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MOUNTAIN VIEWS NEWS EAST VALLEY EDITOR JOAN SCHMIDT HONORED BY LA COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

Joan Schmidt, East Valley Editor for the Mountain Views News, and a Monrovia resident for 27 years was among the honorees at the 29th Annual "Women of the Year" Awards and Scholarship Luncheon held at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion in Los Angeles on Monday.

Supervisor Mike Antonovich nominated Ms. Schmidt, a retired teacher of twenty-five years at Annunciation School, Arcadia, for this special award for her service and dedication to her community.

In 1992, although a full-time teacher, she heeded the suggestion of then Captain Bob Mirabella, Commander of Temple Station, to help form a "Town Council" and become a member. When the question of "drawing up an area map" arose, she volunteered and insisted Arcadia is included. For two weeks, she handed out 500 flyers in South Arcadia to ensure representation from that area. Carolyn Ziegler came aboard and Carolyn was the impetus for Monrovia Transit serving all three areas and the Stop Sign at Daines/Tyler which residents had been unsuccessfully seeking for 25 years!

As a candidate for the newly-formed Town Council, Joan was asked her goals. After listening to many Duarte county residents voice concerns about many issues and having no one to call for assistance, Joan said, "My goal is to bring our three communities together as one, and alert ALL residents what specific county agency to contact for assistance."

After the Town Council formed, Joan knew she had to spread the word about the Council. She Xeroxed copies of a flyer about the Council and started giving them to neighbors in Monrovia. But that wasn't enough. One day, she picked up the Gem City News, a local weekly paper and decided to try the press. She contacted Editor David Crane and he ran the article. She also met with Von Reese from the Monrovia/Arcadia Weekly and then went to the phonebook. She called the



San Gabriel Valley Examiner, spoke to Inday Moses and began a ten year stint with that paper.

During her ten years on the Town Council, Joan received several awards: 1999 City of Duarte Civic Service Award and 2001 Woman of the Year by Assemblyman Dennis Mountjoy. In addition she was recognized by Supervisor Antonovich, L.A. County Parks and Recreation Department, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and California Highway Patrol.

After ten years, Joan decided to step down from writing and the Town Council. Curriculum in schools was much more extensive. Because of the economy, there were budget cuts. In addition to seven subjects, there had to be lessons for art and computer. Joan felt the need to concentrate on her teaching.

In 2010, Joan retired from Annunciation. After some prodding from Supervisor Antonovich, she resumed her writing career and became East Valley Editor for the Mountain Views News. There STILL were people in the county areas not aware there was a Town Council! Residents STILL did not know who to call if they needed assistance! Joan's goal is basically the same as it was in 1993: "Get the news out and let residents know what is happening in our areas." She also feels that "There are so many positive things going on in our communities...we need to spread the word and get more residents involved...our county area IS a great place to call HOME."

ARE THE WATER WARS BACK? Sierra Madre Confronts Arcadia Over Suspected Violations of Water Rights

By Susan Henderson

For several months, the City of Sierra Madre has been judiciously monitoring the water levels of its wells. The monitoring not only included measuring the water levels, but also researching whether or not there were other factors that contributed to the diminishing water supply. And, according to Sierra Madre City Manager Elaine Aguilar, it was discovered that Arcadia was in fact drawing down more than their allocated share of water from the East Raymond Basin.

The facts are both simple and complex. The distribution of water in the Raymond Basin was adjudicated in 1937 "when officials from the City of Pasadena called together representatives of other Raymond Basin Producers in an attempt to negotiate a pumping reduction on a cooperative basis", according to the opening brief submitted by Sierra Madre Assistant City Holly Whatley.

That negotiation failed and the courts ultimately laid out the plan for "purveyors" to draw water from the wells. The cities involved included Pasadena, Arcadia, Sierra Madre, Alhambra and twelve other entities such as the Kinneloa Irrigation District and the Sunny Slope Water Company. That ruling, although challenged unsuccessfully over the years still governs who can take how much water from the basin.

However, despite the adjudication which limits how much water can be drawn by the city of Arcadia, Sierra Madre City officials are alleging that its neighbor is violating the agreement and taking water that doesn't belong to them.

Specifically, the allegations are that two new wells, the Anoakia Well built by Arcadia in 2001 and the Colorado Well, built in 2007, are taking water from the Sierra Madre allocation.

Arcadia on the other hand is challenging the boundaries of the basin and claiming that they are not.

On Thursday, March 13, 2014, the matter was taken before the basin's "Watermaster" in an attempt to settle the dispute.

The Watermaster, aka The Raymond Basin Management Board consists of representatives from all users of the basin, i.e.,

City of Alhambra

City of Arcadia
Henry E. Huntington Library and Art Gallery
Pasadena Cemetery Association
City of Pasadena
City of Sierra Madre
California-American Water Company
East Pasadena Water Company
Kinneloa Irrigation District
La Canada Irrigation District
Los Flores Water Company
Lincoln Avenue Water Company
Rubio Canon Land and Water Association
San Gabriel County Water District
Sunny Slope Water Company and
Valley Water Company.

These entities will ultimately decide if the City of Sierra Madre's claim is valid.

At the hearing on Thursday, the city presented a brief asking the Board to Enforce the 1984 Judgement. (That judgement was the last court action taken which upheld the city's rights regarding the East Raymond Basin). Both sides, Arcadia and Sierra Madre not only were represented by their lawyers but also brought expert witnesses.

Ten people from Sierra Madre were present including Mayor Walsh and Council members John Capoccia and Chris Koerber. Whatley stressed the adverse impact Arcadia's actions were having, especially in face of the current drought.

One of Arcadia's arguments against the city's claims is that they believe the science used to establish the boundaries is 'outdated. Witnesses on both side argued that point.

The hearing lasted more than two and a half hours. A decision from the Board is expected in mid-April.

Regardless who prevails, it is very likely that the matter will ultimately end up back in the courts, as the courts have the ultimate authority to decide the case.

In the brief filed by the City Attorney, the initial suit was filed in 1937 and decisions were rendered in 1944, 1954, 1974, and 1984. Those familiar with the matter suggest that another court decision is probably forth coming. Stay tuned.

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ELECTION COVERAGE

On April 8, 2014, voters in Sierra Madre will go to the polls and select three people from a field of four to sit on the City Council. They will also vote on a local ballot measure to extend the city's current User Utility Tax Ordinance.

The Mountain Views News will provide our readers with comprehensive coverage of this election. Each week, as we have done in the past, we will profile the candidates and give each of the candidates the opportunity to introduce themselves to our readers by answering the following questions:

1. Why are you running for City Council?
2. What are you going to do for Sierra Madre?
3. How do you plan on accomplishing your goals?

(All candidates are being asked to answer the same questions and their answers will be published unedited.)

The paper will also review the pros and cons of the proposed User Utility Tax Ordinance. The schedule will be as follows:

March 15th	Candidate Noah Green
March 22nd	Candidate Eugene Goss
March 29th	Candidate Forum Review

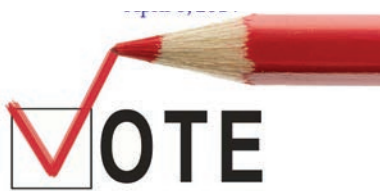
It is our sincere hope that each candidate will submit their answers so that we can share them with our readers. A separate letter has been sent to each candidate asking them to participate.

In addition to the candidate spotlights, we will attempt to cover the various forums sponsored by local organizations. Where possible, the unedited video of these forums will be broadcast on the papers website.

Our reporting on this election will be as fair and objective as possible. However, please keep in mind that our columnists are always free to share their opinions. Their opinions are their opinions and may or may not reflect the position of the paper. This is true in all things, not just this election.

We will also provide for you the calendar of important dates regarding the election. It is our goal to do whatever we can to help you make an informed decision on April 8, 2014.

Susan Henderson, Publisher and Editor



SIERRA MADRE KIWANIS CLUB PRESENTS:

COUNCIL CANDIDATE FORUM

Tuesday, March 18, 2014 12:00 noon

The Lodge in Sierra Madre

33 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, Ca.

SIERRA MADRE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESENTS:

TELEVISED CANDIDATES FORUM

Tuesday, March 18, 2014 6:00 pm

City Council Chambers

CANDIDATE FOR SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL NOAH GREEN

I am a proud resident of the Canyon and live in a little house just past Mary's Market. My wife and I have met many good people here who we are proud to call friends. I am a 14-year attorney and specialize in representing small businesses.

I am running for City Council because I am trying to make our piece of the world a better place, and thought it was time for me to lead instead of follow.

Here is what I stand for:

1. Water Supply

Grey water systems divert much of our used water away from the sewer and back into the ground to replenish our wells. I would require them on new construction and provide financial assistance for retrofits with funds available through state and federal programs.

Legal battles with Arcadia and others over water rights will surely intensify as the drought continues. I will make sure that our interests are properly defended.

2. Budget

I will review the budget on a line-item basis and require justification for every expense. I believe my experience in helping businesses shed unnecessary expenses to emerge from bankruptcy will be useful in this regard.

3. Police and Fire

With average response times between 3-4 minutes, our Police and Fire Departments provide excellent service while remaining under local control. I oppose outsourcing public safety to the County.

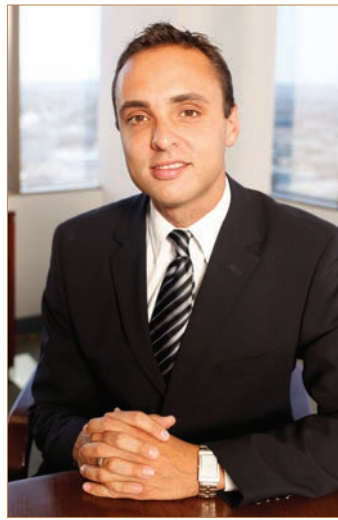
4. Business

We can help our local businesses by adding more events like the Wistaria Festival. How about a Halloween event? Why not move the farmer's market to the weekends in Kersting Court?

5. Development

I want our town to stay beautiful and uncrowded because I will be living here another 30-40 years. I will do everything in my power to control development.

I thank you for your consideration and hope to earn your vote.



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Sierra Madre, Ca.

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Thur:	Sunny	Hi 70s	Lows 50s
Fri:	Sunny	Hi 70s	Lows 50s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

CITY OF SIERRA MADRE
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING:
Tuesday, March 25, 2014
6:30 pm

1630 AM EMERGENCY RADIO &
Free on-air publicity for local events

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

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

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

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



THIS WEEK

MONDAY - 10 - 11 am

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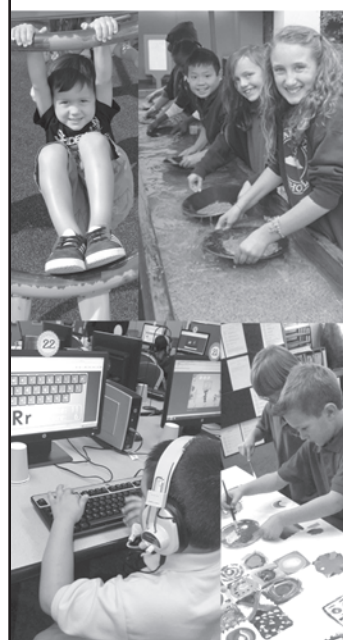


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REMEMBRANCE MILTON WILLIAM VALOIS

The strong and forward-looking spirit of our dear father, Milton William Valois, left us on the afternoon of February 13. Dr. Valois died of consequences of a fall he had sustained the Saturday before. The day of his accident, he'd taken one of his daughters to lunch and spent the afternoon sailing his boat with a friend; just two weeks before that, he'd completed a snorkeling trip in Belize with another daughter. Milton "Pop" Valois was 96 years old, and had hoped to live to be 100.

Pop was born on June 22, 1917, in Pasadena, California. He married his sweetheart, Ann Dowell Hayes, in 1942, before completing dental school at the University of Southern California. He served as Dental Officer and Junior Medical Officer aboard an attack transport ship, the U.S.S. Crittenden, for two years in the Pacific, and retired from duty as a Lt. Commander in 1954.

Pop and Mom chose the small community of Sierra Madre, California, for their home and for the site of Pop's dental practice. They reared their three daughters, Pamela, Renee, and Teresa, in Sierra Madre. Both Mom and Pop were very involved in their community. Pop served as President of the School Board, the Kiwanis Club, the San Gabriel Valley Dental Society, and the Southern California Dental

Foundation. He was active on the boards of many organizations, and helped establish the Dental Hygiene Department at Pasadena Junior College.

Pop's passion was boating. Beginning with a small powerboat, the Yoyo, and later graduating to a sailboat, the Santé, he and the family cruised the Pacific from Mexico to San Francisco. Countless weekends were passed at Cherry Cove, Catalina Island. Pop was a member of the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, the Shoreline Yacht Club, and was Commodore of the Cherry Cove Yacht Club. He was awarded "Emeritus" status by the Adventurer's Club of Los Angeles, and was a founding member of the Pasadena Power Squadron. He and Mom traveled throughout the world, often cruising on small ships.

Pop loved music. After retiring from his dental practice, he joined the Valley of the Sun Theater Organ Society, and the American Theater Organ Society.

But in Pop's own words, "my true love was my wife Ann of 71 years, my three daughters, four grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren."

Pop is survived by his three daughters, Pamela Valois, of Berkeley; Renee Walter, of Phoenix; and Teresa Valois, of Seattle; and by his son-in-law, Lloyd Linford of Berkeley. Four



beloved grandchildren, Dana Keig, Rob Walter, Zachary Linford, and Scott Linford reside in Scottsdale, North Tustin, San Diego, and Los Angeles, respectively. Pop enjoyed and followed the exploits of grandson-in-law, Gordon Keig, and two granddaughters-in-law, Rebecca Walter, and Rachel Linford; and six great grandchildren, Anna and Caroline Keig, Robby and Pearce Walter, and Abby and Joe Linford.

Friends and family surrounded Milton in his last days. We are grateful for the friends, new and old, who sailed with him, kept in touch by phone, and indulged in his local dreams and schemes. Our last words to him were "À Votre Santé!"

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to: The Los Altos Family YMCA, Dr. Milt Valois Memorial Fund, 1720 Bellflower Blvd, Long Beach, CA 90815. Checks should be made payable to the YMCA.

WALKING SIERRA MADRE.....THE SOCIAL SIDE

Photo and Story By Deanne Davis

"Some people wanted champagne and caviar when they should have had beer and hot dogs." Dwight Eisenhower

"Only in America do we buy hot dogs in packages of ten and buns in packages of eight." Anonymous

VICIOUS DOGS IS OPEN!
Woo hoo! Went to our brand new restaurant today (24 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. – site of the former Mountain View Sushi) for lunch and had a great time! All sorts of folks, including friends Kim Clymer-Kelley and Charley Kissinger were in there devouring hot dogs. My hot dog companion, the adventuresome and intrepid John, had the "I Love New York" which is a Polish dog with ranch dressing topped with grilled onions and pan fried tomatoes. And I had the "Papi El Guapo" (I'm going to spend the rest of the day going around saying Papi El Guapo for no reason at all!) which is a bacon wrapped jalapeno cheddar link with house chipotle sauce and their fresh pico de gallo salsa. Delicious. Just delicious. Charlie made quick work of "The Green Hornet" – a Louisiana Link with house-made spicy habenero green sauce, melted Monterey jack cheese and guacamole. This one is Very Spicy! Said so right on the menu! Kim had the "Slaw Dog" – an all beef dog topped with regular mustard, chili, shredded cheese and the house made cole slaw. Everybody liked everything. Doesn't this make your mouth water??



Rayna White and Keisha Tucker modeling the Vicious Dogs t-shirts

Well! I'm going back. In fact, if I can talk him into it, we might do Vicious Dogs again for dinner. I want that Green Hornet (I am, after all, fearless and close to Pepto Bismol at all times) and John wants a chili dog. Kim and Charlie shared their fries with us – very crispy and hot. I want to try the Garlic-Feta Fries, or maybe the Chili Cheese Fries.

Ah, friends and neighbors, we've needed Vicious Dogs! And judging from the crowd last Saturday for their opening day, the rest of Sierra Madre thinks so, too! They were mobbed from the opening bell till the doors finally closed. Hours, by the way, are 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and they're closed Mondays.

The staff today, Rayna White and Keisha Tucker, were very helpful, friendly, and able to keep all the people and orders organized while continuing to smile and explain the menu. I like that.

Right now Vicious Dogs can serve you a variety of sodas, iced tea, bottled water, lemonade and other soft drinks. Yes, wine and beer are coming, but not for a few more weeks.

It was really pleasant sitting outside looking up at our own personal mountains and eavesdropping on one of our public works guys who was saying that the rain a couple of weeks ago was just totally absorbed and brought our reservoir level up about a foot or so but we're still needing it to rise about another hundred feet. So, I guess we continue to do our best to be H2O Heroes and keep our showers down to a couple of minutes and water sparsely. After all the rain, I was astonished to see how quickly the ground dried out.

We're H2O Heroes,
Our water use is low.
With all our sprinklers turned off,
Just how low can it go!

We're doin' all we can here,
To save a drop or two,
H2O Heroes!
That's me, that's you!

And keep praying for rain! And maybe do a little rain dance or two like they're doing up in San Juan Bautista. "Dozens of locals danced with hopes that their positive energy will help welcome rain clouds, and organizers said the power of prayers and people is strong." Like they say in the movies, "It's so crazy it just might work!"

"Do you know why the Indian rain dances always worked? Because the Indians would keep dancing till it rained." Sherman Alexie

Meanwhile, take a walk downtown and drop in at Vicious Dogs for something outrageous...like the "Chicago" with neon green relish! Bon appétit!

Check out my book, Walking Sierra Madre friends!
"A Tablespoon of Love, A Tablespoon of Laughter."
It's available on Amazon.com and at the following link: <https://www.createspace.com/4561071>
And at the bookstore at Pasadena First Church of the Nazarene
3700 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. Pasad

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Re: Sierra Madre Utility Tax Extension

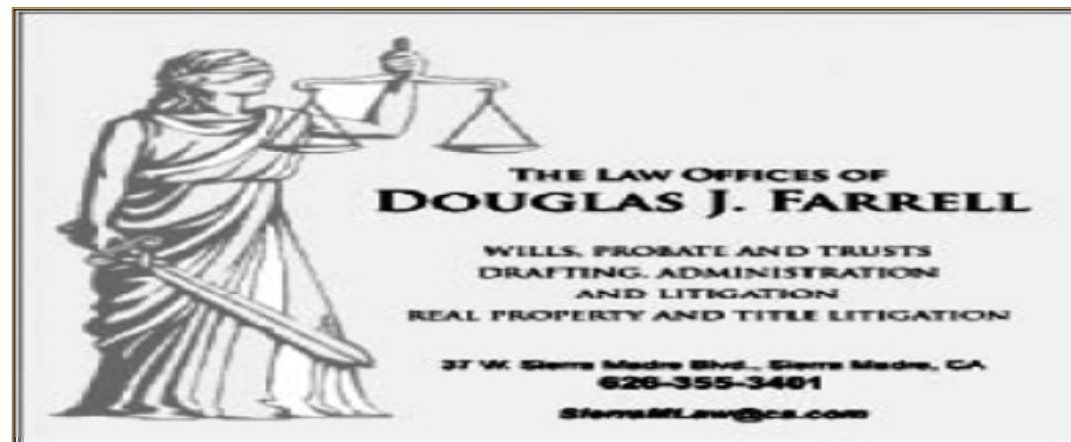
On April 8, 2014 we vote whether to extend the Utility Tax.

I don't like paying taxes any more than anyone else, but at the same time I have read both the official argument against the extension and a letter to the editor of the Pasadena Star News and I simply cannot figure out how failing to vote for the extension will leave the City able to fund the present level of modest expenditures. It is a truth we accept when we move here that we do not have the tax bases of other nearby communities and will need to do more for ourselves.

I have lived here since 1989. I can remember when Sierra Madre was so broke that when the City had to replace a police car we had to buy one used that another city was discarding. I can remember when the mechanic who serviced our fire trucks went unpaid for months and appeared before the Council begging for his bill to be paid. Things are no longer as desperate as that, but yet only this past year did we finally get our street resurfaced, which had needed it for years, and I look around and see that there are many other streets that equally need to be resurfaced.

Every house in the City is valued in the hundreds of thousands of dollars. In my opinion, that is an investment worth protecting. A modicum of public services, a library that we can be proud of, parks that I am happy to entertain my grandchildren at, streets that look like they are not in a slum, reasonable fire, paramedic and police protection, pay considerable dividends in the value of our property as part of being in a desirable community. The loss of these expenditures would promptly cost us dearly far beyond any alleged "savings". Think of it as "saving" money by firing your gardener and letting the yard go, and wondering why your property value is down.

■ Eric Olson, Sierra Madre



Sierra Madre Police Blotter

For the period March 2--9, 2014

During the week of Sunday, March 2, 2014 through Sunday March 9, 2014 the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 265 calls for service.

Wednesday March 2, 2014

On Wednesday March 5, 2014, at 4:23 pm, Sierra Madre Police Department responded to Kersting Court regarding a male subject acting aggressive and approaching people for money. A witness advised Sierra Madre Police, that they saw this same subject getting out of a grey Nissan Sentra parked outside a local business. During investigation, vehicle was located; license plate was run to find that the vehicle was stolen out of the City of Fontana. Police saw suspect matching the description entering a business. Suspect was detained and later booked on charges for Grand Theft Auto and Commercial Burglary.

Saturday March 8, 2014

On Saturday March 8, 2014 at 9:59 am. Sierra Madre Police responded to a threatening call in the 200 block of W. Laurel. After officer's investigation, one party was arrested for threatening another individual with bodily harm. Case is still under current investigation.

Sunday March 9, 2014

On Sunday March 9, 2014 at 1:00 pm, Sierra Madre Police Department responded to the 300 block of Foothill regarding a residential burglary. Resident advised officers that they were gone approximately 3.5 hours. When resident returned home they discovered their house had been ransacked, and items were stolen.

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Deputy Saves Teen from Massive Bee Attack

Two people were sent to the hospital Sunday after being stung by swarming bees in La Canada Flintridge — set off by a minor traffic accident.

An unidentified 51-year-old woman was stung over 1,000 times according to reports. Another 17-year-old girl was also stung a 100 times. Both women are from La Canada Flintridge.

"She was cover in bees and bee stings," one witness said, "The poor thing, she was really, really hysteric."

According to police, bees were disturbed and swarmed after a vehicle struck a tree in the 2000 block of Los Amigos Street shortly before 3 p.m. The 51 year-old, fearing for her life, ran to the rear of a residence where she jumped into a swimming pool, while the 17 year-old fell to the street.

The first deputy to arrive saw the 17 year-old on the ground covered in bees, and used his fire extinguisher to remove the bees from her body. He assisted her to her feet and they both ran to safety. The deputy then used the hose from a nearby residence to remove the rest of the bees from the teen.

The LA County Fire Department arrived and rescued the second victim from the pool which was swarmed with bees. Both victims were transported to a local hospital for treatment.

An assisting deputy was also stung by the bees but did not require hospital treatment.

The bee hive was removed by a local pest control company.

Pet of the Week



Pebbles is a two-year-old black and white pit bull. She's very sweet and strong so an experienced dog owner would be great for her. She also knows her "sit," "down" and "shake" commands.

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Call the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA at 626.792.7151 to ask about A350332, or visit at 361 S. Raymond Ave. in Pasadena. Adoption hours are 11-4 Sunday, 9-5 Tuesday – Friday, 9-4 Saturday. Pets may not be available for adoption and cannot be held for potential adopters from phone calls or email. Directions and photos of all pets can be found at www.pasadenahumane.org.

PETA Protester Arraigned in Court

By Dean Lee

A number of protesters from the group People for Ethical Treatment of Animals demonstrated again outside the Pasadena Superior Court Thursday as one of the members was due in court —bringing attention to what they said is animal abuse at SeaWorld.

In court, PETA activist Amanda Slyter pled not guilty during her arraignment.

Slyter said she planned to go to trial claiming her actions qualify for protection under a common-law defense called "necessity," or the "greater good."

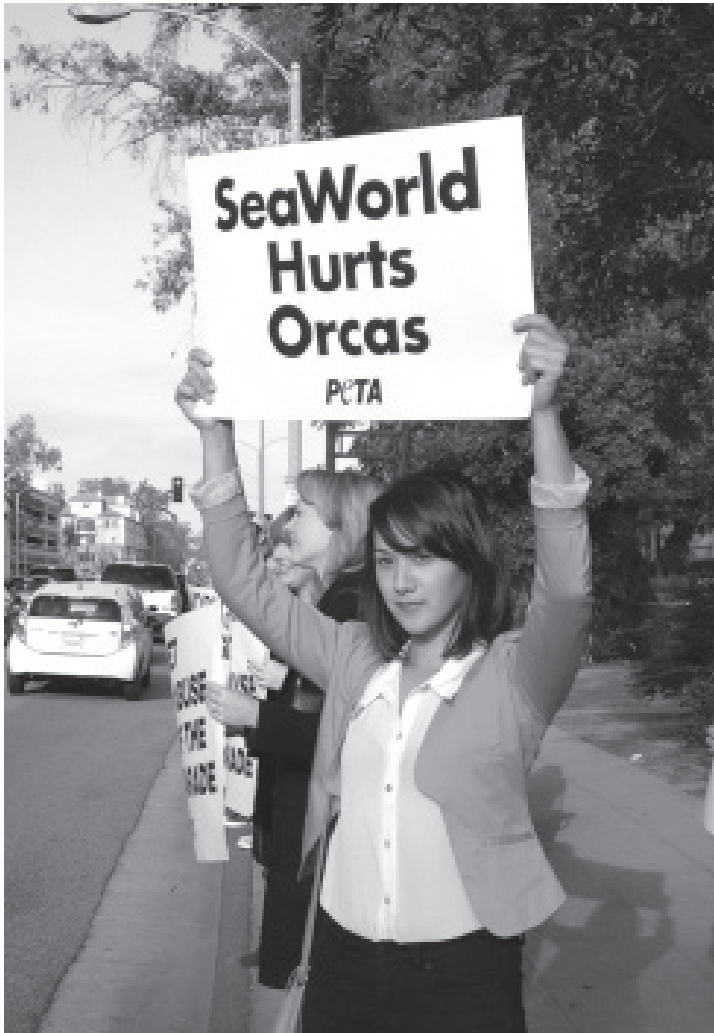
Fifteen PETA protesters were arrested New Year's Morning for "interfering with a special event," by attempting to stop the SeaWorld float in the Rose Parade.

"By putting the SeaWorld float in the Rose Parade, the Rose Parade organizers decided to celebrate animal abuse on the world stage," said PETA vice president Lisa Lange "We were compelled and we had to protest that."

Lange was also one of the members arrested Jan. 1.

Other PETA protesters involved said they had begun, in the last few weeks, receiving summonses to appear in court. They have all vowed to use the opportunity to bring more attention to the SeaWorld situation.

All 15 protesters including, 12-year-old Rose McCoy from



Amanda Slyter, photo courtesy of

New York, were originally given a court date of Feb. 3, although city officials had said those proceedings were postponed.

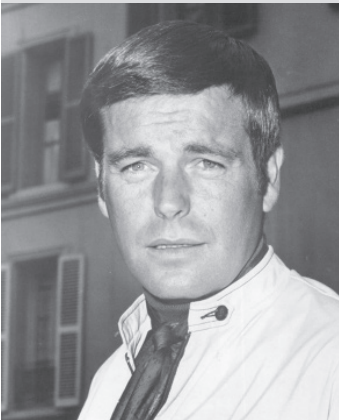
According to PETA activists," the orcas held by SeaWorld are actually confined to glorified bathtubs, where they're forced to perform confusing tricks for paying customers."

The group had asked the Tournament of Roses, last year, to pull the SeaWorld float from the Rose Parade although

tournament officials had said the float was in line with the parade's overall theme "Dreams Come True"

All of those charged are facing high fines, Slyter said.

Robert Wagner to Appear at Vroman's



With a career spanning more than five decades actor Robert Wagner will discuss and sign his book "You Must Remember This," Wednesday night at Vroman's starting at 7 p.m.

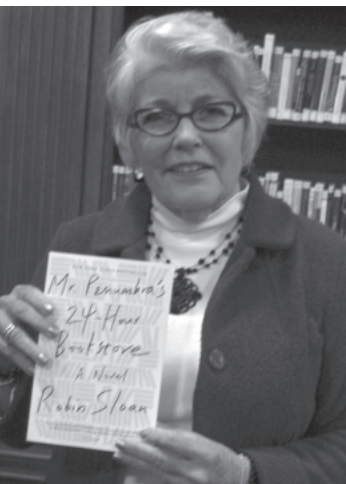
In "You Must Remember This," Wagner revisits the houses, restaurants, and other haunts of Hollywood's elite, offering an intimate view of their lives on and off screen. He also discusses the business of Hollywood and its evolution from an industry once dominated by moguls to one run by agents, and examines the career arcs of his peers, carefully considering why some survived and others faded.

Organizers said he will not be signing memorabilia and posed photos are not allowed although photos from the line would be.

They also said those wishing to get books signed will be asked to purchase at least one copy of the author's most recent title from Vroman's. For each purchased copy of the newest title, customers may bring up to three copies from home to be signed.

For more information visit vromansbookstore.com or call 626-449-5320

Celebrate One City, One Story



This year's One City, One Story choice is Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore by Robin Sloan, and it is quite a tale. It revolves around a young man who is out of work, begins to staff the midnight-to-8 am shift at this fantastical bookstore, and ends up possibly dealing with immortality. Oh, and yes, there's a secret code to break (shades of The DaVinci Code?) and an insider's look at technology via the folks at Google! There's something for everyone and what a ride!

The community is encouraged to join in these events and participate in the conversation surrounding the book.

Author Event

Author Robin Sloan will join Jan Sanders, Pasadena Public Library Director, in conversation as they discuss his experiences writing Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore.

A question and answer session from the audience will immediately follow.

Thursday, March 27, 7 p.m. All Saints Church, Forum, 132 N. Euclid Ave.

Event parking is available in surrounding parking facilities. All parking is fee based.

Workshop: One City, One Story Data Visualization

Join us for this special Data Visualization themed program. Clay Jannon built a model of the bookstore to help him see what no one else could and we'll start the evenings briefly showing real world examples of computer programs that help scientists and designers solve problems. Bring your laptop and any project you want to work on. We'll run the best talks on the subject in the background as we get down to coding ourselves.

Thursday, March 20, 7 p.m., Central Library's Donald R. Wright Auditorium, 285 E. Walnut St.

Discussion: Author Experiences

Robin Sloan will share his experiences as an author with college students followed by a question and answer session.

Thursday, March 27, 10 a.m., Pasadena City College, Creveling Lounge (Campus Center), 1570 East Colorado Blvd.

Discussion: "Inventing Media"

Think of the formats we love: books, two-hour movies, serial TV dramas, blogs... the list goes on and on. All of these formats had to be invented. But how does that happen? How do new formats get started? And how might a person participate in this process of "media invention?"

Friday, March 28, 6 p.m., Idealab, 130 W. Union St.

Caltech Creates/Appoints New VP Position

Caltech announced Thursday the school has named Diana Jergovic as its vice president for strategy implementation. In the newly created position, Jergovic will collaborate closely with the president and provost, and with the division chairs, faculty, and senior leadership on campus and at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, to execute and integrate Caltech's strategic initiatives and projects and ensure that they complement and support the overall education and research missions of the campus and JPL. This appointment returns the number of vice presidents at the Institute to six.

"Supporting the faculty is Caltech's highest priority," says Edward Stolper, provost and interim president, "and as we pursue complex interdisciplinary and institutional initiatives, we do so with the expectation that



they will evolve over a long time horizon. The VP for strategy implementation will help the Institute ensure long-term success for our most important new activities."

In her present role as associate provost for academic and budgetary initiatives at the University of Chicago, Jergovic serves as a liaison between the Office of the Provost

and the other academic and administrative offices on campus, and advances campus-wide strategic initiatives. She engages in efforts spanning every university function, including development, major construction, and budgeting, as well as with faculty governance and stewardship matters. Jergovic also serves as chief of staff to University of Chicago provost Thomas F. Rosenbaum, Caltech's president-elect.

Prior to her position as associate provost, Jergovic was the University of Chicago's assistant vice president for research and education, responsible for the financial management and oversight of all administrative aspects of the Office of the Vice President for Research and Argonne National Laboratory. She engaged in research-related programmatic planning with a special emphasis on the

Pasadena Police Reach Out to Local Residents

By Dean Lee

Pasadena police setup their Mobile Command Post Curbside Coffee and Chat Wednesday in the Hastings Village Shopping Center as a way to share public safety tips and meet with area residents.

Although Community Outreach Unit Police Officer Ralph Ordonez said there were no speeches or agendas, he did say, there were a number of reoccurring concerns including homelessness in the area.

"We relay the information to our patrol officers," he said. "It's a hit or miss sometimes because maybe they [homeless persons] are there one day and gone the next. A lot of them do travel through the Gold Line, stop, panhandle, and go back to where ever they came from."

Ordonez said other concerns include solicitors, traffic issues and break-ins. He also said people do come out to discuss bigger issues such as officer involved shootings.

"Right here, this was a result of the sheriff involved shooting that occurred," he said pointing to a red dot on a map of all the locations they had setup the mobile command post.

He said they typically have anywhere from 10 to 35 residents come out to chat.

"It doesn't really matter if I have two or three, at least I'm reaching out to them so that they could pass out the information to their neighbors and so on," he said.

Ordonez said he started Curbside Coffee and Chat a year ago this month after a rash of burglaries in the city. He said it was a way to reach out to people about crime prevention and neighborhood watch.

If you would like the Mobile Command Post Curbside Coffee & Chat to visit your neighborhood, please call: Officer Ralph Ordonez at 626-744-7651 or email: ralphordonez@cityofpasadena.net.



Pasadena Police Curbside Coffee and Chat Photo D. Lee/MVnews

Sheriff's to hold Town Hall Meeting

Altadena Sheriff's Captain John Benedict and his staff cordially invite the Altadena community and business members to a Town Hall Meeting on Thursday,

April 3, 2014, 6:00 PM at the Altadena Community Center.

Join them as they discuss station operational issues, crime trends, crime prevention, law enforcement / community partnership and strategies for 2014.

Visit the Altadena Sheriff's Station Web Page altadena.lasd.org.

Golf with the Chamber during Annual Tournament

Afternoon of fun on the links is followed by hosted cocktail reception and awards ceremony

The Chamber of Commerce has invited business and community leaders for their annual golf tournament on Friday, April 4, at Brookside Golf Club. Shotgun start is at noon following the putting contest. Registration begins that morning at 10:30 a.m.

Anyone wishing information or who wants to sign up to play or sponsor the tournament can call the Chamber at 626-795-3355 or email leanne@pasadena-chamber.org. Information and sign up forms are posted at www.pasadena-chamber.org.

Golfers of all abilities are welcome. The Tournament can only accommodate 144 golfers, so register early to ensure a place. The Chamber holds a raffle, sells mulligan packages, hosts putting,

longest drive and closest to the pin contests and adds a few special nuances to play, making the tournament fun for everyone. Honda Pasadena is donating a 2014 car as the hole-in-one prize. Pasadena Chamber members are invited to donate a raffle prize to promote their business.

All golfers get golf, a cart, gifts, on-course snacks and a hosted cocktail reception and awards ceremony. You can sign up as a single, two, three or foursome. Cost for golfers is \$150 each or foursomes for \$600. The cocktail reception costs \$50.

"Our spring golf tournament is a very popular event. Golfers get an afternoon of fun that raises money to support events and activities that benefit our membership," said Pasadena Chamber CEO Paul Little. "You really just can't find a better time to be on the golf course in Southern California than early April."

Learn How to Produce Your Own TV Show

In anticipation of Pasadena Media opening new studios at 150 S. Los Robles Ave, they are offering free television-training programs for producers. Plan to attend an orientation to discover the right classes for you. Producers' Training teaches how to produce shows for The Arroyo Channel. Studio Production/Equipment training is also offered to volunteer crewmembers. In addition, on-going training will soon be

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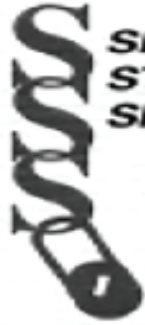
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BOARD SUPPORTS EFFORT TO EXPEDITE STORMWATER PROJECTS

LOS ANGELES COUNTY — To increase the region's locally available water supply, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a motion by Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich directing the Department of Public Works to expedite the construction of stormwater projects.

The Southern California region gets an average of 15 inches of rain a year -- enough water to supply 5 million people. "The County captures 95% of the rain that flows down the San Gabriel Mountains, but roughly 75% of the water that enters the Los Angeles River is lost," said Antonovich. "Today's action will help increase the number of County projects that capture stormwater and seek to streamline that state and federal regulatory permitting requirements."

Additionally, the motion directs the Department to work with the United States Army Corps of Engineers to maintain and operate their facilities to maximize the capture of stormwater.

On average, the County's existing reservoirs, debris basins and spreading grounds capture and add 210,000 acre-feet of stormwater along with 45,000 acre feet of recycled water to local groundwater aquifers each year.

COUNTY TO IMPLEMENT ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS

LOS ANGELES COUNTY — To provide county residents with a convenient method to access government applications and permits, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a motion by Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich to implement "E-government solutions" to County systems as recommended by the Citizen's Economy and Efficiency Committee.

"This action accelerates the County's initiative to utilize technology to facilitate the application and permitting process -- saving taxpayer dollars, streamlining processes, and enhancing civic participation," said Antonovich.

In 2012, Supervisor Antonovich introduced a motion directing the Commission to review the County's E-government system and provide recommendations. Among the recommendations made by the Commission include:

- 1) Adopting E-government technologies including online permit and application submittals
- 2) Designating an E-government authority to cut red tape
- 3) Establishing a clear management process for high-tech projects
- 4) Establishing a countywide culture that embraces technology
- 5) Updating and replacing antiquated systems
- 6) Including E-government in departmental strategic plans
- 7) Improving management structure to eliminate redundancy
- 8) Establishing technology fund
- 9) Publishing a road map for E-government projects
- 10) Reorganizing existing Information Technology Group into smaller groups of specialists
- 11) Recruiting specialized personnel to spearhead key projects
- 12) Encouraging the County to evaluate and apply innovative E-government practices

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MARDI GRAS 2014 BREAKS RECORDS IN FUNDS RAISED, ATTENDANCE



ARCADIA – With an all-time high of 875 in attendance, Methodist Hospital's 19th annual Mardi Gras also raised a record-breaking \$144,000 to benefit the hospital's important cancer program.

This year's event was the most profitable ever, with 37 of the area's top restaurants providing delicious fare at Sirona's in beautiful Santa Anita Park on March 4. Restaurants included Benihana, Celestino's Ristorante & Bar, Hai Di Lao Hotpot, Green Street Restaurant, La Luna Negra, Matt Denny's, Sena on Myrtle and Toro Sushi and Bar, just to name a few.

California 1980s tribute band The 80z All Stars, provided lively music for dancing and entertainment. The annual Mardi Gras parade featured the King of Mardi Gras, former Methodist Hospital chief of staff and foundation board member Dr. James Lin.

Methodist Hospital President and CEO Dan Ausman recognized Dr. Lin for his longtime support of Methodist Hospital and the outstanding clinical care he has provided to thousands of patients. Also, a special commendation was presented by a representative of Supervisor Michael Antonovich.

"I feel extremely honored, and I want to continue helping the foundation raise funds for the cancer program, which is one of the clinical areas the hospital strives diligently to expand and strengthen," Dr. Lin said. "It's important that we remain competitive and on the cutting edge, and Mardi Gras helps us do just that."

Other fun activities of the night included a silent auction and a raffle. Winner of the \$1,000 drawing was Robert Bray, a Methodist Hospital employee.

Much of the huge success of the event can be attributed to Mardi Gras co-chairs Sherry Wang, Methodist Hospital Foundation board member and two-time chair; longtime hospital supporter Patty Soldo, who also chaired for the second time; and four-time chair/co-chair Lindburgh McPherson. Of course, the co-chairs depended heavily on the hard work of their volunteer committee as well. Foundation President Michael Driebe thanked the co-chairs and presented special tokens of appreciation.

The Mardi Gras co-chairs expressed their grateful appreciation of the many sponsors who helped make the event a success as well: Mardi Gras Sponsors: Allied Physicians of California IPA & Arcadia Methodist IPA

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About Methodist Hospital Founded in 1903, Methodist Hospital is a not-for-profit hospital licensed for 596 beds serving Arcadia and surrounding communities. Services include comprehensive acute care such as medical, surgical, perinatal, oncology, intensive care and complete cardiovascular services, including open-heart surgery. Methodist Hospital is an approved STEMI cardiac center, a certified stroke center and a center of excellence in bariatric services.

The hospital's cancer center is accredited by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer. Methodist Hospital is accredited by The Joint Commission, which accredits and certifies more than 19,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States. For more information, visit methodisthospital.org.

Pictured above: Mardi Gras Committee: Front Row from left: Co-Chair Patty Soldo, Mardi Gras King Dr. James Y. Lin, Jan McEachern, Joanne and Bruce McCallum. Middle row: Barbara Lyle, Evelyn Greathouse, Co-Chair Sherry Wang and Sherri Taylor. Back row: Ada Wong, Clara Howard, Devin DeLozier, Deb Wilkie, Co-Chair Lindburgh McPherson, Cheryl Wolf, Debbie Harvey, Janet Hanson, Sho Tay, Gloria Rico.

Arcadia Police Blotter

For the period of Sunday, March 2nd, through Saturday, March 8th, the Police Department responded to 1,131 calls for service of which 140 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, March 2:

1. Just after 1:45 a.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of Bonita Street regarding a disturbance. The officer discovered a 51-year-old Hispanic male was under the influence of an alcoholic beverage and in possession of methamphetamine. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

2. At approximately 9:05 a.m., an officer noticed a business in the 100 block of Las Tunas Drive had been spray painted with graffiti. Further patrol of Las Tunas Drive and Live Oak Avenue revealed six other locations had been vandalized with the same type of graffiti. No witnesses or suspects were located.

Monday, March 3:

3. Just after 6:50 a.m., an officer was on foot patrol on the horse trail north of 620 East Live Oak Avenue when he discovered two subjects camping illegally behind a restricted area. The area was filled with a mattress, tarp, blankets, and other personal items. The 44-year-old White male and 50-year-old White female were escorted off the property and cited without incident.

4. At about 6:10 p.m., an officer responded to Macy's at the Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a theft report. A 47-year-old Chinese female entered a fitting room and concealed clothing on her person and inside a purse. The suspect explained she exited the store without making payment because "a voice" told her to do so. She was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Tuesday, March 4:

5. Just after 5:34 a.m., officers were dispatched to an apartment complex in the 1200 block of Temple City Boulevard regarding a disturbance. The victim's next-door neighbor kept yelling and making threats while he pounded on the wall that separates their apartments. A search of the 39-year-old Hispanic male suspect revealed he was carrying an 8" kitchen knife inside his sweater. He was arrested for Threatening a Crime with an Intent to Terrorize and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

6. Around 11:48 a.m., an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 1100 block of West Duarte Road regarding a burglary report. Unknown suspect(s) forced entry through a sliding glass door, ransacked multiple bedrooms, and fled undetected with a laptop and jewelry. The officer collected a shoe print at the point of entry. No witnesses were located.

Wednesday, March 5:

7. At approximately 7:27 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the area of Santa Anita Avenue and Alta Street regarding a man lying down in the middle of the street. The officer discovered the man was under the influence of alcohol and unable to care for himself. The 51-year-old White male was arrested and transported to Arcadia Methodist Hospital for medical clearance. He was later released due to his medical history and need for treatment.

8. Around 3:05 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 1700 block of Elevado Avenue regarding a burglary report. The victim returned home after a neighbor called to alert her that her front door was open. She discovered unknown suspect(s) forced entry by an unknown means, ransacked the location, and fled undetected. The total loss was unknown at the time of the report and no witnesses were located.

Thursday, March 6:

9. At about 11:24 a.m., an officer was dispatched to Semsons & Co Inc., 555 East Live Oak Avenue, regarding an embezzlement report. While looking on Amazon.com, the victim discovered another company was selling the same specialized electronics equipment as his company, and became concerned considering that the products were to be manufactured specifically for his company and no others. An investigation revealed one of the victim's employees had created her own business selling his products and also shipped them to her customers at work using the company's resources. The 27-year-old Chinese female suspect had stolen \$35,000 over the course of nine months. Further investigation is being conducted by the Detective Bureau.

10. Shortly after 3:36 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 100 block of Alice Street regarding a female juvenile who saw a naked man in the parking lot while walking to school. The victim screamed when she saw the subject and ran away. The subject was described as an Asian male with black hair, wearing only black thigh high tights. Officers conducted an area check, but the subject was not located.

Friday, March 7:

11. At approximately 2:15 p.m., an officer responded to Macy's at the Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a theft report. An adult suspect concealed approximately \$550 worth of merchandise inside three used shopping bags and exited the store without making payment. The 38-year-old female of unknown race was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

12. Just after 11:30 p.m., an officer made consensual contact with two subjects walking in the area of Foothill Boulevard and Northview Avenue. An investigation revealed both subjects were under the influence of a controlled substance. The 26 and 28-year-old Hispanic males were arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Saturday, March 8:

13. Just after 6:00 p.m., an officer was patrolling Gate 6 at the Santa Anita Race Track, 285 West Huntington Drive, when he observed a vehicle speeding in the parking lot. Moments prior, the officer had observed the same subject drinking alcohol before getting inside his vehicle. The officer conducted a traffic stop and performed sobriety tests on the driver. An investigation revealed the 53-year-old White male was under the influence. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Around 8:47 p.m., an officer was dispatched to a solo vehicle traffic accident at Baldwin Avenue and Longden Avenue. The driver attempted to make a U-turn at the intersection and collided with the center median. No injuries were reported.

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DUARTE STATE OF THE CITY PRESENTATION AND RECEPTION, MARCH 19

DUARTE, CA – Duarte Mayor Liz Reilly will present her assessment and future vision for the community at the annual State of the City address on Wednesday, March 19 in the City Hall Courtyard presented by the Duarte Chamber of Commerce. “Duarte: Rising into the Future” is the theme for this year’s event. The reception and presentation will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Duarte City Hall, 1600 E. Huntington Dr. Tickets to the reception are \$10 per person.

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Under the Influence – Suspect Arrested

March 10 at 1:51 p.m., a resident in the 200 block of South Violet called police and reported a suspect inside a neighbor's house. The suspect was seen leaving the residence holding a tub of ice cream, which he was eating with a spoon. The suspect was reportedly going door-to-door, trying doorknobs to see if he could gain entrance.

Officers responded along with the Foothill Air Support Team helicopter, which helped direct officers to the suspect. The suspect had entered several homes ending up at a residence in the 400 block of South Sunset. While officers were checking the rear of the location, the suspect exited the home but would not comply with the officer's commands. The suspect appeared to be under the influence and took aggressive steps toward the officers. The officers hit the suspect with a beanbag round in an attempt to get him to comply, and the suspect fled back into the residence. Containment of the area was established and Monrovia High School was placed on lockdown by the district as the residence backs up to the school.

After a 45 minute standoff, the suspect eventually exited the residence and was taken into custody. He was evaluated by paramedics and taken to a hospital for clearance. The suspect told officers he was under the influence of bath salts. He was later released, brought to Monrovia Police Department for booking, and then taken Los Angeles County Jail for housing.

Burglary / Assault with a Deadly Weapon / Vandalism – Suspect Arrested March 10 at 3:45 p.m., police responded to a business in the 1600 block of South Mountain. A subject was seen entering the men's restroom with a can of computer dust cleaner. A loss prevention officer walked in and saw the subject was inhaling the substance. Loss Prevention officers followed the subject as he exited the store.

As the suspect exited the store, he noticed loss prevention following him. Before they could detain him, he smashed a passing vehicle's window and then pulled out a paint can opener and threatened to stab the loss prevention officers, who then grabbed a crowbar to protect themselves. They tried to stop the subject, but he fled the location. He was stopped by the responding officers a block away and taken into custody.

Vehicle Burglary

March 11 at 7:40 a.m., a resident in the 100 block of Seymour Place reported a vehicle burglary. Unknown suspect(s) smashed a window on the vehicle and stole items from inside. The investigation is continuing.

Vehicle Burglary

March 11 at 10:14 a.m., a victim came into the police department to report a vehicle burglary. The victim believes the burglary occurred the day prior while he was parked in a business parking lot in the 500 block of West Huntington. The victim parked his vehicle in the lot and went into a restaurant to eat. He believes unknown suspect(s) went into the vehicle, opened the trunk of the vehicle and his tools from the trunk. The victim does not remember if he locked the vehicle. The investigation is continuing.

Vehicle Burglary

March 11 at 2:50 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the police department lobby on the report of a vehicle burglary. The victim parked her vehicle at her residence in the 200 block of East Lemon. She reported that someone entered her vehicle and took her purse, which she had left on the floorboard of the vehicle under a sweatshirt. She found her purse in the trashcan behind her home. The purse had been emptied out on the ground by the trashcan and her identification was missing from the purse.

Theft from an Unlocked Vehicle

March 11 at 4:15 p.m., a resident from the 100 block of North May Avenue reported a theft from his vehicle. Unknown suspect(s) entered the unlocked vehicle overnight and took the victim's wallet, which he had left inside.

Commercial Burglary

March 11 at 5:00 p.m., loss prevention from a business in the 500 block of West Huntington phoned police to report a female suspect inside the store, concealing items into her purse and on her person. She emptied the contents of her purse before leaving, but fled the store with the items concealed on her person. She was detained outside the store by responding officers and arrested for burglary.

Brandishing a Replica Firearm – Suspect Arrested

March 12 at 1:00 a.m., security from a bar in the 300 block of South Myrtle called police to report that a 21-year-old male subject had brandished a black handgun at them and yelled at them for no apparent reason. The suspect was last seen entering a bar in the 400 block of South Myrtle. Officers arrived at the location, surrounded the bar and located the suspect in the rear alley. He appeared to drop something in the shadows of the alley when officers told him to stop. The officers detained him and recovered the gun on the ground next to him. It was a black, metal, Airsoft pellet gun, which had the red tip removed. After the suspect was positively identified by the victim, he was arrested for brandishing a replica firearm.

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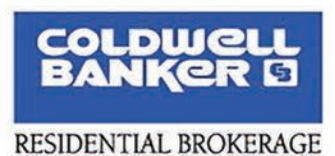
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Pasadena Unified School District's winning banner, created by 10th grader Chance Woods of Pasadena High School, will be displayed starting April 2015:

SIERRA MADRE RESIDENT WINS 1ST PLACE IN THE BOB HOPE AIRPORT'S BANNER DESIGN CONTEST

Chance Woods, sophomore at PHS and resident of Sierra Madre takes 1st place within PUSD in the annual student banner design contest. Students from Glendale unified and Burbank Unified also designated 1 winner each, from their district. The 3 first place winners will share the stage on Bob Hope Airport's tower for one year. Each will have their "time on the tower" for 3 months. The 3 winning student designs will be transformed into a 16' x 24' banner and hoisted aloft on the tower to be seen by thousands of travelers.

Chance is currently in the Graphic Arts Academy at PHS.

This is the seventh year the Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority has sponsored the Bob Hope Airport Tower Banner Student Art Contest for students of the respective Unified School Districts in Grades 9 - 12. Each year, the Airport Authority chooses a different aviation theme for the contest. This year's theme was "Skies of Freedom" to coincide with The Skies of Freedom™ Commemorative Brick Pavilion that is scheduled to open with the airport's Regional Intermodal Transportation Center later this year. (Visit www.skiesoffreedom.com for more information about the Skies of Freedom program.) In 2013, the theme was "The Sky's the Limit." In 2012, the theme was "Cleared for Take Off," and in 2011 and 2010, the artists illustrated "Up and Away," and "Joy of Flight."

Each school district determines which submissions are its top three entries. The arts and culture commission from each respective city then considers the three entries and makes the final award of the first place entry from its school district based on the judging criteria set forth in the Authority's contest rules.

1st Place winner from Burbank High School is Angus Crosby and Daniel Lee from Crescenta Valley High School won first place for his district.

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For students, in kindergarten through 8th grade, opportunities abound this summer to move ahead academically, catch up in areas that are challenging, or just have fun with friends in a beautiful and safe environment on the Gooden campus in Sierra Madre.

Gooden's summer program is offered Monday through Friday, June 16 – July 18. For more information, a full class schedule or to register, visit www.goodensummerschool.org, or call Laurie Tortell, Summer School Director, at 626.355-2410, ext. 28.

Movie making for students in grades 5 – 8 offers a reel chance to explore filmmaking from concept to big screen. Beginning with writing a script, storyboarding the scenes, capturing film, editing scenes and final production, students will create and showcase their own films.

A popular offering for middle schoolers is a preview of the ISEE and HSPT tests required for application to independent high schools. The course will look at the different components of the tests in English through practice exams and discussion of the essential concepts covered on the tests.

THREE PUSD SCHOOLS CHOSEN FOR PRESTIGIOUS HONOR ROLL

Hamilton, Roosevelt and Sierra Madre Elementary Schools Recognized for High Student Academic Achievement and Closing Achievement Gaps

The Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) announced today that Hamilton Elementary School, Roosevelt Elementary School and Sierra Madre Elementary School have been selected by California Business for Education Excellence (CBEE) to receive the title of 2013 Honor Roll school. The 2,099 public schools in California receiving this distinction from the California business community have demonstrated consistently high levels of student academic achievement, improvement in achievement levels over time and reduction in achievement gaps among student populations.

"We are proud that these three schools are being recognized." "Our teachers and administrators work tirelessly to keep the focus on high expectations and student academic achievement and I am pleased that this dedication is paying off."

"Having high standards, effective school leadership, and staying focused on student academic achievement has paid off for these Honor Roll Schools," said Lee Blich, CBEE Chairman. "These schools are an inspiration."

Over time, CBEE has identified a common set of success factors in higher performing Honor Roll schools and districts. These include high expectations for all students; ongoing collaboration among teachers to improve practice; targeted use of data to pinpoint challenges and monitor progress; continual intervention for struggling students; and mastery of content knowledge and pedagogical practices.

The annual Honor Roll award is made possible with support from numerous businesses and organizations including State Farm, Macy's, Edison International, Wells Fargo, Southern California Auto Club, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, the California Business Roundtable, and several private foundations. Chevron Corporation provided specific support in the creation of the STEM Honor Roll. A full list of the Honor Roll schools can be found at www.cbее.org.



Younger students, kindergarten through 4th grade, can enjoy such outdoor games as capture the flag, parachute games, relays, knockout, zookeeper, noodle games, hockey, soccer, Frisbee golf, potato sack relays, and tug-of-war.

Students in grades K-6 are invited to travel vicariously to several different countries through cooking popular and unique dishes while learning about the country's culture, language, traditions, and customs. Countries include Mexico, China, Greece, Italy, Belgium, Japan and more. Students also learn about kitchen safety, culinary skills, food preparation and group work while using math and reasoning skills to accurately prepare dishes. Each chef will create a personal Cultural Cookbook, and a map, flag and fact sheet for the country we are studying. And each student will also decorate his or her own chef hat to wear throughout the class.

Field trip adventures include checking out the Space Shuttle Endeavor at the California

Science Center, as well as trips to the Los Angeles Zoo and Scandia Amusement Park.

For those who want to get a jump start on academics, classical offerings include math skills, algebra, language arts, poetry and short stories, American cultural studies, writers workshops, science classes and more.

Arts and crafts such as origami, jewelry making and ceramics are offered for grades K – 3. Outdoor fun for various ages includes water games, basketball, baseball, soccer, volleyball, flag football, and more. And students can take as few or as many classes as they would like, allowing for family schedule flexibility.

"In keeping with Gooden's rich tradition bringing academics and the arts together, our classes and activities allow each student the chance to discover or enhance his or her gifts through academic excellence, musical, artistic or dramatic ability, and through sports endeavors," Patano said.



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THE REEL DEAL: POMPEII

by Ben Show



With trailers making this movie seem as if it does not have a story, I had extremely low expectations for 'Pompeii'. I thought it would just be an hour and a half of the volcano exploding and people dying in the fire. However, when I sat down and watched this film, I found myself pleasantly surprised.

After his entire tribe is wiped out by Roman Senator Corvius (Kiefer Sutherland) and his general, Proculus (Sasha Roiz), the young Milo (Kit Harington) becomes a slave and eventually becomes a gladiator. He travels to Pompeii, where his hopes turn to earning his freedom, when he discovers Cassia (Emily Browning) and his entire world is turned upside down.

'Pompeii' surprised me with its interesting plot, well written script, intelligent dialogue, and gorgeous visuals; this is not the watch-the-CGI-volcano-explode movie I thought it would be. What really fueled the fires of 'Pompeii' was the time that was taken to make sure this would be a good movie.

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Tea grows fastest at about 6,500 feet above sea level in sandy or clay soil. The climate needs to be hot and moist--80 to 150 inches of rain annually with high humidity and fog. Tea also grows at higher elevations and in shaded areas, but at a much slower rate. This climactic change also produces a more intensely flavored tea.



Beyond the usual preparation of hot and cold beverages, tea's unique properties lend themselves to a broad array of applications: tea can be an infusion to thin down or flavor another liquid; it can substitute for oil or other liquids in cooking and baking; as a marinade or braising liquid; powdered as a flavoring for foods or as a coating or rub; whole leaves can be used for smoking other foods; tea can also be used as a coloring agent and fresh or dried leaves can serve as a decorative garnish. (Excerpt from The Tea Cookbook by Joanna Preuss and John Harney)

Here's a great recipe as an example: Tea Spiced Pecans

3/4 lb. Pecan halves
1 tsp. Vegetable oil
1 Egg white
1/4 c. Sugar
2 Tbsp. Hot Cinnamon Spice Tea, finely ground (available at Savor the Flavor)
1/2 tsp. Salt

Preheat oven to 350. Foil a large baking pan or cookie sheet
Beat egg white in a deep bowl until frothy. In a separate bowl, combine sugar, tea and salt. Add the pecans to the egg white, turning slowly. Transfer sugar, tea and salt mixture and toss to cover evenly. Spread nuts evenly over baking pan and bake for 15 minutes. Remove and turn nuts with a spatula until cool. Store in an air tight container.

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Happy Tails

by Chris Leclerc



WHY DOES FIDO WIPE HIS FEET?

Dogs do some pretty funny things sometimes, and I love that they keep me entertained while I walk them, to help keep them in shape. Much like we humans, dogs are individuals. They each have their own personality, unique quirky behavioral patterns and some pretty hilarious hang-ups. Also, much like we humans, not everything a dog does has to have some sort of significant meaning or purpose. Maybe they behave certain ways just because they feel like it, or perhaps because they simply enjoy making us laugh.

For example, Charlee, one of my cute canine clients, just loves to jump up on top of the stone walls around town during our walks. She walks nimbly along looking down at me from above, while I get my giggles watching her from below on the sidewalk. I sometimes wonder if she does that because she likes the feeling of being taller than me. Or, maybe she enjoys having the vantage point where she can get a closer look at the squirrels taunting her from the branches of the trees.

Then there is Yote, another one of my dog buds who really likes to lean in on my leg with his behind while I am petting him. I can always tell when he's ready for a massage, because he starts by standing in front of me, looking in the same direction as I am, and waits until I sit down, then backs up and pushes himself into my bent knees while looking over his shoulder as if to say, "OK, go ahead, I'm ready for another love session!". It cracks me up so much, because I am thinking, "Why not just put your face towards me while I pet you?", right? Now, after having spent hours of time with Yote, it has become apparent that this is just his way of showing affection and trust. Anyway, I get a real kick out of observing the oddities and idiosyncrasies displayed by my canine companions, and I consider it comic therapy that helps get me through the day.

One particular behavioral trait that just about all canines tend to demonstrate is that of wiping their feet on the ground after relieving themselves. Now and again I even catch clumps of grass being kicked up into my face while bending down to pick up the droppings. (It doesn't take much imagination to get a good grip on that visual). I used to assume that when a dog scooted his paws after doing his business he was trying to cover things up, but I found out recently that is not necessarily so.

Apparently the general consensus among most modern-day animal biologists and behavioral scientists who have studied this trait in dogs, is that they scrape the grass after doing their business because they have scent glands in the pads of their feet and they want to add a secondary signature to the spot they just marked. I am sure the researchers are right, but as a layperson who loves the mutts so much, and likes to think she knows the mind of a dog, I still can't help assuming they're just trying to cover up the mess and give me a good gut laugh at the same time!

There are so many curious canine quirks manifested by the average domestic dog during their daily lives, some of which are sure to put a lucky on-looking by-stander in stitches. I think the funniest favorite of all animal antics I have had the opportunity to observe is when a dog acts out in its sleep with rapid eye movements, air-galloping legs and muted bays and barks, all clearly because they are dreaming. No stand up comedy act out there could possibly compare to the show an animated dreaming dog can put on!

All in all, whether the comical things canines do to make us laugh are meaningful in the big scheme of things, I think we can all agree that they matter to us, with or without the consensus of research scientists. It has been said many times that laughter is the best medicine, and I fully agree. Therefore, I want to thank all of the darling dogs I have had the privilege of spending time with, for making me happy with their adorable antics. Keep up the good work my dear four-legged friends, and let the show go on! Love, laugh and let live!



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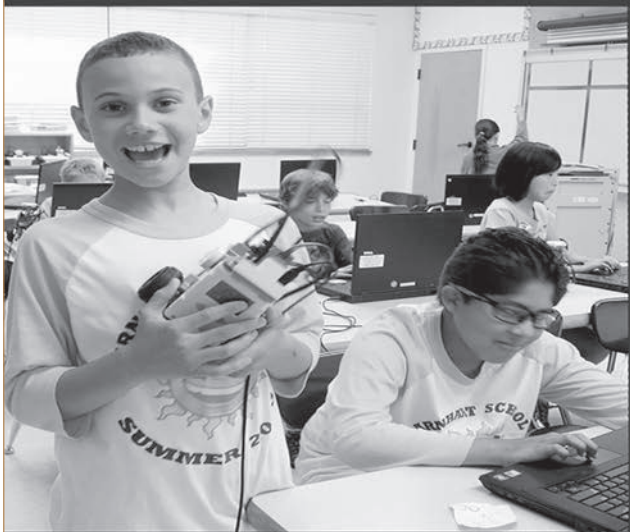
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Diva gets along with every dog she is kenneled with. And based on all our experiences with her during our pack walks and visits at the park, she also gets along really well with other small dogs she meets and hangs out with but you will always be the center of her attention.

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PET OF THE WEEK

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To meet Sherman in person, please see him at the Baldwin Park Shelter, located at 4275 N. Elton, Baldwin Park, CA 91706 (Phone: 626-430-2378 or 626-962-3577). He is currently available now. For any inquiries about Sherman, please reference his animal ID number: A4683034. 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 Sherman or the adoption process, contact United Hope for Animals Volunteer Adoption Coordinator Samantha at Samantha@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/>.



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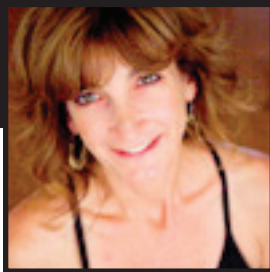
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THE JOY OF YOGA

THE INTERVIEW FROM THE PARA YOGA
FEATURED TEACHER OF THE MONTH
RENE QUENELL (continued)



4. What type of practice and/or study is informing your teaching the most right now? (brahmavidya)

Mantra Japa is numero uno for me and, of course, the teachings of Para Yoga and Living Tantra. So, the tantric style I teach is focused around prana and how we can shape the mind and emotions through changing prana. I like to bring in what I think the students need each class. I am loving boosting the adrenals and Moon Practice right now. Prana Dharana (concentration and meditation) and more Prana Dharana helps us all learn to channel that great energy.

5. What obstacles have you had to overcome and how has this made you better and brighter as a teacher and in your life? (agni/sri)

"Ouch, thank you!" - too many times to list - each one makes me a better teacher. But, the way I found yoga was through my biggest obstacle. I have had an auto-immune disease since my early 20's - more than half my life. Some days are debilitating. I can relate to physical pain in almost every joint, and the depression that goes with. So, I became a Structural Yoga Therapist in order to help myself and others relieve suffering. But, through Para Yoga, I have been able to learn the proper use of energy and self-care. I continue to uncover underlying desires and explore them more deeply. I have learned to live my life listening to my inner teacher, in the path of my teachers and most importantly in the lap of the Divine. The inner peace and ability to shine, regardless of challenges - to overcome and change karmas - this is what I was seeking. This is what I can share. And, I know it can be done.

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Dr. Tina is a traditional naturopath and nutritionist at Vibrant Living Wellness Center

Do you ever worry that the food you are buying might be contaminated with E. coli or salmonella? The big problem with our food supply isn't the pathogens that may be lurking there, but it's the lack of nutrients coupled with the chemical additives and the addition of dangerous chemicals leaching from the packaging materials.

If you watch the nightly news, then you've undoubtedly heard about the many bread products that contain the same ingredient used to make yoga mats. The ingredient, azodicarbonamide, is used in other food products but now some creative person gave us a specific visual. The visual, eating breads or other products with this chemical is like eating a yoga mat. Would you consider eating a yoga mat? Of course not. This is by far just one of thousands of food and skin care additives we should be concerned about.

All artificial sweeteners, preservatives and colorings should be avoided. Did you know that studies show artificial colorings have been linked to hyperactivity in children? Another chemical is phthalates which is used in the manufacture of plastics to make them flexible. It's found in hundreds of products, such as fragrances, shampoos, plastic wraps and nail polish. We are then exposed to phthalates by eating and drinking foods that have been in contact with containers containing the compounds. Research shows phthalates are hormone disrupting chemicals. They can interfere with the reproductive process and can damage sperm.

So what are we to do? Eating healthy is available to all of us, if we are willing to choose it. Yes, processed food does make our busy lives easier but at what cost? Ask anyone who is very ill what the most precious procession a person can have is and they will tell you, their health! Choose whole foods or minimally processed food with no artificial additives. There are natural alternatives out there for these artificial ingredients. We need to put pressure on all manufacturers to seek safe alternatives.

If we do not buy these highly processed foods or the personal care products with ingredients you need a chemistry degree to pronounce then manufacturers will look for better alternatives.

You are safe if you go by the rule, if I do not recognize this ingredient as a food then this item is not safe for me.



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Dear Savvy Senior: Can you recommend any products that can help older drivers with their vehicles? My 84-year-old mother is still a pretty good driver, but she has arthritis, which limits her range of motion and hinders her driving. Searching Son

Dear Searching: To help keep older drivers safe and extend their driving years, there are a number of affordable products you can purchase today that can easily be added to your mom's vehicle to help with many different needs. Here are several to consider.

Entry and Exit If your mom's limited range of motion is hampering her ability to get into and out of her vehicle, consider these products:

- Standers Metro Car Handle: This is a small portable support handle that inserts into the U-shaped striker plate on the doorframe that helps with getting out of a car.
- CarCaddie: This is a nylon strap handle that hooks around the top of the door window frame for entry and exiting help.
- Swivel Seat Cushion: A round portable cushion that turns 360 degrees to help drivers and passengers rotate their body into and out of their vehicle.

Vision Helpers If your mom has a difficult time looking over her shoulder to back-up or merge into traffic, or struggles with sensitivity to glare, these products can help.

- AllView Mirror: This is an oversized rear view mirror that attaches to the existing rear view mirror to widen her rear visibility and eliminate blind spots so your mom can see traffic without significant neck or body rotation. It also helps during parking.
- Blind Spot Mirrors: These are small convex mirrors that stick to the corner of the side view mirrors to improve side and rear vision.
- Backup Camera: To eliminate blind spots and avoid turning around when backing up, this device (which costs around \$100) comes with a wireless night vision camera that attaches to the license plate and a small monitor that mounts to the dash or windshield.
- Sun Zapper Glare Shield: This plastic tinted visor clips on to the existing sun visor to remove sun glare without obstructing vision. It also has a special sliding shield that lets you block extra-bright glare spots.

Arthritic Hands If your mom's arthritis makes turning the ignition key, twisting open the gas cap, or gripping the steering wheel difficult and painful, consider these devices:

- Key Turner: This is a small plastic handle that attaches to the car keys to provide additional leverage making it easier to turn the key in the ignition or door.
- Gas Cap Removal Tool: To help at the pump this long handled device works like a wrench to make loosening and tightening the gas cap much easier and it fits most gas caps.
- Steering Wheel Cover: It fits over the steering wheel to make it larger in size and easier to grip.

Short Drivers If your mom has shrunk a little over the years to the point she needs help seeing over the steering wheel or reaching the pedals, consider a "wedge seat cushion" which is an orthopedic cushion that supports the back and elevates her a few inches. Or, "foot pedal extensions," (see pedalexenders.net, drive-master.com or summiteasy.com) that allow her to reach the pedals while keeping her 10-to-12-inches from the steering wheel.

Seat Belt Aids The "Easy Reach Seat Belt Handle" is a six-inch rubber extension handle that attaches to the seat belt strap to make it easier to reach for seniors with mobility loss. And a "seat belt shoulder pad" that fits around the shoulder strap protects the neck and shoulder from rubbing and chafing.

Where to Buy All of these items (except the pedal extensions and backup camera) cost under \$50, and can be found online at amazon.com. Type the product name in the search bar to get a variety of options.

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 "ISN'T IT ORGANIC!"

What does March 13th mean to you? Probably nothing. But it's my mom's birthday! She's 64! Woo Hoo! A lot of us start dreading our birthdays after we hit 30 or 40. I know many women who treat their age like it's a matter of national security --right up their with their social security number.

Not my mom! She's always loved her birthday and has never shied away from revealing her age, no matter how advanced it is. When she taught third grade, she got a kick out of her students' shocked expressions when they found out she was older than their grandparents. Sometimes their behavior would even improve with this knowledge. "We better be nice to Mrs. Hopkins. She's really old!"

Being a Baby Boomer, my mom's been dwelling on The Beatles' "When I'm 64." I've tried explaining to her that since 30 is the new 20, 60 is practically like what being 40 used to be. Except now (thank God!) she's a lot healthier and happier than when she was 40. A lot of this because of retirement, regular exercise, and her vegan diet.

Being a vegan isn't easy. You've got to be vigilant about ingredients, which generally means restaurant food is off limits. Veganism usually requires multiple trips to the market for fresh produce. It is possible to be a lazy vegan and live off frozen dinners and instant meals. But unless you're cool with eating the same things day in and day out, the boredom might drive you to a meat binge! And then there's the question of whether or not your green leafies are GMOs laced with enough pesticides to make you glow in the dark. It's at this point that the label "organic" becomes very attractive.

As you probably guessed, organic foods aren't usually on sale along with the Velveeta "cheese" and Hamburger Helper for "just \$1.99!" Somewhere along your vegan journey you'll most likely find yourself waiting in line to pay \$50 for a few apples and a bunch of spinach at Whole Foods. Heck, just parking there is taking your life in your hands!

But in the long run, you'll feel a lot better knowing your salad is from a field rather than a test tube. You might even feel like singing my mom's reinvented lyrics to Rodgers & Hart's classic tune, "Isn't It Romantic." Even if your wallet is a bit lighter...

Isn't it organic?
Veggies pure and ripe that never have been sprayed
Isn't it organic?
Collards, kale and spinach lead the green parade
I browse the aisles of produce --there! What do I see?
Fresh green and purple cabbage --and no DDT!
Isn't it organic?
Merely to be shopping for a fig or two
Isn't it organic?
Queue up to the check stand. Bid your cash adieu
Three plums for twenty dollars
Do you mean that I must pay that price titanic?
Yes, but it's organic!

* My mom said she'd try to get around to recording her piano rendition of the song on her website <http://readysets.com/>. Check it out! (I can't promise it will be there by the time you read this, but check it out anyway!) What can I say? I can't force her to record it on time. It is her birthday, after all!



SENIOR HAPPENINGS

FYI: TIPS FOR STAYING HEALTHY IN YOUR 70S, 80S, 90S...

Aging can be defined as: "progressive changes related to the passing of time." While physiological changes that occur with age may prevent life in your 70s, 80s and beyond from being what it was in your younger years, there's a lot you can do to improve your health and longevity and reduce your risk for physical and mental disability as you get older.

Research shows that you're likely to live an average of about 10 years longer than your parents—and not only that, but you're likely to live healthier longer too. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 40.4 million Americans (about 13 percent) were 65 years of age or older in 2010 and by the year 2030, almost 20 percent of the total U.S. population will be 65+.

So how do you give yourself the best possible chance for a long, healthy life? Although you aren't able to control every factor that affects health as you age, many are in your hands. Some keys to living a long, healthy life include:

Make healthful lifestyle choices—don't smoke, eat right, practice good hygiene, and reduce stress in your life

- Have a positive outlook
- Stay as active as possible—mentally and physically
- Take safety precautions
- See your health care provider regularly and follow his or her recommendations for screening and preventative measures

One of the most important things you can do to stay healthy in your golden years is to maintain your sense of purpose by staying connected to people and things that matter to you. However, this isn't always easy—especially in a society that all-too-often views older people as a burden.

Visit your local senior center. Spend time with at least one person—a family member, friend or neighbor—every day. Volunteer in your community, attend a local event, join a club or take up a new hobby.

HELPFUL HINT: Natural Insect Repellent - Mix 2 drops of oil of peppermint or lavender with 2 teaspoons of almond or sweet oil and dab on the skin

FOR YOUR FUNNY BONE - There was a farmer who planted apples. He was disturbed by some local kids who would sneak into his farm at night and eat the apples. He came up with a clever idea that he thought would scare the kids away for sure. He made up a sign and posted it in the field. The next day the kids showed up and they saw a sign hanging that read, "Warning!! One of the apples on these trees has been injected with cyanide." So the kids ran off, made up their own sign and posted it next to the sign that the farmer made. The farmer showed up the following week. He looked over the field and he noticed that no apples were missing, but a new sign hung next to his. He drove up to the sign and read: "Now there are two".

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ... March Birthdays
Clare Marquardt, Karen Blachly, Carla Duplex, Ella Guttman, Viky Tchatlian, Mary Cooper, Georgina "Snooky" Greger, Sun Liu, Helen Wallis, Joan Crow, Nancy Fox, Nan Carlton, Martha Cassara, Rita Johnson, Mercedes Campos, Dorothy Webster, Terri Elder, Carol Cerrina, Amy Putnam, Sally Contreras and Lori Cooper. (Thanks Pat Birdsall for putting this list together.) To add your name to this distinguished list, please call the paper at 626.355.2737. YEAR of birth not required, however you must be 60 years old or more.

Quote of the Week: Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but rising every time we fall. - Confusius

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: Monday, January 27th 11:00 to 11:45 with Shannon Vandeveld. A variety of balance exercises are practiced; all ability levels are encouraged and welcomed.

Free Blood Pressure Testing: Held Second Tuesday of the month from 11:00 am-12:00 pm: No appointment necessary.

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

Free Chair Yoga: 11:00 to 11:45 Every Wednesday morning. Join Paul Hagen for this free class that focuses on senior yoga techniques. No reservation is necessary!

Free Legal Consultation: Pasadena attorney Lem Makupson volunteers on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. He focuses on estate planning, trusts, wills, probate, conservatorships and business law. *Appointments are a must! Please call: 626.355.7394 to make yours

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

Game Day: Every Thursday at 1:00pm. Poker is usually the game of choice, or should I say chance? Board games and other card games are also available.

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.

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.

Lunch and Learn- "The Story of Old Pasadena" Wednesday, February 26th. 12:00- 1:00 pm Hart Park House Senior Center Presentation by The Pasadena Heritage will give an overview of the original downtown, which is now listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Pasadena was incorporated in 1886. During the next 14 years the population of Pasadena exploded to more than 30,000 inhabitants. Learn why many of old Pasadena buildings have split personalities, hear the story of the Castle Green and the snake oil salesman who built it. And experience the real Old Pasadena with its fascinating array of historic buildings. Mark your calendars and don't miss this great presentation. If you would like to have lunch during the talk, please make a lunch reservation with the Senior Lunch Café at 626.355.0256 or bring your own.

UPCOMING EXCURSIONS:
Whale Watching (Long Beach, Ca.) Date: Saturday, March 22, 2014
Time: 10:00 am-3:30 pm Meeting Location: Community Recreation Center
Cost: \$31.00 (does not include lunch)
Don't miss the Community Services Department's annual whale watching excursion. The 2014 excursion will visit the same whale watching Charter Company as 2013, which features a narrated cruise by Aquarium of the Pacific staff and with indoor and outdoor seating. Participants can bring their own lunch to enjoy on the boat, or purchase snack items on board. Children 2 and under are free. Last day to register is Tuesday, March 11th.
Level of Walking: Minimal

*Registering for Excursions can be done in person at the Hart Park House Senior Center and the Community Recreation Center or online at www.cityofsierramadre.com Cash, checks, and credit cards are accepted. Make checks payable "City of Sierra Madre". Payment must be made at the time of reservation.

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FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett



HOW LIVING WILLS BECAME A WAY OF LIFE IN ONE AMERICAN TOWN

With just over 50,000 residents, La Crosse, WI is a lot like most other small towns in America – but one thing makes La Crosse stand out: 96% of La Crosse residents who have died had an advance health care directive (also commonly called a living will) in place. Nationally, only about 30% of American adults have an advance health care directive in place.

Actually, there are two things that make La Crosse stand out: the town also has lower healthcare costs than any other place in the U.S. And these two things – a high percentage of residents with advance directives and lower healthcare costs -- are inextricably linked.

According to a recent NPR story, all this came about because of one man: Dr. Bud Hammes, Medical Humanities Director at Gundersen Hospital in La Crosse. Dr.Hammes often found himself sitting with families of terminally ill patients, trying to figure out what to do next. He said the conversations were excruciating: “Did mom ever say anything to you?” “Do you know what dad wants?” He felt the moral distress of those families and it was palpable.

Dr. Hammes knew these scenarios could easily be avoided, since most patients were usually sick for years. So he started training nurses to ask patients early on if they wanted to sign an advance directive, and over the years, planning for death has become a way of life in La Crosse. And the lower healthcare costs? Dr. Hammes said the reduction in spending was a complete accident; simply a byproduct of letting people make their own choices. He said that when you let patients choose and direct their own care, they often make a much less expensive choice.

Making end of life plans is one of the easiest, and yet most comforting things you can do for your family. To make things as stress-free as possible for your loved ones, contact our office to schedule a time for us to sit down and talk. Because this planning is so important, I’ve made space for the next two people who mention this article to have a complete family estate planning session at no charge.

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RETIREMENT MYTHS WOMEN BELIEVE

By Gregory J. Welborn

When it comes to retirement, many women just aren’t prepared. In many cases, the problem is that they’ve fallen prey to one or more of the following common retirement myths.



Myth #1: Social Security will be enough for me to live on when I retire. Social Security was designed as a safety net to help seniors avoid severe poverty, not to fund all of your retirement expenses. The current average monthly benefit is just over \$1,200. In Southern California, that’s probably not enough to comfortably retire. You’ll need more.

Myth #2: I still have plenty of time to save for retirement. Starting early is key; waiting can cost you a lot. Saving \$100 a month for 30 years earning 6% annually should generate approximately \$98,000 for retirement. Increasing that contribution each year to keep up with 3% inflation would increase your retirement savings to \$141,000. Time matters.

Myth #3: I have to save for my kids’ college education first. Helping your children is certainly one of life’s priorities, but you shouldn’t sacrifice your retirement security just so your children can graduate from a pricey college free of debt. Your kids can borrow money to pay for college, but you can’t get a loan to pay for retirement.

Myth #4: I can’t afford to save. Life can get expensive. Unless things are really dire, keep making retirement contributions. First, saving money early gives it more time to grow. Second, by not saving for retirement, you could be turning down free money. If your employer matches your retirement contributions, try to contribute at least to the amount of the match.

Myth #5: I don’t work outside the home, so I don’t need to worry about retirement. Many women are simply counting on their husbands to handle all of the retirement planning. That isn’t always a smart move as divorce rates attest. But even if you decide not to contribute, it’s still important to be involved in the retirement planning process and know what’s being saved and where.

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Planning for retirement is a lifelong process. Starting today, even with small amounts, can increase the odds of a comfortable retirement in the future. Having trouble getting started? Consider making an appointment with a financial advisor. He or she can talk to you about your long-term goals and help you develop a retirement savings strategy that works for you.

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HOW TO ADD A LINK ON A FACEBOOK POST

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It’s important to add links to your web site every once in a while in your Facebook posts. Here are the steps:

- Type or paste your link in the publisher, it doesn’t matter if it is a really long url, you can delete it after it populates.
- Once you see your link below the dotted line, erase it in the top part and write something about the link you are sharing.
- You can upload a custom image to go with your link and it too will link to the url.

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You can change the image that goes with the link. The image will be a link too.

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LORI KOOP

the creative entrepreneur

by Lori Koop, Business Coach

So, you want to start using social media to promote your business? Last time I wrote about how important it is to start with your “why”. Why do you want to use social media? What is that heart-based reason for the effort? Knowing your why is essential; it is the first part of any goal because meaning inspires action. Once you feel it, you can create it.

This brings us to the next step -- the action, or the actual “doing” of it. Here’s where most people’s plans go awry. Their social media strategy begins with 15 minutes twice a day, 6 days a week, over 4 platforms. They are on fire! ...For about a week. After that, things start to slip, days are missed, and eventually, “nothing’s happening.” Again.

As we know, entrepreneurs are busy. Most are wearing many hats. In order to add one more thing, they’ve got to find room. If that is you, and there is “no room” in your schedule, start small... super small. So small it may seem ridiculous. Personally, I will start with 5 minutes. (Yes, I’ll admit that I’ve been meaning to start forever, too.) Most of us can find 5 minutes, and that is a great starting commitment.

Next, how many days a week? Well, what seems reasonable? Write it down.... Now halve that number. Then, halve it again. For me, my initial 5 days became “once a week.” It sounds do-able, and (more importantly) it feels do-able. Next, add it to the calendar. It is best to book the same time each week, so it is easier to remember. I’ll choose Tuesdays from 8:30 to 8:45 am.

It’s easy to doubt starting so small could have an impact, but this little commitment can make a big difference. It begins to add up... remember, you were doing nothing before, now you’re doing something. You are now someone who “does social media.” As I commit every week, I’m learning how to engage, build friendships, and share my passion. In just 5 minutes a week!

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Tips of the Trade: Real Estate Revealed

by Luther Tsinoglou

BENEFITS ON BOTH SIDES

There are new rules regarding short sales meant to improve the experience for both sellers and buyers, but the legalities and legwork can overwhelm even the most savvy. Of course, that's where the real estate agent shines, handling the paperwork and the phone calls, leaving you to focus on your move. Keep in mind that if you're expecting to buy a home on short sale, you can get a great deal, but don't expect miracles from a bank that has agreed to accept a price lower than what the sellers owe on their mortgage. These short sales often generate multiple offers, and if a home has been approved to sell for \$200,000, don't expect to waltz in and offer \$125,000.

The real advantage of a short sale deal is that the home will likely be in much better physical condition than its foreclosure counterpart. Often, a foreclosed home will have been abandoned for months, and perhaps trashed before being vacated. A short sale property in better condition is in and of itself a benefit with real value that offsets any lower price you could offer on a foreclosure.

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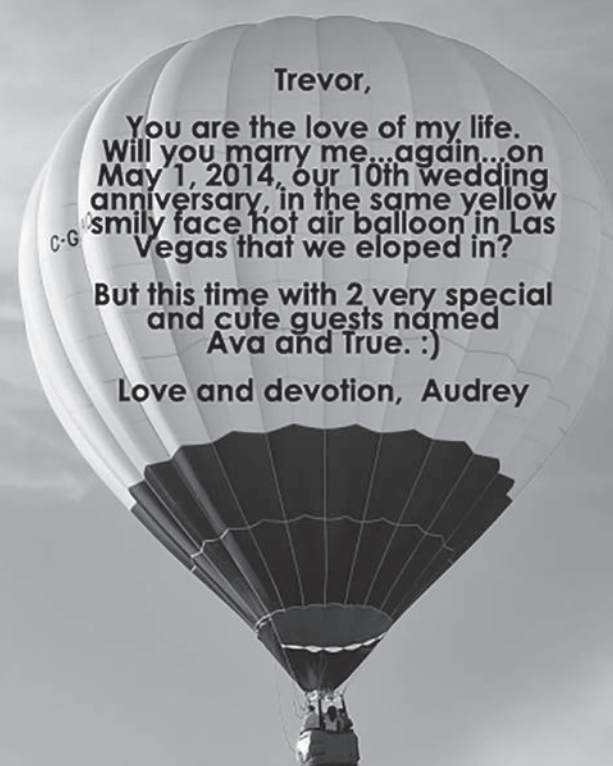
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THE WORLD AROUND US

Looking Up

with Bob Eklund



NASA'S KEPLER MISSION ANNOUNCES PLANET BONANZA

NASA's Kepler mission recently announced the discovery of 715 new planets. These newly verified worlds orbit 305 stars, revealing multiple-planet systems much like our own solar system. This brings to nearly 1700 the total number of "exoplanets" found thus far within our galaxy.

"The Kepler team continues to amaze and excite us with their planet-hunting results," said John Grunsfeld, associate administrator for NASA's Science Mission Directorate in Washington. "That these new planets and solar systems look somewhat like our own portends a great future when we have the James Webb Space Telescope in space to characterize the new worlds."

Since the discovery of the first planets outside our solar system roughly two decades ago, verification has been a laborious planet-by-planet process. Now, scientists have a statistical technique that can be applied to many planets at once when they are found in systems that harbor more than one planet around the same star.

To verify this bounty of planets, a research team co-led by Jack Lissauer, planetary scientist at NASA's Ames Research Center in Moffett Field, Calif., analyzed stars with more than one potential planet, all of which were detected in the first two years of Kepler's observations—May 2009 to March 2011.

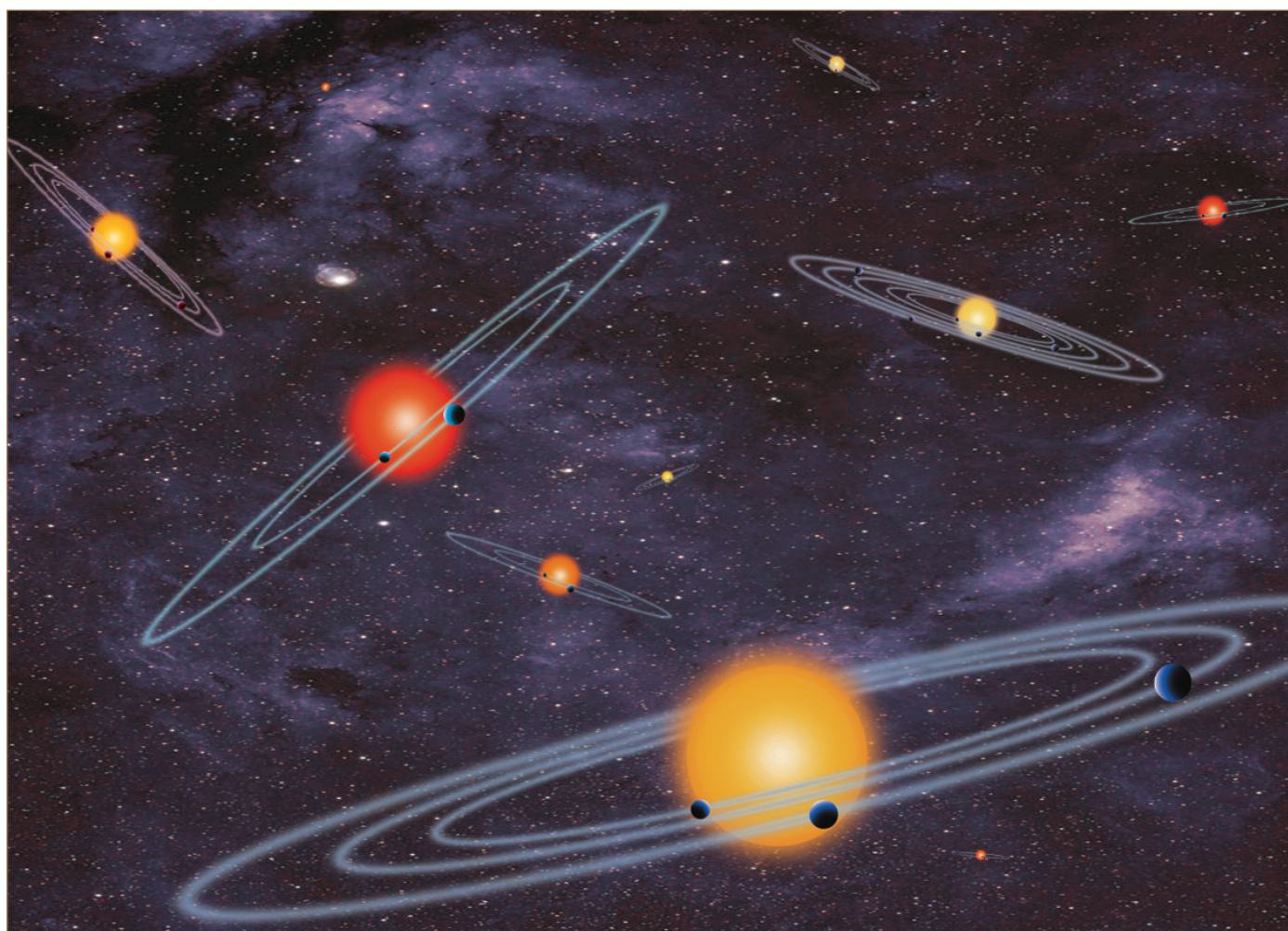
"Four years ago, Kepler began a string of announcements—of first hundreds, then thousands, of planet candidates—but they were only candidate worlds," said Lissauer. "We've now developed a process to verify multiple-planet candidates in bulk to deliver planets wholesale, and have used it to unveil a veritable bonanza of new worlds."

KEPLER THE MAN – The man for whom this mission was named deserves to be better known. Johannes Kepler (1571-1630) was born in Germany (then part of the Holy Roman Empire). He was a sickly child and his parents were poor. But his evident intelligence earned him a scholarship to the University of Tübingen to study for the Lutheran ministry. There he was introduced to the ideas of Copernicus and delighted in them. In 1596, while a mathematics teacher in Graz, he wrote the first outspoken defense of the Copernican system, the *Mysterium Cosmographicum*.

Forced to leave his teaching post at Graz during the Counter Reformation because he was Lutheran, Kepler moved to Prague and became an assistant to the renowned Danish astronomer, Tycho Brahe. He inherited Tycho's post as Imperial Mathematician when Tycho died in 1601. Using the precise data that Tycho had collected, Kepler discovered that the orbit of Mars was an ellipse. In 1609 (the same year in which Galileo pointed the first telescope to the stars), Kepler published his own discoveries, which are now called Kepler's first two laws of planetary motion.

A LIST OF JOHANNES KEPLER'S "FIRSTS":

- First to correctly explain planetary motion
- First to investigate the formation of pictures with a pinhole camera
- First to explain the process of vision by refraction within the eye
- First to formulate eyeglass design for nearsightedness and farsightedness
- First to explain the use of both eyes for depth perception
- First to describe: real, virtual, upright and inverted images and magnification



The artist concept depicts multiple-transiting planet systems, which are stars with more than one planet. The planets eclipse or transit their host star from the vantage point of the observer. This angle is called edge-on.
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- First to explain the principles of how a telescope works
- His book *Stereometria Doliorum* formed the basis of integral calculus
- First to explain that the tides are caused by the Moon
- First to suggest that the Sun rotates about its axis
- First to try using stellar parallax caused by the Earth's orbit to measure the distance to the stars

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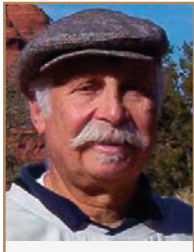
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STUART Tolchin.....On LIFE IF ANYTHING THAT DOES NOT KILL ME MAKES ME STRONGER, WHY IS IT THAT I FEEL SO WEAK?

On Sundays I watched Bill Moyer's Journal on Public Television. Of all the pundits and commentators on television, Bill Moyers seems to me the most trustworthy. Unfortunately his shows regularly present a very gloomy picture of the near future. The air we breathe, the water we drink, the food we eat are all making us sick and nothing is being done about it. Today's earthquakes, droughts, tsunamis, and hurricanes are and only a foreshadowing of the catastrophes that will soon befall this planet. Our entire country is ruled by a tiny fraction of the society which controls the politicians of both parties and remains indifferent to the actual needs of the Country and the planet. Many Americans are all but lost to a cyber world of absorbed, entertained, indifference. A particular horror for me is the continued tolerated presence of guns and the encouraged use of alcohol. And now there are movements to legalize recreational drug use. Goody, goody.

I have repeatedly written about these problems in my six years of weekly articles and have received responses from readers who tell me not to take this stuff so seriously. Others tell me that by continuing to drive a car, eat in restaurants, and watch sports I am more part of the problem than of the solution. My response is that I frequently conclude with final paragraphs that urge readers to look for the meaning in their own lives. It's the best I can do.

As a response, one of my most faithful readers suggested that I read the book Man's Search for Meaning by Victor E. Frankl. My wife said that we already had a copy in the house and that she had read the book fifty years ago while in High School. I searched through the house for the book and couldn't find it and so went off to the bookstore to buy a copy. Finding a bookstore is now another depressing exercise. As you know Barnes and Noble and Borders and Crown Book have all closed their doors. Who could have imagined a world so horrible that we would live almost without bookstores?

I know bookstores have been replaced by the omnipresent little monitors now stuck in front of everyone's face. Directly talking face to face to another person, including spouses and children, has become a rarity. For me this is an obscenity. I do not want to read the

Frankl book on a machine. To have meaning, I still believe it deserves to be held, underlined, and understood by me.

I went to Pasadena's Vroman's, an independent bookstore that still exists, and bought the little paperback book for nine dollars. I read the front and back covers of the book and learned that Frankl was a Nazi Death Camp Survivor whose major conviction was that the primary human drive is not pleasure, but the pursuit of what we find meaningful. Okay; not a bad idea; but I still haven't read the book. Why not? Well, it's kind of embarrassing. As I approached the cashier to pay for the book I happened to see a whole stack of another book, Showtime - the story of the Los Angeles Laker Dynasty of the 1980's.

What does this say about me? Am I already so corrupted such that rather than search for meaning I am content to be diverted by trivia? I paid thirty dollars for the Laker book and have spent every spare moment since purchase happily reading. And do you know what I just came across on page 129 of the Laker Book? "At the beginning of a new training camp, after a difficult year, the Laker coach greeted his players quoting from the memoir of Victor Frankl, a Nazi concentration camp survivor, who wrote, "Anything that does not kill me makes me stronger."

The next sentence in the book is "the players didn't care. About the words. About the coach. About each other." It should come as no surprise that shortly thereafter the coach, Paul Westhead was fired. Well I don't care if no one else cared, I care. The strange fact that the unread Frankl book in front of me was quoted in the Laker Book had meaning for me. The book should not be ignored. Not being overcome by my fears requires the pursuit of that which is meaningful. Now I must find a path.

Soon I will finish the Laker Book and it is my intent as soon as possible to begin a ten-day residential meditation course wherein constant silence, no eye contact, no reading, and no electronic devices is a requirement. My fear is that March Madness and the opening of the Major League Baseball Season will get in the way of my search.



OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

TO BE PC OR NOT TO BE PC - That is the confusion

I have long ago given up trying to keep up with the Joneses, and not just because they have moved away. I have a hard enough time trying to keep up with myself, let alone trying to figure out what somebody else is doing so I can top them at it.

One aspect of trying to keep up with the Joneses is being on top of what is referred to as being Politically Correct. As far as I know, I do not have a political bone in my body. I do have a bone to pick with some politicians, but that is another story.

Everybody is so afraid they are going to break some PC rule and offend somebody. Most people today are so easily offended that it is virtually impossible not to offend somebody. I do not want to intentionally offend anybody and I try my best not to. However, for the life of me, I am not able to keep up with all of this political correctness that seems to be domineering in our country today. Because, as soon as you figure it out somebody changes the rules and another word or phrase has been deemed not politically correct.

What was politically correct yesterday may be politically incorrect today. If you get your days mixed up and confused, you are not going to know what is politically correct. I think a book should be published every year listing all of the things that are politically correct and politically incorrect. Nobody is allowed to change any, at least for a year. Then, when they come to change it there has to be a national election to vote the political correctness in.

Some people believe it to be un-American to use phrases that are politically incorrect. I for one, have a hard time keeping a list of all of these politically correct and incorrect words and phrases.

I had some business with an attorney and once we finished our business, we had a few moments and were chatting together. I could tell from his chatting that he was rather politically correct in everything he does. I guess that is what comes to being an attorney. Somebody once said that sticks and stones may break your bones, but words can never hurt you. Whoever said that was so wrong we need to take that phrase and make it politically incorrect.

"This is America," he pontificated with me, "and we have freedom of speech. Everybody is free to have their opinion and to express it. That is what America's all about." He went on and on about this matter of freedom of speech.

Then, I am not quite sure how it happened, but we got on some rather indelicate subject that was positively politically incorrect.

LEFT TURN /RIGHT TURN

HOWARD Hays As I See It



"I don't have much patience for anyone who denies that this challenge is real. We don't have time for a meeting of the Flat-Earth Society."
- President Obama

"Science is not there for you to cherry-pick . . . The good thing about science is that it's true whether or not you believe in it."
- Neil DeGrasse Tyson

If there was one thing that made the investment in a big-screen HDTV seem worth it, it was last Sunday's debut episode of the "Cosmos" series on Fox. The special effects as astrophysicist Neil DeGrasse Tyson took us through our solar system were awesome; as were illustrations he gave to put things in perspective.

To give an idea as to where we fit in the timeline of the universe, he offered a twelve-month calendar, with the "Big Bang" kicking off the New Year. With the whole calendar as a timeline relative to the life of the universe, the entire experience of humans on earth would comprise maybe the last few moments before midnight on December 31.

In promo interviews leading up to the show's debut, Tyson couldn't help but remark on the nuttiness of regarding science as open for debate, of a perceived need in media of offering "equal time" to opposing views, of it being considered a matter of "belief" or opinion whether concerning science in general, evolution or climate change.

The night following the show's debut, Democratic Senators spent an all-nighter at the Capitol on the subject of climate change and global warming. Predictably, Republicans declared they didn't "believe" in global warming; some suggested the matter was still open for debate, while others simply dismissed it as a "hoax".

Orange County's Rep. Dana Rohrabacher (R-CA) has gone further, calling global warming "a total fraud" - concocted by "liberals" who "want to create global government to control all of our lives." Rohrabacher sits on the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology. (You can't make this up.)

Responding to Senate Democrats' spending an entire night expressing their concern, the line on Fox News was to decry such a waste of time with so much other "important" stuff to deal with.

In 2012, James Powell of the National Science Board (appointed by President Reagan, re-appointed by President H.W. Bush) did a study on peer-reviewed articles from around the world on climate change and global warming that appeared in scientific journals from 1991 through 2012. Of the 13,950 articles he found on the subject, a total of 24 rejected the concept of global warming.

By my mathematical calculation, that amounts to a 99.8% scientific consensus on the matter, which doesn't amount to much of a "debate".

Powell did a follow-up study covering November 2012 through December 2013. Of 2,258 articles found (9,136 authors), a total of 1 rejected the notion of human-driven global warming. That's 99.96% consensus - even less

of a "debate".

As to the importance of the issue, economist Dean Baker pointed out in an article for The Guardian that despite the histrionics from Republicans regarding the effect of budget deficits and debt on future generations, the effect of climate change is more real, profound and potentially irreversible. "If the deficit has little to do with the wellbeing of our children and grandchildren, global warming has everything to do with it . . . Global warming threatens to do far more damage to the wellbeing of future generations than the social security and Medicare benefits going to baby-boomers, no matter how much the deficit hawks try to twist the numbers to claim otherwise."

Fox pundits argued that with the ongoing crisis in Ukraine, Democrats' attention would be better-focused elsewhere. Meanwhile, military and intelligence officials warn of threats to national security posed by global warming. The Pentagon's recently-released Quadrennial Review calls the effects of climate change "threat multipliers," so "Consequently, we will complete a comprehensive assessment of all installations to assess the potential impacts of climate change on our missions and operational resiliency, and develop and implement plans to adapt as required."

Former Defense Secretary Robert Gates identified it as one of the factors that "over the next 20 years and more" could "produce new sources of deprivation, rage and instability."

Economically, Pricewaterhouse Coopers calls climate change a "risk multiplier" that "amplifies or alters existing risks, for example raw material availability . . . or transport disruption due to extreme weather events. The resulting shocks on the global supply chain can be severe and persistent."

Last summer, the International Energy Agency reported on the "potentially disastrous implications in terms of extreme weather events, rising sea levels, and the huge economic and social costs that these can bring," stating that delaying action until 2020 could cost some \$3.5 trillion. In 2011 and 2012 alone, "extreme weather events" in the U.S. have caused \$188 billion in damage, with 1,107 fatalities.

The 0.04% view discounting global warming among scientists is a 77% view among Republicans on the House Science Committee. Those 17 (out of 22) Republican committee members have taken \$3.14 million in pay-offs from the "dirty energy" industries that profit from denial. From 1997 through 2010, the Koch brothers alone have spent \$61.4 million to make sure that 0.04% view among scientists warrants "equal time".

There's also the supposed "conflict" between science and religion, though, as Neil DeGrasse Tyson points out, "Enlightened religious people . . . don't try to use the Bible as a textbook." In a radio interview, he mentioned a colleague who said contemplating the vastness of the universe made him feel small. Tyson responded that knowing we're composed of elements brought to earth from some exploding star or cosmic storm incomprehensible time and distance away ("We are star-stuff", as Dr. Carl Sagan put it) made him feel a part of it all - and that made him feel big.

For me, that thought alone is a religious experience.

OBAMA'S GREG Welborn DETACHMENT

There is something unhinged about the Obama administration, something almost other-worldly in its detachment from the reality in which the rest of America resides. Americans sense it, and it's really starting to bother them because they're slowly coming to the realization that the American dream is being put out of reach bit by bit by the very person who so affectively campaigned as the champion of the average guy.

The most visible example of this right now occurred at one of Secretary of State Kerry's recent press conferences. Despite ubiquitous media coverage of the Ukrainian disaster, Kerry informed the world that the focus of his efforts over the course of the next year will be climate change. Never mind that Iraq is slipping, Iran is rising and Russia is annexing whatever territory it likes. Americans worry about aggravated political tensions in the world and the very real possibility of war, and the Obama administration worries about climate change?

It's a sign - and a very visible sign - that this president lives someplace different than where regular Americans live and cares about different things than what try the souls and disturb the sleep of regular Americans. But foreign incompetence isn't the only sign. Domestic problems that can no longer be blamed on Bush or any other past president evidence Obama's detachment and inability to help average Americans, and average Americans can sense it, smell it and feel it.

Rasmussen's recent poll indicated that only 32% of Americans believe that the U.S. is heading in the right direction. That was preceded by a Gallup poll in which 72% of Americans believe big government is a larger threat than big labor or big business. That number has never been higher, which is remarkable in its own right, but it is categorically more significant in the context that this president never fails to criticize, bash and condemn big business interests. You'd think he'd get some traction from the demonizations.

Defenders will point out that these numbers aren't new, that they represent long-term trends. The problem with this line of defense is President Obama's tenure in office is long enough that he owns the long-term; by now, he should have been able to make good on the implicit promises he made concerning the fundamental transformation of America.

The fundamental change he offered was assumed to be a good thing, while the evidence now shows the changes he has been able to implement are very bad things. By promising to go around an intransigent Congress and simply use his pen to sign executive orders, he has rightly brought unto himself all responsibility for the outcomes. The outcomes aren't good, and, by his own claims, he's the only one who's been doing anything.

Nor are things liable to get better. Last month, average Americans learned that Obamacare's perverse incentives are stifling employment. This week average Americans learned President Obama wants to stifle upward mobility. He has indicated he will instruct his Department of Labor to subject mid-level managers to overtime pay rules. For those average Americans who inhabit the ranks of middle management and wish to work harder to pull ahead, the answer will too often be "no". If the employer allows the manager to work longer, they will have to pay time-and-a-half. Working harder and longer, the physical manifestation of the American work ethic, is now with the stroke of Obama's pen a bad thing.

Entry level jobs are being cut, rehiring isn't happening as fast as it should, and now upward mobility is being pushed down. Sound bites are replacing sound thinking, and average Americans are bearing a much heavier burden than they ever imagined for the hope and change of fundamental transformation. Average Americans get it - the country is getting worse, but the President is concerned the weather is deteriorating.

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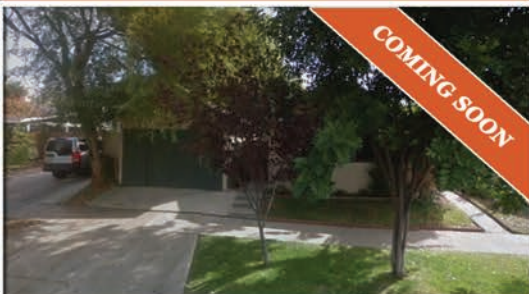


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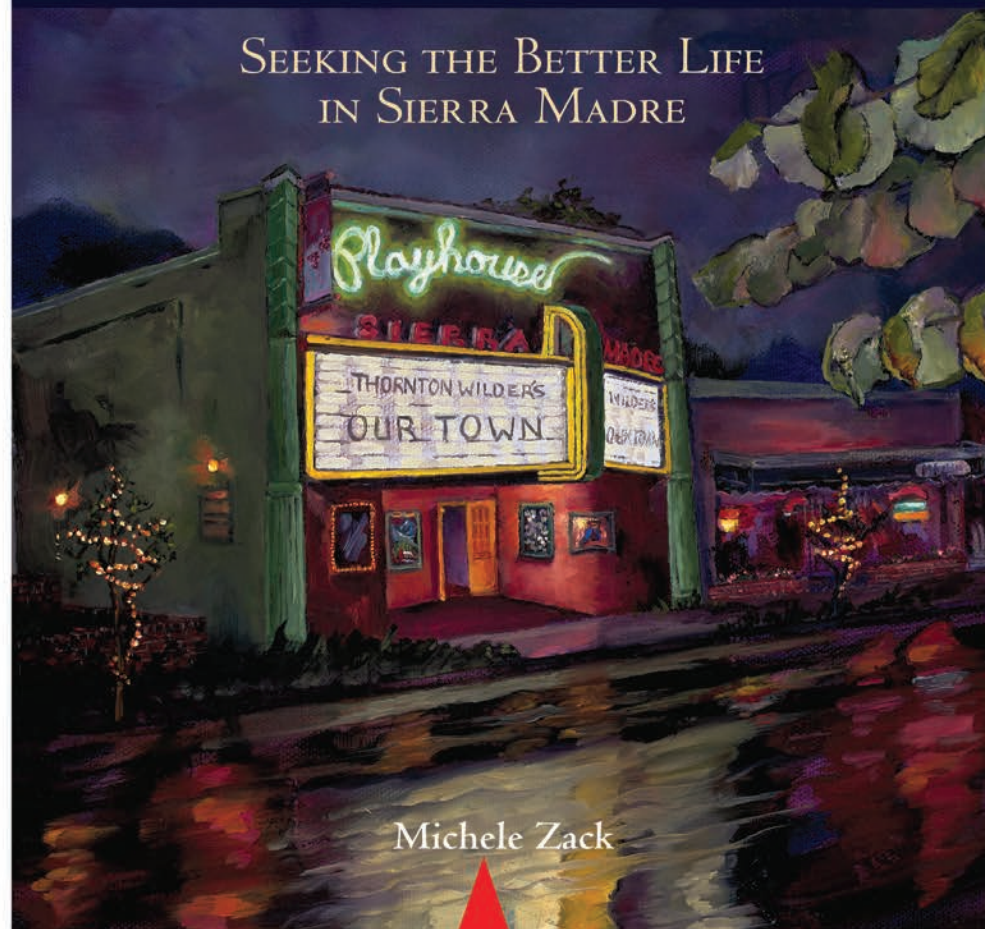
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SECTION B

Celebrating Sierra Madre's Most Well Known Landmark

The Vine

Sierra Madre's 120-Year Old Wistaria* Vine

By Phyllis Chapman

In 1894, William and Alice Brugman purchased a home on what was then called Piedmont, which is now called W. Carter Ave. The house had been built one year before by builder Amos Trussell for his daughter Winona and son-in-law Edward B. Jones when they married. It was the first wedding celebrated in early Sierra Madre.

The Trussells and the Jones had a change of plans, sold to the Brugmans and moved away. To enhance her new home, Alice Brugman and her neighbor Mrs. W. B. Crisp, drove by horse and buggy to the R. H. Wilson Pioneer Nursery in Monrovia and for \$.75 purchased a gallon can of wistaria. It was the Chinese Wistaria variety (*Wisteria sinensis*). She planted it in a corner of her front porch remarking to her neighbor: "They say Wistaria grows fast." And grow it did.

Mr. Brugman, a mining engineer, was in Mexico when the vine was planted. He died in 1899 and Mrs. Brugman sold the home in 1906. The property changed hands until it was purchased in 1913 by Henry T. and Estelle Fennel. Mr. Fennel, who was a bit of a horticulturist, loved the vine, and gave it devoted care, even building support trellises.

Although the Wistaria is a vigorous grower, the added support of the trellises may have contributed to this vine's phenomenal growth. The arbors prevented the end tendrils from hanging down and causing the tender terminal buds to die from the added weight. Wistaria requires good drainage, certainly provided by this hilly, terraced location. There may also be an underground spring providing water to the tap root.

The vine eventually destroyed the original home, growing into the walls and fireplace and causing the roof to collapse. Mr. Fennel built a new home 200 feet to the north (the present upper home) and trained the vine to grow up to, but not covering the new residence. A portion of the foundation of that original home was saved to continue to provide support for the vine as its branches extended such a distance.

When the vine was in bloom, the Fennels would invite friends to come and enjoy the blossoming plant. Visitors also came from Pasadena's main hotels: The Green, The Huntington, and The Raymond. In 1918, the Fennels opened the vine to the Sierra Madre Chapter of the American Red Cross, which sponsored a very successful fundraiser to help the war effort. 12,000 people



Partial View of The Vine from the home of Bob and Nel Solt

Photo by S. Henderson/MVNews

attended the event. This was the beginning of many Wistaria festivals that took place year after year. Sierra Madre became known as the Wistaria City. Many local organizations, including the Board of Trade (now the Chamber of Commerce), the Woman's Club, the Masons and Eastern Star, the Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Dept., etc. were involved.

Many homemade items, fancy work, ceramics, artwork, gift books, and Wistaria fragrances, perfume, hand lotion and bath salts were sold at booths under the vine. Luncheons and teas were served, often with young Japanese women wearing their kimonos.

The hard work and money earned at the vine by the Woman's Club paid off the mortgage of their first clubhouse. One year the Fire Dept. parked 30,000 cars on the parking lot that existed in Floral Canyon. (This is now Sierra Meadow Dr.). Easter sunrise services were among vine activities. People came from all over the world and extra street cars were added to handle the crowds. Among the famous were Fritz Kreisler, Janet Leigh, Mary Pickford, and Norman Rockwell. These two helped select the festival's

Wistaria Queen. Packard Automobile Co. used the vine as a backdrop to advertise its automobile.

On December 5, 1936, Carrie Ida Lawless purchases the vine property from Mrs. Fennel, who was now a widow, for \$17,000.00. December 5th was Mrs. Lawless' birthday, and according to one account, she was making a present to herself of the world's largest bouquet. Also a widow, her husband William J (Bill) Lawless was mayor of Sierra Madre during 1928-29. She, herself, was a successful businesswoman having founded the Weaver Jackson Beauty Co. in Los Angeles and was active in the community, serving as president of the Woman's Club and the Garden Club.

Mrs. Lawless spent a small fortune (around \$100,000) enhancing the grounds of her new property and caring for the vine. When the festivals were held they often lasted for the weeks the vine was in bloom, not just for one day. Mrs. Lawless, a patron of the arts, also sponsored vine activities all year long.

She hosted art exhibits, musicales, and poetry readings. Nearby residents objected to the constant activity and took their complaints to the City Council. Nothing was done as Mrs. Lawless presented the argument that the vine existed before these neighbors purchased their properties.

In recognition for her contributions to the community, the Garden Club planted another Wistaria in the terraced garden on the west side of what is today the Solt's garden. It blooms a bit later than the original vine and the plaque commemorating the occasion is gone.

When Mrs. Lawless died in 1942, she provided for the vine by leaving a legacy to her nephew and heir, Bruce McGill, to continue care of the property with a committee headed by the Garden Club President. In 1944, the property was purchased by Richard and Marian Thayer. Marian is the daughter of M. Penn Phillips, a well-known developer of desert property. In 1944 the vine was overgrown and in poor condition. Richard Thayer planned to chop it up and get rid of it. A protest was raised and an association was formed to protect the vine, with money provided to pay property taxes and provide year-round care for the vine.

In 1961, after Richard Thayer died, the lot was split. Marian married builder Ronald Cook who developed the west side of the property with homes and built the present Solt home for he and Marian in 1962. The upper home was sold to Joseph and Marie Feeney who raised eight children there. In 1972, Ron and Marian sold the lower home to Bob and Nell Solt. In the late 1990s, Joe Feeney died and Maria sold the property. It was purchased in 2003 by the present owners, Dan and Dana Dorrance.

By the 1970's Vine Festival activity had about ended. It started up again in the late 70's when sponsored for one day each year by the Chamber of Commerce. The Sierra Madre Beautification Committee was the yearly sponsor in the 1980's. Approximately 500-600 people attended the festival each year. In the spring of 1989, Huell Howser came to film the vine for his program Videolog, which aired on KCET. The next year, approximately 6,000 people came to view the vine. The festival organizers were unprepared for such a turnout; lines stretched for two blocks. Howser returned in 1992 to film again for his California Gold program. Sierra Madre and the Chamber of Commerce quickly organized and combined the annual Vine viewing with a downtown street fair. A shuttle bus is provided, and people procure tickets to see the vine at a pre-scheduled time.

The Guinness Book of World Records has



Phyllis Chapman, Sierra Madre's Anointed Historian
Photo by Bill Coburn

named the Vine the World's largest flowering plant. It is estimated that at the height of bloom it has 1.5 million blossoms with 40 blossoms per sq. ft., weighs 250 tons and has branches that extend 500 feet. Wistaria is a member of the pea family though its seeds resemble a flat bean. Seed pods burst open in the summer. The plant is deciduous, losing its leaves in the winter. Wistaria seeds were brought from China by Marco Polo in the 13th century.

Today, the vine covers approximately one acre. Over the years, it has shown distress and seemed to be dying. Experts have been brought in from Cal Tech, Occidental, and Cal Poly Pomona. Correct pruning, treatments with hormones, and vitamin B have helped the vine to recover and to flourish. To help maintain the Vine's health, records of vine growth and care are now kept on a computer log. The Vine seems to produce its greatest flowering after a cold winter followed by a sudden hot spell.

What is the correct spelling for wisteria—wisteria or wistaria? In the Sunset Western Garden Book it is spelled wisteria. Sierra Madre has always spelled it wistaria. According to L. A. County Arboretum and Botanic Garden senior biologist Jim Bauml and Librarian Joan De Fato, the plant was named to honor Caspar Wistar (1761-1818), an American physician and teacher, who taught at the University of Pennsylvania. Among his accomplishments, he wrote the first text-book on anatomy. When the name of the genus Wisteria was put into the books, it was incorrectly spelled, says De Fato. So, one could say that all along, Sierra Madre has correctly spelled Wistaria!

Learn more about The Vine in an article written by NPR science reporter, Sandy Totten at:

<http://www.scpr.org/news/2014/03/14/42794/how-did-sierra-madre-s-record-setting-wisteria-get/>



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(Note: The Sierra Madre Wistaria Festival spells Wistaria with an "a" not with an "e").



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SEAN'S SHAMELESS REVIEWS: SPRING PLAYLIST

By Sean Kayden



Pure X – “Starlight” - The first single, “Starlight” off Pure X's forthcoming third album, “Angel” is a hazy, tender, incredibly intimate jam. It was only

a year ago, they released “Crawling Up The Stairs.” For their latest endeavor, Pure X recorded the new album live-to-tape in a century-old dancehall in rural Texas. It's an achingly beautiful song with unparallel harmonies and a guitar line reminiscent of 70s rock. With falsetto vocals, romantic lyrics, and a refreshingly old school approach to song crafting, “Starlight” will put you in a daydream you'll not want to snap out of. “Angel” is out on April 1st via Fat Possum Records.

Small Black – “Downtown Lights” - One of my favorite albums of 2013 was “Limits of Desire” from Small Black. The chillwave, synth-pop band is back with a brand new EP entitled “Real People.” In the same vein of their previous effort, the band has crafted five new dreamy, electronic induced songs worth your attention. “Downtown Lights” is an ultra sleek, danceable, lowtempo jam that captures the craziness of a fun filled night. It's exceptionally enchanting with soft vocals, passionate lyrics and cool vibes. It cuts a little deeper than previous songs have in the past, but the growth this band has shown of the course of their last two records is positively admirable. “Real People EP” hits shelves April 1st on Jagjaguwar.

Tokyo Police Club – “Feel The Effect” - It's been four years since Tokyo Police Club's sophomore LP, “Champ.” On March 25th, the band is set to release “Forcefield.” Closing track, “Feel The Effect,” is indie pop at it's finest. It's a slower one from this band, but the power-pop tendencies come into effect in the final stages of the tune. It's unbelievably catchy, super smooth and so irresistible that you'll most definitely have this

one on repeat. While not as lyrically powerful as the first two songs on this list, the simplicity is welcoming, if a bit underwhelming. I've already had the pleasure to preview “Forcefield” and this one is a great addition to kick off the spring season. “Forcefield” is your winning ticket out of those gloom and doom sort of afternoons.

The Mary Onettes – “Naïve Dream” - It was only a year ago when dream-pop Swedish band The Mary Onettes released “Hit The Waves.” The band is back with what they describe as a mini-album entitled “Portico.” The seven-track album is filled with dreamy, 80s soaked tunes. One of the singles, “Naïve Dream” is a song for any fans of The Cure. This shoegaze tune is nostalgic too the max. Blissful melodies, spaced out arrangements and yearning for love type of lyrics is ideal combination for this indie-pop gem. If you dig the 80s, “Naïve Dream” is one you can't afford to pass up. “Portico” is out now on Labrador Records.

Future Islands – “A Dream Of You and Me” - One of my favorite bands is Future Islands. The unique synthpop band from Baltimore, Maryland features the raspy vocals for singer/songwriter Samuel T Herring. His vocals are unlike anyone in the game and while it may take some time to adjusting to, you can find the sheer beauty in his songs. Future Islands craft poetry in their deeply profound, but occasional danceable material. “A Dream Of You and Me” is off their third LP, “Singles” out on March 25th via 4AD. This harrowing gem has the signature snythpop style of Future Islands, but the lyrics will pull you in. The words are reflective and exceedingly pondering that you must carefully take in. Future Islands once again doesn't disappoint with one of the most stunning songs of 2014. Like I said before, the vocals may not be for everyone, but for those seeking something unconventional and intensely rewarding, look no further than the sheer splendor that lies within this powerful song.

“THE PLAYER KING” AT SIERRA MADRE PLAYHOUSE ON MARCH 28

WHAT: “The Player King.” The acclaimed show moves to Sierra Madre Playhouse for one performance.

WHO: Written and performed by Darin Dahms. Presented by Spurred Productions in association with Sierra Madre Playhouse.

WHERE: Sierra Madre Playhouse, 87 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. Ample free parking behind theatre.

WHEN: Friday, March 28, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.
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Darin Dahms is highly regarded for his many stage roles in shows including “A House With No Walls,” “A Tale Told by an Idiot,” and “Someone Who'll Watch Over Me.” He is also a director, producer and writer, winning awards for “Butterflies of Uganda,” which he co-wrote with friend Sonke Weiss. Dahms received an MFA from the University of South Carolina and is a lifetime member of the Actors Studio.

“The Player King” will be enjoyed by anyone fascinated by the history of the theatre, the history of America, or the art of performance. See what the early audiences of “The Player King” already know: It's an extraordinary entertainment.

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Jeff's Book Picks

By Jeff Brown

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by Angela Liddon



Liddon vowed to get healthy once and for all. Done with feeling sick and tired, she threw out her fat free butter spray and low calorie frozen dinners. Instead, Angela embraced whole foods that made her glow from the inside out. But first, she had to learn to cook and eat right. Five years ago, Angela started a blog, ohsheglows.com, to spread the word about her journey to health and the powerful transformation that food can make in our lives. Today, Oh She Glows is one of the most popular vegan recipe blogs on the Internet. The Cookbook is packed with more than 100 delicious recipes such as g -to breakfasts, protein packed snacks, hearty entrées, and tasty desserts. From entrées like the Crowd Pleasing Tex Mex Casserole and Empowered Noodle Bowl to sweet treats like the Chilled Chocolate Espresso Torte with Hazelnut Crust and Angela's famous Glo Bakery Glo Bars, there is something for everyone. The Cookbook is also allergy friendly, with many gluten free and soy free options. Angela's recipes are for anyone who longs to eat well, feel great, and simply glow!

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WHAT'S ON 98

March 17 – March 23, 2014

Calendar Girl is playing Saturday at 7 p.m.

Released January 31, 1947: Jane Frazee is courted by both a photographer and a songwriter in this turn of the century romantic musical.

This movie was produced and released in 1947, but it is a 'costume' film - portraying a story from 1900 New York City, with the ladies and gentlemen dressed in turn of the century garb. If you were not lucky enough to see a lot of Broadway in the mid 1940's - and not many of us were even alive then - you would have seen a story like this one.

They brought Broadway to the big screen, with outstanding singing scattered through the plot, and acting that was noticable acting . . . I don't mean over-the-top bad acting, just 'acting.' When Burt Reynolds was a young actor he was speaking with Spencer Tracy, telling him that he wanted to be a great actor just like Mr. Tracy was. Spencer turned to him and said that acting was a find ambition, but never let your audience catch you at it. You can 'catch' these performers acting, much like stage acting. Neil Sedaka sang the famous 'Calendar Girl' in 1960, but this caledar girl was much earlier, in 1947.

The plot is a good one, we have 'calendar girl' Patricia who meets two young men from Boston trying to find fame and fortune in New York City. One of the fellows is the son of a wealthy banker who likes to play with the girls and postpone his eventual duty to marry the wealthy gal from Boston and go to work in daddy's bank. He tries his luck at painting because he doesn't know what else to do. The other fellow has a passion for music.

Since he was a little lad all he could think about was creating songs and good music. He is dirt poor, but his passion will hopefully find him a career on Broadway. Both fellow fall for Patricia when they meet, the one wants to have an affair with her and teach her about life in the fast lane, and the other wants to marry her and settle down.

Of course Patricia chases the engaged bankers' boy so that she can have the money and security that his position would afford. And we have several sub-plots involving Patricia's father, his competition with another fire station, and Lulu, the lady that runs a boarding house for aspiring musicians and actors. If you are a lady that is in the mood for a light-hearted chick flick romantic comedy with enough tough guy sub-plot to keep your fellow interested, sit back and enjoy a great Broadway show brought to the big screen in Calendar Girl.

by Jimbo Berkey

This is how the schedule works:

7-9	Youth programs and movies
9-11	Painting to cooking and much much more
11- Noon	Comedy movies and The Lucy Show
1-3	Romance movies
3-5	Film Noir movies and Dragnet
5-6	Comedy movies
7-9	Bonanza, Mr. & Mrs. North and Sherlock Holmes
9-10	Mystery movies

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We are looking for help in provide this service to the Sierra Madre community. I know there is some kind of video entertainment you enjoy. Help develop a time segment for the shows you want to watch.

My Picks of the Week	
Monday	The Skin Game
Tuesday	Reaching for the Moon
Wednesday	Forced Landing
Thursday	Manhattan Tower
Friday	Unholy Love
Saturday	Calendar Girl
Sunday	The Laugh Maker

Make sure you have your popcorn ready, gone to the potty, cushions fluffed and your are comfortable. There are no interruptions during the movie. The films are not edited for time or content.

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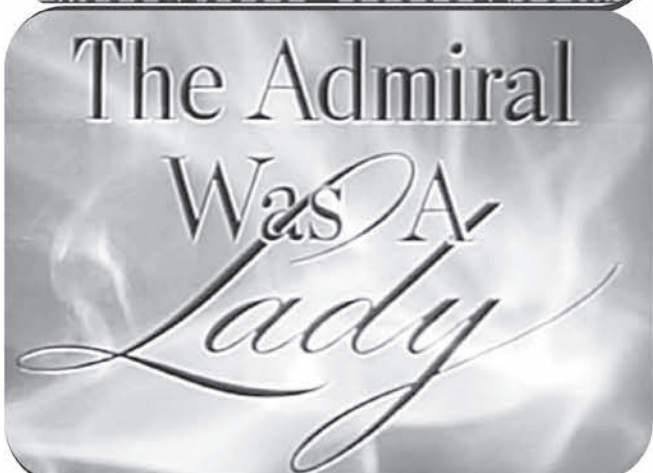
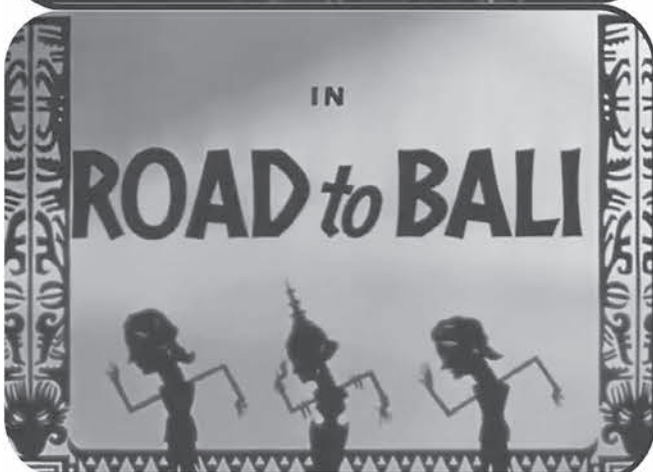
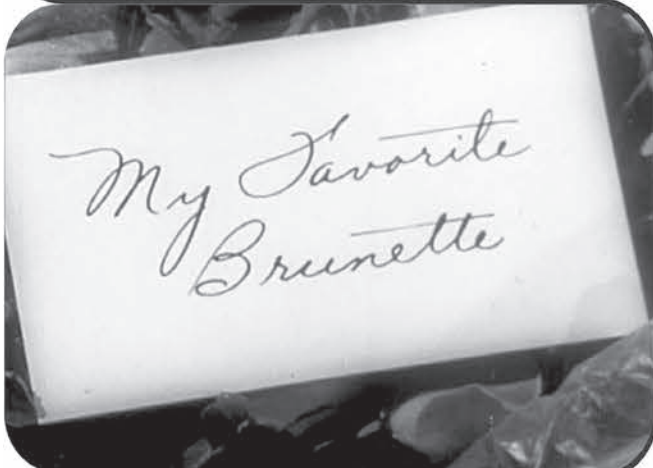
THIS WEEK ON 98

Monday 3.17.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Children's Programing
9 to 10 am	Painting, Cooking and much much more
11 to 12 pm	His Royal Highness
1 to 2 pm	The Miracle Kid & Escort Girl
3 to 4 pm	The Skin Game
5 to 6 pm	Scared to Death
7 to 8 pm	Bonanza, Mr. & Mrs. North, Sherlock Holmes
9 to 10 pm	The Miracle Kid & Escort Girl
Tuesday 3.18.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Children's Programing
9 to 10 am	Painting, Cooking and much much more
11 to 12 pm	Earthworm Tractors
1 to 2 pm	Reaching for the Moon
3 to 4 pm	A Farewell to Arms
5 to 6 pm	The Evil Mind
7 to 8 pm	Bonanza, Mr. & Mrs. North, Sherlock Holmes
9 to 10 pm	Reaching for the Moon
Wednesday 3.19.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Children's Programing
9 to 10 am	Painting, Cooking and much much more
11 to 12 pm	Young and Beautiful
1 to 2 pm	Forced Landing
3 to 4 pm	No Hands on the Clock
5 to 6 pm	The Devil Bat
7 to 8 pm	Bonanza, Mr. & Mrs. North, Sherlock Holmes
9 to 10 pm	Forced Landing
Thursday 3.20.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Children's Programing
9 to 10 am	Painting, Cooking and much much more
11 to 12 pm	The Villain Still Prusued Her
1 to 2 pm	Manhattan Tower
3 to 4 pm	Corsair
5 to 6 pm	The Terror
7 to 8 pm	Bonanza, Mr. & Mrs. North, Sherlock Holmes
9 to 10 pm	Manhattan Tower
Friday 3.21.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Sand Sculpting
9 to 10 am	Painting, Cooking and much much more
11 to 12 pm	The Gangs All Here
1 to 2 pm	Unholy Love
3 to 4 pm	Emperor Jones
5 to 6 pm	Horror Hotel
7 to 8 pm	Bonanza, Mr. & Mrs. North, Sherlock Holmes
9 to 10 pm	Unholy Love
Saturday 3.22.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Children's Programing
9 to 10 am	Honor on the Range & the Lucky Texan
11 to 12 pm	Take Me Back to Oklahoma
1 to 2 pm	Buck Jones Border Law
3 to 4 pm	Shadow Ranch
5 to 6 pm	Road Show
7 to 8 pm	Calendar Girl
9 to 10 pm	Buck Jones Border Law
Sunday 3.23.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Children's Programing
9 to 11 am	Michelle Rae Music
11 to 12 pm	Jane Eyre and Abraham Lincoln
1 to 2 pm	The Laugh Maker and June Moon
3 to 4 pm	NASA Shuttle
5 to 6 pm	Wake Up and Dream
7 to 8 pm	Band Wagon and Gang War
9 to 10 pm	The Laugh Maker and June Moon



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City of Sierra Madre

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 1303

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE AMENDING CHAPTER 12.20 OF THE SIERRA MADRE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING PROTECTED TREES

Pursuant to Government Code section 65595(c), Ordinance No. 1303 amends the City's existing Chapter 12.20 ("Tree Preservation and Protection") in order to transfer the duties of the former Tree Advisory Commission to the new Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Commission and to enhance protection and maintenance of the urban forest. Ordinance No. 1303 defines trees of specified species and size as "protected trees," including "legacy trees" and trees planted on City-owned property and parkways whose trunk exceeds a diameter of four inches as measured at 4 1/2 feet above natural or established grade.

Ordinance No. 1303 regulates the care and maintenance of "protected trees" by

- (1) prohibiting the substantial trimming or removal of protected trees without a permit;
- (2) specifying procedures for the application and review of a tree trimming or removal permit;
- (3) creating exemptions from the permit requirement, including a City staff determination of when a tree is dead or otherwise is deemed an immediate hazard to persons or property, emergency removal by an overhead utility franchise holder and trimming of encroaching branches from a tree on a neighboring property;
- (4) placing a duty on abutting property owners to irrigate and maintain City street trees adjacent to their property and establishing a mitigation matrix for the number, size and type of replacement trees required in the event of removal of a protected tree;
- (5) creating a procedure for designation of a "legacy tree;"
- (6) providing a penalty for removal of protected trees from private property and authorizing the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Commission to recommend that the Planning Commission impose a five-year prohibition on development entitlement applications in the event that such unpermitted removal appears to be in furtherance of development;
- (7) authorizing the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Commission to develop a list of tree species prohibited for planting within the City right of way and in high fire hazard zone;
- (8) creating a procedure for staff level approval of a tree removal permit as well as a procedure for review by the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Commission, including an appeal process;
- (9) providing for a requirement for replacement tree planting as a mitigation measure for tree removal, as well as other remedies for violation, including abatement as a public nuisance; and
- (10) providing a procedure for the sale of surplus City-owned trees.

On January 28, 2014, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 1303 for first reading. Pursuant to Sections 15307 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Ordinance No. 1303 was determined to be exempt from environmental review as an action by the City Council to assure the maintenance or enhancement of a natural resource involving procedures for protection of the environment.

The City Council approved a second reading of Ordinance No. 1303 on February 11, 2014. This summary is published pursuant to Government Code Section 36933(c) (1) and a full and complete copy of the text of Ordinance 1303 is available at the Sierra Madre City Manager's Office located at City of Sierra Madre City Hall, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA.

City of Sierra Madre

ORDINANCE NO. 1353

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE AMENDING TITLE 8.24 OF THE SIERRA MADRE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

The City Council of the City of Sierra Madre does hereby ordain as follows:

- SECTION 1. Municipal Code Amendment. Section 8.24.010 of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code is hereby amended in its entirety and restated to read as follows:
SECTION 8.24.010 Fireworks Prohibited. The sale, possession or discharge of all fireworks is prohibited within the city of Sierra Madre. Exception. Public displays of fireworks conducted by licensed pyrotechnic engineer shall comply with Section 5608 of the California Fire Code as adopted by the City of Sierra Madre.
- SECTION 2. Municipal Code Amendment. Section 8.24.020 of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:
SECTION 8.24 Penalties
1. Whenever a peace officer charged with the enforcement of any provision of the Municipal Code determines that a violation of this article has occurred, the peace officer shall have the authority to issue an administrative citation to any person responsible for the violation.
2. Whenever a peace officer charged with the enforcement of this article determines that a violation of the article has occurred, the peace officer may issue an administrative citation for each violation found to have occurred.
3. Citations issued pursuant to this article shall carry administrative fines as follows:
a. \$250 for the first and subsequent violations of Section 8.24.10 involving the possession of "Safe and Sane" fireworks.
b. \$500 for the first and subsequent violations of Section 8.24.10 involving the possession of illegal fireworks as defined in Health and Safety Code 12500-12728.
c. \$500 for violations of Section 8.24.10 involving the discharge of fireworks within the City limits of Sierra Madre.
d. \$1000 for violations of Section 8.24.10 involving the discharge of fireworks in a protected fire area.
Violations of this article may also be cited as criminal misdemeanor violations.
- SECTION 3. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances. All existing ordinances or parts thereof conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance or the California Fire Code adopted are hereby repealed.
- SECTION 4. Supplementary of Existing Law. The City Council intends this Ordinance to supplement, not to duplicate or contradict, applicable state and federal law and this Ordinance shall be construed in light of that intent.
- SECTION 5. Severability. Should any section, subsection, clause, or provision of this Ordinance for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this Ordinance; it being hereby expressly declared that this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase hereof would have been prepared, proposed, approved, and ratified irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.
- SECTION 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty days following its adoption as provided by Government Code Section 36937.
- SECTION 7. CEQA. This Ordinance has been determined to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to State Guidelines §15061 (b) (3) as a project that has no potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.
- SECTION 8. Certification. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause the same to be processed in the manner required by law.

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Fight to maintain our own police department. I do not support contracting out to the Sheriff's Department. Our police, fire and paramedics must be a top priority.

Lead the effort to begin upgrading the city's infrastructure that suffers from years of deferred maintenance.

- **Develop a plan to place the miles of leaking 90 year old water mains on a schedule for replacement.**
- **Create a multi-year plan to schedule the paving of streets and repair of sidewalks.**
- **Insist on substantial yearly progress in addressing the backlog of trees that need trimming.**

Propose new water conservation ordinances to encourage water conservation efforts and streamline and simplify the permit process for such projects.

Fight to protect the field at the Monastery from irresponsible development.



Qualifications: I will bring unique knowledge, community experience and leadership to the City Council.

Department Head, Managed History and Political Science Dept. at Long Beach City College

Trustee, Sierra Madre Public Library

Government Expertise – Political Science Professor for 23 years

Past President, 350 Member Community College Association, Long Beach City College

Founder, Chairman, Former General Manager, Village Vine Online

Host, Village Intersections, Public Affairs show on Village Vine Online

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