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SIERRA MADRE RESIDENT SELECTED TO FILL EMPTY PUSD BOARD SEAT

MIKALA RAHN APPOINTED TO PUSD BOARD OF EDUCATION SEAT

Pasadena, CA – The Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) Board of Education appointed Mikala Rahn, Ph.D. to fill the vacant at large Seat 4 on the PUSD Board of Education at a Special Board meeting held at Pasadena City College on June 1. Dr. Rahn will be sworn in June 11 and will serve out the remainder of the current term for Seat 4 which expires on May 4, 2015. Seat 4 became vacant when Kimberly Kenne won the election for the new geographic subdistrict Seat 5 in March and vacated her previously held at large Seat 4.



ILITIES for parents, youth and children including tutoring, intervention and enrichment services. Dr. Rahn is the parent of two PUSD students.

A total of 38 individuals applied to fill the vacancy on the board. Nine were selected at the May 28 Board Meeting to appear before the board for a final interview June 1.

PUSD's at large board districts became geographic subdistricts encompassing Pasadena, Altadena, Sierra Madre and portions of unincorporated Los Angeles County after the passage of Measure A last June. Elections for geographic subdistricts 1, 3, 5 and 7 took place in March 2013 and elections for geographic subdistricts 2, 4 and 6 will be in 2015. Details about the appointment process, timeline and applicants are available at [www.boardvacancy.pasadenausd.org](http://www.boardvacancy.pasadenausd.org).

SIERRA MADRE IS EXPERIENCING A DROUGHT

Sierra Madre, CA - The City of Sierra Madre's existing water supply comes from one of two sources; tunnel water from the local dam (5-10%) and groundwater wells (90-95%). Throughout the summer and fall of 2012 City Public Works staff observed the water levels receding at each of the City's four wells, which make up the area aquifer.

Normally, rainfall throughout the winter months reduces customers' irrigation water use and provides water to recharge the aquifer. Aquifer water levels therefore tend to increase during the winter and spring months. This year's minimal rainfall, combined with Los Angeles County Public Works diverting water from Santa Anita Dam to locations outside of Sierra Madre, has resulted in limited water for groundwater recharge at the City's spreading basins.

Overall, resident water consumption is up from last year. During the period April 24th through 30th the Water Department produced 2.56 million gallons of water a day resulting in a 2 foot drop in water level within local wells. The same period last year showed a production of 1.5 million gallons a day. During the month of April 2013, the department produced a total of 70 million gallons versus production of 46 million gallons in April 2012. Well water levels dropped over 30 feet within that 12 month period.

While water conservation is always important, the drastically low level of available groundwater necessitates implementing additional water conservation procedures in Sierra Madre at this time. The Sierra Madre Municipal Code provides for the implementation of mandatory water conservation regulations in times of water-related emergencies. These conservation measures were enacted through adoption of a City Council resolution on May 28, 2013.

The adopted resolution requires that each water customer conserve a percentage of his/her July 2011 - June 2012 water use. The required percentage of conservation will vary, depending on the customer's current water use. Customers currently consuming 0-12 billing units of water (0-1,200 cubic feet) will be exempt from the conservation requirements, but are required to continue to consume less than 12 billing units. Customers currently using 13-17 billing units (1,300 – 1,700 cubic feet) are required to reduce their consumption by 10%. Customers using 18 units or more are required to reduce by 20%.

These mandatory conservation measures will remain in place until the key well located in the East Raymond Basin reaches 500 feet above sea level; it is currently at 293 feet. It is anticipated that this will take several consecutive years of significant rainfall to achieve.

Residents must conserve water, now more than ever. Information on conservation recommendations and the City's latest efforts in the conservation cause can be found at [www.cityofsierramadre.com/water-conservation](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/water-conservation).

What's New In Sierra Madre?

LES CHAMPS ELYSEES...TRES SPLENDID!

By Deanne Davis

Walking into Les Champs Elysees, meeting the delightful owners, Sarah Vielma, Arthur Franco, and eleven-year-old Miss Elysee, was lovely. And then.... I saw the earrings, the bracelets, the necklaces and about fifteen things I wanted to just grab and try on. And I thought, "Breathe. Breathe. Back away from the dress rack. You are standing too close to the dresses!"

Les Champs Elysees (formerly Angel's Everywear) is a marvelous addition to our town. We need more retail stores. Lots more! We've got stunning women here and they need shopping!

The interesting thing about this new store is that they have guy clothes in addition to girl clothes. And not just clothes, but gorgeous guy clothes. Arthur has been in the menswear business for a number of years as a manufacturer's representative-wholesale menswear distributor, does product development for the *Renoir* line, and goes yearly to the topline fashion shows in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, and Paris. He has an eye for the elegant as well as awareness that men's suits should be affordable. Les Champs carries the French label, *Red Renoir*, classic 100% wool look, and for the younger guy, *Pierre Noir*, slim fit, in microfiber, (light and breathable) as well as wool. Here's the best part: Custom fit! In a huge range of sizes, 34S-54R, 38L-54L. AND, \$125-\$200! For suits, Guys!

Les Champs Elysees carries Andrea Castaldi dress shirts in right now's colors; crew and V-neck T-shirts by Rogue (which you'll see in Bloomingdale's, Neiman-Marcus and Saks). This says to me that Sierra Madre guys can look amazing without having to travel and float a loan to do it! There are jeans, casual pants, slacks (\$49.00!) , shorts and hosiery is coming to pull together every guy's complete look. And ties! Oh my! Ties: silk and microfiber, regular and slim, all for \$10.00! Exquisite and affordable. Ties are an endangered species as their life is short and filled with hazards but now, voila! Replaceable!

Outerwear is on sale, leather jackets that made my mouth water.

The front of Les Champs is devoted to us, ladies! Styles from the Paris, New York, Los Angeles shows, contemporary sizes to the grown-up girl, 100% cottons, silks, microfibers, I really had to exercise self-control! So many beautiful colors and styles in

dressess, blouses, t-shirts, jeans in summer colors; casual to very dressy, and it was all different from what's in other stores from Pasadena to Beverly Hills. Just think! We won't see ourselves on everybody else. Again, affordable. The handbags! From New York. Adorable clutches. Jewelry. Leather jackets, like the one Sarah is wearing. I'm not saying any more! You have to go look!

Sarah and Arthur are Sierra Madreans, Arthur since 1996 and Sarah since 2006 when they first met. Sarah loved Angel's Everywear and wished more than anything that she and Arthur could own it. All the planets eventually aligned and the moment came when they looked at each other in their empty store, had the champagne "It's ours!" moment and realized they had a lot to do! They stormed the fashion district and were up and running in twenty days. That's fast, folks!

I asked Arthur and Sarah what their impossible dreams for the future were, and they are wonderful: He would like to open more businesses and maybe one day see the Hotel Shirley as an operating hotel. Sarah, who is part of the Los Angeles County Office of Education would love to give back to the Sierra Madre community with events, fundraisers such as fashion shows and art displays for local students. Sarah and Arthur also greatly admire the creative fashion designs of their daughter, Elysee, and plan to feature her work.



Les Champs Elysees Owners, Sarah Vielma (right) and Arthur Franco. Photos by D. Davis

The round table and chairs out in front of Les Champs Elysees is a pleasant spot where passers-by can bring their coffee, enjoy the view of our own personal mountains and the garden the Pilates ladies have put in, and take a breath. Starbucks, Beantown, and Casa Del Rey are right across the street and Wistaria Grill is north a few doors. There is a rose garden behind the store, where parking can be found,

and, I have to say, a visit to Les Champs Elysees is a pleasure you have in store for yourself! So go already! Les Champs Elysees is at 26 No. Baldwin, Sierra Madre, 626-355-2339.



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## Weather Wise

### 5-Day Forecast

#### Sierra Madre, Ca.

<b>Mon:</b>	Sunny	Hi 70s	Lows 60s
<b>Tues:</b>	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
<b>Wed:</b>	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
<b>Thur:</b>	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
<b>Fri:</b>	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

### CITY OF SIERRA MADRE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING:  
Tuesday, June 11, 2013  
6:30 pm



**THE SIERRA MADRE KIWANIS CLUB**

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WE MEET WEEKLY AT THE LODGE (FORMERLY THE MASONIC TEMPLE) AT 33 E. SIERRA MADRE BLVD. MEETINGS ARE EACH TUESDAY AT NOON, EXCEPT FOR THE 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, WHEN WE MEET AT 7:45AM. VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME! JOIN US, MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS, HELP YOUR COMMUNITY, AND HAVE SOME FUN!



**Sierra Madre Rotary Club**

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

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

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

Visitors are heartily welcomed to meetings. For more information, please visit our website or contact Peggy Beauregard at [peggybeau@gmail.com](mailto:peggybeau@gmail.com) and visit our Facebook page Rotary of Sierra Madre.

**www.SierraMadreRotary.com**

### EXCITING INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY!

Get in on the ground floor with a growing San Gabriel Valley Internet Community Radio Station based in Sierra Madre.

Village Vine Online seeks interns to help with web site design and updates, radio show production and miscellaneous tasks. Interns will work in studio in Sierra Madre, at remote-webcast locations in the San Gabriel Valley, and from home.

Minimum qualifications: Must be 18 years of age, have basic knowledge of web site design and maintenance, car, computer, and internet access, and must have a flexible schedule. Knowledge of digital audio recording software a plus.

This position has potential to develop into a paid position.

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The Family Movie Friday series is back for 2013 thanks to the generous support of the Sierra Madre Issei Memorial Foundation, Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters Associations, and Mother Moo Creamery! Also, a special thank you to Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club for their donation towards a new movie screen.

All movies are shown in Kersting Court and are absolutely free for everyone. Movies begin at 8:00pm and families can purchase food and drinks from the local merchants or bring their own! Patrons are encouraged to bring seating and blankets for the event.

- Family Movie Fridays Line-Up
- June 7, 2013 - The Goonies
  - June 21, 2013 - Madagascar 3
  - July 5, 2013 - Invasion of the Body Snatchers (parts filmed in Sierra Madre!)
  - July 19, 2013 - Soul Surfer

For more information on the Family Movie Series please contact the Community Services Department at 626.355.5278.

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



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Ceramics	Basic Sewing	Print Making
Enameling	Social Drumming	Book Binding
	Jewelry Fabrication	

Most adult classes are 10 weeks and children's classes 8 weeks. They are held on various days of the week - even Sunday - so come, bring your friends, have fun, and create!

[www.creativeartsgroup.org](http://www.creativeartsgroup.org)

**Creative Arts Group Presents**  
**Midsummer Night's Dream Sale**  
**June 7, 7-9 pm**  
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**Sierra Madre Art Walk**

Art Walk is from 5-8pm, however, the sale will only be held the hours of 7-9pm  
108 N. Baldwin Ave. Sierra Madre, CA 91024 626-355-8350 [www.creativeartsgroup.org](http://www.creativeartsgroup.org)

**JOIN THE CITY TEAM  
- APPLY TO BE A CITY  
COMMISSIONER**

*We want you to be a part of our City Team!*

The Sierra Madre City Council encourages citizen participation in its decision-making process through the use of citizen commissions. Currently, there are five citizen commissions established by the Council to advise and assist them in dealing with specific problems.

Applications may be obtained at City Hall or the City website at <http://cityofsierramadre.com/commissions-boards-committees>. Applications will be accepted until all positions are filled; however, it is recommended that applications for appointment for the beginning of the 2013-2014 fiscal year be submitted by Friday, June 7, 2013 to the City Manager's Office.

The advisory bodies study a variety of topics in detail. After gathering all pertinent information, hearing arguments, and weighing values, they recommend to the Council what they consider the best action to take. In certain situations, commissions are empowered to make specific decisions, subject to appeal to the Council. Public notices on all commissions are prepared in compliance of the Maddy Act.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

The Community Services Commission is responsible for overseeing the City's recreation and community services programs. The Commission oversees the general use of park facilities and matters relating to the community's arts and recreational service needs. The Commission provides information and recommendations to the City Council in these areas. *Meets the 3rd Monday at 6:30 pm, in the City Hall Council Chamber*

#### LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The responsibilities of the Library Board include the following: establishing Library policies and programs to ensure that quality programs are provided to the community, recommending an annual budget to the City Council for approval, and ensuring that efficient and effective services are provided at the Library. *Meets the 4th Wednesday at 7:00 pm, in the City Hall Conference Room*

#### PLANNING COMMISSION

The responsibilities of the Planning Commission fall into two broad categories: consideration of current land-use (i.e. applications for General Plan amendments, zone changes, specific plans, conditional use permits, tract maps, variances, and appeals of staff land-use decisions); and advising the City Council on City initiated amendments to the City's General Plan. *Meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm, in the City Hall Council Chamber*

#### SENIOR COMMUNITY COMMISSION

The Senior Community Commission is responsible for defining the needs, locating and publicizing available resources, coordinating and initiating services and opportunities for the senior population of Sierra Madre. *Meets the 1st Thursday at 3:00 pm, in the City Hall Council Chamber*

#### TREE ADVISORY COMMISSION

The Tree Commission is an advisory body to the Director of Public Works, City Manager, Planning Commission, and City Council. The commission shall make recommendations to the Director of Public Works, City Manager, Planning Commission and the City Council as appropriate on matters involving care and maintenance of City-owned trees and trees on private undeveloped property. *Meets the 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 pm, in the City Hall Council Chamber*

For more information please visit [www.cityofsierramadre.com](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com) or call 626.355.7135.

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TUESDAYS - Noon

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Conversations  
The Cam I Am Show starring  
Camilla Hopkins

THURSDAYS - Noon


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**OUR TRAVEL AFFAIR**

SATURDAY - 1:00  
VILLAGE  
INTERSECTIONS

Gene's guests this week are Jim Annes, Chair of the Sierra Madre 4th of July Parade Committee and Lisa Carlson, former Co-Chair and member of the Committee. The discussion will center on this year's parade. Don't miss it!

SATURDAY  
MORNINGS  
D. J. Boddington  
AKA James Faulkner returns Saturday morning at 7:00 until 10:00 with his Saturday Morning Mix show. Lovers of music - tune in!

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## Monrovia





## Arrest Made in Fatal Collision

By Dean Lee

Police arrested a driver last week on charges of gross vehicular manslaughter in connection with a crash in March that killed a local resident as he was pulling out the driveway in front of his house. Alcohol played a roll in the crash investigators said.

According to police, Kimson James Wright, 48, was arrested May 29 shortly after 2 p.m. at his Pasadena home on charges of manslaughter and DUI. The fatal collision occurred on Hill Ave. near Villa Street.

In a statement, police said, at about 8 p.m. March 16th, Wright was driving his 2004 Mercedes southbound on Hill Ave. when it struck a 2003 Toyota Matrix. The 37 year old driver and Pasadena resident, Jose Daniel Moreno, was transported to a local hospital where he succumbed to his injuries. Moreno was pulled out of the wreckage by firefighters.

Wright's arrest was made following an extensive investigation into the circumstances surrounding the collision. He was released from custody May 30 after posting \$100,000 bail.

## Library Monthly Book Sale Today

The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library host monthly book sales today at the Central Library, 285 E. Walnut St., in Pasadena. The sales are held on the east patio, near our bookstore.

We sell donated books--some are brand new, and others are gently used or old or rare. Our selection changes every month, so you're always sure to find some amazing bargains! Prices range from 25-cents to \$5.00 per book but most are priced at 50-cents for paperbacks and \$2.00 for hardbacks.

## Pet of the Week



Abby is a 13-year-old Labrador retriever mix. She's a staff and volunteer favorite at the shelter. She's been out on our Mobile Unit several times and gets along well with everyone. Don't let her age fool you, she's a spry girl!

Abby's adoption fee is \$100, which includes her spay surgery, a microchip, the first set of vaccinations, as well as a free follow-up health check at a participating vet. New adopters will receive complimentary health and wellness exam from VCA Animal Hospitals, as well as a goody bag filled with information on how to care for your pet. Abby also qualifies for our Seniors for Seniors program in which the adoption fee is waived for adopters 60 years old and up. Ask an adoptions counselor for more information during your visit

Call the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA at 626.792.7151 to ask about A325745, or visit at 361 S. Raymond Ave.



## Chalk Festival to Draw Thousands

Over 600 dedicated and talented chalk mural artists will come together at Paseo Colorado over Father's Day Weekend, June 15 and 16 to showcase their work in this unique form of art.

Celebrating its 21st year, the Pasadena Chalk Festival will place over 25,000 sticks of pastel chalks in the hands of hundreds of chalk street painters. Artists will spend the weekend on their hands and knees creating spectacular murals on concrete

areas throughout the Paseo Colorado stretching over three city blocks.

In years past, murals have been done in every style imaginable, from classical to contemporary, whimsical and fantastic, to socially relevant. The murals are designed and created by independent artists as well as teams representing art schools, museums and cultural centers.

The festival will also feature Animation Alley, a specifically

designed area spotlighting some of the top and upcoming animators and graphic designers from Southern California.

In addition, guests can enjoy live music throughout the weekend and children can get creative in the Kid's Chalkland, where kids can make Father's Day cards for dad.

Outstanding murals of the festival will be honored. Awards include 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Best of Show, Best Technique, Best Use of Color, Best Artist Original Design and more. Festival visitors will also have the opportunity to vote for their favorite mural, the "Paseo Colorado People's Choice" award. Ballots will be available in the shopping center's participating retail stores.

For festival information call (626) 795-8891 or visit [www.pasadenachalkfestival.com](http://www.pasadenachalkfestival.com).



Pasadena Police Department Air Operations Section will again invite the public out to see police helicopters, armored rescue vehicle SWAT and K9 demonstrations during this year's AirOps to Annual Open House

The event takes place Saturday, June 29, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. events are free and open to all.

Event goers will also have the opportunity to meet the flight crews and learn about air operations and the benefits of airborne law enforcement.

Displays and demonstrations will also include a mobile command post, police motorcycles, crime scene investigation, fingerprinting for children. The Employment Services Unit will also be on hand to discuss career opportunities

The open house will be at the Benedict Heliport located at 2175 Yucca Lane Altadena, just off the 210 freeway at the Arroyo/Windsor exit

For more information contact Lieutenant Michael Ingram at (626) 744-4606.

## Police Conduct Motorcycle Safety Operation

The Pasadena Police Department will be conducting a specialized Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation on Sunday, June 9, 2013 in an effort to lower deaths and injuries. Extra officers will be on duty patrolling areas frequented by motorcyclists and where motorcycle crashes occur. Officers will be looking for violations made by drivers and riders alike that can lead to motorcycle crashes. They will be cracking down on both, those operating regular vehicles and motorcycles who are under the influence of drugs or alcohol, speeding, making illegal

turns, or any other dangerous violation.

California collision data reveals that primary causes of motorcycle-involved crashes include speeding, unsafe turning and impairment due to alcohol and other drugs.

The message to all drivers and motorcyclists is: share in the responsibility and do your part by safely "sharing the road." Riders can get training through the California Motorcyclist Safety Program. Information and training locations are available at [www.CA-msp.org](http://www.CA-msp.org) or 1-877 RIDE 411 or 1-877-743-3411.

## Women at Work to Give Grant Writer Workshop

Women At Work will conduct a three-part workshop, Demystifying the Grant Process: From Start to Funded, on June 14 (9am - noon), 21 (9am - noon), and June 28(9am - 11am). The 8-hour workshop series teaches participants how to create a workable management plan for the proposal process, complete key proposal components, develop his/her agency's Elevator Speech, and includes an additional free on-on-one consultation with instructor. The cost of the Workshop is \$190 if registered by June 7th and goes up to \$225 after that. Make reservations now and save \$35!

All classes will be held at the Women At Work Career and Job Resources Center, 3871 E Colorado Blvd. The instructor, one of Southern California's preeminent nonprofit management consultants, Judith Carey-Fisher, MPA is founder and president of Carey & Associates, a Long Beach-based education, workforce development, and nonprofit management

consulting company. Ms. Carey-Fisher put down her fund development roots beginning in 1998 through national welfare reform and hasn't stopped since. She specializes in government grants, and was most recently part of a Head Start team in Los Angeles that under her leadership brought over \$10 million in federal funding to support families in our neediest community. Ms. Carey-Fisher's background includes teaching grant writing at Cal State Long Beach for more than a decade, and using creative collaborations and partnerships to build organizational capacity, better serve constituents, and win grant funding for organizations locally, regionally, and in various parts of the country. She is currently consulting for Women At Work, providing key fund development leadership, grant writing capacity, and support for the agency's key fundraising programs.

Register now with Women at Work by calling 626.796.6870.

## Trial to Start for Pirates Charged with Slaying of Pasadena Couple

By Dean Lee

Three alleged Somali pirates face the death penalty as jury selection is set to begin Tuesday for their roll in the 2011 murder of four Americans including two world travelers from Pasadena.

Jean and Scott Adam, both from Pasadena, along with two passengers Bob Riggle and Phyllis Macay were all shot dead in February 2011 after rescue talks with the US Navy broke down.

According to reports, Abukar Osman Beyle Ahmed Muse Salad and Shani Nurani Shiekh Abrar are accused of kidnapping and intentionally shooting the four Americans "without provocation."

The trial will take place in federal court in Norfolk,

Virginia and is expected to take five to six weeks. Reports also say witnesses will include relatives of Jean and Scott Adam along with FBI agents, forensic experts, US military and Somali nationals.

Jean and Scott Adam's yacht, the S/V Quest, was boarded in the waters off East Africa by 19 men demanding millions of dollars ransom.

Eleven of the men involved are also expected to testify during the trial after pleading guilty to piracy in exchange for life sentences.

At the time, the US warship USS Sterett intercepted the pirates and the stolen S/V Quest. One of the pirates aboard the yacht fired a rocket-propelled grenade at the US warship as US sailors heard gunshots from the yacht.



Jean and Scott Adam

## Teen Arrested in Rash of Masked Robberies

Police arrested a teenager last week for allegedly robbing multiple convenience stores using a baseball bat and ski mask

Temple Sheriff's Station deputies said they responded to a gas station in the 3800 block of Colorado Boulevard, in unincorporated Pasadena, May 30 regarding a robbery.

According to police, two victims, who are employees of the gas station, said they saw the suspect park a vehicle near the business. The suspect walked to the front door of the business carrying a baseball bat and ski mask.

Witnesses said, the suspect now identified as 19 year-old Malcolm Buchanan of Duarte, stopped short of the front door and placed the ski mask over his head and face, after the witnesses had already seen his face.

Buchanan then entered the establishment, presented the bat in a threatening manner and demanded money from the cashier. The victims' fearing

for their safety, surrendered an undisclosed amount currency from the cash register.

Buchanan then got into a vehicle and drove away from the scene. The victims were able to provide the license plate number on Buchanan get-away vehicle.

A sheriff's deputy was able to locate the vehicle and conducted a traffic stop on the 2600 block of Bashor Street, in Duarte. Buchanan was detained at that location and arrested after he was identified as the person who had robbed the gas station on Colorado Boulevard minutes earlier.

A baseball bat and a ski mask were recovered from the scene at the time of arrest.

Temple Sheriff's Station Detectives are also looking into whether Buchanan may have been involved in at least four similar reported robberies that occurred in the San Gabriel Valley earlier in the day.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Temple Sheriff's Station.

## Scientist Wins Award for Renewable-Energy Work



evolution to improve catalysts for making fuels and chemicals from renewable resources.

"There are a lot of creative people working on renewable and non-conventional energy, so it is a huge honor to be selected for this distinction," Arnold says. "This prize recognizes the basic technology we've developed over the years, but especially the application of directed evolution to making things that we currently get from non-renewable hydrocarbons."

The Eni Awards are international prizes that recognize outstanding research and development in the fields of energy and the environment. Eni is an integrated energy company based in Italy. According to the company's website, "The Eni Award was created to develop better use of renewable energy, promote environmental research and encourage new generations of researchers."

A 24-person scientific award committee selects the honorees each year in four categories: New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons, Renewable and Non-Conventional Energy, Protection of the Environment, and Debut in Research. Three additional prizes are awarded for innovative and applied research within Eni, in energy and the environment.

Arnold, Liao, and the other 2013 awardees will receive their prizes on June 27 at the Presidential Palace in Rome.

Story by Caltech Science Writer Kimm Fesenmaier

For the second year in a row, a faculty member from the California Institute of Technology has been awarded the Eni Award in Renewable and Non-Conventional Energy.

This year, chemical engineer Frances Arnold—who pioneered methods of "directed evolution" for the production and optimization of biological catalysts—has been chosen to receive the distinction, along with her colleague James Liao of UCLA.

Arnold, Caltech's Dick and Barbara Dickinson Professor of Chemical Engineering, Bioengineering and Biochemistry, has shown that mimicking Darwinian evolution in the laboratory is an efficient way to engineer the amino-acid sequence of a protein, endowing it with new capabilities or improving its performance. Arnold and her colleagues have used directed

## Motor Classic to Benefit Humane Society

Tune your engines! The 2013 San Marino Motor Classic: Design in Motion is set for Sunday, June 9 at Lacy Park. Purchase San Marino Motor Classic spectator tickets through the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA and be automatically entered in an opportunity drawing to win a 1990 Corvette convertible. Tickets are available online for \$25. Visit [www.pasadenhumane.org/motorclassic](http://www.pasadenhumane.org/motorclassic)



## ASSEMBLY APPROVES HOLDEN BILLS



SACRAMENTO – The California Assembly has approved several bills by Assemblymember Chris Holden. These bills now move to the Senate for consideration. In his first legislative session, Assemblymember Holden authored measures to help homeowners avoid foreclosure, streamline programs for small businesses, and encourage state agencies to buy California first.

## AB 139 – Domestic Violence Fees

This measure strengthens penalties that abusers are required to pay to ensure that more funding is available to Domestic Violence Shelters. It was the first piece of legislation heard on the Assembly floor this session and was unanimously approved.

## AB 143 – Military Use Tax Exemption

Gives active duty military a tax break from state Use Tax on personal property purchased prior to being transferred into the state. AB 143 is supported by the State Board of Equalization and Veterans groups throughout California.

## AB 199 – Choose California Act

Encourages state run institutions to buy California agricultural products. Under AB 199, state agencies, public schools districts and public colleges would be encouraged to give California agriculture producers priority when purchasing food products.

## AB 201 – Small Business Loan Guarantee Program

This bill streamlines the program by making it accessible and user friendly by maintaining an Internet Website that would include information on programs on small business financial guarantees, direct lending and disaster loans.

## AB 250 – iHUB Program

Will expand the development of iHubs across California and develop more economic opportunities for start-up companies, promoting greater collaboration between innovators and venture capital investment within the state.

## AB 358 – Lead Testing Kits

Provides specific standards for lead hazard evaluation in public and residential buildings.

AB 358 allows California Department of Public Health to include EPA recognized tests in its lead testing programs.

## AB 359 – Airport Rental Agreement

Streamlines the Airport Rental Car Facility charge audit process by permitting California's airports, many of which are operated by local governments, to submit to the Legislature the same facility information contained in mandatory disclosures currently required by other regulatory agencies. This bill will remove the financial burden of duplicative audits while maintaining all existing consumer protections enacted by the Legislature.

## AB 630 – Architects

Prohibits a person from using an architect's work without a written contract or written assignment authorizing that use.

In addition, Assemblymember Holden's AB 72 – Municipal Water Districts – has been approved by both legislative houses and is now on Governor Brown's desk pending his signature.

Holden's AB 132 – Foreclosure Prevention Bill – will be heard June 10 in the Assembly Revenue & Taxation Committee.

## SOCALGAS WARNS CUSTOMERS, COMMUNITIES ABOUT UTILITY IMPOSTORS

*Tips Promote Customer Safety & Awareness on Identifying Utility Workers*

LOS ANGELES, May 29, 2013 – Southern California Gas Co. (SoCalGas) is alerting customers to be aware of people posing as gas company employees to gain entry to a customer's home for the purpose of committing a crime. SoCalGas wants to assure customers that employees who perform in-home appliance services, work on gas meters, or service natural gas pipelines wear uniforms and carry official photo identification while on the job.

"SoCalGas encourages customers to verify the uniform and proper identification of utility workers before letting anyone into their home or property," said Jimmie Cho, SoCalGas vice president of field services. "Customer safety is a top priority for SoCalGas and our employees will gladly wait while customers confirm their identity."

The following tips can help customers avoid being a victim of utility impostors:

- Customers are encouraged to be vigilant and question anyone who presents themselves as a representative of SoCalGas, especially if the visit is unscheduled.
- Customers should ask for identification before allowing someone into the home. SoCalGas workers who perform in-home appliance services, work on gas meters or work on gas pipeline wear uniforms. However, some other employees do not.
- The majority of authorized SoCalGas field service employees will be in uniform with a SoCalGas company logo, carry an official employee badge with a photo, and most of the time drive a company car bearing the SoCalGas logo.
- Most SoCalGas employee visits are in response to a service request. If no one scheduled an appointment, call SoCalGas before allowing anyone into the home.
- To verify the authenticity of anyone claiming to be a representative of SoCalGas, customers are encouraged to ask for proper identification or call SoCalGas at 1-800-427-2200 (or 1-800-342-4545 in Spanish) during normal business hours. SoCalGas customer service representatives are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Visit [socalgas.com/safety](http://socalgas.com/safety) for more information on staying safe.

News media can get the latest news by following @SoCalGasNews on Twitter.

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## About Southern California Gas Co.

Southern California Gas Co. (SoCalGas) has been delivering clean, safe and reliable natural gas to its customers for 145 years. It is the nation's largest natural gas distribution utility, providing service to 20.9 million consumers connected through nearly 5.8 million meters in more than 500 communities. The company's service territory encompasses approximately 20,000 square miles throughout central and Southern California, from Visalia to the Mexican border. SoCalGas is a regulated subsidiary of Sempra Energy (NYSE: SRE).

Why I Wrote My Books:  
EXTREME SIMPLICITY:*Homesteading In The City*

[Nyergeres is the author of 10 books, and teaches regular classes through the School of Self-reliance. He does a weekly podcast at Preparedness Radio Network, and blogs regularly at [www.ChristopherNyergeres.com](http://www.ChristopherNyergeres.com).]

"ExtremeSimplicity: Homesteading in the City" is perhaps my

favorite of the books I have written because it is like a personal diary of how my wife Dolores and I worked towards our goal of "living lightly on the earth," even though we had a small budget and lived in a small suburban Highland Park home.

We were doing what our Appalachian friend used to describe as "living country in the city." We pursued all aspects of self-reliance, and wrote about it. Starting as soon as we moved in to our new home in 1986, we began task by task with limited income. We used our front lawn to grow food, we recycled our wash water, collected rain water, had chickens, a duck, bees, and a pig, had solar water heating and solar electricity, a wood stove, and we planted fruit trees and food everywhere.

We describe our efforts to do "integral gardening" on every bit of usable land, to produce food (for people and wildlife), medicines, fragrance, shade, and useful tools. We describe the details of what it meant to raise earthworms, chickens, rabbits, bees, a goose, a pig, and our dogs in their typical suburban back yard.

We took the reader along their journey to installing a wood fireplace, solar water heating, and a solar electric system.

Though there is much "how to" in this book, it is full of personal stories and rich reading of the learning they experienced along the way. There is a section on recycling, and a unique section about the economics of self-reliance.

It's worth noting that this is not a book we planned on writing. In 2000, we were called by the Mother Earth News magazine to write an article about our meaning of "alternate health" methods, and we wrote about the methods that were as ancient as Hippocrates. We were on the cover, and a book publisher contacted us to see if we could turn that health article into a book. We said yes. But when we submitted the manuscript to the publisher, they said, hmm, not exactly what we were looking for. [That book, Integral Health, will be published eventually]. So they asked us if we could just write about how we live, which we did, and it became Extreme Simplicity.

Extreme Simplicity, first published in October of 2002, will be re-released from another publisher in August of 2013. It will be available wherever books are sold, from Amazon, and from the School of Self-Reliance, Box 41834, Eagle Rock, CA 90041; or [www.ChristopherNyergeres.com](http://www.ChristopherNyergeres.com). HERE ARE SOME SELECTED EXCERPTS

WOOD FIREPLACE

Our freestanding fireplace has completely transformed our home. We would strongly encourage anyone without one already to seriously consider installing one. On very cold nights, we had been using those small electric heaters that really drive up your electric bill. The fireplace made the house really feel like a home, and we now are uncertain how we got along without it.

In our case, the transition to wood heating was fairly easy, because we had plenty of firewood readily available. We were actually doing a neighbor a favor by cleaning up and carting off large amounts of dead and fallen wood from

his property. Our first season of firewood came entirely from our weekly cleaning of his yard, just for the cost of our labor. How's that for a win-win situation?

## TIME AND THE QUALITY OF LIFE

Many people today believe that they're spending all their time working, yet with very little in return. Unfortunately, such realizations may come too late to be remedied.

We think that the Amish people have the right idea when they keep their schools and work close to home. They don't have to go a long way to a job, thereby avoiding wasted time and energy, unnecessary expenses, and disconnection from their community. They can protect their families from undesirable influence, and there is the added bonus of having youngsters nearby where they can learn a trade from an early age. The Amish are firmly committed to valuing "quality of life" over all the stuff that our modern society deems important or indispensable - car, home entertainment system, fancy clothes, foods bought for "convenience" and prestige rather than fresh garden flavor and nutritional value.

## 4 MAGIC WAYS TO IMPROVE YOUR FINANCIAL SITUATION

Once, during a period of homelessness before we were married, Christopher was engulfed in thoughts of "poor me" and "I'm destitute," and he could scarcely see a way out of the darkness. Dolores provided him with a simple set of practical tools that anyone can use if only they choose to do so. Here are four "magic" ways to improve your financial situation:

1. Never waste anything.
2. Continually improve your personal honesty.
3. Leave every situation or circumstance better than you found it.
4. Tithe to the church (or organization) of your choice.

We know that these are genuine practical solutions. We have heard people say that they cannot make these efforts - such as tithing, or improving an environment - because "we are poor." Our perspective is that they have their reasoning backwards. They are poor because they do not engage themselves in the world in these ways. Logical thinking leads to erroneous conclusions when the premise is false.

## 3 STEPS TO HOUSEHOLD ENERGY EFFICIENCY

1. You can do without some electrical devices.

This step, too, requires changes in habit, but once you've understood the extra expenses caused by inefficiency and waste, you'll feel good about it - plus you'll save money by practicing efficiency.

2. You can learn to use your existing devices more efficiently.

This step, too, requires changes in habit, but once you've understood the extra expenses caused by inefficiency and waste, you'll feel good about it - plus you'll save money by practicing efficiency.

3. You can purchase new appliances that render your household inherently more energy efficient.


This step requires initial outlays of money, and in some cases higher short-term expenses, but with certain especially wasteful appliances, the best way to save energy and money is to immediately replace the old, wasteful model.

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## ATTEMPTED BANK ROBBERY - *Have You Seen This Man?*

Arcadia Police Officers were called to the Citibank located at 100 South First Avenue, Arcadia, shortly before 1:30 p.m. on Monday, June 3, 2013, regarding an attempted robbery.

A lone male suspect entered the bank at about 1:21 p.m. and approached a teller. The suspect showed the teller a small black case which he said contained a bomb. The suspect demanded money and said the device would detonate if the teller did not comply. The teller said the suspect grew impatient and appeared nervous, leaving the location on foot before taking any cash. The suspect was in the bank for only a few minutes.

The suspect is described as a male Caucasian, 23-30 years old, brown hair, about 5'-06", 160 lbs, wearing a red long sleeve sweater and tan baggy shorts.

Anyone with information on this crime is encouraged to contact the Arcadia Police Department at (626) 574-5150.

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

Get detailed, up-to-date emails and text messages specific to your community from the Arcadia Police Department by registering for "Nixle" alerts at: <https://local.nixle.com/register/>

You can also register for alerts and advisory text messages only by texting your zip code to 888777. (Standard text messaging rates may apply, depending on your cell phone plan). Nixle provides community wires nationwide. Once registered, you can subscribe to messages from other areas that service your relatives or other loved ones, or other locations of interest to you.



### CITY OF ARCADIA 2013 SUMMER SWIM PROGRAM

Get out of the heat and into the pool! The Recreation and Community Services Summer Swimming Program will be open for lessons and open swim at the Arcadia High School Pool, 180 Campus Drive in Arcadia starting Saturday, June 15, 2013. For open swim the pool will open at 1pm and close at 5pm. Walk-in, fax-in and online registration are now underway for Session I (June 17-28) swim lessons only by logging onto [www.ci.arcadia.ca.us](http://www.ci.arcadia.ca.us).

For Session II (July 1-12) online registration for Arcadia residents begins June 21st. Walk-in registration for everyone begins June 24th at the Recreation Department located at 375 Campus Drive. No class on July 4, 2013. For more information regarding swim classes and the online and walk-in registration dates for Sessions 3-5, please call 626.574.5113.

### ARCADIA'S LAW DAY OFFERS FREE LEGAL ADVICE ON JUNE 15

The City of Arcadia and the Arcadia Chinese Association will offer a free Aska-Lawyer Program at the Arcadia Public Library, 20 West Duarte Road, on Saturday, June 15 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. as part of the nationwide Law Day celebration.

Volunteer attorneys are available to meet with the public and provide them with a free brief one-on-one consultation on general legal questions. They will provide a summary of legal rights and general advice on a "walk-up" basis and, where appropriate, will refer individuals to the proper legal or governmental organizations. Law Day attorneys are unable to accept any cases from the people they meet.

Law Day attorneys will answer questions on immigration, consumer rights, landlord-tenant issues, insurance problems, property, family law, bankruptcy, government benefits, employee rights, workers' compensation, personal injury and other topics. Informational brochures and pamphlets are available as additional legal resources.

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Admission: \$20 general public, \$14 for members of the Arboretum, Descanso Gardens, South Coast Botanic Garden and Virginia Robinson Gardens; Children under 12 free and must be accompanied by an adult.

Parking: \$10 for the Arboretum lot; \$6 for parking at Santa Anita where free shuttles will be operating to and from the Arboretum.

### ARCADIA RECREATION DEPARTMENT SUMMER 2013 REGISTRATION!

Pick up the latest copy of "The Peacock Buzz" to find out what is going on in the City of Arcadia! Copies are available at the City of Arcadia Recreation Office, Library and City Hall or by going to the city website at [www.ci.arcadia.ca.us](http://www.ci.arcadia.ca.us) under the Recreation and Community Services Department.

Registration for classes and activities has begun by walking in, mailing, faxing or by going on line at [www.ci.arcadia.ca.us](http://www.ci.arcadia.ca.us)! Summer activities fill up quickly so get your registration requests in to assure your spot! For new registrants, please remember to include your proof of residency/ child's birth with your forms and on-line submittals. This information is required and will delay the process if not provided.

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## Arcadia Police Blotter

For the period of Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, through Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, the Police Department responded to 908 calls for service of which 106 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, May 26:

1. Around 10:19 a.m., an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 400 block of South Old Ranch Road in reference to a suspicious circumstances report. The victim heard someone knock on her front door. When she looked out a backyard window, she observed an unknown Black male exiting her detached garage. As soon as the victim made eye contact with the suspect, he fled in an unknown direction. The suspect is described as approximately 20-years-old, 5'5" tall, average build, wearing a blue jacket with white stripes and black gloves.
2. Just after 2:50 p.m., an officer responded to CVS, 9952 Las Tunas Drive, in regards to a theft report. A female suspect concealed makeup products inside her purse and ran out of the store without making payment. She entered the rear seat of an awaiting suspect vehicle described as a gold colored four-door sedan. Video surveillance revealed the suspect is Hispanic, approximately 18-years-old, 5'4" tall, 150 lbs., with brown hair and brown eyes, wearing a leopard print long-sleeve shirt, and black pants.

Monday, May 27:

3. At approximately 11:00 a.m., an officer was dispatched to Margit Holakoui Florist, 1012 Northview Avenue, in regards to a commercial burglary report. Unknown suspect(s) made entry through an unlocked door or window, and removed cash from the cash register. The officer discovered that another business located across the street was also burglarized, possibly by the same suspects. No evidence was left behind.
4. Just before midnight, an officer observed a subject driving without a seat belt in the area of Baldwin Avenue and Duarte Road. Upon contact with the driver, the officer detected an odor of alcohol emitting from inside the vehicle. An investigation revealed the 25-year-old male driver of unknown race was under the influence with a blood alcohol level greater than 0.08 percent. The two passengers, a 27-year-old White male and 28-year-old Hispanic male, were also intoxicated and unable to care for themselves. All three suspects were arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Tuesday, May 28:

5. At about 2:00 p.m., an officer responded to the Arcadia Police Department front counter regarding a fraud report. The victim explained unknown suspect(s) stole her wallet from inside her purse while she was walking around the Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue. Shortly after, the victim discovered the suspect(s) used her credit cards at a gas station in Whittier. No witnesses were located.
6. At roughly 6:10 p.m., an officer responded to LA Fitness, 1325 South Baldwin Avenue, in regards to a sexual battery report. The victim explained that while she was swimming laps, a male suspect approached her and grabbed her buttocks without her permission. The victim did not know the suspect and can identify him if seen again. The suspect is described as an Asian male, about 55-years-old, 5'6" tall, with a thin build and a bald head.

Wednesday, May 29:

7. At approximately 8:16 a.m., officers conducted an enforcement stop on a bicyclist for riding against traffic on Peck Road, near Live Oak Avenue. An investigation revealed the bicyclist was under the influence of a controlled substance. The 34-year-old Hispanic male was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.
8. Around 9:15 a.m., officers were dispatched to the area of Second Avenue and Alice Street regarding a vandalism report. Two 17-year-old males were observed writing graffiti on a phone booth with pens and sharp metal objects. The juveniles were arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Thursday, May 30:

9. At about 11:48 a.m., officers responded to Tony's Liquor, 809 West Huntington Drive, in reference to an armed robbery that just occurred. A male subject entered the store holding a baseball bat and demanded money from the owner. Meanwhile, a delivery man observed the incident and pushed his dolly into the subject's shins, causing him to run out of the store. The suspect entered an older model brown Honda and removed his mask as he fled the location. His license plate was recorded and he is described as Black with light complexion, approximately 20 to 25-years-old, and clean shaven with short curly hair.
- A short time later, the 19-year-old suspect was located in Duarte and arrested by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. An investigation revealed the suspect also robbed two locations in Monrovia and Temple City earlier in the morning.
- Shortly after 10:40 p.m., an officer was dispatched to Quickly Cafe, 171 East Live Oak Avenue, in regards to a robbery that just occurred. As an employee was closing the cash register, an unknown male subject entered the store and demanded cash while pointing a gun at the victim's face. The suspect fled with approximately \$1,000. He is described as a White or Hispanic male, 6'1" tall, 160 lbs., possible brown eyes, wearing a dark colored hooded sweatshirt with the hood pulled over his head, a black and white bandana over his face, and grey sweatpants. Officers conducted an area check, but the suspect was not located. Further investigation is being conducted by the Detective Bureau.

Friday, May 31:

10. At about 3:57 p.m., an officer was dispatched to Hazel's Hair Salon, 61 Alta Street, in regards to a theft report. Two Hispanic females got their hair styled and left without making payment. One of the employees discovered her purse had been stolen and believed the suspects took it. One fingerprint was lifted from a shampoo bottle which was handled by one of the suspects. Further investigation is being conducted by the Detective Bureau.
11. Just after 11:30 p.m., an officer was dispatched to an injury traffic collision on Baldwin Avenue, south of Harvard Drive. The driver of a red Mitsubishi was speeding, lost control of his vehicle, and collided into a curb and trees. Witnesses reported seeing the driver racing with another unknown vehicle. The driver and passenger were transported to Huntington Memorial Hospital for treatment.

Saturday, June 1:

12. At approximately 5:37 a.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for expired registration in the area of First Avenue and Huntington Drive. The officer discovered the driver had a suspended license, no proof of insurance, and an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. The 49-year-old Hispanic male was arrested, transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking, and his vehicle was impounded.
13. Around 2:03 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 300 block of West Camino Real Avenue in regards to a burglary report. Unknown suspect(s) entered an unlocked garage and fled undetected with a bicycle. No one reported seeing or hearing anything suspicious.



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## MEET THE MONROVIA POLICE DEPARTMENT'S DISTINGUISHED OFFICERS



Left to right: Monrovia Police Chief Jim Hunt, Agent John Donchig, Dispatcher Christal Stubbe, Sergeant Daniel Verna, Officer Jose Pacheco, and Captain Alan Sanvictores

### MEDAL OF VALOR: OFFICER JOSE PACHECO

On May 15, 2012, at approximately 3:19 p.m., the Monrovia Police Department Dispatch Center received a 9-1-1 call reporting a structure fire at 1617 Encino. Officer Jose Pacheco was the first officer to arrive at the scene, and he observed smoke emitting from one of the apartments. He immediately began to conduct a safety check by calling out to determine if anyone was still inside the apartment unit.

After calling out, Officer Pacheco heard a woman yelling from the second story section of one of the apartments. The women had retreated with her children to a second story bedroom when the apartment began to fill with smoke. Officer Pacheco entered the apartment and noticed the fire appeared to have originated in the kitchen area, and the entire first floor of the residence was consumed with smoke, which was quickly billowing towards the second story of the residence.

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### DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL: SERGEANT DANIEL VERNA

One of the key missions of the Monrovia Police Department is the traffic safety of the citizens who use the roadways of our community. Early in 2012, Sergeant Daniel Verna was assigned as the Traffic Safety Coordinator for the Monrovia Police Department. As the coordinator, Sergeant Verna is responsible for developing strategies to reduce traffic collisions in the city. Part of his duties include collecting traffic accident data, analyzing the data and then developing a plan for traffic enforcement efforts aimed at reducing accidents. Sergeant Verna monitors our enforcement efforts and keeps statistical data on citations written by Monrovia police officers. He receives requests from citizens for additional traffic enforcement and places those requests into the department's traffic enforcement matrix so officers can regularly provide enforcement to these areas

where citizens have observed traffic safety issues. Sergeant Verna represents the department on the City of Monrovia's Traffic Safety Committee, and he is the coordinator for all traffic safety related grants.

Since Sergeant Verna's assignment as the Traffic Safety Coordinator, he has been able to secure several traffic safety grants for driving under the influence enforcement, distracted driver enforcement, as well as traffic safety equipment grants. All of the efforts from these grants help reduce traffic accidents in the city. Through an Office of Traffic Safety Grant, Sergeant Verna was able to secure several new handheld Preliminary Alcohol Screening (PAS) devices for our patrol officers. These PAS devices replaced our outdated PAS devices and aid in the department's efforts on driving under the influence investigations. Sergeant Verna has been extremely successful educating not only the public on the importance of traffic safety through his efforts on the Traffic Safety Committee, but also educating and training our department personnel. Since taking over the responsibility of Traffic Safety Coordinator, Sergeant Verna has motivated department personnel to pursue traffic safety with a renewed purpose and enthusiasm.

For his professionalism, commitment to service, and dedication to the Monrovia Police Department and members of this community, Sergeant Daniel Verna is hereby awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

### OFFICER OF THE YEAR: AGENT JOHN DONCHIG

Agent John Donchig has been a member of the Monrovia Police Department for nearly seven years, and has been chosen to receive the Monrovia Police Department's Distinguished Service Medal for his hard work and dedication to the Department and the community he serves.

Over the past seven years, Agent Donchig has been involved in department programs, such as the Foothills Special Enforcement Team, serving as an operator for the past four years. The Monrovia Police Explorer Program, serving as an Advisor for the past three years. He served as one of the department's Weaponless Defense Instructors and Taser Instructors for the past two years. He assisted with the shift's fleet maintenance and Field Training Programs for the past year. He has been involved and assisted with all of these programs and activities, all while attending the University of California at Irvine Graduate Program, obtaining his Master's Degree in Advance Study in Criminology, Law and Society.

As a member of the Foothills Special Enforcement Team, John was assigned the position of Training Curriculum Advisor, taking on a leadership role, managing all of the training records for the team. In this role, he also developed the tactical lesson plans, which incorporated audio/visual aids to enhance the learning experience for team members. As a Monrovia Police Department Explorer Advisor, John volunteered countless hours of his personal time to the Explorer Program, teaching police tactics, law enforcement principals, ethics, drill and leadership to the youth of the community and future law enforcement officers. He has been instrumental in preparing the police explorers for competitions and focusing their efforts toward making a positive impact in our community.

Even with his high level of involvement, Agent Donchig has consistently maintained himself as one of the Monrovia Police Department's most productive officers in the areas of traffic enforcement, investigations, and arrests, a difficult task to accomplish while attending school and participating in so many programs. For his hard work, initiative and leadership, taking on additional duties and involving himself in these vital programs for the betterment of the Monrovia Police Department and the community he serves, Agent John Donchig is hereby awarded the Monrovia Police Department's Distinguished Service Medal and is named Monrovia Police Department's 2012 Officer of the Year.

## THAT'S A RELIEF! RESTROOMS NOW OPEN WEEKDAYS AT DUARTE'S ROYAL OAKS PARK

DUARTE, CA - Good news for all who enjoy the many recreational delights of the City's Royal Oaks Park. Public restrooms, previously only open certain hours on the weekends from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., will now also be open weekdays beginning Monday, June 10.

Budget constraints have limited the restroom open hours. But after receiving input from residents, city staff and officials, the restrooms will be open Monday through Thursday from 6:30 a.m. to dusk, and Friday, 8 a.m. to dusk for a trial period through the end of September. Weekend hours will remain the same.

Royal Oaks Park, located on Royal Oaks Dr. and Las Lomas Rd. is one of the City's most used recreational areas with its playground, tennis courts, newly refurbished basketball courts, picnic spots, and proximity to the multi-use trail.

The extended restroom facility hours coincide with already established maintenance staff work schedules to minimize the cost. The trial period will be used to assess the impact on maintenance cleaning times, additional paper and cleaning supply costs, vandalism and extra use. Information will be tracked to project an annual impact cost that would be presented at the mid-year budget evaluation.

Public Safety code enforcement officers will drive by the restrooms as part of their normal patrols. To help inform the public about the new restroom availability schedule, signs will be posted at the restroom and along the trail. Information will also be added to the City's website.

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

## MONROVIA COMMUNITY WILD-FIRE PROTECTION PLAN MEETINGS SCHEDULED

The Monrovia Fire Department has scheduled neighborhood meetings for each of the fire hazard zones located within the Community Wildfire Protection Plan area

Fire Zone West:  
Wednesday, June 19 (tentative), 6:30-8p.m.

Fire Zone West-Central:  
Thursday, June 20, 6:30-8p.m.

Fire Zone East:  
Sunday, June 23, 3-4:30p.m.

Fire Zone East-Central:  
Tuesday, June 25, 6:30-8p.m.

## MONROVIA SUNDAY MORNING FARMERS' MARKET

That's right- it's back! From 10am - 2pm on Myrtle Avenue, shop for fresh produce at the Sunday morning Farmers' Market in Old Town Monrovia.



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Front row girls: Mikayla Oreggio, Grace Crawford, Kaitlin McFaul, Samantha Guzman, Kendra Gillespie-Thompson, Dixie-Lee Patterson, Lilliana Diaz, Hannah McFaul. Back row boys: Aram Winter, Giovanni Souquette, Tyus Vercruysse, Daniel Nazarian, Ryan Lam, William Dinkins, Matthew Penalora  
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## ALVERNO HIGH SCHOOL HOSTS A SUCCESSFUL BEAUTIFUL LENGTHS EVENT

Alverno's Campus Ministry program donated more than 500 inches of hair to the organization Sierra Madre, CA (June 3, 2013) – Alverno High School, in association with several local hairstylists, hosted a successful Pantene's Beautiful Lengths event on campus that helped to generate more than 500 inches of hair to be donated to help create free wigs for women fighting cancer.

Founded in 2006, Beautiful Lengths is a partnership between hair care giant Pantene and the American Cancer Society, the largest non-profit health organization committed to saving lives from every cancer and improving the quality of life for people facing the disease. The role of Pantene is to help women grow long, strong, beautiful hair and provide the funds to turn this hair into free, real-hair wigs for women with cancer. So far, Pantene has donated 24,000 free real-hair wigs to the American Cancer Society's wig banks, which distribute wigs to cancer patients across the country.

This event was the fifth time that Alverno students and community members have chopped their locks for this great cause. This year's event was dedicated to the memory of Susan Tavera, whose daughters Erika and Koko graduated from Alverno in 2010 and 2012. Speaking about her mom's own cancer experience, Koko encouraged students to think about a woman who they would be willing to donate their hair for and to donate for someone who could not.

By the end of the day more than 60 members of the Alverno community gave over 500 inches of hair that will help give a woman fighting cancer a reason to smile. Every person who donated on Wednesday received a special gift bag, an angel hair pasta lunch, and an "I Donated" badge that showed off their great commitment to the cause.

"In the past ten years, the Alverno community has helped to donate more than 7,500 inches of hair to Locks of Love and Pantene's Beautiful Lengths," said Ann Gillick Head of School. "At Alverno, we strive to teach our students the importance of service and the impact that they can make in the lives of others. Today, these students made an enormous impact on a woman they have never even met by donating their hair to help make a wig. We empower each of our young women to be exactly the person she wants to be and I am proud that we have empowered them to be givers.

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

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Both full and half day options are available from June 25 through July 18.

Registration opens March 15th!  
Register at [myalverno.org](http://myalverno.org) or contact Suzy Ares, Summer School Director, at [sares@alverno-hs.org](mailto:sares@alverno-hs.org).

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## La Salle to Host Decade of the '70s Reunion

Pasadena, CA – The La Salle High School Alumni Association is hosting the Return of the Decade of the '70s Reunion on campus on Saturday, June 22, 2013 starting at 6:00pm. This party is for the Classes of 1970 through 1979.

For more information contact the Alumni Office at 626.696.4362 or go to [www.lancernetwork.com/70sReunion](http://www.lancernetwork.com/70sReunion).

### THE PASADENA-LEARNS "STEP UP TO SUMMER PROGRAM" WILL TAKE PLACE FROM TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2013 THROUGH FRIDAY, JULY 12, 2013.

The program is FREE Monday - Thursday to all PUSD students at schools with PasadenaLEARNS.

If students want to attend the Friday field trips, the cost is \$85 for the entire summer (all 4 trips).

LEARNS is also hiring PUSD credentialed teachers to teach the language arts and mathematics portion of our program.

Help spread the word about this enriching, fun-filled summer program which includes math, art, science, language arts, performing arts, and more.  
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## THE REEL DEAL: by Ben Show

### NOW YOU SEE ME



When going in to see this movie, I thought it had one of those plots that seemed interesting in trailers but would fall apart in a two hour film. However, I was proven very, very wrong.

Four magicians (Jesse Eisenberg, Woody Harrelson, Isla Fisher, Dave Franco) are mysteriously summoned to a strange apartment where they are given the opportunity to join the Eye, an ancient order of magicians. In order to prove themselves worthy, they must complete three tasks, in this case magic shows. The stakes are raised for them when an FBI agent (Mark

Ruffalo) starts to chase them and their time begins to run out.

The closest movie that I could compare 'Now You See Me' to would be 'Inception', the only major difference being that the ending is much easier to understand. Most movies can't pull off the you-don't-know-everything-until-the-last-minute plot very well but this one does it not only flawlessly, but enjoyably as well.



## Happy Tails

by Chris Leclerc

It is always such a pleasure to meet other people who care enough about animals to do what they can to make a difference for the better on their behalf. I recently had the privilege of getting acquainted with Annette Florez, marketing coordinator for Basset Hound Rescue of Southern California, a non-profit organization whose mission is to rescue and find homes for abandoned basset hounds in So. Cal. I had heard of their organization from a client earlier this year and it piqued my interest, so I looked up their website and Facebook page to learn more about them. It didn't take long for me to decide this was an organization worth supporting and promoting, so I set forth to do both.

First I sent an e-mail to Annette, asking her permission to write about BHRSC, and she was kind enough to take time out of her busy schedule to call and share the details about how they got started and how they go about helping homeless hounds find forever loving homes. Much like many of the other organizations I have written about in this column, BHRSC is made up of a group of dedicated dog lovers who work long hours performing the numerous tasks involved with rescuing, and placing beautiful basset hounds that for whatever reason have been rendered homeless.

It all began in August, 1997 when Sabrina Nichols, Adriene Sherard and William James (who since passed away), got together and pooled their resources to rescue their first hound, Cleopatra from the Long Beach Animal Shelter. As is true with most government funded shelters, Long Beach has a limited capacity to hold animals for any significant period of time before they are forced to euthanize them if they are not adopted. Fortunately for Cleopatra, three compassionate people cared enough to ensure that she would have the opportunity to live out her life in a loving forever home. Within 6 months after Cleopatra's rescue, several more hound lovers had gotten on board. With their growing dedicated team they were eventually able to gain 501(c)3 non-profit status and they have been successful in their mission to rescue needy hounds ever since. I looked at the list of adoptable dogs on their website this week and counted about 26 hounds currently in need of forever homes.

So much is involved with rescuing and placing homeless hounds, and there never seems to be a shortage of dogs for intake. The volunteers who work so hard to facilitate the process are saints in my mind. Although they do it out of sincere love for the animals, it is still an arduous task requiring a lot of energy, time and money to receive rendered pups, provide requisite veterinary care to

## HEY, WHY THE LONG FACE?

### Basset Hound Rescue of Southern California Lends Smiles to Hounds in Need of a Home

ensure that they are healthy enough for adoption, and finally find them a home. I imagine it can be very tiring at times, and even frustrating, as there are so many hounds in need, with limited boarding space, foster care and monetary resources. Still, they are tenacious in the task, and continue their mission to help abandoned hounds.

The hounds that end up at BHRSC come from various walks of life, and most of them have been through some pretty tough times before finding themselves in the good hands of their caring volunteers. The bassets they take in require veterinary care and an enormous amount of TLC in order to help them overcome traumas and tribulations experienced in the past. As all animal lovers know very well, it is no small expense to keep even our own well-cared-for pets healthy and happy. Veterinary costs are comparable to health care costs for humans these days, and we all know how it can wipe out the bank account if we fall ill and require medical attention or hospitalization. The average cost for one hound taken in at BHRSC is \$850, not including any extra vet care that might be required for a neglected, abused, injured or ill dog. Boarding, health exam, microchip implanting, spaying or neutering, dental cleaning, grooming and vaccines are among the basic aspects of attention each dog receives on intake.

The costs incurred to care for the hounds are funded by donations from friends and supporters of the organization, and because there are no overhead costs associated with a facility, all monies received go directly to the dogs. While they would love the luxury of having their own facility, BHRSC has managed to rescue, foster and place each dog taken in by coordinating with shelters, other rescue organizations, veterinarians and volunteer foster families. To me it seems like a remarkable task, with no headquarters from which to work and it says a lot about the depth of their dedication to saving those beautiful bassets from being euthanized.

As part of their fund-raising efforts, BHRSC holds an Annual Spring Games

event in Arcadia Park (corner of Huntington Drive and Santa Anita Ave.) where they invite basset hound owners and enthusiasts to participate in a variety of fun and frivolous activities with their dogs. A few examples of the games they organize for the event are a tail wag-off, a kissing contest, synchronized swimming, a hound dog howl off and a costume contest! I plan to attend their 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Games event on June 15<sup>th</sup>, and can hardly wait to see all those sweet short-legged loving long-eared hounds playing together, entertaining the masses and bringing enormous smiles to the humans who show out. I am told the event is an absolute hoot! For more information and to participate, visit the BHRSC website at [bassethoundrescue.org](http://bassethoundrescue.org), link to the "events" page and download the registration form. The fee is \$20 for the 1<sup>st</sup> hound and \$10 for each additional hound - a small price to pay for such a unique day of fun and fanfare with your best friend, and all proceeds go to the homeless hounds!

While you're visiting BHRSC's website, be sure to check out the "adoptable hounds" page where you can view photos of those still in need of forever homes. You can also watch a video about a darling dog named Abby who, upon intake required major back surgery after having been abandoned by her owners and hit by a car while wandering in the streets. Abby's vet bill for surgery came to a whopping \$5,000. If you'd like to help with Abby's vet care costs, link to the "donate" page and type her name in the "purpose" field on the form. Although there are other monetary needs, Abby's vet bill is among the most urgent at the moment. If you have compassion for these precious four-legged furry friends, I'm sure it will bring joy to your heart to help if you can, whether it be with a money gift, participation in the fund raiser, volunteering for foster care or even adopting one of the dogs they have available. One thing is for sure, your assistance will help put a smile on the long face of a homeless hound!



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## MAMA BEAR AND CUBS VISIT ARCADIA HOME

On Tuesday this mama bear and her cubs decided to go out for dinner.

After rummaging through the trash at a Highland Oaks area and finding nothing, Mama lead her children back to the woods where there was probably better food and a place that is definitely much safer for the group.

Photo courtesy KTVU.



## PET OF THE WEEK

### MOUSE #A4580319

Meet Mouse (A4580319), a diminutive and darling six month old brown and black female Teacup Chihuahua puppy. Weighing four pounds, Mouse is a total lap dog who will happily keep you company for hours. She is good with other dogs, and we suggest an adult home because she is tiny and fragile. Mouse is the perfect go-everywhere indoor pet for a single adult or a couple in any living situation. To watch a video of Mouse, visit <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SJ8teuUZRxw>



To meet Mouse in person, please see her at the Baldwin Park Shelter, located at 4275 N. Elton, Baldwin Park, CA 91706 (Phone: 626-430-2378 or 626-962-3577). She is currently available now. For any inquiries about Mouse, please reference her animal ID number: A4568663. The shelter is open seven days a week, 12 pm-7 pm Monday-Thursday and 10am-5pm Friday-Sunday. This is a high-intake shelter with a great need for adoptions. For more information about Mouse or the adoption process, contact United Hope for Animals Volunteer Adoption Coordinator Laura at [laurak@hope4animals.org](mailto:laurak@hope4animals.org). To learn more about United Hope for Animals' partnership with the Baldwin Park Shelter through its Shelter Support Program, as well as the many dogs of all breeds, ages, and sizes available for adoption in local shelters, visit <http://www.unitedhope4animals.org/about-us/shelter-support-program/>.

## HOW TO AVOID TICKS AND FLEAS THIS SEASON

(StatePoint) Warm weather means barbecues, baseball and trips to the park with family and pets. But for pet owners, warm weather can also mean fleas, ticks, mosquitoes and other disease-carrying bugs.

"Fleas alone can each bite you or your pet up to hundreds of times a day," says Dr. Rod Van Horn, a small animal, practicing veterinarian. "It's vital to get control of these pests before they have the chance to bite, hurt and potentially spread disease."

Now that the sunshine is finally here, you may be anxious to take your four-legged friends outdoors to run around. Help your pets avoid ticks and fleas by following these easy tips:

### Treat for Prevention

You may not always be able to keep your pets away from infested areas, but you can stop the bugs from latching onto your pet. Treat your pet monthly with a topical flea and tick treatment for the most effective, longest lasting way to prevent infestation. There are now approved generic versions of topical veterinary products that use the same active ingredients as well, like Sergeant's Pronyl OTC. It kills fleas and ticks, including those which can spread Lyme disease, and keeps your pet protected for up to 30 days.

According to experts, more than 70 percent of fleas bite a dog within the first hour of jumping aboard, so killing them within that first hour is paramount. Try a fast-acting treatment, such as Sentry Fiprogard MAX for dogs, which starts to kill fleas and ticks in just five minutes, before they can do damage. More information about protecting your pet and family from fleas and ticks can be found at [www.fiprogard.com](http://www.fiprogard.com).

### Check your House and Yard

If you think you may have a flea infestation but aren't sure, start by checking your house and yard. Walking around your home and yard in a pair of long white socks makes pests easy to spot. Now you'll see if you have fleas hiding in your home. Secure the infested socks in a plastic bag and throw them away or put into the washing machine for a hot wash.

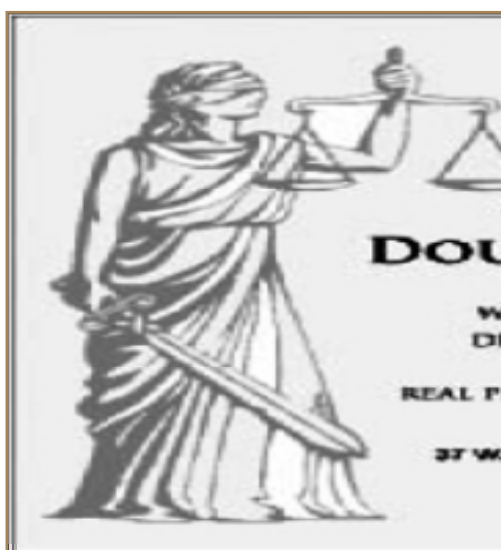
### Inspect your Pets

After a run outdoors, thoroughly check your pet for fleas and ticks or any signs of itching or blood stains. Be sure to look underneath the hair for visible bugs. But be aware that the largest part of an infestation - flea eggs, larvae and pupae - are almost impossible to see in a quick check. That's why prevention is key.

### Be Proactive

Treat your pets now, before it's too late. Apply treatments year-round to repel pests and prevent them from latching onto your pet's skin. Just because you don't see fleas or ticks now, doesn't mean they aren't worth worrying about. Always plan ahead.

Do everything you can to protect your pet, and you'll never have to fret about bringing home pesky pests from the park again.



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NATIONAL FRUIT & VEGETABLE MONTH

By the time you are reading this I'm probably overhead flying off to Oslo, Norway for a little R&R and plenty of Norwegian salmon. Recently I picked up some cherries at Vons, and, boy, were they ready to eat! You see, I have a secret love affair with the cherry -- it is my all time favorite fruit. When they are good they are oh soooo good; when they aren't they just well... aren't worth it. I got to thinking there must be a food day for most every day, and... I was right.

June is National Fruit and Vegetable Month. Yes, I know, there are a million of these designated titles for the month of June (and every other month, too!) Half of them hold about as much weight as your doctor telling you that you should go to bed at the same time every night (like that's possible...). There's "National Rocky Road Day," "I drink too much day" and of course "I'll have another day." Instead of letting the label slip your mind like all those other futile holiday labels, use this one as an excuse to mindfully "healthify" your diet. The upcoming months are filled with fresh, seasonal produce, which makes the process of eating your fruits and veggies a whole lot cheaper, easier, and tastier.

TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills  
thechefknows@yahoo.com

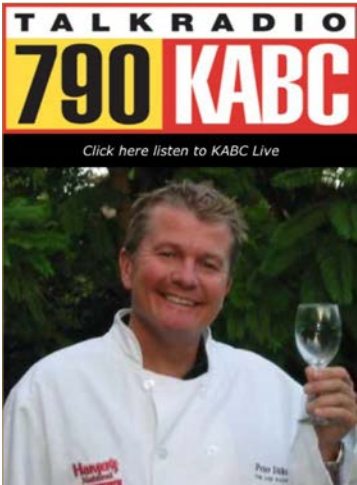
Fruits and Veggies in June

- Arugula \* Broccoli \* Blueberries \*Cabbage \*Cauliflower \* Cherries \* Dandelion Greens \*Kale \*Leaf Lettuce\* Okra \* Peas \* Rhubarb \* Raspberries \* Spinach \* Spring Onions \* Strawberries \* Swiss Chard.

What does July hold for us? Check out [www.peterdills.com](http://www.peterdills.com) to find out!

Fun cherry facts: Its name comes originally from the Greek, and in Latin means *of or for the birds*, due to the birds' obvious love of the fruit. The English word *cherry* originates from the Assyrian *karsu* and Greek *kerasos*. The tree was beloved by the Egyptians, Greeks and Romans both for its beautiful flowers and its versatile fruit.

- Although a different species of cherry was already strongly established in America by the time the first colonists arrived, the new settlers brought along their favorite European variety and eventually cross-bred the two. Today, 90 percent of the commercial cherry crop is grown in the U.S., mostly in Michigan, California, Oregon and Washington.



INGREDIENTS:

- 1 cup brown (or white) rice
- 1 cooked chicken (about 2 1/2 pounds), shredded (about 4 cups)
- 1 can (15 1/2 ounces) black beans, drained and rinsed
- 6 plum tomatoes, quartered lengthwise, seeded, and thinly sliced
- 1 jalapeno chile (seeds and ribs removed for less heat, if desired), minced
- 1/4 cup white-wine vinegar
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- Coarse salt and ground pepper
- 4 scallions, thinly sliced

DIRECTIONS:

Cook rice according to package instructions. Spread on a baking sheet; refrigerate until cool.

Place cooled rice in a large bowl; add chicken, beans, tomatoes, scallions, jalapeno, vinegar, oil, and cumin. Season with salt and pepper; toss to combine.



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THE WORLD AROUND US

Looking Up  
with Bob Eklund



MUSIC OF THE SPHERES: Star songs

Plato, the Greek philosopher and mathematician, described music and astronomy as "sister sciences" that both encompass harmonious motions, whether of instrument strings or celestial objects. This philosophy of a "Music of the Spheres" was symbolic. However, modern technology is creating a true music of the spheres by transforming astronomical data into unique musical compositions.

Gerhard Sonnert, a research associate at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, has published a new website that allows listeners to literally hear the music of the stars. He worked with Wanda Diaz-Merced, a postdoctoral student at the University of Glasgow whose blindness led her into the field of sonification (turning astrophysical data into sound), and also with composer Volkmar Studtucker, who turned the sound into music.

"I saw the musical notes on Wanda's desk and I got inspired," Sonnert says.

Diaz-Merced lost her sight in her early 20s while studying physics. When she visited an astronomy lab and heard the hiss of a signal from a radio telescope, she realized that she might be able to continue doing the science she loved. She now works with a program called xSonify, which allows users to present numerical data as sound and use pitch, volume, or rhythm to distinguish between different data values.

During a visit to the Center for Astrophysics in 2011, Diaz-Merced worked with data from NASA's Chandra X-ray Observatory. The data was from EX Hydrae—a binary system in the constellation of Hydra, consisting of a normal star and a white dwarf. Known as a "cataclysmic variable," the white dwarf fluctuates in X-ray brightness as it consumes gas from its companion star.

Diaz-Merced plugged the Chandra X-ray data into the xSonify program and converted the raw data into musical notes. The results sounded random, but Sonnert sensed that they could become something more pleasing to the ear. He contacted Studtucker who chose short passages from the sonified notes, perhaps 70 bars in total, and added harmonies in different musical styles. Sound files that began as atonal compositions transformed into blues jams and jazz ballads, to name just two examples of the nine songs produced.

The project shows that something as far away and otherworldly as an X-ray-emitting cataclysmic variable binary star system can be significant to humans for two distinct reasons—one scientific and one artistic.

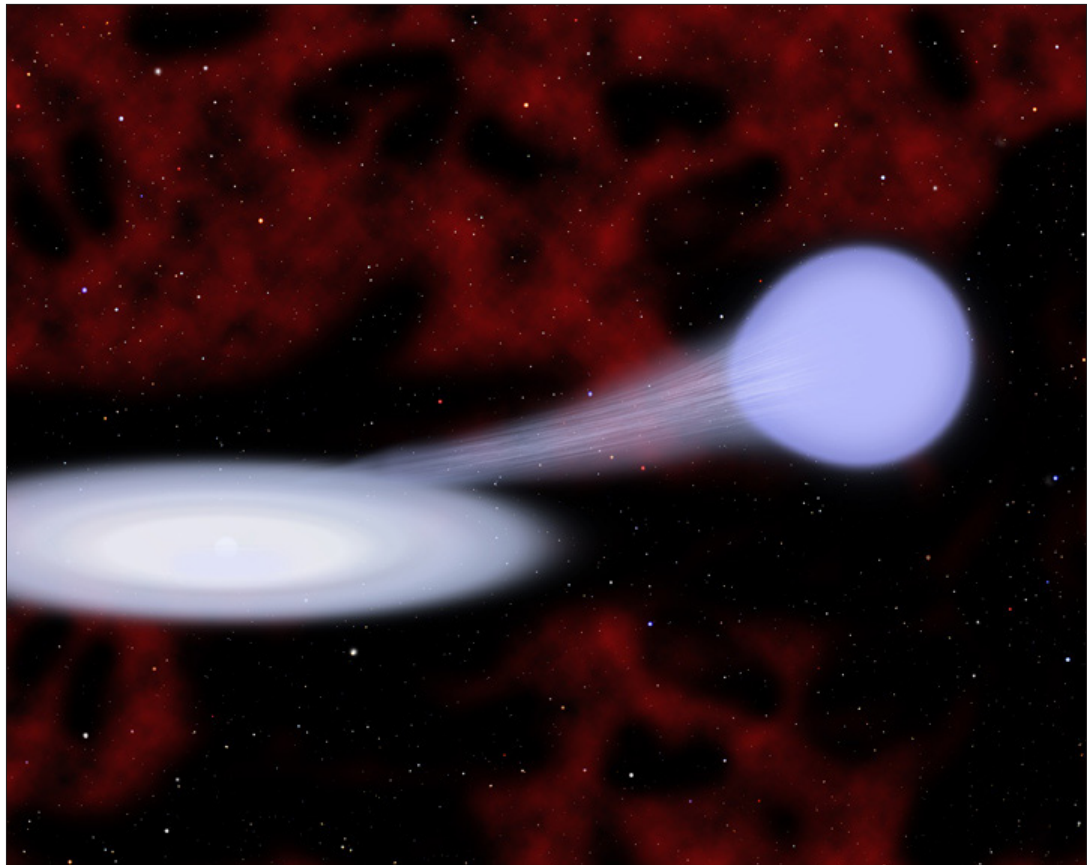
Sonnert explains that in creating music from stellar information, "We're still extracting meaning from data, but in a very different way."

A LITTLE NIGHT-MUSIC

The thought of "Music of the Spheres" goes back well over 2,000 years, to the time of Pythagoras. He proposed that the Sun, Moon and planets all emit their own unique "hum" (orbital resonance) based on their orbital revolution-periods, and that the quality of life on Earth reflects the tenor of celestial sounds which are physically imperceptible to the human ear. Subsequently, Plato described astronomy and music as "twinning" studies of sensual recognition: astronomy for the eyes, music for the ears, both requiring knowledge of numerical proportions to be appreciated.

You can listen to the results of Sonnert's project at the Star Songs website:  
[http://www.cfa.harvard.edu/sed/projects/star\\_songs/](http://www.cfa.harvard.edu/sed/projects/star_songs/)

Photo courtesy Christine Pulliam (CFA)



More on sonification:  
[http://spdf.gsfc.nasa.gov/research/sonification/sonification\\_software.htm](http://spdf.gsfc.nasa.gov/research/sonification/sonification_software.htm)  
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## HOW TO SPOT AND PREVENT SENIOR FINANCIAL FRAUD

Dear Savvy Senior:

Can you offer some tips on protecting seniors from financial scams? My neighbor's elderly mother was recently swindled out of \$10,000 and I want to make sure my own mother is protected. Troubled Daughter

Dear Troubled:

Financial scams that target the elderly continue to be a big problem in the U.S. In fact, it's estimated that some 5 million Americans over age 60 are scammed out of roughly 3 billion every year. Here are some tips that can help you spot a scam, and what you can do to protect your mom.

Scam Watching

Spotting a scam or a con artist is not always easy to do. They range from shady financial advisers to slick-talking telemarketers to professional caregivers and relatives who steal from the very people they're supposed to be looking after.

The most common scams targeting seniors today come in the form of free-lunch seminars selling dubious financial products, tricky/high-pressure telemarketing calls, and endless junk mail peddling free vacation packages, sweepstakes, phony charity fundraisers and more. And, of course, there's the ongoing problem of identity theft, Medicare fraud, door-to-door scams, credit card theft, and Internet and email scams.

The best way to spot a scam is to help your mom manage her finances, or at least monitor her accounts. Reviewing her financial statements each month can alert you to questionable checks, credit card charges or large withdrawals.

If, however, she doesn't want you looking at her financial records, there are other clues. For example: Is she getting a lot of junk mail for contests, free trips, and sweepstakes? Is she receiving calls from strangers offering awards or moneymaking deals? Also notice if her spending habits have changed, if she has complained about being short of money lately, or has suddenly become secretive or defensive about her finances. All these may be signs of trouble.

Protect Your Parent

The most effective way to help protect your mom is to alert her to the different kind of scams out there. The easiest way to do this is by visiting the Financial Fraud Enforcement Task Force website (stopfraud.gov – click on "Protect Yourself"), where you can get a rundown on the different



types of scams making the rounds these days. The Better Business Bureau Scam Stopper site at bbb.org/scam-stopper is another good resource.

If your mom doesn't have access to a computer, print out the materials yourself and use them to start a conversation.

It's also a good idea to keep close tabs on your mom's social circle. Has she acquired any questionable new friends lately, or is she seeing anyone who's giving her advice, financial or otherwise?

Some other tips to protect her include reminding her to never give out her Social Security number or financial information unless she initiated the contact and knows the institution.

Also, see if your mom would be willing to let you sort her mail before she opens it so you can weed out the junk. To reduce the junk mail and/or email she gets, use the Direct Marketing Association consumer opt-out service at dmachoice.org. And to stop credit card and insurance offers, use the Consumer Credit Reporting Industry opt-out service at optoutprescreen.com or call 888-567-8688 – they will ask for your mom's Social Security number and date of birth.

Also, register your mom's home and cell phone numbers on the National Do Not Call Registry (donotcall.gov, 888-382-1222) to reduce telemarketers. And help her get a free copy of her credit report at annualcreditreport.com to make sure she isn't a victim of identity theft.

Report It

If you suspect your mom has gotten scammed report it to your state securities regulator's office (see nasaa.org for contact information), or your state's Adult Protective Services agency (call 800-677-1116 for contact information) that investigates reports of elderly financial abuse.

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.



KATIE Tse .....This and That

## COLD HEART, WARM WINGS

There are two kinds of people: those who cry at sad/touching movies, and the stoic ones who don't. Usually most of the former group are women, while the latter group are predominantly men. There are a few exceptions. I wouldn't say that my husband goes for sappy things, like favorite sentimental songs or fluffy greeting cards. Being a woman, I tend to tear up more easily at poignant moments than my husband. But all that ends when it comes to movies.



It's become a joke with us that I have a heart of stone when watching tear-jerker films. I can watch Tom Hanks leave Helen Hunt in "Cast Away," Leonardo DiCaprio slip into the Atlantic in "Titanic," and Mel Gibson getting hacked up in "Braveheart," all with a dry eye. About two minutes into the big cry scene I'll feel a nudge on my shoulder and hear my teary-eyed husband saying, "You have no heart!" which always makes me laugh.

But it's not true. There are plenty of movies that make me cry, no matter how many times I watch them. Since I'm a closet old person, you might not recognize some of these iconic scenes: Ronald Coleman embracing Jane Wyatt after making the harrowing return trek to Shangri La in "Lost Horizon." Carry Grant reconnects with his lost love, Deborah Kerr, and realizes she has become wheelchair-bound in "An Affair to Remember." In "Random Harvest," Ronald Coleman returns home, recovered from amnesia and recognizes his beloved wife. (You might notice a Ronald Coleman theme in this list.) Yes, these scenes never fail to move me to tears.

However, I've found a recent short film that, after talking with others who've seen it, I've found that I'm the only person who cries when watching it. You might not have seen the advertisement for the BBC featuring flying penguins. If not, you must find it on YouTube! Watch it and tell me if it doesn't stir something within you. It starts with a reporter approaching a colony of dumpy penguins which he says are unusual in their ability to fly! Then, sure enough, the blubbery birds start "running," thrust themselves onto the icy runway in a "launch" position, and then flap like crazy. More and more of their colony join them and eventually lift off the ground! Suddenly the sky is filled with perfectly streamlined penguin torpedoes flying through the air above the astonished reporter.

The camera pans back to show the colony soaring high above and around glaciers. The narrator explains that these special penguins migrate from the icy wastes of the Arctic to the lush, tropical rainforests of South America. The final few shots are of pudgy penguins lighting down in fruit trees to the surprise of toucans and other rainforest fauna.

Of course, the commercial's intent is for you to order this new BBC series, but I see it as a spiritual analogy. This earth, with its many pains and sorrows can seem like a dead wasteland with no sign of improvement or escape. Yet God takes the most undeserving people (myself being chief among them) and has promised to transform our lowly bodies into glorified ones, and has given us the hope of coming home to a place of such beauty and perfect happiness that we cannot now imagine. BBC probably didn't have this in mind when they produced this ad, but I tear up with joy every time I see it!

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## SENIOR HAPPENINGS

By Pat Birdsall

### FYI - CARRIER ALERT PROGRAM

Last week I told you how good it felt having my letter carrier check on me after recent health issues. It made me think back a few years to when I was on the Sierra Madre Senior Community Commission. At that time, out of curiosity, I asked my letter carrier how many days my mail would have to accumulate before he reported it, (I thought, naively to the police). He said after four days he would take my mail to the post office to be held for me. I said perhaps the mail was piling up because I had passed away, how would anyone know? His answer was disturbing and inappropriate. Soon after, the Commission brought the question to the Police Chief at the time, Marilyn Diaz and the Postmaster. The Carrier Alert Program was then implemented for the City of Sierra Madre.

The program is designed for older residents and disabled or special need persons in Sierra Madre who have no family or friends to routinely check on their welfare. Get the participation form from the Police Department, fill it in and return it to the Sierra Madre Police Department. (They work in conjunction with the Post Office). Once participating seniors or disabled persons are identified, the Postmaster will notify the postal carriers to pay closer attention to those who are located in their service area. Carriers who detect anything unusual will call the Sierra Madre Police to contact the resident. In most cases, the officers will call the emergency contacts listed on the participation form to notify them of the police response. If you have questions or want a form, call the Sierra Madre Police Department, Carrier Alert Program at (626) 355-1414.

You can help too...Keep your eyes open and check on your neighbors. Their lives may depend on it!

**HELPFUL HINT:** Place tension curtain rods vertically between cupboard shelves and use to organize baking sheets and cutting boards.

### FOR YOUR FUNNY BONE

Jennifer's wedding was fast approaching. Nothing could dampen her excitement—not even her parents' nasty divorce. Her mother had found the PERFECT dress to wear and would be the best-dressed-mother-of-the-bride ever! A week later Jennifer was horrified to learn that her father's new young wife had bought the same dress! Jennifer asked her to change it, but she refused. "Absolutely not, I look like a million bucks in this dress and I'm wearing it," she replied. Jennifer told her mother who graciously said, "Never mind sweetheart, I'll get another dress. After all, it's your special day." A few days later, they went shopping and did find another gorgeous dress. When they stopped for lunch, Jennifer asked her mother, "Aren't you going to return the other dress? You really don't have another occasion where you could wear it." "Of course I do dear; I'm wearing it to the rehearsal dinner the night before the wedding!"

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### HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ... June Birthdays

Nellie Haynes, Dorothy McKay, George Enyedi, Theresa Daley, Ann Dugerman, Marilyn McKernan, Pat Fujiwara, John Shier, Beth Smith-Kellock, Mary Carney, Ann Disbrow, Joan Ellison, Ruth Kirby, Irene Kudirka, Anne Montgomery, Trini Ornelas, Martha Spriggs, Pat Starkey, Kathleen Coyne, Suzanne Decker, Halcyon Koerber, Jacque Persing and Jeanne Peterson and Grace Sanders.

\* To add your name to this distinguished list, please call the paper at 626.355.2737. YEAR of birth not required.

### Quote of the Week:

Freedom is the oxygen of the soul. ~Moshe Dayan



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

YMCA 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 Balance Class:** Every 3rd Monday for 11:00 am to 11:45 am with Shannon Vandeveld. A variety of balance exercises are practiced; all ability levels are encouraged and welcomed.

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

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

**Free Chair Yoga:** Every Wednesday morning from 11:00 am to 11:15 am. Join Paul Hagen for this free class that focuses on senior yoga techniques. No reservation is necessary!

**Free Legal Consultation:** Pasadena attorney Geoffrey Chin volunteers on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. He focuses on estate planning, trusts, wills, probate, conservatorships and business law. **\*Appointments are a must!** Please call: 626.355.7394 to make yours\* *Conflicting court schedules can occasionally cause cancellations.*

**Lunch and Learn:** Wednesday, June 26th, 12:15 to 1:00 pm  
Come listen to the great services offered by Humana, a widely known company throughout our community and the country. Their motto entails: "Healthy People, Healthy Planet, Healthy Performance." They promote seniors and their well-being.

**Birthday Celebrations:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 1:00pm. Poker is usually the game of choice, or should I say chance? Board games and other card games are also available. Outside, on the patio, a beautiful, one-of-a-kind chess table is anxious for players.

**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.

**Senior Citizens Club:** Every Saturday at the Hart Park House (Senior Center). Brown bag lunch at 11:30am; Club meeting at Noon; Bingo 12:30- 3:30 pm. Only .25c per card... For more information call Pat Birdsall at 626.355.7290.



### UPCOMING EXCURSIONS:

Museum of Contemporary Art (Los Angeles)  
Date: Friday, June 28, 2013  
Time: 10:00am -2:30 pm  
Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center  
Cost: \$25.00 (does not include lunch)

Founded in 1979, MOCA is the only museum in Los Angeles devoted to exclusively to contemporary art and is committed to the collection, presentation and interpretation of work produced since 1940 in all media. The educator-led guided tour highlights the various exhibits in a fun and exciting way as well as provides the most information about MOCAA's collection and current exhibitions. It is recommended to bring \$10-\$15 for lunch.

### Save the Dates!

Friday, July 12, 2013- Pageant of the Masters (evening excursion)

Friday, August 16, 2013- USS Iowa (San Pedro)

Registration can be done in person at the Hart Park House Senior Center & Community Recreation Center or online at [www.cityofsierramadre.com](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com) Cash, checks and credit cards are accepted. Make checks payable to "City of Sierra Madre." Payment must be made at the time of registration.

**Senior Movie Program: FREE** movies are chosen by the seniors themselves and shown on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month in Sierra Madre's City Council Chambers, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre. ~ Start time is 1:00pm ~

### June 19th: Age of Champions (2011)

Sponsored by Humana: This is the award-winning documentary follows five competitors who sprint, leap and swim for gold at the National Senior Olympics. You'll meet a 100 year-old tennis champion, 86 year-old pole vaulter and rough-and-tumble basketball grandmothers as they discover the power of the human spirit and triumph over the limitations of age. Not Rated Start time: 1:00 pm (run time is 75 minutes)

## SIERRA MADRE FARMERS MARKET

The Sierra Madre Farmer's Market hours have changed to 3:00pm through 8:00pm every Wednesday in fall and winter. Vendors include Dry Dock which has fresh and wild caught fish, Rustic Loaf with artisan breads, Cutie Pie with fresh pies and much more!

For those interested in being a vendor contact Melissa Farwell with Raw Inspirations at 818-591-8161 ext. 806.





## Tips of the Trade: Real Estate Revealed

by Luther Tsinoglou

### DON'T TRY THIS AT HOME

When you hear that someone managed to sell a home without representation, it's likely that the sale was to a family member, close friend, or a tenant who was already renting and living there. These exceptional cases are not the norm, and there are powerful reasons why it is so difficult to make a sale "by owner."

The biggest roadblock is that For Sale By Owners (FSBOs) aren't included in the Multiple Listing Service (MLS) that licensed agents and organizations use. A sign in the yard and an ad in the newspaper are no match for the widespread exposure gained from a listing visible on the MLS. Since the FSBO has no listing agreement providing for a sales commission, many agents won't show these homes with no promise of compensation. Again, this greatly reduces the number of potential buyers exposed to the offering, not to mention the fact that buyers who do express interest will not have been screened by a professional to determine their qualifications.

Perhaps the most hazardous aspect of selling "by owner" is the potential for legal oversights and complications. Real estate transactions are loaded with potential liability for unrepresented and unwitting sellers. One overlooked form or improper disclosure could generate an expensive lawsuit. Just as you wouldn't enter the courtroom without an attorney, you shouldn't sell your home without professional representation.



## FIVE CREATIVE WAYS TO USE CONTAINERS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE

by Melinda Myers

Container gardens have long been used to add a spot of color by a front entrance or expand planting space in city lots, balconies and decks. Don't let past experience and tradition limit your vision. Try one or more of these attractive, fun and functional ways to include containers in your landscape, large or small.

Add vertical interest to any garden or garden space. Select a large attractive container filled with tall plants like papyrus and canna. Or elevate a small pot on steppers or an overturned pot for added height. Create height with smaller pots and plants by strategically stacking and planting them into a creative planting. Try setting any of these planters right in the garden to create a dramatic focal point. Create a privacy screen or mask a bad view. Use an arbor or other support for hanging baskets and then place a few containers below for an attractive screen. Or create a garden of containers to provide seasonal interest using a variety of plants. Use trees, shrubs, and ornamental grasses for height. Save money by purchasing smaller plants. Elevate these on overturned pots for added height and impact. Mask the mechanics by wrapping the pots in burlap. Then add a few colorful self-watering pots in the foreground for added color and beauty. Fill these with annuals or perennials for additional seasonal interest.

Bring the garden right to your back door for ease of harvest and added entertainment. A self-watering patio planter, windowbox, or rail planter reduces maintenance and makes harvesting herbs as easy as reaching out the window or backdoor. Plus, guests will have fun harvesting their own fresh mint for mojitos or greens for their salads.

Define outdoor living spaces within your landscape. Use containers as walls and dividers to separate entertaining and play areas from quiet reflective spaces. And consider using pots with built in casters or set them on moveable saucers to make moving these pots easier. This way you can expand and shrink individual spaces as needed simply by moving the pots.

Create your own vacation paradise. Use planters filled with cannas, bananas, palms and New Zealand flax for a more tropical flare. Add some wicker furniture to complete the scene. Or fill vertical gardens, an old child's wagon, metal colander or wooden and concrete planters with cacti and succulents. Add some old branches and large stones. You'll feel as though you've hiked into the desert.

All you need is a bit of space and creativity to find fun new ways to put containers to work for you in the garden this season.

Gardening expert, TV/radio host, author & columnist Melinda Myers has more than 30 years of horticulture experience and has written over 20 gardening books, including Can't Miss Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses How to Grow Anything DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment segments which air on over 130 TV and radio stations throughout the U.S. She is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and writes the twice monthly "Gardeners' Questions" newspaper column. Melinda also has a column in Gardening How-to magazine. She has a master's degree in horticulture, is a certified arborist and was a horticulture instructor with tenure. Her web site, [www.melindamyers.com](http://www.melindamyers.com), offers gardening videos, podcasts, garden tips and more.

## EASY WAYS TO SAVE ENERGY AT HOME

(StatePoint) Whether you are motivated to help the planet or simply want to slash home energy and water bills, there are easy steps to reduce your home's carbon footprint.

"Today more than ever, we see the environmental impact we have on our communities by the choices we make daily -- from the food we eat to the way we run our homes. While it's easy to pretend these choices don't matter, it's even easier to take steps to live more sustainably and feel good about it," says Brett Beitzel, a brand manager at Amana, a household appliances manufacturer focused on encouraging consumers to reduce their carbon footprints.

There are several places in your home where you can take small steps toward a smaller carbon footprint.

### Kitchen

Become more aware of what you put in your shopping basket. Include more locally- and organically-grown and raised produce and meat in your diet. Avoid overly-packaged products and eat sustainably caught or farmed fish. These choices are often healthier, too.

You can also make a substantial impact by replacing your old refrigerator with a newer energy-saving model. Compared to pre-2000 models, newer refrigerators can use up to 41 percent less energy. As one of the few appliances that run constantly, that means a lot of energy and cost savings.

Luckily, environmentally conscious home appliance manufacturers, such as Amana, are going above the Department of Energy's current usage guidelines by making energy efficiency a priority with newer models. You can also find efficient dishwashers that save water and energy. But even with a newer model, you'll want to be sure you're only running the machine when full. For maximum savings, look for ENERGY STAR qualified models on all appliances.

### Garage

Cars that don't have properly inflated tires account for a 10 percent increase on fuel costs. Check tire pressure regularly to ensure optimum performance. And tune up your bike so you can use it more often!

Unfortunately, the garage is also where many send their old

refrigerators to store extra soda. Research shows that 10 million "second" refrigerators cost consumers an average of \$1.62 billion yearly in energy costs. For a cool move, make all your refrigerators energy efficient.

### Laundry Room

The way you launder your clothes can impact local waterways. Look for eco-friendly detergents and opt for the concentrated form to reduce plastic consumption. Wash clothes in cold water whenever possible and don't leave them in the dryer longer than necessary.

Consider replacing your washer and dryer with newer energy-saving models. Not only may this qualify you for rebates from state or local utility companies, your water savings and energy savings will add up. Front load washing machines are great choices, as conventional top-load washing machines built before 2004 use 81 percent more energy and 77 percent more water than some newer models.

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## SELLING YOUR HOME? KNOW THE PERILS OF OFF-MLS LISTINGS

By Andy Bencosme, 2013 President, Arcadia Association of REALTORS®

As the California real estate market changes, so does the vocabulary of real estate. Once common phrases from the real estate recession such as distressed property, short sale, and shadow inventory are fast being replaced as the real estate market improves by new phrases, such as equity sale, multiple offers, and "off-MLS" or "pocket" listings.

While not a new concept, pocket listings are growing in number; as many as 10-15 percent of homes offered for sale today are "off-MLS" listings, according to one Multiple Listing Service (MLS). Simply stated, a pocket listing is a property that is marketed without the benefit of being listed for sale on the MLS (i.e., "hidden" in an agent's pocket). A property that is listed on the MLS has the advantage of being actively marketed to every real estate agent who belongs to that MLS and, through those agents, to their vast network of potential buyers looking to make an offer to purchase the property. Active marketing on the MLS usually includes open houses, broker tours and inclusion of seller's property in the MLS's download to various real estate Internet sites commonly used to search for properties.

On the other hand, as the term implies, a pocket listing generally is marketed by a single agent to one or a select few potential buyers. The marketing pool can be so small that in some cases, other agents within the same brokerage or brokerage office may not even be aware that a fellow agent has a pocket listing.

Pocket listings are not illegal if the listing agent fully discloses the pros and cons to the home seller and follows rules that are designed to protect consumers. Nevertheless, many real estate professionals believe that off-MLS listings may not be in the best interest of the seller -- particularly if a client does not know about the benefits of marketing his or her property through the MLS. To keep a listing off the MLS, a listing agent who is a participant of an MLS is required, under the rules of most California MLSs, to obtain a signed certification from the seller that he or she does not wish to sell the property via the MLS.

If a property is exposed to fewer potential buyers with a pocket listing, why would a home seller agree to one? Pocket listings sometimes are requested by celebrities, judges, prosecutors, or others who wish to maintain their privacy.

The downsides to pocket listings may outweigh the advantages of pocket listings though. Primarily, the pool of agents and potential home buyers who will know the property is for sale and make an offer to purchase may be limited. That could significantly reduce the potential for multiple offers above the asking price, which is a frequent occurrence in today's competitive market. With fewer offers, sellers may not be getting the best possible price for their home.

How can consumers protect their interests if their listing agent suggests an off-MLS listing?

- Home sellers should ask their agent about the pros and cons of selling their home off-MLS. The pros are that the listing remains private if sellers wish to maintain privacy. The cons are that their home is unlikely to be exposed to the full population of potential buyers, which likely may decrease the chance a seller will obtain the highest and best price for his or her property.

- A listing agent may ask his or her seller to sign a standard seller exclusion form (Seller Instruction to Exclude Listing from the MLS or C.A.R.'s SEL form). Sellers should be sure they fully understand what they are signing and the possible adverse consequences outlined in the form of not listing their property on the MLS.

- Sellers should ask their agent to show their home and present all offers from both inside and outside his or her network. That may increase the chances of obtaining a more accurate selling price and could help avoid any potential for violations of fair housing laws. Finally, working with a knowledgeable REALTOR® is always a good idea anytime you are considering buying or selling a home. So is being an informed real estate consumer.

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## HOW CAN YOGA HELP TRADITION: TANTRA

Yoga is a science. Real yoga is based on what has been taught for many, many years. It is not a fad or passing craze. The really amazing, life changing, transformational practices come from the yoga of tradition. Just so you know, this traditional yoga is called Tantra. Most all of our current styles of yoga today stem from Tantra. Tantra is the yoga for real people. But a lot of yoga has gotten away from the tradition. On June 17, Pandit Rajmani Tigunait, PhD, my teachers, teacher (which makes him my teacher too) will be speaking in Pasadena on Living Tantra. You do not even need to practice yoga to go listen to this amazing man. But you will be so glad that you did. Panditji is one of the most amazing yogis ever. He is the Chairman and Spiritual Head of the Himalayan Institute and the successor to Sri Swami Rama.

He will be dressed in plain clothes and there will be no poses – just lecture and a meditation, but he will be speaking on what the tantric masters proclaim: “There is an innate wisdom in your body, and an immense power in your mind. What you need is the time-tested technique for discovering yourself – your wonderful body and beautiful mind.” I cannot recommend going to see him enough. The beautiful light of his soul shines right through his eyes.

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Remeber, the spirit knows who we are and what we are here to do. It can show us how to get there, if we listen and act accordingly. Fearful thoughts make us too afraid to act: we see too much risk, too many negative possibilities. We see the reasons why it won't work. What it could cost.

When we remove the fear, we realign with the spirit and our right path. As a coach, that's what I do most and best: I help clients dissolve their fearful thoughts. Help them see how to live the unique life they know, deep down, they were created for -- the life that still excites them!

My favorite tool for dissolving fear is “The Work” by Byron Katie. It's a straightforward process of 4 inquiry questions and 3 turnarounds, and it delivers extraordinary freedom!

“The Work” pulls out the thought so it can be looked at, *really* looked at, from different perspectives. It allows the mind to imagine other possibilities, to untangle painful beliefs and discover new ones that could be just as true. It is a meditative approach, not a series of must-dos. For step-by-step instructions, visit her website (<http://thework.com/dothework.php>). Or come see me. I offer a complimentary session, and I'm happy to teach you in-person.

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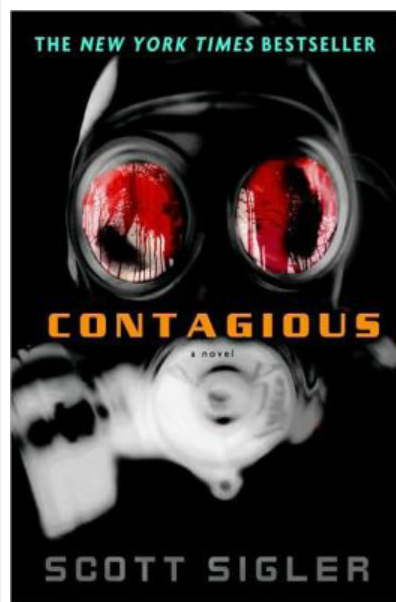
“A Musical Sampler” with songs by American composers is the theme for the Royal Oaks Manor's summer concert. Andrew Henken will direct religious, popular and patriotic tunes. Residents of Royal Oaks and Westminster Gardens retirement communities comprise the choirs. Tabitha Henken, who has organized the combined choirs, will be the accompanist for “A Musical Sampler.”

Instrumentalists include Wendy Bradley, piccolo, and Larry Ballenger, trumpet—appropriate musical accents, especially for the patriotic songs. Guests will be invited to join in singing some of the familiar tunes. Representatives from branches of the military and the ROTC from Pasadena High School will participate. The community is invited to attend the free concert at 7 p.m., Tues., June 18, in the Royal Oaks chapel at 1763 Royal Oaks Drive, Duarte. Please call 626-359-9371 for more information.

## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

### JASMINE'S CORNER

Book Reviews by Jasmine Kelsey Williams



### CONTAGIOUS: A Novel By Scott Sigler

June has now begun, and we continue with another thrilling selection from Scott Sigler by bringing in “Contagious”. “Contagious” picks up immediately where “Infected” leaves off, focusing on the mounting battle between humanity and the ‘Triangles’, the antagonists that made themselves present in the form of a deadly disease that slowly makes humanity turn into paranoid, crazed murderers. Readers will surely be pulled in by the vivid imagery in this sequel just as the first had done, as well as not just focusing on one protagonist, but several. Perry is the main focus again, having overcome the ‘Triangles’ effects on him and teaming with a small group of government agents, scientists, and doctors who are determined to not just figure out the plans of the Triangles, but to put a stop to them completely. Trouble and danger becomes twice as much of a challenge as the Triangles have managed to find Chelsea, a young child who not just succumbs to the Triangles' abilities, but serves as a leader on behalf of them who works to find a way to bring them to Earth.

Just as “Infected” had done, “Contagious” will not disappoint, bringing strong tones, fast action, and even pacing between switching perspectives between the different characters. Language is a strong factor to consider here, as well as the graphic images of fighting, drinking, and bodily damage. A benefit that does help with the pacing of “Contagious” is this time between certain chapters; there are pages that mark certain days (ex. Day 1, Day 2, etc.) that provide when each event occurs. Sigler will not disappoint, and this sequel will be just as if not even more compelling to read.

Copyrighted in 2008, and receiving praise from *Entertainment Weekly*, *Booklist*, and *Publishers Weekly*, “Contagious” will be another second must-read for the summer that you will not want to put down.



### SEAN'S SHAMELESS REVIEWS:

### THREE ANTICIPATED ALBUMS FOR JUNE

**Camera Obscura – “Desire Lines”** - Camera Obscura's fifth studio album, the first in four years, has them sounding better than ever. With their baroque sound, lush melodies, and soulful singing, “Desire Lines” is the summer nighttime album for young and old lovers alike. The first single is “Do It Again,” the most upbeat song on the record. Whirling, guitar-laden, and savagely infectious, “Do It Again” is a real gem coming from a band with a treasure chest of valuable material. In fact, don't be surprised to find many tunes on this particular album that will be your guiding light these late estival nights. In a summer filled with craziness and boisterous anthemic tunes from many newcomers, sometimes it's nice to take a step back to reflect on the more personal, worthwhile things in life. “Desire Lines,” the record from a band that's been making music before turn of the millennium may be the sound of the summer to get you where you really want to go, the place beyond the frivolous agenda of those occupying your time with no worthy reward in exchange. The album runs deeper than the usual summer affair.

“Desire Lines” was released June 3rd, 2013 via 4AD.

**Smith Westerns – “Soft Will”** - Smith Westerns are gearing up for their third studio album, “Soft Cell.” These glam rockers, inspired by the 70s, are refreshing on all accounts. The band's first single, “Varsity,” is shimmering, crisp, and incredibly melodic. With their first foray into sleeker production values and a more mature sound, Smith Westerns haven't lost their youthful exuberance. As the band comes to terms with their new outlook on life, so has the way they've approached songwriting. As a matter of fact, even as the group gets older (still in their early-to-mid-20s), their view on life has somewhat changed. While their friends are seeking jobs in the professional world, the band could be destined for more success than what the “working world” could ever offer. “Soft Cell” may bleed youthful energy, but the band's latest approach finds them closer than ever to the likes of adulthood.

“Soft Will” is out June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 via Mom + Pop.

**City & Colour – “The Hurry and The Harm”** - City & Colour is the moniker for singer/songwriter Dallas Green. He's this soulful folk singer who once occupied his earlier days in the post-hardcore outfit, Alexisonfire several years ago. For his fourth studio album, “The Hurry and The Harm,” Green brings his folk tendencies to a slightly elevated level. More folk rock than strictly just folk this go around, City & Colour still has the aptitude of capturing the human spirit in fullest form. For fans of Neil Young and Bob Dylan, City & Colour's established sound, expressive songwriting, and sensitive melodies can chill your bones and yet warm your soul. While “The Hurry and The Harm” feels more like a late fall/winter sort of album, I can argue that anytime of the year is just fine for terrific music like this. Regardless of where you're going, where you came from, or where you stand today, City & Colour has the right dose of medicine for any complications that may come your way. And better yet, there's no way of ever overdosing on such a prescription as this.

“The Hurry and The Harm” was released on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013 via Dine Alone Records.

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## BUSINESS TODAY

*The latest on Business News, Trends and Techniques*

By La Quetta M. Shamblee, MBA



### BUILD YOUR TEAM, BUILD YOUR BUSINESS

Barbara Corcoran, real estate mogul and one of the “Sharks” on ABC’s popular “Shark Tank” television show provided a great analogy about teamwork in a recent interview captured on a Success Magazine CD. She used the offensive line of a football team as one example of what can happen when a group of people commit to a common goal and do their individual best on behalf of the team. “They’re like a moving wall that is unstoppable,” says Barbara.

If you’ve ever watched or played any team sport, you can relate to this dynamic. Whether it is soccer, basketball or hockey, whenever a team begins to dominate the competition, it is because they have tapped into a seemingly magical zone of many becoming one powerful force.

This principle applies to any business, large or small. Three simple questions provide a framework to select and build a team.

**What do you want or need to accomplish?** Answering this question will pinpoint the end destination. It will serve as the goal line, leading the winning touchdown, the point of repeated achievement and celebration as the team prepares to move toward the goal of another win, ultimately ranking among the top teams vying for championship status.

**What is the type of knowledge, skills and talents needed to move toward, and ultimately complete your goal?** Answering this question provides important information for you to set the baseline criteria for the requirements needed to play on your team. In small businesses, the tendency is to recruit individuals who are readily available, like relatives, friends or others that you already know. This isn’t necessarily a bad choice, but anyone who you invite to join your team must fit the criteria of what your team actually needs.

**Your retired Aunt Sally may have a lot of free time and be available and willing to serve as your receptionist a few days during the week as you work to establish your bookkeeping business.** However, if you dear aunt retired from her job as a pastry chef but doesn’t have any office skills beyond knowing how to answer phones and use e-mail, she has no business on your team.

**What do you have to offer?**

For businesses already established, the obvious answer is a competitive compensation package and the best possible work environment. For newly founded businesses with limited resources, the answer is the same, although the nature of what you will offer to “compensate” the team member(s) will look very different initially. Many people are willing to forgo a great salary in the beginning if they are confident that they will be rewarded after the company moves beyond the start up phase into profitability.

**What are the Team Assignments?**

Once you’re recruited your team, it’s important that each member understands the roles, responsibilities and parameters of what is expected. Although you, the business owner, are the leader by default, make sure that you identify and provide opportunities for others to move and grow in to leadership positions as the size and profits of your company expand. Here too, if you don’t have the basic skill set to function as a effective leader and manager, invest in learning those skills, or bring in a team member who strong in these areas.

By building a strong team, with strong management to provide the appropriate training, support and leadership needed for the team to operate, you can build a team that thrives in your respective industry.



### 5 BEST PRACTICES FOR COLLECTING EMAILS AND FOLLOWING UP AFTER A TRADE SHOW

Getting booth space at a live event is great exposure for your business. It’s also an opportunity to grow your email list so you can stay in touch with the people who stopped by your booth. Over time, these people could become valuable contacts for your business. As they get to know you and trust you, they might become paying customers or great word of mouth promoters. Here are 5 best practices:

- 1. Make your booth stand out.** Think about color and signs that grab attention and how to show off the personality of your brand. When we have a booth at a live event, it looks like a fun tiki hut with bamboo poles, signs and a grass roof. It gets people to stop by and talk to us and adds an element of fun.
- 2. Make sure people know that they are being added to your email list if they put their card in your fish bowl.** Put a sign on your bowl with an arrow that says, “Drop your card here to receive email updates from us.” You want to make sure that you build your email list with permission and make it clear to them that they will be added to the list. You might even print out a copy of what your emails look like to show them what they are signing up for.
- 3. Use an email service provider like Constant Contact.** Upload the emails you collected at the event into an email service provider so that you can legally send group emails and track the results. You can find out who opened the email and what calls to action they clicked on. You can measure behavior.
- 4. Assign the email names to their own list.** To keep track of the people you met, put them into their own list. In Constant Contact, you simply create a new list, name it and add the emails to that list. This will help remind you where you met people and will allow you to message just those people when you want.
- 5. Send them an email within 24 hours.** Timing is important. If you wait too long, people will forget about you. Send an email while the event is still fresh in their mind. You might include a fun picture of your booth or an interesting moment from the event. You could say something like, “It was nice meeting you at the XYZ event yesterday. Thanks for stopping by our booth. We had a great time meeting everyone and we probably ate too many cupcakes (add your personality)! If you would like to learn more about us, call us at \_\_\_\_\_ or visit our web site at \_\_\_\_\_ (give some type of call to action).” Make sure to put links to your web site and to your social media sites.

It’s important to stay in touch and make sure you deliver what you promised. An email once a month with interesting content will work for most businesses. You want to stay top of mind so people don’t forget about you. If you deliver an email that people will look forward to, you just might find your next greatest customer or fan.

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### RETIREMENT INCOME STRATEGIES IN A LOW INTEREST RATE ENVIRONMENT

It’s no secret that generating income in retirement is not as easy as it used to be. We’ve experienced a dramatic decline in interest rates over the past 30 years. According to data published by the Federal Reserve Bank, a 10-year U.S. Treasury note (at constant maturity) yielded just under 11 percent in June 1983, 30 years ago. By June 1993, that same bond yielded 5.96 percent, and it kept trending lower to 3.33 percent ten years ago in June 2003.

Yet today’s yield on the 10-year Treasury, in the 2 percent range, pales in comparison. In other words, an individual investing \$100,000 in a U.S. Treasury note in April when interest rates were 1.76 percent would receive about \$147 per month in interest income. That same investment would have earned in excess of \$900 per month in 1983, more than five times the cash flow a 10-year Treasury note generates today.

#### Finding higher income

There are few signs that Federal Reserve policy or federal government actions will do much to alter the interest rate environment in any significant way in the near future. While it seems reasonable to expect interest rates to, at least gradually, move higher from today’s historically low levels, the timing and severity of such a move is hard to predict.

Retirees or those entering retirement need to look at income strategies differently today. Some solutions could include:

#### A “bucket” approach

Consider setting aside 2-3 years’ worth of income in cash or cash equivalent assets. This is money that will not earn much return (if any), but will be readily available to meet income needs over the near term without risk of loss. The rest of your assets could be invested within your risk tolerance in a well-diversified portfolio. Though no strategy is perfect, this balance can help a retiree meet short- and long- term expenses.

#### Seek investments that can generate higher income

You likely have different goals for various investments, so while investing in some more conservative investments make sense, you may hope to generate more income in others. To generate income, there are a variety of options to consider, but investors should take great care in doing so. It’s worthwhile to explore different ways to enhance yields you earn from your portfolio, but it should be accomplished

by building a diversified mix of assets that are suitable for your risk tolerance. It’s generally wise to avoid putting all or most of your money into a single investment to provide an income stream. A financial professional can help you understand and review all of your options and help you design an effective strategy for your circumstances and risk tolerance level.

#### Annuities

You may want to dedicate a portion of your assets to an annuity that can provide a stable stream of income independent of market conditions. Consistent with the market as a whole, annuity payout rates are lower today than they once were, so this may not solve all of your cash flow needs, but an annuity can help make sure that you have a sufficient income stream to pay essential living costs in retirement. Note that any guarantees, including income, are subject to the claims paying ability of the issuing company.

#### Cutting back on expenses

Finding ways to generate income is usually only part of the solution for investors. Many retirees today are experiencing a reality check about their lifestyles. In today’s environment, it may be necessary to determine trade-offs you’re willing to make to afford the essential and lifestyle expenses you need and want.

Planning for retirement is complicated so no matter how you choose to invest, do your homework to make sure you understand all of your options and the risks and opportunities associated with current market and economic conditions. Consider meeting with a financial professional that can help you define your risk tolerance and help you prepare for retirement based on your individual goals and circumstances.

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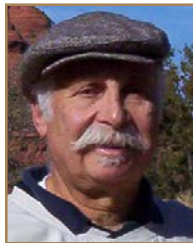
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## STUART Tolchin.....On LIFE



### AH, ROMANTIC LOVE HOW CAN WE LEARN TO GET ALONG

Lately many things have been isolated as threatening civilization as we know it. There's too much carbon dioxide in the air; the continued use of fossil fuels will inevitably cause the ruination of the planet, unexplained meteorological disasters are a weekly occurrence; wars continue and Americans can't tell the good guys from the bad guys. In the United States the whole legislative process is gridlocked and simple gun-control legislation cannot be passed although such legislation is supported by a huge majority of the electorate. Half the world's population, about a billion people are starving while exist multi-billionaires controlling a huge percentage of the world's wealth ignore the problem.

The future looks bleak in that once respected institutions such as the University of California system, almost free of charge in my lifetime, has now become almost prohibitively expensive to almost all but the already wealthy. Furthermore, even after obtaining an expensive education and faced with an overwhelming debt, many graduates find themselves unable to find work.

There are other kinds of problems that I see in Court every day. There is a tremendous number of people driving cars while under the influence of alcohol. If society is serious about wanting to end the problems associated with drunk-driving, there is a simple solution. Sensors could be installed in all vehicles which would prevent the car from starting if the driver has a measurable amount of alcohol in his or her system. Even if these additional sensors make automobiles cost a bit more, this is far better than the danger to everyone caused by drunk drivers.

Yes, all of these problems exist and perhaps mankind is doomed but, underneath it all, most of us believe solutions will be found that will make the problems go away and that other areas of concern - like overpopulation, plague, water shortages, and global economic depressions - will soon take center stage. I am no wizard at predicting the future but there is one problem that I see every day in Court that I find terribly disturbing. This is the problem of domestic violence. Whole departments of the Court deal with only domestic violence matters.

It's bad enough that about half the marriages end in divorce requiring expensive litigation and decisions by outsiders to settle the disputes between former lovers, but violence is another level of horror. Afternoon talk shows are filled with stories of spouses killing spouses and the public seems satisfied with a final punishment of guilty perpetrators.

The problem isn't the need to identify the evil-doers but, instead, there should be some huge overall societal attempt to assist us in getting along with our chosen partners. Barriers between people such as race, religion, and age have generally disappeared and we are free to marry anyone we want, so long as the other person agrees.

Doesn't that sound wonderful? Just about everyone I know who ever got married described themselves as totally in love at the time of their marriage. Yes, everything was dandy yet, within a decade or so, about 75 per cent of these marriages ended in divorce. Sure, the kids of the marriage were damaged by the break-up and probably never understood what was going on. Kids are invariably influenced by what they see, or think they see, as going on between their parents. In his book *The Soul's Code*, James Hillman reveals that a study of identical twins separated at birth demonstrates something extraordinary about the style of romantic love. These twins, who he calls monozygotic adults raised apart, are identical in many ways. They often have chosen to use the same toothpaste, shaving lotion, cigarettes, and hair tonic. They often have chosen the same professions; all of which demonstrates that genetic influence accounts for a significant part of an individual's character or destiny. There is one great difference between these identical twins raised apart. That great difference is what Hillman calls their "style of love".

Hillman has concluded that "romantic love styles, unlike almost everything else, are not strongly influenced by heritable factors." According to the research he discusses, individuals' styles of loving are highly influenced by observing parents' relational styles. This conclusion gives me some hope. If society can help spouses to relate in non-destructive ways this may well impact the way their children relate to their future spouses. Maybe it would be possible in the future for couples to stop beating each other up and to actually provide loving models for their children to follow.

How does society help its married couples? Do we have to be trained to be nice to one another? Could there be marriage training just like driver training or swimming lessons? Well, it's worth thinking about and if people keep going to School, I think learning to help people to get along will have as great an impact on our lives as anything else. After all, who needs money, food, or water when you're in love - even if you are unemployed? Nevertheless, if we want a more livable world, I think this is a great place to start.



## OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

### I WAS TRICKED AND I THOUGHT I WAS TRICK PROOF!

I was minding my own business last week, which is the only business I am concerned about, when the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage posed a question.

It is in the area of questions I feel the most inadequate. Maybe it is because I have not heard all the questions yet, but I think I have come close. I should know that any question that comes from my wife has a hidden agenda. Usually, she asks questions that have no answers.

"Let's go out for lunch today," she said rather chipperly. Experience should have taught me that when she is chipper, I am in trouble, because I am always the chippee. "We have," she explained, "some gift cards for a restaurant across town."

Then she smiled and that should have been a giveaway for me. When you mention lunch, and when you add the word "free" to it, I lose all sense of proportion and sanity, if I had any. Actually, to be honest about everything, it does not take much to scratch between my ears and get me purring.

Then she threw in a perk that sold me completely on the idea. I love perks. "I'll drive."

When you think you have heard every trick in the book, somebody writes a new book. Usually, I forget some old trick that she has played, and here was an old one she was playing on me again.

On the way to the restaurant, I had a little uneasy feeling, but as we sat down and began ordering, all suspicion faded into thin air. It was a scrumptious lunch and we both enjoyed being together, carefree and enjoying the ambiance.

When the check came I casually said, "You know, we ought to do this more often."

She smiled and nodded her head. When we got into the car, she said somewhat nonchalantly, "Oh, by the way, since we're here I need to run into the mall and pick up an item."

When I heard those words, I froze. Not the mall! I hate shopping, especially at the mall. In my mind, the word "mall" is the acronym for May All Lose their Loot. Since I do not have that much loot to lose, I do not like going into a place designed to relieve me of my loot.

Every time I walk down the center of the mall, I feel eyes glaring at me and piercing to the core of my wallet trying to suck out all my money. And, by the way, they take credit cards. Boy, do they "take" credit cards.

When we parked at the mall parking lot, I indicated I would stay in the car and wait for her.

"Oh, no," she exclaimed, "come on in, you need the exercise. I'm just going to run in and run out."

Here is where the language differential between husbands and wives shows itself. Unless you are familiar with English with a feminine twist, you are going to get trapped every time.

For example: when a husband says the word "run," he is referring to speed. When his wife uses the same word it means she is going to run into every store in sight within the mall with one agenda, and that is to buy. For which I can say bye-bye to my money.

Why don't local universities offer a degree in wifeology? They have degrees in everything else, why not here where it would be most useful. By the time I reach the equivalent of a doctorate in wifeology, I would be too old to do any good with it.

Those who insist there is no difference between a man and a woman have never been married to a woman. Husbands get into trouble assuming their wife is just like them and thinks just like them.

Exiting the shopping mall my wife looked at me, smiled and said, "Now, wasn't that good exercise."

I nodded as I walked to the car with both my hands filled with recently purchased items from the shopping mall. Now I know my part of the exercise was hauling her purchases to the car. Halfway to the car I had to stop and catch my breath and wondered if I would really make it to the car.

"Come on, we're done shopping for the day. Let's get to the car."

While driving home I was afraid my wife was going to wear out her smile.

"This has been a great day. We'll have to do this more often."

Then she began humming a song, "We've only just begun." I think this is her theme song; in fact, I am afraid it is.

About half way home, I had a wonderful thought. It was a good day. I can always earn more money, but I can never get another wife quite as nice as the one I have. Then I began humming, "We've only just begun."

A verse of Scripture began playing in my mind as we continued our journey home. "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also" (John 14:3 KJV).

Driving into the driveway, I realized this was not our final destination. God has a wonderful place prepared for those who have put their trust and faith in Him. No tricks about it.

## LEFT TURN/RIGHT TURN

### HOWARD Hays As I See It



"The chicken-hawk has no idea what it means to have the courage to put your life at risk to defend this nation, but they're quick to disparage those who did sacrifice. I don't understand how their conscience permits them to challenge Senator Kerry's commitment to our nation's defense. . . The reality is that the chicken-hawks in this administration are doing a lousy job of bolstering our nation's defense and supporting the troops."

- 2004 floor speech by Sen. Frank Lautenberg (1924-2013) (D-NJ) (U.S. Army 1942-1946)

A new Quinnipiac University poll shows that although Americans feel the IRS "scandal" is more important than Benghazi or the Justice Dept.'s seizure of Associated Press records, they also, by a wide margin, think Congress' attention would be better focused elsewhere. By 73% to 22%, Americans would rather see Congress focused on jobs and the economy than on any of those three "scandals".

This IRS "scandal" goes back to 1959, when the agency took it upon itself to revise the statute governing 501(c)(4) status. It directed that the word "exclusively", as in "exclusively" engaged in social welfare activities, be interpreted as "primarily" - thus inviting arbitrary determinations.

The problem was self-inflicted by the IRS, but I see an ulterior motive to Congress' obsession with it: to divert attention from the fact that by far the largest, most egregious "scandals" involving the IRS are the result of actions taken by Congress itself.

Here's what's scandalous: According to the SEC, in the five years since the Great Recession of 2008, corporate profits have doubled from what they were ten years ago. But, while their average effective tax rate in the twenty years prior to the crash was 22.5%, the rate in the five years since has fallen to 10%, though for many it was lower:

General Electric reported \$81 billion in profits over the past five years, with a negative tax rate - receiving refunds of \$3 billion. Refunds also went to Boeing (\$21.5 billion profits), Verizon (\$48 billion), Kraft Foods (\$13.5 billion) and Dow Chemical (\$10 billion).

Exxon/Mobil paid an effective tax rate of 1% over the period, reporting \$45 billion in profits for 2012 - and sharing in the \$2.4 billion per year of taxpayer subsidies.

We've heard of the \$1.7 trillion that corporations have stashed abroad to avoid U.S. taxes. Now, many aren't even bothering with the pretense of holding deposits overseas in the Caymans, Bermuda or Singapore. As reported in a January WSJ article, they just report money to have been earned by foreign subsidiaries and then keep it here, in dollars, in U.S. banks. Microsoft and Google have more than three-quarters of their revenue reportedly from foreign subsidiaries sitting here at home - and tax-free.

Some suggest high taxes lead companies to leave California. Well, Apple is still headquartered up north in Cupertino. They set up an office in Reno, though, to invest their profits and avoid state taxes. They established subsidiaries in Ireland to handle intellectual

property, so royalties on a patent for a Silicon Valley invention, and taxes on those royalties, are collected in County Cork. To avoid Ireland's 12.5% tax rate, Apple developed the "Double Irish" strategy, adopted by others, where profits earned in low-tax places in Europe are transferred again to zero-tax locales in the Caribbean. A study cited by the NY Times figures that by these strategies Apple avoids paying some \$2.4 billion a year in U.S. taxes.

The scandal is that Congress writes the tax code to appease the interests that bankroll their careers, not those who actually vote - and, especially since "Citizens United", those interests are primarily corporate.

Unlike a corporation, when we make money, we're not able to search the globe for jurisdictions with the lowest tax rates in which to report that income.

If we have to pay a fine on a speeding ticket, it costs us alone. If Wall Street banks have to pay an \$8.5 billion settlement for tanking the economy; if BP has to pay \$36.5 billion in fines, settlements and oil cleanup costs, they're able to deduct it from their taxes - so it costs the rest of us, too.

Homeowners rebuilding after Hurricane Sandy can deduct from their taxes only expenses exceeding 10% of their annual income. Corporations have no such limitation.

If we suffer a loss one year, we get a tax break for that year only. A corporation, however, can carry that loss from one year to the next up to seven years - an option the rest of us don't have.

Americans working overseas have to report and pay taxes on their income every April 15 - whether they're staying on for another year or not. American corporations, however, can "defer" paying taxes on overseas income indefinitely - until they "bring it home". It's estimated that not treating American corporations like American citizens in this regard costs us some \$60 billion a year.

We know any money we give to a presidential candidate isn't deductible - and if it's fifty bucks or more, it can't be anonymous. As reported in Pro Publica last August, tax-exempt 501(c) (4) groups had by then spent \$71 million on presidential campaign ads, to which, thanks to "Citizens United", corporations could contribute unlimited amounts anonymously. The amount spent by liberal 501(c)(4) groups totaled \$1.6 million. The amount spent by just two conservative groups, Karl Rove's Crossroads GPS and the Koch Brothers' Americans for Prosperity, totaled \$60 million.

Last year during "fiscal cliff" talks, Republicans were amenable to President Obama's suggestion to lower tax rates while closing loopholes and trimming deductions - until they were asked to identify loopholes they'd be willing to close and deductions they'd be willing to trim. Then, after rates were raised on incomes above \$450,000 a year, they took the whole idea off the table.

Congressional Republicans remain intent on pursuing this IRS Tea Party "scandal" rather than pursuing means to assure every multi-national corporation pays its fair share of taxes just like every individual middle-class earner is expected to.

It's scandalous.

### SCREWING UP SYRIA AND THE MIDDLE EAST

### GREG Welborn



This week, we witnessed the 69th anniversary of D-Day, and it is altogether proper and fitting that we commemorate the day when so many of the greatest generation gave their lives in the military campaign that largely determined the course of victory in WWII. Had they not paid the price, and had they not established that beachhead in northern France, it's likely Hitler would have prevailed. But D-Day was not the only substantive event which determined the outcome of that war. As Churchill commented soon after the war's end, WWII would have been prevented if only a previous generation of leaders had risen to the occasion. Sadly, today we are seeing a replay of that previous generation's moral and political failures in the actions of our current administration's handling of the Syrian war. We may ultimately look back in righteous anger at a war that could have been stopped were it not for the fecklessness of President Obama. Many readers will be tempted to right off that assessment as nothing more than partisan ravings. But the assessment is not mine alone. In a remarkable burst of candor, Bill Clinton said, "Obama doesn't know how to be president. He doesn't know how the world works. He's incompetent. He's an amateur!"

Because of that incompetence, it is becoming increasingly clear that Obama's handling of the Syrian conflict is dramatically increasing the probability of a more wide spread pan-middle east conflict. Should that happen, it will be a war the U.S. will have to enter. President Obama has chosen to sit out the conflict since its inception. The standard line is that this is simply an internal struggle between a secular dictator and the people he has ruled. But this "sectarian" war is now being correctly seen as the proxy for a wider Sunni-Shiite conflict. Such a Sunni-Shiite conflict, which will involve the entire Middle East, was avoided in Iraq because of the U.S. military and diplomatic presence in that country in 2006. The offshoot of the Bush doctrine was the full engagement of the U.S. in preventing the Middle East tinder box from fully igniting.

In contrast, the Obama doctrine calls for the U.S. to abdicate its leadership position, to lead from behind, to allow the Russians and the Iranians to guide events. So, Assad's minority sect government is being supplied militarily by Russia, enabling it to retain its control over a majority sect population. This inflames religious tensions within Iran, Lebanon and Hezbollah. Today, we're close to the tipping point of that wider pan-Middle East war.

The administration's response is to float the idea that if the conflict prompts a larger Al Qaeda vs Hezbollah war in the region, the bloodbath might actually benefit the west. Why, after all, should we care if one murderous faction of Islam wants to wipe out another murderous faction of Islam? Better that they fight each other than us. Perhaps if both sides were narrowly focused territorially, it would be tempting - although highly immoral given the civilian casualties - to let events play out. But neither faction here is fighting just for territory. This isn't about Syria. This isn't about ruling one little spec of ground on a big planet.

Al Qaeda, Hezbollah, Russia and Iran are engaged because the victor will gain a stronger base from which to wage religious war against the west. Because the Obama administration has been AWOL here, there are no legitimate civil libertarian or secular democratic forces on either side. Because the U.S. was engaged in Iraq, there is a fledgling democracy and civil libertarian movement in that country. Of course, that Iraqi democracy struggles now because Obama has decreased our presence there as well, but at least we were there long enough to midwife the movement, and it still fights for life. Without any meaningful U.S. involvement in Syrian events, there is nothing but stillborn remnants of democrats in Syria.

Syria, like Egypt, Libya and even that brief moment of civil unrest in Iran, is becoming a lost opportunity because of the Obama doctrine. Unless we see courageous leadership of the type that Churchill found so lacking among the leaders who preceded him, we, too, will see a wider war - this one unconstrained by the borders of the Mediterranean, the Black or the Arabian Seas. Those who vie for dominance in this conflict will ultimately focus their attention on Israel, Europe and the U.S. We need to engage now - forcefully and fully - in a region literally dying for stability, or we may yet see the world at war again.

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GH TRUCKING, 13029 EAST BROOK AVE., DOWNEY, CA 90242. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GUJINDER SINGH, 13029 EAST BROOK AVE., DOWNEY, CA 90242. ASHOK KUMAR, 3481 MOUNTAINDS CIR., CORONA, CA 92882. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: GUJINDER SINGH. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/28/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-108673  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GIRLFRIENDS IN CHRIST INTERNATIONAL, INC.; GETTING TOGETHER WITH THE GIRLFRIENDS

FELLOWSHIPS, 3818 CRENSHAW BLVD. STE 305, L.A., CA. 90008. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GIRLFRIENDS IN CHRIST INTERNATIONAL, INC., 3818 CRENSHAW BLVD. STE 305, L.A., CA. 90008. This Business is conducted by: CORPORATION. Signed: PHEILENCIA A. WHITE. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/24/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-111388  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ANANIAS SERVICES, 1201 STUDYAKER RD. #136, NORWALK, CA 90650. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) EDWARD G. MEDINA, 2574 TIEMANN AVE., BRONX, NY 10469. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: EDWARD G. MEDINA. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/30/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-111435  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GREEN LIST TAX SERVICE, 2716 CIMARRON ST., L.A., CA. 90018. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ELIZJA GREEN, 2716 CIMARRON ST., L.A., CA. 90018. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ELIZJA GREEN. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/30/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-110566  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: HAUTE GIRL & CO; HAUTE GIRL BEADS, 4340 MANHATTAN BEACH BLVD. STE 1, LAWNDALE, CA 90260. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) CHRIS BLY, L.A., CA. 90260. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MONROE LOVE, 4340 MANHATTAN BLVD, STE 1, LAWNDALE, CA 90260. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: MONROE LOVE. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/30/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-111249  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: HOLLYWOOD UNIVERSAL FILM PRODUCTIONS AND SERVICE ELECTRONIC, 4385½ E. OLYMPIC BLVD., L.A., CA. 90009. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) RICARDO NOVA, 5307 E. CENTER PL., L.A., CA. 90022. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: RICARDO NOVA. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/30/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-108259  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ROBERTS,TIRE & AUTO SERVICE, VAN VENICE, L.A., CA. 90006. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) CARLOS A. QUITERO, 433½ W. 58º ST., L.A., CA. 90037. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: CARLOS A. QUITERO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/24/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-109557  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: IGADGET SOLUTIONS, 1600 S. AZUSA AVE., CITY OF INDUSTRY, CA 91748. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) BRANDAN LEE, 16240 FIVE OAK AVE., CHINO, CA 91708. SEAN SANTOS, 5 WINTERMIST, IRVINE, CA 92614. MARC GILBERT FLORO, 13555 BANYON RD., TUSTIN, CA. 92782. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: BRANDAN LEE. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/28/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-111680  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: INFOTECH CAREER COLLEGE, 8527 ALONDRA BLVD, STE 174, PARAMOUNT, CA 90723. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) INFOTECH INSTITUTE, INC., 8527 ALONDRA BLVD, STE 174, PARAMOUNT, CA 90723. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: ASHOK K. GARG. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/30/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names

listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-110708  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: KINGDOMKIDZ, 14910 GAGELY DR. #1, LA MIRADA, CA 90628. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ALISA DANIELS, 14910 GAGELY DR. #1, LA MIRADA, CA 90638. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ALISA DANIELS. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/29/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-108475  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: JENNY'S NUTRITION STORE, 4269 S. VERMONT AVE., L.A., CA. 90007. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LUIS GONZALEZ, 6220 S. BÜDLONG AVE., L.A., CA. 90044. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: LUIS GONZALEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/24/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-106364  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: JY INTERNATIONAL TRADING CO, 323 W. NEWBY AVE., L.A., CA. 90022. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) SHUSHENG WANG, 323 W. NEWBY AVE., L.A., CA. 90022. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: SHUSHENG WANG. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/22/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-110324  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LA TIENDITA, 11520 ROSECRANS AVE., NORWALK, CA 90242. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PRONATURAMEX, INC., 11520 ROSECRANS AVE., NORWALK, CA 90650. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: JUAN CARLOS PEREZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/29/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-110326  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LA TIENDITA, 12354 WOODRUFF AVE., DOWNEY, CA 90242. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PRONATURAMEX, INC., 11520 ROSECRANS AVE., NORWALK, CA 90650. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: JUAN CARLOS PEREZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/29/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-111574  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LL STYLE ME HAIR SALON, 17421 BELLFLOWER BLVD., BELLFLOW, N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-110374  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LL STYLE ME HAIR SALON, 17421 BELLFLOWER BLVD., BELLFLOW, N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

mayor at the City on Saturday morning to get me my barricades! And 2 of those years the S.M.P.D. had not been informed that we were having a block party. One of those times, the officer moved the barricades away from the Michillinda end of the block after we had already started setting up table & chairs, so now cars are driving thru, and me & a bunch of kids are in the middle of the street! I was jumping up & down, waving my hands and whistling, and the officer just ignored me! Then he had the nerve to ask me what I thought I was doing, and made me go inside and get the permit approval letter to prove to him that I actually had permission! I said “Do you think I went down to the city yard and helped myself to the barricades?” He also told me that *I* should have informed the P.D. that I was having a block party.... Funny – I thought that was covered by the TUP.

So.... this is where **YOU** come in.... I am here to respectfully request that the City Council initiate a separate permit specifically for block parties, and attach a fee that is more equitable to the amount of effort that goes into processing it. Our City's yard sale permit costs \$14, which is a pretty good place to start. It makes sense that dropping off & picking up barricades would add to that fee, but certainly not in the \$118 range!

*(This is the part I didn't get to read at the City Council meeting.)*

I did some research and called the cities of Pasadena and Arcadia to see what their policies and fees are. In both cities, a block party permit is **free**. Both cities require the applicant to get approval signatures in advance from a certain percentage of their affected neighbors, to block off the street. In both cities, the resident picks up the barricades from the city yard himself and returns them on Monday. Arcadia requires a refundable deposit for this, Pasadena does not. Pasadena requires the homeowner to provide \$300,00 liability insurance or purchase it from the city's 3rd party agent. Arcadia does not require insurance from the applicant.

I would be happy to call some other cities for information if it would help my case. But it's not just about me & my block... I would hope that the City of Sierra Madre would want to encourage and promote these kinds of social gatherings, and make it easier on the average citizen to have one. So, I hope you will please take this into consideration.

Thank you very much.

Sue Behrens, Sierra Madre

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-110324  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LP HAIR STUDIO; SEXY SCISSORS, 15715 AMAR RD., LA PUENTE, CA 90244. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LETICIA PEREZ, JOSE PEREZ, 1367 INDIAN SUMMER AVE., LA PUENTE, CA 91744. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: LETICIA PEREZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/29/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-108716  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MARVIN'S HOME IMPROVEMENT, 9145 CHARLEVILLE BLVD, #108, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MARVIN ALFARO, 9145 CHARLEVILLE BLVD, #104, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MARVIN ALFARO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/24/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-111585  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MI INDIA BONITA, 473½ E. OLYMPIC BLVD., L.A., CA. 90022. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) TERESA SALAZAR, 748 N. NORA AVE., WEST COVINA, CA 91790. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: TERESA SALAZAR. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/30/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-110057  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MORALES SIGN COMPANY, 11170 ALAMO CT., LYNWOOD, CA 90262. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PABLO MORALES, 10151 PESCADERO AVE., SOUTH GATE, CA 90280. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: PABLO MORALES. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/29/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/07/2012. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-110030  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MORE THAN COPIERS, INC.; DIGITAL IMAGE SOLUTIONS; CARBORNA COPIERS, 10000 WOODRUFF AVE., PL. STE A, SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MORE THAN COPIERS, INC., 8531 WELLSFORD PL. STE A, SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PABLO MORALES, 10151 PESCADERO AVE., SOUTH GATE, CA 90280. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: MARISSA GALVEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/29/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/29/2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-111031  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: NAJARIAN WP, 609 S. EVERETT ST., GLENDALE, CA 91205. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) FREDRICK NAJARIAN, 609 S. EVERETT ST., GLENDALE, CA 91205. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: FREDRICK NAJARIAN. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/30/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-108144  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ORCHID MASSAGE AND SPA, 24020 VISTA MONTANA #A, TORRANCE, CA 90505. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) KANSINEE VISETUPUTAN, 16700 YUKON AVE. #221, TORRANCE, CA 90504. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: KANSINEE VISETUPUTAN. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/24/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-110427  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: OTHERWORLD COTTAGE INDUSTRIES, 1746 S. KINGSLEY DR., L.A., CA 90006-5210. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) TRAVIS EDWARD PIKE, 1746 S. KINGSLEY DR., L.A., CA 90006-5210. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: TRAVIS EDWARD PIKE. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/29/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-110871  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MARVIN'S HOME IMPROVEMENT, 9145 CHARLEVILLE BLVD, #108, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MARVIN ALFARO, 9145 CHARLEVILLE BLVD, #104, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MARVIN ALFARO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/24/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-110892  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SACROFIT FOOD, 4632 SANTA MONICA BLVD. #25, L.A., CA. 90029. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ROSA ELIVRA AVILA DE NIETO, CARLOS ALBERTO NIETO, 4632 SANTA MONICA BLVD. #25, L.A., CA. 90029. This Business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE. Signed: ROSA ELIVRA AVILA DE NIETO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/24/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/24/2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2013-108363  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SYNERGY TRADINGS, 750 REDONDO AVE., LONG BEACH, CA 90804. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LAKHENA CHHUON, 750 REDONDO AVE., LONG BEACH, CA 90804. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: LAKHENA CHHUON. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/24/2013. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/24/2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code/Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: June 01, 08, 15, 21, 2013





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