

## PINNEY HOUSE APPROVED

May Join the Jailhouse Inn as a Sierra Madre Bed and Breakfast Inn



Soon, Sierra Madre may have two Bed and Breakfast Inns and they will both have something in common. Both are unique new uses of historical facilities. The Jailhouse Inn, located at 55 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., was once the City Jail! ([www.jailhouseinn.net/](http://www.jailhouseinn.net/)). The Pinney House ([www.pinneyhouse.com](http://www.pinneyhouse.com)) was formerly Hotel Sierra Madre. Greg and Judy Asbury, owners of the Pinney House, appeared before the Sierra Madre Planning Commission this week and were granted the right to use the house as a Bed and Breakfast Inn. The property was originally built as a 30 room hotel over 125 years ago by Dr. Elbert Pinney. Designed by the well known Victorian architects, Samuel and Joseph Cather Newsom in elegant Queen Anne style, the Pinney House is one of the last remaining examples of the carriage trade hotels, serving those coming from the East to buy land during the land boom of Los Angeles in 1885-1888. The Asbury's, who acquired the property in 2003, spent the next eight years restoring the house with the hopes that the city would allow it to be used as a Bed and Breakfast Inn. During the restoration, they dedicated their resources to keeping as close to the spirit of a Victorian hotel as possible. Today, the 10,000 sq ft "house" has six large Victorian bedroom and bath suites, a garden suite, a conservatory, a library, a parlor, a sitting room, a sitting room/office, a formal dining room, farmhouse kitchen and a loft-like attic penthouse. Once the project was completed, they applied to the commission for permission. The Planning Commission's decision to grant a Conditional Use Permit was done after extension review of the potential impact of a Bed and Breakfast on the community. Parking, noise and capacity were among the issues addressed. Several changes were requested which included the addition of two parking spaces in the rear, a limit to only six luxury suites and no more than six outside events on the premises per year. Given that the overall ambience of a Bed and Breakfast Inn is tranquil, it is anticipated that the new use of the Pinney House will blend homogenously with the surrounding community, and the commission granted the use permit. The commission did require, however, that the owners appear before the commission in a year for another review. Currently, the house is being offered for sale at \$2,795,000. The house has a total of 10 bedrooms, 11 baths, 10,000 square feet of living space and sits on .47 acres at 225 N. Lima. It is hoped that if sold, the new owners will operate the house as a Bed and Breakfast Inn. For more information on the Pinney House, go to [www.pinneyhouse.com](http://www.pinneyhouse.com) or contact Judy Webb-Martin or Katie Orth at Podley Properties, [Judy.Webb-Martin@podley.com](mailto:Judy.Webb-Martin@podley.com) or [Katie.Orth@prodley.com](mailto:Katie.Orth@prodley.com)

## SIERRA MADRE CIVIC CLUB AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS TO TEN LOCAL STUDENTS



### This Week's Highlights:

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## GUILTY VERDICT DELIVERED IN DEATH OF FORMER AREA RESIDENT

by S. Henderson

The man accused of causing the death of former Arcadia resident Joan Milazzo in August last year, was found guilty in a San Diego Court earlier this week. Lawrence Joseph Farry, 25, was convicted of Gross Vehicular Manslaughter and will be sentenced in early June. Farry, who remained at the scene of the accident, pleaded not guilty and admitted that he was speeding at approximately 56 mph. According to the evidence introduced at trial, Farry was actually traveling at 87 mph. Milazzo was struck and killed in the Del Sur area of North County San Diego. Milazzo, her husband and sister were hiking in an area near their development.

According to a Press Release from the San Diego County Medical Examiner's office, "They were crossing Camino Del Sur Road when a vehicle traveling on the southbound lane at a high rate of speed lost control and skidded into the decedent as she stepped onto the curb. The decedent was struck and fell to the ground. Bystanders called 911 and assisted with CPR. Medics transported the decedent to Scripps La Jolla Hospital with blunt force trauma and she was pronounced dead when resuscitative efforts were to no avail.

Milazzo and her husband had just moved there to join family only a few months prior from Arcadia.

Milazzo grew up in the San Gabriel Valley, and graduated from Alverno High School in Sierra Madre. She was previously a member of St. Rita Catholic Parish in Sierra Madre.

## 2012 MT. WILSON TRAIL RACE PARTICIPANTS ARE READY TO GO!

Saturday, May 26 marks the 104th anniversary of the running of the historic Mt. Wilson Trail Race, a grueling 8.6-mile test up to Orchard Camp and back to Kersting Court. Emerson Gray, a student of Sierra Madre Middle School, will sing the national anthem before the race. Race time is 7:30A.

That the race sold out in under eight hours this year is evidence of the event's popularity over recent years. Runners and hikers come far and wide to run the Mt. Wilson Trail Race, which is one of Trail Runner Magazine's Trophy Series events. But the roster includes a high percentage of Sierra Madre residents as well.

The Mt. Wilson Trail Race Committee wants the race and its related activities to be a celebration of the trail, encouraging friends and family to gather in Kersting Court to see the runners off and welcome them back to town after their 2,100 foot ascent to the halfway point on Mt. Wilson.

The public is invited to the pasta dinner held from 5:30P to 7:30P in Kersting Court the night before the race. On race day, there will be a kids' art show, music, all kinds of booths, a 1-mile kids' race that goes up Baldwin Avenue and back and a beer and wine garden. Proceeds from the pasta dinner and the beer garden go to Sierra Madre Search & Rescue, which will be looking after the runners' safety while they are on the mountain. All kids running the Kids' Race will receive a T-shirt featuring the artwork by Sierra Madre Elementary school student Isaiah Raya.

Local trail enthusiast Dr. William White is the honorary race starter. For more information, call the Community Services Department at 626-355-5278.

By Christine Bachwansky

Family and friends looked on proudly during the ceremony held at the Hart House in Memorial Park as ten local students were awarded scholarships by the Sierra Madre Civic Club. Committee co-chairs Dorothy Jerneycic and Joan Crow, along with committee members Kathleen Coyne and Mary Beth Knox all agreed that this year's applicants were all outstanding in their scholastic achievements and their activities in the arts, sports, and community service. Dorothy, a retired teacher, remarked, "I wouldn't mind spending more time with these students. They must have 36 hours in each day to have accomplished all they do."

Recipients are (in alphabetical order by first name):

Andrew Lymes attends Marshall Fundamental and will be pursuing a career in Environmental Science at Brigham Young University. Camille Torres of Sierra Madre attends LaSalle and has an interest in Languages. She wants to be a fundraiser like her mother. Conner Spears of Pasadena attends Pasadena High School and will be studying to be a marine biologist. Elizabeth Bickel of Glendora High loves music, languages, and aspires to be a math professor.

Madeline Pirrone, who attends Pasadena High School, has a double major in business and education and dreams of becoming a 4th grade teacher at a local elementary school.

Matt Soffers, Loyola High School, has been a life guard at the pool for 3 years and will be studying nursing at Loyola University in Chicago. He wants to be a firefighter/paramedic.

Michael Wheelock of Sierra Madre will be attending U.C. Davis has plans to become a child psychiatrist specializing in mental disorders such as ADD and ADHD.

Natalie Hale has been admitted to the nursing program at Azusa Pacific University. She hopes to one day be a nurse in the operating room.

Vivika Rechtschaffen of Sierra Madre plays the violin and has appeared with Barry Manilow and Natalie Cole. She has plans to attend culinary school and become a pastry chef.

Yasmine Ibrahim of Alverno High School is going into biology with an emphasis in pre-med at UCLA. She wants to be a pediatric oncologist.

All of these students have been active in student body, sports, and arts programs with achievements too numerous to list here, and have distinguished themselves with their many success. The Sierra Madre Civic Club is happy to recognize these outstanding students and to help further their dreams by granting these awards. Congratulations all!



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## Weather Wise

## 5-Day Forecast

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| <b>Wed:</b>  | Sunny | Hi 80s | Lows 60s |
| <b>Thur:</b> | Sunny | Hi 70s | Lows 60s |
| <b>Fri:</b>  | Sunny | Hi 70s | 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.  
626-355-7135

NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING:  
May 22nd, 2012 6:30 pm

5/21 Community Services Commission @ 6:00pm

5/22 City Council Meeting @ 6:30pm

5/23 Library Board of Trustees @ 7:00pm

5/24 - Green Advisory Committee @ 7:00pm

MAY CALENDAR OF SIERRA MADRE  
CIVIC EVENTS

5/18 - Alverno High School Spring Dance

5/19 - Sierra Madre Little League Closing

5/23 - Alverno High School Coffeehouse

5/24 - Alverno High School Choral Concert

5/24 - Garden Club Luncheon

5/24 - Sierra Madre Library Third Thursday  
Book Club

5/25 - Mount Wilson Trail Race Pasta Dinner

5/26 - Mount Wilson Trail Race and  
Activities

5/25-5/26

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## 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

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## FAMILY MOVIE FRIDAYS

The Family Movie Friday series is back for 2012 thanks to the generous support of the Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters Associations and the Annes, Harman, Gallagher and Swift families! All movies are shown in Kersting Court and are absolutely free for everyone. Movies begin approximately at 7:45pm and families can purchase food and drinks from the local Sierra Madre merchants or bring their own! Patrons are encouraged to bring blankets and chairs for the event.

## Family Movie Fridays Line-Up:

May 11, 2012 - Puss in Boots

May 25, 2012 - Back to the Future

June 8, 2012 - Judy Moody and the Not Bummer Summer  
(parts filmed in Sierra Madre!)

## COMMUNITY YARD SALE

The City of Sierra Madre Senior Community Commission presents a Community Yard Sale on Saturday, June 9, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. located in the Sierra Vista Park Parking Lot (611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.). Community members are invited to come together with their neighbors to participate in a community yard sale. Participants have the opportunity to clean out their garages, attics, storage sheds and closets without sending those valuable items to landfill.

Fee for a selling space is \$25.00; proceeds will benefit senior programs and activities. Alternatively, you may donate items to the Senior Community Commission booth to help raise money for senior programs and activities. If you would like to participate in the Community Yard Sale, please register online at [www.cityofsierramadre.com/onlineeregistration](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/onlineeregistration) or in person at the Community Recreation Office 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. Deadline to register is Thursday, May 31 or until spaces are filled.

Participants must provide their own tables, chairs, canopies (10'x10' maximum) and cash boxes. No electricity will be provided. Live animals, large canopies, and selling of food or drinks are prohibited. All business must be conducted within your space. Event may be cancelled due to inclement weather.

A limited number of spaces are available. For more information please call (626) 355-5278.

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## REGISTRATION FOR 4TH OF JULY PARADE IS NOW OPEN

This year's 4th of July parade will be held on Wednesday, July 4, at 10:00 am. The parade route will begin on Sierra Madre Blvd. from Sunnyside to Rancho. There is a \$15 fee for all local non-profit entries and a \$25 fee for all business entries. There is no charge for individuals wishing to enter the parade; however, an application must be submitted.

It is the 4th of July Committee's hope to make the parade more green and earth-friendly! All participants are encouraged to come up with creative ideas to support this theme.

One way to do this is to register online at: [www.cityofsierramadre.com/onlineeregistration](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/onlineeregistration) Keyword: *parade*

Hardcopies of the application should be completed and return the form with entry fee to:  
SIERRA MADRE FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE c/o PARADE ENTRY

232 W. SIERRA MADRE BLVD. SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024.

All applications are due Friday, June 8th, 2012 Due to staging concerns; no late entries will be accepted. For more information please call the Community Services Department at (626) 355-5278.



## 1630 AM

## Sierra Madre Community Radio

## VOLUNTEER RADIO ANNOUNCERS WANTED!

Sierra Madre's Community Radio station is seeking volunteers to record public service announcements (PSAs) for broadcast. The station broadcasts 24/7 at 1630 on the AM dial, and provides residents with timely information about community events.

The PSAs are recorded at City Hall by volunteer announcers. The process is quick and easy, taking only a few minutes to learn. If you've got a computer at home, you can also record PSAs on your PC, edit them as necessary, then easily load them into the on-air playback system at City Hall.

If you've always wanted to be a DJ or start a voice-over career, this is a great way to begin and see how you sound on the radio! Don't worry about being nervous or having "mic-fright". Nothing is broadcast "live", and you'll be able to fix your mistakes before your PSA gets on the air.

If you'd like to try recording a PSA, please contact Hank Landsberg at 355-3656 or e-mail [henryeng@aol.com](mailto:henryeng@aol.com). Training will be provided, and it's fun...you might discover a new career!

Sierra Madre's Farmer's Market  
WEDNESDAYS

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.

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## Sierra Madre Rotary Club

Meets Tuesdays 7-8:30 a.m.

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As part of our club's lively weekly meetings, dynamic speakers are scheduled on Rotary's service interests, local community topics and general appeal subjects.

Sierra Madre Rotary operates an active high school service group, the Interact Club, participates in Rotary scholarship, music and essay competitions, raises funds for local and Rotary Foundation causes, recognizes exemplary teachers, offers mini grants for worthy projects, hosts the yearly Elvis in the Park concert and donates hundreds of service hours to community events like the Wistaria Festival, Dickens Village and July 4th Parade.

Visitors are heartily welcomed to meetings. For more information, please visit our website or contact our Peggy Beauregard, membership chairperson at [PeggyBeau@GMail.com](mailto:PeggyBeau@GMail.com).

[www.SierraMadreRotary.com](http://www.SierraMadreRotary.com)

## SIERRA MADRE FARMERS MARKET

The Farmers Market is open today and every Wednesday from 3:00-7:00 p.m. The location of the market is on Hermosa Avenue, south of Sierra Madre Boulevard to Mariposa Avenue, situated in the downtown area of Sierra Madre. The market has organic, fresh and locally grown produce. The farmers market is a great opportunity to come on down and meet the farmer directly. Dry Dock Fish has fresh and delicious wild caught varieties of fish. Rustic Loaf has your artisanal breads baked fresh that same day and brought to the market. Cutie Pie that has pies made with the fruits of our organic farmers, make sure you pick one or two up for desert. There are so many unique and amazing finds at the farmers market. Come on down to the Sierra Madre Farmers Market and shake the hand that feed you.

If you are interested in becoming a vendor at the Farmers Market, please contact Melissa Farwell from Raw Inspiration at (818) 591-8161 Ext. 806. Raw Inspiration, Inc., is responsible for all management and marketing of the City's Farmers Market.

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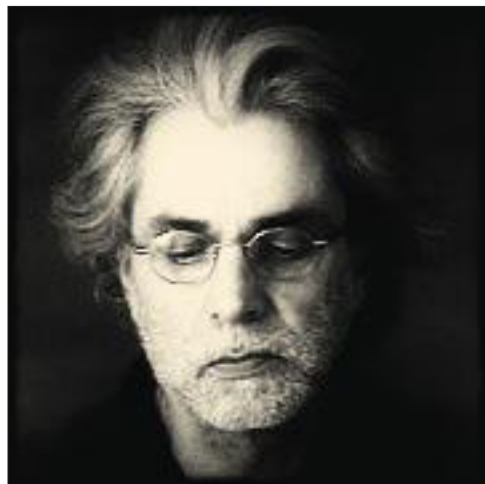
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## REMEMBRANCE

FREDERICK ALFARO 1947-2012



Frederick ("Fred") Alfaro was a Sierra Madre resident since the early 1970's, with a hair-cutting business in town where he served numerous clients and had a major positive influence on all whom he came in contact with.

He is survived not only by his human relatives, cousins Grace and Gus Paredes, Lucy Townsend and several other family members who still live in his original homeland of Peru, but he is also survived by his precious dog "Molly" whom he loved dearly and cared for beyond expectation.

A memorial service will held in his honor at Saint Rita's Church next week, at a date and time to be determined. May he rest in peace, in the arms of the angels.

## FRIENDS OF THE SIERRA MADRE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

The lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer are upon us and if you're looking for a good book to bring with you to the beach, the mountains, on the plane, or to that lawn chair under the tree in your back yard, the best place to find one is at the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library's Best Used Book Sale. Held on Friday, June 1, from 3:00-7:00pm and Saturday, June 2, from 10:00am-2:00pm at the Sierra Madre Library, 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd, Sierra Madre, the sale offers high-quality books that have been culled from the library's shelves or donated.

June's sale features a large collection of books about American Bungalows and the Arts and Crafts movement in home furnishings, many sports books, including several about the great American pastime, baseball, and an assortment of coffee table books about artists and art including a two-volume set of Landsdowne's Birds of the West Coast and Georgia O'Keefe: 100 Flowers. A diverse assortment of reference books from the Library's reference room and a collection of Life and Saturday Evening Post magazines in library bindings are also available. In addition, we have a large number of contemporary and classic fiction books, current non-fiction books, children's classics and pop-up books as well as DVDs, audiobooks, and collectibles. As always, in the back parking lot there will be \$1.00 books on every subject, together with paperbacks, 5/\$1.00, and children's books 25 cents each.

Proceeds from the Best Used Book Sales benefit the resources and programs of the Sierra Madre Public Library. For more information, visit our website at [sierramadrelibraryfriends.org](http://sierramadrelibraryfriends.org) or call 626 355-7186.

## "SAVE OUR STORIES" LOCAL HISTORY PROJECT LAUNCHED WITH CIVIC CLUB GRANT

The Sierra Madre Historical Archives is pleased to announce that it has received a \$400 grant from the Sierra Madre Civic Club to launch the Save Our Stories Project. Library Archivist Debbie Henderson, who applied for the grant, explained that the purpose of the project is to preserve and provide public access to selected analog recordings captured as part of the Sierra Madre Oral History Project, which was started by Jayne Kistner in 1988. Jayne and 15 other interviewers recorded the stories of 110 Sierra Madre residents on audio cassette tapes in interviews conducted from 1989-1991 and in 1994 and 1996. One such interview is with Althea Butler, the first President of the Civic Club. Each interview is approximately one hour long.

Duplicate tapes will be sent to the Center for Oral and Public History at Cal State Fullerton for transfer to a digital format. Once the project in complete, Library staff will enhance the sound quality of the interviews using Audacity, an audio rendering software. A link to an MP3 file (digital audio file) will be created in the Library catalog so that interviews may be accessed immediately via the Library website or downloaded to a portable digital device.

The grant will make it possible to preserve many historically valuable archival interviews and to provide the public with easy access to the Library's original oral history collection.



Veterans of Foreign Wars  
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Invites the Public  
To  
Memorial Day Ceremonies  
At  
Sierra Madre Pioneer Cemetery  
Monday May 28, 2012  
11 a.m.  
Speaker Former Mayor  
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## PLANNING COMMISSION AGAIN ASKS ASSISTED LIVING DEVELOPER TO CHANGE PLANS

by Bill Coburn



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*(Author's Note: There was so much that happened during this nearly 4 hour meeting that it has taken me longer than it should have to write anything about this meeting. I still haven't written all I'm going to about the meeting, but I've written enough to give something of an update about what happened. For instance, chairperson Kevin Paschall suggested that the City's definition of a dwelling unit could be interpreted that 2 bedroom units can be classified as two dwelling units, a move that would make most of the structures in R-1 zones illegal. And another Commissioner suggested twice that the voters should decide if the project conforms to Measure V, despite the fact that the Commission has been told numerous times that the people can't vote on that issue. Expect to see more from me regarding this meeting).*

The Planning Commission continued its public hearing on the proposed Kensington Assisted Living project at its Thursday, May 10th, meeting. The proposed 59,600 sq. ft. building (it has grown by 1,600 sq. ft. since the original proposal so the developer could add 1,300 sq. ft. of commercial floor space at the request of the Planning Commission) will sit on 1.84 acres of land covering 2 parcels of land, one designated commercial and one designated R-3.

As of that meeting, the project called for a total of 75 total suites planned, to accommodate up to 96 residents. The developer is proposing 43 parking spaces, 2 short of the requirements of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code. The two story project has been re-designed from its original Craftsman

style appearance to respond to the Planning Commission's request that the developer make it look more commercial/urban in appearance. In response to previous requests/concerns of the Commission about trying to make the appearance more commercial and less residential, a rotunda has been added to the Southeast corner of the project, and three commercial units that would be accessible from the street as well as from the Facility have been added.

At the request of the developer, the City Council recently passed a resolution to place the project on the November ballot. There are several ways the project can be placed on the ballot. One is to amend Measure V, should it be determined that the project does not comply with Measure V. The amendment could be to remove the two parcels from the Measure V zone, but contingent upon the project being used as defined in a Specific Plan for the project. Should it be determined that the project does comply with Measure V, there would be no need to vote on an amendment to it. However, the residents could vote on the legal aspects of the proposed project, for instance to amend the General Plan, or to approve the Specific Plan for the project. These are just some of the options regarding an election, there could be other ways that the Council chooses to structure the election. For that matter, they could also pass a resolution rescinding the earlier resolution, meaning there would be no vote at all.

At the May 10th Planning Commission meeting, which was missing Commissioner

Bill Pevsner, the Commissioners in attendance voted unanimously to designate the project as Residential. In doing so, they seemingly removed the need to amend the General Plan, which would have been necessary if the project were designated Institutional. Because the General Plan prohibits additional new Institutional uses in the downtown area, an amendment would have been required to allow the Institutional use that the project had originally been designated, at the suggestion of City staff.

Also, five of the six commissioners stated that they did not feel that the 75 suites that are proposed should be considered dwelling units. However, they fell short of stating that the proposed project complies with Measure V, which states that no project in the Measure V zone can exceed 2 stories in height (it doesn't), 30 feet in height (it doesn't), or 13 dwelling units per acre. While the commissioners agreed that they were not dwelling units, they did not adopt the position that because they are not dwelling units, the project is in compliance.

The project has been held over to the June 7th meeting for further discussion. At that time, the developer is expected to respond to the Commission's stated request that he A) make the commercial component of the project more robust, B) remove any bedrooms or living quarters from the Sierra Madre Blvd. frontage, and C) bring the front of the project to the same level as the Sierra Madre Blvd. sidewalk.

## GENERAL PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING – SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 2012

The General Plan Steering Committee (GPSC) will hold a special meeting on Sunday, June 3, 2012, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. At this special meeting, the GPSC will discuss and review a number of draft written language items for the new General Plan, including historic preservation, parking and traffic, dark sky provisions, economic development, building bulk and mass issues, seismic considerations for buildings, group living, and identification of opportunity sites for the land use projection/build-out to be prepared for the environmental impact report (EIR) associated with the General Plan.

The GPSC will also assign subcommittees to edit the new General Plan, create an implementation chart, and recommend revisions to the land use designation map. The meeting is open to the public and any public input is welcome. The meeting will also be broadcast live on SMTV-3 cable (Channel 3 for Time Warner customers).

## SIERRA MADRE HOLIDAY CLOSURES MONDAY, MAY 28, 2012 MEMORIAL DAY

Please note Sierra Madre City Hall and Community Services will be closed on Monday, May 28, 2012, for Memorial Day.

Sierra Madre Library Holiday Closure

Please note the Sierra Madre Library will be closed on Monday, May 28, 2012, for Memorial day.

Library materials to be returned may be placed in the outside Book Drop.

## KIWANIANS DANCE AND COOK THE NIGHT AWAY

The Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club held its second annual Boot Skootin' Dance and Chili Cook Off in the Sierra Madre Room on Saturday, featuring 7 chili contestants, judged by restaurant critic Peter Dills, host of Dining with Dills on



KABC 790 and columnist with The Mountain Views News, a silent auction, a live auction, raffles and line dancing lessons by Henry Dumas. Nearly one hundred guests turned out to dance, dine and raise money for Sierra Madre programs that are funded each year by Kiwanis. Chili winners: - Food Critics Choice: (selected by Peter Dills)

Linda Webber – Russ's Banjo Chili 1st Place (pictured on the left)  
John Johnson – 2nd Place  
Hattie Harris' Cincinnati Chili - 3rd Place  
JerriAnne Latham and Lisa Brandley – Special Award – Most Enthusiastic

People's Choice Winners: (Voted on by attendees)  
JerriAnne Latham and Lisa Brandley - 1st Place  
Hattie Harris' Cincinnati Chili - 2nd Place



# Pasadena Altadena

News From Your Community For Your Community

## McDade Shooting Autopsy Released

An autopsy report released last week showed that 19-year-old Kendrec McDade was shot by police seven times March 24, three of which were fatal. McDade also had marijuana and alcohol in his system at the time of death according to the 18 page report.

The cause of death was listed as multiple gunshot wounds. The medical examiner also listed the death as a homicide. Although Pasadena police were quick to issue a press statement prior to the autopsy report saying there were no gunshot wounds to the back, the autopsy report did say he was shot multiple times in the back of his arms.

Police also said "In addition to the Coroner's Report, the remaining on-going investigations include the U.S. Department of Justice's Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI); the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office and the County's Office of Independent Review Group. The Pasadena Police Department's Internal Affairs and Criminal Divisions are also conducting investigations."

Reports said police officers Mathew Griffin and Jeffrey Newlen shot eight times at McDade, four times each, seven of which hit McDade.

According to Pasadena Detective Van Hecke, Griffin shot McDade at close range fearing he had a weapon in his waistband. He fired through the driver side window of his patrol car at McDade as he ran towards the car. Griffin had "boxed in" McDade with his car in an effort to stop a foot chase Van Hecke said.

As Newlen caught up to the situation he saw muzzle flashes and heard gunshot at the driver's side of the car, fearing his partner's life was danger he also shot at McDade Van Hecke said.

The shooting was the result of a 9-1-1 call from Pasadena resident Oscar Carrillo, who at the time, claimed he was robbed at gunpoint by two men, one of which was McDade. Carrillo later admitted he lied about seeing a gun police said.

Attorney Carree Harper filed a civil rights lawsuit in March, just days after the shooting, against the police and city on behalf of the McDade family.

## Pet of the Week



Harper is an 10-year-old buff and white Cocker Spaniel. He's a very gentle and calm older dog. He has some health issues so a health waiver would be required upon adopting him. He loves tennis balls too!

Harper's adoption fee is \$120, which includes his neuter surgery, a microchip, the first set of vaccinations, as well as a free follow-up health check at a participating vet. He also qualifies for the Seniors for Seniors program in which adopters 60 years old, or older only pay the \$20 mandatory microchip fee. New adopters will receive complimentary health and wellness exam from VCA Animal Hospitals. Ask an adoptions counselor for more information during your visit.

Call the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA at 626.792.7151 to ask about A305133 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](http://www.pasadenahumane.org).

## The City Looks To New Fees

By Dean Lee

The city council is set Monday night to review and update the city's General Fee Schedule which includes 23 brand new fees including an application change for overnight parking permits, impound fees for illegally parked vehicles and charges for graffiti removal among others.

Monday night's upcoming public hearing was set by the council last week during their regular meeting. Michelle Logan the City's Management Analyst said graffiti removal of areas up to 100 square feet would now cost \$152.92 something the city did not charge for in the past. Areas over 100 square feet, property owners would be charged the total cost of cleanup including labor and supplies.

She there will be a new \$42 annual overnight parking application fee which, if approved, would be credited towards the annual parking permit. A new \$6 residential daytime parking exemption would allow vehicles to park in time restricted areas, excluding metered areas.

Residents will now also have to pay for guests that park on streets overnight. A new \$10 fee will include three residential parking permits and three guest permits plus 10 one day hang tags. Each additional 10 pack of hang tags would be \$5 she said. There would also be a new \$100 fee to allow residents to park beyond the 72 hours limit on public streets.

The city would also add new parking restriction fees associated to tow away.

"An impound fee related to parking signs posted in public right a ways, \$50" she said. "And



an automobile boot fee of \$150."

Other fees are related to construction vehicles, valet parking during special events, Tuberculosis testing and day camp registration fees.

Logan noted that, in the staff report, a fee for Public Records Requests provided on CD was wrong, "the fee should be \$1 not \$20 she said.

Vice Mayor Margaret McAustin said the fee schedule is under review for competitiveness and a follow-up report would come back to the council in July or August.

"The competitiveness of the fees and how that actually compares to our surrounding cities," Pasadena Finance Director Andy Green said. "That particular phase 2 process, we're in the process of doing now, we will not complete that in time to have the action that's needed by June 30 when the budget is adopted."

McAustin also said that fee schedule could be amended throughout the year, if needed, something Green agreed with.

## Researchers Gain Greater Insight into Earthquakes

*New dynamic computer model first to show full history of a fault segment*

For those who study earthquakes, one major challenge has been trying to understand all the physics of a fault—both during an earthquake and at times of "rest"—in order to know more about how a particular region may behave in the future. Now, researchers at the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) have developed the first computer model of an earthquake-producing fault segment that reproduces, in a single physical framework, the available observations of both the fault's seismic (fast) and aseismic (slow) behavior.

"Our study describes a methodology to assimilate geologic, seismologic, and geodetic data surrounding a seismic fault to form a physical model of the cycle of earthquakes that has predictive power," says Sylvain Barbot, a postdoctoral scholar in geology at Caltech and lead author of the study.

A paper describing their model—the result of a Caltech Technics Observatory (TO) collaborative study by geologists and geophysicists from the Institute's Division of Geological and Planetary Sciences and engineers from the Division of Engineering and Applied Science—appears in the May 11 edition of the journal Science.

"Previous research has mostly either concentrated on the dynamic rupture that produces ground shaking or on the long periods between earthquakes, which are characterized by slow tectonic loading and associated slow motions—but not on both at the same time," explains study coauthor Nadia Lapusta, professor of mechanical engineering and geophysics at Caltech. Her research group developed the numerical methods used in making the new model. "In our study, we model the entire history of an earthquake-producing fault and the interaction between the fast and slow deformation phases."

## NASA Survey Counts Hazardous Asteroids

Observations from NASA's Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer (WISE) have led to the best assessment yet of our solar system's population of potentially hazardous asteroids. The results reveal new information about their total numbers, origins and the possible dangers they may pose.

Potentially hazardous asteroids, or PHAs, are a subset of the larger group of near-Earth asteroids. The PHAs have the closest orbits to Earth's, coming within five million miles (about eight million kilometers), and they are big enough to survive passing through Earth's atmosphere and cause damage on a regional, or greater, scale.

The new results come from the asteroid-hunting portion of the WISE mission, called NEOWISE. The project sampled 107 PHAs to make predictions about the entire population as a whole. Findings indicate there

are roughly 4,700 PHAs, plus or minus 1,500, with diameters larger than 330 feet (about 100 meters). So far, an estimated 20 to 30 percent of these objects have been found.

While previous estimates of PHAs predicted similar numbers, they were rough approximations. NEOWISE has generated a more credible estimate of the objects' total numbers and sizes.

"The NEOWISE analysis shows us we've made a good start at finding those objects that truly represent an impact hazard to Earth," said Lindley Johnson, program executive for the Near-Earth Object Observation Program at NASA Headquarters in Washington. "But we've many more to find, and it will take a concerted effort during the next couple of decades to find all of them that could do serious damage or be a mission destination in the future."

If approved, the new fees will go into effect July 1.

The General Fee Schedule is reviewed each year as part of the city's municipal code.

"The amount of any fee shall proceed the cost occurred by the city providing the service," Logan said. "Most fees are increased by the CPI (Consumer Price Index)... For fiscal year 2013 the CPI is 2.09 percent and in 2012 it is 2.03 percent."

She said there are 1,378 fees throughout the city, of which, 91 percent will increase by the CPI.

## SoCal Gas Warns Customers about Scam

*Imposters Claim President Obama is paying utility bills*

Southern California Gas Co. (SoCalGas) is alerting customers to be aware of a scam that has impacted other utility customers in several states across the country.

The scam claims that President Barack Obama is providing credits or applying payments to utility bills. In some cases, scammers have asked for social security numbers in order to allow for credits or to apply payments to customers' utility bills, presenting an identity-theft risk. According to reports, scammers have visited customers in person, posted fliers and used social media and texting to send messages claiming that President Obama will provide a credit or directly pay utility bills.

SoCalGas wants to assure customers that SoCalGas employees carry proper identification when called out to any job. The company also does not randomly call or text customers asking for social security or other information. Customers should verify the employee's proper uniform and identification before letting anyone in the home or on their property. Customer safety is a top priority for SoCalGas and employees will always be happy to wait while the customer confirms their identity. Visit [socalgas.com/safety](http://socalgas.com/safety) for more information on staying safe.

## JPL Invites All Earthlings To Annual Open House

NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, Calif., invites the public to its annual Open House on Saturday, June 9, and Sunday, June 10, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event, themed "Great Journeys," will take visitors on a "ride" through the wonders of space. Highlights include a life-size model of Mars Science Laboratory, the NASA/JPL spacecraft currently bound for Mars; demonstrations from numerous space missions; JPL's machine shop, where robotic spacecraft parts are built; and the Microdevices Lab, where engineers and scientists use tiny technology to revolutionize space exploration.

JPL is located at 4800 Oak Grove Drive, Pasadena, Calif., 91109. Admission to Open House is free. Parking is also free, but is limited.

## Public Invited To Civic Center Ribbon Cutting

The public is invited to

join Pasadena's Mayor, City Council members and other City officials to celebrate the completion of the Civic Center Design Project. A special Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be held at 3 p.m., Tuesday, May 22, in the Centennial Square in front of City Hall, 100 N. Garfield Avenue.

The Civic Center Mid-Town Design Project began in July 1997 with the formation of a Task Force to identify much-needed improvements to the streetscape, walkways, parking, signage and lighting along Garfield Avenue and Holly Street adjacent to City Hall.

"The civic improvement project now provides the public with easier access when visiting our historic City Hall and other nearby City buildings," Public Works Department Director Siobhan Foster said.

After a thorough design process, construction for the \$4.1 million multi-phase project began in February 2011 and was completed in December 2011. Foster said project improvement highlights include:

-New brick sidewalks on Holly Street and repaired historic brick sidewalks on Garfield Avenue

-Parking redesign on Garfield



## Workshops Help Achieve a Zero-Waste Future

Imagine a Pasadena that less than 30 years from now produces no garbage and recycles or reuses everything that today is thrown away. The Public Works Department invites Pasadena business owners and residents to do more than just imagine it by helping develop the Zero-Waste Strategic Plan. The City's ambitious goal is to achieve zero waste by 2040.

Business owners and residents are encouraged to attend the next Zero-Waste community

Avenue

-New parking islands, crosswalks, bump-outs for narrow crosswalks and new storm drain systems

-New pedestrian light poles and luminaries on Colorado Boulevard and upgrades to the historic street lights in the Civic Center area

-Replaced Carrot Wood trees on Colorado Boulevard and new landscaping between sidewalks and building facades on Holly Street.

The original Task Force included representatives from the City Council, the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce, local property owners and the Pasadena Heritage organization, according to Foster.

The May 22 ceremony highlighting the project's completion is being held in conjunction with National Public Works Week, May 21-25, which celebrates the hard work of the men and women throughout the United States who do the engineering, infrastructure construction, roadway maintenance and other behind-the-scenes work that helps cities function.

For more information go online to [www.cityofpasadena.net](http://www.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 May 21 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](http://pasadenan.com).

## PCC Presidents Latino Advisory Committee Invites Community to Scholarship Breakfast

The Pasadena City College President's Latino Advisory Committee will recognize the Achievements of 12 PCC students at its annual Scholarship Awards Breakfast on Tuesday, June 5.

The PLAC is comprised of PCC educators, staff members, and community leaders. The group was formed eight years ago for the purpose of providing input directly to PCC's president on the needs of the large Latino community served by PCC.

One of the major duties of the PLAC is also to provide scholarships to students. To be eligible for the scholarship, one must be a full-time student, demonstrate financial need, show an understanding of Latino culture, and be involved in extracurricular activities.

"The PLAC Breakfast is a great event that provides everyone an opportunity to support hard-working students," said Dr. Cynthia Olivo, PCC associate dean of Counseling and Student Success Services and PLAC member. "We will award

them the funding they need to continue their studies and give them energy to complete their educational goals. I encourage everyone to purchase a ticket to come and meet the students and hear their inspiring stories."

Noted author and professor Dr. Otto Santa Ana will serve as keynote speaker for the event. Santa Ana is a professor of Chicana and Chicano Studies at UCLA, and Author of "Brown Tide Rising: Metaphoric Representations of Latinos in Contemporary American Public Discourse." The 2012 book focuses on ethnic and racial politics. His upcoming book, "Juan in a100: the Faces and Stories of Latinos on the Evening News" focuses on immigration as a national policy issue.

Sponsorship opportunities are also available and donors at the Gold level (\$250) and above will receive two free tickets and recognition at the event.

Tickets are \$35. For more information, order tickets, or become a sponsor for the event, please call (626) 585-7074.



“What’s Going On?”  
News and Views from Joan Schmidt



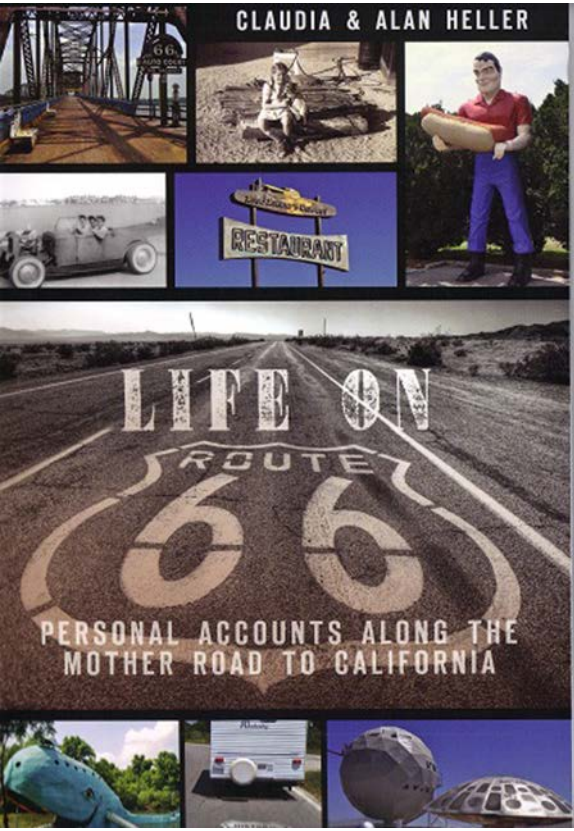
CLAUDIA AND ALAN HELLER:  
Life on Route 66 Personal Accounts  
Along the Mother Road to California

Do you love to read? Do you enjoy history especially on a personal level that relates the stories of people who traveled across the Mother Road to California? Along the way, you will find a diversity of towns. Who stopped at these sites, and why did they stay? Duarte’s Dynamic Duo is the Heller’s. Claudia does the writing while Alan is the photographer. They share a love of history - not just facts but the people who have made history happen. Why was a certain town settled? After much prodding, they have published *Life on Route 66: Personal Accounts Along the Mother Road to California*.

How did this come about? Claudia wrote a series of articles on Route 66 for the *Highlander* newspaper. She and Alan had “poked around the Mother Road towns in the Mojave Desert, communities that had blossomed and withered over the years...I had no idea at the time that this project would provide an outlet for readers eager to share personal memories of their experiences on the road.”

Their series began with Needles, the route’s California - Arizona border town, and a tour of the El Garces Hotel. After the article was published, Claudia was contacted by many readers sharing memories of their experiences along the road. Some Seniors told of their childhood backseat adventures; others relayed family memories passed down. One reader even had a detailed journal from her great uncle recounting his trip in 1927.

In 2010, the Hellers made the decision to travel to Chicago along “America’s Highway” in celebration of their sixty-first birthdays and upcoming retirements. They purchased an eighteen-foot trailer and began to prepare for their journey. Going away for two months involved lots of planning! You can pay bills on-line. But what about watering the yard, picking up mail and errant papers, maintaining a pool and Chewy, their seventeen year old blind and deaf dog? But all was arranged and their journey began. They traveled east and, upon their return



to California, they continued through Rancho Cucamonga and on to Santa Monica.

There are several guide books about traveling along Route 66. Why is this book unique? The Mother Road has inspired books and shows by the dozens, but this is something new. The authors traveled the road and collected its stories and what the road means to the people who live along it. When the Hellers traveled, they brought books and maps with them. But they took their time. To them the journey was more important than the destination.

Please go on line to [www.insidesocal.com/66](http://www.insidesocal.com/66). This site explains the Hellers’ saga and is loaded with photos! It also gives info about purchasing the book. I did today and look forward to reading it!



“KNX ON YOUR CORNER” TO EXPLORE THE  
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY FOOTHILLS ON JUNE 1

Station will broadcast live from Old Town Monrovia

“KNX on Your Corner” will take an in-depth look at some of the foothill cities of the San Gabriel Valley on Friday, June 1 as part of KNX 1070 NEWSRADIO’s ongoing look at Southern California’s diverse regions.

KNX’s programming will focus on a group of communities set between the San Gabriel Mountains and the 210 Freeway in the 200 square mile valley: Sierra Madre, Monrovia, Duarte, Azusa, Bradbury and Glendora. A series of special features and news reports will examine the area’s rich history, including its transition from farmland to the suburban bedroom communities of today. Featured on-air guests throughout the day will include civic and business leaders.

News anchors Dick Helton and Vicky Moore will kick off the live broadcast from 5:00 – 9:00am from the Monrovia Coffee Company at 425 Myrtle Avenue, in the heart of Old Town Monrovia. Frank Mottek will host the KNX Business Hour from 1 – 2:00pm and Jim Thornton and Diane Thompson will anchor KNX’s news coverage from 2 – 7:00pm. Free coffee will be offered throughout the event.

“KNX on Your Corner” is presented by The Monitoring Center. Complete details are posted at [www.cbsLA.com/onyourcorner](http://www.cbsLA.com/onyourcorner).

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Sheriff Department Crime Trends

The Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department’s Temple Station is responsible for providing law enforcement services to the cities of Bradbury, Duarte, Rosemead, South El Monte and Temple City, as well as the unincorporated county communities of South San Gabriel, El Monte, Monrovia Arcadia Duarte (M.A.D.), East Pasadena, and North San Gabriel. Below you will find a summary of the reported crimes in the month of April for each of the above listed communities.

During this past month, we have experienced an increase in the number of residential burglaries in the majority of our communities. Although many of these burglaries have occurred while residents are not home, several of the burglaries involved male Hispanic adults posing as utility workers, who asked the victims for access into their residences to inspect either water pressures or electrical lines.

If contacted by any individual who asks to enter your residence to conduct an inspection, request to see official identification. If you have any doubt as to whether or not the individual is working for a legitimate utility company or agency, please call Temple Station immediately. We also ask that you monitor your neighborhood for suspicious vehicles or persons walking door to door. If you notice something or someone suspicious, again please telephone Temple Station and ask for a patrol unit to respond.

We have also experienced an increase in vehicle thefts, primarily in the city of Rosemead and the unincorporated county areas. Thieves are targeting primarily Hondas, model years 1998 through 2006. Please remember to lock and secure your vehicle, taking all valuables with you. This includes laptop computers and navigational equipment.

Temple Sheriff’s Station’s partnership with community members is our strongest asset in the fight against crime. Please remain vigilant, and if you see something or someone suspicious, call Temple Station at (626) 285-7171 or in cases of emergency 911. TEMPLE STATION APRIL 2012

|                      | Bradbury | Duarte | Rosemead | South El Monte | Temple City | Unincorporated Areas<br>SSG/EMC, MAD, EPAS/NSG |
|----------------------|----------|--------|----------|----------------|-------------|--|
| Rape                 | 0        | 0      | 0        | 1              | 0           | 0  |
| Robbery              | 0        | 1      | 4        | 2              | 1           | 1  |
| Assault              | 0        | 3      | 8        | 4              | 1           | 3  |
| Residential Burglary | 1        | 4      | 8        | 5              | 5           | 12   |
| Commercial Burglary  | 0        | 4      | 2        | 3              | 3           | 6  |
| Grand Theft          | 0        | 2      | 3        | 5              | 3           | 2  |
| GTA                  | 0        | 3      | 23       | 10             | 5           | 14   |
| Vehicle Burglary     | 0        | 3      | 15       | 4              | 5           | 8  |

Pet Of The Week - Serena ID No. A4422990

Meet a girl that will sweep your heart away, the lovely Serena (A4422990). Serena is an effervescent five-month-old brown female Labrador Retriever/Pit Bull mix puppy who was found in El Monte on April 29th and brought to the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center. Weighing twenty-four pounds, this eager to please puppy hasn’t had any training yet, but she is very smart and will learn quickly. Good with other dogs, this affectionate and super playful puppy absolutely adores children! Serena will make an outstanding indoor pet for an active family living in a private home. To watch a video of the absolutely cute Serena please visit: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=W3LAjT92du4](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W3LAjT92du4)



To meet Serena in person, please see her at the Baldwin Park Shelter, located at 4275 N. Elton, Baldwin Park, CA 91706 (Phone: 626-430-2378 or 626-962-3577). She is currently available now. For any inquiries about Serena, please reference her animal ID number: A4422990. 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 Serena or the adoption process, contact United Hope for Animals Volunteer Adoption Coordinator Samantha at [samanthasayon@gmail.com](mailto: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/>.

CHIYOMI'S  
WEDDING  
DRESS

by La Quetta M. Shamblee

Chiyomi looked stunning in her beautiful wedding dress as she and Kaz Ogawa said their nuptials in the shadow of the majestic Sierra Nevada mountains on March 26, 1944. Like so many other young Americans who would take part in launching the start of the “baby boom” that followed World War II, the Ogawa’s had found love and were ready to settle down. What should have been one of the happiest days of their lives must have been dampened by the barbed wire that surrounded their wedding location. They were married while interned at Manzanar, one of 19 “War Relocation Camps” established in the U.S. and Canada to house American citizens of Japanese descent and Japanese immigrants who lived along the Pacific Coast of the country.

Another internee who was a professional seamstress designed and made the wedding dress for the bride’s special day. After the war ended and Japanese Americans worked to reclaim and rebuild their lives, Chiyomi’s wedding dress was eventually worn by five other women on their special days. This garment weaved a common thread through the lives of Chickie Hino, Hara Fujihara, Hasie Ogawa, Kay Fujikawa and Nattie Koyama. Just like Chiyomi, all of them made their homes and raised their families in Pasadena.

Chiyomi never imagined that her wedding dress would inspire interest 68 years after she said “I do,” nor did she ever fathom the photo of her and Kaz would become so intriguing as a

unique record of American history. The original “wedding dress” will be featured and worn by Chiyomi’s granddaughter Michelle at the “Camp Stories” Award Show at Santa Anita Park the morning of Saturday, June 2, 2012. An exhibit of the original photos of the other brides in the “wedding dress” will be featured, along with other images captured by legendary photographer Toyo Miyatake, who was also interned at Manzanar. Committed to continuing his craft, he smuggled a lens into the camp and build a camera using a wooden box. His photos provide some of the few first-person perspectives of life inside Manzanar. Some of his work from this experience is documented in a book produced in collaboration with Ansel Adams, *Two Views of Manzanar*. For most people, Santa Anita Park has been synonymous with the excitement and rich history of world class thoroughbred horseracing since opening day almost 80 years ago. It opened in December 1934 and is the oldest racetrack in Southern California.

For a brief two-year period that was clearly two years longer than reasonable, the horses stopped racing as the U.S. Government converted the facility into the nation’s largest assembly center for the



involuntary relocation of more than 17,000 Japanese-Americans and others of Japanese descent, to one of the 19 camps in the U.S. and Canada.

The “Camp Stories Award Show” is a fundraiser for The Cherry Blossom Festival of Southern California (CBFSoCal). The morning event starts at 8:30 am and features a breakfast reception, silent auction, live entertainment and award presentations. CBFSoCal is an arts agency member of the Pasadena Arts Council’s E.M.E.R.G.E. nonprofit fiscal sponsor program. Tickets for the event include complimentary parking.

For information and tickets, visit [www.cherryblossomfestivalocal.org](http://www.cherryblossomfestivalocal.org) or .

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RETIRED TEACHERS PRESENT SCHOOL GRANT TO ARCADIA H. S. ART TEACHER



Georgette Tuttle, art teacher at Arcadia High School, received a school grant from the California Retired Teachers’ Association #71 (CalRTA) at a May faculty meeting. Principal David Vannasdall welcomed CalRTA #71 School Grant Committee members to the campus.

School Grant Committee Chairperson Patti Hahn presented the award to Georgette Tuttle, who had requested a grant to purchase canvases for murals to be painted by students. The completed paintings would then be displayed in the hallways of the high school’s Administration Building. Tuttle expressed her appreciation for the helpful grant, and CalRTA #71 President Joyce McGregor added her congratulations to the recipient of the award.

CalRTA #71 awards school grants each year for the purpose of helping teachers to purchase additional equipment or supplies for their classrooms. By visiting the schools to make presentations, CalRTA #71 hopes to acquaint future retirees with their organization. Membership in the California Retired Teachers’ Association is open to all retired educators and also to any others interested in joining. For membership information, please contact Marietta Watkins at (323) 258-9615 or Patricia Dietrich at (626) 446-8437.

*Pictured above (l to r) at the CalRTA #71 school grant presentation are CalRTA #71 President Joyce McGregor; grant recipient, art teacher Georgette Tuttle; School Grant Committee Chairperson Patti Hahn; and Arcadia H. S. Principal David Vannasdall.*

Arcadia Police Blotter

*For the period of Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, through Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, the Police Department responded to 937 calls for service of which 99 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.*

Sunday, May 6:

1. Around 00:43 a.m., an officer made contact with a suspicious male subject which he saw walking on Huntington Drive, in the area of the 210 freeway onramps. An investigation revealed the 25-year-old White male was under the influence of methamphetamines. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

2. At approximately 5:00 p.m., officers were dispatched to Sephora at the Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, in regards to two juvenile females detained for theft. The suspects left the store without making payment for the merchandise they had concealed inside their purses. An investigation revealed they had also stolen from Forever 21. Both girls were arrested, transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking, and later released to their parents.

Monday, May 7:

3. At about 12:56 p.m., an officer responded to the Arcadia Police Department front counter regarding a fraud report. Unknown suspect(s) charged approximately \$32,000 to the victim’s Bank of America and Chase credit card accounts. The victim has no idea how her personal information was compromised.

4. Shortly after 5:55 p.m., an officer was dispatched to a solo traffic accident in the intersection of Campus Drive and Santa Anita Avenue. While traveling at an unsafe speed, the driver attempted to make a left turn from east Campus Drive onto northbound Santa Anita Avenue. He hit a curb and then struck a wall east of the curb line. No major injuries were reported.

Tuesday, May 8:

5. At about 1:46 a.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a black Honda Civic for not having a front license plate. A records check revealed the vehicle had expired registration; however, the rear license plate displayed a current year registration sticker. The 24-year-old Hispanic male driver was arrested for False Display of Registration and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

6. At approximately 7:17 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the Arcadia Police Department front counter regarding a vandalism report. While driving on Duarte Road, the victim made a lane change to avoid hitting a trash truck parked in the street. When he came to a stop at Baldwin Avenue, he was approached by the driver behind him who was upset over his lane change. The man pulled out a key from his pocket and made a 24-inch scratch along the side of the victim’s vehicle. The suspect, described as a White male adult, got back into his vehicle and sped off out of sight.

Wednesday, May 9:

7. Around 8:47 a.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a blue BMW for failing to stop at a red light while talking on his cell phone, at Baldwin Avenue and Huntington Drive. An investigation revealed the driver was never issued a license. The 39-year-old Hispanic male was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

8. At approximately 4:00 p.m., officers were dispatched to the 000 block of West Norman Avenue regarding a residential burglary report. The victim discovered her laptop computer missing from her bedroom nightstand. An investigation revealed unknown suspect(s) entered the bedroom through an unlocked window. No one saw or heard anything suspicious.

Thursday, May 10:

9. Shortly after 1:39 a.m., an officer observed a black Jetta with expired registration tags, and conducted a traffic stop on Baldwin Avenue at Fairview Avenue. A records check revealed the 31-year-old Hispanic female had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. She was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

10. At about 4:20 p.m., an officer responded to the parking lot of Macy’s at the Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, in reference to a physical fight between two subjects. An investigation revealed a verbal argument led a boyfriend to strike his girlfriend in the face, causing visible injuries. The suspect also fought off a security guard who tried to intervene. The 23-year-old Hispanic male was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Friday, May 11:

11. At approximately 7:48 a.m., an officer responded to Macy’s at the Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a theft investigation. A female adult removed the price tags off of several items of clothing, concealed the merchandise inside multiple bags, and exited the store without making payment. The 41-year-old Asian female was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

12. Around 8:18 p.m., an officer responded to the 000 block of North First Avenue regarding a residential burglary report. Unknown suspect(s) entered the location and stole two video game systems worth approximately \$700. The victim explained he left his house without locking the front door. No one saw or heard anything suspicious.

Saturday, May 12:

13. At approximately 2:16 a.m., an officer responded to the 000 block of Oxford Drive regarding a vandalism report. The victim advised her house had been tee-peed and vandalized by unknown suspect(s). The suspect(s) threw toilet paper all over the trees and driveway, unknown food items on the doors and windows, and nail polish, glitter, and glue on the victim’s vehicles. At the time of the report, two juvenile females responded to the location and apologized for the vandalism. The victim discovered the juveniles were her son’s classmates, and was not desirous of prosecution.

14. Shortly after 6:45 a.m., an officer responded the 000 block of East Live Oak Avenue regarding a vehicle burglary. The victim discovered unknown suspect(s) stole his laptop computer and iPod from inside his vehicle, and fled undetected. It appeared the key hole of the driver’s side door had been punched. Dusting the area for latent fingerprints met with negative results.

BARK FOR LIFE – A Canine Event to Fight Cancer  
Sunday May 20, 2012 10am – 1pm

The City of Arcadia along with the American Cancer Society is sponsoring Bark for Life. This is a noncompetitive walk event for dogs and their owners to raise funds for the American Cancer Society’s fight against cancer. Bark for Life is directly related to Arcadia’s Relay for Life and shares the theme, “Celebrate. Remember. Back.” So bring your best friend to join us for a fun-filled day starting with a walk, and continuing with demonstrations, contests, and games.

By supporting Bark for Life, you help the American Cancer Society save lives, and that helps us move closer to our ultimate goal of creating a world with less cancer and more birthdays.

WHERE: Arcadia Dog Park (Eisenhower Park) located on the corner of Colorado Boulevard and Second Avenue: 601 N. Second Avenue, Arcadia, CA 91006.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION  
May 22 at 10:00 a.m. and May 24 at 7:00 p.m.

The Adult Book Discussion group will meet to discuss Imperfectionists: A Novel by Tom Rachman. No registration is needed. This free program is a great way to meet new and interesting people and share in a lively discussion.

For more information, please call (626) 821-5569 or visit the Arcadia Public Library’s website at <http://library.ci.arcadia.ca.us>. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter. The Arcadia Public Library is located at 20 W. Duarte Rd. Arcadia.

TECH TALK – INTERGENERATIONAL PROGRAM

The City of Arcadia Recreation & Community Services Department Senior Services Division is excited to be offering a free new program for adults, 50+ years of age called “Tech Talk.” This will pair up tech-savvy “Volunteens” with older adults looking for assistance and help to overcome phobias with the operation of devices such as cell phones, tablets, e-readers and computers.

The kickoff orientation to this new program will be held Thursday, May 17 from 3pm-4pm at the Arcadia Community Center, 365 Campus Drive. For more information or to register, call Arcadia Senior Services at 626.574.5130

NEVER TOO LATE TO LEARN AN INSTRUMENT!

If you have the urge to make music but never had lessons as a kid — or quit before you got any good — don’t despair. This summer Arcadia Recreation will be offering lessons in Guitar, Drums, Piano, Violin and an all inclusive Rock Academy with instruction in electric guitar, keyboards, drums, Bass and Vocals. Most classes are for students of all ages and are held at the Arcadia Community Center, 365 Campus Drive, Arcadia.

Students can learn basic foundations of reading music, proper techniques and music theory as well as making new friends in a fun, friendly, non-competitive environment.

All classes are taught by different instructors. Prices range from \$30 to \$125 for 5-8 week sessions depending on the instrument and most classes require a materials fee payable to the instructor.

Go to the City of Arcadia’s website: [ci.arcadia.ca.us](http://ci.arcadia.ca.us), to download the registration form or stop by the office, 375 Campus Drive. For more information, consult The PeacockBuzz brochure or contact the Arcadia Recreation and Community Services Department at 626.574.5113.

Opening Night at the Hollywood Bowl  
Friday, June 22, 2012 6-11:30pm!

Come celebrate one of the most talked about highlights of the upcoming summer! Join the Arcadia Recreation and Community Services Department as we kick off the 2012 summer season with our annual adult excursion to the Hollywood Bowl on Friday, June 22, 2012 from 6-11:30pm. Enjoy an evening of spectacular fireworks and music with Conductor Thomas Wilkins and Inductees Reba McEntire and Chaka Khan! Tickets are \$40.00 per person and participants meet at the Arcadia County Park parking lot (near the fountain) on Santa Anita and Huntington at 6pm.

Please register by Thursday, May 10th on-line, by fax 626.821.4370 or in person! Go to the City of Arcadia’s website: [ci.arcadia.ca.us](http://ci.arcadia.ca.us), to download the registration form or stop by the office, 375 Campus Drive. For more information please call 626.574.5113!

**CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL SOCAL (CBFSocal)**  
“CAMP STORIES AWARDS SHOW & FUNDRAISER” - “Do The Dream”  
[www.CherryBlossomFestivalSoCal.org](http://www.CherryBlossomFestivalSoCal.org)

**WHEN:** Saturday - June 2, 2012 - 8:30 am - 11:30 am  
**WHERE:** Santa Anita Park, Arcadia  
**TICKETS:** Reserved seating - Regular Ticket - \$60.00 - VIP Tickets, sponsorships and group tickets, please contact Wendy at [wwwproductions2@earthlink.net](mailto:wwwproductions2@earthlink.net) or 626-683-8243.

8:30 am - Breakfast Reception & Auction in the Turf Club (Seating outside or inside)  
10:00 am - Awards Program in the Chandelier Room  
11:30 am - Walking tour of Santa Anita for those interested in this historical site

**HONOREES**

- **Hiroshi Kashiwagi**, Nisei Poet, Playwright & Actor – Detained at Tule Lake Segregation Center during WWII for refusing to answer registration questions he determined a violation of his civil rights as an American citizen.
- **Esther Takei Nishio** -Test case in 1944 when she was taken out of camp to attend Pasadena City College where she faced extreme prejudice and hatred while her family was still incarcerated.
- **Patty & Emily (7 yr old) Kinaga** – Thousand Hearts Benefit Concert for Japan. Emily seeing the images of Japan with the Tsunami/Earthquake wanted to help the children and asked her mother “what can they do?” What happened - a celebrity studded Thousand Hearts Benefit Concert sending funds and paper hearts to the children of Japan.
- **US-Japan Council**, TOMODACHI INITIATIVE forged after the Japan Tsunami/Earthquake to invest in Japan’s next generation and deepen U.S.-Japan ties.
- **Manzanar Fishing Club** – Documentary about internees at Manzanar who slipped away under the cover of night to find freedom and adventure, matching wits with the prized trout of the Sierra Nevada to bring fresh fish to internees.
- **Toyo Miyatake Studio** – Founded in 1923 by famed photographer Toyo Miyatake best known for his collection of Manzanar Relocation Center image. Eventually his son Archie took over and today his grandson, photographer Alan Miyatake, runs the Studio.
- **American Friends Service Committee**, a Quaker organization opened an office in Pasadena during WWII to aid Japanese Americans internees– reached out to colleges and hostels willing to receive evacuees and other essentials to aid the devastated Japanese American community. In 1947, AFSC was co-recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize.

**Special Guest Presenter-Los Angeles City Councilmember Jan Perry. Presenters include:** Rose Ochi JD – Lane Hirabayashi Ph.D. – Rodney Kageyama – Mas Okui – Terry Hara – Lisa Sugimoto Ed.D.

**ENTERTAINMENT:**

- “Do The Dream” & “I Am An American” - Kathy Bee will perform her original songs
- Jive to the music of the 1940’s with the Grateful Crane Ensembles’ Scott Nagatani & Keiko Kawashima
- Multimedia presentations and the stories of “The Wedding Dress” & Photo Display

**WHAT:** The Cherry Blossom Festival celebrated its 10-year anniversary in 2011. Produced by a 100% volunteer team and free to the public with 60,000 attendees, the organization celebrates the history and culture of Americans of Japanese descent and the culture of Japan through the beauty of the Cherry Blossoms.

**VENUE:** Santa Anita has a long prestigious history in the field of horse racing. However, 70 years ago a darker chapter unfolded at the site. Horses were moved out, the track was shut down and the park’s extensive grounds provided the massive space needed by the War Department to temporarily house thousands of people of Japanese decent. This venue was the nation’s largest assembly center, housing almost 19,000 Japanese Americans before they were relocated to camps. A plaque near the entrance is the sole reminder of the track’s place in World War II history as the nation’s largest assembly center for Japanese Americans on their way to internment camps.

*The Cherry Blossom Festival is a project of the Pasadena Arts Council’s EMERGE Fiscal Sponsorship Program 501 (c) (3) charitable organization - EIN# 95-2540759*



# MONROVIA - DUARTE

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## A MEGA MEETING IN MONROVIA

By Joan Schmidt

The Monrovia-Arcadia-Duarte Town Council's May Meeting was nothing short of a MEGA MEETING! What speakers it had and much info given!

The different location at Plymouth School was the brainchild of the Council Member, Terrence Williams. The Town Council has a close alliance with the City of Duarte as a result of Pamela Park meetings and events. Council Members John Niccoloro and Linda Sells of Arcadia attend the monthly Arcadia Chamber of Commerce Government Forum meeting keeping the Council abreast of Arcadia happenings and reports from local officials. But Mr. Williams wanted to involve Monrovia because it is also our neighbor.

Mr. Williams has bemoaned the low attendance at Town Council Meetings. Members Dave Hall and Yvonne Bullock pointed out when there are issues, there is a very high attendance. As a reporter covering three cities, I can reiterate this. However in the unincorporated areas, there is no city hall to call. Residents NEED to come to Town Council Meetings and hear the reports from The Sheriff's, CHP, Parks /Recreation Department, Probation Department, Supervisor Antonovich's Office, L.A. County Libraries and more.

The Mega Meeting began with Deputy Ramirez report on current crimes. Most prevalent are property thefts and vehicular burglaries.

Captain Nee from Temple Sheriff's Station spoke next. He said the only way to fight crime is with the community's help. "Be nosy neighbors. Call up the station (285-7171) to report ANYTHING suspicious. Don't leave valuables in your car in full view such as GPS, lap tops, cell phones, purses, etc."

Monrovia Police Chief Jim Hunt spoke of their terrific working relationship with the Sheriff's Department. For twenty years, the DAMAGE Program (Against gangs) has been going on. It's a mutual aid agreement with LASD. In each car, are one Monrovia gang officer and a gang deputy. "We share intelligence, we are aware of crime trends."

Chief Hunt also reiterated what Captain Nee said about NEIGHBORS BEING ALERT AND CALLING ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS. Please DO NOT OPEN YOUR DOORS to people pretending to be from utility companies. This also happened in the City of Arcadia after the wind storms.

Representing Monrovia Fire Department were Fire Chief Chris Donovan, Battalion Chief Ryan Phillips and Fire Fighter Michael Bailey. Chief Donovan said that their department has thirteen personnel on duty. Their response



time for fire is seven minutes and medical is five minutes. He also spoke of the Mutual Aid Agreement between the various City Departments and Los Angeles County Fire Department. At the recent apartment fire on Encino Avenue in Monrovia, there were four engines and two ladder trucks that responded. Fighting the blaze were twenty seven members of Monrovia, Arcadia, and L.A. County Fire Departments!

Firefighter Michael Bailey spoke about their Emergency Preparedness Program. They do mandated training for City Staff. There is a new program for disabled people. Who looks after them if there's a loss of power? Besides the CERT Program, there are also BERT (Business) and SERT (School District) Programs. (626)256-8181

Officer Brian Axt,(626) 338-1164, represented the California Highway Patrol. In county areas, they are responsible for traffic. Please call him if there are any problems in your area.

Kevin Perris, Probation Officer in Duarte spoke of his role, working with the Sheriff's and trying to reach youths. There are several After School Programs. One is teaching them how to make their own movies. He also teaches Parenting and a Cooking class at Pamela Park. (626) 357-1619 There was mention of the successful Parks after Dark Program begun last year and the great drop in crimes.

Also attending were Brian Mejia from Supervisor Antonovich's Office. Don't miss the 15th Annual Veterans Fair, Saturday, May 26th 10AM-3PM at Arcadia County Park, 405 South Santa Anita Avenue, Arcadia.

The final speakers were Vincent Holmes CEO for LA County Safety and Live Oak Librarian. The next Council Meeting: Annunciation Parish Hall, June 19th, 7pm.

## Monrovia Police Blotter

*During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 482 service events, resulting in 90 investigations. To see a complete listing of crimes reported, go to our crime mapping page. For Police Department news and information, visit our website at [www.monroviapd.org](http://www.monroviapd.org) and follow us on twitter for police notifications. Highlighted Activity for the week of May 10-16, 2012:*

Petty Theft / Possession of Methamphetamine / Suspect Arrested

On May 10 at 3:51 p.m., an officer responded to the 1600 Block of South Mountain regarding a suspect detained for theft. The suspect had entered the store with the intent to purchase items but determined they were too expensive. The suspect had the ability to pay for the items. A search of the suspect's wallet revealed a usable amount of methamphetamine. The suspect was arrested for petty theft and possession of methamphetamine.

Domestic Violence - Suspect Arrested

On May 10 at 7:39 p.m., officers responded to 1800 block of Eighth Avenue, regarding a family disturbance. When officers arrived, they found the victim, the father, and two children waiting outside the residence. Through the investigation, it was determined that the wife was the primary aggressor and was arrested. An emergency protective order was requested by the father. The wife was arrested for domestic violence.

Petty Theft with Priors / Parole Hold / Suspect Arrested

On May 10 at 10:06 p.m., an officer responded to the 500 block of West Huntington regarding a suspect in custody for shoplifting. A computer check revealed the suspect had three or more prior petty theft arrests and was on parole. The suspect was arrested for petty theft with priors and a parole hold was obtained.

Failure of Yield / Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol

On May 10 at 10:28 p.m., an officer observed a vehicle weaving. He attempted a traffic stop, but the driver failed to yield and continued on. The driver went north on Grand to Sierra Vista where he pulled over just shy of his residence. The driver was subsequently arrested for driving under the influence and failure to yield.

Grand Theft Auto

On May 11 at 8:48 a.m., a vehicle was reported stolen in the 600 block of East Colorado. The victim had parked his vehicle, a red, 2005 Honda in front of his residence. The following morning he discovered the vehicle missing. Investigation continuing.

Critical Missing

On May 11 at 12:30 p.m., a report was received regarding a missing juvenile who was seen on a bus in Monrovia. Officers conducted an investigation and determined that the missing juvenile returned to her mother's home in Los Angeles. Officers were able to confirm with Department of Children and Family Services that the juvenile was safe and in her mother's custody.

Residential Burglary

On May 11 at 2:47 p.m., a residential burglary was reported in the 600 block of West Walnut sometime between 7 a.m. and 2:20 p.m. When the victim returned they found the screen off of the front window. A lap top computer, TV and other electronics were stolen. Investigation continuing.

Strong Arm Robbery

On May 11 at 7:59 p.m., officers responded to 600 block of West Huntington, regarding a robbery. The victim, a customer, was sitting at a table using his laptop and had his black, iphone on the table. The suspect entered the store, looked around as if he was going to buy coffee. He walked behind the victim, pushed the victim's head down onto the table with one hand while he grabbed the iphone with the other hand. The suspect then walked out and fled on foot. The suspect is described as a male, black, early 20's, 6'3", medium build, light complexion wearing an over sized T-shirt, white pants, and had corn roll hair style. Investigation continuing.

Arson

On May 12 at 7:44 p.m., an officer responded to the 900 block of East Lemon to investigate a fire at the school. The door of classroom 13 was on fire. Apparently a school banner was suspended in the air, above classroom 13. As the banner burned to the ground, it caught the classroom door on fire. The fire was extinguished immediately and structure damage was minimal. The investigation is continuing.

Possession of Controlled Substance

On May 13 at 12:35 a.m., an officer stopped a vehicle for a lighting equipment violation. A subsequent investigation revealed marijuana and several ecstasy pills inside of the locked glove box. Both suspects were arrested.

Grand Theft Auto

On May 13 at 10:34 a.m., a vehicle was reported stolen in the 400 South Magnolia. The victim parked his vehicle in front of his house. The vehicle is a 2000, Honda, Civic. Investigation continuing.

Grand Theft Auto

On May 13 at 4:42 p.m., an officer responded to the 200 block of Kruse regarding a stolen vehicle. The victim parked his vehicle on the street in front of his house. The vehicle was a 2008 black GMC truck. The keys were not accounted for. Investigation continuing.

Theft / Receiving Stolen Property - Suspects Arrested

On May 13 at 12:56 p.m., Arcadia Police Officers interrupted a theft in progress occurring at 3000 block of Peck Road. Arcadia Police officers detained two suspects pending Monrovia Police Department's arrival, as the theft occurred in Monrovia's jurisdiction. An officer handled the investigation and discovered the suspects jumped over the wall at a facility and stole boat parts. The suspect's pick up truck was also loaded with other property suspected to be stolen from other locations. Officers took custody of the suspects. Investigation continuing.

*From Monrovia's City Manager:*

## Development Spotlight:

## SANTA TERESITA

The "Rose Gardens at Santa Teresita" (RGST) Specific Plan was approved last year encompassing 12 acres of land (2.7 acres in Monrovia and 9.3 acres in Duarte) that is currently the Santa Teresita Hospital property. The RGST Specific Plan provides a land use plan, development regulations, and design guidelines to facilitate the development of skilled nursing facilities as well as assisted living and independent living units in a campus type setting for seniors. Development will be in four phases and the first phase is underway which includes a 22-unit assisted living facility that is under construction in Monrovia. The developer anticipates completion of this first building in late July.



## CITY OF DUARTE TO LAUNCH SEMI MONTHLY ENEWS

**DUARTE, CA, May 16, 2012** – Duarte residents, business members and others who would like to have another way to keep up to date on the latest news from the City of Duarte can subscribe to a free, semi monthly enews set to launch on Friday, June 8. The newsletter, to be delivered directly to homes and offices via email, will include the latest City news stories and links to the City of Duarte website, [www.accessduarte.com](http://www.accessduarte.com), and CityofDuarte on twitter.

"Our new, semi-monthly enews is another way we're working to help keep our residents and business people aware and informed about City issues, activities and events in both a cost-effective and green manner," said Deputy City Manager, Karen Herrera. In addition to [accessduarte.com](http://accessduarte.com) and twitter, Duarte also produces a quarterly hard copy "Community News/Public Safety News" communiqué to residents, publishes City news in the bi-monthly Duarte Chamber publication, Duarte View; distributes City news to local newspapers, and offers video coverage of City Council meetings on Duarte Public Access (DCTV) carried on Charter Cable Channel 3 in Duarte. Video coverage of Duarte City Council meetings can also be viewed on-demand on DCTV on the Web, [www.dctvduarte.com](http://www.dctvduarte.com).

To be added to the enews email list, go to [www.accessduarte.com](http://www.accessduarte.com) and click on the enews sign up on the home page, or call Karen Herrera at (626) 357-7931, ext. 221.

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## SCHOOL DIRECTORY

## PUSD GRADUATION AND PROMOTION CEREMONIES SCHEDULED

Commencement ceremonies for the Pasadena Unified School District's (PUSD) graduating class of 2012 will be held in early June. The last day of school is June 7 this year.

"Congratulations to the graduates and their families," said Superintendent Jon R. Gundry. "The Class of 2012 has a bright future ahead and we look forward to hearing about their success in the 21<sup>st</sup> century."

High school graduation ceremonies will be held at locations in Pasadena and Altadena, with the exception of John Muir High School, which will hold its ceremony at Monrovia High School this year. Graduation ceremonies for the PUSD classes of 2013 and 2014 will be held at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium, thanks to a partnership with the City of Pasadena.

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| Blair High School                           | June 5, 2012  | 6:00 p.m.        | Pasadena High School<br>Gladiss Edwards Auditorium<br>2925 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.,<br>Pasadena |
| Center for<br>Independent Studies           | June 5, 2012  | <b>4:00 p.m.</b> | Pasadena High School<br>Gladiss Edwards Auditorium 2925<br>E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Pasadena    |
| Marshall<br>Fundamental<br>Secondary School | June 7, 2012  | 7:00 p.m.        | Pasadena City College<br>John A. Sexson Auditorium<br>1570 E. Colorado Blvd.,<br>Pasadena     |
| John Muir High<br>School                    | June 8, 2012  | 6:00 p.m.        | Monrovia High School Field<br>845 W. Colorado Blvd, Monrovia,<br>CA 91016                     |
| Rose City High<br>School                    | June 8, 2012  | 1:00 p.m.        | McKinley School Auditorium<br>325 S. Oak Knoll Ave., Pasadena                                 |
| Pasadena High<br>School                     | June 13, 2012 | 6:00 p.m.        | Pasadena Civic Auditorium<br>300 E. Green St. Pasadena  |

Promotion ceremonies for students moving from middle to high school are also scheduled June 4-7.

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| Marshall Fundamental Middle School | June 6, 2012 | 2:00 p.m.  | Pasadena High School<br>Gladiss Edwards Auditorium<br>2925 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.,<br>Pasadena |
| Washington Middle School           | June 4, 2012 | 6:00 p.m.  | John Muir High School<br>Rufus Mead Auditorium<br>1905 Lincoln Ave., Pasadena                 |
| Eliot Middle School                | June 6, 2012 | 8:30 a.m.  | Eliot Middle School Auditorium<br>2184 N. Lake Ave., Altadena                                 |
| McKinley K-8 School                | June 6, 2012 | 4:00 p.m.  | McKinley School Auditorium<br>325 S. Oak Knoll Ave.,<br>Pasadena                              |
| Wilson Middle School               | June 6, 2012 | 10:00 a.m. | Wilson Middle School<br>Auditorium<br>300 S. Madre St., Pasadena                              |
| Blair Middle School                | June 7, 2012 | 9:00 a.m.  | Blair School Gym<br>3201 S. Marengo Ave.,<br>Pasadena   |
| Sierra Madre Middle School         | June 7, 2012 | 5:30 p.m.  | Pasadena High School<br>Gladiss Edwards Auditorium<br>2925 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.,<br>Pasadena |

The 2012-2013 academic year begins August 22, 2012.

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SCHOLARSHIP  
PROGRAM  
2012**

The Rotary Club of Sierra Madre is pleased to offer financial support to students in our community who are involved in the community and who demonstrate excellence in their work.

Each year the Club awards one or more scholarships to students beginning college.

The scholarship award will be paid directly to the student's college.

The Club offers these scholarships to students who are residents of Sierra Madre and/or members of the Sierra Madre Interact Club.

The 2012 scholarship program consists of one award of \$500. For application, go to: <https://sites.google.com/site/rcsmscholarship> or email [RCSM.scholarship@gmail.com](mailto:RCSM.scholarship@gmail.com)



## ST. RITA LAUNCHES JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

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## Looking Into The Life Of A Teenager

By Meaghan Allen

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Recently, I filmed *Mijares* Sunday Brunch for my TV show, "Dining with Dills," again the friendly service abounded. For (\$18.95) you can immerse yourself in pretty much all the menu items. Sparkling wine is also included in the price. The Musicians wander through the restaurant with their powerful ballads that sweep the afternoon away. I see many people having a great time, so, be responsible and please bring a designated driver!!! Items included are different fruits, a salad bar, many desserts; house made tortillas, soups, enchiladas, fajitas and an omelet station. Kids eat for (\$8.95), no mimosas for the kids. Make sure you say, hello to Alice, knowing her, she's probably the one setting up the brunch.

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Memorial Day is a day of parades and speeches. People sometimes follow the paraders to a cemetery to place flowers and ribbons on the graves of soldiers or other people they knew and loved. Often, prayers, songs or memories are shared.

On this long weekend, there are also cookouts, family visits and even trips to the beach. It's a great time to ask questions to learn more about your family tree. What memories can your grandparents share?

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# Jeff's Pics The Book Report

By Jeff Brown

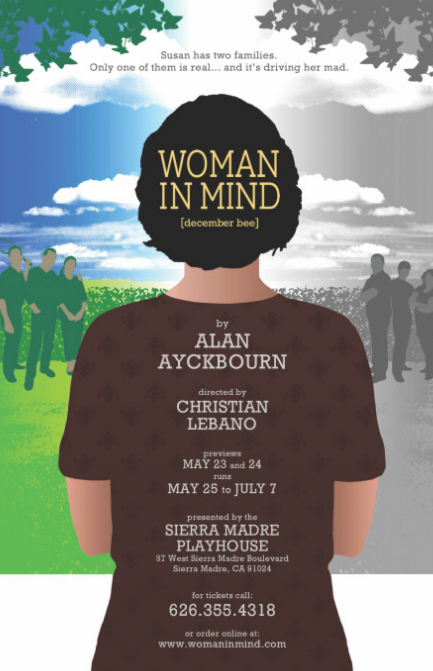
## THE ART OF INTELLIGENCE: LESSONS FROM A LIFE IN THE CIA'S CLANDESTINE SERVICE by Henry A. Crumpton

A legendary CIA spy and counterterrorism expert tells the spellbinding story of his high risk, action packed career while illustrating the growing importance of America's intelligence officers and their secret missions. For a crucial period, Henry Crumpton led the CIA's global covert operations against America's terrorist enemies, including al Qaeda. In the days after 9/11, the CIA tasked Crumpton to organize and lead the Afghanistan campaign. With Crumpton's strategic initiative and bold leadership, from the battlefield to the Oval Office, U.S. and Afghan allies routed al Qaeda and the Taliban in less than ninety days after the Twin Towers fell. At the height of combat against the Taliban in late 2001, there were fewer than five hundred Americans on the ground in Afghanistan, a dynamic blend of CIA and Special Forces. The campaign changed the way America wages war. This book will change the way America views the CIA. The Art of Intelligence draws from the full arc of Crumpton's espionage and covert action exploits to explain what America's spies do and why their service is more valuable than ever. From his early years in Africa, where he recruited and ran sources, from loathsome criminals to heroic warriors; to his liaison assignment at the FBI, the CIA's Counterterrorism Center, the development of the UAV Predator program, and the Afghanistan war; to his later work running all CIA clandestine operations inside the United States, he employs enthralling storytelling to teach important lessons about national security, but also about duty, honor, and love of country.

### BOY'S LIFE by Robert McCammon

In me are the memories of a boy's life, spent in that realm of enchantments. These are the things I want to tell you. Robert McCammon delivers in this award winning masterpiece, a novel of Southern boyhood, growing up in the 1960s, that reaches far beyond that evocative landscape to touch readers universally. Boy's Life is a richly imagined, spellbinding portrait of the magical worldview of the young and of innocence lost. Zephyr, Alabama, is an idyllic hometown for eleven-year-old Cory Mackenson, a place where monsters swim the river deep and friends are forever. Then, one cold spring morning, Cory and his father witness a car plunge into a lake -- and a desperate rescue attempt brings his father face-to-face with a terrible, haunting vision of death. As Cory struggles to understand his father's pain, his eyes are slowly opened to the forces of good and evil that surround him. From an ancient mystic who can hear the dead and bewitch the living, to a violent clan of moonshiners, Cory must confront the secrets that hide in the shadows of his hometown, for his father's sanity and his own life hang in the balance. One of my all time favorites!

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## SEAN'S SHAMELESS REVIEWS:

Review By Sean Kayden



### BEACH HOUSE

Steady artistic growth and progress is essential in today's music. Without it, you'll remain hanging onto previous laurels and never move forward with your own true artistry. For the likes of dream-pop aficionados, Beach House, they've somehow managed to stay within the margins of their genre of expertise, but further expand their dreamy and hauntingly immaculate resonance. The latest album, "Bloom", comes off the heels of their acclaimed 2010 opus, "Teen Dream", which wowed critics and fans alike. "Bloom" dazzles and hypnotizes with its atmospheric haze that embodies the ten glorious tracks. The innately organic tone Beach House offers is a marvel to become fully immersed with. There is something truly remarkable to the weightlessness each track plays off. That's not to say they don't provide any substance because they do, but attempting to discover this kind of utter beauty anywhere else may as well be a futile task.

**Artist:** Beach House  
**Album:** Bloom  
**Label:** Sub Pop Records  
**Release Date:** May 15, 2012

Darkly layered rhythms and immensely personal, "Bloom" takes you on an ethereal journey. Composed of stunning melodies and a deep complexity of arrangements, the album is a passage to an unearthly reality. Occasionally a track proceeded by another track might only offer imperceptible change in style. However, if you listen to each song in consecutive order, the awareness to this will mean nothing because the bits and pieces of "Bloom" translate to something much greater. The concept of assorted feelings is scattered throughout the borders of the record. The lyrics transcend one emotion, but the sound lifts you to an even higher cloud of sentiment. Astonishingly, it's vastly difficult to find a fault with any of the ten songs here. Seemingly flawless from start to finish, "Bloom" is exactly what it's named after—a period of time which sparks the utmost exquisiteness and imagination.

To pinpoint exactly which track stands out the most would be pointless because each song here takes you to another world. My favorites though have to be the heaven-like sound of "Lazuli" and the lean guitar riffs spotted in "Wild". In addition, the lyrics of "New Year" may not sparkle on page, but are ignited with such passion and are full of life when sung from the celestial sound of Victoria LeGrand—"You were getting wiser/It's better this way/Faces in the mirror/Memories again/Now look to a feeling/It's lighter than breath/All you ever wanted/Is it getting away?" The real treat with "Bloom" is the voyage from beginning to end—one I may add, will stay with you far after your return back.

Grade: 9.3 out of 10

Key Tracks: "Myth", "Wild", "Lazuli", "New Year"



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## Sierra Madre Spring Art Exhibition: HILDA PITTMAN

The City of Sierra Madre Community Services Commission and Arts Advisory Committee is pleased to present an art exhibition by Sierra Madre resident Hilda Pittman.

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People with clear skies across most of North America will experience a partial eclipse of the Sun late this Sunday afternoon (May 20, 2012). Only those near the Eastern Seaboard will miss out on this awesome cosmic event.

If you happen to be in a swath of land running from Northern California to Texas, you'll get a very special kind of partial eclipse: an annular eclipse, in which the rim of the Sun becomes a brilliant ring completely encircling the black silhouette of the Moon.

For Los Angeles area viewers, the Sun will be moving down the afternoon sky when a dark dent begins to intrude into one edge at 5:24 p.m. The dent is the silhouette of the new Moon traveling along its monthly orbit around the Earth. The dent will deepen, eventually turning the Sun into a thin crescent. Maximum eclipse will occur at 6:38 p.m., with the Moon covering 79% of the Sun's area. The eclipse will end at 7:42 p.m., 10 minutes before sunset.

The eclipse will become annular (a "ring eclipse") for parts of southern Oregon, northern California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, and a bit of Texas. The annular aspect makes this the first "central" solar eclipse (meaning total or annular) to cross the United States since 1994. Untold numbers of people are planning to travel to the path of annularity for the grand event.

Americans are seeing the tail end of this eclipse. Its annular part begins at sunrise along the southern coast of China (where the local date is May 21st), then crosses parts of Japan, including Tokyo on the centerline. It then speeds across the North Pacific through much of the day before making landfall on the California-Oregon coast in the late afternoon of the 20th (local date).

"Annular" means "ring-like." This is the kind of eclipse we see when the Moon is at its farthest from Earth, at which time it appears slightly smaller in the sky than the Sun does. The Moon will be practically at the apogee of its orbit—just two weeks, or half an



orbit, after it was a "supermoon" (at perigee, or closest approach) when full on May 5th.

Only 88% of the Sun's surface area will be blocked during annularity. "This will cause less change in the daylight than you might think," says Alan MacRobert, a senior editor of Sky & Telescope magazine. "Moderately thin clouds would dim the sunlight more. And if you're where the eclipse is only partial, the dimming will be less."

**PROTECT YOUR EYES!**

The exposed part of the Sun will remain blindingly bright—literally so—and anyone viewing any part of this eclipse, partial or annular, must use a safe solar filter, such as a #13 or #14 rectangular arc-welder's glass or an astronomer's filter made specifically for Sun viewing. Ordinary dark glasses won't do. Watching the Sun through an inadequate filter (or none) can permanently damage your eyesight.

Sky & Telescope's website describes several recommended Sun-viewing methods: <http://www.skyandtelescope.com/observing/home/Safely-View-the-Upcoming-Eclipse-and-Transit-150863835.html>

Other things to look for during this eclipse include a silvery or metallic quality to the light around the time of annularity or when the Sun is a thin crescent. Look for images of the crescent or ring Sun being cast under leafy trees; small openings between leaves make natural "pinhole cameras" that project images of the Sun on the ground.

**COMING SOON: TRANSIT OF VENUS**

Another sky spectacle is coming up soon. Just 16 days after the eclipse, on the afternoon of June 5th, it's the planet Venus's turn to cross the face of the Sun. The silhouette of Venus will be a small black dot with just 3% the diameter of the Sun, compared to the Moon's 94% on May 20th. Read all about the transit of Venus on Sky & Telescope's website: <http://www.skyandtelescope.com/observing/highlights/Transit-of-Venus-February-2012-134332798.html>

For an image of how the eclipse will look from Los Angeles: [http://www.griffithobservatory.org/exhibits/special/Special\\_Event\\_Partial\\_Eclipse\\_2012.html](http://www.griffithobservatory.org/exhibits/special/Special_Event_Partial_Eclipse_2012.html)

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Happy Tails  
by Chris Leclerc"DOGGIE DOOMSDAY"  
Are Your Pets Prepared for a Potential Disaster?

Being prepared to successfully endure, survive and thrive through a major earthquake, tornado, hurricane or any other type of "doomsday disaster" is by no means a new concept to us these days. However, if you are anything like me, you will agree that it can't hurt to re-visit the issue now and then, and allow yourself to subscribe to any fresh ideas or suggestions on doomsday preparedness, when and if one should occur.

I recently read an article in the June 2012 issue of "Dog Fancy" magazine entitled "Ready for Anything", by Kitson Jazynka, about a true experience had by the Anastasias, a Maryland family who found themselves dealing with three very frightened dogs, two of which went missing during Hurricane Irene last year. For a while, during the ordeal, the Anastasias began to think that they might never see their precious pups again. It happened while they were running across the yard, trying desperately to escape their home after a huge oak tree had been pushed over by the high winds and landed on their roof. They ran to find refuge at a neighbor's house, and were making their way across the field when two of their three dogs broke away and ran randomly without direction in the dark night.

I could so relate to how the Anastasias must have felt when their dogs got away and ran in fear, and I could so imagine that happening at my house if I should find myself in a similar situation. That article forced me to face the fact that, although I love my pets, and I like to think I am a responsible pet owner, I am no where near as 'pet-ready' for a major disaster as I should and could be. It also brought to mind the fact that I would never forgive myself if my pets went missing or perished during a major disaster, knowing that I had not done everything possible to avoid loss of life or limb on their behalf.

Fortunately, the Anastasias did manage to find their two frightened dogs and gathered them in to safety before they were lost or hurt, but the end result could have been grim, considering their lack of preparedness. The key element of advantage that came from that experience was the fact that the family realized how important pet preparedness is for potential doomsday disasters and shared what they learned. First and foremost, they realized that it is very important not to wait until the night of the 'storm' or disaster, to prepare! To really be ready for a potential disaster, one must take the time to plan ahead.

Preparing your cats and dogs for a "doomsday" event includes several factors and should begin with writing out a plan. Ideally, the plan will include a list of various scenarios with corresponding actions to be taken. For example, how can you be best prepared to care for your pets in the case of a mandatory evacuation due to a fire or flood? Or like in the case of the Anastasias, what if you are forced to flee from your home during a raging storm? Conversely, what steps of preparation should you take to protect your pets if you are forced to stay inside your house without power after a blizzard? We may not have blizzards in Sierra Madre, but this could happen while you are on vacation in the mountains, or visiting a friend or family member in another part of the country. Preparation plans will vary depending on the specific needs of your pet, but here are a few basic tips that will pertain to nearly any home with domestic pets:

- Microchip your dog. Collars and tags can easily fall off and get lost, and the appearance of your pet may vary depending on the elements and whether your dog is injured. A registered chip implanted under your dog's skin will ensure its unmistakable identity, should s/he get lost. Ask your veterinarian about microchip implants and registering.
- Crate train your dog, or at least train it to be accustomed to walking in and out of a storm cellar or underground crawl space. If a dog is fearful of small spaces, he may not be willing to take shelter.
- Keep extra copies of your pet's vaccination records and photos on hand to help identify and prove ownership of your pet.
- Establish a buddy system with one of your neighbors to keep your dog out of harm's way in case you are unable to get home during a disaster.
- Keep a box of extra pet foods and any other pet necessities you may need in case the stores are closed for an extended period of time after a disaster. The pet supply box should be stored along with your own "human" survival kit for easy retrieval in case of an evacuation.
- Regardless of the circumstances, it is very important that you secure your pet on a leash or in a crate, at the onset of a major storm or earthquake. If your pet is not secured, he is much more likely to escape and run out into the street where he could be hit by a car, or roam randomly out into the neighborhood or up into the forest where you may not be able to find him.
- Animals often become very nervous during a storm, and they also pick up on our own vibrations if we ourselves are nervous or afraid. If you plan ahead, and practice the basic steps of preparedness before a disaster hits, you will be much more apt to remain calm throughout the ordeal, and in that

KATIE Tse .....*This and That*

## COBRA WOMAN!

What has snakes, dancing girls, and a human sacrifice-hungry island volcano? You guessed it --"Cobra Woman!" This 1944 cult classic has all the corniness of camp films, short of starring Vincent Price. It was also recently featured as an "At the Movies Flick Pick" in the L.A. Times. So I'm not the only weirdo who saw it!

Here's the story in a nutshell: Ramu, our love interest (with an American accent), is engaged to Tollea, a beautiful redhead (with a South American accent) on a quaint island in the South Pacific. They never tell you it's the South Pacific, but you get that drift. Much of this movie was shot at the Arcadia Arboretum. Anyone who's been there in the last 10 years will recognize the pool, palm trees, and steps leading into the water. Back to the story... Just before the couple hits the alter, Tollea is kidnapped! Her step-father (who has a Scottish accent. Go figure!) seems totally cool with this, and suggests to Ramu that he forget all about her. With relatives like that who needs enemies? Ramu, however, isn't willing to give up his bride so easily. Her step-father explains that she was rescued from "Cobra Island" as an infant, and now her people have come to take her back.

Ramu sets off for Cobra Island in a small dingy. Little does he know that Kado, his trusty native guide, has followed him despite Ramu's strict instruction to not get involved. (Like all English-learners in old movies, Kado has problems with noun/verb agreement. "I are your friend!") Having arrived at Cobra Island, Ramu witnesses Naja, Tollea's evil twin sister, strutting with a throng of pretty girls in tow to the "royal lagoon." Ramu naturally assumes that this is his beloved Tollea, and dives into the water after her. They frolic around in an impressive under water scene --reminiscent of Esther Williams.

To make a long story a bit shorter, Ramu gets imprisoned. The dungeon looks exactly like the one from "The Wizard of Oz." In fact, Cobra Island is patrolled by guards who look as if they lifted their outfits from the Wicked Witch's bodyguard. And as if they didn't borrow enough from Oz, when the royal priest comes to interrogate him, Ramu overtakes him and steals his robe as camouflage. You almost expect to see the Cowardly Lion's tail wagging behind him.

Meanwhile, Tollea's grandmother explains the situation to her. (Granny's also an American. One wonders where Tollea got her Spanish flare.) Both Tollea and her sister were subjected



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to the bite of the Cobra King at birth, but Tollea, the elder, was sickened. So Naja, deemed the stronger one, and was granted the priesthood. Fire Mountain has been rumbling all this time, so Naja calls an assembly of the people and does a hilarious sensuous dance, circling round a live cobra. At first she's wearing something like Queen Amidala's getup in Star Wars: Episode 1. Then she sheds it down to a shimmery hip-hugging sequined dress. This is the highlight

of the whole film --HIL-LAR-I-IOUS!! As her gyrations grow in intensity, she starts pointing at members of the audience, who are immediately carried away to become sacrifices to Fire Mountain.

Tollea and Naja eventually duke it out, Tollea demanding, "Geeve me the cobra jewel" (which sound like "yule" in her Cobra Island accent). Everything on Cobra Island is righted at the end, but Ramu must return to the Scottish colony and let Tollea rule her people as the rightful heiress. (Naja's fiancé speared her grandma.) Ramu and Kado sigh heavily, sailing back to the Scottish Isle on their dingy. Suddenly Tollea appears from under the rigging! She and Ramu embrace, and she assures him that she set up her lady-in-waiting as the head of church and state. Nothing to worry about! They happily sail away into the open sea.

You gotta love campy old movies! And "Cobra Woman" does not disappoint. The only suggestion I have is that you start the movie on an empty bladder. Otherwise your violent laughter might cause embarrassment. Happy viewing!



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THE JOY OF YOGA

THE POSTURE’S JUST THE BEGINNING



By Rene Quenell, Founder/Owner  
Yoga Madre - Sierra Madre

I really had no idea. When I look back at the process and how it all happened - I was completely unaware. Well, okay, maybe not completely. Somewhere deep down inside, I was called.

I had no idea where the journey would go. I just thought it would be cool to teach. I liked the practice of yoga. I loved what it did for me physically. I did not know that it would transform my life. I soon learned that yoga is not about learning the postures, but it is about learning to know your Self.

There are so many different styles of yoga - how can you choose? Well, ultimately it is not which style we choose or what teacher - but our own dedication and our own sincerity in practicing that is important. It is all about what we do on and off the mat that matters. I had set out to expand my knowledge and develop a personal practice and what came of that, became a way of life.

Humility was my first big lesson. I went off to teacher training and thought my practice was pretty good. But I could not fold like the other teacher trainees. I could not do handstand. I felt kind of foolish. How was I going to be a yoga teacher if it's all about the most insane pose? Luckily, it is not. I began to discover the old adage "the more you know - the less you know." And then, I became fascinated.

The change in me was huge. I can't say I realized it was all good at the time. Things that were not working in my life needed to go. There were challenges that I needed to breathe through. There was a lot of stuff that came up. But the most amazing thing happened. I got to know myself better and what works for me, what inspires me, what my dharma is and how I can be happy. That's the thing, we have to be inspired. We have to have desire, because without desire - we do not breathe, we do not grow.

The first lesson of humility was realizing I didn't know how to move my body. But I then realized I didn't know so much more about myself. The journey has been unbelievable. It is so great. I have to share it with others! To become a yoga teacher, you have to learn it yourself. Then you have to continue to learn. I am forever the student. My yoga is practice. It is asana, breath, relationships, raising kids, cooking, self-healing, self-awareness, clarity, balance. Namasté, René

P.S. If you would like to deepen your practice Yoga Madre offers a teacher training, next session begins June 1<sup>st</sup>.

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ADULT TRICYCLES FOR BOOMERS AND BEYOND

Dear Savvy Senior:  
What can you tell me about three-wheeled bicycles?  
I'm 67 years old and would like to take up recreational bike riding but don't trust myself on a two-wheeler. Unbalanced Bonnie



Dear Bonnie:

Three-wheeled bikes – also known as adult tricycles – are a great cycling option for older boomers and seniors, especially those who have concerns with their balance or stamina. Here's what you should know, along with some tips to help you shop for one.

Safer Cycling

If you'd like to take up bike riding, but worry about falling, an adult tricycle is a smart option to consider because of the stability it provides. With a tricycle, you can ride as slow as you want without ever losing your balance and you can put both feet on the ground while seated, which is very reassuring for many older riders.

In addition, adult tricycles are also made with a low "step through" design making mounting and dismounting much easier than a traditional bike; they come with big tires that ensure a smooth ride; have raised, ergonomic handlebars that are easier to reach and grip; and offer oversize seats (some even have backrests) for comfort and support. And, other than the frame, tricycles use the same standard components as traditional bikes do, so replacement parts are readily available, and repairs are not an issue.

Types of Tricycles

There are literally dozens of different types of adult tricycles to choose from with prices ranging anywhere from a few hundred to several thousand dollars. To help you figure out the right kind of tricycle that meets your needs and budget, here's a breakdown of the different styles and costs, along with some popular models to checkout.

Upright: If you're primarily interested in a leisurely ride around the neighborhood for pleasure, fitness or running errands, upright trikes are a good choice. These are traditional upright-positioned tricycles that come with rear cargo baskets and limited gear options usually ranging from one to three-speeds. Some popular models in this category include the Schwinn Meridian Adult Tricycle sold at Walmart and Target for around \$270, the Sun Traditional 24 trike (see sunbicycles.com) that retails for around \$375, and the Torker TriStar three-speed (torkerusa.com) which costs around \$500.

Recumbent: These are the lower-to-the-ground, stretched-out frame tricycles that allow you to recline with your legs positioned in front of you. Available in various styles, recumbent trikes are very comfy, easy on the back and aerodynamic which make them ideal for long rides. See terratrike.com, sunbicycles.com, industrialbicycles.com, trailmate.com and bikemania.biz for a nice variety, but be aware that recumbent trikes are more expensive than upright models, typically ranging between \$800 and \$2,500.

Tandem: If you plan to ride primarily with your spouse or another partner, you may want to get a tandem tricycle that comes with two seats (front and back), or you can get a double seat tricycle with the seats side-by-side. You can find these types of bikes for around \$1,000 to \$2,000, at the same websites that offer recumbent trikes.

Folding: If you like to travel or if you have limited storage space, tricycles that are designed to fold up to fit in tight spaces are another popular option. The Adventurer Three-Speed Folding Trike which sells for \$390 at adventurebikes.com, Kent Westport Folding Tricycle sold at Target and amazon.com for \$300, and Walmart's Port-O-Trike 3-Speed Folding Tricycle for \$400 are three good folding trikes to consider.

Electric: If you need a boost from time to time, electric tricycles are hybrids that have pedals and an electric motor, so you can exercise when you want or you can sit back and let the trike do the work. Some good options include the EW-88 electric trike at electricwheelstore.com for \$1,200, and the Cabbike 3 Electric Tricycle offered through cabbikes.com for \$979.

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.

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MAY ACTIVITIES

Senior Programs have returned to the Hart Park House enior Center, 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. in Memorial Park - Come by and see the changes!!

MondayS: City Hall & Lunch Café  
12 noon: Intervale Lunch Café: Come enjoy a hot meal with others. Donation for seniors (60+) of \$2.00; visitors \$3.75. Call 355-0256 to make your daily reservation.  
1:00 pm to 1:45 pm: *Strength Training* with Lisa Brandley. FREE class of stretching with light hand weights while you sit.  
Tuesdays:  
FREE blood pressure checks by Methodist Hospital Nurse; 11 am to 12 noon.  
1:30 pm to 3:30 pm: BINGO; cards are only 25 cents each so stop by & play  
5:15 pm to 6:45 pm: Yoga; \$6.00 - 50 & over. Please call 355-5278 for more information  
WednesdayS:  
11 –11:45 am: Balance Class with Teryl. FREE class designed to improve balance & refresh the joints  
12 noon: Intervale Lunch Café; daily reservations needed 355-0256  
2nd Wednesday of the month: FREE Legal Consultations: 10-11:30 am. Appointments call 355-7394  
Wii Wednesday - 1:00 pm or call the senior desk at 355-7394 to arrange another time & day to learn how to play. No previous experience or skills required and it is great exercise.  
Thursday:  
1:00 to 3:30 pm: Game Day. Join us for Poker with Bridge on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays; so please call for more information.  
Friday: City Hall closed on Dec. 16, 23 & 30 and Lunch Café closed on Dec. 23  
12 noon: Intervale Lunch Café; daily reservations needed 355-0256  
Saturday: 11:30 am: Senior Club brown bag lunch and BINGO at 12:30 pm.

2012 EXCURSIONS

Thursday, May 17th - Adamson House in Malibu. Join us as we visit this historic 1930s home, view the largest display of Malibu titles, tour (walking) the Malibu Lagoon Museum and end your visit at a local restaurant for lunch. The bus will leave the senior center at 8 am and return around 3:30 pm (depending on traffic). COST is \$20 per person (you will need additional money to pay for your own lunch) and the tour is limited to the first 20 paid registrations. Please note, if it rains the excursion will be canceled per the museum staff. City staff will know by 7 am the morning of May 17th if it is canceled & will call all participants at that time.

Friday, June 8th - Nethercutt Collection & lunch at the Bear Pit BBQ restaurant. June's adventure takes you to the San Fernando Valley to see the museum that houses over 200 classic cars, antique furniture and musical instruments. After the guide lead walking tour of the collection participants will then enjoy lunch (please bring additional money for lunch). Bus will depart at 8:45 am and return around 3:30 pm. Cost per person is \$12 for transportation & driver's tip.

Friday, July 13th - Laguna Beach Pageant of the Masters. This annual trip will be leaving Sierra Madre at 4:30 pm and return around 11:30 pm. Tickets are limited to the first 40 registered participants and the cost per person is \$55.

Registration can be done either in person or online at [www.cityofsierramadre.com/online/registration](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/online/registration)



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## One Of A Kind: *Featuring unique homes and gardens and the people who create them* Story by Chris Bertrand. Photos by Susanne Hayek and Chris Bertrand



### Just Listed: Vintage 1917 Sierra Madre Craftsman

**Built Originally as Retirement Residence for Col. Holabird, "Empire Builder"**

Designed in 1917 by noted California architects, Theodore Eisen & Son, this is the "quintessential Craftsman" according to listing agent Pauli Morin, of Coldwell Banker in Arcadia.

The prominent Eisen firm is known for their design work for "El Alisal" the Charles Lummis home along the Arroyo Seco in Mount Washington neighborhood of northeast Los Angeles, along the 110 freeway. The Eisens also designed the Edward Doheny home, a family known for their oil fortune, and the Crank mansion in Altadena. The elder Eisen was known as "a pioneer architect" and a "dean of the architectural profession in the state."

Built as the retirement residence for Col. And Mrs. William H. Holabird, the home was noted in publications of the times as "a picturesque foothill home" and advertised for sale in the LA Times later in 1926 for its "latest conveniences, wonderful mountain view,... frost never, and 15 minutes to Pasadena and 45 minutes to Los Angeles..."

Col. Holabird was known as the founder of nearby Claremont, as an international railroad engineer called upon to evaluate an (aborted) attempt to build a rail line over the Tejon Pass, for his rail expertise in several Asian countries, as the financial guru who "Rescued the Imperial Valley at a Time of Bankruptcy" due to Colorado River flooding and fiscal strife.

Located near Baldwin and Mountain Trail in north central Sierra Madre, the home is just outside "The Canyon", an area of vintage vacation cabins that extends up into the mountains. With a two car garage, extra onsite and on street parking, the home allow for the generous entertaining style perfect for this wonderful home.

The true hub and heart of this home is the nearly 600 square foot great room, that opens through a series of French doors to the expansive covered porch/outdoor living room. The great room, featuring vintage narrow oak flooring, spans a music area with grand piano, a comfortable seating area with a massive arroyo stone fireplace, plus a casual dining area, that opens to the saltwater pool, spa waterfall and back yard.

With five bedrooms and six baths, the home offers a private place for everyone in the household, with room for dual home offices if the owners work at home, as more do these days.

In addition to the living areas on the main level, the home offers two bedrooms, a den and three baths. Upstairs, three additional bedrooms include the master suite. With a cozy balcony with verdant leafy views, the master suite offers a large bedroom, a private bath with large tub and separate shower, and a walk-in closet that spans the entire length of the bedroom.



The generous kitchen is open to the casual dining area, bridged with breakfast bar seating, perfect to include the cook in the activities in the living area! The french doors opening to the pool area allow the cook to keep an eye on children at play, as well.

A large formal dining room includes French doors to the covered porch, bringing ample natural lighting and ambience to the room.

Out back, two different yards offer play, recreation and entertaining space, with a salt water pool, a spa and waterfall, with beautiful stone detailing, plus another yard with a children's play structure.

The home offers 3746 square feet of under-roof living space, including a full private guest unit with kitchenette, bath and a separate entrance on the lower level, and two separate undeveloped storage areas. One of these might be perfect for use as a partially below grade wine cellar and tasting room and/or a wonderful hobby or workshop!

407 Pleasant Hill Lane in Sierra Madre is offered at \$1,288,000 by Pauli Morin of Coldwell Banker. For a private showing, contact her at 626-233-2047 or [PMorin@ColdwellBanker.com](mailto:PMorin@ColdwellBanker.com). Historical information and research and publication notations provided by Pauli Morin and Tim Gregory, The Building Biographer.

## HOW TO CORRECT AGGRESSIVE TREE ROOTS

Trees are hardy plants, and their roots fight back against man-made limits around them. In the urban and suburban landscape, tree roots often are forced to grow between buildings or under driveways and walkways. As roots grow, they will break walls, pipes and patios, causing damage to properties.

### Plan before you plant

"Before you plant a new tree in your yard, you need to understand how a tree could damage your property and take appropriate measures to prevent that damage," advises Tchukki Andersen, Board Certified Master Arborist and staff arborist with the Tree Care Industry Association.

Woody tree roots thicken as they grow, gradually pushing shallow roots toward the surface. Since soil near the surface is best suited for root growth, most tree roots are just below the surface - putting them in conflict with man-made obstacles. Where the soil is covered by a solid driveway or patio, upward growing roots don't experience the normal signals (increased light and air) that they are reaching the surface. As a result, they often grow against the underside of pavement and become intrusive.

"Most damage is found six feet or less from the tree," notes Andersen, "since roots become smaller and less damaging the further they are from the trunk. Keep this in mind before you plant. That small sapling could become a large shade tree with roots spreading 30 or 40 feet outward from the trunk."

### Cutting roots with discretion

Some homeowners, masons and landscapers deal with intrusive roots by grinding down or removing them. This can be expensive and is very harmful to the tree. Wounding a tree's roots creates points of entry for pathogens, leaving a tree vulnerable to disease. Cutting major roots also reduces a tree's ability to take up nutrients and water, leaving it more susceptible to drought. Finally, cutting roots can reduce a tree's structural support, which increases the danger the tree will topple onto your house in high winds.

### Keep these cautions in mind when cutting problem tree roots:

the farther you cut from the trunk, the less threat to the tree's health, and the less danger of creating a hazard try not to cut roots greater than 2 inches in diameter prune roots back to a side or sinker root (growing downward) when possible roots recover better from being severed when you: cut them cleanly with a saw instead of breaking them with a backhoe mulch and water well after root pruning consult a qualified arborist when cutting within a distance equal to five times the trunk diameter to the trunk Some better root management options include:

Installing physical root guides and barriers that redirect tree roots down and away from hardscapes with minimal impact on the tree; Curve new hardscape features - such as a driveway or patio - around the tree roots and suspend hardscape features on small pilings to bridge over roots.

### Right tree for your site

Andersen advises selecting trees for your landscape that will cause less damage, matching species with site conditions and - most



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importantly - not planting large shade trees within 12 feet of hardscapes (sidewalks, driveways). Since the health of trees in your yard is put at risk whenever root systems are cut back or damaged, anything that can be done to reduce the damage caused by tree roots will also benefit your trees.

In areas within five to seven feet of a paved area or structure, plant trees that grow to a mature height of less than 30 feet. In areas within seven to 10 feet of a paved area or structure, plant trees that grow to a mature height of less than 50 feet. Reserve trees that when mature reach higher than 50 feet for areas with at least 12 feet of clearance around the trunk; this allows adequate space for the roots. Also, before you plant check for overhead utility lines and leave adequate space for that tree to mature. For some small tree ideas, click here.

### Find a professional

A professional arborist can assess your landscape and work with you to determine the best trees to plant. Contact the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA), a 71-year-old public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture. It has more than 2,000 member companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA also has the nation's only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that have been inspected and accredited based on: adherence to industry standards for quality and safety; maintenance of trained, professional staff; and dedication to ethics

and quality in business practices. An easy way to find a tree care service provider in your area is to use the "Locate Your Local TCIA Member Companies" program. You can use this service by calling 1-800-733-2622 or by doing a ZIP code search at [www.treecaretips.org](http://www.treecaretips.org).

TCIA arborists, safety and business professionals are also available as sources for tree related articles and issues. Call 1-800-733-2622 or email [andersen@tcia.org](mailto:andersen@tcia.org).

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# HUDDLE UP!



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## "ALL IN THE FAMILY"

One of the 'gifts' from my husband this Mother's Day, was a request to be the guest contributor for this column. He asked, so a few words from the wife.

In my day, there was no reality TV, just reality. Our family's coaching days are in the past, but we're still a football family and appreciate all we learned from our coaching life.

I knew at the outset my husband wanted to be a football coach. I decided early on to learn what I could about the game. I did. And taught our daughters. Two generals and their officers and armies trying to conquer territory with their division: offense, defense and special teams. Scoring points, holding the other team back, making that last minute field goal or running back the last kick-off -- or not. A win or a loss.

But much of the learning for wives is not about the game, but about the time outside of the game. It's about learning to compete, not with another person, but with 100 players, 12 coaches, a lifestyle, an addiction to all that is involved with the game. With the excitement (and anxiety) of getting ready, of winning, of getting over a loss, landing that great player, and the resulting comments on TV, radio, magazines and newspapers analyzing why this did or did not happen.

When my husband was head coach, part of my role was reminding the other wives that: 1. If you need lots of attention, don't expect to get it during the season. 2. Don't listen to what people say in the stands. 3. One person does not win or lose the game. 4. Don't worry about what the other "division" did or did not do. (Remember Mrs. Brady after the Super Bowl? If only those other guys had caught those beautiful passes from Tom they would have won.)

Football is about a three month playing season, nowhere near as many games as in baseball or basketball. In college, the work is almost all year round. There's recruiting, home visits, scouting, planning schemes, spring practices, two-a-days; making travel arrangements; keeping players happy, studying, eligible and healthy; There are weekend and late night meetings studying films and planning and analyzing our team and opponents. With a winning season, there's even more of the same. There's hiring (or firing) and replacing coaching, office or support staff. Except for a couple months, hours are never 9 to 5.

In our family we shared in all the "team" spirit during the season. Our girls were 'gum girls' cheerleading mascots and, later, school hosts with booster receptions and banquets and hospitality rooms. We prepared for and watched games and cheered and moaned like the rest of you and, the next day, suggested corrections on plays called during the game.

In addition to giving football advice, wives often have a job "outside the home." But we still drive kids to school, help with homework, take out the trash, get the kids to sports practice and doctors' appointments and make teacher conferences. We call and meet with the repair man, coach soccer and softball teams, attend horse shows and music concerts. We keep dinners warm and the weekends calm and mellow.

After the season, recruiting and spring ball, the short summer arrives at about Mother's Day, Pop is back home and ready to take charge of the house as he has the team.

More adjustments. The house has not been run with dad for a while. I'm sure families of people who travel frequently and certainly, those with deployed military, face this same dilemma. The at-home person learns to be decisive and independent, and then the partner returns, with new routines and rules, and opinions.

It was always a nice surprise when dad arrived at one of our games or shows or conferences. Oh oh, Dad is here, hope he doesn't yell at some referee or shout out some direction that the team just discussed not doing. Swing, don't swing, take, don't steal. At times, his cheers and suggestions had a way of annoying coaches and officials who thought, "Who is this guy?"

I won't go into detail, but just as coaches have their 'war stories' about games and plays and players, our girls have their own stories about Dad's presence at their events and activities.

It's been a few years, but it was an amazing experience. We all learned as a coaching family. We learned a great deal about competition, and football (of course.) The girls learned that boys are often surprised when girls know more than they do about a game. We all learned that making a move to another team in another town and other schools and other jobs, while stressful, can be survived. And we learned that survival and this kind of teamwork can (and did) teach us something about ourselves that prepares us for life beyond.

And it's nice to be looking back.

## SIERRA MADRE 2012 SUMMER ADULT CO-ED SOFTBALL REGISTRATION

Grab your friends and neighbors and sign a team up for our 2012 Summer Adult Softball League! Games will be played on Sunday from 2:00pm - 10:00pm and Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm - 10:00pm. Don't have a team? No worries! Sign yourself up as a free agent and we'll place you on a team. All players must be over 18 years of age to play.

The Sierra Madre Adult Co-ed Softball League is divided into an "A" league geared towards the competitive participants, and a "B" league for recreational competition. The champions of each league receive t-shirts! Due to the limited field space, registration is limited. Be sure to sign up early and don't miss out on the 2012 season! Please note that team sign-ups may have a free agent added to the roster. For more information contact 626-355-5278.

Season: Late June through August

Cost: \$320 per team or \$32 per player

Registration: Must be done in person at the Community Recreation Center, 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.

Games Site: Heasley Field located at Sierra Vista Park

**Deadline: Teams and players must register by Monday, June 4, 2012**

### SANTA ANITA PARK LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE THE 2012 BREEDERS' CUP

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## ADD 15 MORE YARDS TO YOUR TEE SHOT IN 90 DAYS

If you want to add 15 more yards to your tee shot-in three months, do what I did. I have a confession to make. Less than 24 months ago, my great friend Harvey Mackay asked me if I wanted to play 18 holes the following week. I had cut way back on my golf both playing and practicing for the past couple of years and I was not looking forward to this round of golf.

By the time I reached the 12 hole he (74 year old) Harvey had outdriven me four times. Harvey was playing to a 9 at the time and he is a great driver of the golf ball. I should say straight driver of the golf ball with an average of 225 yards. If I hit it well I was maybe 15 yards past him. However if I missed the tee shot a tiny bit, I was hitting first onto the green.

When I walked up to the 13th tee, I remember it as thou it was yesterday, I decided that I was going to do something about my golf game. The first thing I needed to do was start practicing and the second thing was to CATCH UP with the game. It was passing me by. The game was changing (getting longer) and I was stuck in neutral.

The next moring I ordered a *Momentum Heavy Hittable Driver* off of the internet with over-night delievery. I could hardly pick it up. I took it to the range, swung it five times and almost feel over. That is when I decided that I needed to come up with a routine so I could take advantage of my new club.

I decided that I was going to swing the club 25 times, three days a week whether I was at the golf course or not. In the backyard I went every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Once I started using it at the practice facility I then came up with another way to use it. During practice sessions I swung it three times for every six balls I hit. I like to hit three draws, three fades, three straight shots and then three swings with the heavy driver.

On days that I play, I have another routine that I have used for years. I hit three shots with every club in my bag. Now my routine includes swinging the heavy driver one time every time I change clubs.

OK, I know you are dying to hear the results. The only reason I am not going to tell you how much further I am hitting the ball is that everybody is different. The one thing I will tell you is that I am back. I have caught up with the sport and...well ok, I am at least 20 yards further off of the tee and 1.5 clubs longer with my irons. BUT, I have been VERY committed to this process. I have not missed a day in two years.

### VERY IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- #1. Warm up before you pick up a heavy driver and start swinging it
- #2. Even thou it says it is a HITTABLE club, make 200 practice swings with it before you start hitting balls. You have to get use to it first.
- #3. This is NOT an overnight fix for short tee shots. Stay committed to see results.
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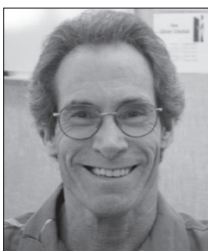
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HAIL Hamilton



## My Turn When Grandma Gets On The Stand, Be Careful What You Ask~

I saw this little bit of courtroom humor the other day while surfing the net. There's an old saying that a lawyer should never ask a witness a question if they aren't prepared for the answer. This is doubly true when questioning a grandma who is honest to a fault.

"In a trial in a small town the prosecuting attorney called his first witness, a grandmotherly, elderly woman to the stand. With her hand on a Bible, she was sworn in. She was asked if she would tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help her God. "I do," she replied.

"The prosecuting attorney approached her and asked, 'Mrs. Jones, do you know me?' She responded, 'Why, yes, I do know you Mr. Williams. I've know you since you were a boy, and frankly, you've been a big disappointment to me. You lie, you cheat on your wife, and you manipulate people and talk badly about them behind their backs. You think you're a big shot when you haven't the brains to realize you'll never amount to anything more than a two-bit paper pushing shyster... Yes, I know you quite well.'

"The lawyer was stunned and slowly backed away, fearing the disgusting looks on the judge's and juror's faces, not to mention the court reporter who was recording every word.

Not knowing what else to do, he pointed across the courtroom and

asked, 'Mrs. Jones, do you know the defense attorney?'

"She smiled and replied, "Why yes, I do. That's Mr. Bradley, who I've also known since he was a youngster. He's lazy, bigoted, and he has a bad drinking problem. He can't build a normal -- much less stable -- relationship with anyone, and his law practice is one of the worst in the entire county. Not to mention he too cheats on his wife. And, Mr. Williams, I'm sorry to be the one to tell you this, his most recent lover was your wife... Yes, I know him very well, too.

"The defense attorney almost fainted and was seen slipping downward in his chair, staring blankly at the floor. Laughter, mixed with gasps, could be heard all over the courtroom and the audience was on the verge of chaos.

"At this point, the judge brought the courtroom back to order. He asked both attorneys to approach the bench and, in a very quiet voice, said:

"If either of you crooked bastards asks her if she knows me, I'll send both of you to the electric chair."

If there's a moral to this funny story besides the obvious, it's that honesty is a double-edged sword that cuts both ways, and that almost everyone has secrets about themselves they'd rather not be revealed in public -- especially in a courtroom by a grandmotherly, elderly woman with a penchant for telling the truth, the whole truth -- warts and all!

RICH Johnson



## SUMMER CONVERSATION STARTERS

Summer is just around the corner and pretty soon we will be spending weekends in the parks and backyards of Sierra Madre, Monrovia, Arcadia and little Pasadena. At times with just family but at other times with other guests.

Breaking the ice conversationally can be difficult so I thought I would repost my "Summer Conversation Starters" column from 3 years ago. Cut the column out and post it near your BBQ or on your refrigerator. These questions should certainly stimulate interesting conversations.

If a man speaks in the middle of the woods and no women hear him, is he still wrong?

What should we do if we see an endangered species eating an endangered plant?

Why did kamikaze pilots wear helmets?

What do you plant to grow a seedless watermelon?

How deep would the ocean be without sponges?

What is a free gift? Aren't all gifts free?

What was the best thing before sliced bread?

Why isn't there mouse-flavored cat food?

Why does your nose run and your feet smell?

If we are here to help others, then what are the others here for?

Can atheists get insurance protecting them from Acts of God?

How can there possibly be self-help groups?

How come super glue doesn't stick to the tube?

If a rabbit's foot is so lucky, what happened to the rabbit?

What's another word for thesaurus? Or synonym?

How does the guy who drives the snowplow get to work?

How do "Don't walk on the grass" signs get there?

Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?

Why is abbreviation such a long word?

Does that screwdriver really belong to Philip?

Why is there an expiration date on sour cream?

Who is the wise guy who put the letter 's' in lisp?

And finally, the ultimate question: "What if there were no hypothetical questions?"

On a more serious note, my friend Holly sent me a link to information promoting disaster preparedness for your pets. If you have pets please check this out. You can find it at <http://www.petfinder.com/info/pets-in-disasters.html>. Thanks Holly. Another friend, Helen, has a sticker on the front window of her house alerting people to the fact that there are pets inside. And in case of a disaster (and she's not home) that whoever comes across the house to please rescue the pets. Another good idea. Thanks Helen.

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STUART Tolchin.....



*Off-Stage Voice: Tonight and for the foreseeable future, the role of you will be played by you.*

Last week in a dream I recognized an old friend from Law School, about whom I had not seen or thought in 44 years. I awoke with the strong belief that this old friend had something very important to tell me. Through FaceBook, I managed to make contact and after a couple of short exchanges, I asked him if he was doing anything to save the world. Surprisingly, he informed me that in fact he had made several trips to Africa and was involved in constructing programs that assisted AIDS sufferers in an African country.

Soon I was e-mailed his fifteen page journal detailing observations during a first trip to Africa. The journal has had a powerful effect upon me. Horrible conditions are described. Staggering numbers of now parentless children are AIDS infected and facilities are not adequate to care for them. Education programs have failed. The husbands become infected when they travel away from the community to earn income needed to support their wives and family. While away from home, the husbands inevitably have unprotected sex with diseased sex-workers. The men return home and have unprotected sex and transmit the disease to their wives. The horror, of course, is that the men simply do not want to use condoms and the women are afraid to complain. The reasons are complicated, but I understand that the women are dependent upon the men for economic survival and that it is not culturally acceptable for women to utter these kinds of complaints to their husbands.

Education programs involving the distribution of condoms and utilization directions have not been helpful. Women were unwilling to even mention the problem to their husbands and the men were not interested in the programs. What has helped is a kind of consciousness raising workshop for women which has given much-needed support empowering women to stand up to their husbands. The surprising result is that as the women speak up the behavior of the men has changed. The women are being given more respect as the men begin to help care for children and share in domestic chores. A certain kind of understanding has evolved that has allowed the family to act as a unit rather than in opposition to one another.



## OUT TO PASTOR

*A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder*

## GIGGLE THE POUNDS AWAY WITH LAUGHTERCISE

Finally, someone has come up with a weight loss program I can sink my teeth into without guilt. And I say, it's about time. I can't speak for anybody else, but I'm fed up with diet programs that simply beat me to death.

I'm tired of starving myself under the pretense of dieting, and exercising my body to the brink of absolute exhaustion. It's about time someone looked on the lighter side of dieting.

According to a study in Athens, Greece, scientists have found a good laugh is a calorie burner not to be ignored. You can be sure this gained my attention.

Some American researchers found that 10 to 15 minutes of genuine giggling can burn off the number of calories found in a medium square of chocolate. These scientists discovered a way to measure how many calories people burn when they laugh.

When I read this, I laughed for 39 minutes, allowing me to eat two medium squares of chocolate. At this rate, I'll be able to eat several pounds of chocolate a day.

Now that's what I call a diet.

According to their findings, the average person burns 20 percent more calories when laughing, compared to not laughing. If somebody laughs for 10 or 15 minutes a day they would burn up to 50 calories, depending on body size and the intensity of the laughter.

This means if I laughed for 10 to 15 minutes a day, I would burn enough calories to lose 4-1/2 pounds in a year. That's nothing to laugh at.

This means in 50 years I would completely disappear from the face of the earth. Which poses a question; when a person loses weight, where does that weight go?

I'm not one to jump on the latest bandwagon but there is nothing funny about carrying around extra weight. For some it's like having a monkey on their back, for me it's more like a gorilla.

Up to this point, my weight loss program has been a laughing matter. Little did I know my laughing was burning calories!

My exercise program has been a real joke, which may have done me good and I didn't know it. To be honest, my regimen has not produced the results I desired.

Just a few years ago, I exercised my right as an American citizen to vote for the president of my choice, which has been quite taxing on me, you can be sure. This kind of exercise takes more out of a person than realized at the time and must be good because I lost a great chunk of money in paying my taxes this year.

Every day I exercise my right to remain silent when the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage is giving me a piece of her mind. Although I have not lost any weight with this exercise, I haven't lost any arguments, either. Personally, I think it's a good trade-off.

Now, with this new information I shall change my whole approach to dieting. Instead of working hard, exercising every day and watching what I eat, I shall throw caution to the wind and laugh all day long.

I shall laugh off all criticism with good humor. I shall roll in the aisles with uncontrollable mirth. My only concern is that I don't die laughing.

For the observant person, like Yours Truly, each day provides plenty of things to laugh about. My only problem is to know exactly where to start. I could start laughing at my Beloved but I'm sure I would lose something other than weight, so I don't want to go there, if you know what I mean.

A good guffaw, I've discovered, carries more than just personal benefits. An old proverb says, "Laugh, and the whole world laughs with you." So, I can see where my laughing is going to help other people lose weight.

Why didn't somebody think of this before? I may have lost some time; but be assured I am determined to giggle my way to supreme health in the days and months ahead.

To begin my regimen of laughter, I only need to wake up in the morning. Believe me when I say, not waking up in the morning is no laughing matter.

When I wake up, I yawn, stretch and then go to the bathroom. One look in the mirror is good for a good belly laugh, which helps start the day in the right direction.

For the next laugh, I turn to the early morning news programs, which is good for a laugh-a-minute. We truly live in a funny world, at least for the person who takes the time to see the funny side of the street.

All those people on early morning television seriously think what they say is important. When in reality, very little of what they say makes any difference in anyone's day. If they only knew how insignificant their opinions are, they probably wouldn't get up in the morning and go to work. They give, on any given morning, sidesplitting, rib-tickling, laugh-a-minute exercises.

If you happen to see me walking down the street with a smile all over my face, don't be alarmed. I am engaged in my Laughtercise for the day.

"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones" (Proverbs 17:22).



## HOWARD Hays As I See It



*"AIDS is not just God's punishment for homosexuals; AIDS is God's punishment for the society that tolerates homosexuals." - Jerry Falwell, founder of Liberty University*

*"Jerry deserves the tribute he would have treasured most, as a cheerful, confident champion for Christ." - Mitt Romney, in his commencement address at Liberty University*

*"I think every good Christian ought to kick Falwell right in the ass."*

- Sen. Barry Goldwater (R-AZ) (Watergate figure John Dean maintains Goldwater actually used the term "nuts", but the target was changed in media accounts.)

Just a couple weeks ago, Republicans were back in the 1960s, revisiting the issue of women's access to contraception (insisting the matter be left up to the woman's employer).

Now they're up to the 1980s, when a major issue was the "Religious Right" and its efforts to legislate biblically-justified bigotry.

In his address, Romney assured his audience he believes "Marriage is a relationship between one man and one woman". Not surprisingly, the line received applause at a campus which bans admission to the openly-gay, where many had reservations about inviting an openly-Mormon.

Also not surprisingly, there was some eye-rolling among young Republican and gay Republican groups; dismay that their candidate hasn't caught on that a viable issue from 1984 could make them losers in 2012. Before most in that college crowd had entered pre-school, the Moral Majority had already become embarrassingly passé.

Reince Priebus, Chairman of the National Republican Party, suggested that Romney's position on gay marriage was "in line with most Americans". The facts, though, and nervous Republican operatives, suggest otherwise:

A Gallup poll from 1996 showed 27% in favor of gay marriage, and 68% opposed. Last month the results were 50% in favor, and 48% opposed. Pew Research in 2001 found 35% in favor of gay marriage and 57% opposed; now it's 47% in favor and 43% opposed. The Wall Street Journal / NBC poll showed 41% in favor of gay marriage and 49% opposed in 2009, with 49% in favor and 40% opposed last March.

Republicans charge that President Obama's voicing support for marriage equality is "political"; meaning they're concerned he's endorsing a position supported by a growing majority of Americans. (Recently on the Bill Maher show, a panelist characterized Obama's marking the anniversary of the killing of Osama bin Laden as "political"; Ed Schultz shot back; "How terrible - a president campaigning for re-election on his accomplishments!")

Some, including colleague Greg Welborn, continue to warn of the "slippery slope"; if gay marriage is allowed, then "why shouldn't three people", or "a brother and sister marry?"

Gay marriage has been legal in Massachusetts for eight years, in Connecticut for four, Iowa and Vermont for three, New Hampshire for two and in New York since last summer. In none of those states has there been a push for polygamy or mar-

riage among siblings. Nor, as Greg warned, have there been complaints from straight couples that their own marriages have been "weakened" as a result.

Greg argues that "traditional marriage is better for children". My own research shows that individuals who are loving, caring, and involved make good parents. Those who aren't, don't.

As for "tampering" with "marriage as it has been defined by all major religions and cultures for more than 2,000 years", I heartily support the "tampering".

Polygamy was the norm in the Old Testament. King David had eight wives; his son Solomon boasted 700 wives and 300 concubines. The Law of Moses describes how to prepare a captured virgin for life as a concubine (shave her head, trim her nails, give her a month before going at it). The Book of Deuteronomy describes how a raped girl can be sold to her rapist for 50 shekels, who must then keep her as his wife.

In ancient Greece, the daughter of a father who died leaving no male heirs was obliged to marry the nearest male relative - and had to divorce her current husband to do it. In the Roman era, a girl of twelve was considered fit to marry.

In the Middle Ages, marriages were arranged as early as birth in treaties between royal families and fiefdoms. Chattel marriages were common in the 18th century - where wives who couldn't afford large dowries became the property of their husbands. The saying was it was similar to slavery, but with fewer legal restrictions against violence inflicted by the master.

There was "tampering" with "traditional" marriage in late-1800s America, when wives were allowed to be individuals distinct from their husbands and hold assets on their own through the Married Women's Property Act of 1884. It was around this time they were first permitted to seek protection from local authorities against spousal abuse and, through the Guardianship of Infants Act of 1886, were allowed for the first time to seek sole custody of their children if their husband died.

Anti-miscegenation laws were with us until a 1967 Supreme Court ruling nullified them in the 16 states where they were still in force. What was "traditional" depended upon the state. In Alabama and Arkansas, the marriage was okay as long as it wasn't between whites and blacks. In Mississippi and Missouri, marriages between whites and Asians were illegal, as well. In the Carolinas, whites couldn't marry Native Americans. In Georgia and Virginia, the partnering of a white person with any other race constituted illegal "tampering" with "traditional marriage".

There's something wonderfully historic about our nation's first black president wanting to further expand equality, in this case as it pertains to marriage. At the same time, Mitt Romney supports a Constitutional Amendment to restrict marriage to what he himself deems appropriate.

The economy has recovered all private sector jobs lost since Obama became president. As a percentage of GDP, federal spending, taxes and the deficit are all lower than when he took office.

Republicans are going to have a tough time coming up with a winning message for November. Evoking the bigotry of Jerry Falwell isn't it.

## A TALE OF TWO STATES

GREG Welborn



It's not often the real world gives us a crystal clear comparison of competing public policy options, but that's exactly what we have in the comparison of California and New Jersey, and the very different policy options their respective governors have pursued.

To set the background a bit, New Jersey presented Governor Chris Christie with a \$10.7 billion deficit for 2010. That deficit represented about 33% of projected revenues. California handed Governor Jerry Brown a \$9.2 billion deficit on \$89 billion in revenues, representing a substantially smaller 11%. Faced with an ocean of red ink, the two governors gave similar inauguration speeches but pursued diametrically opposed policy prescriptions. As will be clear in a moment, the bottom line is that we should all move to New Jersey.

Governor Christie told voters that the state would have to make tough choices. Then Mr. Christie, a Republican, convinced his Democratic legislature to reduce expenditures, require public union workers to contribute about the same percentage that private workers do to pay for some of their medical and pension benefits, reduced strangling regulation, and vetoed the legislature's millionaire's tax.

The net result is that Christie closed the budget gap without raising taxes and is now proposing to reduce taxes 10% across the board.

Governor Brown also told his voters that tough choices would have to be made. From there, Mr. Brown, a Democrat with a Democratic legislature, failed to significantly reduce spending, failed to reduce health and pension costs for public employee unions, allowed regulations to cripple even more businesses, agreed to spend billions more on the high-speed bullet train, and he's now promoting a ballot initiative to raise income taxes 30% on those making more than \$250,000 (somehow those are the millionaires).

The net result of our Governor's approach is that the projected budget deficit has almost doubled from \$9.2 billion to \$16 billion, and there's no relief in sight.

Why?, is the question that comes to mind. Why did the state with a 33% budget deficit succeed while the state with an 11% budget deficit sink further into the ocean of red? Technically the answer is that revenues decreased substantially. More enlightening is the fact that businesses and high income earners have choices of where they conduct business and where they live. As they

move out (and that's what they're doing in droves), all their tax payments go with them. So instead of even staying even, all the regulatory increases and rich-bashing have decreased revenues.

It's so terribly sad, because it could have been avoided. If California had just received the revenue increases that other states received, we would almost be back in the black. Nationally, state tax revenues increased 8.9% last year, and they increased by some 10% in many of the states with the lowest tax burden, such as Texas. Art Laffer, my friend and former teacher, taught us all that the wealthy have flexibility as to when and where they earn their money. If we threaten to tax them too much, they simply move, and when they do, they take with them the jobs their companies provide.

Let me close, though, with another sobering fact - one that Jerry Brown hasn't told you. Even if the proposed millionaire's tax didn't drive the wealthy out of California, the increase in revenues that Mr. Brown promises won't cut the state's deficit. Unless the public employee pension formulas are changed - and that has not been proposed by Mr. Brown - the promised revenues would simply go towards paying some of the \$68 billion in unfunded pension liabilities. The deficit would remain.

The state of California is broke and getting worse because the governor and the legislature have refused to make the hard choices they promised. What's ironic is that the choices are hard only politically, but not economically. Economically, adjusting the retirement age, increasing employee insurance contributions, and reducing taxes/ regulations would fix the deficit in a couple of years. Politically, the Democrats don't dare cross the public employee unions. Who'd a thought New Jersey would start to look more like the golden state than California?

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## A Message by George Carlin:



The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings but shorter tempers, wider Freeways, but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but have less, we buy more, but enjoy less. We have bigger houses and smaller families, more conveniences, but less time. We have more degrees but less sense, more knowledge, but less judgment, more experts, yet more problems, more medicine, but less wellness.

We drink too much, smoke too much, spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get too angry, stay up too late, get up too tired, read too little, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom.

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values. We talk too much, love too seldom, and hate too often.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life. We've added years to life not life to years. We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet a new neighbor. We conquered outer space but not inner space. We've done larger things, but not better things.

We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul. We've conquered the atom, but not our prejudice. We write more, but learn less. We plan more, but accomplish less. We've learned to rush, but not to wait. We build more computers to hold more information, to produce more copies than ever, but we communicate less and less.

These are the times of fast foods and slow digestion, big men and small character, steep profits and shallow relationships. These are the days of two incomes but more divorce, fancier houses, but broken homes. These are days of quick trips, disposable diapers, throwaway morality, one night stands, overweight bodies, and pills that do everything from cheer, to quiet, to kill. It is a time when there is much in the showroom window and nothing in the stockroom. A time when technology can bring this letter to you, and a time when you can choose either to share this insight, or to just hit delete...

Remember; spend some time with your loved ones, because they are not going to be around forever.

Remember, say a kind word to someone who looks up to you in awe, because that little person soon will grow up and leave your side.

Remember, to give a warm hug to the one next to you, because that is the only treasure you can give with your heart and it doesn't cost a cent.

Remember, to say, 'I love you' to your partner and your loved ones, but most of all mean it. An embrace will mend hurt when it comes from deep inside of you.

Remember to hold hands and cherish the moment for someday that person will not be there again.

Give time to love, give time to speak! And give time to share the precious thoughts in your mind.

AND ALWAYS REMEMBER:

Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.  
George Carlin

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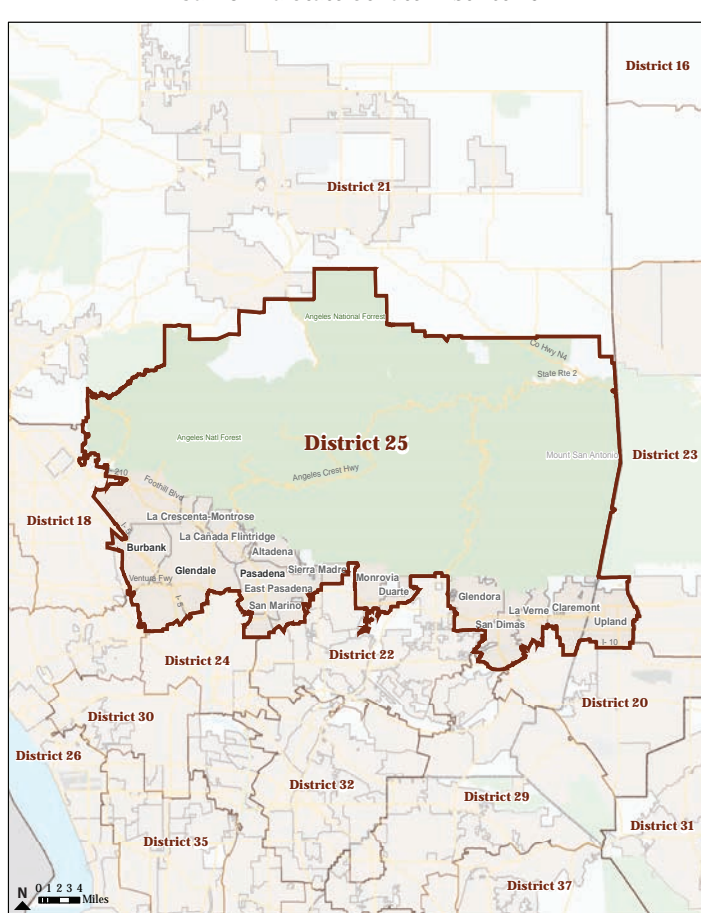
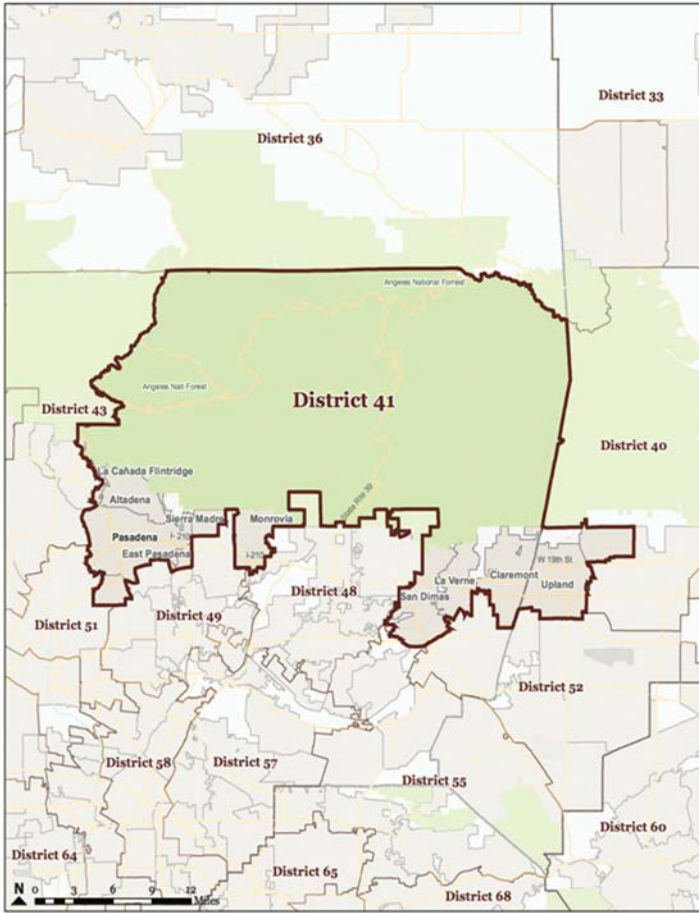
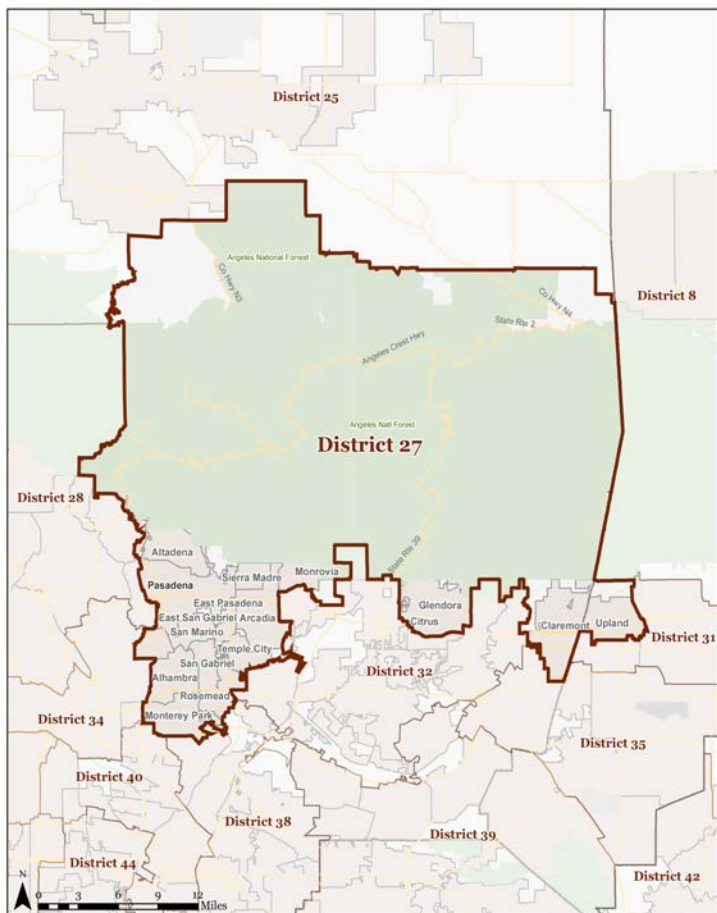
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**MAKE YOUR MEETINGS MATTER**

Know anyone who's always running to or from a meeting and constantly complaining that they never seem to catch up with their work? Anyone who has had to sit through meetings that are not productive have been subjected to a list of irritating scenarios?

Some participants use every meeting as an opportunity to grandstand to demonstrate how smart they are, others use it to push a personal agenda that will result in some advantage or future benefit for themselves. Considering that called by those entrusted with management responsibilities (i.e. department heads, directors), it would make sense to provide trainings on how to conduct meetings that contribute to the progress and success of an organization. Meetings are necessary and when planned and conducted in an efficient and effective manner, they have the potential to create a gathering place for individuals to share ideas, develop plans and get meaningful updates on the status of projects. Unfortunately, way too many meetings seem to have the end goal of simply scheduling the next meeting.

The formula for meaningful meetings will always include the following elements:

1. The meeting must have an identified purpose and specific goals. Meetings scheduled on a regular basis run the greatest risk of becoming the biggest time wasters if the group is meeting just to meet. If that's the case, perhaps it's time to convene for a less formal breakfast, lunch or dinner gathering to provide time for socializing.
2. Set a start and end time, and respect it. Don't underestimate the positive impact of starting and ending meetings on time, or establishing the pattern of always running late. Employees will always have a negative opinion of managers who disrespect their time in this manner, even if they're too politically correct, and concerned for their livelihoods to express it to the offender.
3. Prepare a written agenda that provides a means for adding items of importance to all participants at upcoming meetings. It's best to provide an arena where everyone is able to

voice their concerns and make contributions in a constructive way.

4. There should be a way to determine how participating in meetings is helping to support the work being done by the participants in between the meetings. If the same information is being reshaped from meeting to meeting, or if little to no progress has been made on a project that was introduced months, the group is wasting thousands of dollars in time lost to hold useless meetings.

5. Ask the participants for input on how to improve the meetings and be willing to listen. Poll the groups about the ideas they would like to incorporate and implement them.

These are a few things to consider before planning your next meeting. Remember, "time equals money" is also applied to time spend in meetings. By making them more effective, you and your company can become more productive and more profitable.



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By Merri Jill Finstrom

**WHAT'S ON YOUR BUSINESS CARD?**

As you meet people OFF-line during networking events, do you have a strategy to stay connected with them ON-line through your social media? Think of your business card as a tool that can help you convert a two-second handshake into a valuable social media connection.

I'll be the first to admit that it's not always easy to ask someone if they want to be friends on Facebook or join our email list. But as a business owner in this new marketing age, I know it is important to build those connections.

I now have the most obnoxious business card in the world! It has the standard, name and logo on the front but when you turn it over, it's a social media calling card. And it works. (see image below)

Some people prefer Twitter, some Facebook and some would just rather subscribe to your emails. Why not cover them all. It's important to give people choices and not let your own social media preference get in the way of a good on-line marketing strategy. It doesn't matter the tool they use to connect with you, what matters is they want to stay in touch.

Here are some local opportunities coming up to learn more, network with other business owners and practice handing out your social media calling card:

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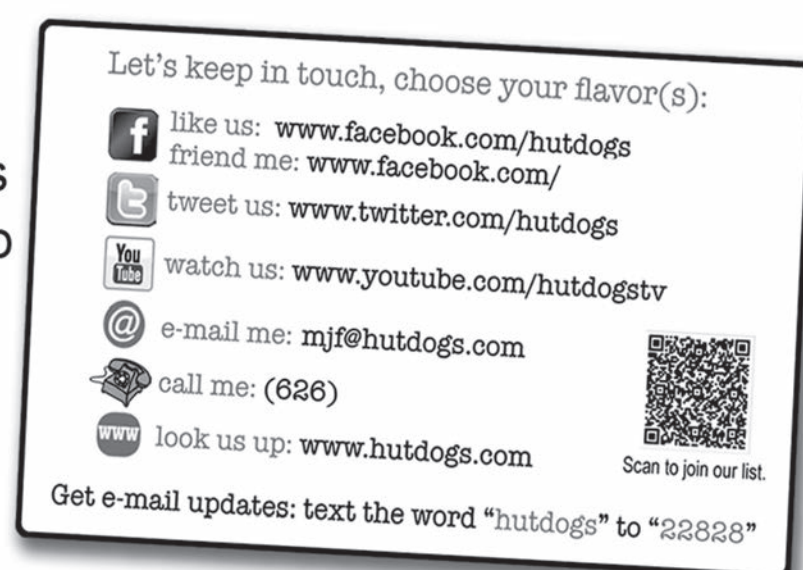
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