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EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT BENEFITS SIERRA MADRE LIBRARY

Eagle Scout is the highest rank in boy scouting and to attain it one must earn at least twenty-one merit badges and complete a service project.

When choosing his service project, Alex Tosh, 18, son of Meegan and David Tosh of Sierra Madre, noticed a need at the Sierra Madre Library and figured out a way to meet that need. Two rickety benches by the back door of the library, the “free bench”, were the repository for donated periodicals and surplus books from Friends of the Sierra Madre Library’s book sales.

With little support and no cover, items on the benches frequently ended up on the ground or got wet before

library patrons could go through them.

Alex, a senior at Pasadena High School and a member of Troop103, had his plans approved by the city of Sierra Madre to be sure that what he constructed would be up to code. Working with his dad and two other scouts, Alex built the library’s new “free bench”, an attractive, sturdy, and covered table that will serve the library well.

In a letter to Alex, library director Carolyn Thomas praised his contribution and noted that it was a major improvement over what they’d had before. Stop by the library to see our latest addition and perhaps to find a treasure among the items on the new “free bench”.



Alex Tosh (on the right) and his friend Theo Strickland (left) working on the bench.

RESIDENTS PLEA FOR RETURN OF HISTORIC SIGN

If you’ve ever driven up Mountain Trail near Churchill, just at what most call the ‘entrance’ to the Upper Canyon, you probably noticed a beautiful sign that said, “Marlborough Terrace”. That sign, which was actually anchored on the corner of the proper of 430 N. Mountail Trail, is now missing and residents of the area are quite upset. “Just give up the sign and no one gets hurt”, said one resident, half joking.

The sign has a rich history in the area and in Sierra Madre and its “absence is really disturbing”, said Catherine Adde a long-time canyon resident. It is unclear whether the sign followed the fate of Mother Moo’s Cow that was ‘lifted’ from the front of the store recently, or whether in the course of construction activity near the sign it was taken or destroyed.

According to a story about the area in the Sierra Madre News in 1987, the sign was created by Bob McDaniels. Its’ purpose was to replace the original sign which announced entry to what Phyllis Chapman called a “special kind of Eden”.

Chapman in a 1983 article on the area, “Its 1400 foot elevation is (reached via) sharp curved, narrow roads that lead to homes located in a sylvan setting with spectacular mountain and valley views.” Chapman continues, “At one time this section of Sierra Madre was government owned land as a result of the U.S. acquisition of California from Mexico in 1848. In the 1860s it was part of the 160 acres granted to Civil War veteran John Richardson for homesteading” (Sierra Madre News, August 25, 1983).

Eventually the land was owned by Henry C. Churchill whose family carried the title of Duke of Marlborough. As reported by Chapman, “In 1921 Z.L. Parmalee purchased the Churchill Ranch, laid out roads, subdivided and advertised it heavily”. Marlborough Terrace was one of the subdivisions that resulted from the transactions.

Anyone who has information on the whereabouts of the sign, please contact Sgt. Enriquez at the Sierra Madre Police Department or this paper at 626-355-2737.



Have you seen this sign (above) anywhere? Do you know what happened to it? Residents in the upper canyon would like to have it back. The area is barren (right) without it. Photos courtesy Catherine Adde



SIERRA MADRE CITY BUDGET: Finding the Right Balance

On Monday, October 22 at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers, the Council will host a joint meeting with all its Commissions to present a financial overview of the City’s budget and begin the ground work for the City’s Fiscal Year 2013-2015 budget. This meeting is open to the public, and will be aired live on SMTV3 and will stream live through the City’s website. The staff report is also on the website.

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE APPROACHES

It’s not too late. It’s easy. People can now register to vote online. The deadline to vote in the November election is midnight, Oct. 22.

People need to re-register when they move, change their name or change political parties.

Eligible voters can register whenever and wherever convenient for them, thanks to the California Department of Motor Vehicles and the Secretary of State’s office. All they need is a California driver license or identification card number, the last four digits of their social security number and date of birth. That’s it.

For people who do not have a driver license or identification card, they can complete the online registration form and an online interview by midnight, Oct. 22. They must, however, also print, sign and mail the form to the address on the mailing label.

To be eligible to vote a person must be a United States citizen, 18 years of age on or before the day of election, be a resident of California, not be in prison or on parole for conviction of a felony, not judicially determined to be incompetent to vote. People convicted of a felony are eligible to vote once they have served their term.

A person does not need to know how to read or write in English or any other language. Assistance is available at the polls. No tests are given.

The League of Women Voters Pasadena Area believes voter registration too frequently presents a barrier to eligible voters. Online voter registration will increase the number of registered voters and facilitate updates of voter registration for people who have moved or changed their name or political party by allowing them to do the process online.

Online registration will help prevent errors in transcribing handwritten information on registration affidavits and will speed up recording of late registrations and cut down on errors. Voters will be better served AND millions of dollars will be saved.

The League encourages all people who are eligible to vote to register and to cast an informed vote in all elections. We believe in the power of the vote, and that government should make voter registration and preregistration easy while assuring that the basic requirements of citizenship, age, and residency are met.



DON'T CHECK THAT BOX....YET

Take a moment to hear the objective truth about our State & Local Ballot Propositions!

On Tuesday, October 23, 2012 at 12:00 noon, the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club in conjunction with the Pasadena League of Women Voters will sponsor a panel of speakers that will give both the Pros and Cons on the eleven statewide and four local ballot propositions.

This will be an educational forum where the speakers will not take a position, but rather given the public an objective, informed review of the measures you are asked to vote on.

The forum will be held at The Lodge (Formerly the Masonic Temple), 33 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre. The forum is free. Lunch will be served at noon for a cost of \$10. For lunch reservations call 626-355-0728.

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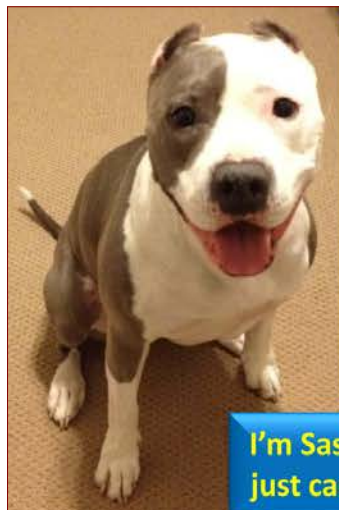
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Fri:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 50s

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:
October 23, 2012

SIERRA MADRE OCTOBER EVENTS

10/20	S.M. Environmental Action Council Bailey Canyon Clean Up
10/20	S.M. Rose Float Association Legendary Bingo
10/23	Kiwanis Club Election Forum
10/24	Sierra Madre Woman's Club Team Program
10/25	Sierra Madre CERT training
10/26-10/27	- Halloween Window Painting Contest
10/26-10/27	- St. Rita's Fall Festival
10/27	Wine and Jazz Walk
10/31	City's Halloween Parade and Costume Contest

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Denny's Arcadia

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Monrovia City Hall
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Rudy's Monrovia
Monrovia Senior Center

Duarte Public Library
Duarte City Hall
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LIBRARY SILENT AUCTION

Did you know that Abner Doubleday, the supposed inventor of baseball, was a Civil War general whose eyewitness accounts of the battles of Chancellorsville and Gettysburg were published in 1882 by Charles Scribner and Sons? Or that T. E. Lawrence, Lawrence of Arabia, published an autobiographical account of his adventures in Arabia during World War I in a book titled Seven Pillars of Wisdom? Or that Ray Bradbury wrote a mystery, Death is a Lonely Business, set in Venice, California whose main character is thought to be Bradbury himself portrayed just before his marriage and his success with The Martian Chronicles? Donations to the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library have included the Doubleday book, a first edition of the Lawrence account, and a signed first trade edition of the Bradbury mystery.

These exceptional books are among the 15 volumes featured in the Friends Book Sales Committee's first Silent Auction being held in the Sierra Madre Public Library, 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre through Monday, October 29. The books will be on display in the display case in the library's main room. To inspect the books more closely, visit the library every Saturday in October from 1-2 PM.

Bidding sheets and rules are available in a notebook located on the library's checkout counter. Bidding will close promptly at 8 PM on October 29. Winning bidders who are not present will be notified by telephone the next day and will then be able to pick up their books at the library.

Proceeds from the Silent Auction will benefit the Sierra Madre Library's programs, services, and acquisitions. For more information and a complete list of the books to be auctioned, visit our website at www.sierramadrelibraryfriends.org. For the Sierra Madre Library hours, call 626 355-7186.

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. From 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

Annual Art Festival

November 2, 7-9 pm
November 3, 10-5 pm
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INGATHERING TEA

Sunday, November 4th, 2012 2 – 4 pm

We are happy to announce that the long awaited extension to Armstrong Hall is now underway. We have outgrown our present dining room and these improvements will give us a larger dining area, updates to the lounge and more room in the kitchen as well as a meeting room and improved cloakroom facilities.

So, please forgive us if we are not quite up to our usual standard on the outside, we can assure you however that the tea will be outstanding, as usual.

Reservations are required by October 29th and should be accompanied by a donation of \$12.50 and sent to:

The British Home in California, Ltd., Attn: Pat 647 Manzanita Ave., Sierra Madre, CA 91024

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*. The station covers the city of Sierra Madre, plus surrounding areas of Pasadena, Arcadia, and Monrovia. 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.

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PASADENA HUMANE SOCIETY BEGINS DOG LICENSE CANVASING

The Pasadena Humane Society has begun door-to-door canvassing to ensure that all dogs in Sierra Madre are licensed.

By law, every dog must wear a current license tag at all times. The Pasadena Humane Society issues dog licenses for Arcadia, La Cañada/Flintridge, San Marino, and Sierra Madre. Dog licenses may be obtained at any time of year, and are good for one year from that date. Dogs must be 4 months or older, and you must provide a current rabies certificate. Licenses must be renewed every year, even though the license tags are permanent.

You may purchase your dog's license at the Pasadena Humane Society front office during business hours or at City Hall. Please call PHS at 626-792-7151 x115 or email licensing@phsspc.org if you have any questions. The licensing officers are available at PHS Tuesday-Friday from 2 pm-6 pm and Saturday 2 pm-5 pm.

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UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL....THE SHUTTLE PART II



Sierra Madre resident Dave Felt, who provided photos of the Endeavor Space Shuttle as it flew above the area two weeks ago, was anxious to get a little closer look. Over the weekend, as the Shuttle made its way to its permanent home in Los Angeles, Dave got a closer look at this amazing 85 ton vehicle.

Sierra Madre Police Blotter

October 8-14, 2012

Monday October 8, 2012

At 2am an officer observed a vehicle with no evidence of current registration travelling south on Baldwin Avenue from Sierra Madre Boulevard. After initiating a traffic stop, the officer determined that the driver had been drinking. The driver failed the field sobriety tests and was subsequently arrested for DUI.

Tuesday October 9, 2012

At 3am, an officer observed a vehicle with no evidence of current registration travelling on Baldwin Avenue. After initiating a traffic stop, the officer determined the driver was in possession of a counterfeit driver's license, identification card and social security card. The driver admitted that he bought the fraudulent items from an unknown person in MacArthur Park a year ago. The driver (male 31 years of age) was arrested for Forgery of an Official Government Seal.

Friday October 12, 2012

A resident in the 300 Block of East Grandview Avenue observed a suspicious individual loitering in a truck. The resident was aware that a burglary had occurred in this area a week prior and notified police. With the assistance of the resident the police stopped this vehicle as it travelled south on Baldwin Avenue at Orange Grove Avenue. It was determined that the driver had an extensive criminal history and gave conflicting versions of what was doing in the neighborhood. The driver (male 36 years of age) was subsequently arrested for Possession of Burglary Tools. Additional investigation is underway to determine if this individual may be responsible for recent property crimes in the City.

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE SIERRA MADRE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES?

The deadline to submit applications to be on the Library Board of Trustees is Friday, October 26. Applications can be downloaded at the City's Website. Go to <http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/i-want-to/find/documents/file/70-application-for-commissions-and-committees-fillable> and download the application.

The City Council is schedule to appoint the new trustee at the November 27, 2012 regular City Council meeting.

SIERRA MADRE RESIDENTS ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SURVEY

Speak up so that our town's voices can be heard!

The County of Los Angeles (County) receives approximately \$31 million in federal funds each year for housing and community development projects. The funds are primarily used to benefit low- and moderate-income residents and eliminate conditions of slum and blight.

The Community Development Commission of the County of Los Angeles wants you to have a voice on how the County invests this money.

Please take a moment and let them know what your priorities are by completing the on-line survey. Go to: <https://www.research.net/s/LACountyHousingandCommunityDevelopmentSurvey>

LOCAL FOUNDATION HOSTS FUND RAISER TO SUPPORT CANCER RESOURCE CENTER

The Spero Foundation will be hosting their 3rd Annual event "Hopes for Hope" a beer and fine food pairing dinner to be held on Saturday, November 10th at the beautiful Chandelier Room at Santa Anita Park. The guests will enjoy a gourmet beer pairing of microbrewed/crafted beer and fine food. Enjoy an exceptional meal while learning about the fundamentals of brewing the perfect glass of beer. A silent and live auction, including special sports memorabilia, will round out the evening. Proceeds from Hops for Hope will go to help the Arcadia Methodist Hospital's "The Year Beyond" – an extensive support program for professional services for cancer patients & survivors and the Zenyatta Lounge – a comfortable place for the women who reside at the back-stretch of Santa Anita Park.

The Spero Foundation was formed 4 years ago to raise awareness and capital for charities, bringing hope to people in need. In the last year the Foundation has donated over \$40,000 to support local programs and delivered over 100 food baskets during the holiday season. Hope is not our wish...it is our goal.

Pre-sale only tickets are now available from the Foundation by contacting (626) 355-HOPE or visiting the website www.thesperofoundation.org.

FREE PUBLIC FORUM NOV. 1, 2012

Women Hold Up Half the Sky - But Why Only 25 percent of Elected Offices Nationwide?

The League of Women Voters Pasadena Area is sponsoring a public forum Nov. 1 about women in elected office and why, if women hold up half the sky, only 25 percent hold elected offices nationwide. The forum will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Women's City Club, 160 N. Oakland Ave., Pasadena.

Marguerite Cooper of National Women's Political Caucus will moderate a panel that includes L.A. County's only elected female mayor, Mary Ann Lutz of Monrovia; Renatta Cooper, president of the Pasadena Unified School District Board of Education; and Miranda Alvarado, a college student who is considering a career in politics. (Due to the nonpartisan policy of the League, the two women from the wider Pasadena area currently campaigning for election to Congress will not be participating.)

Panelists will discuss their own career trajectories, challenges in running for office, and their views on the role of women in politics. An open discussion will follow about how to encourage greater representation of women at all levels of government. This part of the program addresses the League's advocacy for equality, in part based on the following data.

- Nationally, there are only 89 women in the U.S. Congress, or 17 percent of representatives. (Interestingly, the representatives of Guam, the Virgin Islands, and Washington, D.C., are all women.)
- Six women are governors of states (12 percent) and 24 percent of state legislators in the U.S. are women.
- Among the 100 largest cities in the U.S., just seven have female mayors.
- Here in California, women make up 27 percent of the state legislature, 24 percent of county Boards of Supervisors, and 38 percent of the California congressional delegation.
- Among the 10 cities in the local League's service area, all but one – San Marino -- have at least one, and usually only one, woman on the city council. Monrovia and Alhambra have women mayors. (In Alhambra, the council chooses the mayor.)

Lunch is available for \$20, including tax, tip and parking. The forum is free. For lunch reservations and information, call 626-798-0965.

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RADIO FISHBOWL THIS WEEK

Carol Canterbury's, 'CANTERBURY TALES'
Tuesdays at noon

VILLAGE INTERSECTIONS with Gene Goss
Friday, October 26, 2012 at noon

Invited Guest: This Friday at Noon Gene Goss will interview Pasadena Councilman and Assembly Candidate Chris Holden. Also, podcast/mp3 files of this week's interviews of Judy Chu and Carol Liu are now posted at the Village Intersections page at www.RadioFishbowl.com.

Set your smart phone and or computer browsers to www.RadioFishbowl.com.
You can hear all three shows by visiting www.RadioFishbowl.com



Fire Breaks Out at City Power Plant

Power Conservation Urged

A fire broke out at Tuesday morning, inside a turbine containment unit at Pasadena's Glenarm Power Plant. Cause of the fire reported around 10:18 a.m., remains under investigation, but initial indications are that a turbine blade in the "GT-2" power turbine broke loose, causing equipment damage and the fire.

No injuries were reported. Approximately 27 firefighters from the Pasadena, South Pasadena and Alhambra fire departments responded. Two operators were in the GT-2 Control Room adjacent to the turbine room when the equipment failure and fire occurred. A fire suppression system activated automatically and plant operators immediately powered down the unit. Firefighters were on scene for about two hours.

With GT-2 now out of service and GT-1 and GT-3 both offline for repairs, Pasadena's local power plant is currently operating with just one power generating unit, GT-4, a natural gas-fired system than can produce at peak about 45 megawatts of power. PWP is urging all Pasadena residents and businesses to be extra vigilant in their energy conservation during this week's hot weather, especially between 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. The power plant does have a fifth unit, B-3, which uses steam technology and cannot be brought online in time to help augment power needs due to the heat wave.

"Since the generation output from our local power plant is limited at this time, PWP will have to rely more heavily on electricity from external supplies that come through our cross-town transmission lines," PWP General Manager Phyllis Currie said. "If there is too much demand for electricity during this heat wave, our city's electric system could overload."

PWP customers with any power emergencies should call (626) 744-4673.

Pet of the Week



Zoey is a sweet, well-behaved 2-year-old German shepherd/Rottweiler mix. She's been out on our Mobile Unit to various community events and practically stole the show with her charm and grace. She's also a Blue Ribbon dog!

In honor of Adopt-a-Shelter-Dog Month, Zoey's adoption fee is \$99(regular adoption fee is \$120) for the month of October. The \$99 adoption fee 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, as well as a goody bag filled with information on how to care for your pet. Ask an adoptions counselor for more information during your visit.

Call the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA at 626.792.7151 to ask about A315978, 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.



World's Largest Potato Visits Giant Fork

Why did the potato cross the road? Because there was a fork in the road.

Numerous residents came out Tuesday to get pictures taken with Pasadena's famous Fork in the Road sculpture and the world's largest six-ton potato—a traveling monument commissioned by the Idaho Potato Commission.

Tournament Names 95th Rose Queen



Vanessa Natalie Manjarrez (far left) named Rose Queen

The Pasadena Tournament of Roses named Vanessa Natalie Manjarrez as the 95th Rose Queen. The announcement was made Thursday at the Tournament house.

Manjarrez was selected from the recently appointed seven-member Royal Court. The Rose Queen and Royal Court will reign over the 2013 Tournament of Roses festivities, culminating in the 124th Rose Parade themed Oh, the Places You'll Go!, and the 99th Rose Bowl Game.

The announcement concludes a month-long process that began with more than 900 Pasadena-area young women who participated in the Tournament of Roses Royal Court tryouts.

"Our Rose Queen Vanessa Manjarrez and six Rose Princesses for 2013 are all outstanding young women who will represent the Tournament of Roses and the City of Pasadena with poise and confidence," said Tournament of Roses President Sally Bixby.

"They will be wonderful role models and I know they will inspire many young girls as they reign over the 124th Rose Parade and the 99th Rose Bowl Game."

Manjarrez and the six Rose Princesses were selected based upon a combination of qualities, including public speaking ability, poise, academic achievement and community involvement.

Manjarrez, 17, lives in Pasadena and attends Mayfield Senior School, where she is on the Diversity Committee and Advising Council. She also participates in the Dance Conservatory and is involved with the National Charity League, the Pasadena Humane Society and Villa Esperanza. Vanessa is a Girl Scout Gold Award recipient. As an official ambassador of the Tournament of Roses, Queen Vanessa will participate in more than 150 community and media functions along with Rose.

Local Police Seeking Witnesses to Sexual Assault

An adult female was sexually assaulted last Saturday after leaving a restaurant/bar in the area of Colorado Boulevard and Holly Street.

According to police the victim was walking alone at approximately 11:30 p.m. when she was approached from behind by the suspect and forcibly taken to Legge Alley, where the assault occurred. The suspect fled the alley on foot. He is described as a male Hispanic, 30's-40's, 5'8, medium build, and wearing dark clothing. Pasadena Police Detectives

responded to the scene and the investigation is on-going.

Police are asking that anyone who saw someone or something suspicious in the area that evening to contact Detective Schuyler Sandeen at ssandeen@cityofpasadena.net or (626) 744-7099, or Pasadena Police Department Dispatch at (626) 744-4241.

If you any have information, you may report it anonymously through Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-TIPS (8477) or <http://lacrimestoppers.org> (insert key word Pasadena).

Local Hire Report on Rose Bowl Project to Be Heard

The public is invited to hear the latest status on local hiring activities related to the Rose Bowl Renovation Project. The meeting of the Rose Bowl Local Hiring Advisory Group will be held at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 24, at the Brookside Clubhouse, 1133 Rosemont Ave. near the Rose Bowl.

The latest results and achievements related to local hiring efforts for the project will be presented, including information from Pasadena residents who worked on the project as well as data from contractors and other organizations who have assisted with local hiring efforts.

"The meeting was requested by the Local Hiring Advisory Group to update the community on the latest results," Pasadena Finance Director Andrew Green said. "It is important that both the Advisory Group and the public know about efforts and accomplishments to date."

The Local Hiring Advisory Group has worked with the

City and the Rose Bowl staff in support of local hiring. The Advisory Group's contributions, leadership and broad discussions have been essential to integrating the community's concerns about local hiring and sharing information on the project, Green said.

Some of the highlights from the 18-month update to be presented on Oct. 24 include:

The 161 Pasadena residents employed on the Rose Bowl project have earned wages totaling \$883,576. More than \$4.7 million has been paid to local subcontractors based in Pasadena.

More than \$3.4 million has been paid for goods and services purchased from Pasadena businesses.

Total direct local economic benefit to the Pasadena community from the Rose Bowl Renovation Project exceeds \$9 million.

For more information go online to http://cityofpasadena.net/Pasadena_First/ or call (626) 744-8382.

Wicked Lit Live Horror Theater Sells Out, Adds More Shows

By Dean Lee

Lightning may never strike twice—knock on wood—and although Thursday's freak storm brought rain, hail, lightning and even some flooding that did not stop Unbound Productions' opening night of live horror theater, Wicked Lit, on the grounds of the Mountain View Mausoleum and Cemetery Friday in Altadena.

The show must go on.

One of the show's producers and writer Jonathan Josephson said any problems they had leading up to opening night, including losing all power due to a lighting strike behind the cemetery Thursday, they wanted invisible to patrons at the show.

"When we realized that the power was not going to come back on within a few hours... I called our lighting designer said the only thing I would think of is to get another generator in here and rewire every single cable," he said. "The electricians arrived Friday morning at 9 a.m. and were working until 7 p.m. that night."

The opening show started on time at 8 p.m. he said.

Josephson said they estimated that they rewired 3960 feet, .75 miles of cable.

"It is so important to us that the show happens and that

it happens with all of our technical elements in place," he said.

Josephson suggested that all three of this year's adaptations of M.R. James' "Count Magnus," F. Marion Crawford's "The Dead Smile" and Johann Ludwig Tieck's "Wake Not the Dead" benefitted by having a slightly darker setting.

Audiences experience the three short plays, as well as other surprise, as they are led through the grounds of the mausoleum and cemetery by a story guide.

Co-director, Jeff Rack, explained that only a few props were missing, most he said, were things the audience would not have noticed, as they focused on safety making sure the walkways and restrooms were properly lit.

Along with Rack and Josephson, Paul Millet also Co-directs the productions.

Josephson said due to overwhelming popular demand, Wicked Lit will extend through November 10 adding seven performances (16 total performances remain) making Wicked Lit 2012 the longest running single show in the history of Unbound Productions.

Tickets range from \$39-65, see website wickedlit.org or call 818-242-7910 for details.



Susannah Mryvold and Katie Pelensky in Wake Not the Dead. Photo by Daniel Kitayama.

Citizen Journalism Meet-up

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

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

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

We will put the news in your hands. Learn how to find



the story, the tools needed to capture the story and the means to tell the story using the power of video, audio and print along with online social media. The next meeting is Oct. 23 from 6:30 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.

Symphony to Perform Tchaikovsky and Rachmaninoff

Rachmaninoff International Award winning pianist Rueibin Chen joins conductor Edwin Outwater and the Pasadena Symphony in concert at both 2 and 8 p.m. on Saturday, November 3 at the acoustically acclaimed Ambassador Auditorium. Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4 and Rachmaninoff's Paganini Variations for Piano and Orchestra are the featured masterworks on the program.

Tchaikovsky's breakthrough Fourth Symphony is a bounding creative leap in scale, intensity and ambition combining theatrical flair with emotional contrasts that reach epic proportions. Chen will perform his talisman, Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini – brilliant with delicious wit and one of the world's most irresistible melodies popularized by the movie "Somewhere in Time." In this concert, conductor Edwin Outwater and the Pasadena Symphony will deliver music so personal, it becomes universal.

Chen, who recently performed

as part of the opening ceremony of the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra's "Play Me I'm Yours" project, is a favorite among Chinese and American audiences. He has earned countless accolades and awards for his appearances in concert halls and international piano competitions, including competitions in Tel Aviv (Rubinstein), in Warsaw (Chopin), Salt Lake City (Bachauer), Athens (Callas), Vienna, Manresa, and Italy (Rome, Rachmaninov, Bellini, and Stresa).

Rachmaninoff's virtuosic Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini was one of the composer's later works, written in 1934. Based on a famous violin theme by Niccolò Paganini, Rachmaninoff's work takes the artist on a grand adventure reveling in inventiveness and sheer speed. With its technical mastery and captivating melodies, Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini became an instant hit with audiences.

Tickets to see Rueibin Chen and Edwin Outwater in concert with the Pasadena Symphony on Saturday, November 3 at Ambassador Auditorium are on sale now. For tickets or more information, contact the Pasadena Symphony box office online at PasadenaSymphony-Pops.org or call 626.793.7172.

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



FORMER TEMPLE STATION PERSONNEL PARTICIPATE IN 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sybil Brand Institute was the site of the Los Angeles County’s 100th Anniversary of Female Deputy Sheriffs. The theme was “Take a Trip through History,” which we certainly did!

Festivities began with a warm welcome by Chief Roberta Abner. The National Anthem was performed by Sergeant Sidra Strong. Retired Lieutenant Vicky McKown led the Pledge of Allegiance. Sergeant John Stanley gave a short history of women’s roles in the Department, followed by a “Blast from the Past”, during which Retired Commander Carole Freeman spoke of her career and how the Department was in the past. Sheriff Lee Baca spoke of the important role of women in the Department. In closing, Chief Abner inviting everyone to view the displays and tour the Sybil Brand Institute.



Lt. Linda Becker and Chief Roberta Miner

The Sybil Brand Institute was a jail facility for women from 1963-1997. The famous Manson girls were housed there for a time. (Usually prisoners awaiting trial are housed in county jails. If convicted, they transfer to state or federal prisons to serve their terms.) This facility was named for Sybil Brand, a philanthropist, civic leader, and the advocate of human dignity who worked tirelessly to improve conditions for the imprisoned. After her passing, the LA Times said she had “soft-hearted generosity” and “stubborn determination.” At the Women of Achievement Awards, 2000, I was privileged to meet her and Lillian Keel, the most decorated female member of the military during World War II.



Farrel, Lt. Linda Becker, Sgt. Sidra Strong, and of course Chief Roberta Abner. Lt. Tachias brought his wife, and it was a great surprise to see Retired Lieutenant JP Harris - we were on a Selection Committee for the sixteen Habitat for Humanity Houses on Euclid in Duarte MANY years ago.

Special thanks to Platinum Sponsor, Irving Moskowitz Foundation; Silver Sponsor, Professional Peace Officers Association of Los Angeles County; and Bronze Sponsor, Sheriff’s Relief Association. Without the generosity of these sponsors, the day wouldn’t have been possible.

The Sheriff’s Museum is at 11515 S. Colima Road, Whittier, 90604. Years ago, I brought my late mom there and she enjoyed learning the history of the department, what various fields are covered, and viewing the displays. It’s certainly worth the trip to Whittier!

The day was incredible. Sgt. John Stanley and Custody Assistant Michael Frantantoni had so many displays with pictures and facts that they brought from the Sheriff’s Museum. The first female law enforcement pilot was from LASD. When the ladies first joined, they didn’t do patrol or drive. But their services were invaluable.

Retired female personnel led the tours through the facility and reminisced about their careers. There also was a refreshment area with food trucks from Red Robin, Vchos, and Sweet Arleen’s.

I caught up with former Temple Station Personal-Suzy



THE HORSE THAT RAN AWAY

By Christopher Nyergeres

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What is “good”? What is “bad”? Though there are plenty of folks who will tell you with great assurance what is good and what is bad, let’s not forget that sometimes it is only our opinions and value judgements that make something “good” or “bad.”

A visitor to my small mountain home once commented, “The good thing about living way up here is that you’re far away from everyone.” After a pause, he added, “And the bad thing about living way up here is that you’re

far away from everyone.”

In other words, is the grass greener on the other side, or is it simply the other side? When we long for a change, is it always for something better, or simply because we have not learned how to appropriately deal with what we already have?

My friend Jay Watkins shared a Chinese story with me.

A farmer in northern China, near the Mongolian border, realized one day that his horse was missing. He had no idea if the horse was stolen, or if it just got loose and ran away. It was a great inconvenience, in any event, because the farmer needed his horse for the farm work. The farmer’s neighbors all came to console him for his great loss, grieving at his great loss. But the farmer told the neighbors not to grieve, pointing out that what had happened was not necessarily so bad, and it didn’t warrant grief.

A few days later, the horse returned by itself, and it was accompanied by a magnificent Mongolian stallion. The stallion had apparently strayed from its herd, and simply following the farmer’s horse back to the farm. This turn of events not only relieved the farmer but now also increased his wealth. The neighbors returned, this time to rejoice the farmer’s good fortune, and even to envy his fine new animal. But once again, the farmer would not rejoice with the neighbors, and told them that what had happened was not necessarily so good.

A little time later, the farmer’s son was out riding the Mongolian stallion, and since his riding experience had been limited to riding a slow farm horse, the frisky stallion threw the farmer’s son. The son’s thigh was badly injured in the fall, and meant the son was unable to do some of the farm work. This again inconvenienced the farmer, but he still refused to regard it as a misfortune and did not grieve.

In a few months, the barbarian armies of the Mongolian chiefs swept through the farmer’s district of China, and they conscripted every able-bodied man into the army to help defend the empire. It was well-known that the mortality rate in the Mongolian army was very high, as they engaged in many savage battles. Yet, due to the son’s bad leg, he was exempt from this military service.

The point of the story was that the farmer was able to remain calm throughout the ups and downs of his life, without the severe swings of emotion that seem to afflict the average person.

Jay Watkins also shared with me the “Six Always” guidelines from Shi Tianji, a scholar of healthy living in the Ming Dynasty. He said Always be peaceful in mind, Always be kind-hearted, Always uphold justice, Always be cheerful, Always be pleasant, and Always be contented. Of course, Shi Tianji had a lot to say about each of these six guidelines, and it becomes reminiscent of the Ten Commandments, the Golden Rule, and many of the other guidelines from the past millennia for sound living in an insane world.

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Looking Up
with Bob Eklund



PLANET FOUND IN NEAREST STAR SYSTEM TO EARTH

European astronomers have discovered a planet with about the mass of the Earth orbiting a star in the Alpha Centauri system—the nearest to Earth. It is also the lightest exoplanet ever discovered around a star like the Sun. The planet was detected using the HARPS instrument on the 3.6-meter telescope at ESO’s La Silla Observatory in Chile. The results appeared online in the journal *Nature* on 17 October 2012.

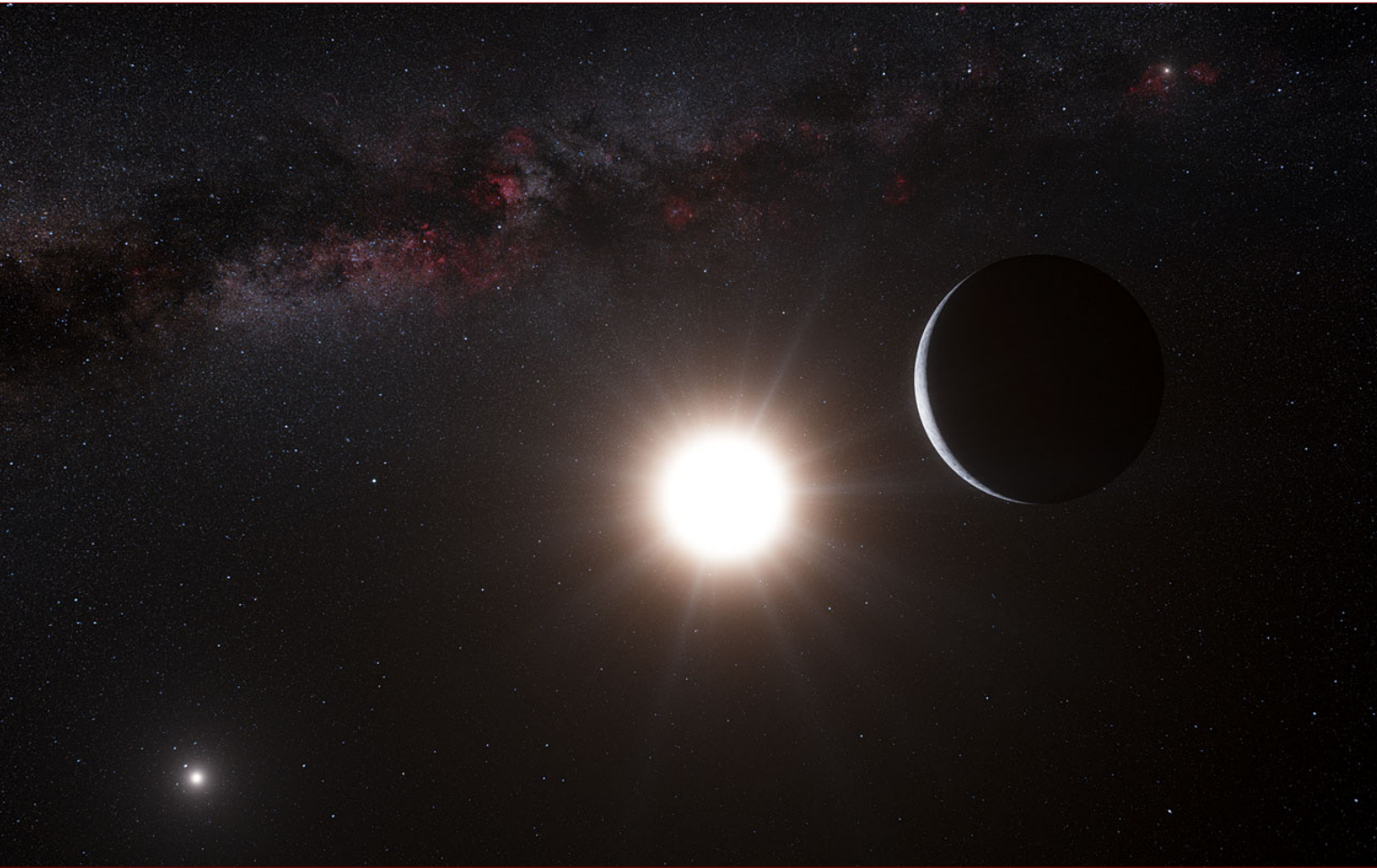
Alpha Centauri is one of the brightest stars in the southern skies and is the nearest stellar system to our solar system -- only 4.3 light-years away. It is actually a triple star—a system consisting of two stars similar to the Sun orbiting close to each other, designated Alpha Centauri A and B, and a more distant and faint red component known as Proxima Centauri. Since the nineteenth century astronomers have speculated about planets orbiting these bodies, the closest possible abodes for life beyond the solar system, but searches of increasing precision had revealed nothing. Until now.

“Our observations extended over more than four years using the HARPS instrument and have revealed a tiny, but real, signal from a planet orbiting Alpha Centauri B every 3.2 days,” says Xavier Dumusque (Geneva Observatory, Switzerland, and Centro de Astrofísica da Universidade do Porto, Portugal), lead author of the paper. “It’s an extraordinary discovery and it has pushed our technique to the limit!”

The European team detected the planet by picking up the tiny wobbles in the motion of the star Alpha Centauri B created by the gravitational pull of the orbiting planet. The effect is minute -- it causes the star to move back and forth by no more than 51 centimeters per second (1.8 km/hour), about the speed of a baby crawling. This is the highest precision ever achieved using this method.

Alpha Centauri B is very similar to the Sun but slightly smaller and less bright. The newly discovered planet, with a mass of a little more than that of the Earth, is orbiting about six million kilometers away from the star, much closer than Mercury is to the Sun in the solar system. The orbit of the other bright component of the double star, Alpha Centauri A, keeps it hundreds of times further away, but it would still be a very brilliant object in the planet’s skies.

The first exoplanet around a Sun-like star was found by the same team back in 1995 and since then there have been more than 800 confirmed discoveries, but most are much bigger than the Earth,



Artist’s impression of the planet around Alpha Centauri B

and many are as big as Jupiter. The challenge astronomers now face is to detect and characterize a planet of mass comparable to the Earth that is orbiting in the habitable zone around another star. The first step has now been taken.

“This is the first planet with a mass similar to Earth ever found around a star like the Sun. Its orbit is very close to its star and it must be much too hot for life as we know it,” adds Stephane Udry (Geneva Observatory), a co-author of the paper and member of the

team, “but it may well be just one planet in a system of several.”

“This result represents a major step towards the detection of a twin Earth in the immediate vicinity of the Sun. We live in exciting times!” concludes Xavier Dumusque.

Images and video: <http://www.eso.org/public/news/eso1241/>

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PAUL ANKA TO KICK OFF AHS NEW PERFORMING ARTS CENTER FUNDRAISING

From Arcadia's Best

Iconic singer-songwriter Paul Anka will be the headliner of the first major show at the Arcadia Unified School District's new \$25 million, 1,200-seat, 40,000 square-foot state-of-the-art Performing Arts Center on Saturday, Oct. 27.

Representatives are seeking to raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for naming rights of everything from an elevator to patios at \$1,000 – \$250,000; sponsored plaques and bricks, and tickets ranging in price from \$100 – \$2,500 to cover costs of operating and maintaining the new PAC.

The formal Oct. 27 fundraiser, "An Evening with Anka," takes place a week after the official grand opening ceremony on Oct. 18 and three days of student showcase performances open to the public Oct. 18-21 (see schedule below).

"An Evening with Anka" is presented by the Arcadia school district and the Arcadia Performing Arts Foundation, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, established to support the Performing Arts Center. Monies generated from ticket sales for the event are donations to Arcadia Performing Arts Foundation and will benefit the Performing Arts Center, art education and art programming for the community.

Ticket order/donations to "An Evening With Anka" can be purchased online at theperformingartscenter.ausd.net. To order by mail or in person, the address is 234 Campus Drive, Arcadia 91107- Attn: Rachel Abeyta, AUSD Superintendent office. For more information, or to purchase tickets by phone, please call (626) 821-1781.

With a legendary career that spans more than four decades, Paul Anka is considered one of the world's most prolific and

beloved singer/songwriters of any generation. Named Billboard Magazine's 21st most successful artist to date, Anka's long list of chart-topping hits include the "My Way," "Diana," "(You're) Having My Baby," "You Are My Destiny" and "The Tonight Show Theme," among many others.

"We are so proud to officially open the doors to The Performing Arts Center in such a spectacular way," said AUSD Superintendent Joel Shawn of the opening night festivities that honors the vast significance of the arts. "This will undoubtedly be a history-making moment for the district, the students, attendees and community as a whole. Having Paul Anka perform on our stage is such an honor and the opportunity to share the experience firsthand with some of our students who will accompany him during a portion of the concert, is beyond exciting and inspirational."

Located on the Arcadia High School campus, the Performing Arts Center was designed to benefit Arcadia students and the San Gabriel Valley as a whole. The modern glass and brick architectural center serves as an inclusive hub for all of the performing arts.

Among its many distinctions, the Performing Arts Center boasts a performance stage that accommodates 200 musicians, variable acoustics and orchestral shells and professional lighting and sound systems. There is also an additional Black Box theater with a separate control room and flexible seating that can host 125 guests. The sound attenuated orchestra room contains instrument storage, practice rooms and a music library.

A professional dance studio with sprung wood floors is also housed in the Performing Arts Center as are comfortable dressing rooms, scene prop and costume

storage space, back of the house stage crafts areas and a concessions booth. The superstructure is further adorned with a dramatic internal courtyard, lobby and outdoor pavilion areas.

"Our students are talented and work hard, and they deserve to perform in a facility that reflects their level of musicianship," continued Pin Chen, who has served as Orchestra Director at AHS for the past three years along with veteran Orchestra Director Thomas J. Forbes, who is in his 33rd year of teaching music in the Arcadia Unified School District. Over the years at Arcadia High School, we have been blessed to have fantastic students and they have been rewarded with a facility that we all can enjoy and be proud of everyday."

"In the past we would have to rent other facilities and take buses to our concerts and performances. Having a facility like this on campus allows us to do more collaborative performances with the entire Performing Arts Department," added Forbes, a product of the Arcadia School system and longtime employee of AUSD. "It is always a thrill to perform with the Dance, Choral or Drama Departments on the same program. It will also be possible to do exchange concerts with other high schools and colleges."

Rick England, Choral Director and former Orchestra Director echoes "This is my 19th year in AUSD as a Music Teacher and we have always had to travel to other locations and rent facilities from other high schools. It is very exciting to have The Performing Arts Center here. We are looking forward to hosting regional concerts and choral competitions."

– By Scott Hettrick

ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, October 7th, through Saturday, October 13th, the Police Department responded to 988 calls for service of which 113 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, October 7:

- At about 2:00 p.m., an officer responded to Nordstrom at the Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a theft report. A juvenile suspect concealed a pair of sunglasses inside his pants and exited the store without making payment. The 17-year-old Hispanic male was arrested, transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking, and later released to his guardian.
- At approximately 6:08 p.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for a warrant attached to the license plate, in the area of Peck Road and Foothill Transit. The officer discovered the driver had a suspended license. The 32-year-old Hispanic male was cited, released in the field, and his vehicle was impounded.

Monday, October 8:

- Shortly after 5:50 p.m., an officer responded to a two-party traffic accident in the area of Santa Anita Avenue, south of La Porte Street. One of the drivers was unable to stop in time and rear-ended the vehicle in front of him. The officer determined he was traveling at an unsafe speed. No injuries were reported.
- Around 10:51 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 1000 block of Balboa Drive in reference to a burglary investigation. An unknown suspect(s) forced entry through a bathroom window, ransacked the location, and fled undetected with various property. The officer was able to locate one fingerprint and a neighbor reported seeing a suspicious male subject in the area of the residence. The subject can be identified if seen again.

Tuesday, October 9:

- At about 5:48 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 1000 block of Oakwood Drive regarding a vandalism report. The victims discovered the tires had been slashed on three of their vehicles. No one saw or heard anything suspicious; however, the officer located dried blood around all of the cut tires. It appeared the suspect's hand was possibly injured during the incident. Further investigation is being conducted by the Detective Bureau.
- At approximately 3:30 p.m., an officer responded to Bank of America, 169 East Foothill Boulevard, in reference to a theft investigation. An elderly victim advised bank staff that her caretaker had been stealing from her. An investigation revealed the caretaker forged numerous checks totaling approximately \$1,900 of which she issued to herself and her boyfriend. The 22-year-old Hispanic female was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking. The case was referred to the Los Angeles County Adult Protective Services for further review.

Wednesday, October 10:

- At about 2:14 a.m., officers were dispatched to the area of Santa Anita Avenue and Foothill Boulevard in reference to a traffic collision. The driver of a White Nissan collided with the center median and claimed it was a result of his tire going flat. An investigation revealed the driver was under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content greater than 0.08 percent. The 42-year-old Hispanic male was arrested, transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking, and his vehicle was impounded. No injuries were reported.
- Around 2:03 p.m., a victim came to the Arcadia Police Department front counter to file a suspicious circumstances report. The victim explained he received multiple phone calls from an unknown subject claiming to be a computer technician. The caller informed the victim that he received an error message from his computer and instructed him to turn on his computer in order to follow specific instructions. The victim refused as he believed it was a scam involving someone trying to retrieve his personal information.

Thursday, October 11:

- At approximately 12:30 p.m., an officer responded to the Arcadia Police Department front counter regarding a possible embezzlement report. The manager of Extended Stay of America, 401 East Santa Clara Street, discovered over \$6,000 in cash missing. His records revealed an employee was depositing lesser amounts into the company's accounts. Further investigation is being conducted by the Detective Bureau.
- Shortly after 7:23 p.m., an officer was dispatched to H&M, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, in reference to a theft report. A suspect concealed several items inside a gym bag and exited the store without making payment. The 17-year-old Hispanic male was cited and released to his mother.

Friday, October 12:

- Around 10:18 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 900 block of West Duarte Road in reference to a subject check. The reporting party advised two subjects were playing loud music and possibly drinking alcohol in public. The officer discovered one subject was in possession of cocaine. The 30-year-old Black female was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.
- At about 10:34 p.m., an officer responded to the 1000 block of Woodacre Lane regarding a residential burglary report. Unknown suspect(s) forced entry through a window, ransacked the location, and stole property including a vehicle parked in the garage. No one saw or heard anything suspicious.

Saturday, October 13:

- At about 3:00 a.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for drifting lanes in the area of Golden West Avenue and Arcadia Avenue. Upon contact with the driver, the officer noticed an odor of alcohol emitting from his breath. An investigation revealed he was under the influence. The 53-year-old Asian male was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.
- Shortly after 12:00 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the Arcadia Police Department front counter regarding a fraud report. The victim was notified by his bank that unknown suspect(s) withdrew funds from his checking account in England and Scotland. The victim was in possession of his debit card at the time of the report and had no idea how his information was compromised.

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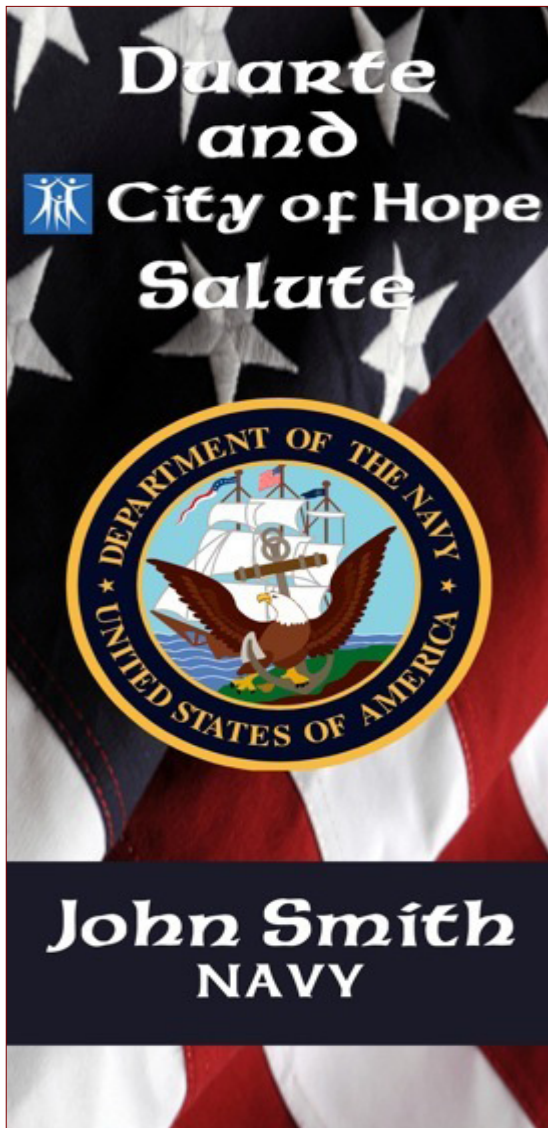
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CITY OF HOPE AND CITY OF DUARTE PARTNER TO LAUNCH MILITARY RECOGNITION BANNER PROGRAM



Duarte residents with family members currently serving in the military will have the opportunity to honor their loved one's service in the United States Armed Forces with a Military Recognition banner placed along the City's main corridor, Huntington Dr.

City of Hope, which will celebrate its Centennial in 2013, has partnered with the City of Duarte to launch the banner program and has provided funding to underwrite the first 30 Military Recognition banners. These banners will be made available at no-cost to the first 30 military personnel who complete a program application, provide necessary verification documents and are deemed eligible. Additional banners may be purchased or sponsored for \$155 each.

The program is designed to honor current military personnel who reside in the City or unincorporated county area of Duarte, or an immediate family member of a Duarte resident. The military banner program will be launched on Veterans Day, Nov. 12, in conjunction with the City's annual Veterans Day ceremony at Thorsen Park. The public ceremony honors both veterans and those currently serving in the military.

Each banner will have the name and branch of the serviceperson and the current sponsor's name or logo. Upon completion of active duty, the banner will be presented to the honoree. The City website [accessduarte.com](http://www.ci.monrovia.ca.us/city-government/departments/police-department-homepage) will also feature a special military banner program section and list its participants.

Applications are available on the City's website, www.accessduarte.com, and at City Hall. Completed applications must include a copy of the military personnel I.D. along with a California I.D. or a utility bill showing a Duarte address of the military service member or his or her immediate family member. Immediate family members are considered wife, husband, son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter.

For additional information, call Karen Herrera at Duarte City Hall, (626) 357-7931, ext. 221.

"NO LIMITS" FOR INSPIRING GIRLS AT MONROVIA'S COMMUNITY CENTER

By Joan Schmidt

This past Saturday marked the seventh year of "No Limits...If you can dream it, you can be it." This Girl Power Community Conference for girls, grades 5th-12th is the brainchild of Tamala Kelly, Girl Power Founder and Conference Chair.

If Tamala's name sounds familiar, it should. She and her husband William are Senior Pastors of the *Abundant Living Family Church-San Gabriel Valley*. (More info about their phenomenal ministry can be found on line and on Facebook.)

Girls arrived Saturday morning and were warmly greeted by Tamala. They were ushered to the registration table where Mayor Mary Ann Lutz, Conference Co-Chair was assisting. The girls signed in and were given tote bags with goodies. Then they walked into the hall for a Continental Breakfast. I walked from table to table and met girls came from Monrovia, Duarte and Claremont. Local schools represented included Santa Fe, Monrovia High, Northview, and Duarte High Schools. The young ladies were thrilled to be there and posed for pictures.

Breakfast was followed by girls breaking into different sessions. The sessions included, "I am Perfect for my Purpose"- Tamala Kelly, "Relationships/How Do I Help a Hurting Friend"- Gloria Crudgington(High School age only), "Relationships/Drama Free-Navigating Through Conflict"- Alicia Fields and Shannon Di Filippo(Middle School age), "Fitness/Let's Move"-NiNiesha Tucker, "Skin Care"-Tony Orihu and Megan Bormacoff. The girls learned a lot by listening to their speaker, followed by discussion, questions and answers/

The day ended with a wonderful banquet-sumptuous Mexican food, and keynote speaker Kim Rhode, whose message was "Never Give Up". This was something that Kim's parents had instilled in her. She encouraged the girls and told them they could be anything they wanted. She spoke of hard work and determination...it wasn't always easy. Kim recalled an injury in Peru when she jumped up and fell. The result was four staples in her head, but she went on. Kim described each of her five medals, what they were made of, the design and insignias on them. She recalled how her gun was stolen, but eventually recovered. Kim also said you may be nervous when you are performing a task, but you keep at it, and eventually you'll overcome it and work through it. The journey to the Olympics was a four year process, and a great competition as only ONE LADY represents the United States in Kim's category.

The day was a huge success and the girls I spoke with at the end said, "It was really fun!"



MONROVIA POLICE BLOTTER

During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 445 service events, resulting in 70 investigations. To see a complete listing of crimes reported, go to <http://www.crimemapping.com/map/ca/monrovia> for crime mapping. For Police Department news and information, visit our website at <http://www.ci.monrovia.ca.us/city-government/departments/police-department-homepage> and follow us on Twitter for police notifications.

Felony Hit & Run Traffic Accident

October 16 at 6:36 p.m., police responded to a traffic accident reported in the 1100 block of South Mountain. An 18-year-old male subject was jay-walking westbound across the street in the 1100 block of South Mountain. A dark blue, 2-door, compact car was traveling southbound and struck the pedestrian. The vehicle did not stop and was last seen westbound on Huntington. The victim was taken by ambulance to a hospital, where he was treated for a broken leg. The investigation is continuing.

Fire Assist / Mental Evaluation

October 17 at 10:46 p.m., the Monrovia Fire Department responded to a location in the 100 block of South Violet regarding a fire. They were told a fire had erupted in one of the apartments two hours earlier. When fire personnel tried to investigate, the male resident was uncooperative and said there was no fire. Fire personnel looked in through a window and saw fire damage. Police were requested and officers responded to contact the resident. Initially, he denied there was a fire, but officers confirmed there was a large kitchen fire, which damaged the entire kitchen and ceiling area. The resident was found to be mentally unstable and was taken to a hospital and placed on a 72-hour hold for mental evaluation.

TIP OF THE WEEK



Earthquakes - Are You Prepared?

This week the City of Monrovia participated in the Great California ShakeOut. Californians must get better prepared before the next big earthquake, and practice how to protect ourselves when it happens. The purpose of the Great California ShakeOut is to help people and organizations do both.

On October 18, 2012, at 10:18 a.m., millions of people joined in the annual Great California ShakeOut, bringing awareness to a very real threat to California. Great ShakeOut earthquake drills help people in homes, schools, and organizations improve preparedness and practice how to be safe during earthquakes. Preparedness and knowledge are the keys to surviving during and after a significant earthquake. When an earthquake hits, remember to:

DROP to the ground (before the earthquake drops you!), take COVER by getting under a sturdy desk or table, and HOLD ON to it until the shaking stops.

PD TIP: WATCH FOR SCHOOL ZONES

The Monrovia Police Department and the Automobile Club of Southern California (AAA) are reminding drivers to be aware when school is open and to "Pay Attention, Slow Down, and Watch for Children."

According to the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, a pedestrian struck by a vehicle traveling at a reduced school zone speed of 25 mph is nearly two-thirds less likely to be killed compared to a pedestrian struck by a vehicle traveling just 10 mph faster. School zone speed limits are in place to save lives.

In addition to slowing down, the following advice will help motorists keep children safe as they navigate their way through school zones:

Ditch distractions - Research shows that taking your eyes off the road for just two seconds dou-

bles your chances of crashing.

Stay alert - Don't rush into and out of driveways. Expect pedestrians on the sidewalk, especially around schools and in neighborhoods.

Stop at stop signs - It sounds obvious, but research shows that more than one third of drivers roll through stop signs in school zones or neighborhoods.

Watch for bikes - Children on bicycles are often unpredictable; expect the unexpected.

Brake for buses - A recent National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services survey showed that over 75,000 vehicles pass stopped school buses on a typical day, with more than three percent passing on the right. Not only is it dangerous, it's against the law.

Plan ahead - Leave early for your destination and build in extra time for congestion. If possible, modify your route to avoid school zones.

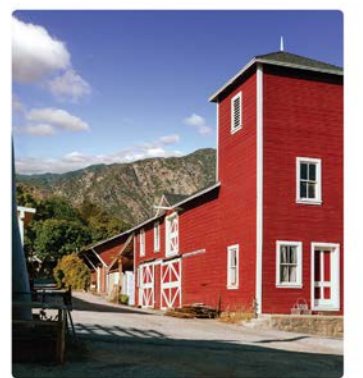
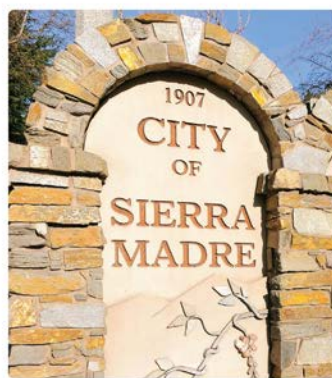
MONROVIA PUBLIC LIBRARY JOB & CAREER CENTER: JOB SEARCH WORKSTATION

California State Library awarded Monrovia Public Library a grant to develop a Job and Career Center providing a valuable resource to the community. The job center provides a dedicated workstation for job searching, completing job applications, and filing for unemployment benefits, resume writing and test preparation. The workstation supports Microsoft Office 2007, resume software and online services (Cengage Learning's Career Transitions, Testing and Education Reference Center, and Career E-Books; and Brainfuse's JobNow, Business Soft-Skills and Hoovers' Library Solution) to aid job seekers.

The workstation is available during library operating hours. Patrons must have a valid Monrovia Public Library card to use the service. The Adult Services Librarian uses a designated library card to log on to the computer. Job seekers may sign up for one 90 minute session per day. Patrons may sign up on a first-come, first-served basis. No advance or telephone reservations accepted.

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PROPERTIES

GET YOUR COSTUME READY- HALLOWEEN IN OLD TOWN MONROVIA

The City of Monrovia Community Services Department is offering a Halloween Costume Contest and Parade of Characters on Wednesday, October 31, 2012. Ages 0-14 can participate and registration is free. You can even enter your pooch in the Dog Costume Contest. Join us for a toddler area, face painting, story times, arts & crafts, photo booth and trick-or-treating at Old Town Monrovia businesses. Click here for more information on upcoming holidays.

And for those who registered for the Cemetery walk...

The Annual Cemetery Walk and Talk scheduled for Thursday, October 11 was postponed due to rain. All those who registered for this event may reschedule for Thursday, October 25 or on Thursday, November 8, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Tour guide and Monrovia Historian, Steve Baker, will lead the evening's program; noting historical facts and stories of the residents at Live Oak Memorial Cemetery. For upcoming excursion information, please contact the Department of Community Services at (626) 256-8246.



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Supervisor Antonovich, Jeri Dye Lynch, Donnelle Dye, and Bobbie Dye

Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich proclaimed the week of October 14-20th as National Teen Drivers Safety Week in Los Angeles County and recognized the efforts of the Connor Lynch Foundation in raising awareness about teen driving safety.

"Proclaiming National Teen Drivers Safety Week in Los Angeles County will honor Connor's memory and bring attention to the dangers of driving while distracted," said Antonovich.

On the afternoon of October 19, 2010 in Sherman Oaks, 16-year-old Connor Lynch was killed when a distracted teenage driver struck him while he was crossing Woodman Avenue with his high school cross country team.

The Connor Lynch Foundation benefits new and existing programs that raise awareness and promote the safety of pedestrians, runners, cyclists and young drivers. Visit the Connor Lynch Foundation at: <http://inhonorofconor.org/>.

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SIERRA MADRE UPPER CAMPUS OFFICIALLY A MIDDLE SCHOOL

At its meeting October 9, the PUSD Board of Education approved the establishment of Sierra Madre Middle School as a separate grades 6-8 entity from Sierra Madre Elementary in the 2013-2014 academic year. The district's successful Mandarin Immersion program, located at Field Elementary for grades K-5, will also eventually expand to the middle school grades at the Sierra Madre Middle School campus. Except for attendance zone residents, students who enter kindergarten at Sierra Madre Elementary School in 2013-2014 will no longer be guaranteed placement at the middle school. Current students will be "grandfathered" for placement in the middle school.

THE REEL DEAL: by Ben Show

Movie Reviews Especially for Teens & 'Tweens

PITCH PERFECT



While at first this movie seems like just another flunk comedy, 'Pitch Perfect' is surprisingly good. I found myself laughing even at the jokes that I thought weren't be very funny, which shows that the director (Jason Moore) and screenwriter (Kay Cannon) put a lot of work into making this hilarious and interesting.

Aspiring DJ Beca (Anna Kendrick) has been forced to go the the college where her father teaches. However, she yearns to go to L.A. and get famous, which her father promises to allow if she goes to college for a year and truly does not like it. Eventually, Beca joins her school's all girl singing group the Barden Bellas, who are led by Aubrey (Anna Camp) and Chloe (Britanny Snow). Together, Beca and the Bellas must climb to the top to clear their name and defeat the rival all boy group, the Treblemakers.

With an unusually intriguing plot that pulls this movie along, unlike other comedies where the humor takes the lead, 'Pitch Perfect' is a new age comedy that will please both old and young.

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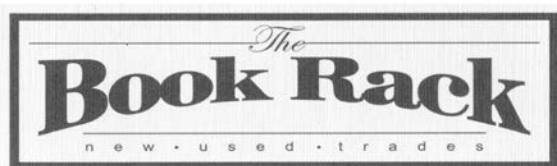
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This will be an educational forum where the speakers will not take a position, but rather given the public an objective, informed review of the measures you are asked to vote on. The forum will be held at The Lodge (Formerly the Masonic Temple), 33 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre. The forum is free. Lunch will be served at noon for a cost of \$10. Lunch reservations may be made by calling 626-355-0728.



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CELESTINO'S . MY TOP PICK FOR ITALIAN IN PASADENA

Just this past week I visited an old friend, Celestino's on South Lake. It's right there for the entire world to see, but for some reason I continue to pass by on a daily basis. Thankfully my assignment for the week was to find the best of the best of the Italian restaurant family in the Pasadena area. Well, I found it in Celestino's. Truly a gem in Pasadena. Where do I start, food or service.

Let's start with the service. I was just a bit early for my lunch companion, I thought I was in a day spa, not sure who the servers were or the busboys but the attention was superb, water? Ice tea? Glass of wine? I wasn't like I was the only one in the restaurant. The restaurant has a front patio that is covered, a main dining room and two areas that can be used for private parties and any overflow, plus the covered patio area in the back. For lunch, this place was busy; I think my trend of fancy lunches instead of dinner is catching on. Right off the bat I will tell you that Celestino's looks , and you know I was looking around to be a business type of lunch spot, not to say I didn't notice two local Real Estate Agents having a Martini, I imagine either celebrating or drowning their sorrows. The restaurant itself is pure Italian , there is a service bar, big enough to have a drink at while you are waiting for the table and through out the restaurant the walls are covered in paintings all representing the Italian Coast, yes of course white linen tables cloth and flowers.

TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills
thechefknows@yahoo.com

Chef and partner Calogero Drago (pictured) has set up the menu for that Italian Countryside feeling.

Yes, we got some very warm and crusty sourdough bread with Oil. Keep in mind this lunch, but Chef Drago did sneak in a few dinners specials. For starters Insalata Frutti Di Mare, for you Only English speaking readers that is a mixed seafood salad with plenty of mussels, clams, calamari rings and other ocean delights .Next up, a dish that if you have been following my column I have to order everytime, Calamari Fritti, Celestino's has the rings and the tentacles, yummy !!Okay now that we have committed ourselves to lunch let me share with you the great food that I had. When I see Gnocchi on the menu I order it, and if the first twenty minutes were any indication on how the meal was going to be, I knew the Gnocchi was going to be great, it was, layered with a lobster sauce and peppers this was the beginning of a beautiful relationship, but wait there is more food on its way. I asked the Chef for half portions, and I was beginning to think he didn't believe me next up was the Pappardelle con Mezzanzane e Scamorza Affumicate, translation. Fettuccini w/eggplant and smoked Mozzarella. For those of you who are calling Celestino's right now for a reservation, I don't blame you, but there is more, our server Mario, brought us a out from the Dinner menu a Mushroom Soufflé with Fontana cheese and black truffles, I have just returned from heaven in time to try the Rack of Lamb on fresh mint. My head spun around as my server forced us to try the dessert, Canola that was terrific. Don't let the menu translation scare you, Celestino's with the service and the food is arguably the best that I have had in some time.

Lunch and dinner prices I feel are reasonable, if you have a little extra dough to spend, there are over 200 wines by the bottle, many of them familiar names. For business or catching up with a friend I recommend lunch, for a night on the town or a romantic dinner I recommend dinner.

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INGREDIENTS

6 cups all-purpose flour (sifted, then measured), plus more for dusting
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1/2 teaspoon baking powder
8 ounces (2 sticks) unsalted butter, softened
1 cup packed dark-brown sugar
4 teaspoons ground ginger
4 teaspoons ground cinnamon
1 1/2 teaspoons ground cloves
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
2 large eggs
1 1/2 cups unsulfured molasses
Royal Icing

DIRECTIONS

1. Sift flour, baking soda, and baking powder together into a large bowl; set aside.
2. Put butter and sugar into the bowl of an electric mixer fitted with the paddle attachment; beat on medium-high speed until fluffy. Beat in ginger, cinnamon, cloves and salt. Beat in eggs and molasses. Reduce speed to low; beat in flour mixture.
3. Divide dough into three equal pieces, and flatten into disks. Wrap each in plastic wrap. Refrigerate 1 hour.
4. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Print out the bat and cobweb templates found here, and cut them out. On a lightly floured work surface, roll out dough to 1/8 inch thick. Refrigerate until firm, about 30 minutes. Using templates and a paring knife, cut dough into shapes. Transfer shapes to baking sheets and refrigerate 15 minutes.
5. Bake until crisp but not darkened, 8 to 10 minutes. Let cool completely on wire racks. Decorate with royal icing.



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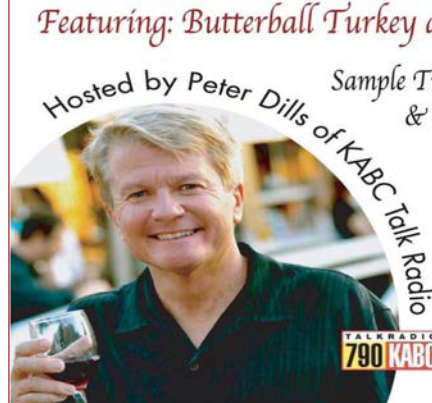
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Not all dogs are as flexible as mine are when it

comes to their diet. As a matter of fact, I know several canines who have much pickier pallets than that of my Molly and Tater, and the expectations at meal time can become quite demanding, even for the most dedicated of pet owners. Perhaps this is why there are so many canine catering companies cropping up these days. It seems crazy when you think about it, that in this economy people are investing as much as they do in simply feeding the family dog, but it's a true fact and I kind of like it!

Purchasing or preparing gourmet foods for 'Fido' has indeed become a sort of norm for many pet owners in recent years, resulting in an over-night thriving market for a new-born food product line that caters to canines. Among the recently established canine cookeries is a company called "Three Dog Bakery", founded by Dan Dye and Mark Beckloff of Kansas City Missouri in the mid 1980's. Dan and Mark, a couple of true animal lovers who simply wanted to do the best they could to care for their pets, were initially inspired by their dog, "Amazing Gracie" (born deaf and blind in one eye) to research the ingredients of the dog food products that were available in the market at the time. Their goal was to find a dog food that contained the most optimal ingredients to help combat Gracie's inherent health issues. Eventually they came to the conclusion that the best way to ensure "Amazing Gracie" was getting the proper nutrition, was to prepare her meals themselves. Ultimately, after coming up with some great recipes, they found themselves in the position to share what they'd learned with the general public by marketing their dog food products in hopes

of helping other pets with similar health issues. Today, Three Dog Bakery stores can be found in almost every state within the US, and they continue to grow and thrive as a classic "American Dream" start-up company.

What I like most about the Three Dog Bakery story is the fact that the founders were inspired by the love they had for their dog. When they were on a quest to find the best food to feed their beloved canine, they weren't focused on founding a company to make money and get rich, but as a result of loving their pet and making her health a priority, they were blessed with success. It may sound rather corny to some, but to me that is indeed the best success story to be told, where unconditional love is the purest source of success. When one is focused on doing what is right and good for another, versus following an obsession in hopes of benefiting one's self, some pretty amazing things can happen! I am sure a lot of dog owners have benefited from the original foot work that led to some amazing pet products, all because of Dan and Mark's sincere endeavor to give their dog a happier, healthier life.

There are other canine catering businesses that offer all kinds of healthy food products for pets, and I imagine most of them probably have a similar interesting story to tell about what led to the founding of their company. I was personally inspired to leave my corporate career to pursue a way of living that would allow me to spend more time

with my own pets. Eventually, my personal pursuit led me to start Canyon Canine Dog Walking and Pet Sitting, allowing me to be with animals all day long! It just goes to show that if you follow your heart on what you really love and care about, you can find true happiness in what you do with your time. Well, at least it worked for me! I encourage everyone who crosses my path to pursue what really makes them tick, and try not to focus on how rich they might get by what they choose to do. After all, is that not an equally, if not more challenging risk than most pursuits we find ourselves chasing? I find it liberating to let go of my needs and greed's, and instead use that energy to follow my heart's leads, which lines up just right with what I always like to say; "Love and let live"!

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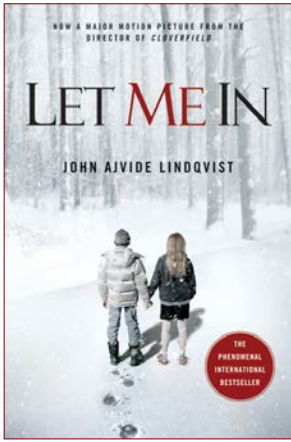
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Book Reviews by Jasmine Kelsey Williams

LET ME IN By John Ajvide Lindqvist



Halloween is fast approaching, and this means another top selection that is perfect for this occasion. ‘Let Me in’ or as it is originally known, ‘Let the Right One In’, is a different take on vampires from Lindqvist, and focuses on a psychological and emotional aspect rather than a classic horror. Although the title has changed for an American release, the content of this gripping and chilling story still remains the same. Lindqvist puts together a wonderful and carefully drawn out story which focuses on the troubles of childhood in the form of Oskar and his soon-to-be love interest when his new neighbor Eli moves in next to him. His troubles, however, arrive in the form of bullies, little communication with his parents, and the secret that Eli conceals from him, but eventually finds out on his own. What follows for Oskar means a new friendship, but also the dangers of what follows after he befriends Eli.

Lindqvist is not subtle; he carefully builds up his scenes, which will put the reader on edge, and excellently sprinkles in a connecting event or scene so that when the true event has arrived the reader will find it to be much more climatic. A highlight for ‘Let Me In’ is not just the fact that it is an international bestseller, but also that the story does not ever contain a dull moment; there is a story building up, the reaction of a death, concurrent events that happen at the same moment something else does. There is drama, love, curiosity, and backstories that will always deliver a hint of something deeper or darker than what is read. ‘Let Me In’ is complete in itself as a book, in its essence and in its meaning. Lindqvist makes the reader think about how their perspectives may change and attempt to sympathize with the characters in the book. As a result, it is a whole new reading experience that provides the reader with not just darkness after the story is finished, but to view it in a positive light. To add to its flair, ‘Let Me In’ had also been released in 2010 as an American remake of the 2008 Swedish original, ‘Let the Right One In’.

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SEAN’S SHAMELESS REVIEWS:

Review By Sean Kayden

SEVEN PSYCHOPATHS

“Seven Psychopaths” is the second feature film from writer/director Martin McDonagh (“In Bruges”). The crime/comedy film has its moments and it's humorous in bits and pieces, but after a strong opening half, it tends to lose its way a bit in the second half. When watching a movie like this, you really need to suspend your disbelief as well be cool with such implausible events. McDonagh definitely tries to stray away from clichés and conventional setups, but sometimes those things work for a reason. While he may seem a bit more daring with his sophomore film, the entire storyline feels flimsy and too loosely strung together. Sure, the performances are a joy to watch and there is originality and creativity to commend, but if you're looking for substance and plausibility, you won't find all that much here.

The movie stars Colin Ferrell as Marty, a struggling screenwriter trying to finish (mostly start) his latest project called “Seven Psychopaths.” The always reliable and stand out performer of the bunch, Sam Rockwell, portrays Billy Bickle, Marty's best friend. Billy, sporadic, optimistic and downright goofy, is an unemployed actor who moonlights as a part-time dog thief. His partner-in-crime is Hans (Christopher Walken), a 60-something year-old religious man with a dark and vicious past.

Billy wants to help Marty with his screenplay, but Marty isn't too keen on the idea. Hans, in the meantime, visits his wife at a cancer ward. Billy ends up kidnapping a Shih Tzu. However, we soon find out this isn't any old Shih Tzu, but one belonging to Charlie, a gangster with issues played by Woody Harrelson. Charlie's henchmen find out about Hans being in the dog kidnapping business. They seek him out one day as he is returning another dog to his rightful owner (for the reward). When they take him back to the warehouse where Hans and Billy keep the dogs, the Shih Tzu isn't there, but Marty is after getting kicked out of the house by his girlfriend (a completely wasted role for actress Abbie Cornish) for calling her a “bitch” in front of all her friends at her own house party the night before.

Marty knows the dog they're looking for is at Billy's house, but Hans, who is just meeting Marty for the time, tells him not to say a damn word. Marty, a self-proclaimed pacifist doesn't like violence and is about to spill the beans before a mysterious man with a mask covering his face walks in and kills the two bad guys. The man leaves behind two jack of diamond playing cards. This character is shown in the first scene of the movie, killing two unrelated bad guys in an undisclosed area. All we know about him is that he was in the newspaper and Billy told Marty to use this character for one of his “seven psychopaths.” After the mysterious man does his thing, Hans and Marty meet up at Billy's house, where they figure out their next move. Obviously, we'll reach a final showdown with the three men and the gangster. There are a few things that take place between then, something involving Hans' wife, a “self-described psychopath” (Tom Waits) wanting to share his story with Billy (who posts an ad in the LA Weekly calling for all psychopaths to share their stories that may be included in a screenplay) and a Vietnamese priest seeking vengeance. With all these whimsical things going on, the fun level is kept high, but it overstays its welcome. The main storyline, with the kidnapped dog, suffers as the film heads into the third act.

Don't get me wrong, the cast is wonderful, especially Rockwell, who seems to continuously steal the show in every movie in which he appears. However, there really isn't much backstory to the characters (except for Hans). We have no idea how Marty and Billy became best friends, or how Billy and Hans ever got together in the dog kidnapping business. I feel the movie was more concerned with quirky moments, fun one-liners, and non-conventional resolutions rather than a having solid, thought out plot. It goes without mentioning that the three female characters were utterly wasted and contributed truly nothing for the film. It wasn't any of the actresses' faults, but they just had barely any noteworthy material to work with. When the dust settles, “Seven Psychopaths” ends up being a decent time at the theater. There's not a lot of replay value and it'll probably have more of a cult following than a massive reception. Honest opinion, just wait for Netflix or the Blu-ray to catch this one at home.

Grade: 3 out of 5

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FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S TALIESIN WEST



Frank Lloyd Wright a prolific architectural designer who created 1146 buildings, furniture pieces, fabrics, lighting, china and graphics, still ignites passion in architectural circles, both pro and con, even decades after his death in 1959.

His goal was to revolutionize architecture, beginning 1893 with his first client's home design disavowing the traditional floorplan of many small rooms, in favor of an open floorplan design in Winslow House. By 1936, his Johnson Wax building in Racine, WI and Pennsylvania's Falling Water residence got the architectural world's attention.

Wright chose 600 acres of the Sonoran desert in Scottsdale, Arizona as his "winter camp" back in 1937, to escape the freezing Midwest months. He led a car caravan of family, plus Taliesin Fellowship devotees and staff on the 1500 mile trek out west every year, for months of thinking and doing in a fresh environment. He named it Taliesin West, using the Welsh word meaning "shining brow" after the first Taliesin back in Wisconsin at Spring Green.

For the first few years, the Taliesin West experience was indeed camping in the desert, intimately

communing with the landscape and the land for inspiration and first-hand study. Wright constantly searched for economical ways to build, shelter and live compatibly with the natural surroundings, seeing architecture as "a natural link between mankind and the environment" casting off current and historical European styles as incongruent and unsuitable for American living.

Wright avidly tested the limits of inexpensive building materials, to the point of failure, knowing that defining a material's limit was critical. For example he loved the diffuse filtered light created by long rolls of inexpensive canvas draped over ceiling framing over work spaces. He pronounced the shadow-free light perfect for design work.

The concrete and exposed rock walls and the slab on-grade construction, with no footings or foundations, are another example, which required less skilled labor to install, reducing costs and increasing the available labor pool available to put the buildings up. This dedicated building

component research and testing aided in the design of his "Usonian" homes, intended to be beautiful, uniquely American residences for those of modest means.

Wright also tried to re-use many building materials. Redwood from concrete forms was later refashioned as triangular theater lighting in one of Wright's theaters. One 4'x8' plywood sheet from the construction process was cut in triangular "origami-style" pieces, then assembled, with almost no waste wood, as movable seating used around the fireplace in the living room.

Wright loved fireplaces, designing and installing some 40 fireplaces in the three residences he occupied. Many were built throughout the Taliesin complex, for heat to ward off the night chill of the desert, and for the beauty of firelight. In summer, many fireplaces also did double duty as rudimentary swamp coolers, by filling the shallow depression at the base of the fireplace with water, then allowing the natural air convection to cool the living space.

Wright constantly sought to blend structure and environment in harmony. Integrated lighting was another forefront Wright studied and experimented on at Taliesin West, with several different forays into recessed and indirect lighting on his campus laboratory. So many decades ago, Wright sought to preserve the desert landscape, offering to pay to place utility lines below the property underground, a concept rarely considered and almost unheard of at the time. Until recently, the Wright's personal living spaces were not open to public viewing. After a ten year restoration, Mr. and Mrs. Wright's bedrooms and private spaces are now included in some tours, to the delight of those who gain more insight with a behind the scenes look at how he lived when out of the spotlight.

A highlight of this portion of the tour Wright's bathroom, lined with aluminum with heavy horizontal lines, reminiscent of the steel railroad cars. Mrs. Wright, not quite as fond of nature, animals, snakes up close and personal, eventually had folding doors and more closet space added to her private living space.

Today, the fully accredited, Frank Lloyd Wright School of Architecture onsite, still requires students to build their own shelters for firsthand experience in living and experiencing the design decisions they make.

"Shelter" tours are offered on these structures on Saturdays between November and April, which I hope to do on a future visit. Several different daytime tours are offered with differing focus and tour length, plus their dramatic "night Lights on the Desert" tours in the evenings.

Wright's presence and influence on contemporary design and American architecture continues today. About five years ago, a previously unbuilt design for a spire, originally intended for an Arizona capitol building was built in Scottsdale as a standalone structure in Wright's honor at Frank Lloyd Wright Boulevard and Scottsdale Road. For more information on visiting Taliesin West in Scottsdale, AZ, or other Wright installations, visit www.FrankLloydWright.org or call 480-860-2700.

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Tips of the Trade: Real Estate Revealed

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Even with recent gains in the market, the concept of homeownership is still under attack. Owners feel let down by falling values, critics say the American Dream has become a nightmare, and others say renting is the best option now. There is no doubt that many have suffered at the hands of bad lending practices and economic turmoil associated with the recession. However... owning a home has always been a huge part of the American Dream, and will continue to be so long after the current economic crisis and wave of defaults has passed. Our homes are a place of security for our families and for establishing traditions with our friends.

No one can argue against the benefits that homeownership provides to our communities and to society in general. Homeowners have a higher level of self-esteem, education, and involvement in civic activities. Why try to tear down these fundamental truths simply because we are in a downward part of the always dynamic cycle of real estate?

The time has come to reaffirm the dream of homeownership, but in a more sober and accountable fashion. We should emphasize responsible ownership for the long term, which helps us and our communities achieve the common goals of financial and social well-being. Today's naysayers will change their tune when the cycle rises again, and you can count on that.

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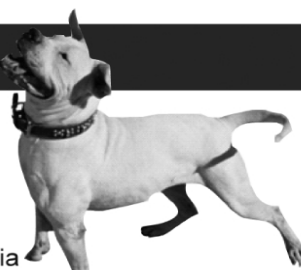


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SENIOR HAPPENINGS

By Pat Birdsall

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Dear Suspicious, If you're over age of 90, or live in a remote area you may still have the option of receiving your Social Security checks in the mail if you want. Otherwise, you have until March 1, 2013 to switch from paper benefit checks to direct deposit. Here's what you should know.

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Debit Card Option

If you don't want your government benefits direct deposited in your bank account, or if you don't have a bank account that your payments can be deposited into, you'll need to get a Direct Express Debit MasterCard. This is a prepaid debit card that was introduced by the Treasury Department back in 2008.

With a Direct Express Debit MasterCard your Social Security and/or other government benefits will automatically be deposited to your card's account on your payment day each month. Your card can then be used to get cash from ATMs, banks or credit unions tellers, pay bills online and over the phone, make purchases at stores or locations that accept Debit MasterCard and get cash back when you make those purchases, and purchase money orders at the U.S. Post Office. The money you spend or withdraw is automatically deducted from your account. And you can check your balance any time by phone, online or at ATMs.

There's also no cost to sign up for the card, no monthly fees and no overdraft charges. There are, however, a few small fees for optional services you need to be aware of, like multiple ATM withdrawals. Currently, cardholders get one free ATM withdrawal per month, but additional monthly withdrawals cost 90 cents each not including a surcharge if you use a non-network ATM.

Another important feature is security. Your card is PIN-protected, the money in your account is FDIC-insured, and if the card gets lost or stolen it will be replaced with consumer protections if it's reported promptly.

How to Switch

To sign up for direct deposit into a bank or credit union, or to sign up for the Direct Express Debit MasterCard, call Go Direct at 800-333-1795 or visit godirect.org.

You also need to be aware that if you don't sign up for direct bank deposit or get a Direct Express card by the March 1, 2013 deadline, the government will automatically issue you a Direct Express card and mail it to you, and your benefits will be deposited on your card's account thereafter.

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.



FYI: I'm in a quandary...I've asked myself if the top portion of this column should be done weekly, bi-monthly, or just once a month? There are so many topics that I'd like to address that affect seniors that *weekly* sounds good to me at this juncture. I think I'll just play it by ear and *please* bear with me. I want to look into serious subjects such as home protection; running the gamut from fire safety devices and techniques to how to thwart home break-ins; to the *not* so serious... like entertainment. How is this for a segue? *Speaking of entertainment...*I went to the **Senior Movie Program** on Wednesday, October 10, for the first time and saw the 2012 Academy Award winning film, *The Artist*. I thoroughly enjoyed it! The movies are shown on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. One movie is contemporary and the other is archival. All are chosen by the audience members themselves. The price of admission is manageable, it's FREE! Added bonus: We are now able to bring our own water AND popcorn! I'm looking forward to seeing the next presentation **on Wednesday, October 24**. It's *Laura*, a suspenseful murder mystery from 1944, starring Gene Tierney and Dana Andrews and Clifton Webb. The American Film Institute ranks it as the 4th best film of all time in the mystery genre.

The time: 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM. The place: Sierra Madre Council Chambers, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre.

~ Helpful Hint~

A TV Dusting tip... After cleaning your TV take a fabric softener sheet that has been used in your laundry and rub it all around the area that you don't want to dust anymore. Instead of attracting dust, your TV will now repel it!

For Your Funny Bone

A tourist in Maine paid an emergency visit to a veterinarian's office when his dog got the short end of a brawl with a porcupine. After the dog was de-quilled, the man went to pay, but was shocked when the receptionist handed him a bill for \$450.00. "Four hundred and fifty dollars!" he shouted indignantly. "What do you Mainers do when all the tourists are gone?" "Raise porcupines," said the receptionist, as she took his check.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Sole Krieg, Margit Johnson, Ann Tyler, Pat Birdsall, Dick Anderson, Barbara Cline, Mary Jane Baker, Cathleen Cremins, Alma Mays, Eva Poet, Dixie Coutant, Angela Stella, Darlene Traxler, Darlene Crook, Gloria Giersbach, Susan Gallagher, Maggie Ellis, Elva Johnson, Ellen O'Leary, Jenny Piangenti, Gail-Ann Skiles, Anita Thompson, Adie Marshall, Lillias Eubanks. AND, add to that stellar list: A very special man! On October 5th, George Maurer turned 90! He is the gold standard when it comes to community service...our community. He so tirelessly lends a hand wherever it is needed: whether it is family or the community at large, he's **always** there to lend a helping hand. Happy Birthday my friend! (To add your name to this ever-burgeoning list and to see your name in print, please call the paper at 626.355.2737.) Year of birth NOT required

*Quote: Youth is a disease from which we all recover. ~ Dorothy Fulheim~



ACTIVITIES: Unless listed differently, all activities are at the Hart Park House (Senior Center) 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre

YWCA San Gabriel Valley Intervale Senior Café:

Monday-Friday at 12:00 Noon (participants are urged to arrive no later than 11:45 A.M.) All seniors 60 and up can take part in the lunch program. There is a suggested donation of \$2.00 for those 60 and over and \$3.75 for non-senior guests. Daily reservations are necessary as space is limited. Please call 24 hours in advance...626.355.0256

Free Blood Pressure Testing: On the **2nd Tuesday** of the month a nurse from Methodist Hospital, Arcadia volunteers to do the readings.11:00 am-12:00 pm-No appointment is necessary.

Bingo: Every Tuesday afternoon from 1:00 PM- 3:00PM. Cards are only .25c each!

Free Chair Yoga: Every **Wednesday** morning from 11:00 AM-11:45 AM volunteer Teryl Willis offers this class focused on senior yoga techniques. It is geared toward gentle movements, breathing techniques and balance improvement. No reservations are necessary.

Free Legal Consultation: Pasadena attorney Geoffrey Chin volunteers on the **2nd Wednesday** of the month. He focuses on estate planning, trusts, wills, probate, conservatorships and business law.*

Appointments are a must. Please call Adam Matsumoto at 626.355.7394 to make yours. **Conflicting court schedules can occasionally cause cancellations.*

Birthday Celebrations: The **2nd Thursday** of the month the Senior Center celebrates the birthdays of our patrons at 12:30 PM. Please join us for free cake and ice cream and "celebration." (The cakes are provided due to a generous donation from the Sierra Madre Civic Club.)

Game Day: Every Thursday at 1:00 PM. Poker is usually the game of choice, or should I say chance? Board games and other card games are also available. There is also a spectacular, one-of-a kind chess table on the patio that is just waiting for some action!

Free Strength Training Class: Every Friday from 1:00 PM- 1:45 PM. Conducted by long-time volunteer Lisa Brandley. The class utilizes light weights for low-impact resistance training. Weights are provided by the Sierra Madre Senior Center. It's a great way to stay in shape and to socialize with your peers.



EXCURSIONS:

GRABER OLIVE HOUSE TOUR IN ONTARIO, CA.
Friday, October 26th: Departure at 9:30 am from the Hart Park House.
Lunch & activities: 10:30 am- 2:00 pm
Return: To the Park House at 3:30 pm
Cost: \$10.00 (does not include lunch)

Graber Olive House tour highlights the tradition of grading, curing and canning of Graber Olives. After the tour, lunch will be at Molly's Souper, a wonderful brunch restaurant in Upland. (All participants are required to eat at the same restaurant.) For more information on the Graber Olive House visit www.graberolives.com
Registration deadline is Monday, October 22nd Call the Hart Park House at 626.355.7394 to make reservations or to get more information.

"NEW"- Senior Movie Program: Movies are shown on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. The films are chosen by the seniors themselves and will be shown in Council Chambers (222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.) at 1:00 pm. The price of admission - FREE!

LAURA October 24th City Council Chambers @ 1:00pm
Detective Mark McPherson investigates the killing of Laura, found dead on her apartment floor before the movie starts. McPherson builds a mental picture of the dead girl from the suspects whom he interviews. He is helped by the striking painting of the late lamented Laura hanging on her apartment wall. But who would have wanted to kill a girl with whom every man she met seemed to fall in love? To make matters worse, McPherson finds himself falling under her spell too. Then one night, halfway through his investigations, something seriously bizarre happens to make him re-think the whole case.



The "Senior Moments" newsletter is available for you to receive either by mail (USPS) or e-mail. Please contact Adam Matsumoto to be put on either list at 626.355.7394.



KATIE TseThis and That We still SEE you...!

You've got a little over a week to scrape together a good Halloween costume. I've never been great at dressing up for these occasions. For cheap stiffs like me, it's hard to rationalize spending more than ten bucks on a get-up I'll probably never wear again.

Each year brings a plethora of new costumes ideas. (I hear some people are going as iPads.) But when it comes to disguises, there's nothing new under the sun.

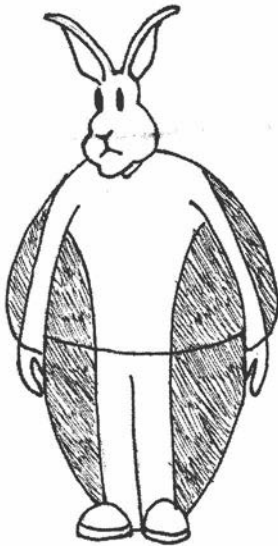
Ever since Adam and Eve got caught, humans have been trying to cover up their bodies. And rightly so. I'm not advocating nudist societies! Not all bodies are created equal. Some people are just blessed with classically perfect proportions. (I personally know approximately two people in this category.)

But the rest of us usually have some body flaw we'd rather not emphasize. It may be flabby arms or a muffin top that's creeping over your waistband. Whatever it is, I totally understand if you want to conceal it beneath billowy sleeves or a loose-fitting top. What strikes me as silly, however, is when people use artificial means to make their less-desirable features appear more glamorous than they really are. Some are content with mild things, like wearing fake lashes and hair extensions. Others resort to drastic measures, such as plastic surgery and other augmentations. Somewhere between these extremes is a "trick" as old as original sin --optical illusion.

We all know that vertical stripes make you look thinner, and horizontal stripes make you look... broader. "Optical illusion" dresses are based on this principle. Even my own limited fashion sense tells me that these contrasting color outfits with geometric shapes are not the most aesthetically appealing. I suppose they might be considered "artsy," in an angular kind of way.

Since they're touted as making the wearer look more shapely, it's no surprise that Hollywood stars and other socialites have embraced a new generation of slimming dresses. They remind me of those tee shirts that have the neck and torso of a muscle man or bikini babe --as if by wearing it the person is fooling anyone. It's all fine and good to try to look younger, fitter, or healthier than you actually are. But it's a whole other thing to blatantly admit that you are doing so! By wearing something that's obviously an "optical illusion," you're proclaiming your negative body issues. It's like wearing Spanx shapewear to a party and gushing to everyone, "I absolutely love this Spanx leotard! It's a little hard to breath, but I couldn't fit into this dress without it!"

If you're going to try to deceive us, at least be more discrete about it! I'm glad I don't have to worry about looking like a million bucks at my job, or in any other setting for that matter. Unlike members of Hollywood's "A" List, no one's concerned with whether my waist looks five centimeters larger or smaller than it did the last time they saw me. It's comforting to know that my family, friends, and coworkers probably wouldn't notice whether or not I have a huge zit or toilet paper stuck to my shoe. It may take some creativity for me to come up with a Halloween costume, but I'm glad this is the only time of year I have to try to pretend to be something I'm not!



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

*This is a note to let you know that **SCAMMERS** are working our area. As I sat down to write this article I got a phone call that gave me pause.*

My private line rang and the caller ID reported unknown caller; usually I don't answer those types of calls, but, since I was coordinating a new class I thought that some of my students might be trying to reach me. When I answered, it was clear that the call was coming from a call center in India. I was told that they were from Microsoft and my Windows platform was reporting errors caused by a virus. He wanted me to turn on my computer so that he could remove the virus for me.

I may be blond but...my first thought was that my modem and phone service are both provided by Time Warner so perhaps there was something happening that I could not see, why else did they have that phone number. He was pretty persistent about me turning on my computer which was already on. This is one of those times I went with the feeling that something was wrong and hung up on him. I know that does not sound very polite, but it was scary and my network was at risk. After hanging up I turned off all of my computers and hid in the closet (not really), I did turn off all of my computers and rebooted everything hopefully making my dynamic IP address a little more invisible (all you computer folks probably think I'm nuts) but it made me feel better. After rebooting my system I went online to see if this had happened to anyone else.

According to www.computerrepairtips.net it is a scam. The original article began receiving victim posts in 2011 and has had 279 posts regarding this scam. The article has been updated in 2012, and has had an additional 79 victim posts. They say that the scam is growing in the UK and Ireland, "It is also affecting homes all across the USA". I can attest to the fact that it is happening in Monrovia, California.

This is how it works. "The general way the phone scam works hasn't really changed since the publication of the 2011 article. The caller will usually ask for the main bill payer of the household by name. They will know your address (quite often because they are just reading entries out of your country's Phone Book). They will either claim to be Microsoft or a company working on behalf of Microsoft, or sometimes they don't even bother and they just say they are a Technical Support company, or they will mention recognizable key words like Windows or Operating System. In the background, you might hear other voices indicating that they are in a busy call center. You may even hear another operator reading from exactly the same phone scam script."

Their goal is to get you to think that your computer is infected with a virus and sending them error reports so that you will let them remotely access your computer. The scripts vary some but you can read about them if you are interested on the website quoted above. My recommendation is that you tell the caller you are not interested and hang up. Do not give them access to your computer and ultimately do not pay them for running a fix program. If you think you have a problem with your computer call a local reputable computer repair vendor.

Important: "Microsoft will not call you directly about anything like this. Although your copy of Windows should be registered with Microsoft, they normally do not know who you are or exactly where you live, unless you have informed them in some way, which is unlikely. So anyone that cold calls about a virus and knows your name and address and claims any relationship with Microsoft is a scammer".

What else is happening this month?

Sales tax reports and 3rd quarter payroll tax reports are due by October 31, 2012

New workshops:

During the month of October on Friday's between 9:00am and 9:30am I am hosting an online QuickBooks Q&A forum. Email the registration form from my website and I will send you the info you need to tune in. Have your questions ready it is a great time to stump the trainer. Also during the month of November look for Saturday QuickBooks workshops. It will be a BYOL (bring your own laptop) workshop.

Patricia Richardson the owner of Monrovia Computerized Business Service and is a local accountant, educator and trainer working to help business owners realize their business mission and vision by empowering them with tools and training in areas that may not be their core competency. For additional information, patti@qbworkshop.com or www.QBworkShop.com



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LOOSE TEAS IS "PIPING HOT"

Master tea brewers Kim Nguyen and Cindy Thai have found their niche in America's \$27 billion dollar tea industry. It takes only one visit to Loose Teas, their gourmet and specialty tea café in Monrovia, California, to understand why they have so many repeat customers. Each cup at Loose Teas is brewed to perfection, sweetened to the individual customer's palate and served hot or iced - minus the dangling tag from a tea bag. They can create hundreds of custom blends from the nine main varieties of premium teas they carry.

Their quality teas include traditional favorites, as well as exotic flavors. Some of their most popular brews are Coconut Oolong, as well as Almond Biscotti, a black tea made with roasted almonds and milk. Loose Teas has created some unique selections to take you through the holiday season, including a Pumpkin Spice Rooibos Tea Latte, their signature "Trick or Treat" brew that derives its orange color from carrots and tastes like candy, and a "Christmas Spice" black tea flavored with cinnamon, cloves, apples and other holiday spices - customers refer to this one as "Christmas in a cup."



Their expert treatment of teas makes it easy to overlook their other menu items, but this oversight would be a mistake. You don't want to miss the opportunity to enjoy one of their coffee drinks or freshly-made salads, hearty sandwiches or panini's. Loose Teas is a great place for lunch. This cozy cafe has an impressive inventory of gift items ideal for tea lovers, including books, tea infusers and tea pots. They carry a variety of beautiful cast iron tea pots that look right at home in an art exhibit or displayed in a museum. Of course, you can pick up a pre-packed gift set of teas or have them prepare a set tailored to your liking, complete with brewing instructions.

In addition to the pure enjoyment that people get from drinking tea, it has medicinal benefits as well. Nguyen's expressed, "There are specific teas for energy, headaches and insomnia." A wide body of research on teas indicates other health benefits including antioxidants (cancer-fighting), anti-aging, detox and digestion.

Nguyen and Thai are students of their industry, attending the country's largest annual tea convention each year to stay abreast of trends. Usually held in Las Vegas, the event is a resource and network hub for tea wholesalers and more than 4,000 specialty tea rooms and retail shops across American. Loose Teas is in an elite class, with creative blends, personalized brewing and great customer service. When you visit, try one of their other popular blends, the London Fog - whether you get it hot or cold, you'll understand why this business is "piping hot."

Visit www.thelooseteas.com to browse their menu or gift shop. Loose Teas is located at 666 W. Huntington Drive (next to Toys R Us), Monrovia, CA 91016 - (626) 303-2283.



Social Media

Tips & Tricks
By Merri Jill Finstrom




IDEAS TO GET MORE ACTION ON YOUR FACEBOOK POSTS

Engagement is the action you get when you post something on a social media site. In Facebook, it is the "Comments," "Likes" and "Shares" that initiate and create engagement. The more action you get on a post, the higher it ranks in the news feed. More people will see a post that has a lot of activity.



If you want to strengthen your presence on Facebook consider posting things that encourage engagement. Here are three ideas:

1. Tie into current events. For example, during the Olympics, Palau Dive Adventures posted a picture of the Palau Olympic Team and said, "How many 'likes' can we get for the Palau Olympic Team? Please 'Like' and 'Share' this post if you are as proud of them as we are!" 33,004 people saw their post, 160 people shared it, 78 commented and 1,340 gave it the thumbs up.
2. Post a fun photo and ask people to give it a caption. Last week my brother decided to have some fun with Photoshop and the Space Shuttle Endeavor on our business page. He got a great photo as the shuttle was passing through his neighborhood and "creatively" added a HUTdogs billboard to the background. He asked people to give it a caption. We had lots of clever comments like "No, Richard, I said 'let's stop for a HOT DOG!'"
3. Fill in the blanks. Ask open-ended questions and tell people to fill in the blank(s). If you own a cupcake shop, you might post something like, "Cupcakes and Frosting go together like _____ and _____ (fill in the blanks)."

The idea is to have fun with your posts. If you are posting the same boring things all the time and not getting any "engagement," perhaps you need to shake things up a bit and think outside of the box. Give people something to talk about!

About MJ: MJ and her brother David own HUTdogs, a creative services business that 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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St. Rita Varsity Football Update

TWO BIG WINS MOVE RAIDERS INTO SOLE POSSESSION OF SECOND PLACE IN LEAGUE

Sierra Madre, CA, After beginning the season on a high note, taking third place in the tough St. Paul Football Tournament, the Raiders had a two game slump. They've recaptured the magic, however, in the last two weeks in games against Assumption and Holy Angels.

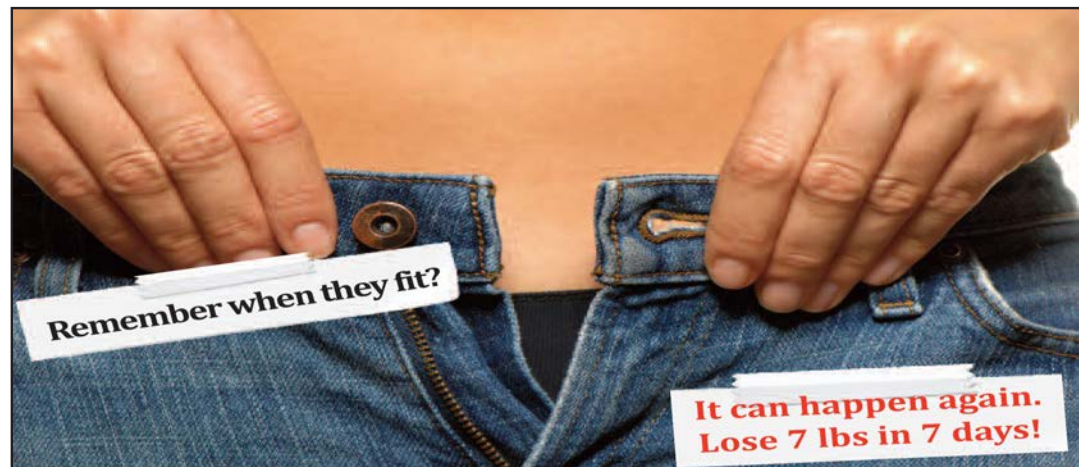
The Raiders currently stand 8-4 overall, and 4 -1 in the league. Although they eventually fell to South Pasadena's powerful Holy Family team last week, they were tied 6-6 in the fourth quarter. The hosting Knights, who are the defending CYO champions, ended up claiming a 14-6 win in that game. Two days later, however, the Raiders, with an inspired defense, defeated one-loss Assumption of Pasadena in a 12-0 victory. That was followed up by a 20-0 victory over Holy Angels of Arcadia -- another team with only one loss in the league.

All four of the Raiders' losses have come to teams who are undefeated in their respective leagues. They lost to Holy Family twice, once in league and once in the St Paul semifinals. In that game, Holy Family scored with 7 seconds remaining to win 15-14. They also lost in the St Rita Tournament semifinals by a 22-20 score to St Bede of La Canada. The worst loss they suffered was 22-0 to St Louise of Covina.

The Raiders have also had two wins against perennial powerhouses. First, they defeated a blistering-fast St. Jerome team from Westchester and then up-ended Orange County's powerful St. Hedwig in the third-place game of the St. Paul Tournament. Easy wins over Immaculate Conception and Annunciation of Arcadia and St. Felicitas of San Marino round out the Raiders' season so far. Still to come are league games with playoff contenders St. Philip of Pasadena and St. Elizabeth of Altadena. Both are strong teams with some outstanding players. Newcomer St. Andrew of Pasadena and long-time league member St. Luke of Temple City comprise the remainder of the schedule before playoffs.

The defense has been led by eighth graders Liam Blackwell, Steve Froio, Johnny Clarizio, Wyatt Cimino, Tommy Radle and Harrison MacDonald. Seventh grader Blake Howard completes the first seven. Sean Espinosa and Nick Zuniga have also filled in well for the defense.

St. Rita School, located at 322 N. Baldwin Ave. in Sierra Madre, is a Catholic parish school with an award-winning sports program. They are academically ranked fourth in the Los Angeles Diocese, with a focus on faith, stewardship and academic excellence.



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ST. RITA GIRLS VOLLEYBALL WINS DESPITE HOT TEMPERATURES



Cathy Johnson in game against Holy Family. Photos by Diane Johnson

Withered by the heat, St. Rita still managed to prevail on Wednesday in two games over the surprisingly tough St. Luke Lions of Temple City. The see-saw battle played out at St. Luke, where the mercury topped 101 in the shade and was even hotter on the blacktop.

The starting lineup included Chelle Encinas, Natalie O'Brien, Sarah Perret, Cathy Johnson, Kathleen Brady, Brenna Stutenroth, Caitlin Mispagel and Abby McKiernan.

In the two games prior, the lady Raiders first won against Holy Family on their home court, then lost to St. Phillips. St. Rita is currently tied with Arcadia's Holy Angels for third in the league and will face them in the last game of the season on Tuesday.



Abby McKiernan returns serve at St. Luke game.

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A CALL TO SUPPORT PROP 37 - By Kim Clymer-Kelley

While on the surface the issue of labeling genetically engineered foods (GMOs) that would be required by Prop 37 seems to be inconsequential to many people, it is, in fact, of monumental importance. We are in a battle to reclaim a food supply which is horribly failing the American people. It has been hijacked by corporations whose only concern is churning out cheap and profitable food. As a result, there are far more toxins and calories in the food available to us in our supermarkets, and far less nutrition. Consequently, we are becoming a sick and obese nation. We have been kept in the dark about how our food is produced and what it is that we are eating. For almost two decades this ignorance has been skillfully and stealthily created and maintained by the producers of our food.

The rest of the industrial world has been granted the information that they need to make good food choices. Over 60 nations now require genetically engineered foods to be labeled including all of Europe, China, Japan, and Russia. As a result, the people of these countries have used this information to cast their vote against genetically engineered food, making it illegal to even cultivate genetically engineered crops in many countries. This leaves the people of the U.S. as the unwitting guinea pigs for the rest of the world to watch. In the countries where labeling is required, often U.S. products are rejected or banned altogether, and those that are imported, must be labeled. Yes, our food manufacturer are already producing products that are labeled as GMO or that have been reformulated to no longer contain them...for other countries, but NOT for us.

Started by one grandmother in Chico, CA Right to Know's is a grassroots movement that has risen above the corporate created ignorance to shed a light on the GMO issue, with hopes of awakening a sleeping public. In Prop 37 they have written a fair and strong piece of legislation to require the labeling of foods that are genetically engineered or that contain genetically modified ingredients. The proposition has exceptionally strong support but it has in the last 2 weeks been eroded by the tens of millions of dollars of corporate money have flowed onto the airwaves. Support of Prop 37 has dropped nearly 15 points and the opposition's support has increased by at least that much as a direct result of the Monsanto funded "No on 37" campaign. The YES on 37 movement does not have the money to fight these insidious ads that are inundating the public with misinformation. This is beginning to look like a repeat of what happened in Oregon in 2002 when a similar labeling proposition led in the polls by a 75% to 25% margin at this point in their campaign and ended up losing by 25% to 75%. Similarly, just last year a cigarette tax in California, that held a huge lead going into the final weeks before the election, got narrowly defeated by a tobacco industry-funded campaign orchestrated by the same front groups who are now running the No on 37 campaign. After it was defeated, as we all scratched our heads in wonder of how it could have happened, the media spent a lot of time analyzing the issue to help us understand how these corporate campaigns have gained so much control over the populous ...throwing light on the phenomenon and making us aware of its injustice ...and yet here we are again...falling for the same old bag of tricks.

Do not let your opinion be swayed by all of the ads you are seeing. Look at the end of the ad...they are all funded by Monsanto, et al. They are nothing but lies and deception. They are depicting the proposition as being "a deceptive scheme" that "panders to special interests" ... the exact, carefully-researched and chosen buzz words that corporations have used to fight every recent battle...words that their strategists have determined will instantly push buttons and that the public will glom onto as truth the moment they hear them. Sad but true.

On the surface it seems that the issue with Prop 37 is that of the health concerns and environmental concerns of GMOs and the agricultural practices of which they are central. While we should be deeply concerned with those issues, they are NOT what this propositions is about. This issue is about our basic right as consumers to know what the food industry is putting in our food. For almost 20 years we have been deliberately kept in the dark, and the corporations that have set it up that way are waging a multi-million dollar battle against a grassroots movement in order to protect their secret. Without the knowledge that this legislation will provide us, we cannot make informed choices on how we spend our food dollars. Without this knowledge there is no "free market"...it is instead controlled by the corporations that we have entrusted with our food supply.

Polls show that nationwide, 90% of the people support GMO labeling and all of those eyes are on California now. They are looking for us to lead the way. The Legislators in several states have recently attempted to pass labeling legislation in their states, only to be threatened by lawsuits by Monsanto. Even though the proposed laws stood to pass, instead of standing up for the people, the government bowed to the corporation and tabled the bills. It is critical for Prop 37 to pass. We need to have complete transparency in our food system. The very industry that we trust to provide us with sustenance has violated that trust and has put profits above people. Their campaign against this proposition is a campaign against us and our best interests. It is a campaign that goes against the very roots of democracy. A defeat of this proposition will be a major setback to all efforts to reclaim our democracy from the monied interests that have hold of it.

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Mitt Romney/Paul Ryan, Republican
Roseanne Barr/Cindy Sheehan, Peace and Freedom
Thomas Hoefling/Robert Ornelas, American Independent
Jill Stein/Cheri Honkala, Green
Barack Obama/Joseph Biden, Democratic



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Dianne Feinstein, Democratic

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Judy Chu, Democratic
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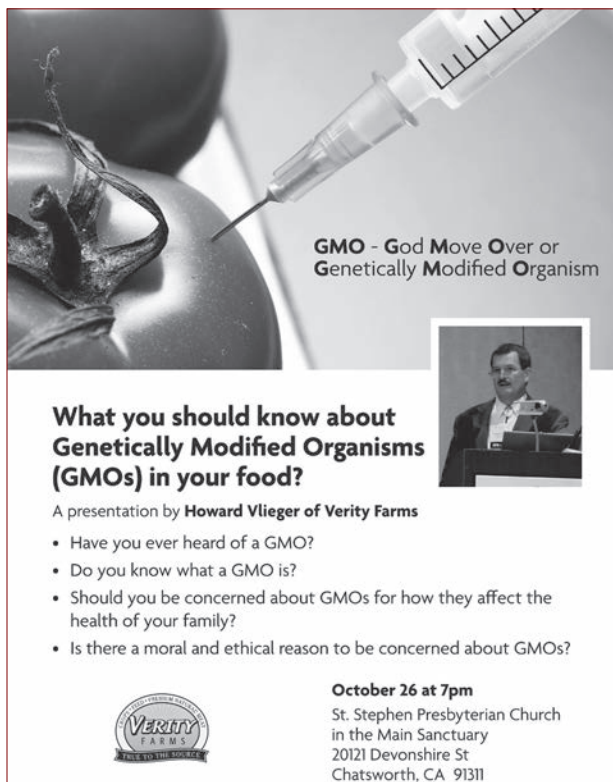
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The forum will be held at The Lodge (Formerly the Masonic Temple), 33 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre. The forum is free. Lunch will be served at noon for a cost of \$10. Lunch reservations may be made by calling 626-355-0728.



NOVEMBER 2012 LOCAL BALLOT MEASURES

Measure A Appointment of County Assessor -- County of Los Angeles (Advisory Vote Only)

Do you support seeking to change the California Constitution and the Los Angeles County Charter to make the position of Los Angeles County Assessor an appointed position instead of an elected position?

Measure B Safer Sex In the Adult Film Industry Act -- County of Los Angeles (Ordinance - Majority Approval Required)

Shall an ordinance be adopted requiring producers of adult films to obtain a County public health permit, to require adult film performers to use condoms while engaged in sex acts, to provide proof of blood borne pathogen training course, to post permit and notices to performers, and making violations of the ordinance subject to civil fines and criminal charges?

Measure J Accelerating Traffic Relief, Job Creation -- County of Los Angeles (Continuation of Voter-Approved Sales Tax Increase - Majority Approval Required)

To advance Los Angeles County's traffic relief, economic growth/ job creation, by accelerating construction of light rail/ subway/ airport connections within five years not twenty; funding countywide freeway traffic flow/ safety /bridge improvements, pothole repair; keeping senior/ student/ disabled fares low; Shall Los Angeles County's voter-approved one-half cent traffic relief sales tax continue, without tax rate increase, for another 30 years or until voters decide to end it, with audits/ keeping funds local?

Measure ALF Density Limit re Assisted Living Facility -- City of Sierra Madre (Ordinance - Majority Approval Required)

Shall an Ordinance be adopted to amend Sierra Madre Municipal Code Section 17.35.040 ("Core Density Limit") of the People's Empowerment Act (aka Measure V) to permit development of an assisted living facility consistent with the Kensington Assisted Living Facility Specific Plan not exceeding two stories, thirty feet in height and seventy-five assisted living suites, for the parcels located at 33 North Hermosa Avenue and 245 West Sierra Madre Boulevard?

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November 6, 2012

HOWARD Hays As I See It



"The night was filled with the noise of artillery fire and I woke up three times. But since there was no school I got up later at 10 AM. Afterwards, my friend came over and we discussed our homework. Today is 15 January, the last day before the Taliban's edict comes into effect"
- Malala Yousufzai, then 12 years old, in BBC's "Diary of a Pakistani Schoolgirl"

The election is only a couple weeks away, "binders full of women" joins "Big Bird" as Mitt Romney's gift to internet punditry, and Republicans are outraged a request for an airplane from our embassy in Tripoli didn't translate into President Obama's sending Marines to our consulate in Benghazi. These past days, though, my thoughts have been with a now-15-year-old girl, drifting in and out of consciousness, recovering from shots to her head and neck in a London hospital that specializes in treating military casualties.

"I was scared enough to see pictures of bodies hanging in Green Chowk (crossing), but the decision of militants to bar girls from going to school was very shocking for me and I decided to stand against forces of backwardness."

Malala Yousufzai told CNN of being "scared of being beheaded by the Taliban because of my passion for education. . . During their rule, the Taliban used to march into our houses to check whether we were studying or watching television."

Ziauddin Yousufzai is headmaster of a school for girls and boys in the town of Mingora, in the Swat Valley. When the Taliban took over in 2008, destroying 125 girls' schools in ten months, a BBC correspondent asked if one of his female teachers could write on the situation under the Taliban. None of the teachers were willing to do so, but his 11-year-old daughter, Malala, was.

Ziauddin explains she did it "Not for the sake of her father's wish, but for the sake of the safety and peace of her land. No one was willing to write the inside stories, the cruelty, the terror and the sufferings of the people of Swat because of the life threats by Taliban."

Malala wrote under the pseudonym "Gul Makai", and her father remembers, "The first time I saw someone print the Diary, I could not tell them that it's my daughter who has written this. Today, I am happy that the world knows who Gul Makai is!" He made these comments as his daughter received a "Future of Pakistan" award at the International Conference on Women Leadership, held last July in Islamabad. Desmond Tutu nominated her for the International Children's Peace Prize.

"I had no intention nor had I thought before contributing diaries on brutalities of Taliban that my efforts would earn fame for me and I will become a voice against tyranny."

She carried that voice to talk shows and personal appearances, demanding that Pakistani girls be permitted to have an education. The Taliban labeled her activities "an obscenity"; "We do not tolerate people like Malala speaking against us."

It was on the way home from school when assailants rode up to her school bus (a small van) on a motorcycle, boarded and demanded that Malala be identified. She and two classmates sitting with her were shot.

"Even if they come to kill me, I will tell them what they are trying to do is wrong, that education is our basic right."

News of the incident inspired a singular slogan adopted by schoolgirls throughout Pakistan: "I am Malala". A classmate appeared on TV; "Every girl in Swat is Malala. We will educate ourselves. We will win. They can't defeat us."

Protests started with small gatherings and candlelight vigils and then, as news spread and political leaders spoke out (though rarely mentioning the Taliban by name), tens of thousands crowded the streets of Karachi. Children carried Malala's picture, parents voiced concern over the future awaiting their daughters as well as sons. Students in surviving girls' schools, both in Pakistan and across the border in Afghanistan, gathered in classrooms with hands clasped in prayer for the girl drifting in and out of consciousness in a London hospital. Fifty Islamic clerics issued a fatwa against those who tried to kill Malala. Major political leaders referred to her as "the daughter of the nation". Schools closed in her honor, and people lined up to donate blood.

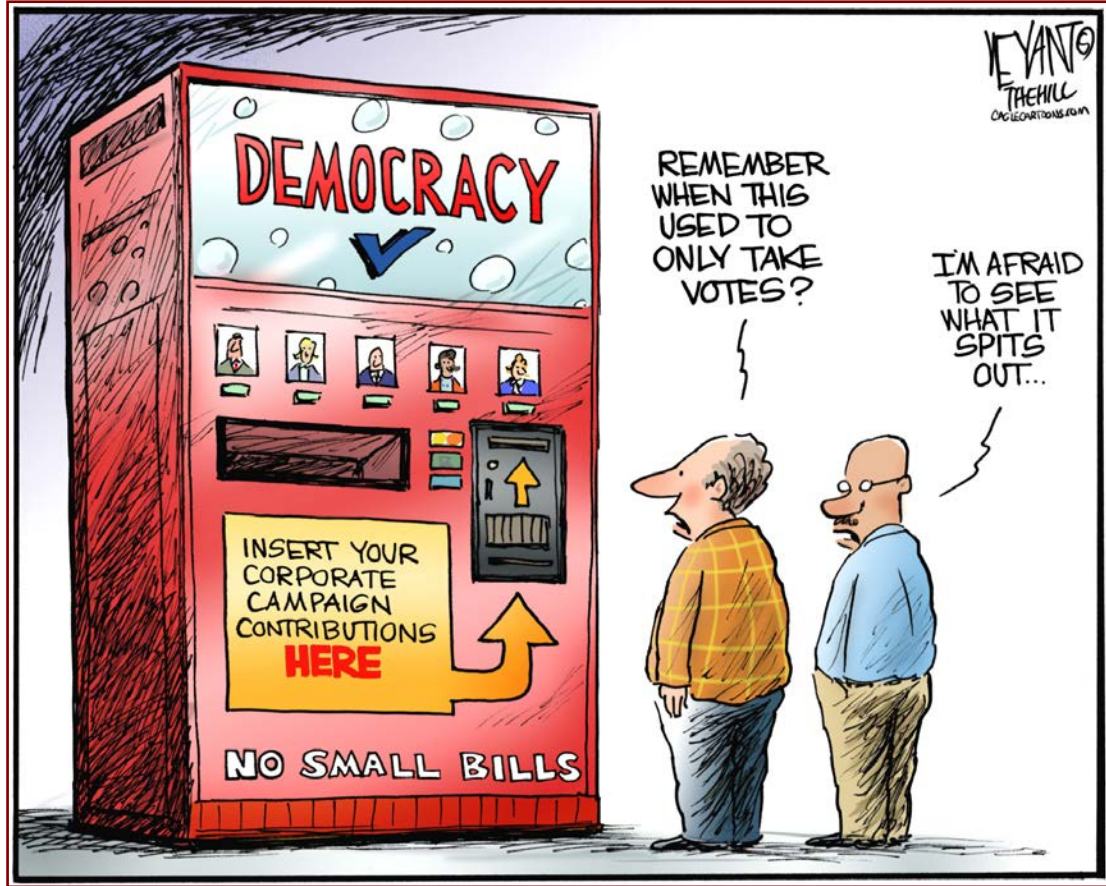
"Democracy is the best rule. This country needs new leaders. I want to study the law and I dream of a country in which education prevails and no one sleeps hungry. That would be my kind of country."

White House spokesman Jay Carney said the president considers the attack on Malala to be "repensible and disgusting and tragic", and that US forces would be available for transport and treatment. Former Rep. Gabrielle Giffords (D-AZ) offered the services of the surgeons who treated her following the attempt on her own life. Secretary of State Clinton told a group of visiting Girl Scouts the attack "reminds us of the challenges that girls face, whether it's poverty or marginalization or even violence, just for speaking out for their basic rights."

The Taliban have reiterated their determination to kill not only Malala, but also her father, Ziauddin: "If she survives this time, she won't next time. We will certainly kill her." In light of the protests, however, they've softened their position to explain the capital offense is not just her stand on education, but the fact Malala "idealized" Barack Obama.

For the coming election, billions are being spent here at home to help shape tax codes and business regulation over the next four years. In a London hospital, there's a voice which will help shape the world for generations to come.

"I have the right of education. I have the right to play. I have the right to sing. I have the right to talk. I have the right to go to market. I have the right to speak up." - Malala Yousufzai



Everybody talks about the middle class being hurt in the Obama economy, but it's really the working poor who are getting crushed.

The president boasts that he and four more years of his trickle-down government policies are going to save the middle class' bacon, eggs and jobs.

And at the Tuesday night cockfight on Long Island, our presumptive ex-commander in chief accused Mitt Romney of being hypocrite and a liar who wants to help the rich at the expense of the middle class.

The middle class has become an important political football this fall, but no one knows what the middle class actually is.

There's no official definition based on household income. It ranges between \$42,000 and \$60,000 a year and it's different by state.

Earn \$45k in Utah or Mississippi and you're solidly middle class. Earn that much in Manhattan or the Great Train Wreck State of California, where Obama Gas can cost \$5 a gallon, and you're really hurting.

It's certainly true the middle class has been hurt by the Great Recession. But the biggest losers are the working poor.

When the economy goes south, they are the first to lose their jobs or see their paychecks shrink.

The president doesn't talk about helping them. But the working poor are people like my daughter, a schoolteacher in Southern California. And Victor, my barber. And Jenny, who does my nails. And the waiter at the local restaurant.

When the middle class feels the pinch, what's the first thing they do to make ends meet? They drop their hair colorists and gardeners, who often end up becoming part of the 23 million Americans looking for jobs.

President Obama wants to encourage high-skilled immigrants to stay in America. That's fine. But it's the low-skilled immigrants and the working poor who I'm worried about.

They're the ones who do America's hardest, dirtiest jobs, and it's their kids who are hoping to join the middle class of tomorrow.

When I was growing up in Los Angeles the low-paid workers of the day were the Japanese, many of whom were gardeners.

But the Japanese worked hard, educated their kids and became one of our most successful ethnic groups, even after the prejudice of World War II. That's the way it's always worked in this country -- until Barack Obama came along.

The American people have two clear choices three Tuesdays from now. They can choose between a successful businessman and a failed president.

Obama wants to take wealth from the rich and give it to the poor so everyone in America can live on an equal scale.

But Americans have never been economically equal and don't want to be. The president wants to create something that's never existed in the history of the world; the economies that tried are on "the ash heap of history."

Obama's been a total disaster. The economy is tanking, 23 million are out of work, 47 million are getting food stamps, and he has no clue what to do for the next four years.

And since he can't defend his own record, all Obama's been doing is attacking Mitt Romney for his wealth and success.

Mitt has nothing to be ashamed of. In fact, he needs to stop being so shy about his record of success. He needs to do a little bragging to the American people -- especially to the poor and working classes.

He needs to say, "When I ran Bain Capital I was asked to come in, save a lot of jobs, and make other people rich. I did a great job at that.

"I was brought in to save the Winter Olympics when it was being destroyed by corruption and financial problems. I succeeded at that.

"Now my job is to bring the American economy back to health and create jobs. I'll be successful at that, too. And I'll make it possible for the working poor, the middle class -- all of us -- to live better."

Come on, undecideds, step up. It's time to vote for Mitt and put America's workers back to work.

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HAIL Hamilton My Turn



BILLIONAIRE KOCH BROTHERS-- ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTERS AND POLITICAL OPPORTUNISTS

The movement of the Koch brothers in American politics is both a scandal and a disgrace. These spoil chickens who were left large sums of money by their parents could have more patriotically used part of that money to pay their fair share of taxes and help pay down America's deficit. Instead, they want to buy Congress, state governors and legislatures to do their dirty bidding of protecting solely their private interests. Those interests include shielding them from higher taxes and environmental protection laws even as they blatant the planet.

According to the 2010 report by Greenpeace, "Koch Industries: Secretly Funding the Climate Denial Machine," Koch has out-spent ExxonMobil in funding climate change denial. From 2005 to 2008, ExxonMobil spent \$8.9 million, while the Koch Industries-controlled foundations contributed \$24.9 million in funding to organizations of climate change skeptics. Efforts include: More than \$5 million to Americans for Prosperity Foundation (AFP) for its nationwide "Hot Air Tour" campaign opposing clean energy and climate legislation. More than \$1 million to the Heritage Foundation, which writes about climate and environmental policy issues. Over \$1 million to the Cato Institute, which disputes the scientific evidence behind global warming, questions the rationale for taking climate action, and has been heavily involved in spinning the recent ClimateGate story. \$800,000 to the Manhattan Institute, which has hosted Bjorn Lomborg twice in the last two years, a prominent media spokesperson who challenges and attacks policy measures to address climate change. \$365,000 to Foundation for Research on Economics and the Environment (FREE), which advocates against taking action on climate change because warming is "inevitable" and expensive to address. \$360,000 to Pacific Research Institute for Public Policy (PRIPP) which supported and funded "An Inconvenient Truth... or Convenient Fiction," a film attacking the science of global warming and intended as a rebuttal to former Vice-President Al Gore's documentary "An Inconvenient Truth" (PRIPP also threatened to sue the U.S. Government for listing the polar bear as an endangered species.) \$325,000 to the Tax Foundation, which issued a misleading study on the costs of proposed climate legislation.

The report says such contributions are only part of the picture, because the full scope of direct contributions to political and public policy organizations is not disclosed by individual Koch family members, executives, or from the company itself.

During the 1990s, faulty Koch Industry pipelines were responsible for more than 300 oil and chemical spills in five states prompting a landmark penalty of 35 million from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). In Minnesota, it was fined an additional \$8 million for discharging oil into streams.

According to an August 30, 2010 article in the *New Yorker* magazine, "In 1999, a jury found Koch Industries guilty of negligence and malice in the deaths of two Texas teen-agers in an explosion that resulted from a leaky underground butane pipeline. In 2001, the company paid an undisclosed amount settlement.

During the months leading up to the 2000 presidential elections, the company faced even more liability, in the form of a 97-count federal indictment charging it with concealing illegal releases of 91 metric tons of benzene, a known carcinogen, from its refinery in Corpus Christi, Texas. The company faced liability for \$350 million in fines, and four Koch employees faced up to 35 years in prison.

After George W. Bush became president the U.S. Justice Department dropped 88 of the charges. Two days before the trial, John Ashcroft settled for a plea bargain, in which the company pled guilty to falsifying documents. All major charges were dropped, and Koch and Ashcroft settled the lawsuit for a fraction of the original amount. No impropriety there!

The fact that Koch Industries is giving out more than 85 million dollars this year to right wing groups, such as Grover Norquist's Americans for Tax Reform, and Dick Arney's FreedomWorks, not to mention its biggest recipient, the Tea Party, makes the Koch brothers big time players in the political process.

Al-Qaeda, North Korea, and Iran are less of a threat to America than the Koch brothers, their subsidiaries and political allies. It is their money corrupting our political system that is a big reason America is going to hell in a hand basket.

RICH Johnson



Well, I got some positive feedback on my column highlighting the year 1962. So, let's jump in the wayback machine and take a look at year 1982. What were you doing in 1982?

If you were actor Paul Newman you were busy getting into the salad dressing business. If you were a brilliant science minded person who could see into the future you were starting the computer software company Adobe. If you didn't want to start a computer company you could go play Ms. Pacman, moon dance or work out to a new Jane Fonda workout video to the music of "Thriller"

Were you or did you have little kids in 1982. You would have spent Saturday mornings watching *My Little Pony*, *The Smurfs*, and *Strawberry Shortcake* cartoons on television. Speaking of television the top ten shows of 1982 were:

- 60 minutes
- Dallas
- M*A*S*H
- Magnum P.I. (actually tied with M*A*S*H)
- Dynasty
- Three's Company
- Simon and Simon
- Falcon Crest
- The Love Boat
- The A-Team tied with Monday Night Football

The new shows on the horizon were Cheers, Family Ties, Fame, Knight Rider, T. J. Hooker, Remington Steele, Cagney & Lacey, and St. Elsewhere. By the way, the actual Bar used for the exterior shots of the bar in the show Cheers was in Boston and was called, The Bull and Finch Pub.

A new channel was introduced on cable in 1982 that has captivated viewers for years. I'm talking about, of course, The Weather Channel. Vanna White became part of our culture in 1982 as she replaced the letter turner on Wheel of Fortune.

The biggest box office success at the movies was E.T. the Extraterrestrial which grossed \$435 million dollars. Tootsie came in second, An Officer and a Gentleman was third, Rocky II and a host of others. Gandhi won best picture, best director (Richard Attenborough) and best Actor (Ben Kingsley. Meryl Street won (of course) for Sophie's Choice. The two most famous movie quotes of 1982 were each just two words long. Can you guess them? I'll hide the answers down a little bit.

Famous people born in 1982 (they're all about the same age): Anne Hathaway, Kirsten Dunst, Prince William, Kell Clarkson, Jessica Biel among others.

Famous people we said goodbye to in 1982 included Henry Fonda, Ingrid Bergman, Grace Kelly, John Belushi, and Jack Webb

Three tragic breakups occurred in 1982. Farah and Lee (Majors) divorced. The Doobie Brothers broke up. And Elizabeth Taylor divorced husband number seven (Senator John Warner). Can you name her other husbands? Nicky Hilton, Michael Wilding, Mike Todd, Eddie Fisher, Richard Burton (1964-1974), Richard Burton (1975-1976), John Warner and Larry Fortensky.

Alternative rock and roller Frank Zappa foisted the phenomena of the "Valley Girl" on us with his song of the same title. That song gave us new terms into the American lexicon: *Like* (as an interjection), "that was, like, the worst thing ever", *As if* meaning "yeah right", *fer shur* meaning "for sure", *Totally* meaning "I agree or completely", and *gnarly* (*the g' is silent*) meaning either "intense" or "very pleasing".

Other song hits from that year include Physical by Olivia Newton John, Eye of the Tiger by Survivor, Down Under by Men at Work, and Chariots of Fire by Vangelis.

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STUART Tolchin.....On LIFE STORY TELLING



I want to tell you a story. The truth is that it doesn't really make much difference what the details of the story are as long as the essence of the story is me talking about me. This month's Atlantic Magazine, in an article entitled, *The Selfish Meme—Twitter, Dopamine, and the Evolutionary Advantages of Talking About Oneself*, has finally explained why we (and especially me) like to talk about ourselves so much. "Sharing our thoughts, it turns out, activates the brain's reward system and our biggest reward in this area comes from disclosing our own thoughts and feelings.

Now let's be clear on this. It's not like talking about our own stuff is as satisfying as sex; but the point is that sharing our own feelings, really talking about ourselves, generates more internal pleasure than talking about anything else. The phenomenon of the cyber-social media dramatically makes this point. Normal conversation, according to the Atlantic Article, consists of about 30 to 40 per cent of people talking about themselves. More than 80 per cent of the updates on social media, however, consist of people talking about themselves and thereby enjoying the pleasure of presenting their thoughts to an imagined attentive audience.

I am a living, breathing example of this truth. I love telling stories about myself, such that as soon as I open my mouth my wife and kids start rolling their eyes and give me that "not again" look. That's why I love writing these articles to you invisible, perhaps non-existent readers. I imagine that my little stories will interest you and inspire you to contemplate your own lives and thereby create a better world and save the planet. Oh, how good it feels.

So here goes. What I did this weekend. Saturday began with me feeling pretty good. I thought Joe Biden did a great job of representing my generation during the vice-Presidential Debate. He was so active, alert, and able to present the "I was there" wisdom of the experienced politician. It's so different from the ultra-cool, unruffled but only theoretical number- spouting of the younger politician. On Friday's *Real Time With Bill Maher*, I loved hearing the description of the debate as some old man beating up his grandson. My confidence was shaken a little Saturday morning as I chatted with a neighbor, who described Mr. Biden as Vice-President Ha Ha. I realized his viewpoints were formed by the pundits on Fox News while my informed perspective was merely confirmed by the commentators on MSNBC.

Anyhow, now, it was time to race-off to the UCLA game at the Rose Bowl. Notwithstanding the fact that I almost passed out in the heat, I had a fine time watching the BRUINS devour the Romneys (the Mormons of the University of Utah), I hoped it was a pre-shadowing of election results. On the shuttle-bus back to the parking lots I had a wonderful conversation with this eighty-seven year old man who had seen every UCLA Home Game for 66 years. He was sharp and aware and this inspired me to believe that the last third of my life could also be similarly worth living. This point was further supported as I listened to 86-year old Tony Bennett sing God Bless America during the broadcast seventh-inning stretch at the Giant-Cardinal Baseball Playoff Game.

On Saturday at about 7:00 p.m. my family took the train to Exposition Park in the hope of seeing the Endeavour. It was a new experience for us and the train riders were wonderfully helpful and told us to just follow them as we marched up and down stairs transferring from one train to another. I must admit that the TAP payment plan is still a mystery to me. On the train we spoke to all kinds of people, all pretty interesting. I even had a conversation about the philosophy behind adversarial jurisprudence with a graduate student from Georgetown.

Of course the Endeavour never arrived at Exposition Park on Saturday, but it was a neat experience just talking to the volunteers and the very serious USC students in the crowd. There was some possibility that a few of these students might actually learn to read or write or to do something besides counting money before they had purchased their full college degree. (Just kidding—GO BRUINS!)

On Saturday we drove back to Exposition Park and this time really got to see the Endeavour. Surprise-surprise-some things are more important than schedules. It's hard to explain, but being right there next to the Spaceship is a different kind of experience. It's beaten and battered and has come a long way and just being in its presence conveys a precious appreciation of the reality of Mankind's accomplishments. All right; perhaps you already guessed. I like to think as I write these articles that some similar kind of reality is being conveyed and I guess I'm fortunate that for the moment there's no one around to disagree with me.



OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

CASHING IN ON A CASHLESS SOCIETY

I am the kind of person that likes to do business with cash on the barrelhead. I do not like credit because it has a way of biting you in the end. When you have a credit card, there are fees to beat the band. I do have a credit card but I have it hidden so well that

I have not been able to find it for seven weeks. I just do not like using it.

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage always warns me about the possibility that someone can steal my credit card. Ha ha, I say in defiance to her warning. I am never worried about that. If anybody can get money out of my account with my credit card, I would like to work with them and go 50-50 on it. Every time I need money, my credit card is empty. I think there is a conspiracy in this whole thing.

Nothing is more embarrassing than going to a checkout counter to pay for goods that I intend to purchase and my credit card is denied. The reason I was using the credit card at the time was I did not have any cash in my pocket. Now, I have no cash in my pocket and my credit card is just grinning at me refusing to cough up the money needed for purchasing these goods.

I hate my credit card. And it is reciprocal. My credit card hates me and tries its level best to embarrass me every chance it gets.

When I do business, I want to know that I have done business. Nothing is more satisfying than completing a financial transaction with cash.

I have noticed a dangerous trend in the area of business in our country. There is a tendency away from cash. I do not understand it. I think the simplest thing to do would be to pay cash for something. But no, some people think that is so old fashion that they have to come up with something new.

Now they have this newfangled thing that you can pay your bills online. What is that all about? I like to see the person I am paying and hear from them their gratuitous "Thank you," for the transaction. I was just getting used to writing checks and now I do not have to use my checkbook anymore. My creditors want me to pay online.

When will all this craziness stop? If cash was good enough for Benjamin Franklin, it certainly is good enough for me.

Then the inevitable happened. You know how it is. Well, it happened to me. I went to do a little bit of shopping while I was out of town on a trip recently. I made sure I had cash in my wallet so I stopped at a restaurant in the shopping mall. Normally I do not like shopping malls. I get nervous every time I go into one of these malls wondering if I will ever exit alive. There are just too many people in these malls for my comfort.

But the necessity of my trip brought me to this mall and I decided I would treat myself to lunch. One of the great things about treating myself to lunch when my wife is not with me is I can order what I want for my lunch. After all, it is my lunch.

I had a great time selecting things from the menu that had nothing whatsoever to do with vegetables. Vegetables are all right in their place, but their place is not on my lunch plate, especially when my wife is not present.

I had a scrumptious lunch and then top it off with a nice slice of apple pie à la mode. Life does not get any better than this. I sat back in my chair, rubbed my stomach and felt good about the world around me. I was even beginning to think that there might not be so much wrong with malls after all.

Finally, it was time to take my ticket up to the cashier and pay for my lunch. I was in for a very rude awakening. I presented my ticket to the cashier and pulled out of my wallet enough cash to cover the ticket. "I'm sorry, sir," the woman behind the cashier said. "We don't accept cash in this restaurant."

I was in a good mood and laughed as though I was the vice President of the United States. "That's a good one," I complimented her. "Sir, we don't take cash here," she insisted. "We are not set up for cash; all we take are credit cards."

About this time, I realized she was not joking. I found myself in the proverbial pickle with only cash on my person and no credit card.

"But all I have is cash."

Finally, the manager of the restaurant was called to the front, I was able to settle my ticket with him, giving him cash and he used his credit card to pay the ticket.

What is this world coming to when you cannot use cash anymore?

What is better than cash in my thinking is God's gift. "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23 KJV).

Unlike cash, God's gift to me will never go out of style.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2012-20403
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1 HOUR APPRAISALS; 5 STARS AMC, 890 INDIAN HILL BLVD., POMONA, CA 91767. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MALKIAT SINGH, INDIAN HILL BLVD., POMONA, CA 91767. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MALKIAT SINGH. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/17/12. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News
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City of Sierra Madre

Public Hearing Notice

From: The City of Sierra Madre
Subject: ORDINANCE TO AMEND MUNICIPAL CODE RE: SPECIAL EVENTS, TEMPORARY USE PERMITS, ENCROACHMENT PERMITS, AND EXCAVATION PERMITS
Applicant: City of Sierra Madre
Project Location: Properties in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider an Ordinance adding Chapter 12.34 to the Municipal Code to regulate special events occurring on public property and amending the following Chapters of the Municipal Code: Chapter 17.88 relating to temporary use permits, Chapter 12.12 relating to encroachment permits, and Chapter 12.16 relating to excavation permits.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
City Council meeting
Tuesday, **October 23, 2012**
6:30 p.m.

PLACE OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
City Council Chambers
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.
Sierra Madre, CA

All interested persons may attend this meeting and the City Council will hear them with respect thereto.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The project qualifies for a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Exemption pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) (Review for Exemption) of CEQA, as the there is no possibility that the proposed Ordinance would have a significant impact on the environment.

Danny Castro
Director of Development Services

City of Sierra Madre

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

From: The City of Sierra Madre
Subject: MUNICIPAL CODE TEXT AMENDMENT 12-01 (MCTA 12-01)
Applicant: City of Sierra Madre
Project Location: Properties in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider a text amendment to Municipal Code Chapter 5.56 relating to baths and massage establishments, and Chapter 17.36 relating to permitted uses in the Commercial Zone. The purpose of the amendment is 1) to conform the City's massage regulations to State requirements pursuant to Division 2 of Chapter 10.5 of the Business and Professions Code, and 2) allow massage therapy as a stand-alone permitted use in the City rather than as an accessory to a permitted use. The proposed amendments will establish one regulatory scheme for massage services to create a consistent and clear process for applicants and will enable consumers to identify legitimate massage workers, thus protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the City.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
Planning Commission meeting
Thursday, November 1, 2012
(Hearing begins at 7:00 p.m.)

PLACE OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
City Council Chambers
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.
Sierra Madre, CA

All interested persons may attend this meeting and the Planning Commission will hear them with respect thereto.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This ordinance is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3), 15301 and 15303 for numerous reasons. First, only a limited number of massage therapist businesses have ever applied to do business in the City, and this is not expected to change. Thus, the impact of this ordinance will affect only a handful of parcels at most. Second, if any massage therapy uses are authorized, they would be for facilities that meet the requirements of 15301 or 15303, as such uses are typically small in size, and would be expected merely to update the interior of existing structures, or to build a very small new structure. Third, massage therapy uses are not significantly different in the impacts that they create from other uses already authorized in the commercial zone, such as nail salons, barber shops, and day/health spas (which already authorized accessory massage therapy uses), and such uses are already authorized via home occupation permits. Fourth, revising the procedures by which certification is issued to massage therapists does not affect traffic, noise, or have any other environmental impact.

APPEAL: The decision of the Planning Commission is subject to a 10-day appeal period to the City Council. If in the future anyone wishes to challenge the decision of the Planning Commission in court, one may be limited to raising the issues that were raised or presented in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or before, the scheduled public hearing. For further information on this subject, please contact the Development Services Department at (626) 355-7138.

DATES TO REMEMBER

October 22, 2012
Last day to register to vote

October 30, 2012
Last day to apply for a vote-by-mail ballot by mail

November 6, 2012
Election Day

Polls are open
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Editor:

I want to thank all those that showed up for my 90th birthday party. If you didn't get invited it is because the Lodge is limited to only 88. Also I want to thank those that have congratulated me on the street.

The headline had it, right but the story in one paper had my age at 107. When I read that I went home and looked in the bathroom mirror, didn't think I looked that old until I turned on the light.

George A. Maurer, Sierra Madre

Dear Editor: MY FEELING ABOUT THE DEBATES

I wrote the following article after the first debate and it was never published. Everything in it still seems to apply to today's town hall debate; in fact it was worse this time. All the pundits are scurrying around wondering who won the debate while the most important question was never asked. WHY THE HELL SHOULD WE TRUST THESE GUYS ? If you noticed there might have been one or two Black People in the crowd and probably just a couple of Hispanics. The crowd looked nothing like the America I know. There was no discussion of global warming, water shortages, impending nuclear war, or terrorist threats within the cyber world. Wars are still going on that were never discussed while the candidates bickered about their imaginary tax plans and discussed issues like abortion which were settled thirty years ago. Remember the concerns about transparency or the fact that we have a grid-locked legislative system which everyone agrees does not work. Finally, why is there no discussion of the archaic electoral college that allows the whole election to be decided by the indifferent or, at least, undecided voters of a few swing states. Below you will find my article written after the first debate. It is most disturbing that everything written still seems to apply.

It's the morning after and I awoke thinking about the Debates involving the Presidential Candidates. It is disturbingly clear that these Harvard suit-wearing success stories are not representative of the America I know. The whole thing reminds me of the Battle of Bull Run where the Washington party-goers went out after their luncheon to watch the boys fighting. It was so exhilarating.

Of course that's closer than most of us now get to the experience of war. I think it's fair to say that in many middle and upper class homes no one has ever even met a person who has participated in our on-going wars in the Middle East. The killings continue while we live in our bubble of continued ignorance. Fortunately, I still work as Criminal Lawyer, a task which puts me into daily contact with people of a different class. Often these are returning veterans, or struggling immigrants, or disabled people, or eighteen and nineteen year olds unemployed and getting into trouble with the laws.

Often I am appointed to represent jailed Prostitutes worried about the welfare of their kids while they languish in jail. My mornings are often spent in Courtrooms waiting for my clients to appear. Frequently they do not get there. Why? Because their cars don't run or they have no cars or they have to be somewhere else or they overlooked the date or some family emergency has kept them away on that very morning.

It's hard to talk about this because you and I and people who read newspapers and watch the news generally have developed habits that enable them to keep track of dates and to get places on the right days and near the right times. Unfortunately, these are skills that many people never seem to develop. If they are talented or unusually intelligent these deficiencies can be overcome; if they lack these special gifts life can be very difficult. Really that's part of the whole problem for me.

Our President and Mr. Romney and all the newscasters and pundits possess the gifts to varying degrees. Everyone is properly showered and fed and comfortable. It all looks so civilized as the candidates debate the merits of their legislative plans to aid the poor and the disappearing middle class and to make the super-rich pay their fair share or more or less than their fair share. The whole thing makes me sick. These "Debates" should be held in the ghettos, on the battlefields, in the Unemployment Lines, in the hospitals among the undernourished and the dying. Americans need to feel the pain, the stench of the suffering of a huge percentage of its People.

Very few people are moved or even interested in a recitation of statistics by our ever so smart politicians. We need to FEEL the horror of our lost abundance. We are facing possibilities of droughts, water shortages, and ecological disasters along with our failed economies. Have the debates on melting glaciers or disappearing coral reefs. Somehow this all reminds me of the governmental policy to avoid showing the returning bodies of soldiers killed overseas. If we don't see them we don't feel the pain.

If meaningful changes are to be made in the governance of this country all Americans must be exposed to the desperation that exists all around us but, as yet, not in our homes. Sadly the debates and almost everything else that the media presents to us obscures reality and substitutes fantasy. It is a fantasy that cannot go on much longer. Today's addition: BUT IT DOES

Stuart Tolchin, Sierra Madre

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SIERRA MADRE'S FUTURE IS ON THE HORIZON



The Boarder & Council of Sierra Madre will meet on Saturday, September 29, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. The agenda for the meeting includes: 1. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting. 2. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch Master Plan. 3. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch Environmental Impact Statement. 4. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch General Plan. 5. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch Zoning Ordinance. 6. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch Specific Plan. 7. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch Community Development Plan. 8. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch Transportation Plan. 9. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch Parks and Recreation Plan. 10. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch Cultural and Historic Resources Plan. 11. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch Open Space Plan. 12. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch Public Works Plan. 13. Presentation of the Hastings Ranch Utilities Plan. 14. 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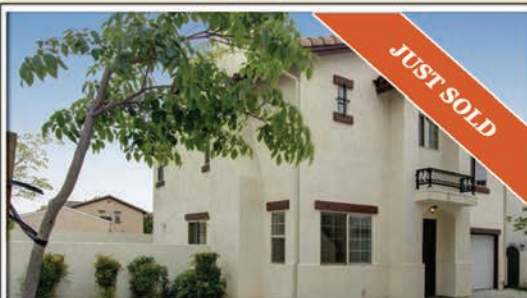
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