

LAW ENFORCEMENT REMINDS CITIZENS:
'If You See Something, Say Something'

As the nation recovers from the horrific shooting in Colorado, local law enforcement is reminding citizens to be mindful of their surroundings at all times. The following was contained in a press release by the Pasadena Police Department on Friday:

"Preliminary information from secure intelligence sources suggests the incident is random and is not tied to domestic or international terrorism.

"The Pasadena Police Department initiated proactive steps this morning by visiting movie theaters in our community to determine security level(s)," said Chief of Police Phillip L. Sanchez. "This is a senseless crime that has impacted the nation. Our thoughts and prayers go to the many victims, families, friends, and first responders."

The Pasadena Police Department's heightened diligence may include extra patrols and additional police presence as appropriate.

We highly encourage the public, "If You See Something, Say Something." The greatest deterrent to crime is often a phone call to law enforcement by a person who sees something that just doesn't look right.

We encourage the community to partner with law enforcement to prevent or report crime by contacting the police department at (626) 744-4241 or if you wish to remain Anonymous, call "LA Crime Stoppers" by dialing 800-222-TIPS (8477), or text the letters TIPLA plus your tip to CRIMES (274637,) or using the website <http://lacrimestoppers.org/>

"If You See Something, Say Something" campaign and U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Public Service Announcements (PSA's): <http://www.dhs.gov/files/reportincidents/see-something-say-something.shtm>

HONOR'S DINNER
NOMINATIONS
BEING ACCEPTED

Nominations Due Friday, August 3, 2012 at 5:00 pm

This is the City's opportunity to recognize and honor the true treasures of Sierra Madre, its volunteers, City Commissioners and employees. Sierra Madre Honors Dinner will recognize all out-going City Commissioners as well as extraordinary community members, organizations and employees.

To nominate a member of the Sierra Madre Community for one of the Awards, please include the person's name, phone number, address, and explanation of nomination along with your name and phone number, and return to City Hall or email to city@cityofsierramadre.com.

George Maurer Lifetime Service Award
Presented to a person/entity that most strongly represents a commitment to serving and volunteering over the course of a lifetime, which is the true spirit of Sierra Madre.

Wistaria Award
In recognition of City/Community partnership, presented to a local business or organization whose major contributions to the City/Community of Sierra Madre have demonstrated a true partnership which assists in and provides services, programs or enhances the general welfare of the community as a whole.

Police Chief's Special Award
Presented by the Sierra Madre Chief of Police to an individual who has demonstrated outstanding dedication to duty (employee) or service (community) in resolving a community law enforcement-related issue.

Public Safety Award
Presented by the Mayor to an individual, either an employee or citizen, who took action to protect and maintain the safety of the community by taking lifesaving action.

Public Service Award
Employee of the Year – presented by the Mayor upon the recommendation of the City Manager to an extraordinary city employee who has represented remarkable customer and public service as well as dedication to the citizens of Sierra Madre over the course of a year.

Community Youth Service Award
Presented to a young adult in the community who demonstrates dedication and outstanding service to the community. Youth must be 18 years or younger to qualify.

For more information on the nomination process or on the event, please contact City Hall at 626-355-7135 or city@cityofsierramadre.com.

FORMER RESIDENT BRINGS VINTAGE SOUNDS TO TOWN



Jim Constantian, a former Sierra Madre resident and long time member of the Antique Phonograph Society made a very special presentation at the Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society's Annual Meeting on Thursday. He brought with him a several of the antique phonographs from his collection of over 100 machines and recordings to the Sierra Madre Library on Thursday.

Although Constantian no longer resides in town, he is still very active in the community. He is the current historian for the Congregational Church. His tan abd black fully restored Model A pick up truck is a familiar sight in the Fourth of July Parade. This year's event marked his 28th parade.

According to their website, The Historical Preservation Society was founded on April 21, 1931 when Sierra Madre was preparing to celebrate the 50th anniversary of its founding. The constitution and by-laws were drafted by Anetta Carter, widow of the founder of the town, and she was named honorary president. Harold Carew, book editor of the Pasadena Star-News served as the Society's first president. In 1950 the Society published Annals of Early Sierra Madre. Edith Blumer Bowen, a member of one of the pioneer families, had collected

accounts of early Sierra Madre and compiled these into a book. C.W. Jones, Sierra Madre's first mayor, was president of the Society at that time.

During the 1970s the Society sponsored several historic bus tours of Sierra Madre with stops at old homes and points of interest. In 1974 the Society began restoring the Richardson House in Mount Wilson Trail Park in order to open it to the public as a museum. Also in that year the Society erected the bell tower in Kersting Court to house the old school bell. In 1976 the Society was involved in planning the community celebration on July 4th and brought a converted Pacific Electric Red Car back to town for rides with conductor Red Dowding. The group also placed a time capsule in front of City Hall.

In April of 1991, the Preservation Society of Sierra Madre joined the Historical Society and together they became the Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society. In 1999 the Society partnered with the Sierra Madre Public Library to establish the Sierra Madre Historical Archives, a local history collection. An archivist was hired to oversee preservation and access to the collection.

In 2004 the Society began work on

GARY KINSLEY TO SPEAK ON CALIFORNIA'S PROPOSITION 37 -
The Mandatory Labeling of Genetically Engineered Food Initiative

The Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club will host a presentation by Gary Kinsley on the Pros and Cons of Proposition 37, a Mandatory Labeling of Genetically Engineered Food Initiative, which is on the November 6, 2012 ballot on Tuesday, July 24, 2012 at noon.

The event will be held at The Lodge, formerly the Masonic Temple, 33 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre and will begin at noon. The program is free. Lunch is available for \$10.

According to the information available at this time, if Proposition 37 is approved by voters, it will:

Require labeling on raw or processed food offered for sale to consumers if the food is made from plants or animals with genetic material changed in specified ways.

Prohibit labeling or advertising such food as "natural." Exempt from this requirement foods that are "certified organic; unintentionally produced with genetically engineered material; made from animals fed or injected

an updated, authoritative history book and in September announced that Michele Zack would author the book. The group began to actively raising funds to support this ambitious project. The goal was to complete the book by 2007, the centennial year of Sierra Madre's incorporation as a California city, but was published in 2009.

The purposes of the Society are the collection, preservation, and exhibition of historical documents and artifacts pertaining to the founding and subsequent development of Sierra Madre, California and its surrounding community; the gathering and cataloging of current history for future generations; provision of archival access for research purposes; and the continuation of the restoration and preservation of Lizzie's Trail Inn and the Richardson House.

The Society actively promotes local history and preservation efforts. The Board of Directors meets on a monthly basis, the third Thursday of each month, and meetings are open to the public.

To contact the society, please write to the Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society at P.O. Box 202, Sierra Madre, CA 91025 or call (626)355-8129.

with genetically engineered material but not genetically engineered themselves; processed with or containing only small amounts of genetically engineered ingredients; administered for treatment of medical conditions; sold for immediate consumption such as in a restaurant; or alcoholic beverages."

Come out and hear both sides of the arguments surrounding this issue.

Call 626-355-0728 for lunch reservations.

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

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

CITY OF SIERRA MADRE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING:
July 24th, 2012 6:30 pm

Monday 7/16	Community Services Commission @ 6pm
Wed. 7/18	Tree Advisory Commission @ 7:00pm
Thurs 7/19	Historical Preservation Society Annual Meeting and Program
Tuesday 7/24	City Council Meeting @ 6:30pm
Thurs 7/26	Library Board of Trustees @ 7:00pm



Sierra Madre Rotary Club

Meets Tuesdays 7-8:30 a.m.
222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.
The Hart Park House



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 Peggy Beauregard at peggybeau@gmail.com and visit our Facebook page Rotary of Sierra Madre.

www.SierraMadreRotary.com

1630 AM

Free on-air publicity for local events

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

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

In a nutshell, your event must:

- Benefit a non-commercial or non-profit entity
- Be open to the public
- Be of general interest to local citizens

Just write a Public Service Announcement that describes your event and e-mail it to radio@cityofsierramadre.com.



This Thursday, July 26, 2012 at 7:00 PM, Village Intersections Host Gene Goss will interview Republican Candidate for Congress Jack Orswell.

Set your smart phone or computer browsers to www.radiofishbowl.com.

SIERRA MADRE FARMERS MARKET

The Farmers Market is open today and every Wednesday from 3:00-8:00 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.

Sierra Madre Friends of the Library BEST USED BOOK SALE

If your stack of summer reading material is getting low, the best place to replenish the stack is at the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library's Best Used Book Sale being held on Friday, August 3, from 3:00-7:00PM and Saturday, August 4, from 10:00AM-2:00PM. The library is located at 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. in the city of Sierra Madre.

Best Used Book Sales co-chairs, Martha Troedson and Alan Leahy, say the sale features a number of lovely coffee table books on gardening, art, history and contemporary culture. For the history buffs, there is a collection of Civil War books. And just in time for school, a number of dictionaries and references will be on sale. These items and many other adult fiction and non-fiction books, audio books, CDs, and DVDs will be available to purchase for your reading and listening pleasure. For the children and teens, we have many books and DVDs, including pop-ups. We still have some bound vintage copies of Life, Saturday Evening Post, and National Geographic that contain articles of historical interest and are fun to look at for the fashions and advertisements. The bargain tables in our parking lot will offer hardback and trade fiction and non-fiction for \$1-2.00 each and paperbacks for twenty-five cents each (or five for \$1.00). This month's bargain tables feature many resource and practice books for teachers and cookbooks. All children's bargain books are five for a dollar. Proceeds from the Best Used Book Sales are donated to the Sierra Made Public Library to support program and equipment needs.

Because the markets are encouraging us to use cloth bags, our supply of paper shopping bags is rapidly diminishing and we appreciate your bringing your own bags and boxes when you come to the Sierra Madre Library on Friday, August 3, and Saturday, August 4, for an opportunity to purchase some of the best used books around at the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library's Best Used Book Sale. For more information, visit our website at sierramadrelibraryfriends.org or call 626-355-7186.

COMMISSION APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED

The City Council is still looking for interested people looking to serve on a City Commission. There following Commissions have vacancies as of July 1st:

Planning Commission - Two Seats
Senior Commission - Two Seats
Tree Advisory Commission - One Seat

Anyone interested in volunteering on a Commission, should visit the City's website or the City Manager's office.

SUMMER ART EXHIBIT

Summer Artist is Celeste Mendelsohn and her display will be up now through Friday, August 3, 2012. The special artist reception will be held on Friday, July 20th from 6:00pm - 7:30pm at City Hall. For more information on Celeste Mendelsohn's art please visit <http://celesteintheround.com>

SUMMER MOVIE SERIES



NEW 2012 Summer Movie Series in Kersting Court

Thanks to generous donations from the Sierra Madre Police Association and the Sierra Madre Community through outreach by Bob Jackson, the Family Movie Fridays series continues this

summer! All movies are shown in Kersting Court and are absolutely free for everyone. Movies begin approximately at 8:00pm and patrons are encouraged to bring seating and blankets for the event.

The Sierra Madre Police Association is providing vouchers for ice cream and yogurt on the July 20 and August 3 dates, which can be redeemed at Mother Moo Creamery or Yogurt & More.

For more information contact the Community Services Department at 626-355-5278

Summer Family Movie Fridays Line-Up

- August 3, 2012 - Ratatouille
- August 17, 2012 - E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial

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AND HAVE SOME FUN!

SENIOR COMMISSION NEEDS YOU!

Applications for the Senior Community Commission are still being accepted! The Sierra Madre City Council encourages citizen participation in its decision making process through the use of citizen commissions. This is your opportunity to make a difference in Sierra Madre! Applications are available at City Hall or the City website at www.cityofsierramadre.com. For additional information please contact Recreation Supervisor Adam Matsumoto at 626-355-7394 or by email at amatsumoto@cityofsierramadre.com. The Senior Community commission is responsible for defining the needs, locating and publicizing available resources, coordinating and initiating services and opportunities for the senior population in Sierra Madre. The Senior Community Commission programs and events include the: Community Yard Sale, Seniors Rock Concert, Wellness in the Park and more! The Commission meets the first Thursday of the month at 3:00pm.

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SIERRA MADRE WOMAN'S CLUB LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Sierra Madre Woman's Club is looking for long-term volunteers. They are looking for assistance with their Thrift Shop and volunteers with newspaper editing and fundraising experience.

If you are interested in any of the volunteer positions please contact the Woman's Club at 626-355-4379.

Looking For The Mountain Views News?

Stop by any of the following locations (partial listing) for your copy every Saturday or call 626-355-2737 to sign up for home delivery!

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Sierra Madre City Hall
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Starbucks Sierra Madre
Bottle Shop Sierra Madre
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Sierra Madre Senior Center

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Arcadia Post Office
Arcadia City Hall
Starbucks Arcadia
Denny's Arcadia

Monrovia Public Library
Monrovia Post Office
Monrovia City Hall
Coffee Bean Monrovia (Foothill/Myrtle)
The Monrovia
Rudy's Monrovia
Monrovia Senior Center

Duarte Public Library
Duarte City Hall
Denny's Duarte
Starbucks Duarte
Coffee Bean Duarte
I HOP Duarte
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TOMLINSON TO SPEAK TO SIERRA MADRE ROTARY



On Tuesday, July 24, 2012, John (Tom) Tomlinson Jr. M Associate dean, USC Gould School of Law will speak on the historical relationship between Los Angeles and the development of USC.

The meeting begins at 7:00 am and will be held at the Hart Park House, 222. W. Sierra Madre Blvd. (in Memorial Park. Visitors are welcome. Breakfast will be served. The cost is \$12.00. Contact Peggy Beauregard at pegybeau@gmail.com for more information.

CREATIVE ARTS GROUP TO LAUNCH SIERRA MADRE SCARECROW FESTIVAL THIS FALL

Plans are in the works for a contest in October where residents will receive "Crow Awards" for the most creative scarecrows in the "humorous" and "scariest" categories for residents and for businesses, for having the most creative scarecrow(s) representing their business.

Currently plans are for life sized scarecrows and according to Executive Director Jackie Raymond, "We envision residents and guests driving through the town" in a manner similar to when people view Christmas or Halloween decorations. "It will bring families of Sierra Madre together and promote our business."

Don't know how to make a scarecrow? Creative Arts will be hosting a FREE Scarecrow Making Workshop at Creative Arts Group Saturday, September 15, 2012 from noon to 7 pm, to the first 60 families.

Workshop participants need to bring clothes and accessories for their scarecrow. Everything else will be provided. These scarecrows are life-size, so bring appropriate items. You might want to bring pants or stockings to create legs and gloves to create hands for your scarecrow.

The workshop is free, but you must register (626-355-8350) LIMITED ENROLLMENT. To participate in the contest applications are due on September 25th. Scarecrows will be displayed October 1st through October 31st at residents and businesses.

On Friday, October 5th and awards ceremony will be held at Creative Arts for the winners of the residents and businesses.

For more information, contact the Creative Arts Group via email at foothillcreativeartsgroup@creativeartsgroup.org or call 626-355-8350.



FIND JOY AND HAPPINESS AT THE SIERRA MADRE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Calling the young, and young at heart, to join the Ukulady at the Sierra Madre Public Library Monday, July 23 at 10 a.m. Join in as she sings songs to promote fearlessness, friendship, and the Downfall of Evil.

Ukulady's interactive and engaging show is part of the Library's Summer Reading Program and is sponsored by the Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters Association.

For more information contact the Sierra Madre Public Library 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024, 626-355-7186, www.cityofsierramadre.com

T. BOYLE'S - COMING SOON TO OUR TOWN!



T. Boyle's. the popular Pasadena Sports Grill will be opening soon in Sierra Madre. They are currently remodeling the former site of Cafe 322 and are in the process of transferring the existing Liquor License.

SIERRA MADRE FREE CONCERT IN THE PARK SERIES - Presented by Athens Services and the Sierra Madre Issei Memorial Foundation

Join the City of Sierra Madre this summer for the Concerts in the Park, beginning Sunday, July 8, 2012 and occurring every Sunday through August 26, 2012. The concerts are FREE thanks to the support of Athens Services and the Sierra Madre Issei Memorial Foundation, along with numerous community hosts. Concerts begin at 6:00pm and run through 8:00pm. All concerts will be held at the Memorial Park Bandshell, 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. next to City Hall. Seating is on the green so remember to bring blankets and lawn chairs. Alcohol is prohibited. Spectators are encouraged to support local organizations that may provide refreshments. For additional information please contact the Community Services Department 626-355-5278.

CONCERTS IN THE PARK SCHEDULE:

July 15 - Gem City Jazz Cats (Big Band) sponsored by the Spero Foundation

- Carne asada tacos, drinks and ice cream for purchase
- July 22 - Silver Beatles (Beatles Tribute Band), hosted by the Senior Community Commission
- Free popsicles
- July 29 - Aluminum Marshmallow (Classic Rock) sponsored by the Sierra Madre Civic Club
- Hot dogs and home-made pie with ice cream for purchase
- August 5 - TAIKOPROJECT (American Taiko Drummer Ensemble), hosted by L.A. County Arts Commission Concert and "learn taiko" segment with hands-on demonstration

August 12 - JJ Jukebox (60's and 70's Rock) sponsored by Kiwanis and Friends of the Library

August 19 - The Grove (Classic Oldies) sponsored by Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters Association The Subs (Mainstream Acoustic) opening act

August 26 - Take Two (Top 40's) sponsored by Dr. Roger Joe, DDS, The Lodge at Sierra Madre, and Crosslife Community Church

NEW TRANSPORTATION FEES TAKE EFFECT

On July 1, 2012 the Sierra Madre City Council dopted fees went into effect.

Fee changes occurred across many City of Sierra Madre programs and services including transportation. For more transportation information please contact Recreation Manager Kristi McClure at 626-355-5278 ext. 703.

Dial-A-Ride

Vouchers are \$1.00 each BUT it will now cost \$2.00 each way for rides in-town AND out of town. Round trip on dial-a-ride is now \$4.00 (4 vouchers will be needed for each round trip ride).

Gateway Coach

Adult - \$2 each way (cash when you get on)
Children, Seniors & Disabled - \$1 each way (cash when you get on)

SUMMER EXHIBITION & ARTIST RECEPTION

The City of Sierra Madre Community Services Commission and Arts Advisory Committee is pleased to present an art exhibition by Celeste Mendelsohn. Her art work is now on display through Friday, August 3rd in Sierra Madre City Hall, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. For more information on Celeste Mendelsohn's art please her visit <http://celesteinthround.com>.

Community members are invited to an Artist Reception on Friday, July 20, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Sierra Madre City Hall. The event is open to the public and light refreshments will be served. For more information please call the Sierra Madre Community Services Department at (626) 355-5278.

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Waterworks Aquatics Mentorship Volunteer Program

Waterworks will be accepting participants for the Mentorship Volunteer Program. This program is similar to the Junior Lifeguard Program that the City of Sierra Madre offered in the past.

Program Details:

- For ages 11-15 years old
- There is NO CHARGE for this program
- Dates and times will be discussed between each participant and Waterworks Aquatics. Each shift will be 2 hours or longer

The program will include:

- Learn the operations by observing and assisting lifeguards, swim instructors, and office staff
- Will greet and act as host for users of the facility
- Assist with retail & snack shop sales
- Assist with swim competitions and swim team
- Will assist with facility upkeep

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Department of State, Pasadena Police to Sign Agreement



Chief of Police Phillip Sanchez is set to sign a partnership agreement on Wednesday with U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) William R. Brownfield.

This partnership agreement between INL and Pasadena Police enables INL to utilize the knowledge and expertise of active serving police officers to train, advise, and mentor foreign law enforcement personnel as part of the Department of State's numerous foreign assistance programs to further civilian security.

Assistant Secretary Brownfield will recognize the Pasadena Police Department for its recent assistance to the Department of State in sending one of Pasadena's finest police officers to support INL's police programs in Jamaica where the officer advised the U.S. Embassy and Jamaica's Constabulary Police Force.

"The collaboration between the Pasadena Police Department and the State Department INL program highlights the talented and skilled officers within the agency. This partnership enhances the advancement of international training," said Chief of Police Phillip Sanchez. INL has established relationships with state and local law enforcement, corrections, prosecutorial, and other specialized justice sector institutions to leverage their expertise in support of the Department of State's foreign assistance goals. The State Department pays the salaries of state and local officers while they are deployed.

Pet of the Week



Nellie is a pretty four-month-old gray and white tabby. She's very playful and loves to play with toys.

Nellie's regular adoption fee is \$70, which includes her spay surgery, a microchip, the first set of vaccinations, as well as a free follow-up health check at a participating vet. 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 A308977, or visit at 361 S. Raymond Ave. in Pasadena. Adoption hours are 11-4 Sunday, 9-5 Tuesday - Friday, 9-4 Saturday. Pets may not be available for adoption and cannot be held for potential adopters from phone calls or email. Directions and photos of all pets can be found at www.pasadenahumane.org.



City Gives YWCA Building Tours



Valerie Coachman-Moore (right)

By Dean Lee

Leaders of the current Young Women's Christian Association were among the nearly 100 people who took tours Thursday night of the former YWCA building near City Hall originally designed by famed architect Julia Morgan.

The walkthroughs were the first time the building had been seen by the public in over 20 years. Information was also given about the city's process for submissions from qualified developers who are interested in rehabilitating the 40,000 square foot structure.

Elderly Woman Scammed with Fake Lottery Ticket



Surveillance photo of the suspect (right).

Investigators from the California Lottery are asking for the public's help in locating two suspects who succeeded in running a "Latin Lotto" scam on an unsuspecting Los Angeles County woman, taking her for nearly \$40,000 in cash and merchandise.

In this recent case, a female suspect approached the victim at a restaurant parking lot and said she had a winning Lottery ticket worth approximately \$500,000, but she could not cash it because she was not a U.S. citizen.

The female suspect told the victim that if she helped her cash the winning ticket, she would give the victim \$40,000 in cash in return. A male suspect then arrived at the location also pretending to help the female suspect cash the ticket. All three then entered a vehicle and the female suspect called someone posing as an attorney. The attorney told the victim she needed to give the female suspect \$48,000 worth of cash or valuables as collateral before they cashed in the winning lottery ticket.

The three visited two Wells Fargo banks where the victim withdrew a total of \$38,000 and gave it to the female suspect.

They also went to a local Macy's where the victim purchased about \$500 worth of clothing for the female suspect. The suspects dropped the victim off at a Michael's store so she could purchase paper to write a letter to the alleged attorney. The suspects told her that while she bought the paper, they would go buy stamps for the letter. The victim purchased the paper and when she exited the store the suspects were nowhere to be found.

The California Lottery initially discovered details about this case when the elderly victim's son wrote about the incident on the Lottery's Facebook page. After stealing the \$38,000 from the victim, the scam artists actually went to the victim's home to continue the scam. That's when the victim's home surveillance cameras caught video of the three con artists and the car they were using.

If you have information Lottery investigators ask that you call them at 1-800-LOTTERY (1-800-568-8379). Or if you wish to remain Anonymous, call "LA Crime Stoppers" by dialing 800-222-TIPS (8477), texting the letters TIPLA plus your tip to CRIMES (274637), or using the website <http://lacrimestoppers.org>

PCC Awarded Nearly \$7 Million Grant

The U.S. Department of Education has awarded Pasadena City College a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) Title V grant to strengthen and expand educational opportunities for Hispanic students. PCC was one of 19 colleges across the nation to receive this highly competitive grant, and only one of six institutions to be awarded a cooperative grant. The grant will provide the college \$775,000 per year for the next five years.

"This grant represents a major step forward in our goal of transforming our current engineering and technology programs into 21st century workplace education programs," said PCC President Dr. Mark Rocha. "Our programs will provide students the means to excel in today's global workforce."

An HSI is defined as an eligible institution of higher education that has at least 25 percent Hispanic full-time equivalent (FTE) undergraduate enrollment at the end of the award year immediately preceding the date of the application. PCC is more than 34 percent Hispanic FTE.

PCC has been very proactive in finding alternative resources for educational programs as state funding for higher education continues to decline. The college will secure more than \$6.64 million in new grant funds for 2011-2012.

The HSI program provides grants to make college more attainable for Hispanic students and allows institutions to enhance their academic offerings, program quality and institutional stability. The grants assist schools in furthering

educational opportunities for students through faculty development, curriculum development, academic tutoring and mentoring, and other services.

"We know that Hispanics are the fastest growing ethnic group pursuing higher education, but we need to improve the graduation rate for Hispanic students and provide opportunities for them to achieve their higher education goals," said U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan.

"This grant program will help more Latino students have access to quality higher education, which is key to building a highly skilled workforce to compete in a global marketplace."

For more information, call (626) 585-7722.

College Launches 24-Hour Tutoring Service

The Pasadena City College Learning Assistance Center recently partnered with Smarthinking, Inc. to launch free online tutoring services that students can access 24-hours a day. This online service is intended to complement the college's in-person, peer-tutoring programs.

Online tutors are available for a wide range of subjects, including writing (for any subject), mathematics (basic math through calculus II), accounting, statistics, economics, biology, anatomy and physiology, physics, chemistry, and Spanish.

For more information, please contact John Wood (jcwood@pasadena.edu) or log on to www.pasadena.edu/smarthinking.

Taking a Trip Down Doo Dah Memory Lane

Parade organizers are making a plea for help in locating Doo Dah memorabilia from the wacky occasional yearly event dating back to 1978. It's all part of an upcoming exhibit "What a Long, Strange Trip It's Been: 35 Years of the Pasadena Doo Dah Parade," opening August 18 at the Pasadena Museum of History. Patricia Hurley, a spokesperson for the Doo Dah Parade and Managing Director for the Light Bringer Project, said they have already gotten some memorabilia during a drop off event Wednesday. Another is planned Sunday from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the American Legion Post 280 179 N. Vinedo Street. She encouraged anyone with Doo Dah related stuff to bring it by.

Hurley said they have several timelines of the parade and are matching items brought in respect to the year of the parade.

"Most of this is about the royalty, the Queens, the Kings, and the Grand Marshals," she said. "Queen Red Rosie [Rosalind Schoen], kind of consolidated all this information, she is

basically an encyclopedia of Doo Dah."

Schoen said parade participants and enthusiasts had, so far, brought in things, from formal gowns to video footage from 1978 of the first Doo Dah.

Schoen, herself, brought her royal crown and Wonder Woman costume to display. Schoen was Doo Dah Queen in 2011. Queen Naughty Mickie, Michelle Mills, also dropped off lots of memorabilia to display.

"I have lent the curators my royal gown and the Royal Pup Atticus' matching cape, along with my crown, sceptre and the banner they carried in the parade to announce my entry," she said. "I gave them a piece of my outgoing float, which was designed by Pasadena artist Dave Lovejoy. There is also my peacock dress (inspired by Bjork's famous swan dress), complete with a splashy array of tail feathers and matching parasol."

Mills is the former 2008 Doo Dah Queen.

For more information about the exhibit visit lightbringerproject.com or call (626) 590-1134.



Queen Red Rosie aka Rosalind Schoen

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

Schiff, Chu, Denounce Closing of Postal Center

Representatives Adam Schiff and Judy Chu made a plea earlier this month urging U.S. Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe to reconsider his decision to close Pasadena's Mack Robinson Processing and Distribution Center.

The Congressional leaders were, on July 2, joined by Pasadena Mayor Bill Bogaard, local leaders of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), union representatives from American Postal Workers Union (APWU) and the Letter Carriers Union.

"Today, we joined together with postal workers and community leaders to express our deep disappointment with the USPS's short-sighted decision to close the mail sorting facilities at Mack Robinson," Schiff said. "The closure of mail processing facilities in Los Angeles and across the county will result in the losses of thousands of good-paying jobs and impair the efficient delivery of mail. I will continue to urge the Postmaster General to refrain from this destructive course, and develop a more sensible and comprehensive solution to



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 July 24 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.

USPS's poor financial health. It's my hope that the out crying of strong community support for Mack Robinson might halt their plans."

Chu also added "I am deeply troubled by the pending consolidation of the Pasadena and City of Industry mail processing facilities. Not only are the livelihoods of postal workers being turned upside down, but our small businesses and economy will be hurt by degraded mail services. I have consistently and strongly fought these mail processing center closures in our area and this is truly a sad development."

U.S. Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe announced plans in May to consolidate Pasadena's Mack Robinson Processing and Distribution Center, jeopardizing the livelihoods of hundreds of local employees and threatening the timely delivery of mail throughout the entire region the leaders said.

According to the USPS plan, the Pasadena facility's mail processing capacity will be dramatically reduced this summer through so-called "limited consolidation activity."

"What's Going On?"*News and Views from Joan Schmidt***Remembering a Special Woman:****HELENA RUTH HENLIN ROLDAN**

A couple weeks ago, I read of the passing of Helena Roldan with a heavy heart. Helena Ruth Henlin Roldan was born on August 23, 1940. From day one, she was remarkable. She was the eldest of ten siblings and helped raise the younger ones. In the last years of their lives, she helped take care of her parents. Helena was a remarkable daughter, sibling, mother, wife, friend, and teacher.

As the eldest of the children, she may have seemed bossy at times, but took the little ones out to do fun activities such as catching "lightning bugs". Helena and her siblings grew up in a happy, love-filled home. After Helena graduated from High School, she was determined to become a nun and entered the "Sisters of St. Louis". She was a nun for eight years and taught school. But she became ill and when her health finally returned, she decided to leave the convent. She received a dispensation from the Pope and her Mother Superior. She met Henry Roldan and they married in December, 1970. They raised Henry's young son, Henry Jr., and their four children, Marie, Phillip, Teresa, and Daniel, who will greatly miss their beloved mom. There are also nine grandchildren who are left behind. Helena taught ten years at Annunciation School, Arcadia.

I met Helena in September, 1985. She, Father Eugene, and I were the three "New Kids on the Block" at Annunciation Parish. Father Eugene had come as Associate Pastor, and Helena and I were the new teachers at the school, Helena in 5th Grade, and me in 4th Grade. She was my "neighbor" at school, and if ever a question came up, I'd run over to her room and get an answer that I knew would be the right one. Once I ran into her room after school to escape a parent. (The parent would come in my room and spend an hour telling me her personal problems. Normally I didn't mind, but I had a lot of papers to grade. I was "small" in those days, so I ran into Helena's room and squeezed into the coat closet! The parent came looking for me, and Helena said, "Oh, Mrs. Schmidt must have left already!"

When I mentioned Helena's passing on Facebook, all former students left so many beautiful comments. She was a "great teacher", "great role model", and "I learned so much from her" are just a few of the MANY positive comments!

The Memorial Mass was held on June 29, 2012. Fr. Eugene, now pastor, officiated. His comments included, "I liked her a lot. She was kind, dear, gentle, matter-of-fact and honest".

Two months ago, while at a party, Mrs. Donnelly, retired Teacher's Aide had said, "I just love Helena. No matter what happens, she always has the upbeat positive attitude and great smile on her face!"

There were hard times in her life as we all have. But Helena was different. She did not wallow in self-pity. She accepted whatever came her way always with an upbeat attitude and smile on her face.

Helena's surviving siblings and their families, her children and her two oldest granddaughters as well as friends, former co-workers and four Sisters of St. Louis came to honor this special lady.

Her sisters Dorothy Harren and Terri Schreine did the two readings. Her sister Kathy read the beautiful Eulogy and spoke lovingly of the eldest sibling who "helped raise the little ones" and "looked after Mom and Dad when they moved down from Oregon."

Eight years ago, Helena developed Alzheimer's and confided that she had it. Again, she was upbeat, but the disease did take its toll on her. Her last years were spent at the home of her eldest daughter Marie and her family. They took great care of her.

Her other daughter Tess planned the beautiful Memorial Mass which was followed by a Celebration Reception at Marie's house, where loved ones shared so many beautiful and happy memories.

Rest in peace, dear friend and co-worker. You have touched so many hearts at Annunciation and you will be greatly missed.

**ANTONOVICH CALLS FOR RE-NEWED ACTION TO PREVENT WEST NILE VIRUS EPIDEMIC**

LOS ANGELES COUNTY — As several dead birds have tested positive for West Nile Virus in Los Angeles County, Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich has introduced a motion calling for multi-agency coordination and a renewed effort to combat the virus to prevent an epidemic.

Supervisor Antonovich's motion directs the Departments of Public Health and Public Works to investigate and clear open water ways that harbor mosquito breeding sites, exterminate active breeding areas and fully implement the planned West Nile Virus awareness and surveillance program.

"Though the Department of Public Health has been educating the community on methods to combat West Nile Virus, more proactive measures must be taken," said Antonovich. "It is vital that West Nile control is achieved through mosquito control by elimination of mosquito breeding sites, active breeding areas, and education on West Nile Virus prevention."

Antonovich urges residents to take the following precautions:

-Avoid outdoor activities between dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active.

-Wear long-sleeve shirts and pants when engaging in outdoor activities during these hours.

-Apply approved insect repellents containing active ingredients such as DEET, Picaridin, or oil of lemon eucalyptus. Keep tight-fitting screens on doors and windows to prevent mosquitoes from entering your home.

- Eliminate all sources of standing water around your home and property and properly maintain ornamental ponds, pools, and spas.

- Request FREE mosquitofish from your local vector control district for placement in out-of-order swimming pools, spas, and ponds to control mosquito breeding.

-Contact the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District at (562) 944-9656 or online at <http://glacvcd.org/> to report any significant mosquito problems in your neighborhood. The District strongly encourages you to report any mosquito activity near vacant or foreclosed homes and abandoned swimming pools in your neighborhood.

The public is encouraged to report dead birds to help with West Nile virus surveillance and control efforts, as birds play an important role in maintaining and spreading the virus.

**INTERVIEW ON CZECH TELEVISION**

By Christopher Nyerges

[Nyerges is the director of the School of Self-reliance, and author of "How To Survive Anywhere," and other books. He can be reached at Box 41834, Eagle Rock, CA 90041, or www.ChristopherNyerges.com]

Recently, I was interviewed by a journalist from the Czech Republic who saw my appearance on the National Geographic's "Doomsday Preppers" show. He wanted to learn about some of the practical skills that I teach to prepare individuals for emergencies and disasters, such as the identification of wild foods, making fire, and methods of being more self-reliant in the home. I presented all these skills as positive ways to enhance one's daily life and to improve one's survival quotient without a focus on fear or panic.

As we were finishing, he asked me something to the effect of "What was your worst and most painful experience?" I had to think a minute, and I recalled why I got interested in survival skills in the first place.

The very beginning of my studies involved agriculture (all my mother's brothers were farmers), and the claim that the U.S. feeds the world. I can recall the various frightened predictions of famine in the U.S. in the 1970s, based upon the fact that way we deal with land management was worse in the 1970s than it was in the 1930s which led to the Dust Bowl.

I began to study botany and wild foods partly because I was worried about the larger conditions which might impact myself and my family. This dovetailed well with my interest in Native American living skills, where the average person knew all the uses of every plant that grew in your area. The idea of rekindling those bygone skills appealed to me. If I had to, I wanted to be able to find my food, medicine, tools, weapons, etc., from what nature has provided.

I told the reporter, Michal Kubal of Ceska Televize, that I have gone into the mountains many times with no food, and enjoyed doing it. But, I told Kubal, my primary goal has been to avoid pain and discomfort and untimely death in the first place. I've enjoyed traveling into the wilderness and knowing that I could take care of myself. But my motivating interest was the survival of my society, and my country, and the sustainability of the systems that we all depend upon.

Thus, any knowledge of self-reliance and survival builds strength into the community. Individuals who are knowledgeable and trained in survival tend not to have a victim mentality and tend to be a part of the solution. That has been my goal, and what I attempt to teach.

The various uses of wild foods that I collected and ate while on a short walk with Michal Kubal were the very foods I'd eat if there were no stores to go to, for whatever reason. My simple salad consisted of plants that were then in season: wild radish leaves, mustard flowers, lambs quarters, curly dock leaves and some amaranth leaves. All these plants would make a delicious stew if simmered slowly in a miso broth.

I also showed the reporter the many hand-operated tools that would allow life to continue if there was no electricity. In fact, the kitchen tools I showed Kubal were taken from my own kitchen, things like hand-operated can opener, juicer, coffee grinder, grater, etc. Though I don't have anything against good electrical kitchen appliances, I have experienced enough black-outs to know that the hand-tools will never go out of style.

We also looked at some of the very simple and inexpensive tools that are commonly available to provide electricity from the sun, which were lamps, radios, battery chargers, etc.

I don't know when my segment on Czech Television will air, but I will post it on my website if possible. My short interview reminded me that these skills are direly needed in a society that is always growing larger, in which we are increasingly dependent on others for everything. The simple solutions to any disruptions to our society are the focus of my classes, the schedule of which you can see at www.ChristopherNyerges.com



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CITY OF ARCADIA HIGHLIGHTED AS PART OF STRONG CITIES | STRONG STATE CAMPAIGN

Sacramento - Friday, the city of Arcadia was profiled as part of the ongoing “Strong Cities | Strong State” campaign highlighting local government success stories across California. “Strong Cities | Strong State” is a project of the League of California Cities and the California City Management Foundation (CCMF).

“We are pleased to have the opportunity to showcase some of the attributes that make Arcadia a special community, as well as highlight a few of our recent projects,” said Arcadia Mayor Bob Harbicht. “Living in Arcadia we know what a wonderful place this is. We cherish our history, appreciate the present, and will continue to do everything we can to preserve for the future our quality of life and our core values of fiscal responsibility, maintaining a safe community, quality economic development, sustaining a safe and secure infrastructure, volunteerism, and responsiveness to the people who live and do business here.”

The city of Arcadia’s profile is accessible at: www.strongcities-strongstate.com/city/arcadia.

The “Strong Cities | Strong State” website is the centerpiece of a campaign broadly promoting City success stories alongside profiles of the elected officials and city managers working together to build and maintain a high quality of life for California city residents.

Highlights of the city of Arcadia’s profile include:

- Arcadia’s robust commitment to business growth and downtown development; and
- Arcadia’s pledge to maintaining a superior quality of life and sense of community that is shared by residents, business owners and the city of Arcadia.

CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES TO SPEAK AT CHAMBER AUGUST 2

Meet the candidates who will represent Arcadia in the United States Congress at the Chamber’s monthly Government Affairs Forum at 8 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 2. Longtime Arcadia resident and Republican candidate Jack Orswell is confirmed to speak, and Democratic candidate and current Congress-



The overarching goal of the “Strong Cities” campaign is to promote the innovation and experience of local officials in delivering vital services at a time when this expertise is vitally needed by state leaders struggling with fundamental issues of governance. “Strong Cities | Strong State” seeks to position cities as vital, necessary and equal partners in building a better California.

The Strong Cities | Strong State campaign will continue profiling individual cities each day, with a goal of highlighting all California cities over the coming year-and-a-half. Profiles include photos, video and other media articulating how each individual city has been working to both provide essential services, as well as elevate the quality life of its residents. Success stories will range from public safety initiatives to educational partnerships, infrastructure improvements to community engagement strategies and more.

Visit “Strong Cities | Strong State” at www.strongcitiesstrongstate.com.

woman Judy Chu hopes to attend as well.

The Government Affairs Forum is inviting the candidates for State Senator and the California Assembly to speak at the September and October programs.

Also on the agenda for the Aug. 2 Forum is a 10-min presentation on the proposed 710 freeway extension’s environmental study relating to the potential impact on traffic throughout the San Gabriel Valley.

Additional brief updates will be provided by the representatives from City, County, and

State government offices, the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension and the San Gabriel Valley Business Coalition. Join us to hear informative presentations at the monthly Government Affairs Forums led by co-chairmen Pete Ulrich, former Arcadia City Councilman, and Mary Dougherty, former President of the Arcadia School District Board of Education. The Forum, held the first Thursday of each month, is free and open to the public. RSVPs are appreciated to the Chamber office: 626-447-2159 or info@ArcadiaCaChamber.org.

ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, July 8th, through Saturday, July 14th, the Police Department responded to 921 calls for service of which 110 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, July 8:

1. Around 8:38 a.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for speeding in the area of Duarte Road and El Monte Avenue. The officer discovered the driver was never issued a license. The 34-year-old Hispanic male was cited, released in the field, and his vehicle was stored.

Monday, July 9:

2. Shortly after 2:30 p.m., officers were dispatched to Macy’s at the Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, in reference to a battery report. An adult female concealed merchandise inside her purse and exited the store without making payment. When the loss prevention agent attempted to detain the suspect in the parking lot, the suspect’s husband approached from behind and punched the loss prevention agent in the head. Both suspects fled on foot; however, they were later detained by assisting Detectives in the 500 block of Huntington Drive. The 29-year-old Hispanic female and 34-year-old Hispanic male were arrested on robbery charges and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.
3. At about 4:10 p.m., an officer responded to the 1000 block of Whispering Oaks Drive regarding a burglary report. The victim discovered unknown suspect(s) forced entry through the front door, ransacked the bedrooms, and stole three handguns. No suspects or witnesses were located.

Tuesday, July 10:

4. Around 12:28 a.m., officers conducted a traffic stop on a black Toyota Celica for making an illegal turn in the area of Baldwin Avenue and Fairview Avenue. An investigation revealed the driver provided false information, was never issued a license, and was in possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia. The 29-year-old Hispanic female was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Wednesday, July 11:

5. Shortly after 6:30 p.m., the victim of a hit & run collision came to the police station to file a report. The victim had been parked in a business parking lot located at 650 West Duarte Road. A witness saw a silver Toyota Camry strike the victim’s car while parked in the lot. The driver of the car failed to leave notification and left the scene. He was described as an Asian male, approximately 55-65 years old. The license plate on the Toyota was similar to 6UVX261 CA.

Thursday, July 12:

6. At approximately 6:41 p.m., a resident who lives in the 500 block of West Duarte Road came to the police station to file a fraud report. The victim received a collections notice for an overdue credit account exceeding \$9,000.00. The victim contacted the company and learned an unknown suspect had used his address and personal information to open a fraudulent account. The victim will not suffer a financial loss, but is the victim of identity theft.

7. Around 9:07 p.m., an officer accepted a fraud report via the police department online reporting portal from a victim who lives in Tehachapi, CA. The victim stated unknown suspects used a fraudulent credit card to purchase goods and services on two occasions at the KKTV Lounge, 612 East Live Oak Avenue. The total charged was over \$1,800.00 during two uses of the credit card number.

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From the Desk of Laurie Lile, Monrovia City Manager

A MESSAGE TO RESIDENTS:

Contrary to what you may have read in newspapers* or heard on radio news reports, the City of Monrovia is not going broke. Last week, city staff learned of a news report on the recent announcements by the Cities of Stockton, Mammoth Lakes and San Bernardino of their intent to file bankruptcy. In this report, several other cities were listed as “facing significant financial hardship,” and to our surprise, the City of Monrovia was on the list. Yes, we, along with every other city in the state of California, have had to find ways to reduce our costs in the face of declining revenues, but we are not any more financially distressed than most communities—we are actually much better off than many.

The city was cast in this light because of an accident of timing. The city was planning to refinance Redevelopment Agency notes that were issued in 2007 when, last winter, the State eliminated Redevelopment through the passage of Assembly Bill x1 26 (AB x1 26). Unfortunately, under the hastily adopted legislation, the process for refinancing debt owed by the former Redevelopment Agencies became unclear, and most bond houses and lending institutions that provide municipal financing were hesitant to proceed. Although the legislature acknowledged the flaw in the law and agreed that it should be corrected, the correction did not occur until a few weeks ago, when Governor Brown approved one of the Budget trailer bills: AB 1484. Now that it is clear that former Redevelopment Agencies can refinance their debt, we are moving forward to complete the refinancing and bring all our debt obligations current.

Unfortunately, though, the fix came too late for us to avoid a temporary default on these 2007 notes. The principal payment on the notes was due June 1, so for a short time until we can complete the refinance process, we are in default. Because of legal and ethical obligations surrounding this situation, city staff made a series of disclosures to the bond market regarding the status of our 2007 notes. We believe that it was these disclosures that the press picked that led to the characterization that Monrovia is at financial risk. If our notes had been due in September instead of June, or if the Legislature had fixed the language in April instead of July, we would have completed the refinancing process and no default would have occurred. Poor timing landed us on the list of “at-risk” communities.

As with virtually all of the former Redevelopment Agencies in California, the Monrovia Redevelopment Agency had financed many infrastructure and business attraction efforts by selling bonds or securing loans (notes) in order to raise money to fund the projects that benefited the community. The repayment of these bonds and notes was achieved through the increase of property tax revenue that was realized as a result of the Redevelopment Agency’s investment. These obligations are being repaid as intended, and there is no intent or need on our part to shirk those obligations. You can find a list of the Former Redevelopment Agency’s obligations on the City’s Website on the “RDA Successor Agency” page.

I think everyone agrees that these are challenging economic times in California, not just for local governments, but for many residents and businesses that are struggling to make ends meet. The City’s budget acknowledges these challenges—it is prudent, conservative and responsible. Do we wish we had more revenue to provide better service and expand our programs? You bet! But, until the State’s fiscal health improves, cities and counties will be tasked with controlling costs, prioritizing expenditures, and making do with the resources that we have. In Monrovia, those resources will continue to allow us to provide outstanding public safety services, a first-class library, and parks and special events for our residents to enjoy.

*The Mountain Views News is not one of the newspapers referred to and did not print a story stating that Monrovia was nearing bankruptcy.

MONROVIA POLICE BLOTTER

During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 515 service events, resulting in 92 investigations.

Grand Theft Auto

On July 16 at 1:35 p.m., a vehicle was reported stolen from the 1800 block of South Mountain. The victim parked her car on the street at 9 a.m. and when she returned to the car at about 12 p.m., she found it had been stolen. The vehicle is a green, 2000 Honda Civic. Investigation continuing.

Vehicle Burglary

On July 16 at 2:56 p.m., the victim of a vehicle burglary that occurred in the 900 block of Monterey came to the police station to file a report. The victim parked his 2007 Chrysler 300 in his carport and locked the vehicle. When he returned to the car in the morning, the trunk was slightly open and his driver-side door was unlocked. The center console had been ransacked and a gym bag was stolen that contained his wedding band and his keys. The investigation is ongoing.

Robbery

On July 16 at 6:55 p.m., an officer responded to a business in the 300 block of West Huntington on the report of a robbery. The store owner observed a male suspect leaving the store without paying for merchandise he was carrying. When she approached him, the suspect pushed her aside. Her husband then grabbed the suspect by his shirt and was punched by the suspect. The suspect ran out of the location to a waiting vehicle that was driven by another male suspect. They fled in the vehicle southbound on Magnolia.

The suspect is described as a male Hispanic, 25-30 years old, 5’10”, heavyset with a mustache, wearing a black baseball hat, gray Dodgers shirt, and black and white plaid shorts. The suspect vehicle is a newer-model, four-door, gray Nissan with Carmax paper plates. Investigation continuing.

Grand Theft Auto

On July 17 at 6:47 a.m., a vehicle was reported stolen from the 200 block of West Cypress. The victim parked his white, 2003 Chevy Silverado around midnight and locked it. He returned to the vehicle at 6:30 a.m. the next morning and found his truck had been stolen. He did not hear or see anything unusual. Investigation continuing.

Residential Burglary

On July 17 at 7:02 p.m., an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 200 block of West Colorado regarding a residential burglary. The burglary occurred sometime between 6 p.m. on July 16 and 6:30 p.m. on July 17. The suspect(s) entered through an unlocked rear sliding glass door. Three laptop computers, an iPad, and two cameras were stolen. Investigation continuing.

Vehicle Burglaries

On July 18 at 9:32 p.m., police responded to the 800 block of West Huntington regarding two vehicle burglaries that occurred in a business parking lot. The two vehicles were parked near each other. The suspect(s) smashed a window on each vehicle and stole laptop computers from the vehicles. Investigation continuing.

Special Enforcement Team Weekly Activity

Possession of Methamphetamine - Suspect Arrested

On July 11 at 4:56 p.m., the Special Enforcement Team was on patrol at a park in the 300 block of South Myrtle. One subject was arrested for possession of a methamphetamine pipe and one was cited for littering.

Detective Bureau Case Follow-up

Theft / Robbery - Suspect Arrested and Awaiting Trial

Over the course of two weeks, a male Black suspect committed thefts at three locations in Monrovia. On one occasion, the suspect forced his way past the store clerk, striking him on the chest, which constitutes robbery. This suspect has been contacted numerous times recently, in addition to the thefts, for pan handling and threatening customers when they refuse to give him money.

This case was assigned to a detective, who through investigation was able to obtain a felony warrant for the suspect’s arrest, which was entered into the system. The detective searched for the suspect at locations he frequented and found him walking on Myrtle Avenue, near one of the theft locations. He was taken into custody without incident. The suspect is awaiting trial.

Robbery - Suspects Identified

On June 10, a 15-year-old girl was a victim of a robbery when two female suspects shoved her and took her cell phone. Officers had a description of the suspects and photos from a business security camera.

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MUIR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS GROW AND SELL FRESH LOCAL PRODUCE

Open House Launched Second Location for School Farm Produce Sale that Provides Jobs, Good Nutrition

Fresh, local produce that provides summer jobs for youth will be on sale at an open house Thursday, July 19 in front of Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) headquarters in downtown Pasadena as part of the Muir Ranch Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program. Ranging from Cherokee purple heirloom tomatoes to nectarines and fresh cut flowers, John Muir High School students will provide free samples, offer cooking demonstrations and sell fruits and vegetables that they have grown and harvested as both a hands-on lesson in science and economics and as paying summer jobs. Starting July 19, Pasadena-area foodies can purchase monthly subscriptions for boxes of fresh produce at PUSD headquarters (Del Mar Blvd. at Oak Knoll Ave. in Pasadena) Thursdays from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in addition to Muir High School (1905 Lincoln Ave., Pasadena) Mondays from 9 a.m.-Noon.

Flowers, herbs and vegetables are grown at Muir Ranch, a 1.5 acre urban farm located on the Muir High School campus in North-west Pasadena. Students from the school's three academies: Engineering & Environmental Science, Business & Entrepreneurship and Arts, Entertainment & Media earn internship and community service credits for working on the farm, where they apply classroom lessons on irrigation, organic farming and the workings of a business. The produce sold by the Muir Ranch CSA is grown at Muir Ranch and other partnered regional farms.

"The mission of Muir Ranch is to teach students important business and life skills and provide them with meaningful employment and improve access to fresh, affordable and locally grown produce for the community," said PUSD Superintendent Jon R. Gundry.

The ranch began in summer 2011 when a team of volunteer teachers, students and urban farmers began converting land on the sprawling Muir campus into a working urban farm. In an area where 78 percent of the school's students live at or below the federal poverty level, Muir Ranch offers youth a chance to serve their community as entrepreneurs and as agents of change. The program is employing a dozen students this summer through jobs funded by sales of produce subscriptions.

Subscriptions are sold on a monthly basis as a full share (enough for 4-6 people) for \$100 per month and a half share (enough for up to 3 people) for \$60 per month. All boxes contain an assortment of 7-10 vegetable, fruit and herb types. Subscriptions to fresh cut flower shares are also available for \$10, \$15 and \$25 per week, depending on the size of the bouquet. 50% of all purchases are tax deductible because of the partnership between Muir Ranch CSA and the Pasadena Education Foundation.

For more information, visit www.facebook.com/MuirRanch. To subscribe, send an email to johnmuircsa@gmail.com or visit the Muir Ranch CSA distribution locations Thursdays at PUSD Headquarters or Mondays at Muir High School.

ALVERNO HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORE ACHIEVES NATIONAL ARCHERY RANKING



Sophomore Amanda Tamayo ranked 11th in the nation in her age division

Alverno High School sophomore Amanda Tamayo spent June 26-June 30 in an unusual way—she was competing with 600 other young archers at the 128th National Target Championships in Hamilton, Ohio.

Amanda has been drawn to the sport after reading *Robin Hood*. Amanda's parents agreed to let her try the sport after she had made the

Academic Decathlon team at her elementary school, Sts. Felicitas and Perpetua, and Amanda has been competing ever since.

This year was her second year competing in the National Target Championships and she admits that she likes the mental and physical challenge that archery provides. The unexpected and added challenge this year came when Hamilton, Ohio's temperatures rose to 100 degrees with 87 percent humidity on the weekend of the competition.

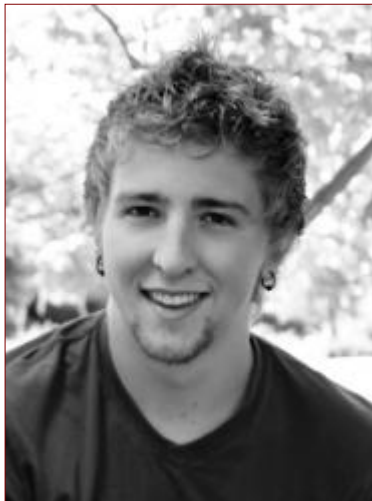
"It definitely made it a challenge to focus, but I have worked really hard to get to this point so I wasn't going to let it distract me," Amanda said. "I enjoy a challenge and I was very grateful to be able to compete with archers from all over the country. I was very pleased to learn that I had been ranked 11/50 in my age division in the country."

Although training takes up a great deal of Amanda's time, she has remained committed to her academics earning a place on Honor Roll during the 2011-2012 school year and taking a full load of Honors and AP courses as a sophomore. Additionally, Amanda also served as a student government representative for her freshman class this past year.

"Alverno is so proud of Amanda for this incredible accomplishment," said Ann Gillick, Head of School. "She is the true example of an Alverno girl—someone who sees a challenge and uses the tools and talents she has to conquer it. At Alverno, we strive to empower each young woman to be exactly the person she wants to be and as a sophomore with so many accomplishments already to her name, I believe Amanda is well on her way to becoming exactly the person she wants to be."

About Alverno High School = Alverno High School is a Catholic, private, college preparatory school for young women dedicated to preparing them to function in a society as informed, knowledgeable persons, who have the requisite skills to make and implement mature decisions about complex problems. Enlivened by the spirit of its Immaculate Heart Community sponsors, and mindful of the Franciscan roots of its founders, Alverno's program—academic, spiritual, aesthetic, social, and physical—is shaped by the staff, trustees, and students in light of the world for which the students are being educated. Alverno's mission is to empower each young woman to be exactly the person she wants to be and since 1960, Alverno has empowered more than 4,100 women to meet that goal. For more information about Alverno High School, please call 626-355-3463 or visit www.alverno-hs.org.

BOSCO TECH ALUMNUS IS FIRST UNDERGRADUATE TO WIN YOUNG PERSONS' WORLD LECTURE COMPETITION



Don Bosco Technical Institute (Bosco Tech) alumnus Brian Weden (class of 2008) earned first place in the Young Persons' World Lecture Competition in London, England, on July 5, 2012. He is the first undergraduate to win the award.

Competing against nine finalists from around the world, Weden earned top honors from the competition sponsor, the Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining, for his talk, "High Performance Impact-Tolerant and Abrasion-Resistant Materials: Lessons from Nature." In it, he discussed his research on a damage-tolerant composite

that is one of the hardest biominerals in nature, found in the tiny teeth of marine mollusks called chitons.

After graduating from Bosco Tech, Weden went on to the University of California at Riverside where he is completing his bachelor's degree in Materials Science; he plans to pursue a doctorate in the field. He currently is an undergraduate researcher in the university's Biomimetics and Nanomaterials Fabrication lab, run by the esteemed Dr. David Kisailus. Weden recently co-authored a paper on biomineralization that will be published later this year.

"Brian exemplifies our dedicated Materials Science graduates," said Jim Curiel, chairman of Bosco Tech's Materials Science, Engineering and Technology program. "He attributes his interest and early success to the education he received during his time at Bosco Tech. We are proud that he was able to share his knowledge on an international level."

The annual lecture competition invites students and professionals up to the age of 28 to deliver a short lecture on a materials, minerals, mining, packaging, clay technology and wood science related subject.

Bosco Tech is the only all-male Catholic high school in the state that uniquely integrates college-preparatory and technology education. The academic curriculum allows students to exceed university admission requirements while completing extensive integrated coursework in one of five technology and engineering-related fields: Architecture and Construction Engineering; Computer Science and Electrical Engineering; Integrated Design, Engineering and Art; Materials Science, Engineering and Technology; and Media Arts and Technology. For further information, call (626) 940-2000

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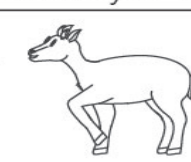
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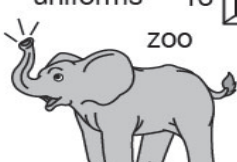
London is busy, busy, busy getting ready to host the 2012 Summer Olympic Games! Millions of people from around the world are expected to visit to see the Games. We've built a main Olympic stadium, a village for the athletes, and centers for swimming and cycling. Seventy thousand volunteers are being trained to help during the Games. Everything has been spruced up! Even I might even be tempted to take a peek!

Read the clues to fill in the puzzle about London (England):

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- Buckingham Palace flies a special _____ only when the Queen is there
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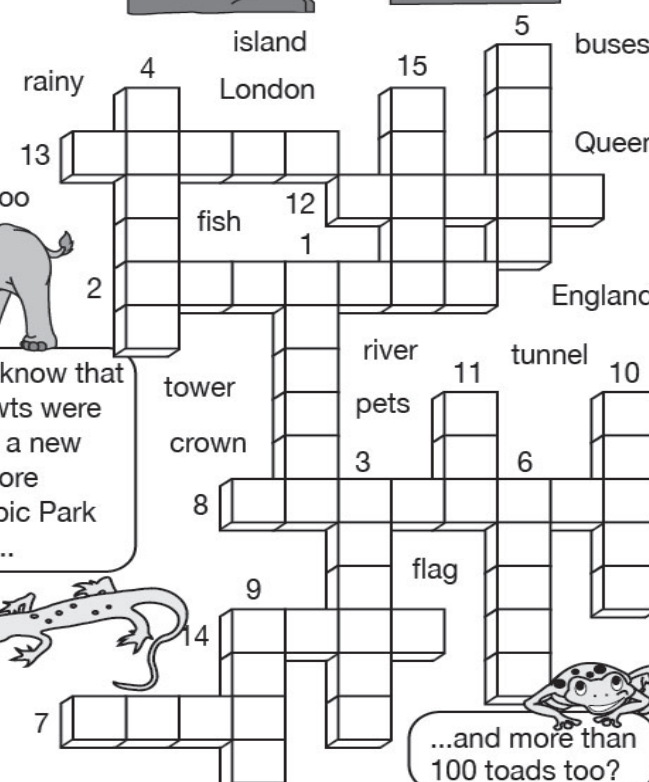
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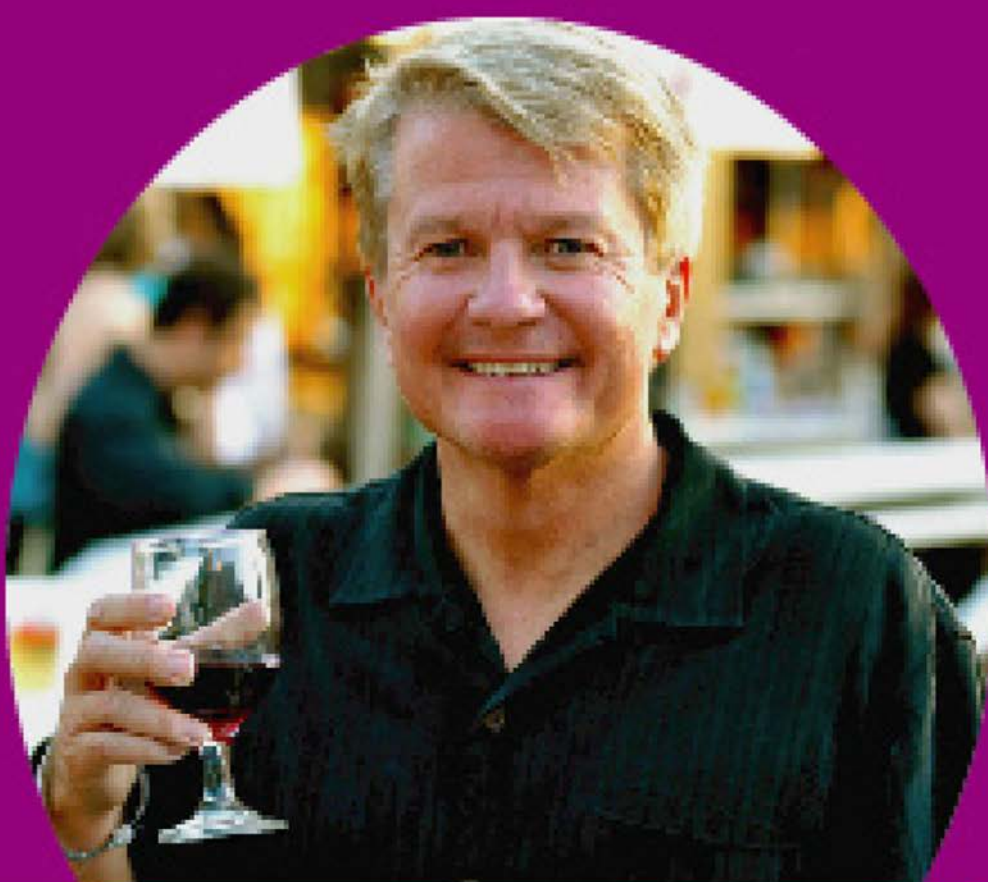
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Salt and pepper
16 ounces sausage (chorizo or kielbasa) cut into half-moon slices
1 small onion, finely chopped
1 red bell pepper, finely chopped
2 garlic cloves, chopped
2 cups medium-grain rice
1/2 teaspoon cumin
1/2 teaspoon salt
Pinch of saffron
1 cup seeded and chopped tomato
4 cups chicken stock
1/2 cup frozen peas

DIRECTIONS

Heat the oven to 400°. In a large skillet, heat the oil over medium-high heat. Season the chicken with salt and pepper, then place it in the skillet to brown, about 4 to 5 minutes a side. If needed, work in batches so the skillet isn't overcrowded.

Transfer the browned chicken to a plate. Add the sausage to the pan and sauté it until lightly browned, about 3 to 4 minutes. Transfer the sausage to the plate with the chicken.

Drain all but 1 tablespoon of fat from the pan. Lower the heat to medium, then add the onion, red pepper, and garlic. Cook, stirring occasionally, until the vegetables are tender, about 6 minutes. Add the rice, cumin, salt, and saffron. Stir to coat the rice and cook for about 1 minute.

Transfer the rice and vegetable mixture to an oiled 9- by 13-inch baking dish. Arrange the chicken and sausage on the rice and scatter the tomato over the top. Place the pan on the center oven rack and carefully pour the chicken stock over the meat and rice. Bake for 25 minutes.

Sprinkle the peas on top and cook until the liquid has been absorbed, another 10 to 15 minutes. Let the paella cool for at least 10 minutes before servings. Serves 8.

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In preparing for the November election where Californians will have the opportunity to determine whether or not they want foods containing Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO's) to be labeled. Kim Clymer-Kelley, an environmental contributor with the Mountain Views News participated in the parade as a part of the paper's entourage with a 'raised garden' (right) in the bed of her truck and information on the GMO initiative. For years, Kelley gave away free energy saving light bulbs. Now her energy is directed towards the GMO Labeling campaign.

Stay tuned for her next article in the Mountain Views News where she will shed additional light on the issue at hand. Photo by Dean Lee

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HUBBLE DISCOVERS A FIFTH MOON ORBITING PLUTO

A team of astronomers using the Hubble Space Telescope is reporting the discovery of another moon orbiting the icy dwarf planet Pluto. The moon is estimated to be irregular in shape and 6 to 15 miles across. It is in a 58,000-mile-diameter circular orbit around Pluto that is assumed to be co-planar with the other satellites in the system. "The moons form a series of neatly nested orbits, a bit like Russian dolls," said team lead Mark Showalter of the SETI Institute in Mountain View, Calif. The discovery increases the number of known moons orbiting Pluto to five. The Pluto team is intrigued that such a small planet can have such a complex collection of satellites. The new discovery provides additional clues for unraveling how the Pluto system formed and evolved. The favored theory is that all the moons are relics of a collision between Pluto and another large Kuiper belt object billions of years ago. The new detection will help scientists navigate NASA's New Horizons spacecraft through the Pluto system in 2015, when it makes an historic and long-awaited high-speed flyby of the distant world. The team is using Hubble's powerful vision to scour the Pluto system to uncover potential hazards to the New Horizons spacecraft. Moving past the dwarf planet at a speed of 30,000 miles per hour, New Horizons could be destroyed in a collision with even a BB-shot-size piece of orbital debris. "The discovery of so many small moons indirectly tells us that



there must be lots of small particles lurking unseen in the Pluto system," said Harold Weaver of the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory in Laurel, Md. "The inventory of the Pluto system we're taking now with Hubble will help the New Horizons team design a safer trajectory for the spacecraft," added Alan Stern of the Southwest Research Institute in Boulder, Colo., the mission's principal investigator. Pluto's largest moon, Charon, was discovered in 1978 in observations made at the

United States Naval Observatory in Washington, D.C. Hubble observations in 2006 uncovered two additional small moons, Nix and Hydra. In 2011 another moon, P4, was found in Hubble data. Provisionally designated S/2012 (134340) 1, the latest moon was detected in nine separate sets of images taken by Hubble's Wide Field Camera 3 on June 26, 27, 29, and July 3 and 9. In the years following the New Horizons Pluto flyby, astronomers plan to use the infrared vision of Hubble's planned successor, NASA's James Webb Space Telescope, for follow-up observations. The Webb telescope will be able to measure the surface chemistry of Pluto, its moons, and many other bodies that lie beyond Pluto in the distant Kuiper Belt. SHOULD PLUTO BE A PLANET? The controversy about whether Pluto should be classified as a dwarf planet or a full-fledged planet is nowhere near over—at least, as far as the public is concerned. Where do you stand? Here's an opinion poll being conducted by web-based magazine [Space.com](http://www.space.com/16534-poll-pluto-dwarf-planet-status.html?utm_source=Newsletter&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=SP_07112012), and you can cast your vote if you like: http://www.space.com/16534-poll-pluto-dwarf-planet-status.html?utm_source=Newsletter&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=SP_07112012 You can contact Bob Eklund at: b.eklund@MtnViewsNews.com.

On Line By PJ Carpenter WHEN IT RAINS

Mac users were forced to admit that their world is becoming a much more different place than it used to be. Apple fans are wont to (and probably still can) boast that their OS has been basically immune from the attacks that Windows users have weathered as a fact of life online. But now a spike in security threats has made it abundantly clear that the online bad guys are no longer ignoring the Mac OS platform.

Earlier this month computer security researchers had detected a version of malware called "Trojan Backdoor.Flashback" that had formed a botnet comprised of 600,000 infected Macs. In this case the malware targeted vulnerability in the Java component of the Mac OS. Oracle, the makers of the Java software platform, released a fix for the infection and Apple included the fix in a subsequent software update package for users of OS X versions 10.6 and 10.7. Users of older versions of Mac OS were advised to disable Java in order to avoid infection.

The latest Mac security threat, a variant of the "LuckyCat" attack, takes advantage of an exploit in Microsoft Word documents, giving a remote attacker the ability to plunder infected systems, and steal data remotely. This exploit has been around for almost three years now, and is completely preventable if the system is kept up-to-date with the latest security updates. The fact that these threats are only now getting widespread publicity indicates how historically lackadaisical Mac users have been toward security and it might be time for this attitude to change.

In the past, malicious attacks on the Mac platform have been few and far between. More than 90 percent of the desktop market share used to go to Windows, so that's where cybercriminals focused their time. But in recent months, OS X adoption has been rising, and similarly the number of threats (like last year's MacDefender Trojan Horse) have been rising. The main point to consider is that the bad guys haven't really created any new ways of breaking into your system but have increasingly come to exploit cross-platform programs like Microsoft Office, Adobe PDF products, Java, and Flash and in the process are reaping more "rewards" for their efforts by creating malware that affects both Windows and Mac platforms. As the efforts by the bad guys to find better ways to target the Mac OS platform,

Mac security researchers would do well to take advantage of the road already travelled by the Windows guys. Regardless of the Apple strategy for dealing with the increased attention from the online bad guys, keep in mind that this is only beginning. When it rains, it pours.



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VAMPIRE-IZE IT!

It's been a great summer! Have you enjoyed all the essential activities: the beach, barbequing, and hanging out with friends? Of course, summer is also a special time to witness displays of refined talent in spectacular extravaganzas! No, I don't mean the Olympics, although they're fun, too. I'm talking about the long awaited summer movies! I'm no movie buff, but it seems like most movies have the same predictable ingredients; action, special effects, sex, blood, and guts. (No big revelation there.) But there's one movie this summer that stands out as the most audaciously formulaic flick of the year --"Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter"

It's true, I shouldn't judge a movie I haven't seen. I do plan to see it once it's available at Red Box. But for now, I'm too cheap to buy theater tickets. Maybe I'll read the book when I have absolutely nothing better to do. "Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter" has all the stock elements we'd expect from a movie these days. It has action, (Abe learns how to swing his axe around like a Jedi master's light saber in "Star Wars"), special effects ('nuff said), sex (the trailer shows some skin, so one can assume), and blood (a.k.a. vampire juice).

I could go on forever about the vampire craze in entertainment. How long can publishing houses and movie producers ride this wave of vampire obsession? What started it all? (Don't say Bram Stoker's *Dracula*.) Was it "Buffy, the Vampire Slayer"? That was back in 1997! There are 15-year olds whose whole lives have been spent during the great American vampire era. It's gotten so big that it should define their generation. We've got "Generation X," and then "Generation V" for "Vampire." But I digress.

What fascinates me about this new spin on the old theme is that its main character is Abraham Lincoln! Lincoln is great for documentaries, but as the subject of a summer movie thriller? Everyone knows that the main character has to be sexy. Let's consider some current and classic action flicks. "The Dark Night Rises" and "The Amazing Spider-Man" have Christian Bale and Andrew Garfield in muscle suits and leotards. It's hard for us to think of Tom Cruise as anything, apart from his recent dumping by Katie Holmes. But try to remember him in all the "Mission Impossible's."

The creators of "Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter" couldn't have chosen a less sexy historical figure if they tried! Even Lincoln himself defamed his appearance in his famous rebuttal, "If I were two-faced, do you think I'd be wearing this one?" Not only was Lincoln far from being eye candy, his wife, Mary Todd, resembled an angry Pillsbury Dough Boy in a dress! And she was a nut on top of that! You can't tell me that this movie's going to portray her as a dumpy, raving lunatic! The similarity between actress Mary Elizabeth Winstead and Mary Todd Lincoln end with their first names. It's like comparing Angelina Jolie to Robin Williams as "Mrs. Doughtfire."

Ludicrous as it sounds, I look forward to seeing this film. Watching a former president flying through the air like a character from "Crouching Tiger" has to be great. I can't wait to see what masterpieces Hollywood will churn out next! I've noticed a new trend about middle aged women "finding themselves" in India. Maybe they can come out with something about Baby Boomers flocking to India in search of the fountain of youth. But then an older Thelma and Louise discover that the secret behind the others' rejuvenation is that they're turned into vampires! Now the women must learn Taekwondo and don body suits to stop the vampires and save the world! If you see this, remember --you read it here first!

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THE SHABBY DOG PRESENTS ITS NEW PET TAXI SERVICE



The Shabby Dog, Sierra Madre's premiere pet retailer will soon offer transportation services for pets. To unveil the new pet taxi, The Shabby Dog invites the community of Sierra Madre and its outlying sister communities to come see and experience the new "Shabby Cab" on Saturday, July 28, 2012.

As part of The Shabby Dog's current summer events series, this event will also feature a hot dog cookout and a pet adoption.

Guests are invited to check out the Shabby Cab, which will be parked at its Shabby Dog headquarters. Pet owners and visitors have an opportunity to look at the van and know for themselves that their pets will be in a clean and safe vehicle.

Since pet owners often lead busy lives and are often pressed for time when it comes to daily care for their pet, the availability of pet transportation brings peace of mind. The Shabby Dog's new van will provide home pick-ups and drop-offs. Like a taxi or shuttle service for humans, the "Shabby Cab" will drive pets to and/or from grooming appointments, doggie daycare and/or boarding services provided exclusively by The Shabby Dog.

"This service is all about convenience for customers. I have pets, and I know what busy is, even with my home and businesses in close proximity to each other," says Shabby Dog owner, Sandy Lewis-Duvall. "I want my customers to experience ease and a little bit of pampering when they know that the Shabby Cab will drive their pets to and from their designated appointments."

The Shabby Cab services will begin its official first run of pick-ups and drop-offs in the week of July 23, 2012. Transportation requests must be made at least 24 hours in advance.

About The Shabby Dog:

The Shabby Dog offers luxury pet accessories including collars, leashes, apparel, bags and carriers. The Shabby Dog also offers full-service and a la carte pet grooming, doggie daycare and pet boarding. To shop or get more information on the daycare and/or boarding services, contact The Shabby Dog at 626-836-5452 or go online to www.theshabbydog.com.

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SPAYING AND NEUTERING IS A WIN WIN "FIX" FOR PETS AND PEOPLE



(NAPSI)—Pet owners can help put an end to a sad situation: Each year, thousands of kittens and puppies wind up in shelters as a result of accidental litters from pets that are not spayed or neutered. While they may be small in size, these unplanned offspring have a giant impact on a community, including higher costs to taxpayers for the community to trap and transport homeless litters to shelters, higher costs for shelters to house, feed and care for these pets and shelter overcrowding—which increases euthanasia rates.

An estimated 11,000 pets in this country are euthanized daily, according to a PetSmart Charities study—that's half of the 8 million pets that land in shelters each year.

Not all of these pets start out homeless. Half of U.S. pet owners who've had a pregnant dog or cat say the pregnancy happened "by accident," according to statistics from the study. These accidental litters could be easily avoided by early spaying and neutering.

Philip Bushby, a veterinarian and professor of shelter medicine at Mississippi State University, believes that spaying and neutering pets at an early age not only reduces the economical and societal impact of pet homelessness, but also improves the long-term health of the pet.

"Most puppies and kittens can safely be spayed or neutered at as early as 8 to 10 weeks of age. If you wait longer, you're risking an unplanned litter," Dr. Bushby said, adding that early spaying and neutering is good for pets, with benefits such as:

- Reduced aggression: Cats and dogs that have been spayed/neutered are less aggressive than unaltered pets, which means fewer fights, less risk of contracting contagious diseases and lower vet bills.

- Wandering: Pets that aren't fixed are more likely to stray away from home in search of a mate. Spaying and neutering reduces this urge, keeping your pet close to home and out of harm's way.

- Less marking: Dogs and cats mark with urine when they are trying to "claim" their territory—like your couch. After a spay/neuter operation, pets become less territorial, and this behavior decreases dramatically.

- Fewer health problems: "Pets that have been fixed are less likely to develop mammary and reproductive cancers, as well as some potentially fatal infections," said Dr. Bushby. And, there's evidence that the earlier it's done, the better. "Contrary to belief, having the surgery performed before your pet's first heat period actually amplifies these benefits."

Convinced that spaying/neutering is right for your pet, but worried about the cost? An online spay/neuter services locator can help you find clinics that perform high-quality, affordable spay/neuter surgeries in this area. Go online to www.PetSmartCharities.org and click on Spay/Neuter. The site also provides resources to combat pet homelessness and to donate to programs that support local shelters.



by Chris Leclerc

SWEET TATER

As the youngest of seven children, I spent my childhood growing up in the rural deep south, with loving parents who taught me to be a sensitive, caring person. I had a charmed life, with a big yard, peach trees and a sustainable fresh vegetable garden. We raised chickens & rabbits, and had many pets including dogs, cats and horses.

When I was 6 years old, we had a neighbor who raised hound dogs that he used for the sole purpose of hunting. I remember feeling so sad for those hounds next door, because the owner would nearly starve them between hunting trips, to peak their senses and make the most of their tracking abilities. At times those poor hunting dogs got so thin, you could count the rib bones on either side of their pitiful empty stomachs. When our neighbor would leave his house to go into town, my sister Vicki and I would sneak into his back yard and feed his dogs left-over scraps our mother saved from the dinner table. It broke our hearts to see them snap up the scraps within a few short seconds, then look up at us with those sad eyes, begging for more. It wasn't long before my parents called the humane society and reported our neighbor for animal neglect, and the dogs were taken away.

The memory of seeing those hungry hounds in my neighbor's back yard as a young child stayed with me all of my life. I promised myself I would somehow find a way to make up for the cruelty those dogs had been subjected to, and I decided that one day I would have a bloodhound of my own who would receive the love that they had been denied.

A few years ago, I finally found myself in the position to pursue my long awaited pilgrimage of finding a bloodhound in need of a good home. Before I started my quest, I read a lot about the breed, and I consulted with people I knew who were familiar with their specific characteristics and peculiarities. Within a week after I started my search, I came across a non-profit breed rescue agency called "Bloodhounds West" and I called them to see if there were any dogs available for adoption. The volunteer told me there were no hounds on hand at the time, but when she realized how determined I was, she told me about a young AKC registered female bloodhound that had been bred for show, but had proven to be less than promising in the ring. Apparently the owner/handler had become quite fond of the dog, but had been forced to make the difficult decision to give her up to a loving home when the right person came along. She went on to say that this particular bloodhound was special, and would require more love and attention than most typically do. Well, I could not have custom-ordered a more perfect match! After all, I had set out to find a hound dog in need of lots of tender loving care, and this one apparently needed way more than most! That weekend I drove up to a gorgeous canyon ranch in Saddleback, where I met "Tatertotts" for the first time. When I arrived at the ranch she was in a kennel, cantering back and forth under a huge canopy of old California Oak trees. The excitement that glowed through her big brown eyes stole my heart! I knew I had to have her. Upon arrival at her new home in Sierra Madre, Tatertotts was quite nervous about being suddenly transported to a strange place with people she did not know. It took me about an hour to convince her that it was safe to go inside the house, but once she was in, there was no getting her out! Little by little, Tatertotts became familiar with her new surroundings and eventually gained full trust in her new owner. Within a few short weeks, we were best buddies!

I like to call her "Sweet Tater", because she really is very sweet and because she makes those "poor pitiful me" kinds of looks on her face when she gets hungry or wants her way. My Sweet Tater is indeed a special girl, with very specific, special needs. Most bloodhounds are pretty easy going and for the most part very social, from what I understand, but Tater is different. She is selective when it comes to who she chooses to allow in her personal space. Ironically though, Tater is way more sensitive to the feelings and thoughts of other beings than many other dogs, therefore she reacts more intensely to those who approach her. Regardless of her individual idiosyncrasies, that floppy-eared, sloppy-faced hound dog has made her way into my heart, and become a major part of my life. Each day I am comforted, knowing that Tater receives the unconditional love that my childhood neighbor's dogs did not receive, and I benefit from knowing that I chose to be driven in a positive way by the emotional impact that early childhood experience had on me. And I tell you what, Sweet Tater appreciates that very much!



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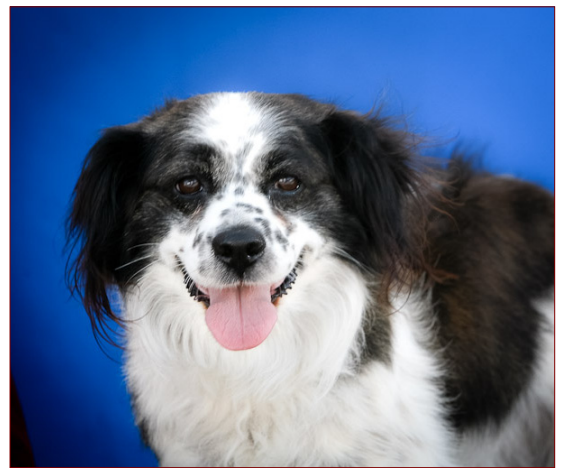
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PET OF THE WEEK: NIGEL: Animal ID #A4460836

Meet an affable and distinguished gentleman, the charming Nigel (A4460836). Nigel is a handsome four year old black and white male English Springer Spaniel who was discarded at the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center on July 11th after his former owner moved and made no provision for his dog. Weighing thirty pounds, this active boy will be flawless with some supplemental training. He is very interested in other dogs and should be introduced carefully so his eager approach is not mistaken for aggression. With people he warms up slowly but surely, and we think he will be good with older kids. He's an awesome dog looking for a new loving family. Nigel will be a wonderful indoor pet for an active individual or family living in a large condo or private home. To watch a video of Nigel please visit: www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dr-4uWjipCk

To meet Nigel in person, please see him at the Baldwin Park Shelter, located at 4275 N. Elton, Baldwin Park, CA 91706 (Phone: 626-430-2378 or 626-962-3577). He is currently available now. For any inquiries about Nigel, please reference his animal ID number: A4460836. 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 Nigel



or the adoption process, contact United Hope for Animals Volunteer Adoption Coordinator Samantha at samanthasayon@gmail.com or 661-309-2674. To learn more about United Hope for Animals' partnership with the Baldwin Park Shelter through its Shelter Support Program, as well as the many dogs of all breeds, ages, and sizes available for adoption in local shelters, visit <http://www.unitedhope4animals.org/about-us/shelter-support-program/>.




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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 Adriana Ortiz



THE CRAFTSMAN CHARM OF YESTERYEAR... *Seamlessly Incorporated into Today's Lifestyle!*

The sellers have worked lovingly and diligently to incorporate the original 1912 architecture, an addition by previous owners and their own floorplan reconfiguration and detail work into a home that lives and breathes the Craftsman personality... while creating a period appropriate, flexible floorplan with separated formal, casual and work areas.

The areas can flow freely from one to another in a large party, or provide private spaces for study or relaxation. Features like the 4' pocket door to the library or study and the swinging dining room door can expand the traffic flow for gatherings, or close off for privacy.

The generous family room, an awkward 1970's style eyesore eight years ago, is now a beautiful marriage of Craftsman and a 2012 lifestyle. The kitchen visually opens to the family room through a large pass through at the sink, allowing the cook to feel part of adjacent activities. Remodeled by previous owners with stainless steel, Kitchen Aid appliances and oak cabinetry, the kitchen was recently updated with black Silestone slab counters for a dramatic presentation combined with excellent durability.



A floorplan reconfiguration remodeled and enlarged the main floor bath to include a pedestal bathtub with overhead shower, and added hallway access to the main floor bedrooms and bath. Upstairs, the third bedroom is an airy suite, with a private bath. Don't miss the storage area at the stairway landing. The side driveway, leading to the large back yard and the garage, is detailed with Arroyo stone. The garage was recently shingled to match the house. The front landscape boasts a Gingko tree, which produces spectacular golden fall color, and beautifully complements the red Japanese maples.

The beautiful tree-lined street is just a short walk to the Metro bus and the businesses of Huntington Drive, and the South Pasadena Unified School District is well known for its high academic standards and successes.

1957 Fletcher in South Pasadena offers 1946 square feet of flexible living space with 3 bedrooms, a library and two bathrooms. Just listed by Carol Majors of Coldwell Banker, the property is offered at \$1,050,000. For more information, visit her website, www.MajorsMarketPlace.com or call 626-399-9665.



The front porch entry is vintage Americana. The four foot wide door affords a generous welcome to all. Once inside, the living room, dining room and library have been beautifully restored to the glory of a bygone century.

Years of paint have been carefully stripped away from the exposed beam ceilings, built-ins windows and millwork; the original cast fireplace facing rebuilt; and reproduction casement windows have been carefully crafted to match the originals that still proudly grace the front windows.

Standing in the family room, the harmonious blending of original, vintage, reproduction and new is evident, viewing the Douglas Fir millwork from 1912, made to match Douglas fir crown and picture molding and the Milgard Douglas Fir french doors (with metal clad exterior for superior weather resistance) side by side from this vantage. Look again to enjoy the original Arts and Crafts dining fixture surrounded by vintage and reproduction fixtures from www.Rejuvenation.com.



TREES SUFFER DURING DROUGHT

With more than half of the continental United States in some stage of drought, what can homeowners do to keep their trees healthy during hotter, drier summer months?

"While it's impossible to keep every tree in good health in times of severe drought, taking a proactive approach for a prized or sentimental tree can support its good health," recommends Tchukki Andersen, staff arborist with the Tree Care Industry Association. "A plan that is supported with good cultural practices, proactive monitoring for pests and disease, and response to warning signs is more likely to survive."

Silent Suffering

A tree's first damage from drought occurs beneath the soil line in the form of root damage, long before any outward signs of trouble. After a tree's unsuccessful attempts to conserve water by closing leaf

Opportunistic Pests and Diseases

That's when "opportunistic" pests make their move. Boring insects are thought to be drawn by the chemical and acoustic signals of stressed trees. The sound of water columns breaking cues the borer to invade the tree and lay eggs. Andersen recommends applying a 3-inch layer of organic mulch or wood chips over the root zone at least out to the drip line. This will hold moisture longer for stressed roots to access, and will provide a long-term nutritional source for the soil. Prized or important trees may be protected from wood-boring insects with spray or injection treatments

Another danger to stressed trees are fungal pathogens. Andersen notes that when a chemical change in the tree signals a weakened state, certain pathogens penetrate the bark, wood and cambial zone, with fan-like, leathery clumps, cutting off the water supply to the tree.

While all trees are at risk during long period of drought, some are more prone to its effects. New transplants are highly vulnerable to drought stress, and supplemental watering for the first few years of establishment is necessary, to the extent that it's allowed. But even mature trees are suffering.

Watering trees deeply with soaker hoses or irrigation systems - as opposed to brief, surface watering - helps sustain trees. But it's very difficult to do much for a large tree because of the massive amounts of water it needs. With so many trees affected, Andersen recommends watering only those trees that you can help. How much water a home landscape needs depends upon its soil, sun and shade exposure, plant types, irrigation system and local climate. How much water trees require depends upon the type of tree. Applying the right amount of water, based on the local weather and the tree's actual need, is the key to using water efficiently. But homeowners often over-water their lawns, which in turn surpasses a tree's real needs.

Drought exacerbates matters for trees already under stress, like those on dry slopes, surrounded by pavement, or improperly planted. In landscape situations, consider taking action, such as moving smaller trees to a better location, alleviating compaction, or replacing moisture-draining lawn with a layer of mulch. A two- to three-inch layer of compost will help trees in maintaining moisture.

Outlook

The aftereffects of drought may last three to five years, with the strongest trees surviving. Trees have developed their own mechanisms for coping with these cycles, but some trees are on the brink of survival and could go either way. If it means the difference between keeping a tree around for your lifetime or losing it in the next five years," Andersen says, "it's worth doing something about."

What can you do?

A professional arborist can assess your landscape, provide information regarding the value potential of your trees and work with you to determine the best trees and shrubs to plant for your existing landscape. Contact the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA), a public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture since 1938. It has more than 2,000 member companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA 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 "Find Qualified Tree Care" program. You can use this service by calling 1-800-733-2622 or by doing a ZIP code search on www.tcia.org.



Tips of the Trade: Real Estate Revealed

by Luther Tsinoglou Realtor®

TIME TO SHOW OFF

If you've followed advice given here about sprucing up your home's exterior, well done! Now let's focus attention on the next thing potential buyers will see - the front door and the interior. Now is the time for spring-cleaning and to show off your home's best features.

Repaint that front door and touch up around the entry. Make it warm and welcoming with updated light fixtures at the entrance and foyer. Speaking of entries, check your windows and doors for energy efficiency. If they're not airtight, an investment in new windows and insulation will pay off handsomely and impress buyers.

Freshly repainted walls won't hurt either, and you can achieve a bright, clean look with light yellow or cream on the walls and contrasting white woodwork. Buff up your wood floors, clean your area rugs or carpets, and replace any worn carpeting before your first showing.

Buyers look carefully at bathrooms, so be sure to remove any spots of mildew, replace caulking, and consider a small investment in a new sink and vanity to really make things sparkle.

The icing on the cake is to offer buyers a "home warranty" on the appliances in your house, allowing them a full year of service on anything that happens to go wrong. Your pride of ownership and their peace of mind should combine to produce a sale!

Luther has been licensed and practicing real estate since 1992. He specializes in residential and income property in the Greater San Gabriel Valley. Luther Tsinoglou has again been named a top producing sales agent with Podley Properties for 2011, making the top 10% at the company overall. Luther can be reached at his direct line (626) 695-8650 or at luther@tsinoglou.com

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Gables of Monrovia Hosts a Rock & Roll Celebration

The Gables of Monrovia, a Brookdale Senior Living community, is hosting a Rock & Roll Rendezvous event on Friday, July 27, 2012 from 2 pm – 6 pm. The event features classic tunes from the early Rock 'n' Roll era, refreshments, community tours and special surprises.

Guests are encouraged to bring their families, friends and loved ones. Event starts at 2 pm – 6 pm. Jordon Preston will be entertaining, as well as a hand-jive contest, raffle prizes, and a 1950's Diner with refreshments!

"Please join us as we enjoy the classic sounds of Elvis, Buddy Holly and other early Rock 'n' Roll artists," said Christopher Finn, executive director of Gables of Monrovia. "We look forward to meeting new friends and commemorating this special time in American history."

Throughout 2012, Gables of Monrovia is hosting "Music of Our Times," a series of monthly events, each one celebrating a different genre of music. The events are a component of Brookdale Senior Living's Optimum Life®, which supports residents' pursuit of living well through the six dimensions of wellness.

Featuring spacious and comfortable apartment homes, Gables of Monrovia offers a wide variety of services and programs. As part of their monthly fee, residents of the community have access to scheduled transportation, housekeeping, home maintenance, dining services and educational classes. Additionally, the community features a full array of assisted living services and a friendly, well trained healthcare team.

For more information on this special event, please call Gables of Monrovia 626-301-0204

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SEAN'S SHAMELESS REVIEWS:

Review By Sean Kayden

PASSION PIT

Hailing from Cambridge, Massachusetts, electropop darlings Passion Pit find themselves bursting back onto the scene with "Gossamer," the successor to their 2009 breakthrough album, "Manners". For this go around, Passion Pit will have some catching up to do since, within the three years between albums, a multitude of artists have come onto the playing field with similar identities. Fortunately, from what I can tell, the band has evolved in a substantial and remarkable sort of way. Simply put, "Gossamer" is pure awesomeness for the summer season. It's glorious, beautiful, amazing in every aspect. It's brighter and bubblier than their last outing, which is saying a whole lot if you're already familiar with their previous material. Passion Pit mixes synthesizers, tweaked post-production vocals, funky beats, the occasional R&B vibe and an overall pop sound that is exceptionally revitalizing. "Gossamer" is a smashingly high-quality record that should cater to both indie and mainstream fans equally.

Artist: Passion Pit

Album: Gossamer

Label: Columbia Records

Release Date: July 24, 2012

The album kicks off with "Take A Walk". After the initial twenty five seconds of a light, twinklesort of arrangement, the song explodes into heart pounding drumbeats and an uplifting sound. It's as if you're feet are raised off the ground because the vibe is that much exhilarating. "I'll Be Alright" starts off in similar fashion to songs off "Manners"—ultra fast squealing beats that resemblances the sound of a little kid trying to speak. Those shrieking beats are scattered throughout the song, but the majority of the duration provides something much more satisfying to the ears. This is the product that should be plastered on the radio, TV commercials, rom-com flicks or wherever else. It seriously has the potential of being a massive hit. The fun seriously never stops for its 48 minutes of length. While some people may mistake the album for being grandiloquent in nature, I absolutely love the overblown sound. The high flowing energy "Gossamer" brings to the table is not only mind-blowing, but also commendable on Passion Pit's part. They slow down a bit in the R&B inspired tune, "Constant Conversations". It's a welcoming small departure that's smooth, sexy, and is easily superior to anything that's been released by artists who are confined to that genre as their dominant stomping ground.

I've heard quite a few albums that start off strong and can't keep up the momentum. Without any trepidation I can honestly say Passion Pit keeps their sophomore album with great impetus. Sure, the second half is noticeably more downbeat, softer, and heartfelt. It's still a wonderful experience to be a part of and there aren't any noticeable faults from Passion Pit. They've honestly crafted an indelible second album for any given genre. The closing track, "Where We Belong," calms you down and creates this undeniable catharsis. It's the deepest of cuts that's affecting and reflective. It's an appropriate end to what is an unexpectedly terrific album from beginning to end. Passion Pit has pulled off an outstanding feat with "Gossamer". There's no sophomore slump here, people. The illustrious crown is given, rightfully so, to Passion Pit for their tremendous efforts of not only expanding upon their artistic abilities, but pushing the envelope even further. The record outdoes its predecessor in every imaginative way possible and ends up being the closest thing to a pop masterpiece in quite sometime.

Grade: 9.0 out of 10

Key Tracks: "Take A Walk", "I'll Be Alright", "Carried Away", "Mirrored Sea"

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Dear Searching:
Lost or forgotten money is actually quite common in the U.S. In fact, according National Association of Unclaimed Property Administrators, nearly \$33 billion in unclaimed assets is sitting in state treasuries and other agencies just waiting to be found.
These unclaimed assets are from some 117 million accounts that are inactive or whose owners or their heirs cannot be located. Unclaimed assets can include things like lost or forgotten investments or bank accounts, Social Security payments, utility deposits, tax refunds, life insurance proceeds, stocks, un-cashed dividends and more.
This typically happens because of a change of address (the owner moved), a name change (the owner got married or divorced), or the owner dies and the estate was unaware of the money or the heirs could not be located. By law, companies and financial institutions that can't find the owner or their next of kin within two to five years must turn the property over to the state where it's held indefinitely.

Where to Search
It's very possible that your deceased parents, or you, have some unclaimed assets out there and you don't even know it. To start your quest, go to missingmoney.com or unclaimed.org, both of which contain records from most state unclaimed property programs.
Check every state in which you or your parents have lived, worked or conducted business. Also search using maiden names and any previous names, as well as middle names and middle initials. Every state can tell you immediately if your parents or you have some unclaimed property, as well as how to go about collecting it. If you don't have a computer, you can call the state treasurer's office for assistance.

Look Here Too
Beyond state treasuries, here are some other agencies you should check for lost loot, along with a few resources that can help you search.
IRS: Each year thousands of refund checks totaling millions of dollars are returned to the IRS by the post office. To look for lost tax refund checks go to IRS.gov and click on "Individuals," then on "Where's My Refund," or call 800-829-1954.
U.S. Treasury: To find out if there are any savings bonds your parents didn't claim dating back to 1974, go to treasurydirect.gov and click on "Check Treasury Hunt to see if you own matured savings bonds." For older bonds or those still drawing interest, use form 1048 which you can download at www.treasurydirect.gov/forms/sav1048.pdf.
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: If you or your parents worked for a company that went out of business or ended its defined benefit pension plan, you may be entitled to some of their benefits. Check at pbgc.gov and click on "Missing Participants Search."
The National Registry of Unclaimed Retirement Benefits: To search for lost 401(k) plans, try unclaimedretirementbenefits.com where plan sponsors, administrators and custodians register missing participants who have unclaimed retirement funds.
Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.: Search for unclaimed bank accounts at firms that were shut down between 1989 and 1993 go to www2.fdic.gov/funds. State treasuries hold assets from shutdowns after 1993.
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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.

MAKING END-OF-LIFE DECISIONS TOPIC OF JULY 24 SENIOR SEMINAR

If you were ill or injured and unable to speak for yourself, what kind of medical care would you want and who would you want to speak for you? The Methodist Hospital 50-plus program will sponsor a lecture and panel discussion on advance directives 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 24, at the Arcadia Community Center, 365 Campus Drive.
The panel will include Brenda Simonds, director, Methodist Hospital spiritual care; Wendy Kohlhasse, PhD, bioethics consultant; and Pamela Wright, VITAS community liaison.
Panel members will discuss the various advance directives, what a "do not resuscitate" order means and the new POLST form that facilitates the continuity of health care. They will explain what each does and how it works, and they will answer questions on what you should have in place to help avoid confusion later.
Advance directives help convey your wishes and decisions to your family, friends and health-care providers. It is not always easy to decide what you want or whom you would like to speak on your behalf. While all advance directives are helpful, not all advance directives are legally binding. The panel will identify what makes an advance directive legally binding and what considerations should be made in creating an advance directive that works for you.
Immediately following the seminar, a free workshop will provide advance directive forms and help completing the form. The workshop and forms are available through VITAS Innovative Hospice Care, the San Gabriel Valley End-of-Life Coalition and Methodist Hospital. Reservations, call 626-574-5130.

SENIOR HAPPENINGS

JULY 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.
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.
Thursdays:
1:00 to 3:30 pm: Game Day. Join us for Poker and more. Wii - 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. Please call for more information.
Fridays: Intervale Lunch Café; daily reservations needed 355-0256
1:00 pm to 1:45 pm: Strength Training with Lisa Brandley. FREE class of stretching with light hand weights while you sit.
Saturdays: 11:30 am: Senior Club brown bag lunch and BINGO at 12:30 pm.

2012 EXCURSIONS

NEWPORT BAY CHARTER BOAT CRUISE AND LUNCH
Thursday, August 9, 2012
Departure: Charter bus leaves at 9:15am from the Hart Park House Senior Center
Boat Charter: 11:00am-12:30pm
Arrival: Charter bus will arrive back in Sierra Madre at approximately 3:00pm
Cost: \$20 includes transportation and tip (Does not include lunch)
More Info: Call the Hart Park House Senior Center at 626-355-7394. The 90 minute tour views the entire harbor, including the 7 Islands of Newport Bay. The tour is narrated by the experienced Captain and Crew. You will get a chance to see celebrity homes, sea lions, and much more! For more information on the cruise please visit their website at www.funzoneboats.com. Lunch will be on your own from 12:30-2:00pm in Newport Beach. Please be sure to register early as space is limited. Registration is available at the Hart Park House at 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Community Recreation Center at 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. or online at www.cityofsierramadre.com/onlineregistration.



July Birthdays
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Meals-On-Wheels
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Tickets can now be purchased at:
Sierra Madre City Hall
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NEW!

Senior Movie Program

The Hart Park House Senior Center is starting a brand new monthly movie program beginning Wednesday, August 15.

Each month a movie will be shown at no fee in the City Council Chambers located in City Hall.

The movie for the month of August is, *Invasion of the Body Snatchers*, filmed in our very own Sierra Madre!

All patrons are encouraged to join us monthly and it's a great way to beat the summer heat. Location: City Council Chambers, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm
Cost: Free, no charge.

*Food is not allowed in the Council Chambers

HEALTH & FITNESS
THE JOY OF YOGA

THE SILENCE



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

People tell me all the time that they are not able to meditate. They have too much on their minds. What happens when you sit in silence? What do you hear? Do you hear the roaring of your thoughts? Is your mind jumping around like a monkey? Are you too fidgety? Some styles of meditation are to just sit there and watch as those thoughts jump around. Some styles are guided, so that you follow along and then have brief pauses. Some styles say "just clear your mind."
What is the right style for you? We are all very different. There are many, many styles. But here is what works for me, most of the time: I start by practicing yoga.
You knew I was going to say that right? Well, yoga was designed as a back strengthener. Yoga was designed to help us learn to breathe better, to increase our capacity so we can sit in meditation and do pranayama (breath

work).
But honestly, I need to get the ya-yas out. I can't just sit down and expect my mind to be quiet. I can't just sit down and be still. I need to move and get the body calmed down first. The yogis knew this. In fact, in Classical and Tantric yoga science, it is the nervous system that we need to calm down before we can meditate.
If we are in a constant state of the sympathetic nervous system being active, then we are in fight or flight mode. That means we are waiting for the next thing to happen. How can we expect to meditate if we have just been driving our cars? Our brains are in Drive.
So, we know that meditation is the number one thing to reduce anxiety, the number one stress reducer. But we can't just go from stress to meditate in 2 seconds. Let's do the yoga first. It really helps!!!
Trust me, meditation is the balm/bomb, the best thing you can possibly do for yourself. And it's been around for thousands of years for just that very reason. See you in class. Namasté, René

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BUSINESS TODAY
The latest on Business News, Trends and Techniques

By La Quetta M. Shamblee, MBA



HIRED HELP MAY HELP YOUR BUSINESS GROW

Recently, for the very first time I hired a project assistant on a temporary basis for sizeable one-month contract that I needed to complete for a client. I retained her services on an independent contractor agreement. The project involved communication and sharing documents with at least four other individuals and I knew that I would do a much better job by having a qualified person in place to serve as my communications hub for the project. It was a costly decision that required more than 15% of the total contract, but in the end, it was one of the smartest business decisions I’ve ever made.

The project required extensive proofreading, editing and a significant amount of back-and-forth e-mails to reformat documents. In addition to having extensive copywriting experience, the project assistant was also well-versed in converting documents into versions that could be used by all parties involved. Whenever I needed an update or assistance with follow-up, she was on top of it. This allowed me to focus the majority of attention to creating content for my client, but it also reduced my stress level tremendously.

Too often, sole entrepreneurs and small business owners underestimate the benefits of bringing “extra hands on deck” as a business-building strategy. I have had the opportunity to share this experience with colleagues who prepare business and marketing content for a living. Without exception, each one of them has requested the contact info for the project assistant who worked with me. They too,

have prolonged the agony of operating as a one-person shop to the detriment of being able to build their consulting practices into larger, more lucrative enterprises.

If you have reached a plateau and have the desire to expand your business by increasing your sales, market exposure or other aspects that you deem important to increasing your profits long-term, it’s time to consider bring extra hands on deck. First, determine what your goals are over the next six months. Will you be able to accomplish this with your current staffing? If not, hiring an employee or an independent consultant on a temporary basis is an option. With so many qualified professional currently out of work, it is easier to find individuals with expertise that you need to work on a per-project basis. It will also provide the opportunity for you to assess the person’s skills and suitability to working on additional projects with you, or consideration for bringing them on as temporary or permanent staff in the future.

My recent experience of hiring the project assistant taught me the first-hand the value of delegating a specific set of tasks to a person who was well-qualified. I have learned that it is easier than I thought to increase my capacity to generate additional revenue. It’s not necessary to commit to an ongoing payroll expense to put adequate staffing in place to move your business to the next level. It’s possible to do it one project at a time if necessary.



OMG! OH MY GOSH DID YOU KNOW..... By Patricia Richardson, M.B.A

QuickBooks permits you to track time worked on various jobs. Time can be tracked for employees, subcontractors (vendors), or owners. QuickBooks 2012 has added **Batch Timesheets** to their timesheet functionality.

QuickBooks Pro and QuickBooks Premier provide three different ways to track time.

Time Single Activity. Use the Stopwatch to time an activity and enter the time data. QuickBooks automatically records the time on the employee’s weekly timesheet.

Weekly Timesheets. Use the weekly timesheet to enter time worked by each employee on various jobs during the week.

Online Timesheets. Enter billable hours from any Internet-connected computer. Download the timesheets into QuickBooks to process paychecks.

The new feature allows the user to select multiple employee or vendor names when entering hours. It is a great addition to QuickBooks because it saves time entering the same hours for multiple employees or vendors, and is very useful if this is something that happens week in, and week out (for example, hourly employees who have the same hours every week and never work overtime). It makes payroll processing faster and easier. In addition, if invoicing customers for these hours it is faster and easier as well. In fact, in the new feature **Batch Invoicing for Time and Expenses**, if there are common hours and common expenses, these two features together (possibly combined with memorized transactions for expenses) can make invoicing quick and easy, meaning that invoices get issued faster and payments received faster.

Anyone who does time tracking for more than one person, in which two or more employees have similar or identical hours, should use this feature. In fact, this can be used for two or more employees who have similar, but not identical, hours. Hours specific to each employee can simply be edited.

Another QuickBooks 2012 enhancement includes **Batch Invoicing for Time and Expenses**. Many QuickBooks users need to keep track of time and materials/expenses and want to charge them to jobs. QuickBooks has just made this task easier.

To improve profitability in the future, a business should evaluate which customers and jobs have been profitable in the past. This information permits a business to improve profitability by:

- Increasing business in profitable areas
- Improving performance in unprofitable areas
- Discontinuing unprofitable areas

To determine which customers are profitable it is necessary to look at sales for the customer as well as the associated costs. In previous versions of QuickBooks posting unbilled costs (time and expenses) to a customer happened individually at the point of invoice origination. The new **Batch invoicing for Time and Expenses** is great because it saves time by allowing you to select customers with unbilled time, items, expenses, and mileage, and create invoices for all of them with a couple of clicks. After activating this feature, billing for all expenses becomes easier now as the system will generate a list of customers with these expenses and asks if you want to invoice them.

This feature is great for your customers who have regularly scheduled expenses (which could be recorded as memorized automatic transactions) and time (which can be recorded in batches across many customers). It is for customers who do not use multicurrency and who have only one Accounts Receivable account and generally only one invoice template.

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Social Media

Tips & Tricks

By Merri Jill Finstrom

ARE YOU LISTENING IN SOCIAL MEDIA?

Good listening skills can get you far in life. Just like live interactions, I think good listening skills are important in social media too.

It’s important to feed good content into social media but also beneficial to let your connections know you are listening to what they are saying. Think about it... if you had a customer come into your store and tell you something fun, you most likely would nod, smile and probably ask questions and participate in the discussion. If you simply stared at them with no expression, they wouldn’t feel connected to you. It’s the same in social media. If you want to build connections, you need to nod (“like” the post), participate (“comment” on a post) and if they say something really magnificent you might “share” it with others.

Where do you listen:

Facebook “Home” (see screen shot): Think of the “home” area as your ears on Facebook. As your connections share their news on Facebook, it feeds through your “home” area (which is also called the news feed). Let your connections know you are listening by commenting or liking their posts. If you are low on words and don’t want to comment, a simple “like” of a post will do the trick. It’s like giving a smile, nodding your head and making good eye contact.

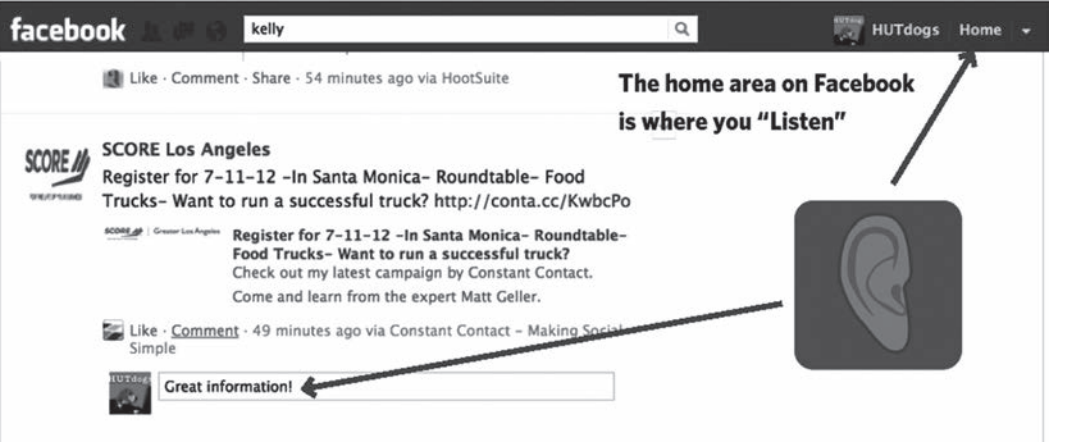
Twitter Feeds: In Twitter, you listen to the people you are following in the feed (Tweets). To be part of the discussion select RT (retweet) and you can share it with the people following you or select “reply” which allows you to comment on what was said and strike up a conversation.

LinkedIn Groups and questions: The best way to build connections and participate in valuable discussions on LinkedIn is by joining groups. Search for groups that share common interests, audience and industry talk. Listen to what people are saying in these groups and participate in their posts. Just like Facebook, you can comment and like a post.

Essentially, Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn are modern communication tools. Just like the telephone, you use these tools to speak, listen and stay connected with people. You will get a lot out of social media if you spend half of your time listening, responding and participating in threads of discussion. Keep in mind, when you participate in a discussion on social media, it puts your brand in front of an audience.

About MJ: MJ and her brother David own HUTdogs, a creative services business that also specializes in Social Media Education for business owners. Join their conversation on Facebook and get good tips and tricks about social media, www.facebook.com/hutdogs

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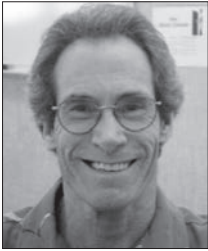
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HAIL Hamilton **My Turn STOPPING UNWANTED TELEMARKETER CALLS**



Has your evening quality quiet time or dinner been interrupted by a call from a telemarketer? Dumb question, right? We all have received these unwanted and annoying telephone solicitations. What is not commonly known is that a large number of these solicitations are **fraudulent**. Either the people aren't who they say they are or the organizations they purport to represent are scams.

This is not to say that all telemarketing solicitations are scams or all the people making the calls are crooks. On the contrary, most telemarketing firms are legit, and to their way of thinking are merely another form of advertising. The people making these calls are, for the most part, folks just trying to make ends meet in these hard times.

Most callers work in boiler room operations with a headset and microphone, viewing a computer screen with a consumer profile of the person they are calling, and a "pitch script" to read. Most of these telemarketer callers **know little if anything** about the organization on whose behalf they are calling.

Some Startling Statistics

- The FBI estimates there are **14,000 illegal sales operations** bilking billions of dollars from consumers in the United States every day.
- The National Association of Attorneys General estimates that although 5 million Americans are defrauded by telemarketers **every year**, only one of five of them report the fraud, usually because they are too embarrassed.
- Americans lose \$40 billion a year to fraudulent telemarketers according to the National Fraud Information Center (NFIC). Investment scams alone amount to losses of **\$1 million and hour!**
- Charities make more money from **selling your name and number** to other telemarketing companies than from the donations they collect from calling.
- On average, **only 24%** of what you donate as a result of a telemarketing call will actually get to the charity on whose behalf the solicitation is made. The telemarketing company hired to make the call gets the rest.
- 56% of the people targeted by telemarketers are 50 or older!**
- Fraudulent telemarketers prey on vulnerable consumers with certain characteristics. Unfortunately, the most common victims are the **elderly and immigrants**, who in worst cases may lose their life savings. But anyone without knowledge and due diligence can fall prey.
- The same telemarketers will often call an elderly person day after day, **building a relationship with the target**, until he/she thinks a friend, not a stranger, is trying to sell him/her something.
- 92% of the adults in the United States have reported receiving fraudulent telephone offers within the past year, according to the NFIC!**

These are just examples of fraudulent telephone solicitations. What about our right to the private use and enjoyment of our telephones without the unwanted intrusion of telemarketers at all? Unlike the traditional advertising we are exposed to on radio, TV, and the print media, telemarketers aren't welcomed into homes because we have chosen to use a particular medium in which they advertise. They are like door-to-door salesmen who can violate our privacy without even knocking.

Hawking a product on a busy street corner is one thing; forcing someone to listen to a hard-sell pitch in the privacy of their home is quite another.

The California Business and Professions Code Section 17590 (a) states: "There is a compelling state interest to protect the privacy of residential or wireless telephone subscribers who wish to avoid unsolicited and unwanted telephone solicitations..."

CBPC section 17593 (a) states: "The Attorney General, a district attorney, or a city attorney may bring a civil action in any court of competent jurisdiction against a telephone solicitor to enforce the article and obtain any one or more..." of court ordered remedies.

What Can You Do To Stop The Unwanted Calls?

Pursuant to its authority under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), the FCC established, together with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), a national Do-Not-Call Registry. The registry is nationwide in scope, applies to all telemarketers (with the exception of certain non-profit organizations), and covers both interstate and intrastate telemarketing calls.

Commercial telemarketers are not allowed to call you if your number is on the registry, subject to certain exceptions. As a result, consumers can, if they choose, reduce the number of unwanted phone calls to their homes.

Do-Not-Call Registry

You can register your phone numbers for free, and they will remain on the list until you remove them or discontinue service -- there is no need to re-register numbers.

The Do-Not-Call registry **does not** prevent all unwanted calls. It does not cover the following:

- calls from organizations with which you have established a business relationship;
- calls for which you have given prior written permission;
- calls which are not commercial or do not include unsolicited advertisements; and
- calls by or on behalf of tax-exempt non-profit organizations.

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RICH Johnson **HOW TO DRIVE IN L.A.**



Summertime and Southern California is, yet again, teeming with tourists. Very few travel professionals prepare out of town guests for the rigors of traversing the greater Los Angeles – Orange County area by car. As a reporter, reporting for a newspaper committed to informing the misguided, I submit a primer on traveling in L.A. Please, if you have foreigners guests or relatives, from say, Phoenix or Vladivostok coming to visit, pass these travel tips along. They'll thank you and we'll thank you.

1. Weekday morning rush hour is from 5:00am until 12:00 noon. The evening rush hour starts at 12:00 noon going until 7:00pm. Friday's rush hour starts on Thursday morning.
2. The minimum acceptable speed on most freeways is 85mph. The exceptions are the 105 and the 110 where your speed is expected to match the highway number.
3. Forget traffic rules from other municipalities, states, countries or hemispheres. L.A. has it's own version for the rules of the road. For example, the first car to go through a 4-way stop is the car that has the least to lose. Wait, that may be universal.
4. If you, for some unknown reason, actually stop at a yellow light, you will be rear-ended, cussed out and possibly shot.
5. Never, ever honk at anyone. Ever! Seriously, it's another offense that can get you shot (and not by law enforcement).
6. Road construction is permanent and ongoing throughout L.A. and Orange County. Those orange detour barrels are often moved around in the middle of the night to make the next day's driving a bit more exciting and entertaining.
7. Watch out for such road hazards as: Drunks, skunks, dogs, cats, barrels, cones, celebrities, rubber-neckers, shredded tires, cell-phone users, deer and other road kill.
8. Don't rely on Map Quest and Google Map for directions. Few of the roads are where they say they are, or actually go to where they say they do. I have friends and relatives still missing having attempted travel from Sierra Madre to Palos Verdes. Also, visitors should know all the freeway on and off ramps are moved each night.
9. In the unlikely event that someone actually uses their turn signal, wave them off to the shoulder of the road immediately and inform them their turn signal is malfunctioning.
10. If you are in the "fast" lane and are only driving 70 mph you will be officially considered a road hazard. Drivers forced to go around you will remind you of your hazardous driving by giving you the universal signal, which is the middle finger of the left hand extended in your direction accompanied by a facial gesture expressing the seriousness of the infraction.
11. Due to the uncertainty of road and traffic conditions in the greater Los Angeles and Orange County freeway system, make no attempt to estimate travel time. If you have a Tuesday appointment, leave Monday afternoon. A Thursday noontime departure is good for Friday meetings. Leave right after church on Sunday for any meeting scheduled on a Monday morning.

Finally, a bit of travel advice from celebrities:

"Kilometers are shorter than miles. Save gas, take your next trip in kilometers." *George Carlin*

"If you are going through hell, keep going." *Winston Churchill*

Important words to live by.

STUART Tolchin.....On **LIFE BANK ROBBERIES**



Do you remember those wonderful old movies when Bonnie and Clyde or Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid would go out there and rob banks? Somehow it all seemed so wholesome. Sure, sometimes there was some shooting but, after all, it was only movies and nobody really got hurt. Really nothing to worry about.

As I read today's newspaper I realize that there really is something to worry about. Not only do the Banks make mistakes, but also they are purposely deluding their customers, people like you and me, and stealing our money. Worse yet; it's not just the Banks, it's all our trusted institutions. Cities, colleges, lawyers, insurance companies—they're all in on it. It's a smorgasbord of corruption and all the super-privileged folks are getting rich at the expense of the rest of us.

Yesterday's newspaper revealed that our returning veterans are being lured into using their G.I. Education Benefits to pay tuition to private colleges that make false promises. The programs offered are not accredited elsewhere and lead to no real jobs. These seemingly unregulated "schools" are frequently just scams accepting millions in governmental loans while wasting the time of those attempting to prepare for new careers. Meanwhile traditional universities, colleges, and even Community Colleges have increased their tuitions while failing to provide classes that are necessary for the completion of a degree. It takes longer to graduate which requires more student time and money, both in short supply. There are some demonstrators but certainly not enough to gain sufficient attention to bring about change.

The super-rich corporations are earning (that seems like the wrong word) unprecedented profits at the expense of the rest of us. What I fail to understand is the failure of America's hundreds of millions of defrauded and betrayed inhabitants to display much open hostility. Where is our anger? Yes, there is the Occupy Movement, and some say that this is a sign of potential change; but for me, and everyone else that I know, the Occupy Movement is something that happens somewhere else. Most of us are caught up in the Presidential Horserace even though it has become abundantly clear that both horses have the same owners. Money now rules America and we who are not the privileged few are being controlled by those that are. Why are there no talks of third parties? Why are there no boycotts? Why, for that matter do we willingly keep eating unhealthy foods and unable to even form carpools?

You know why? We have been ROBBED; Robbed of our awareness, robbed of our energy, really robbed of our ability to survive on our own. To illustrate my point, let me share a story conveyed to me by another article writer. Several months ago he saw charges applied on his Chase Bank Statement that he did not understand. He asked for an explanation and was referred to a friendly bank officer. After a moment she handed him a fine print brochure entitled "Terms and Conditions". He was told that a "detailed explanation" would be contained. After reading the whole brochure he realized that the only possible explanation was the following:

"Bank reserves the right to apply other charges as appropriate."

He asked the bank employee if this was what she meant by "detailed explanation". She said "yes."

Now get ready for the really scary part. We passively accept such disrespect and nonsense. Both the other article-writer and I are quite aware of other alternative depositories such as Community Banks and Credit Unions. Still today both of us, and many like us I am sure, have made no changes. Our moneys remain deposited in our local, friendly, full-service Chase Bank. I can speculate about the reasons for this inaction but it saddens me to tell you that I feel more resignation than anger. Will anything I do actually make a difference? More and more I hear people talking about the predicted world calamity which is to occur at the end of this year and they seem to be looking forward to that day. Let's not give up. Perhaps we can awake from our decade long nightmare. Write your Congressman, write me, form a carpool, become a vegan, go off the grid, run for office. The rich elite know that there are many more of us than there are of them and it is only a matter of time until things start to change for the better. See how good it feels to be optimistic. Please write to me when you notice things are getting better. It will make me feel good, no matter what else happens.

OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

PIGS CAN FLY, BUT NOT WITH ME!



It is time for good old Uncle George to pay up. For years, at least as long as I can remember, he always eluded everything by saying, "I'll do that when pigs fly." Or, "I'll give you \$100 for that when pigs fly." My favorite might be, "I'll go to church when pigs fly."

Well, Uncle George, it is time for you to pay up for all of those promises in the past.

According to some airlines, pigs can fly. I am not sure I have all of the facts, but then again facts have little to do with most stories going around these days. All I know, certain airlines will allow you to carry on board your pet pig if it is important to you for your mental well-being. After all, only the pilots are allowed to be mentally off when it comes to flying.

I must confess that my least favorite mode of transportation is flying. Now, according to some rumors flying around, I have more reasons not to like flying.

I think the cost of flying his discouraged me from enjoying the flight. It seems terribly expensive to squeeze your body into the seat made for a person half your size so that you can pay double the price.

It takes me about a half hour to get myself squeezed into a seat and manipulate the seatbelt to go all the way around me. By that time, I need to go to the restroom. Why I do not think of that before I sit down is one of those mysteries of nature that never will be solved. Another half hour to extradite myself from the seat and go and stand in line at the restroom for another half hour and then come back and squeeze myself back into the seat and again manipulate the seatbelts. By that time, I am totally exhausted.

Another reason I am not too fond of flying has to do with the cuisine. When you mentioned airline food, the term cuisine does not readily come to mind. Whatever they serve on board has nothing whatsoever to resemble nutritious cuisine.

I think some of these people who are going to begin taking their pigs on board might take this into consideration. If the food is as bad as it has been, somebody, like yours truly, might look at that pig with a certain cuisine activity in mind. I am not adverse to a nicely roasted pork for lunch. In fact, I am going to start taking apples with me when I fly just in case the occasion presents itself.

I suppose the biggest reason I do not like flying has to do with the seats. Whoever designed airline seats never had an encounter with a real man. I believe they thought that the only people who would

ever fly an airplane would be height-challenged people. Those who would not take up much space. Perhaps also they were thinking of people who were posteriorly-challenged.

Have you looked at people lately? There are very few posteriorly-challenged people left in the world anymore. Perhaps they were thinking of those days when people had to work their butts off making a living. Now, no such activity is being exercised in our country.

Now that pigs are going to be able to fly the friendly skies, what's next?

I have endured all kinds of people during my years of flying. Now, not only do I have to share my seat with suffocating, boring, chatty people, but also I need to make room for pigs.

Who was it that made this decision? Who was it that sat down and said, "You know, I think it would be a good idea if we allowed pigs to fly on airplanes."

It is obvious that the people who made this decision are not familiar with pigs. Perhaps they were thinking of Porky Pig. Now, there is a pig I would not mind traveling with in the friendly skies. The conversation would probably be better than some of the conversations I have had in similar situations. Of course, his stuttering might drive me crazy.

Being a country boy, I know what a pig is. My grandfather used to raise pigs, so, I have been around pigs and know what they are like and, most importantly, how bad they smell. It is a well-known fact that the reason pigs have such large snouts is because they smell so bad. And they enjoy smelling bad.

I can think of one reason why the airlines want to include pigs in the list of passengers. Most of them serve food only a pig would like.

I know that being "politically correct" is a mandate in our culture. I further know that criticizing stupidity in our culture is a huge no-no. In fact, to recognize such absurdity is a reflection upon your character. For anybody to think that a pig does not belong in a seat beside you as you fly the friendly skies is some kind of antediluvian moron.

I think Solomon got it right when he said, "And I gave my heart to know wisdom, and to know madness and folly; I perceived that this also is vexation of spirit. For in much wisdom is much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow" (Ecclesiastes 1:17-18 KJV). *Uncle George, it is pay up time, I'll see you in church Sunday.*

Howard as AS I SEE IT will be back next week.



Susan Henderson, Publisher/Editor

HAVE WE HAD ENOUGH YET?

On Friday, the nation was shocked by the most violent mass murder in the nation's history. Twelve innocent people were killed and 59 unsuspecting citizens were gunned down by a man, whom some would say, was exercising his second amendment right to bear arms. The question that must be asked is, *Have We Had Enough Yet?*

Almost 40 years ago, when my father was younger than I am now, he was gunned down by a 78 year old man who was demented and thought my father was someone else, so when I speak of the need for gun control, I speak as someone who has experienced that telephone call informing you that your loved one has been killed by the hands of some irresponsible person protected by self serving gun advocates.

Those innocent people in Colorado, like my father, were exercising their right to an evening in what was deemed to be a 'safe' environment and expected that the laws of this land would protect them from danger. It didn't.

Did you know that since the beginning of this year there have been six mass random shootings:

July 19, Aurora, Colo: Gunman shoots into a movie theater, killing 12 and injuring 59 others;

July 17, Tusaloosa, Ala: Gunman shoots into a bar, injuring 17;

May 30, Seattle, Wash: Gunman shoots into cafe and later carjacks a woman, killing five and injuring one other;

April 7, Tulsa, Okla: Two gunmen accused of shooting passersby in a north Tulsa neighborhood, killing three and injuring two others;

April 2, Oakland, Calif: Gunman opens fire on classroom at Oikos University, killing seven and injuring three others;

March 3, Pittsburgh, Pa.: A gunman opens fire on a psychiatric hospital in Pittsburgh, killing one person and injuring seven more.

February 27, Chardon, Ohio: Teenager shoots into high school cafeteria, killing three and injuring three others.

And it is only July.

It is a fact that the Constitution gives every citizen the right to bear arms, but at the time that amendment was drafted, times were very different. Most notably, there was one very significant difference in the weapons of the day. There were no hand carried automatic or semi-automatic weapons.

The Gatling gun, patented in 1861 by Richard Jordan Gatling, was the first to offer controlled, sequential fire with automatic loading. The design's key features were machine loading of prepared cartridges and a hand-operated crank for sequential high-speed firing. It was used first in the Civil War and was not a commonly purchased weapon by ordinary citizens.

Guns of the caliber and type used by James Holmes go beyond the scope of the Constitution. One of his weapons held 100 rounds of ammunition. Something that our forefathers could not even imagine. In January 2011, the gunman that shot Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords shot 32 bullets in 15 seconds. That kind of weapon was definitely not in the minds of the drafters of the Constitution either.

Let's face it. Our world has changed tremendously since the early 1700's. Our values have changed too. By now we should be able to see that a compromise must be reached when it comes to gun control. It is not enough to simply require background checks. We have to minimize the public's risk of becoming victims to weaponry designed for wars.

People don't buy semi automatic and automatic weapons to protect their homes. That's bull. When is the last time you heard of an intruder being gundowned by a home owner with an AK47? The proliferation of these true weapons of mass destruction have no place being sold to anything other than an army. Our law enforcement agencies shouldn't even have them, although it becomes a necessity since criminals are so well armed.

As long as we put the politics of gun control, the fear of the NRA and its influence over our elections first, things will never change. What happened in Aurora, or what happened to my dad for that matter, are the result of us sitting on our hands and not taking rational action to protect society. It is time for us to recognize the America in which we live. It is time for us to have had enough.

Adam Winkler, a UCLA Constitutional Law Professor has authored a very good book entitled *GUN FIGHT: The Battle Over The Right To Bear Arms In America*. It's really worth reading. Might save your life or the life of someone you love one day.

OBAMA LAUNCHES ATTACK AND MAKES ROMNEY LOOK GOOD

GREG Welborn



(It's A Heck Of A Way To Win An Election)

President Obama and his campaign team are in attack mode, and they seem to sense blood in the water. They're trying to hit Romney hard and fast, and they've concluded that his relative silence demonstrates political vulnerability. Unfortunately, they may just be too smart for their own good. Team Obama's obsession with Romney's business background and accomplishments may just backfire and demonstrate to the country that we have the opportunity to elect a man who has proven more successful in running things than Obama, who left a well paying job to meet his civic responsibility and who has created more jobs in this country than Obama even knows how to count.

We've all heard the spin by now. According to Team Obama, Romney made false filings to the Securities Exchange Commission, he has vast foreign holdings and he shipped jobs overseas while at Bain Capital. I'm actually surprised that they didn't add in the Mormon-cult thing (again) to put what they hope would be a final nail in the Romney coffin. Well, on second thought, perhaps they don't need to do that. After all, they doubled down on the SEC filing thing and actually accused Romney of committing a felony in his filings with this regulatory body. If the man belongs in prison, we probably don't need to worry about his religion, do we? But what if the "Romney is corrupt, evil and insensitive" theme is as obviously false as a little kid claiming he didn't eat the cookie while still wearing its crumbs on his face? That's why this is going to be a problem for Obama, because the lie is so stupidly crafted and easily refuted that it will backfire.

Let's take the Romney felony rap first. Mr. Romney left his CEO position at Bain Capital in order to take up the job of fixing the Salt Lake City Olympic Games. After he "left", he signed SEC forms indicating that he was still the CEO of Bain, and lying to the SEC is a felony. The problem here is that Romney took a leave of absence from Bain. He didn't resign. He could return to Bain at his choosing without being rehired by the board. Had he told the SEC he wasn't involved with Bain Capital, that would have been the lie, and he would have been in real trouble. This is very common, absolutely kosher, and is exactly the same thing that Steve Jobs - bid Democratic supporter - did when he was battling health issues. Senior executives take leaves of absence to help their communities. What about the whole Olympic thing anyway? Does it really make sense to point out how Romney left his extremely well paying job as CEO of Bain in order to fix the SLC Olympics? Since the games were close to being cancelled and Romney turned them around, this doesn't sound like a smart political move on Obama's part. Romney fixes things really well. I can think of some things that need fixing in this country - most of them were broken by Obama.

Now, there's always the wealth issue. Romney is in the 1%, so that's a bad thing, right? Well, only if you think that being really successful at what you do, creating wealth for all your shareholders and saving or launching a half

dozen or so businesses is a bad thing. I think Americans want to be successful, they want their President to be successful and they want their country to be successful. We're not seeing a lot of success under the current President. I vote for the guy who can get America running again.

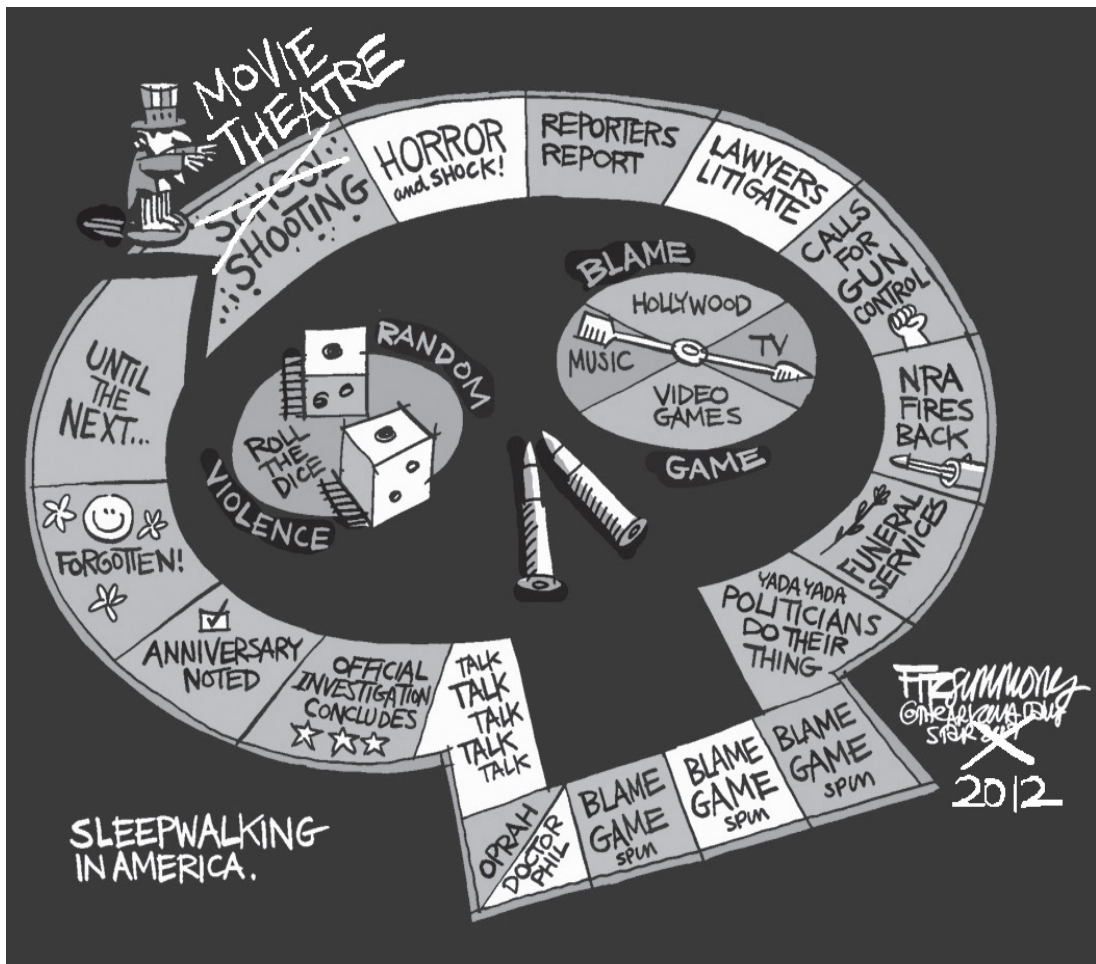
I guess I have to address the foreign holdings and foreign bank accounts issue to be fair. First and foremost, Romney didn't write the current set of stupid tax rules that encourage people to put money overseas. In fact, Romney has stated that he wants to fix the tax code so it's not as confusing and doesn't favor certain businesses, activities or locations over others. That whole mess was created by Democrats. All Romney did was follow the rules they wrote. Each of us does the same thing. No American voluntarily pays more income taxes than the law demands. We all strive to reduce our burden as much as we legally can. Heck, based on the public disclosure forms they signed, even certain residents of the West Wing are wealthy and have foreign holdings and accounts.

The grand finale has to be the jobs issue. Shipping jobs overseas has been investigated by at least two nationally respected fact-checking agencies. The Washington post called the accusation "misleading, unfair and untrue". The Annenberg Center stated it "found no evidence to support the claim." In fact, the truth is exactly the opposite.

Romney's tenure at Bain Capital was marked by a series of investments in either troubled companies or new ventures that needed capital to expand. In the case of the troubled companies, had Bain not invested, all the jobs would have been lost. Some people were laid off so the company could survive and more people could retain jobs and careers. In the case of the start ups, let's take Staples as an example. Thanks to Bain's investment, Staples was able to grow and open thousands of stores. Several tens of thousands of people gained employment and countless millions of small business people saved money on office supplies, and then used those savings to grow their companies and hire still more people.

If Americans really give the spin coming from the Obama campaign team some serious consideration, they may just conclude that Mitt Romney is the man for the job. He knows how to get things done, he's created wealth for others, he's given selflessly when his community needed him and he's created thousands of jobs directly and millions more indirectly. If I were President Obama, I wouldn't be so quick and cocky to remind voters of those facts.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE “BEAR” FACTS

Dear Editor:

This letter is in reference to a topic that frequently makes front page headlines...especially in very hot weather. That topic is: Bears. Bears are omnivores, which mean that they basically feed on any type or many different types of food. Animal or vegetable... When the pressure cooker that is summer heats up what is in our trash cans it makes the contents extremely aromatic and pretty much irresistible to our ursine neighbors. In addition to the suggestions given us every year, one I haven't noticed mentioned is something so very easy to do.

FREEZE YOUR FOOD SCRAPS!

Put them in the trash can the morning of pick-up, not the night before. As you know; a fed bear is a dead bear.

Pat Birdsall, Sierra Madre

REGARDING CHRISTOPHER NYERGES:

Dear Editor:

I Love reading his pieces! He writes from the heart unlike some of your other writers who dole out "nothings", no offense. His piece on his pet pig, "Otis", was great. I clipped and shared it with our "Neal's" folks. Chris' piece about his dad's passing was really meaningful to me as it helped me sort out some lingering issues about my own father's recent passing. I like the hometown feel you maintain in your paper, thanks!

God bless, Michael Sizer - Sierra Madre

PHONE COMPANY FIGHTS FBI TO PROTECT CUSTOMERS' RECORDS

A Story That Barely Can Be Told By Mark Scheerer

SAN FRANCISCO - It's a story that's hard to tell. A phone company is taking the rare step of challenging a request for customer records, saying the FBI is overreaching.

Matt Zimmerman is a lawyer representing the company, which he cannot identify. In fact, his lips are sealed about almost everything in this case, because of the use of what is called a national security letter (NSL). According to Zimmerman, it is often employed in hunting for terrorism, post-9/11.

"It allows the FBI to seek information and to gag recipients without any kind of court oversight ahead of time."

The Justice Department says NSLs have

helped uncover terrorist cells in the United States, although officials have acknowledged NSLs also have been abused by the FBI. To Zimmerman, it's a false choice to suggest that privacy and security can't co-exist within the legal system. And he says the FBI has plenty of other tools to use.

Zimmerman says it isn't hard to see how national security letters can be misused.

"The Office of Inspector General issued three reports over the past several years documenting and highlighting the kinds of abuses that the FBI committed surrounding the use of national security letters."

The Wall Street Journal analyzed docu-

ments released by the FBI and speculated that the phone company fighting the NSL may be Working Assets, which operates a long-distance call service and donates to progressive such causes as Greenpeace, Planned Parenthood and the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). Zimmerman can't say.

"No recipient of a national security letter can identify the content of the information sought or identify who the ultimate target is. And neither can their lawyers."

Zimmerman and the mystery company are challenging the gag provision and, he says, the underlying legality of the statutory scheme that allows the FBI to issue these kinds of requests.

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SPORTS

SIERRA MADRE LITTLE LEAGUE HOSTS DISTRICT 17 10 - 11 TOURNAMENT



The Sierra Madre Little League displayed the best of this town last weekend. On Saturday and Sunday, they hosted the District 17 Tournament for 10-11 year olds. According to Gene Goss, internet radio commentator, "Radio Fishbowl was proud to broadcast the two Little League Sectional Tournament games featuring our District 17 Champion Sierra Madre 10-11 year old All Stars. Our kids fought their hearts out, but were eliminated Sunday afternoon. Congratulations to the team and Manager Ben Olivades for a great run!" The 10-11 year old distraicht champs are: Andrew Amerio, Luca Farroni, Blake Hardy, Christian Locateli, Nikolas Moran, Rober Olivades, Chris Rettig, Josh Vance, Gabe Young, Vincent Zuniga, and Erik Zimmerman.

Other SMLL All Star Teams competed at various locations for an opportunity to advance to the State Finals and ultimately, the National Championships. Those players include:

11-12 Team
Nick Zuniga, Noah Zate, Axel Tanner, Vic Scalzo, Andy Garriola, Ryan Sparks, Henry Kavanaugh, Josh Hedgpeth, Jacob Bechtold, Andres Garcia, JT Young, Harrison MacDonald, Dawson Netz;

9-10 Team
Pierre Biscaichipy, Cole Castillo, Tim DeLaMora, Jonluke Goldman, Josh Grey, Luke Heiberg, Jeremiah Nealy, Ewan Painter, Joseph Prieto, Koa Smith, Nico Tierney, Luke Vlcek.

8-9 Team
Ben Carrillo-Siemer, James Garza, Justin Goldman, Maxwell Goss, Kahlo Gradillas, Sammy Hedgpeth, Desi Lopez, Jason Patterson, Johan Thuen, Henry Williams, Jake Young, Ryan Zimmerman. You can hear a re-broadcast via Mp3 audio files of the broadcasts at www.radiofishbowl.com. Photo courtesy SMLL.com

20TH ANNUAL SENIOR OLYMPICS POWERLIFTING CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR THE BENCH PRESS

Pasadena Senior Games Championships held at Sneiders Family Fitness, Arcadia were recently held for the 20th consecutive year. Two world records were broken.

Powerlifting is an activity that seniors enjoy. We had an exciting competition with several people breaking records. Ruth Saenz and Joel DiMarco both broke the world record for their age. Other lifters performed by beating their previous record from the past year. These powerlifters have developed close friendships over the years. Staying healthy and enjoying life is the #1 goal. Winning gold medals is secondary. Look forward to another great year for these seniors as they are already preparing for next years competition. For further information about the Senior Games, contact Harry Sneider at 626-355-8964 or harrysneider@earthlink.net

OFFICIAL RESULTS

WOMENS DIVISION - Powerlifting BENCH PRESS

NAME	Weight Class	Hometown	Weight Lifted
Age: 50-54			
Hertati Hadiwidjajm	Light Weight	Redondo Beach	65 lbs Gold Medal
Age: 65-69			
Sarah Sneider	Light Weight	Arcadia	70 lbs Gold Medal
Arline Connelly	Middle Weight	Pasadena	100 lbs Gold Medal
Age: 75-79			
Jeanette Parker	Light Heavy Weight	Arcadia	80 lbs Gold Medal State Record
Age: 80-84			
Ruth Saenz	Light Weight	Rosemead	70 lbs Gold Medal*
		*Best Lifter Women's Division - World Record	



OFFICIAL RESULTS

MENS DIVISION - Powerlifting BENCH PRESS

NAME	Weight Class	Hometown	Weight Lifted
Age: 50-54			
Stanley Leventhal	Mid-Heavy Weight	Rosemead	110 lbs Gold Medal
Andrew Harvey	Heavy Wt (275# Class)	Pasadena	415 lbs Gold Medal
Age: 55-59			
Nick Bernal	Middle Weight		275 lbs Gold Medal
Joe Jenkins	Light Heavy Weight		305 lbs Gold Medal
Loren McClung	Heavy Wt (242# Class)	Pasadena	305 lbs Gold Medal
Age: 60-64			
Ed Rose	Light Weight	Carlsbad	160 lbs Gold Medal
Curtis Uyeda	Middle Weight	Torrance	265 lbs Gold Medal
Age: 65-69			
Michael McCann	Middle Weight	Redondo Beach	175 lbs Gold Medal
Jack Lynch	Light-Heavy Weight	Arcadia	300 lbs Gold Medal
Pete Antoine	Mid-Heavy Weight	Beaumont	265 lbs Gold Medal
Robin Connelly	Heavy Wt (220# Class)	Pasadena	220 lbs Gold Medal
James Kholos	Heavy Wt (242# Class)	Los Angeles	160 lbs Gold Medal
Age: 70-74			
Arthur Altshiller	Light-Heavy Weight	West Hills	170 lbs Gold Medal
Harry Sneider	Heavy Wt (220# Class)	Arcadia	215 lbs Gold Medal
David Conner	Heavy Wt (242# Class)	Shadow Hills	310 lbs Gold Medal
Ed Stanley	Super Heavy Weight	Los Angeles	175 lbs Gold Medal
Age: 75-79			
Dick Parker	Light Heavy Weight	Arcadia	115 lbs Gold Medal
Age: 80-84			
Joel DiMarco	Heavy Wt (220# Class)	Torrance	245 lbs Gold Medal*
			*World Record
Best Lifter for Men	Joel DiMarco		



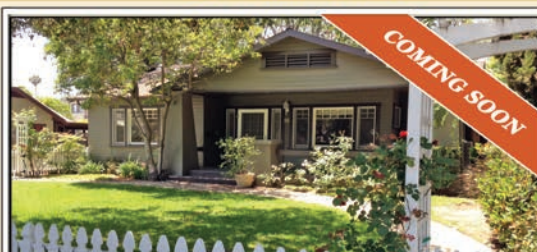
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