serious crime separate from the intended crime because when two or more persons agree to commit a crime, the potential for criminal activity increases, and as a result, the danger to the public increases.

Conspiracy is a very well-recognized crime in American law, taught to every first-year law school student as part of their basic curriculum. Telling a judge that someone has a "conspiracy theory" would be like telling him that someone is claiming that he trespassed on their property, or committed assault or stole his car. It is a fundamental legal concept.

Obviously, many conspiracy allegations are false. Obviously, people will win or lose in court depending on whether or not they can prove their conspiracy claim with the available evidence. But not all allegations of trespass, assault or theft are true, either.

Proving a claim of criminal conspiracy is no different from proving any other crime, and the mere label "conspiracy" is taken no less seriously by judges.

Even those who deny most conspiracies as merely "theories" have to admit some conspiracies have turned out to be true. In the 1950s, the CIA did, in fact, administer LSD and other psychedelic drugs under Project MKULTRA, in an effort to investigate the possibility of "mind control." Republican operatives did, in fact, burglarize the Democratic National Committee headquarters at the Watergate complex and did, in fact, conspire to cover-up the crime at the behest of the White House.

Nevertheless, those accusing members of the government or some other group of powerful people of conspiring to illegally promote their interests are too often met with the argument that "someone would have spilled the beans" if there had really been a conspiracy. This has certainly been the case with the many conspiracy accusations about the events of 9/11.

But famed Pentagon Papers whistleblower Daniel Ellsberg points out: *"It is commonplace that 'you can't keep secrets in Washington' or 'in a democracy, no matter how sensitive the secret, you're likely to read it the next*

day in the New York Times."

These truisms are flatly false. They are in fact cover stories, ways of flattering and misleading journalists and their readers, part of the process of keeping secrets well... The reality unknown to the public and to most members of Congress and the press is that secrets that would be of the greatest import to many of them can be kept from them reliably for decades by the executive branch, even though they are known to thousands of insiders."

History proves Ellsberg right. For example:

It's known (if not well known) that in 1933 a group of tycoons were so outraged by the election of President Franklin D. Roosevelt and his proposed New Deal that they started organizing a coup. The idea was to enlist the revered two-time Medal of Honor winner Major General Smedley Butler to lead a private army of 500,000 WWI veterans that would demand FDR's resignation -- and execute him on the spot if he refused to give up power.

The alleged plotters included the heads of Chase Bank, J.P. Morgan, Standard Oil, U.S. Steel, GM, Goodyear, Heinz, Birdseye, the DuPont family and President George W. Bush's grandfather, Senator Prescott Bush. They believed the United States should adopt the policies of Hitler and Mussolini to beat the Great Depression.

Moreover, these tycoons told Butler that the American people would accept the new government because they controlled all the newspapers. (If the "Business Plot" conspirators controlled the newspapers then, how much worse is it today with media consolidation.) General Butler was popular enough to pull it off too, but he was loyal to the U.S. He collected evidence against the conspirators and took it to Congress.

The McCormack/Dickstein Committee investigated and confirmed the plot. However, the names of the top conspirators were removed from the record and none of them were ever held to account. The theory is that FDR allowed the tycoons to walk away in exchange for ending their opposition to the New Deal. In the end, Butler's testimony was ridiculed by the press as the ravings of a drunkard (he, in fact, was a lifelong teetotaler) and dismissed as "pure moonshine."

I don't claim to have any new information about 9/11. However, I'm convinced that there is much more to the story than what we have been told. MUCH MORE!

OUT TO PASTOR A Weekly Religion Column



MR. POLITICIAN, LEAVE THE MIDDLE-CLASS ALONE

I'm not quite sure where the term "middle class" came from. I can never remember using it in any conversations I've ever had. In fact, the only time I hear the phrase is when some politician is speaking. From the context of the speech, I am quite sure he or she does not know what the phrase means, either.

My wife and I were talking about that just this past week. The thing we could not quite figure out is, are we middle-class? And if we are middle-class, what in the world does it mean? And, when do we graduate?

In high school, I was neither in the middle of my class nor at the upper end. Unfortunately, I did not even come in last in my graduating class, for someone beat me to that fine distinction. My educational career was not a class act, to be sure.

I understand what the word "middle," means. And I know the word, "class." What does it mean when you put them both together and use it in a sentence?

When I'm in the middle of a project, I am not at the beginning and the end is a far piece away. When I hear the word class, I am thinking of homework, teachers and all that jazz. Who wants to be a teenager the second time around? I've had enough of that in my lifetime.

I'm not quite sure about all this middle-class politicalizing and I sure do not want to be the target of some political agenda. I would like to sponsor a bill that would outlaw this phrase for any elected official. If perchance they do mention the phrase, it's a go-to-jail and don't collect \$100 act.

Maybe we can come up with a new term. We have the term "racist" that people use at their discretion. Maybe we can coin a phrase like "middle-classist" and forbid its use in polite society. Of course, how many politicians are really found in polite society? Or, how many polite society venues would welcome a politician?

If we try hard enough, we can make it one of the most offensive phrases in the English language. So offensive, that people will stop using it. Of course, they would have to come up with some other phrase and then we are back in first grade again.

To be honest, this problem of the "middle-classist" is not a Republican or a Democrat issue. One side is as guilty as the other side. And, as we all know, a politician by any other name is still a rascal.

Every politician courts the middle-class, and what a blushing bride she makes. All through the election, this "middle-classist" politician will romance those he believes are middle-class. And many of the middle-class falls for it. The courtship is wonderful; it's the marriage that really stinks. This is the only case in which I would cast an approving eye toward divorce.

The middle-class raises most of the money that gets these politicians elected who then in

turn refuses returning the favor. After elected this "middle-classist" politician chums around with high-class people and then passes legislation that only benefits the lower class people whoever they are.

Wherefore art thou, O middle-class?

Certainly not on the agenda of this "middle-classist" politician.

The middle-class comes in at tax time. Hooray for the middle-class. I wonder if anybody has ever given the thought that most of the money in Washington DC has come from this group called the middle-class.

The middle-class can help the neophyte politician get his political dream job with all the benefits that goes with it but the politician does not seem to know how to help other people get jobs for themselves. History has shown us that they know how to spend money but when it comes to saving money, they come to a stupefied and stuttering halt.

Middle-class money earned by middle-class people working at middle-class jobs goes to Washington DC to be used by "middle-classist" politicians for everything but middle-class concerns. When will the insanity stop?

In the Old Testament, the Jewish law required that every seventh year be a year of rest. Although I am not Jewish, I think there is something to be said for this kind of rest. I propose that the middle-class be given its due sabbatical.

How many years have we've been working and then giving our money to Washington DC? We deserve a rest. If these "middle-classist" politicians look so kindly towards the middle-class, why not give all of us middle-class people a sabbatical where we do not pay any taxes. We certainly will work, but all the money we would normally send to Washington DC, we put in our own pocket.

Now, that's change I can believe in.

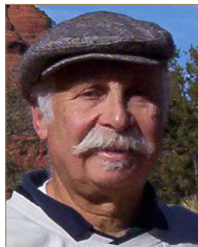
In fact, I have biblical authority for all of this. Authority from the mouth of Jesus himself. "And Jesus answering said unto them, Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's. And they marveled at him" (Mark 12:17 KJV).

Not all those "middle-classist" politicians in Washington give a second thought to the middle-class. I think it is about time we gave them as much thought.

I believe the primary problem in America is that we no longer know what belongs to Caesar what belongs to God. If we can ever figure that out again, "happy days are here again."

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STUART Tolchin.....On LIFE IS IT OKAY TO FEEL?



My oldest friend Gene and I have almost stopped talking together. For over fifty years we have been having the same kind of arguments and I always enjoyed the process... Our major argument was about process versus products. Gene always took the position that the only thing that mattered was results. He argued that the way to judge the usefulness of anything was to look at it in reverse. If something, some action or change, resulted from the conversation then it was positive; if no change resulted then the whole thing was a waste of time, and Gene says he can no longer bear the frustration of beating his head against a stone-wall and not getting results. He wants now to avoid pain, be comfortable, and not talk about anything of substance.

I maintained and still assert that what is important is intention. It is the trip that has importance, not just the final destination. Think of great innovators like Thomas Edison who kept trying and failing in his search for the proper filament to use in his electric light bulb. Sure, he felt frustration and anger, but he kept trying and eventually succeeded; but that's not my point. What I'm focusing on is the strength to keep going without succeeding, but to take each failure as an opportunity for learning and to keep trying.

I bring this up right now because my wife and I just returned home from the Tuesday night game of Trivial Pursuits which is conducted at Café 322. This week we competed without my daughter and we really got killed. My daughter only liked coming when we won and as we have not won for awhile, she has stopped coming. I truly understand her feelings and, after our devastating defeat tonight, I was complaining that I wasn't feeling very good. The conductor of the game, Deana, noticed my mood and asked what was wrong. I told her I did not enjoy the feeling of defeat and was not having a very good time. She actually argued with me and said, now get this, "feeling bad was good". She said the worst thing was not to feel; to just take the easy road and to not feel strong enough to endure pain. All at once I thought of my friend Gene whose very life now seems devoted to the avoidance of pain even at the cost of depriving himself of potential pleasure.

Really though, it's not just Gene, it's all of us. It's the whole world that seems to be going through times of horrific change that is painful to experience. It is difficult to just have the courage to stay aware and notice what is going on. It's not just the continual meteorological disasters, it's the realization that our whole political system is dysfunctional. All kinds of pundits seem to agree that the political system is not functioning. Politicians do not seem able to respond to the obvious economic needs of the country. Maybe democracy doesn't work; maybe we never had a democracy in the first place and have just been deluding ourselves for a couple of hundred years. Maybe it's time to create new parties; maybe it really is time for class warfare or time to tax the churches or time to let the old people die because keeping them alive is just too expensive.

As I watched the Republican debates I was absolutely sickened to see the audience applaud Governor Perry for announcing with pride that he had executed 245 people without losing any sleep over it. I don't really want to think about this. Is this what America has become? Or, even worse; is this what America always was? It hurts, and the only thing to do is to let this hurt be a good thing - to learn from it and act accordingly. Can we teach ourselves humanity before we participate in a possible planetary destruction? I wish there was an easier road around that didn't require much effort or hard thinking, but I'm afraid that time has passed. We need now to think out of the box.

As a way of expanding my own thinking I've tried to add cartoons to my articles as a way of expressing and simplifying my own positions. For the time being my wife has consented to supply the cartoons; but I know that won't last long. It's a kind of experiment to see if I can follow my own advice and deal with my own frustration of learning to do something that I find difficult and painful. It hurts, but it's an opportunity and maybe, sometime, maybe my friend Gene will find it worth talking about.

CURBING BAD BEHAVIOR ONBEINGRESPECTFUL



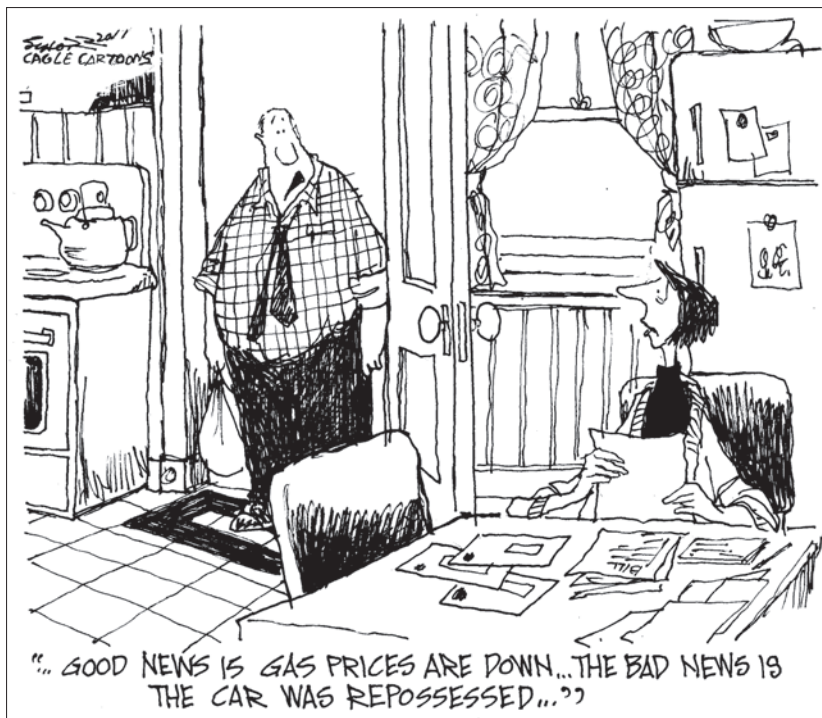
Ron Carter

People utter the most awkward remarks at funerals and memorials. Over the last year, I have attended several funerals and memorials. Can someone please tell me the difference between what is a funeral and what's a memorial? I am sometimes appalled by the posturing that takes place as "some speakers" at these very sensitive events attempt to impart to the audience their love for and friendship with the deceased. One of my mentors, who is now deceased, always said to me "tell me how you feel about me now, so I can appreciate your gratitude and thank you."

I have attended funerals and memorials where speakers have said such things as "Your father (the deceased) and I had secrets that you all never know," "Come on people, you all know

my name should have been mentioned in the Obituary," and my all time favorite "Can we all just get along. Let's stand and hug the person next to you." I don't know what it is about funerals and memorials that sometimes bring out bad behavior in people. Isn't the deceased supposed to be Resting In Peace? I attended a memorial where an artist was called to the pulpit to sing a song he didn't rehearse. Well, you can imagine what occurred, especially after he called another singer to the pulpit to help him sing the song.

I used to surmise that individuals who instructed their families on how their funerals should be programmed were a bit over the top, but with some of the antics I have seen recently - race, ethnicity, economic status, religion notwithstanding - I have changed my mind. I believe when someone passes away, their funeral or memorial should be a respectful event that is void of families and friends bickering. The family of the deceased should be granted the opportunity to mourn their loss in peace and harmony.



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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MATTHEW SHOPCOM, 25935 ROLLING HILLS RD. #133, TORRANCE, CA 90505. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) TAE H. CHONG, 25935 ROLLING HILLS RD. #133, TORRANCE, CA 90505. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: TAE H. CHONG. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/26/11. 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: Sept 03, 10, 17, 24, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 11-091225

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MEDICAL DISPOSAL TRANSPORTATION, 1242 MARIPOSA ST. #3, GLENDALE, CA 91205. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ARTHUR DAVTYAN, 18375 COLLINS ST. #129, TAZANA, CA 91356. GAYANE ARAKELYAN, 1242 MARIPOSA ST. #3, GLENDALE, CA 91205. This Business is conducted by: CO-PARTNERS. Signed: ARTHUR DAVTYAN. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/30/11. 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: Sept 03, 10, 17, 24, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 11-092332

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MP MUSIC, 15517 WILDER AVE., NORWALK, CA 90650. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MAURILIO PENEDA JR., 15517 WILDER AVE., NORWALK, CA 90650. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MAURILIO PENEDA JR. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/31/11. 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: Sept 03, 10, 17, 24, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 11-091119

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: NEGOCIOS UNIDOS, 7263 ALONDRA BLVD., PARAMOUNT, CA 90723. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) J INES ROSALES RAMIREZ, 7263 ALONDRA BLVD., PARAMOUNT, CA 90723. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: J INES ROSALES RAMIREZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/30/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11/30/2007. 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: Sept 03, 10, 17, 24, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 11-092980

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PEAS & CARROTS INTERNATIONAL, 1633 S. SPAULDING AVE., L.A., CA 90019. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ANWAR WASHINGTON, 1633 S. SPAULDING AVE., L.A., CA 90019. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL.

Signed: ANWAR WASHINGTON. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/01/11. 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: Sept 03, 10, 17, 24, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 11-091575

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PIED PIPER ACCOUNTING, 937 E. CALIFORNIA BLVD. #7, PASADENA, CA 91106. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) WILLIAM HENRY BLAIR, 937 E. CALIFORNIA BLVD. #7, PASADENA, CA 91106. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: WILLIAM HENRY BLAIR. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/31/11. 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: Sept 03, 10, 17, 24, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 11-092383

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TRUSS GENIUS, 9388 BROOKVIEW CT., RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JULIUS ALAN PERDOMO, 9388 BROOKVIEW CT., RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JULIUS ALAN PERDOMO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/31/11. 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: Sept 03, 10, 17, 24, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 11-089922

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WIRED 4 SOUND, 822 W. 129th ST., GARDENA, CA 90247. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) SAMUEL DONTAE BRACCEY, 822 W. 129th ST., GARDENA, CA 90247. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: SAMUEL DONTAE BRACCEY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/26/11. 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: Sept 03, 10, 17, 24, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 11-092879

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WORLD NEWS JOURNAL, WORLD REALTY JOURNAL, 923 E. VALLEY BLVD. STE. 104, SAN GABRIEL, CA 91776. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) BAU LING WU, 2354 ARCADE AVE., ROWLAND HEIGHTS, CA 91748. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: BAU LING WU. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/01/11. 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

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2011-086895

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MEDIC-1 AMBULANCE, 5462 IRWINDALE AVENUE, SUITE B, IRWINDALE, CA 91706. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) RESCUE SERVICES INTERNATIONAL, LTD., 5462 IRWINDALE AVENUE, SUITE B, IRWINDALE, CA 91706. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: RESCUE SERVICES, INTERNATIONAL, LTD. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/23/11. 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: Sept 03, 10, 17, 24, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2011-096580

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE SPEEDY CHEETAH 80 W. SIERRA MADRE BLVD., NO. 257, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PAUL NAFTALIS 333 N. HILL AVE. NO. 206, PASADENA, CA 91106. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: PAUL NAFTALIS. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/08/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/18/2006. 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: Sept. 24, Oct 01, 08, 15, 2011

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File No. 2011-096581

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: HAPPILY EVER AFTER CONFECTIONARY, 45 N. BALDWIN AVENUE, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DARYL MANESE 18915 E. LANGSTON PLACE, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, CA 91748, MELISSA SACCHETTO 41 BONITA ST. ARCADIA, CA 91006. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: MELISSA SACCHETTO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/08/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/20/2011. 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: Sept. 24, Oct 01, 08, 15, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2011-087425

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SIERRA MADRE TECHNICAL CONSULTANTS 83 W. SIERRA MADRE BLVD., SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PAULINE GRAY 83 W. SIERRA MADRE BLVD., SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: PAULINE GRAY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/24/11. 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: Sept. 24, Oct 01, 08, 15, 2011

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: VIRGINIA LOUISE MCBRIDE AKA VIRGINIA L. MCBRIDE AKA VIRGINIA MCBRIDE CASE NO. GP016239

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of VIRGINIA LOUISE MCBRIDE AKA VIRGINIA L. MCBRIDE AKA VIRGINIA MCBRIDE.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ROBERT M. MCBRIDE in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ROBERT M. MCBRIDE be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act . (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 11/18/11 at 8:30AM in Dept. A located at 300 E. WALNUT ST., PASADENA, CA 91101

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code Section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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3rd Quarter Construction Update — 2011

Southern California Edison's Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project — Segments 7-8, 11

Project Update — Southern California Edison (SCE) contractors have begun construction-related activities along portions of Segments 4-11 of the Tehachapi Renewable Transmission Project (TRTP). Upon completion, the project will provide renewable generated electricity and help meet California's renewable energy goals.

Construction Activities: Upgrades to the electrical system will include the following:

(Please note that the construction schedule is tentative and may change depending on weather and other factors)

- Removal of existing electrical transmission wire (220 kilovolt (kV)), structures and foundations, followed by installation of new foundations and electrical transmission structures (500 kV)

Irwindale: South of the Foothill Freeway (210), along the San Gabriel River Freeway (605), to Ramona Boulevard (Note: new wire (conductor) may also be installed in portions of this area during this period)

Industry: West of the San Gabriel River Freeway (605), south of Valley Boulevard

South El Monte: West of the San Gabriel River Freeway (605) both north and south of the Pomona Freeway (60)

Montebello: Adjacent to Montebello Boulevard between Paramount Boulevard and San Gabriel Boulevard

Monterey Park: North of the Pomona Freeway (60) and west of Paramount Boulevard
Whittier Narrows Recreation Area: South of the Pomona Freeway (60)

Pico Rivera: Between the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area and the San Gabriel River Freeway (605), spanning Rooks Road

Industry: East of the San Gabriel River Freeway (605) and south of the Pomona Freeway (60), in proximity to Peck Road and Workman Mill Road.

Hacienda Heights: Along the city's southern boundary both east and west of Colima Road and Hacienda Boulevard

La Habra Heights: North of Casolero Drive, Skyline Drive and Leucadia Road, east and west of Hacienda Road

Rowland Heights: From the Powder Canyon area spanning east to the Orange Freeway (57); will also include installation of new structures and reconfiguration of electrical transmission wire (220 kilovolt) south of Fullerton Road and northwest of Graystone Way (east of Harbor Boulevard)

Additional areas of unincorporated Los Angeles County along Segment 8, including the Puente Hills Landfill Native Habitat Preservation Authority area, south of Diamond Bar and within Tonner Canyon

- Improvements to structure access roads — Duarte: Northeast of the north end of Las Lomas Road and adjacent to Van Tassel Motorway. Additionally, access road improvements throughout Segment 8 site locations listed above

- Installation of electrical transmission wire (220 kV); a crane and helicopter will be used as part of this activity

Pasadena, San Gabriel, Rosemead and unincorporated Los Angeles County: In October, along the utility right-of-way corridor between San Gabriel Boulevard and Rosemead Boulevard.

- Minor grading for access roads, site preparation, transmission line reconfiguration at the Gould Substation and the installation of foundations for three new structures within the cities of Pasadena and La Cañada Flintridge in Los Angeles County.

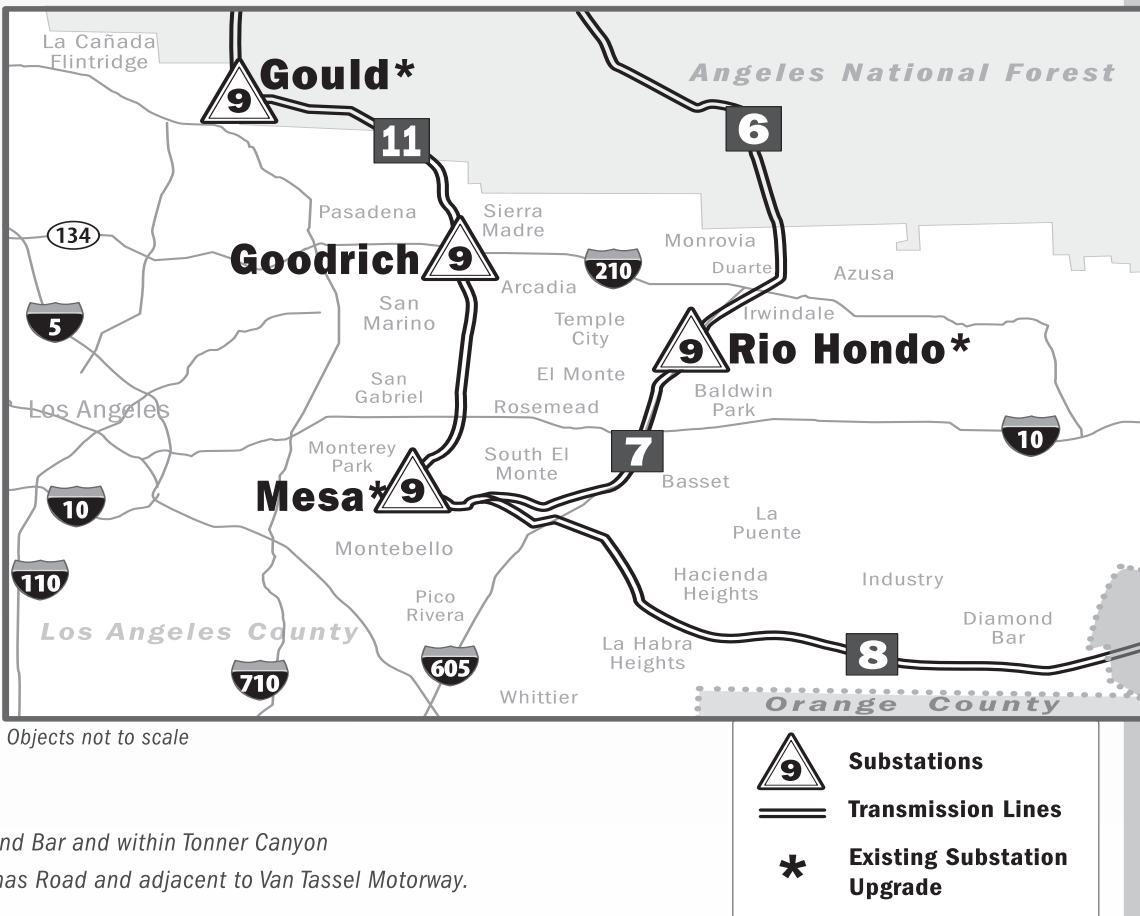
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TWIN SPACECRAFT LAUNCHED TO STUDY MOON FROM CRUST TO CORE

NASA's twin lunar Gravity Recovery And Interior Laboratory (GRAIL) spacecraft lifted off from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida Saturday, Sept. 10, to study the Moon in unprecedented detail.

GRAIL-A is scheduled to reach the Moon on New Year's Eve 2011, while GRAIL-B will arrive New Year's Day 2012. The two solar-powered spacecraft will fly in tandem orbits around the Moon to measure its gravity field. GRAIL will answer longstanding questions about the Moon and give scientists a better understanding of how Earth and other rocky planets in the solar system formed.

GRAIL's primary science objectives are to determine the structure of the lunar interior, from crust to core, and to advance understanding of the thermal evolution of the Moon. The lunar orbiters are nestled inside the top of a United Launch Alliance Delta II 7920H-10C rocket, the most powerful Delta rocket in NASA's inventory.

"If there was ever any doubt that Florida's Space Coast would continue to be open for business, that thought was drowned out by the roar of today's GRAIL launch," said NASA Administrator

Charles Bolden. "GRAIL and many other exciting upcoming missions make clear that NASA is taking its next big leap into deep space exploration, and the space industry continues to provide the jobs and workers needed to support this critical effort."

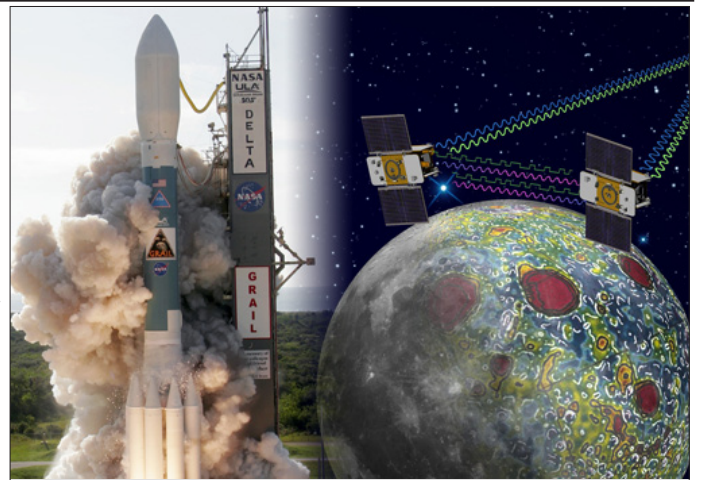
"Our GRAIL twins have Earth in their rearview mirrors and the Moon in their sights," said David Lehman, GRAIL project manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif. "The mission team is ready to test, analyze and fine-tune our spacecraft over the next three-and-a-half months on our journey to lunar orbit."

The straight-line distance from Earth to the Moon is approximately 250,000 miles. NASA's Apollo Moon crews needed just three days to cover that distance. However, each of the GRAIL spacecraft will take some 3.5 months and cover more than 2.5 million miles to arrive. This extended trajectory takes far less energy than the direct one taken by Apollo, but it also results in the longer travel time. The 3.5-month flight time is actually beneficial, as it allows more time for spacecraft check-out and time to update plans for lunar operations. After insertion into lunar

orbit, the science collection phase for GRAIL is expected to last 82 days.

"Since the earliest humans looked skyward, they have been fascinated by the Moon," said GRAIL principal investigator Maria Zuber from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass. "GRAIL will take lunar exploration to a new level, providing an unprecedented characterization of the Moon's interior that will advance understanding of how the Moon formed and evolved."

JPL, a division of the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, manages the GRAIL mission. GRAIL is part of the Discovery Program managed at NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala. Lockheed Martin Space Systems in Denver built the spacecraft. Launch management for the mission is the responsibility of NASA's Launch Services Program at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida.



More information about GRAIL:
<http://www.nasa.gov/grail>
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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 past 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.

Is it really important to include a cover letter with my resume when applying for positions? I've been told that no one really reads them. Rosalind

Dear Rosalind

It is important! Employers do read cover letters submitted with resumes and applications. The cover letter completes the application process and demonstrates your professionalism. The letter should be no longer than one page and include no more than 4 short paragraphs. The first paragraph should state the reason why you are submitting your resume, what position you are interested in and how you found out about the opening. Discuss what you know about the company and why you would like to join their team. Include in the second paragraph your accomplishments or skills that you feel would add value to their company success. In the next paragraph explain why you are currently seeking a position, any gaps in your resume, relocation issues, if you are transitioning industries or professions. In the final paragraph include a request for an interview and state that you will follow-up with them within the week. Be sure to include all your contact information in the cover letter.

I am signed up with several staffing agencies to help me get an administrative assistant position. It has been more than 2 months and I have not heard from any of them. I send them an e-mail once a month and they do not respond. I am getting desperate for job. I don't want to make a nuisance of myself with them. What should I do? Barbara

Dear Barbara,

I would suggest that you call them at least once a week. Find out the name of the recruiter who will be working with you and develop an on-going relationship with the agency. This will keep you on their active "radar" list of candidates seeking positions. Let them know that you need a job immediately, what type of position you are willing to accept, salary requirements, and if you are open to temporary, part-time or full-time positions. Staffing agencies receive thousands of applicants a month and you can get lost in the "human" process. Staffing agencies are financially compensated by employers and therefore are actually working to help employers find employees - not necessarily job seekers to find jobs. So, sign up with more than 10 agencies to get the results you are seeking.

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Happy Tails

by Chris Leclerc.

Canyon Canine Dog Walking & Pet Sitting Services



For reasons far and away beyond my own understanding, donkeys are apparently among some of the most mistreated, abused and neglected animals on earth. To be completely honest, my mind has a difficult time wrapping itself around the fact that any type of animal abuse or neglect exists at all, but it happens every day. I guess it is an example of how humans can misunderstand the nature, needs and spirit of another animal species, and that ignorance somehow leads to a lack of compassion. The happy side of this otherwise seemingly grim donkey tail is the fact that there are many people who do indeed understand and appreciate the nature and spirit of the donkey, and for that I am very grateful. One group of individuals who have proven their love for the animals are now a part of a non-profit organization fully committed to the health and welfare of otherwise neglected donkeys in America. Mark and Amy Meyers started their quest to rescue and nurture neglected donkeys as a backyard hobby over a decade ago. It all started with the purchase of their first one, named "Izzy", whom they acquired as a pet to keep their horse company. Before long, they began to notice other donkeys residing in the rural area where they lived, that were obviously not being cared for properly and they did what any dedicated donkey lover would do; they purchased them one by one and nurtured them back to good health.

Through this process, Mark and Amy gained an immense amount of love and respect for the animal's peaceful inner spirit and beautiful physical traits. In time, after having purchased their 25th donkey, the Meyers decided it was time to establish an actual donkey rescue. Eventually, their efforts lead to the start of what is now known as the Peaceful Valley Donkey Rescue (PVDR), headquartered in Tehachapi, California. Over the course of the next ten years, the Rescue grew into a multi-facility non-profit organization with ranches located in 12 different states

DEVINE DONKEY DEDICATION

across the USA. Suffice it to say that Mark and Amy's Devine dedication to the donkey, spread like wildfire! The ranch manager of the Tehachapi facility, Tracy Miller took the time to share some of his experiences with me in preparation for this article. I could tell by the tone of his voice that he could not imagine doing anything but caring for rescued donkeys. It is a lot of work, and there are times when he gets tired, but to him it is the most rewarding way to live his life.

The folks at PVDR recognize that the American donkey is one of the most misunderstood animals in our society, so a big part of their effort in changing the treacherous trend of mistreatment, is to educate the public and thereby hopefully help instill a stronger sense of respect for the animal. Many people confuse the terminology associated with the donkey versus other members of the horse family (Equidae), so to help clarify - "Donkey" is an English term derived from "dun" (gray) and "ky" (small). In America the term donkey is used to describe a domesticated burro (Spanish name for the animal). Domesticated about 1000 years ago, the donkey's ancestral origin traces back to the African Wild Ass. A male donkey is called a "jack" and a female is a "jenny". Like other domestic horses, newborn female donkeys are called fillies and males are called foals. A mule, on the other hand is the offspring of a jack (male donkey) and a mare (female horse). A rarer result of mating a male horse and a female donkey produces a "hinny". And one wonders why there was ever any confusion?

In addition to a lack of education, and most likely a reason way more to blame for the mistreatment of donkeys, is the fact that we have developed into an instant gratification society wherein the average citizen is focused more on earning money than truly sustaining life. In a frenzy to "succeed" it seems the human has forgotten how they ever achieved the "progress" that reaped for them the rich rewards they now enjoy. Without the "beast of burden" we so depended on during the "westward ho" era

when people were moving across this continent, settling and propagating for the first time, where would they be now? We have suffered somewhat of a memory block, my fellow humans and I think it's time to wake up and learn to re-appreciate how we ever got where we are today. In case you have forgotten, the donkey worked it's "ass" off for the human to move onward and upward. Why not show a little appreciation and respect to the beast that has been so dedicated to us? First, educate yourself about what is happening to these peaceful passive animals in our country. While we are enjoying the simple pleasures of life, those who helped make it happen for us are suffering and dying by the road sides.

Fortunately, the Peaceful Valley Donkey Rescue has managed to make a remarkable difference, by caring enough to rescue and rehabilitate as many neglected donkeys as they possibly can. The donkey performed willingly throughout history to allow the human to thrive, and now we are driving them out and destroying them at will. If this strikes a note for you as an American who appreciates the history of our country, then I hope you will let it burn in your heart until it spreads like wild fire! There are many ways you can help in the effort. The PVDR website: donkeyrescue.com is very informative and user friendly. It took me only a matter of seconds to send them a tax-deductible money gift to help with the costs to operate their facilities. They also have a wish list for basic needs on the ranch such as water hoses, buckets, grass hay and sweet feed to name a few. PVDR's annual fund raiser "Donkey Town 2011" will be held on the ranch located at 23500 Sand Canyon Road, Tehachapi, CA on October 29 from 9am-4pm admission free! The event features live music, games & crafts for the kids, donkey info. & care clinics, and a donkey adoption fair. More details about the event are provided on their website. Let's join the effort along with the dedicated donkey lovers at Peaceful Valley Donkey Rescue. I hope to see you there!

On Line By PJ Carpenter

A DARK CLOUD

Earlier this year, Amazon's EC2 (Elastic Compute Cloud) Cloud Services platform experienced a major outage. This caused several major online services to be knocked out of service in what is being described by critics of the cloud computing model as a real "toldya-so" moment. More than likely, this entire episode was just a bad day for Amazon and not much more than that. Users looking for some of their favorite web sites at that time, however, were greeted with responses ranging from sluggish load times to outright "Site Not Found" messages for hours on end, and the technical staff that supports the EC2 organization scrambled for days on end to restore full operation to its massive system.

Because of the sheer size of Amazon's cloud, the effect of this outage was felt across the internet, although the actual faulty sector of activity appears to be confined to the N. Virginia data centers in Amazon's North American Zone. A visit to the Amazon Web Services System Health Dashboard (<http://status.aws.amazon.com/>) confirmed that several key areas of the North America zone area experienced difficulty and users of the service had reported that calls to tech support for an ETA as to the restoration of full service were not answered with a definite time for restoration of services. While system downtime is hardly a new experience for most computer users, one of the main selling points of the cloud services model is that the redundancy built into the system would, in most cases, make downtime a thing of the past or at the very least, disruptive for as short a time as possible. The Amazon EC2 SLA (Service Level Agreement) found on their website guarantees an uptime of 99.95% (4.3 hours of unscheduled downtime in a year). Most users report much better uptime stats. Even when downtime falls within the contractually obligated terms, 4.3 hours can seem like forever, especially when that time translates into lost revenue, as might be the case with an e-commerce site.

To those unfamiliar with how Amazon EC2 works and what products and services they offer you can find information about Amazon's EC2 at the Amazon Web Services homepage (<http://aws.amazon.com>). In a nutshell, AWS offers the opportunity to rent computer services and storage space for individuals and businesses for the purposes of web hosting, program development, site management and other cloud-related services. "Instances" or virtual computers can be rented in a wide variety of sizes and configurations to fit individual user needs, ranging from a single-site, single-purpose micro-user to a full-blown program development team's virtual server cloud offering online services to thousands or millions of users.

AWS also offers many other monitoring and web support features such as Site Monitoring and DNS Hosting. If you want a better picture of what "the cloud" is and what it has to offer, Amazon Web Services is a good place to start.



KATIE Tse.....This and That On the Road Again...

What's more fun than driving to work on an early Monday morning? Driving to work with a friend! One of my coworkers and I have been carpooling for a few months now. It's a step towards greenness, short of driving electric cars or biking to work. We have the pleasure of each other's company and conversation. And we save money on gas, which is our primary motive.

A carpooling relationship is a delicate thing. (Not that I'm some carpooling sage, this being my first experience at it.) I've been at my job for several years now, and have some vague idea of where most of my coworkers live. But it's not as if I could've walked in there as a fresh hire with a sign reading "Sierra Madrean in search of a carpooling buddy!" stuck on my forehead. Nor would it have been nice to question everyone as to where they live. Our carpooling relationship evolved over several instances when my friend kindly offered to drive me home when my car was on the mend. I am deeply grateful.

There's also a necessary element of fairness in any carpooling relationship. You'd feel a bit cheated about splitting the bill at a restaurant if the other person ordered foi gras, Baltic caviar, and 50 year-old scotch, while you went for the half soup and salad combo. Similarly, it just wouldn't be right to tie the carpooling knot with someone who lives much closer to work than you, or drives a little car with great mileage while you drive some gas-guzzler SUV or European import that demands deluxe unleaded petrol.

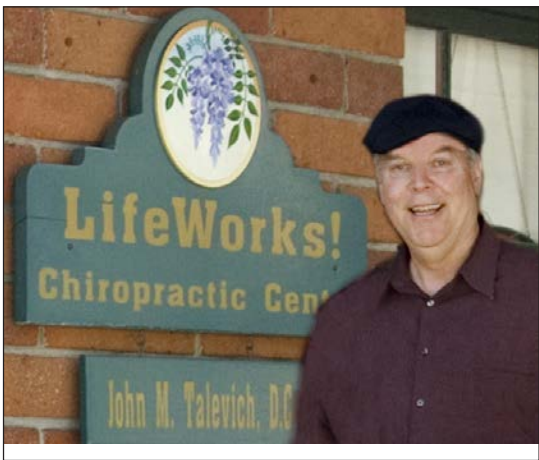
In this respect, our carpooling relationship works out great! We both have light weight four-doors of humble origins. We're also both unpretentious people. (Maybe I'm being pretentious by saying I'm unpretentious. Like how no humble person acknowledges their humility. Oh well...) My carpool partner has manual windows and locks. I have yellowing phone books and bags of empty cans and bottles, destined for the recycler, clinking around in the back seat, in addition to three months of grime on the exterior.

In addition to fairness, carpoolers need to have compatible temperaments if they want the relationship to last. I don't think I could take a daily hour next to someone with a "type A" personality. (I had enough of that during grad school.) However, it's amazing what some people will do to save a buck. I once heard of two people who both lived in Upland, worked in downtown L.A., and started carpooling midway in their careers. Not only did they spend over an hour every morning and afternoon belittling each other's clothes, house, and family over miles of congested freeway, but they filled the eight hours in between gossiping about each other. This makes me even more grateful for my friend who puts up with my clattering recyclables and bird-attacked windshield. I hope the money those other two ladies saved was worth it!

*In case you missed seeing the inspirational and largely under-publicized film, "Forks Over Knives," you still have another chance! The DVD and book (complete with recipes!) are available on Amazon for \$14 and \$9, respectively. Learn how a vegan diet can help stop or REVERSE "progressive" diseases such as diabetes and heart disease. Eating kale beats getting a triple bi-pass, so I highly recommend seeing the film!



YOUR HEALTH MATTERS
Today's Subject:
ARE MEDS MAKING YOU SICK?



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.

A few years ago, one of my normally robust patients came in with severe fatigue and marked weakness in his legs. He said that it was nearly impossible for him to get up the stairs to his apartment, and he was very concerned that his driving would soon be affected. We determined that a statin drug he was taking could be causing the symptoms and, once he was taken off the drug, his symptoms disappeared.

It is estimated that millions of people suffer from side effects each year and that 4.5 million of these end up in their doctor's office or an emergency room. The Institute of Medicine from The National Academy of Sciences estimates there are at least two million serious drug reactions in hospitals every year and that these reactions are the fourth leading cause of death following heart disease, cancer and stroke.

What to Do - If you are experiencing a set of symptoms that don't go away, ask your physician

to review the medications that you are taking. Often, a number of medications taken together will produce side effects that a single med will not cause.

Talk to your pharmacist ~ this professional will be able to tell you more about specific drugs than your doctor can. Pharmacists are also more likely to think "side effects" first.

Ask your doctor if there is a more conservative approach to your health concern instead of a drug. Can a lifestyle change be more effective?

Find out how long a particular drug has been around. Drugs with side effects documented over time are superior to new ones on the market that are just beginning to show their advantages and disadvantages.

If you are an older person, you may be more vulnerable to the effects of drugs. Since 75% of Americans over sixty years of age take two or more drugs, and 37% take five or more, this is very important. Most drug studies are done on younger, healthier populations and the drug reactions in older folks are not so predictable.

In Closing - Not feeling right? Got a nagging set of symptoms? Ask your doctor or pharmacist to review your prescriptions. AARP's Drug Interaction Checker is also a good place to start: aarp.org/healthtools.

Have a healthy week! Dr. John

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New Flu Vaccine for Seniors Provides Better Protection

Dear Savvy Senior,
I've read that there is a new extra-strength flu vaccine being offered to seniors this year. What can you tell me about it, where can I find it, and does Medicare cover it?
Flu-Conscious Connie

Dear Connie,
The new extra-strength flu vaccination you're inquiring about is called the Fluzone High-Dose, and it's designed specifically for seniors, age 65 years and older. Here's what you should know.

Fluzone High-Dose
Manufactured by Sanofi Pasteur Inc., the Fluzone High-Dose vaccine was approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in Dec. 2009, and was first made available last flu season on a limited basis.

The main difference between the Fluzone High-Dose and a regular flu shot is its potency. The High-Dose vaccine contain four times the amount of antigen (the part of the vaccine that prompts the body to make antibody) as a regular flu shot does, which creates a stronger immune response for better protection. This extra protection is particularly helpful to seniors who have weaker immune defenses and have a great risk of developing dangerous flu complications. The CDC estimates that the flu puts more than 200,000 people in the hospital each year and kills around 24,000 – 95 percent of whom are seniors. As with all flu vaccines, Fluzone High-Dose is not recommended for seniors who are allergic to chicken eggs, or those who have had a severe reaction to a flu vaccine in the past.

To locate a vaccination site that offers the Fluzone High-Dose, ask your doctor or pharmacist, or check the online flu-shot locator at flu.gov for clinics or stores offering flu shots. Then, contact some in your area to see whether they have the High-Dose vaccine. CVS, Walgreens, Safeway, Kmart, Rite Aid and Kroger are among some of the chains offering the High-Dose shot.

You'll also be happy to know that if you're a Medicare beneficiary, Part B will cover 100 percent of the cost of your High-Dose vaccination. But if you're not covered the cost is

around \$50 to \$60 – that's about double of what you'd pay for a regular flu shot.

Pneumovax
Another important vaccination the CDC recommends to seniors – especially this time



of year – is the pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine for pneumonia and meningitis (the vaccine is called Pneumovax 23). Pneumonia causes more than 40,000 deaths in the U.S. each year, many of which could be prevented by this vaccine. If you're over age 65 and haven't already gotten this one-time-only shot, you should get it now before flu season hits. Pneumovax 23 is also covered under Medicare Part B, and you can get it on the same day you get your flu shot. If you're not covered by insurance, this vaccine costs around \$75 to \$85 at retail clinics.

This vaccine is also recommended to adults under age 65 if they smoke or have certain chronic conditions like asthma, heart disease, lung disease, kidney disease, diabetes, sickle cell disease, have had their spleen removed, or have a weakened immune system due to cancer, HIV or an organ transplant.

Savvy Tips: In addition to getting vaccinated, the CDC reminds everyone that the three best ways to stay healthy during flu season is to wash your hands frequently with soap and water, cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze and stay home if you're sick. For more information on the recommended vaccines for older adults see cdc.gov/vaccines.

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

This Week's Sermon: "Unfulfilled"



San Marino Community Church welcomes you to worship this Sunday! Pastor, Rev. Jeffrey V. O'Grady preaches at both the 9:15 traditional service and "The Gathering" at 11:15 am.

Discover SMCC's music program!

The Adult Chancel Choir and Music & Discovery Children's Choirs welcome new singers and participate regularly in worship. Learn more at www.smccpby.com.

9:15 am Traditional & Student Worship Services
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10:30 am Adult Spiritual Formation

11:15 am "The Gathering" worship service
Casual worship, multi-voice ensemble, childcare provided

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SENIOR HAPPENINGS

SEPTEMBER IS SENIOR CENTER MONTH

NCOA's National Institute of Senior Centers has designated September as Senior Center Month

"It Happens at My Senior Center"

Even though the Hart Park House Senior Center is under renovation, things are still "happening" at the center's temporary home in the Community Recreation Center (611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.) so please join us:

September 2nd - The Senior Lunch Café is serving a special menu of Cheese Burgers with all the fixings & apple pie for dessert in celebration of Labor Day; Noon . \$2 donation- advance reservations required by calling 355-0256.

September 7th - Community meeting regarding the proposed assisted living facility being built in Sierra Madre. Come to the Recreation Center at 6:30 pm to hear more or to ask questions.

September 15th - Senior Excursion to the Historic Graber Olive House (see below for more details).

September 21th - Lunch & Learn; 12:20 pm. Join us for this special presentation by Lending a Paw, Therapy Dogs & meet some of their certified dogs. A special dry dog food collection will take place so please bring a bag to donate to families facing financial difficulties (donation not required to attend).

September 24th - Wellness in the Park; 9 am to 12 noon in Memorial Park. Free information including hearing & osteoporosis screenings and flu shots (Medicare participants - \$25 for others) plus the Senior Commission will be handing out the File of Life medical information packet to residents. Come early and enjoy the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast 7 am to 11 am at \$5 per person

September 30th - The Final Scoop - come build your own ice cream treat as we end our month of activities; 12:30 pm

For more information about the activities listed, please call the Senior Desk at (626) 355-7394.

EXCURSIONS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th - Historic Graber Olive House in Ontario. Participants will get a short tour & history of the Graber Olive as well as learn more about how they are harvested. After the tour you will venture to a local restaurant to have lunch before heading back to Sierra Madre.

The bus will leave the Community Recreation Center at 10 am and return around 2 pm. Cost is \$8 per person (transportation & tour only) so please bring additional money for lunch.

SAVE THE DATES

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22ND - Big Bear Oktoberfest ; \$36 per person. Registration begins September 7th online or in person.
***THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH** - Historic Castle Tour & Lunch at the Mission Inn, Riverside.

***THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15TH** - Candlelight Pavilion Christmas Show in Claremont. Reservation for this excursion will start on September 26th either by visiting the Recreation Center in person or going online at www.cityofsierramadere.com/onlineeregistration

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Tickets can now be purchased at:
Sierra Madre City Hall
Sierra Madre Recreation Center
Sierra Madre Library



Pasadena Highlands, an independent and assisted living community, is proud to provide a special gift basket on the first Tuesday of each month. Accredited In-Home nursing care will provide a special prize on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Bingo takes place every Tuesday at 1:30 pm at the Sierra Madre Recreation Center while the Hart Park House is under remodeling. The game begins at 1:30 pm but those wishing to play must arrive 10 minutes before to secure your Bingo cards. Join us on the 1st & 4th Tuesday of each month

RECIPES OF THE WEEK

BEEF MEXICALI

INGREDIENTS:

1 tbsp. shortening

1 lb. chuck roast, cut into 1" pieces

1 med. onion, chopped

1 med. green pepper, chopped

1 can tomato soup, diluted with 1 can of water

1/4 c. chili sauce

1 tbsp. prepared mustard

1/2 tsp. celery salt

INSTRUCITONDS:

Put hot shortening in a large skillet, saute meat on all sides until brown. Add onion and green pepper. Saute about 5 minutes or until onion is yellow, stirring occasionally.

Combine tomato soup, chili sauce, mustard, salt, celery salt and soup, chili sauce, mustard, salt, celery salt and chili powder. Stir mixture into skillet. Simmer covered for 30 minutes. Then uncover and stirring occasionally, simmer for 30 to 45 minutes longer or until meat is fork tender and sauce is thickened.

Serve with oven hot fluffy rice.

September Birthdays



Yvonne Osti, Edwina Garcia, Donna Anderson, Teresa Chauré, Cathy Gunther, Esther Macias, Sheila Pierce, Nancy Shollenberger



Meals-On-Wheels

Meals are delivered to home-bound seniors by volunteer drivers through the YWCA Intervale Lunch Program M-F (with frozen meals for the weekend.)

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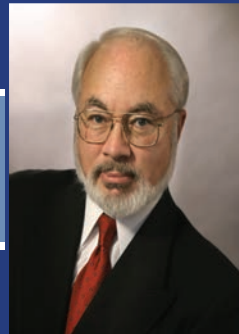
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One Of A Kind: *Featuring unique homes and gardens and the people whoe create them.* Story by Chris Bertrand Photos by Chris Bertrand and Ron Stinnett

LANDMARK ORANGE GROVE ESTATE HAS A STORIED PAST ONE OF ONLY 2 KNOWN HARRY WALKER DESIGNS IN THE AREA



For those who traverse the eastern end of Orange Grove regularly, it's likely this distinctive stone and green trimmed estate with a huge and wide, iron strapped door and Gothic arches will come to mind immediately...

By the time of its completion in 1929, this beautifully preserved Orange Grove estate's storied past was tied to the scandalous doings of Warren C. Earle, the original owner and City Engineer and Superintendent of streets at the City of Pasadena. Apparently, Earle got into a boat load of hot water just as the home was finished.

As part of a historical package prepared by Tim Gregory, The Building Biographer, a slew of LA Times articles dated June, 1939 through May, 1931 chronicled the accusations of graft which included suggestions that city dump trucks were buried under a bridge, the indictment of Earle and five other prominent Pasadenans of grand theft and misappropriation of public funds for Colorado and Linda Vista "paving which was never installed," Earle's dismissal by the city resulting in quick foreclosure on this estate, the grand jury trial in what was called the Sewer Graft Scandal, his incarceration at San Quentin, and Earle's release and parole in 1931, after about a year and half behind bars.

Amid all that scandal, graft, cloak and dagger, stories emerged of various materials within the house that may have been the result of greedy, sticky fingers. How much is true, we'll likely never know, but the current trustee owner pointed to the distinctive foyer tiles that are said to exactly match some found in Pasadena City Hall, and some railroad ties used elsewhere that may have appeared without the proper sales receipts.

Happier days (for the home, at least) soon ensued, and several families spent long years at the east Pasadena home, including the current family's tenure of over five decades. During their ownership, the home was part of a Christmastime tour as a St. Luke's Hospital Benefit in which the living room's intricately carved choir loft was apparently used for a real choir of carolers from St. Philip Church.

A step inside the breathtaking, but somehow not overbearing, two story living room brings exclamations from most visitors. To the left, a floor to ceiling brick fireplace flanked by leaded glass windows, anchors the room in its English Revival style. The current owner called attention to the construction of the massive timbers of the cross-beamed ceiling as like an inverted boat, and pointed out the beautiful custom carvings of animals and men's faces at the base of each of



the largest timbers. Beautiful parquet and plank hardwood flooring further coalesce the style. He has been told that European artisans were brought over to create and install the millwork here and throughout the home.

Gothic pointed arches flow throughout the home, punctuated in the living and dining room by fluted pillars. The dining room, while less ornate, features millwork and plaster work delights of its own. Box beam paneling graces the walls, and an interconnecting circle and square relief on the ceiling creates a formal and elegant framework for the room.

In homage to our California lifestyle, well established even in the 1920's, the main floor rooms open through French doors to the covered porches, the private courtyard with fountain, or to the back yard, for easy indoor to outdoor entertaining.

The oversized breakfast room (which might double as a hexagonal family room) is light-filled and cheerful, with even a wall perfect for audio-

visual equipment. The spacious kitchen and utility areas are original, save for a sixties addition of a vinyl roll floor, and open to today's interpretations without the need to deal with interim editions. Off the kitchen, a bedroom and full bath are perfect for live in help or guest quarters.

Part way up the magnificent staircase, a library with its own Gothic arched, outside entrance and patio, offers an opportunity for a home office to conduct business and receive visitors without interrupting the household. The owner delighted in showing off a "secret" window to an adjacent bedroom, covered with a painting, and told of rollicking pranks using it as a passageway, during their childhoods.

The bedrooms are grand in scale, featuring large bathrooms with vintage tiles. The second floor hallway is a remarkable work of art of its own, as a play of shape and shadow, with its many repeated pointed arches.

A stone driveway leads through a distinctive gate to the garage, yard and magnificent, six



hundred square foot gazebo and outdoor kitchen. This rotunda offers a wood beamed ceiling, oven, huge exhaust, sink storage and massive fireplace, with even a hook for the kettle. Just envision a grand summer evening gala for sixty or seventy of your favorite guests, or something more casual and intimate, like burgers, ping pong and billiards, elegantly shaded from the elements.

2350 Orange Grove Boulevard in Pasadena, with 4919 square feet of exquisitely preserved architectural elements, is offered at \$1,475,000. For more information about the trustee sale of this beautiful estate, contact Tink Cheney of Coldwell Banker at 626-356-8129 or through www.TinkCheney.com.

For more information about The Building Biographer, contact TimGregory@sbcglobal.net or 626-792-7465.



Tips of the Trade: Real Estate Revealed

by *Luther Tsinoglou*

REACHING THE FINISH LINE

My last column got you started on your purchase by determining how much you could afford, getting loan pre-approval, finding the right agent to tour suitable homes. Now what?

Get "comparables" from your representative for each appealing home, review property disclosures, and research liens and restrictions. If possible, ask the seller's reason for listing.

Now you're armed to make your offer, which should include contingencies regarding financing and inspections, as well as any special requests or repairs, and also a closing date and earnest money deposit. There may be some negotiation, but once both parties have agreed on the terms, you'll sign the Purchase and Sale Agreement.

Now you'll apply for financing, order an

appraisal and inspections, and possibly renegotiate after those reports are complete. You'll need to secure homeowners insurance and complete the loan process. You'll want to have cash ready for your downpayment and closing costs, and do a final "walk through" just before closing.

You and your agent will be able to review all the settlement documents in advance of the closing date, to be sure everything is correct and to dot the "i"s and cross the "t"s. You're finally ready to make an appointment with the closing attorney, get an Official Check from your bank for downpayment plus closing costs, and sign the papers giving you the coveted status of "homeowner!"



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"HIDDEN" TECHNOLOGY FEATURES

(NAPS)—Throughout most homes, there are a number of technological features built into products you probably use daily that could make lives easier...if only you knew they existed.

For example, smart kitchen appliances let you connect to the Internet to download recipes and create a grocery list that's accessible from a mobile device while shopping. Many newer model microwaves even have a message center for family reminders.

Furthermore, with 75 percent of cable customers now enjoying digital services, the home entertainment room may be wall to wall with innovation. For instance, many customers can now use a smartphone or laptop to set the DVR from anywhere. Once the app (often free) is downloaded, it's simply a matter of entering in the show title and clicking "record."

Digital cable customers can also rent the hottest new movies with a push of the remote button. Movies On Demand provides instant access to top hits, most available the same day as the DVD and Blu-Ray releases and often weeks before they're on Netflix. Great flicks being offered these days on Movies On Demand include the "Source Code" starring Jake Gyllenhaal, "The Lincoln Lawyer" with Matthew McConaughey and

Marisa Tomei, "Arthur" with Russell Brand and "Limitless" starring Robert De Niro and Bradley Cooper. When you're ready to enjoy a little family fun, you can watch Johnny Depp as he entertains in "Rango." To make it a double family feature, add the inspirational story of "The Perfect Game." Go to www.rentmoviesondemand.com to see the latest titles and trailers.

If that still doesn't satisfy your inner geek, there are new iPad, Xoom and other tablet apps that provide instant in-home access to a friendly, searchable program guide. With one tap on a Movies On Demand poster image, you can have the film rolling on the big screen in the living room. Plus, a growing number of studios and cable networks have created apps that add social and interactive dimensions to the TV viewing experience. It takes only a few minutes to discover the convenience and fun of technology features that may already be available in your home and on your mobile device.

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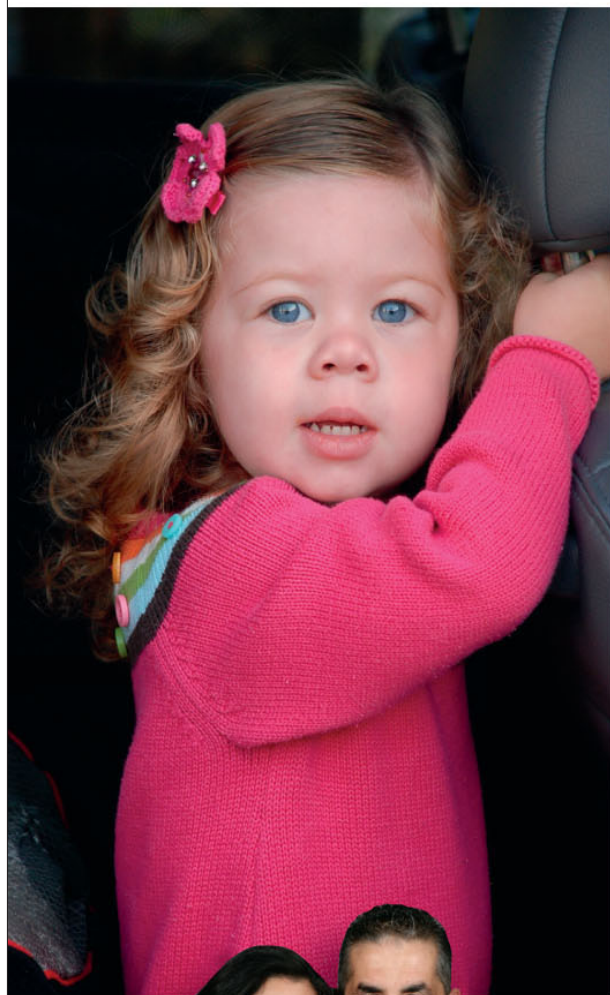
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