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SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2014

COUNCIL APPROVES  
BUILDING MORATORIUM  
EXTENSION *Ordinance on Pg. 3*

A FOND, BUT SAD FAREWELL



Karin Schnaider, Sierra Madre's Finance Director since 2006, publicly announced that she will be moving with her family to Northern California due to her husband's professional commitment.

During her tenure, Karin has been responsible for bringing the town's financial records up to date, including overseeing the completion of the previous administration's delinquent audits, 3 years in 18 months, and completing all subsequent audits in a timely manner. As one of the many people who spoke highly of her at Tuesday's council meeting said,

"Karin has kept the city's financial house in order". She has also been responsible for the City receiving multiple awards for the accounting practices that were implemented under her leadership.

While we will miss her dearly, she has already accepted a job as the Finance Director for the City of Benicia. Our loss is a wonderful gain for Benicia.

Above she poses with the council and city attorney and city manager, as well as her sons. Photo courtesy City of Sierra Madre.

## BREAKING NEWS: ARCADIA HOME INVASION ROBBERY

On August 15, 2014 at approximately 10:56 PM, Arcadia Police Officers responded to the 600 Block of West Lemon Avenue to investigate the sounds of a male and female screaming for help.

Officers contacted three Arcadia residents who were victims of a home invasion robbery. The victims stated three suspects entered the residence through an unlocked rear window. However, they only saw two of the suspects and heard the third suspect. One of the suspects was armed with a dark colored handgun.

The suspects took the victims to an upstairs bed room where they were forced to lie face down on the floor. One of the suspects held the victims at gun point while the other two ransacked the house. When the suspect was not watching, the victims got up, raced to the window, pushed out the screen, and jumped onto the roof. The victims the jumped from the roof to the front yard where they were screaming for help.

The surrounding area was checked, but the suspects were not located. The two suspects that were seen were described as adult Black males, one wearing a red hoodie and the other wearing a black hoodie. Two of the victims were injured after jumping from the roof and were transported to a local hospital for medical treatment. The loss is unknown at this time.

The investigation is continuing by Arcadia Police Department Detectives. Anyone with information is asked to call the Arcadia Police Department at 626-574-5150. You can also submit crime tips and information via text, phone, or web to LA Regional Crime Stoppers, 800-222-TIPS (8477).

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## Walking Sierra Madre...The Social Side

By Deanne Davis

Flowers always make people better, happier, and more helpful; they are sunshine, food and medicine for the soul."

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Luther Burbank

"A wedding isn't a celebration until you add the flowers!"

Walking Sierra Madre, it's pretty safe to say that we're a community of gardeners who love our flowers. In any one block you can find a Mediterranean garden with stones and succulents; next door, azaleas and gardenias followed by sunflowers, geraniums, roses, lilacs, lavender, bougainvillea in every shade imaginable, and pretty much any other lovely thing that's part of the botanical family.

Visiting Lisa Cardella, the genius designer behind Ixora Floral Studio, is so cool. Where did the name come from? "Everyone seems to ask where I came up with the name 'Ixora' for the business. It is actually a subtropical flower that comes in pretty coral and yellow."

If you haven't seen it, Ixora is on Montecito, across the street from Chris, (a really great guy who is the heart and soul of Sierra Madre Independent Honda Service) and next door to The Shabby Dog, Boutique and Groomers. Lisa's studio is a peaceful place where clients can sit down and put themselves into her capable hands. The exact right thing to say is, "Here's my budget and I want you to handle everything!" She can and she will! Lisa is delighted to work with anyone to make their dream come true.

Lisa's degree is in Ornamental Horticulture and she's been making beautiful things happen since about 1997. She was with Jacob Maarse for several years. Jacob was Pasadena's premiere florist and a Sierra Madre resident for many years, growing quite a number of the roses he used in the business right here at his house. His son, Hank, is now at the Maarse helm. Lisa's parents, Richard and Mary Ann, built her a tiny studio next to their house up in the Canyon and she was off and running, planning events of all sorts, from small and intimate to absolutely enormous. It didn't take long to outgrow the tiny studio in the Canyon and Lisa's been there on Montecito ever since, with another Ixora Studio at the Jonathan Club in Los Angeles.

Asking Lisa what she's been up to lately, I can just say it was huge! An heiress (whose name we can't mention, but you'd know who she is!) was married at a private estate in Malibu and Lisa did everything, creating the exact fantasy the bride had imagined.. Her favorite events are those where she can plan and deliver the entire affair, taking the color palette through the linens, props,

lighting and, of course, flowers. Weddings these days are much more what you'd call amazing occasions than was the practice a few years ago. Budgets of \$100,00 plus are not unusual!

Asking what her most unusual wedding was, Lisa laughed and said she worked with a mom with an Asian background who planned her daughter's whole wedding. Lisa never once met the bride. What the mom absolutely had to have was a number of life-size peacocks, the taxidermy kind, hidden all around the wedding site in the shrubbery. These guys were for luck, according to the mom, and she would only be happy if her daughter, who wouldn't have liked them at all, couldn't see them and didn't know they were there. Lisa pulled it off! The mom could see their little heads peering out of the bushes, she was extremely happy and the bride never knew.

Trends do change, by the way. Not long ago, it was glitz, glitter, rhinestones, bling and bedazzle on everything. Currently, sparkle seems to have toned down and textures and colors are more what's happening now.

Lisa plans large events here in her studio on Montecito but still has time for small bouquets and occasions, in combination with the downtown studio. She can work with anyone's budget, whether it's small or enormous and she loves challenges. Her favorite event? Weddings! Definitely weddings. Each wedding is different, but each is beautiful. Want an English country garden? No problem! One of her recent wedding challenges: A circus theme, centerpieces being vintage clowns among flowers, ride tickets on the tables and popcorn boxes all over! Now, if she can make a circus wedding work, there's just nothing she can't do for you!

Ixora Florist Studio, 35 East Montecito - that's on the east side of Baldwin. 626-355-0040. Take a look at Lisa's website to see some of her designs: [HYPERLINK "http://www.ixoraflorist.com/"](http://www.ixoraflorist.com/) [t "blank" http://www.ixorafloralstudio.blogspot.com](http://www.ixorafloralstudio.blogspot.com)

"When you have only two pennies left in the world, buy a loaf of bread with one, and a lily with the other." Chinese Proverb

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## Weather Wise

5-Day Forecast - HOT

Sierra Madre, Ca.

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<b>Tues:</b>	Sunny	Hi 90s	Lows 60s
<b>Wed:</b>	Sunny	Hi 90s	Lows 60s
<b>Thur:</b>	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
<b>Fri:</b>	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

CITY OF SIERRA MADRE  
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING:  
Tuesday, September 9, 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](mailto:radio@cityofsierramadre.com).



## SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS

## City Council

Next City Council Meeting

September 9, 2014 - 6:30 pm

The final agenda and staff reports will be available online no later than Friday night. Enter the date "08/12/2014" for the complete agenda packet.

Can't make it to the meeting, but still want to share your thoughts? You can mail or drop off a written statement to City Hall or email [city@cityofsierramadre.com](mailto:city@cityofsierramadre.com) before 5:30 the night of the meeting and your statement will be delivered to all the Council Members.

## Upcoming Public Meetings

Thursday, August 21:  
Planning Commission, 7:00pm\*

Wednesday, August 27:  
Library Board of Trustees, 7:00pm

Agendas and staff reports will be posted online 72 hours before the meeting. Unless otherwise noted, all meetings will take place in the City Council Chambers, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

\*These meetings will be recorded and aired live on Time Warner, Channel 3 and streamed online.

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## JOB OPENING

City of Sierra Madre

## SENIOR FISCAL SERVICES MANAGER

Under limited supervision, the Senior Fiscal Services Manager administers the City's financial affairs and oversees the activities and operations of the Finance Division including accounting, billing, budget, payroll, and purchasing. This position addresses tight deadlines and a multitude of accounting activities including preparing and presenting mid-year and year-end budget reports on revenue and expenses and assists in the preparation of long term financial and capital improvement plans for the City.

This position will supervise full- and part-time staff and coordinate assigned Department responsibilities with other City Departments and external agencies. The Senior Fiscal Services Manager will participate in community problem solving and have the ability to be flexible and change plans based on the needs of the community. The Senior Fiscal Services Manager will be committed to professional development and perform related duties as required.

## Essential Functions:

The duties listed below are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work that may be performed by the Senior Fiscal Services Manager. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related, or a logical assignment to the class.

Assume management responsibility for the City's financial services and activities including accounting, billing, budget, payroll, and purchasing.

Assume primary responsibility, to coordinate, develop, prepare, analyze and implement the biennial City, Public Financing Authority, and Successor Agency budget; prepare and present mid-year and year-end budget reports on revenue and expenses; assist in the preparation of long term financial and capital improvement plans for the City.

Ensure City compliance with

State, Federal and other legal or fiscal requirements related to financial activities, including, but not limited to annual audits, financial reports and related documentation.

Prepare and supervise the preparation of reports to the State Controller, County Auditor Controller and other government agencies; meet and confer with outside agencies as needed.

Conduct studies relating to the development or rates and charges for utilities, impact fees and user charges; responsible for annual updates to the fees and charges.

Prepare and present oral and written financial reports and analysis, including City budgets.

Assist the City Treasurer with investments of City funds and banking services.

Develop and implement policies and procedures to govern the operations of the division and fiscal control systems; responsible for internal control procedures of the division and for the enterprise resource planning (ERP) system.

Train, motivate and evaluate Finance personnel; provide or coordinate staff training; work with employees to correct deficiencies; allocate personnel and resources as needed to meet the operational requirements of the division; assign projects and areas of responsibility; evaluate and review work methods and procedures.

Participate in professional development organizations and programs; maintain knowledge of new trends and innovations in the field of financial services.

Respond to and resolve difficult and sensitive inquiries and complaints.

Prepare complex, highly sensitive reports, correspondence and closed session presentations.

Continually promote, in actions, words and writing, the highest customer service standards.

Provide highly responsible and complex administrative support to the City Manager's Office.

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## Sierra Madre Police Blotter

During the week of Sunday, August 3rd to Sunday, August 10th, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 382 calls for service.

Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup>

At 11:53 am, Sierra Madre Police responded to the station lobby regarding an extortion report. The victim informed Officers that while using an online dating app, it directed him to use a computer and download an internet chat room. While online, he came across a naked Asian woman dancing. He was convinced to undress completely and dance along with her. Shortly after, the video of the woman stopped and he received a message stating the woman had recorded him and was going to send the video to all his mobile contacts unless the victim paid money to have it deleted. When the victim paid the fee, the suspect continually asked for more, reaching a total of over \$750. The victim informed the suspect he had notified the FBI and Internet Crime Complaint Center and the suspect stopped sending messages. The victim's money was collected by the suspect in the Philippines. This case has been forwarded to the Detectives Bureau.

At 5:02 pm, Sierra Madre Police responded to the 300 North block of Sunnyside Ave. regarding a verbal altercation between a male and female. Upon arrival, Officers were informed by the male that he and his girlfriend got into an altercation inside the residence. His girlfriend then went outside to their vehicle and began removing his items and throwing them. As he was collecting his items, his girlfriend grabbed his arm and scratched it, causing him to bleed. When the female was questioned by Officers, she stated her and her boyfriend in fact did get into an altercation but it was because he was drunk. She stated he went to the vehicle to drive away and she kept him from getting into the vehicle. She initially denied scratching him, but later admitted she may have while trying to remove a bag from him. Concluding their investigation and collected evidence, Officers found the female to be the main aggressor and arrested her charging her with Domestic Battery.

At 8:09 pm, Sierra Madre Police responded to the station lobby regarding a criminal threat report. The victim informed Officers that two days prior, she ended her relationship with the suspect due to his anger issues. The victim stated the suspect would always punch holes in walls and degrade her upbringing. When she informed the suspect that she was leaving, he made threats that he would kill her and her mother. When the suspect came to the victim's residence to drop off her belongings, the victim's mother stated shortly after the suspect left the home, she noticed a larger butcher-like knife placed on her bed that was not there prior to his arrival. The victims believe the suspect is a threat to their well-being. Officer's efforts to contact the suspect were unsuccessful. This case has been forwarded to the Detectives Bureau.

Thursday, August 7<sup>th</sup>

At 12:09 pm, Sierra Madre Police responded to the area of Orange Grove and Rancho Rd. regarding a reckless driver in the area. While on patrol, Officers located the suspect's vehicle as it passed the Officer's vehicle, driving into oncoming traffic. Officers began a pursuit of the suspect as he continued to swerve and drive into oncoming traffic causing other vehicles to swerve to avoid being hit. The suspect led Officers to a residence in Arcadia by driving up onto its lawn. When Officers attempted to stop the vehicle, the suspect accelerated away from authorities. The suspect reached speeds of up to 70 mph in 35 mph residential streets. The suspect eventually drove himself into a cul-de-sac where Officers were able to surround him. The suspect surrendered to Officers and stated, "This was some crazy video game!" The suspect informed Officers he had used narcotics the day before and was still feeling the effects. The suspect was cleared after evaluation at a local hospital and was arrested for Felony Evading, Reckless Driving, and Driving under the influence of drugs.



## Sierra Madre

-Arcadia

-Pasadena

-Altadena

## Monrovia

City of Sierra Madre

**ORDINANCE NO. 1358-U**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE, CALIFORNIA EXTENDING AN INTERIM MORATORIUM ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65858 ON THE ISSUANCE OF ALL BUILDING PERMITS AND/OR GRANTING OF DISCRETIONARY APPROVALS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW DEVELOPMENT REQUIRING NEW WATER SERVICE CONNECTIONS AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2014, the Governor of California proclaimed a state of emergency in the State of California due to current drought conditions in the state; and WHEREAS, the Governor's proclamation also noted that the snowpack in California's mountain is approximately 20 percent of the normal average for January 2014, and that the state is experiencing extremely dry conditions that have persisted since at least 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's proclamation called upon all Californians to reduce their water usage by 20 percent; and

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2014, the California State Water Resources Control Board notified all water rights holders in California that the coming months, if dry weather persists, the State Water Board will notify water rights holders in critically dry watersheds of the requirement to limit or stop diversions of water under their water right, based upon the priority of their rights; and WHEREAS, Sierra Madre is a public water supply distributor to the resident customers within its jurisdiction and produces and delivers potable water from four wells located with the Eastern Unit of the Raymond Basin; and

WHEREAS, Sierra Madre has the adjudicated right to extract up to 1,764 acre feet annually of ground water from the Eastern Unit of the Raymond Basin, plus the amount of water it can salvage through its efforts to spread water and recharge the Eastern Unit of the Raymond Basin; and

WHEREAS, the average annual water consumption in Sierra Madre is 3,003 acre feet, exceeding the adjudicated right; the annual additional groundwater production is allowable and offset by the amount of rainwater captured and spread for recharge; and

WHEREAS, during the rainy season of 2012-2013 the City received only 9.72 inches of precipitation, compared to the City's 50 year mean of 23.76 inches; because of the lack of rainfall and the restriction on diversion of water, Sierra Madre, which is the only entity which spreads water in the East Raymond Basin for recharge, has been able to capture and spread only a fraction of the necessary water at the spreading grounds; and

WHEREAS, on May 28, 2013 City implemented mandatory Phase II (20% reduction in use) water conservation on its existing customers; and

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2014, the City Council increased mandatory water conservation efforts by implementing Phase III (30% reduction in use) water conservation on its existing customers; and

WHEREAS, the historically low precipitation, low recharge and continued pumping of ground water have led to an over draft of the East Raymond Basin such that the water levels in the aquifer have fallen below 500 feet above mean sea level; accordingly, the Raymond Basin Management Board acting in its capacity as Watermaster of the Raymond Basin, has enacted the "500 foot rule" which reduces Sierra Madre's adjudicated ground water extraction right by 47%;

WHEREAS, since October, 2013, due to the extended drought and over draft condition of the Eastern Unit of the Raymond Basin, the water levels of the aquifer have fallen to the extent that Sierra Madre cannot pump water for delivery from any of its four production wells; and

WHEREAS, for 107 years, except for a brief period where we experienced ground water contamination, Sierra Madre's traditional sources of horizontal tunnels and groundwater wells has been sufficient to meet its water needs without having to import water from a supplemental source; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Sierra Madre take great pride in the quality of the water that is produced from its traditional sources, and such water is a distinguishing and defining characteristic of Sierra Madre, and such water significantly contributes to Sierra Madre's identity and sense of "place"; and

WHEREAS, for the first time in the history of the water department, Sierra Madre has become completely dependent on imported water from the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (SGVMWD) via the Metropolitan Water District ("MWD") to serve its existing customers, utilizing 11,400 acre feet of water it had purchased and stored several years ago—however, this source of water will be exhausted by fall 2014 and 2) an additional 2,703 acre feet recently purchased from MWD, which is anticipated to be exhausted by March 2015; and

WHEREAS, Recital I of the September 9, 2013 Agreement for Exchange and Purchase of Water between Metropolitan Water District and the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District under which Sierra Madre receives its imported water supply states, "It is not intended that the service connection will be used by Sierra Madre or others to increase the total amount of available water to accommodate growth or to accommodate sale or leasing of Sierra Madre's groundwater supplies to any other agency;" and

WHEREAS, the current use of MWD water, which is of a slightly different chemistry from the City's groundwater, has produced water discoloration problems for many of its existing customers, which is likely due to chemical reaction with the city's distribution system or the customer's plumbing. Although the City has hired a consultant to study the problem and provide potential solutions and options, in the meantime the customer must let the water run to flush the system in an attempt to clear the discolored water from the pipes, thereby using extra water during a period of mandatory conservation; and

WHEREAS, during the rainy season of 2013-2014, the City received only 5.9 inches of precipitation, compared to the City's 50 year mean of 23.76 inches; worsening the drought and further reducing the City's ability to capture rain water for groundwater recharge; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that even with a return of normal rainfall and the renewed ability to spread water for effective recharge, that it will take at least three to five years for the East Raymond Basin aquifer water levels to recover sufficiently to enable the City to return to the use of its four wells for extraction and deliver any portion of its adjudicated ground water to its existing water customers; and

WHEREAS, given the over draft condition of the East Raymond Basin, the Raymond Basin Management Board may engage a study of the Basin and review its safe yield. A reduction in the safe yield of the East Raymond Basin will further negatively impact the City's ability to access sufficient ground water to supply its existing water customers; and WHEREAS, The City of Sierra Madre is located in a high fire hazard area, and the on-going drought and the overdraft condition of the East Raymond Basin increase the danger of fire, especially in the high fire season of the summer months, which increases the need for a reliable and sustainable supply of water; and

WHEREAS, there is no Sierra Madre "right" to continue to purchase water from MWD, which must provide water service first to its existing customers; and

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to review and update the provisions of its development and zoning code to implement new zoning and development requirements and conditions of approval which will address water conservation requirements for all development, provide additional review of the Water Resources chapter and Land Use element of the General Plan to address water conservation policies, and consider mitigation measures, such as "in lieu impact fees," and regulations creating "no net water use increase;" and

WHEREAS, the City has undertaken scientific studies of the composition of its well water and imported water to determine the feasibility of mixing water sources in order to for allow supplementation of local water sources with imported water rather than the current replacement of local water sources with imported water, and until completion of said studies the amount of water available to the City in any given year cannot be accurately forecasted; and

WHEREAS, oscillation between using ground water from the East Raymond Basin and imported MWD water will not resolve the discoloration problems that many customers are having with the water. It is important to stabilize conditions in the East Raymond Basin to enable the City to return to the use of its four wells for production, delivery and distribution of its adjudicated ground water and a return of customer confidence in the water quality; and

WHEREAS, Sierra Madre's citizens wish to return to their traditional source of water and avoid importation of water unless the necessity of importation is established by extraordinary circumstances; and

WHEREAS, Sierra Madre' external and supplemental source of water is the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, whose only supply source is the California's State Water Project, which is currently allocating only 5% of requests to its customers; and

WHEREAS, if construction, that requires a new connection to the city's water system, continues in light of the present water shortage conditions and without the benefit of additional regulations and conditions requiring water conservation measures which do not presently exist, the water shortage conditions faced by the City will be exacerbated; and

WHEREAS, if construction, that requires a new connection to the city's water system, continues without a better understanding of the amount of water that the City can plan on in the long term the water shortage conditions faced by the City may be exacerbated; and

WHEREAS, these issues constitute a current and immediate threat to the public health, safety, and welfare, within the meaning of Government Code Section 65858; and

WHEREAS, approval of any additional subdivisions, use permits, variances, building permits or any other applicable entitlement for use which would require a new water service connection, which are not authorized by this Ordinance would result in these threats to the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 65858, a provision of the State Planning and Zoning Law, authorizes an interim, urgency zoning ordinance to prevent development which may be inconsistent with a plan under development—such as the City's intended update of its development and zoning codes to enact more stringent water conservation requirements—pending adoption of that plan.

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2014, the City Council adopted Urgency Ordinance 1357U imposing a forty-five (45) day moratorium on the issuance of any land use approval (including, but not limited to, building permits, grading permits, conditional use permit, subdivisions) for construction or development of new construction where the development would require a new water service connection, on any lot in any zone within the City; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1357U would have expired by its own terms on August 22, 2014; and

WHEREAS, as directed by the City Council on July 8, 2014, Staff has commenced a review of the zoning and development codes and further review of the General Plan Water Resources and Land Use Chapters to identify possible amendments to the City's Municipal and Zoning Code and General Plan policies for clear, consistent and uniform regulations related to the water conservation requirements for new development. Staff needs additional time to develop the actual regulations and have the regulations be reviewed by the Planning Commission, where required, prior to consideration by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has conducted a properly noticed public hearing in accordance with Government Code section 65090 and has duly considered all written and verbal testimony during the hearing; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the current and immediate threat to the public health, safety and welfare, as described in the findings herein, and as set forth in Ordinance No.1357U still exists, and that a moratorium on the issuance of any land use approval (including, but not limited to, building permits, grading permits, conditional use permit, subdivisions) for construction or development of new construction where the development would require a new water service connection, on any lot in any zone within the City shall remain in effect pending completion of the City's study and adoption of amendments to the City's Municipal and Zoning Code and General Plan.

**NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE FURTHER FINDS** that the adoption of this Ordinance is necessary to protect the public safety, health and welfare by ensuring well-planned and water efficient development of properties in the City necessary to conserve the finite water resources for all customers and that it should adopt this interim urgency zoning ordinance as authorized by Government Code Section 65858 and

**THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Notwithstanding any provision of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code or any other ordinance of the City of Sierra Madre, and except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance, no building permit, grading permit, conditional use permit, variance or other land use approval, permit or “will-serve” letter shall be issued for the construction or development of new construction where the development would require a new water service connection, on any lot in any zone within the City.

Section 2. The provisions of Section 1 of this Ordinance shall not apply to any of the following:

(a) Repair, maintenance or renovation of existing structures or facilities which already have water service connections; or to the repair or replacement of water service connections that lawfully exist as of the effective date of this Ordinance, where the repair or replacement complies with all applicable laws, rules and regulations.

- (b) Replacement of an existing water service connection with a higher capacity water service connection, where necessary to accommodate installation of fire sprinklers or other fire protection facilities consistent with all applicable laws, rules and regulations.
- (c) Repair or maintenance work which the City Manager or her designee determines is necessary to abate a threat to public health or safety;
- (d) Any project for which all necessary discretionary approvals have been granted and for which a building permit has been issued by the Building Department before the close of business on the day this Ordinance takes effect;
- (e) New construction where an existing water service connection already exists before the close of business on the day this Ordinance takes effect.

**Section 3. Taking.** If a person can demonstrate that the application of this ordinance to his or her property would constitute a taking in violation of the federal or California Constitution or would otherwise be unlawful, an exception to this moratorium can be made pursuant to a variance approved under Section Chapter 17.60 of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code. No variance application shall be required if the Director, in consultation with the City Attorney, determines that an exception to this Ordinance is legally required. In such case, an approval may be granted only if the approving officer or body of the City finds that the exception is legally required.

Section 4. California Environmental Quality Act.  
A. This ordinance is not a project within the meaning of Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change in the environment, directly or ultimately.  
B. This ordinance is categorically exempt from CEQA under Section 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines as a regulatory action taken by the City pursuant to its police power and in accordance with Government Code Section 65858 to assure maintenance and protection of the environment pending the evaluation and adoption of contemplated local legislation, regulation and policies.

C. The imposition of a moratorium on building permits or discretionary land use entitlements for development projects requiring new water service connections is statutorily exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code sections 21000 et seq. (“CEQA”) pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080, subdivision (b)(4) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15269, subdivision (c). (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15269, subd. (c).) The moratorium is a specific action necessary to mitigate the effects of an emergency.

D. The imposition of a moratorium on development requiring new water service connections is categorically exempt from review under CEQA pursuant to Guidelines sections 15307, which exempts “actions taken by regulatory agencies as authorized by state law or local ordinance to assure the maintenance, restoration, or enhancement of a natural resource where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment.”

E. This ordinance is not subject to CEQA under the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. For the reasons set forth in subparagraphs (A) and (B) above, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this ordinance will have a significant effect on the environment.

**Section 5. Severability.** Should any provision of this Ordinance, or its application to any person, parcel or circumstance, be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unlawful, unenforceable or otherwise void, that determination shall have no effect on any other provision of this Ordinance or the application of this Ordinance to any other person, parcel or circumstance and, to that end, the provisions hereof are severable.

**Section 6.** Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage and adoption if passed and adopted by at least four-fifths vote of the City Council and shall be in effect for 22 months and 15 days there from (until July 26, 2016) unless extended or earlier terminated by the City Council in accordance with California Government Code Section 65858.

Section 7. Certification. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause the same (or a summary thereof) to be published or posted according to law.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED**, this 12th day of August, 2014 by the following vote:  
AYES: Mayor John Harabedian, Mayor Pro Tem John Capoccia, Council Members Rachelle Arizmendi, Denise Delmar, and Gene Goss

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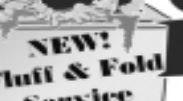
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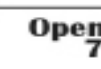
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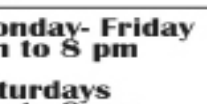


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## Mosquito Control Update for Pasadena

Currently, there are no locally acquired cases of viruses, including West Nile, Chikungunya and Dengue fever, transmitted from mosquitoes to humans in Pasadena. To protect against these diseases, it is important that Pasadena residents help prevent the breeding of mosquitoes by emptying all standing water in containers left outside, keeping swimming pools clean, and regularly checking for mosquito larvae in still water sources such as bird baths and ponds.

The Pasadena Public Health Department also recommends protecting yourself by taking precautions to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes. Preventive measures include wearing repellants containing DEET, avoiding areas likely to be inhabited by mosquitoes at dawn and dusk, wearing long-sleeved shirts and long pants when outdoors and checking your window screen for holes.

If you find a dead bird on your property, please report all dead birds and squirrels to the West Nile Virus and Dead Bird Hotline at (877) 968-2473 or online at <http://westnile.ca.gov>.

The Pasadena Public Health Department continues to proactively monitor its mosquito and overall vector control efforts to reduce the risk of West Nile Virus, which is spread to humans from a bite from an infected mosquito.

To control the presence of mosquitoes, staff travel throughout the City at least once a week to treat gutters, puddles, pools, and other free-standing water sources water that serve as prime breeding grounds for mosquitoes. Additionally, for more than a decade, the Pasadena Public Health Department has collaborated with the Pasadena Police Department to use police helicopters to help look for stagnant pools and green water sources.

For more information on vector control, to receive free mosquito fish to prevent breeding, or to report a green pool or still water source, please call the Pasadena Public Health Department Environmental Health Division at (626) 744-6004.

## Pet of the Week



Biscuit is a is two-year-old Cairn Terrier/Shih Tzu mix. He can be a bit shy at first, but warms up quickly. He loves treats and enjoys going for walks.

Biscuit's adoption fee is \$125, which includes his neuter surgery, a microchip, the first set of vaccinations, as well as a free follow-up health check at a participating vet. New adopters will receive complimentary health and wellness exam from VCA Animal Hospitals, as well as a goody bag filled with information on how to care for your pet.

Call the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA at 626.792.7151 to ask about A361961, 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](http://www.pasadenahumane.org).



## Real Change Movement Unveiled

By Dean Lee

The first repurposed parking “donation” meter that collects money, not for your car but to help end homelessness and panhandling in the city, was revealed Wednesday at Fuller Theological Seminary during a gathering of people who made the Real Change Movement a realism.

Officials said the bright orange meter at 180 North Oakland Avenue was one of 12 planned throughout the city including at Pasadena City College and Art Center College of Design. The meters take cash, coins and credit cards. The minimum donation is \$2.

“This program demonstrates the capacity and commitment of the city of Pasadena to bring assistance to those who are less fortunate in our society,” said Pasadena Mayor Bill Bogaard. “It makes me tremendously proud.”

Bogaard went on to say that the

program is also designed to raise the general consciousness about the importance of supporting homeless service agencies in lieu of making contributions to individuals that are panhandling on the street.

Pasadena's Housing and Career Services Director, William Huang said there are three parts to the real change campaign.

“Public education, there is the call to action and there are the donation meters...” he said. “With respect to Public education, “We can't arrest or enforce our way out of the homeless problem, it's not illegal to be poor, to be homeless but we can end homelessness one person at a time by providing permanent housing, with services.”

Huang said the homeless are frequent users of high cost systems such as emergency rooms, jails, courts, police and fire services. He said the meters provide a way to fund alternative

services to those.

As for panhandling, he said, “we want people to know not all panhandles are homeless... studies have shown that some, if not all, the money that panhandlers get goes to drugs alcohol or Tabaco.”

The program is supported by The Flintridge Center, Art Center College of Design, United Way of Greater Los Angeles, East West Bank, Fuller Seminary, and LA County Supervisor Antonovich's office.

## Meeting on Cycling In Pasadena

Do you enjoy riding your bike in Pasadena, if so, what improvements would you like to see to the City's bikeways?

The public is invited to participate in an Open House community meeting Monday sponsored by the Pasadena Department of Transportation to gain the community's input on setting priorities for future bikeway installations throughout the city.

The meeting will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the Jackie Robinson Community Center, 1020 N. Fair Oaks Ave.

City Transportation staff will share the results of a study that was conducted to determine the feasibility of installing Cycle Tracks, Buffered Bike Lanes and Bicycle Boulevards on major corridors in the City.

Come and be a part of the future of cycling in Pasadena.

## Motorcycle Safety Operation Aims at Motorists

The Pasadena Police Department will be conducting a specialized Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation on, in an effort to lower deaths and injuries.

Extra officers will be on duty patrolling areas frequented by motorcyclists and where motorcycle crashes occur. Officers will be looking for violations made by drivers and riders alike that can lead to motorcycle crashes. They will be cracking down on both those operating regular vehicles and motorcycles who are under the influence of drugs or alcohol, speeding, making illegal turns, or any other dangerous violation.

Motorcycle fatalities saw a phenomenal drop of 37 percent from 2008 to 2010, but then rose 23 percent by 2012. Operations like this are aimed at curbing any more rises in motorcycle deaths and sending the numbers back downward.

California collision data reveals that primary causes of motorcycle-involved crashes include speeding, unsafe turning and impairment due to alcohol and other drugs by both riders and drivers alike. The Pasadena Police Department is also reminding all motorists to always be alert and watch out for motorcycles, especially when turning and changing lanes.

## Applications Available for 2015 Royal Court

*97th Rose Queen to be announced and Crowned on October 23*

Applications for the 2014-2015 Tournament of Roses Royal Court are now available online at the Tournament's website. Young women from the Pasadena area who meet the eligibility requirements are encouraged to apply and participate in one of the initial tryout sessions on September 13 or 15.

To be eligible, an individual must be an unmarried female resident of the Pasadena Area Community College District; be a senior in high school or enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited school or college in the Pasadena Area Community College District; possess at least a 2.0 (“C”) cumulative, non-weighted grade point average; be at least 17 years of age by December 31, 2014, and not more than 21 years of age before January 5, 2015, with no children; and complete an official application and participate in one of the initial interview sessions.

In recent years, as many as 1,000 young women have participated in this Pasadena

tradition, hoping to become an official ambassador for the Tournament of Roses and the city of Pasadena. All tryout participants receive two tickets to the Royal Ball, a semi-formal dance hosted by the Tournament of Roses at the Pasadena Convention Center on September 26.

After the initial interview process, approximately 250 individuals will be invited back to round two. From that group, about 75 young women will be asked to participate in the third round of interviews. On October 2, about 25 of the candidates will be announced as finalists, and then the seven-member Royal Court will be announced on October 6. For the second consecutive year, the announcement and coronation of the Rose Queen will take place together on the evening of October 23. KTLA's Rose Parade host and television personality, Stephanie Edwards, will emcee the event.

The grand finale for the Royal Court will be riding a float in the 126th Rose Parade and attending the College Football Playoff Semifinal at the Rose Bowl presented by Northwestern Mutual on New Year's Day.



Finalists for the 2014 Tournament of Roses Royal Court

## Free Tours of Tournament House to end this Month

Free tours of Tournament House, part of the operating headquarters of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association, which oversees the annual Rose Parade and the Rose Bowl Game, will conclude for the year at the end of this month. The last tours of 2014 will be offered, at no cost, on August 21 and 28, at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Reservations are not required except for groups of 15 or more.

Located at 391 S. Orange Grove Blvd., the house was once the home of chewing gum magnate William Wrigley Jr. and his wife, Ada. After Ada's death in 1958, the Wrigley family presented the property to the city of Pasadena, with the request that it become the base of operations for the Tournament of Roses Association. The Wrigley family had long enjoyed the Rose Parade as it unfolded

just beyond their front yard.

Guided tours allow visitors to see the 21-room Italian-Renaissance-style mansion designed and built by architect G. Lawrence Stimson and his father George W. Stimson. Tournament of Roses volunteers from its Heritage Committee, well-versed in the organization's history as well as in the details of the house itself, conduct the tours.

The interior of the house features richly paneled rooms, inlaid marble floors and an ornate molded plaster ceiling - a design element that Stimson would later become famous for. Displays related to Rose Bowl Games, Rose Queens and Royal Courts, Grand Marshals and Tournament Presidents also are part of the décor.

Groups of 15 or more may call (626) 449-4100 for reservations for one of the remaining tour dates.

## Learn How to Produce Your Own TV Show

*New Citizen Journalism training starts Wednesday nights, learn how to report news using social media skills.*

With the opening of the new Pasadena Media 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



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is also offered to volunteer crewmembers. In addition, on-going training will soon be available in citizen journalism and digital film groups. Call the office (626) 794-8585 or go to [PASADENAMEDIA.ORG](http://PASADENAMEDIA.ORG) and explore what Pasadena Media has to offer.

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### Citizen Journalism Training

Wednesday Aug. 20 at 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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

### Arcadia Fire Chief Kurt Norwood and A Class 1 Department

Arcadia Fire Chief Kurt Norwood was the guest speaker at the recent Chamber’s Government Forum Meeting, and what an informative and most interesting presentation he gave! He has been in fire service twenty-nine years and is honored to serve as the Arcadia Fire Chief.

What we didn’t know was Chief Norwood’s dad was with the El Monte Fire Department for many years and restored old Fire Trucks! Chief Norwood feels Arcadia Fire Department is second to none. Arcadia is one of the few stations in the state to have the “Class 1” rating. It is no surprise with its high quality equipment allocated among the by its three fire stations.

Station 105, Headquarters, on Santa Anita Avenue has nine personnel on a daily shift; Station106 on Baldwin Avenue has 5 personnel on duty; Station107 on Orange Grove Blvd. has 3 on duty. Every day there is a Battalion Chief on Duty, who is in the Command Vehicle as needed.

The Department is divided into three categories: Administration, Fire Prevention and Operations with 58 personnel. They have a 13.7 million budget, which is 25% of the City’s general funds. This covers supplies and manages capital equipment. Operations include Suppression and Emergency Services.

Chief Norwood explained the differences between the various vehicle types: The Fire Engine carries 500 gallons of water, hose, and can bring water to the trucks. The Fire Truck does not carry hoses or water, carries a hook and ladder and other extradition equipment.

Chief Norwood told us that suppression responds to accidents and deals with calls such as someone who has stopped breathing. The EMS emergency ambulance goes to homes when 911 is dialed. They receive an average of 5,000 calls per year, 70% of which are for medical service or rescue. Ten percent are false alarms; 10% good intent-such as an elderly person falling or a bad odor in the house. Only 3% are actual fire service calls.

Stations #105 and 106 have paramedics and ambulances and do their own transport. Arcadia Fire brings patients to Huntington Memorial in Arcadia; Kaiser in Baldwin Park; and San Gabriel.

The firefighter is the youngest and most physically fit; paramedics are hired as firefighters, trained as paramedics and licensed by the state; the engineer-driver, must be well trained in cautious driving, as well as be trained in hydraulics and understand water pressure so firefighters are not hurt.

Chief Norwood said the Fire Captain oversees the crew. AFD also has a Volunteer Reserve Program.

The Fire Prevention Staff includes the Fire Marshall, the Fire Inspector and the Administrative Assistant. The Chief spoke of Lilly - a part-time Fire Inspector from Arcadia; fluent in Asian language, she has been such a great asset when it comes to translation.

The Department goes to schools, does demonstrations, and hands out color/activity books. AFD also hosts tours at the stations. They recently offered a leadership program for residents.

There was mention of those “Yellow” Fire Engines. They are on loan from the state; and are on call 24/7. Arcadia, Monrovia, Sierra Madre, Montebello and Santa Fe Springs all have one. When Arcadia assists with fires throughout the state, they are reimbursed.

Fire Inspection involves businesses. In California, 20,000 business fires occur annually, resulting in 760 million in damages, 280 injuries and 17 deaths.

Arcadia has about 3,000 businesses; inspections are required by fire code. AFD’s goal is to stop fires before they start. Firefighters familiarize themselves with buildings, look at fire extinguishers, emergency lighting/exits, sprinklers and fire alarms.

Thank you Chief Norwood for a most informative and interesting report.

## WOMAN ROBBED OF \$8,000

On Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at approximately 11:40 A.M., a theft occurred from the Din Tai Fung restaurant, located at 1108 S. Baldwin Avenue in the City of Arcadia.

The victim entered the restroom with her two small children and placed her purse on a table. The victim left the restroom and accidentally left her purse behind.

The suspect entered the restroom shortly thereafter and quickly exited with the victim’s Chanel purse, which contained \$8,000.00 in U.S. currency, a cell phone and miscellaneous personal property. The suspect was described as a female Asian, 20-25 years of age, slim build, with long dark colored hair, wearing a sleeveless dark colored top and a floral print skirt.

A male subject associated with the female suspect exited the restaurant shortly after the female suspect exited with the victim’s purse. The male subject is described as a male Asian with dark colored hair, wearing a horizontal striped blue and white colored short sleeved shirt and blue jeans.

Anyone with information on this incident is encouraged to contact the Arcadia Police Department at (626) 574-5151, case #14-3992. If you prefer to provide information ANONYMOUSLY, you may call “Crime Stoppers” by dialing 800-222-TIPS (8477), texting the letters TIPLA plus your tip to CRIMES (274637), or using the tip web page at [Los Angeles Regional Crime Stoppers](http://LosAngelesRegionalCrimeStoppers.com).

## MONROVIA IMPLEMENTS PHASE 1 WATER CONSERVATION PLAN

MONROVIA – The Monrovia City Council Declared a Water Shortage Emergency and implemented Phase 1 of the Water Conservation Ordinance at the August 5 City Council meeting, following Emergency Resolution No. 2014-0038 adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board on July 15, 2014, an Emergency Regulation for Statewide Urban Water Conservation requiring mandatory water conservation. Water Conservation efforts went into effect August 11 and will remain in effect until the City Council cancels the declaration.

The following restrictions are now in place:

No person shall hose wash any sidewalk, walkway, driveway, parking area or other paved surface, except as required for sanitary purposes. Washing of motor vehicles shall be done only with a hand-held bucket or hose equipped with a positive shut-off nozzle.

No water shall be used to clean, fill or maintain levels in decorative fountains unless the water is part of a recycling (recirculating) system. No restaurant, hotel, café, cafeteria or other place where food is sold, served or offered for sale shall serve drinking water to any customer unless expressly requested by that customer.

All customers shall promptly repair all leaks from indoor and outdoor plumbing fixtures within 48 hours of discovery.

All lawns, landscape or other turf area shall be watered down not more than every third day between the hours of 5 p.m. and 10 a.m.

No person or customer shall cause or allow water to run off landscaped areas onto adjoining streets, sidewalks, or other paved areas due to incorrectly directed or maintained sprinklers or as the result of excessive watering.

These water conservation efforts are part of an ongoing push by the State of California to respond to the statewide drought currently affecting California.

In January 17, 2014, the Governor’s Proclamation No. 1-17-2014 declared a State of Emergency to exist in California due to the severe drought conditions, with 2014 projected to be the driest year on record.

In April 25, 2014, the Governor issued an executive order to strengthen the

## Arcadia Police Blotter

*For the period of Sunday, August 3rd, through Saturday, August 9th, the Police Department responded to 1,066 calls for service of which 113 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.*

**Sunday, August 3:**

Just after 7:30 a.m., an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 800 block of Fairview Avenue regarding a fight in progress between a male subject and his girlfriend. While driving his vehicle in an attempt to flee the scene, the male subject accelerated as the girlfriend was partially inside the rear passenger compartment, causing her to fall to the ground. Arcadia Fire responded to the scene and provided treatment to the victim who refused medical transportation. The 18-year-old White male was arrested for Battery and Assault with a Deadly Weapon. He was transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

At approximately 8:59 p.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Huntington Drive and Santa Clara Street for expired registration. The officer discovered the 36-year-old Hispanic female driver was never issued a license. She was cited and released in the field without incident. Her vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

**Monday, August 4:**

At about 3:10 a.m., an officer made contact with a subject sleeping inside a bush in the parking lot of Outback Steakhouse, 166 East Huntington Drive. An investigation revealed the 32-year-old White male was under the influence of alcohol and had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

At approximately 3:35 p.m., an officer responded to Ralph’s, 211 East Foothill Boulevard, in reference to a battery report. The victim explained she was waiting in line to use a self-checkout terminal when an unknown female subject cut in front of her. The victim proceeded to the terminal, explained she was waiting in line first, and started scanning her groceries. The female subject became upset and grabbed the victim’s pony tail, causing her head to yank back. As the victim told the suspect she was going to call the police, the suspect fled the location in a white Ford Transit XLT van. The suspect is described as a White female in her sixties with balding gray hair, approximately 5’6” tall, 180 lbs., wearing black pants and unknown colored shirt.

**Tuesday, August 5:**

Around 7:00 a.m., Arcadia officers and other officers working the West San Gabriel Valley Anti-Crime Task Force conducted a probation compliance check on a subject in the City of Montebello. An investigation revealed the 38-year-old Hispanic male was in possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia. He was arrested for the listed violations and an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. He was transported to the Montebello Police Department for booking.

Just after 11:18 a.m., officers were dispatched to a residence in the 1000 block of West Naomi Avenue regarding a burglary in progress. Witnesses reported seeing an unknown subject exit the front of the residence and leave in an awaiting vehicle described as a tan-colored SUV. Assisting officers conducted an area check and located a vehicle matching the suspect vehicle’s description. A search of the vehicle revealed the driver and passenger, both 28-year-old Hispanic males, were in possession of burglary tools. Further investigation revealed the passenger forced entry into the listed residence through a rear bedroom window and stole cash. Both suspects were arrested for Burglary

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## THE DESIGN PHASE IS DONE. NOW, CONSTRUCTION BEGINS.

Over the past two years, the City of Monrovia has been working hand-in-hand with IBI Group to design the \$25 million public improvement project we know as Station Square.

Throughout this design process, the City Council gave direction at study sessions, the community weighed in at public meetings and open houses, and we worked with the Gold Line Construction Authority to make adjustments- all in an effort to get this project where it is today.

The design phase is over and I believe that through this process, we have created a Station Square concept that will truly allow us all to be proud.

Now, we have to build it.

As I write this, contractors are bidding on two parts of the process:

1. Off-site work. This will include street improvements, medians, undergrounding of utilities, tree planting, freeway improvements and a new traffic signal.

2. And Station Square. This is the work directly surrounding the not-so-distant future Gold Line station. It will include our Neighborhood Park, Depot Promenade and Transit Plaza. You’ll see new bike racks, public art and wayfinding signs. Station Square is the centerpiece to this entire project.

In September, the City Council will award the Off-Site and Station Square projects to the contractors who will complete the work. And on September 10, the City Council will officially break ground.

Construction will begin next month.

Construction work will be significant. You may see streets closed, you may find your way blocked at times, and there will be noise and inconvenience. Bear with us. Remember, businesses will still be open, so please support them. This is the construction that will bring this project to life.

We have committed to pushing the project along as quickly as possible so that you are not inconvenienced long, and we can open Station Square to you by the end of 2015 in conjunction with the completion of the Gold Line extension.

For questions about construction, please call Public Works at (626) 932-5575 or email [pwcomments@ci.monrovia.ca.us](mailto:pwcomments@ci.monrovia.ca.us). Visit our website at [www.cityofmonrovia.org/stationsquare](http://www.cityofmonrovia.org/stationsquare) to sign up for email notices or text STATIONNEWS to 888777 for text alerts on construction.

and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

**Wednesday, August 6:**

Shortly after 2:00 a.m., an officer conducted an enforcement stop on a vehicle in the area of Santa Anita Avenue and Santa Clara Street for a broken license plate lamp. Upon contact with the driver, the officer detected an odor of alcohol emitting from inside the vehicle. An investigation revealed the 31-year-old Hispanic male was under the influence of an alcoholic beverage with a blood alcohol content greater than .08 percent. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

At about 10:30 p.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Santa Anita Avenue and Foothill Boulevard for no front license plate. The officer discovered the 29-year-old Hispanic male was in possession of a narcotic controlled substance. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

**Thursday, August 7:**

At approximately 8:14 a.m., an officer conducted an enforcement stop on a vehicle in the 100 block of East Live Oak Avenue for tinted windows. An investigation revealed the driver, a 27-year-old Hispanic male, had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Around 12:12 p.m., an officer was dispatched to a non-injury traffic accident at the intersection of Duarte Road and Goldenwest Avenue. Party-1 and Party-2 entered the intersection at the same time and collided, causing Party-2 to side swipe two other vehicles. The officer was unable to determine who was at fault.

**Friday, August 8:**

Around 3:46 a.m., an officer conducted a DMV check on a vehicle parked in the area of El Monte Avenue and Live Oak Avenue. An investigation revealed the vehicle was stolen from the City of El Monte. The white Honda Accord was released to the registered owner.

At about 4:24 p.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of Woodland Lane regarding a fraud report. The victim stated she received a text message indicating there was possible fraudulent activity on her bank account and to call a specific phone number for verification. After entering her personal information into an automated telephone system, the victim grew suspicious when the system asked for her credit card information. After contacting her bank and learning no text message was sent, the victim realized it was a scam.

**Saturday, August 9:**

At approximately 8:20 a.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Huntington Drive and Santa Anita Avenue for expired registration. An investigation revealed the driver was never issued a license. The 50-year-old Hispanic male was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Just before 5:58 p.m., an officer responded to Sephora at the Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Ave, regarding a female suspect in custody for theft. The suspect concealed several items of merchandise in a shopping bag and exited the store without making payment. The 17-year-old female was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

## Monrovia Police Blotter

**Highlighted Activity for the Weekend of August 11-13, 2014**

*During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 390 service events, resulting in 66 investigations. To see a complete listing of crimes reported, go to <http://www.crimemapping.com/map/ca/monrovia> for crime mapping. For Police Department news and information, visit our website and follow us on Twitter.*

**Injury Traffic Collision**

On August 11 at 7:12 p.m., a motorist struck a 12-year-old female riding a skateboard at Olive and Monterey. The skateboarder was riding in the street and the motorist did not see her. The juvenile was taken to a hospital for precautions and for complaint of pain to one of her legs.

**Hit & Run Traffic Collision – Suspects Arrested**

On August 11 at 5:57 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 600 block of South Alta Vista regarding a hit and run traffic collision. The victim heard a loud crash. She went outside and found her gray Isuzu Rodeo had been hit and the suspect vehicle had fled the scene. A witness who had also heard the crash had walked down the street to Olive. He saw a white Acura Integra with damage and a flat tire parked on the street.

He saw a male Hispanic subject standing near the vehicle looking at the flat tire.

Another male Hispanic subject exited the vehicle and began looking at the tire. The witness went back to the scene of the collision and saw white paint transfer on the victim’s vehicle. He reported what he saw to the police. The officer located the vehicle on Olive, but the suspects were gone. He observed fresh damage and gray paint transfer on the vehicle. The vehicle was stored for investigation of being involved in a hit and run.

Later, at around 9:00 p.m., the owner of the suspect vehicle and his father came into the police department to report the vehicle had been stolen. The owner had a story about how his vehicle was stolen, but his statements were conflicting. The owner eventually recanted his story and confessed to being involved in the hit and run collision. He was arrested and taken into custody.

**Felony Vandalism in Progress – Suspects Arrested**

On August 13 at 1:08 a.m., a female resident called police to report she could see four subjects jumping on the hood of her neighbor’s vehicle. The vehicle was parked on Alta Vista, just south of Montana. She gave a general description of the suspects, and officers responded and located them across the street from the damaged vehicle. The witness positively identified all four suspects, and they were all detained and arrested for felony vandalism. After interviewing the suspects and re-interviewing the witness, it was determined that only two of the four suspects were responsible for the crime, the other two subjects were released.

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Eleven local middle-school girls enjoyed Tech Trek Math/Science Camp at Whittier College this summer. Pictured in the front row (l. to r.) are Mariana Perez, Jocelyn Reyes, Carrie Saleeb, and Jessica Liu. In back (l. to r.) are Alena Perez, Veronica Castro, Malinelly Romero, Zoe Noble, Mariah Robles, Ella Cho, and Faith Gutierrez. The Arcadia Branch of AAUW was the girls' sponsor.

## LOCAL GIRLS BECOME YOUNG SCIENTISTS AND TECH “EXPERTS” AT TECH TREK CAMP

In one short week, eleven middle-school girls from San Gabriel Valley school districts became more science and tech savvy. They spent June 15-21 on the Whittier College campus at Tech Trek Science/Math Camp for Girls exploring courses and possible futures in STEM careers—Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. The camp was sponsored by the Arcadia Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW). The goal of Tech Trek Camp is to help young women entering eighth grade in the fall to develop interest, excitement, and self-confidence in the fields of math and science—in the hope that they will continue to take more classes in those fields and go on to related careers.

Representing Arcadia were Nancy Cho and Carrie Saleeb. El Monte City School District was represented by Jocelyn Reyes, Mariana Perez, Alena Perez, Veronica Castro, Jessica Liu, Veronica Castro, and Malinelly Romero. Monrovia sent Mariah Robles, and Temple City sent Faith Gutierrez.

These young women received a preview of college life while learning that math and science can be enjoyable. They lived in dorms on the Whittier College campus for the week and attended classes that emphasized hands-on experiments and were taught by credentialed middle-school teachers. Some of the core classes were Robotics and

Mars City Alpha (about Mars' environment). Field trips included outings to the Long Beach Marine Institute and Griffith Park Observatory. The week was topped off by a “Build-It Festival” in which the girls used common materials to construct their projects. All enjoyed a Professional Women's Panel in which the girls were inspired by stories of the women's various paths into STEM careers.

Students are nominated by teachers to attend Tech Trek Camp. The local branch of AAUW provides the funding for the students to attend and makes the final selection of campers.

AAUW-Arcadia Branch members are supporting this endeavor, along with contributions from community donors. Major donors this year are the Arcadia Chinese Association, the Hakka Foundation, El Monte City Schools, and a special contribution from departing AAUW-Arcadia member Betty Harris.

*Tech Trek had its beginnings at Stanford University in 1998. Ten more camps on California college campuses have followed throughout the years. AAUW branches in several other states are now adopting Tech Trek Camp as a special project. To support programs like Tech Trek or to learn more about the American Association of University Women (AAUW), please contact Tech Trek Coordinator Phyllis Howard at (626) 359-3525.*

## IT'S BACK TO SCHOOL—PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOLS START MONDAY, AUGUST 18



Dr. Brian McDonald, Interim PUSD Superintendent

Pasadena, CA – The first day of school for Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) students in the 2014-2015 school year is Monday, August 18.

“The start of the new school year is a time of great promise and excitement for students, teachers and district staff,” said PUSD Interim Superintendent Brian McDonald, Ed.D. “As a PUSD parent, resident and educator, I have witnessed first-hand the quality of our schools and the amazing potential of our students. Together with the teachers and staff of PUSD, I am excited to

welcome students and families to the start of the new academic year.”

Under Dr. McDonald's leadership this year, PUSD will focus on:

- Providing equitable and high functioning schools for all students
- Ensuring that PUSD is an effective and efficient organization
- Making sure that PUSD is an adaptable organization focused on improvement
- Promoting the district so that PUSD schools are the first choice of Pasadena area residents
- Fostering a positive culture and climate for staff

To continue preparing students for college, careers and life beyond graduation, ninth grade students at PUSD's four high schools will be able to earn high school graduation and transferable four-year college credits through the district's dual enrollment partnership with Pasadena City College starting this fall.

The new school year also marks the beginning of full implementation of the Common Core Standards that will alter the expectations for student learning. To support the Common Core, teachers have been provided with newly-aligned curriculum, completed extensive professional development and schools have been equipped with technology to support the new learning standards.

As families get ready for the start of school, here are some tips to make sure students are ready for the first day of school:

1) Be at school on time and ready to learn Monday, August 18. PUSD families are reminded that when it comes to school attendance, every day really does count—starting with the first day of school. Every day absent is lost classroom time, a lost opportunity to learn and lost funding for PUSD. Children suffer academically if they miss school and, according to state law, a child with three unexcused absences in a school year is classified as truant. Parents and guardians have a legal responsibility to get their children to school.

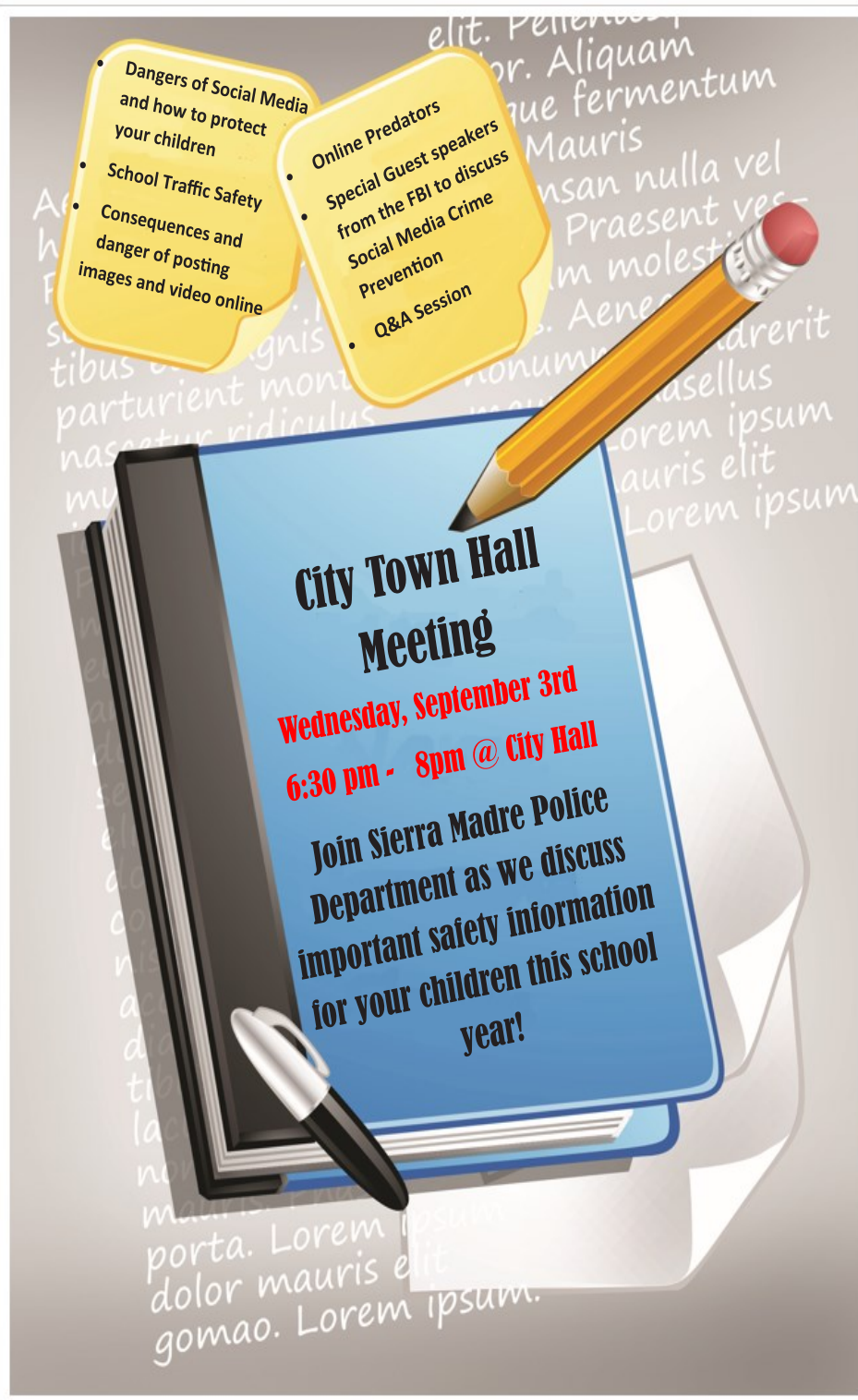
2) Be sure children are ready for the first day of school with required vaccinations. In order to attend school, state law requires that all students entering school to be up to date with their immunizations and that seventh

grade students have proof of a TDAP (Whooping Cough) vaccination. Visit [www.shotsforschool.org](http://www.shotsforschool.org) for information on immunization requirements. PUSD's Primary Health Clinic is offering immunizations for students who are uninsured or on Medi-Cal beginning August 18. For more information, contact the Clinic at 626.396.3600 ext. 88180.

3) Have a nutritious breakfast and lunch. PUSD Food Services serves healthy and nutritious meals including fresh fruit and vegetables at every PUSD campus. Families can now apply online for school meal benefits at [applyforlunch.com](http://applyforlunch.com). Whether applying online or on paper, please complete one form per family and be sure to list all adults and children living in your home. Remember, families must apply for meal benefits each year.

4) Learn about transportation options to get to school. PUSD offers bus transportation to select schools. Click here to see the 2014-2015 PUSD bus routes. High school students can check with their school office to obtain an application for a TAP card. To plan your trip using the Pasadena ARTS Bus or the Metro Gold Line visit [metro.net](http://metro.net). Also remind students to be extra cautious on their way to and from school next week as Monday is the first day back to school for drivers as well.

Families should check with their school to verify the start time of school on Monday.



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## THE REEL DEAL: by Ben Show INTO THE STORM REVIEW

I knew very little about this film when going to see it. I had only seen one preview and knew nothing about the director or cast. All I did know was that there would be CGI tornadoes, and lots of them.

When a freak storm front hits the Midwest, people experience it in different ways. While one family struggles to stay alive inside a school being torn apart by winds, a group of storm chasers rush closer to the eye of the storm to discover all they can about the freak occurrence. Unknowingly, the two groups end up together to fight the storm and stay alive.

This is a very enjoyable movie. The characters grab your attention while the story keeps you interested. The special effects are flashy but nothing you have not seen in 'The Day After Tomorrow' or '2012'. All in all, 'Into the Storm' is a solid summer thriller that will keep you entertained for its 90 minute runtime.





## ZELO PULLS OFF PIZZA WITH REAL ZEAL

If you have been around the Pasadena area long enough you might remember The Pasadena Pizza Cook-off, it was an event that I was involved with for many years; in the beginning it was a contest to see who had the best pizza in the area. After a few years we softened the rules and tried to give everyone an award. Many restaurants wouldn't compete if they didn't win. Imagine that!!! I got so caught up in Pizza ; I dubbed by car the Pizarar. And even subscribed to Pizza Today Magazine.

TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills  
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Yes, I love Pizza!!! There are some good ones in the area, Tarnatinos, Domenicos and Avanti Café. Shoot me a letter if I failed to mention yours. But, there is this restaurant

on Foothill Blvd. in the City Of Arcadia that might just be a contender as well. Zelo restaurant "Zelo meaning Zeal" is an unassuming stop on Foothill Blvd. Owner Mike Freeman hails from Northern California and has brought his recipe for the Pizza Pie down here to share with us Angelinos. Perfect for our upcoming Taste of Arcadia on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

For those new to my style I try to give you four or five dishes at each stop that I enjoyed and hopefully you'll try as well. I love those restaurant discoveries that you and I drive by hundreds of times and you tell yourself I have to check that place out one of these days. Well, Zelo is that place. What do you get when you cross one part cornmeal and four parts flour? I have the answer it is the crust and heart and soul of the Zelo Pizza. All the pizza is deep dish. On any given day Steve will put together 12 different pizza specials. Pizzas come half, three slices, for (\$11) and (\$21) for a whole pizza that's six slices you could compare that to a medium size that your kids order at....gulp, Dominos. Yep \$21 for a medium Pizza, but there is plenty of toppings and fillings to get you full real quick. Okay my recommendations. On the menu I love the four cheese... mozzarella, fontina, provolone and parmesan. Off the special, again one of the rotating specials, we had the Sicilian Pizza, this one is loaded with pepperoni, tomatoes and three different cheeses. The Pizzas are truly unique here. Now not to be overshadowed are the salads, two in particular. The Beet salad at (7.50) is there #1 seller, I have had it and enjoyed it, but for this review and for the same price we shared the creamy Asparagus salad, leaf lettuce topped with stalks of asparagus, the lettuce gets balsamic vinaigrette and the asparagus gets creamy dressing. I would return just for the salads they are that good. I find that the menu is just a guide her at Zelo, go for a special. In the pasta mood? sure they have plenty of pastas in the \$10 range, Calzone, and plenty of vegetarian dishes highlighted by a Lasagna for (\$11). Beer and wine available, corkage fee is \$8.

What you need to know: Zelo is very laid back with large appeal, patio seating and is very busy on weekend nights. All pizzas are deep dish, parking can be limited, because its street parking, you can order the pizza half baked to finish at home. Open Tuesday Through Sunday. Friday and Saturdays open till 10 PM. 328 E. Foothill Blvd. Arcadia (626) 358-8298

Absolutely loved Rich Johnson's article on Old School Eatery, should I go with Rich?

Have a favorite pizza place? E mail to [thechefknows@yahoo.com](mailto:thechefknows@yahoo.com), watch Dining with Dills every Sunday Night Charter Cable, program note. I am now on 7 PM KLAA AM 830 Radio on Sundays



AM 830



## CHICKEN AND RICE CASSEROLE

## INGREDIENTS

Cooking spray  
1 cup chopped onion  
1 (8-ounce) bone-in chicken breast half, skinned  
1/2 teaspoon black pepper, divided  
1 (14-ounce) can fat-free, less-sodium chicken broth  
1 tablespoon butter  
1 (8-ounce) zucchini, halved lengthwise and thinly sliced  
1 (8-ounce) yellow squash, halved lengthwise and thinly sliced  
2 cups cooked long-grain white rice  
1 teaspoon minced fresh rosemary  
1 1/2 tablespoons all-purpose flour  
1 1/2 cups 2% reduced-fat milk  
1/2 cup (2 ounces) grated fresh pecorino Romano cheese, divided  
1/4 teaspoon salt

## DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350°.
2. Heat a large saucepan over medium-high heat. Lightly coat pan with cooking spray. Add onion to pan; sauté 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Sprinkle chicken with 1/4 teaspoon pepper; add chicken, meaty side down, to pan. Cook 6 minutes or until browned; turn chicken over. Add broth to pan. Reduce heat, cover, and simmer 15 minutes or until chicken is done. Remove chicken from pan, reserving broth in pan. Let chicken stand 10 minutes. Remove chicken from bones; shred. Discard bones. Place chicken in a large bowl.
3. Bring broth to a boil; cook, uncovered, until reduced to 1/2 cup (about 10 minutes). Add broth mixture to chicken. Melt butter in pan over medium-high heat. Add squash to pan; sauté 3 minutes or until lightly browned, stirring frequently. Add squash mixture, rice, and minced rosemary to the chicken mixture, and toss gently to combine.
4. Place flour in a medium saucepan over medium heat. Gradually add milk, stirring until smooth; bring to a boil. Cook 1 minute or until thick, stirring constantly with a whisk. Remove from heat; let stand 30 seconds. Add 1/4 cup cheese; stir with a whisk until smooth. Add remaining 1/4 teaspoon pepper, milk mixture, and salt to chicken mixture; stir to combine. Spoon chicken mixture into a broiler-safe 8-inch ceramic baking dish coated with cooking spray. Sprinkle remaining 1/4 cup cheese over rice mixture; bake at 350° for 20 minutes or until thoroughly heated. Remove casserole from oven.
5. Preheat broiler.
6. Broil casserole 5 minutes or until golden.

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by Chris Leclerc

“The average dog is a nicer person than the average person” ~ Andy Rooney

The first time I met Sid, he was accompanied by his 2 live-in adopted ‘dog brothers’, Gunner and Elijah. Gunner has since passed on, and I would like to take this opportunity to pay my respects to the beautiful person that he was. He was my personal friend, and I loved spending time with him. He led his little pack of three with a loving and gentle paw and I know Sid and Elijah will always remember and appreciate him for the time and love he shared with them.

All three dogs got along harmoniously during our first meeting, with no excessive rough-housing or aggression, but I noticed immediately that Sid was the most bashful and least rambunctious of the three. He stood by quietly, allowing the other two dogs to sniff and greet me until they were familiar and comfortable enough to settle down and relax. He then approached me carefully and after smelling my scent, gave me a tiny lick on the cheek, letting me know I was OK by him!

The next week, when I arrived to take Sid out for a walk, his two big brothers were not home, so Sid and I were able to get to know each other better without the interruption of his live-in siblings. He greeted me at the door with immense enthusiasm, and he was much more willing to display his affection openly with me than he had been the week before. It was like night and day compared to our first meeting, and I surmised that the difference in his demeanor was due to the fact that he now had me all to himself. Sid was taking full advantage of the chance to be the center of attention with no competition!

I am constantly amazed at the wide variety of personality traits manifested by the dogs that I am privileged to know. At this point in my life, I am fully convinced that just like humans, dogs possess very unique individual personalities and they have inner thoughts & desires just like we do. And, like us, they use their own unique means of communicating those thoughts & desires to others.

Back in the day I used to think of dogs as somewhat generic in terms of personality and individuality, with the only true differentiating factor being the classified breed from which they came. Not so much, anymore. After spending hours of time with so many different dogs, I have come to realize that regardless of the breed, each of my canine clients is most definitely

## BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS FROM MY BEAUTIFUL BEST FRIENDS....

*Doing the Twist With Sid*

a unique person inside. Anyone who doubts the individuality of the dog’s personality should spend more time with canines and observe their body language, eye contact, and voice fluctuations.

I don’t need to “read-in” to the interaction I have with my canine companions to know that each one is as unique as any human is from another. Of course there are certain similarities among dogs of a given breed, such as physical characteristics, agility and ability to perform certain tasks, or pre-disposition for particular diseases, but I believe the person inside the dog is as unique as that of any human being.

Sid shows his unique inner personality traits in the most artistic ways such that I have ever observed with any other canine. The most interesting and entertaining way that Sid expresses himself is by dancing. That’s right, Sid dances! More specifically, Sid is a master of the dance style called the “twist”! From the moment I emerge through the door, he begins his delightful dance routine across the floor. He wiggles his bottom from side to side so intensely that his tail whips around and smacks him on either side of his shoulders!

With his feet spinning almost full circle below him, Sid uses his muscular torso to gain more momentum and keep the twist going back and forth as long as he can, with the energetic tenacity of a wind-up toy! He continues to dance and smiles up at me until he is satisfied that I noticed his performance and then we can finally get leashed and ready for our walk. I promise I am not making this up! Sid is one heck of a swinger. He really likes it when I join him on the ‘dance floor’, so sometimes I will put down whatever I happen to be holding, and take the time to do the twist with Sid. It has become our regular ‘meet-and-greet’ routine when I arrive before each walk, and I always congratulate him afterwards, telling him that he is the best dancing dog I have ever known. He absorbs the praise like a sponge and seems to truly appreciate my participation.

Whenever I talk about my beloved canine companions, I have to end the story with the fact that I don’t know what I would do without them. They are all so unique and so talented in their own ways, and they show so much un-conditional love and appreciation for the friendship we share. I am so grateful for the bountiful blessings I receive from my canine clients...they truly are my ‘best friends’.

# JUST FOR BEST FRIENDS

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She currently resides at the San Gabriel Valley Humane Society located at 851 E. Grand Avenue in San Gabriel. We are located off San Gabriel Blvd., north of Mission and south of Las Tunas.

To arrange a ‘Meet and Greet’ with Miss Maie, please stop by any time from 10:00am to 4:30pm Tuesday thru Sunday.

Her adoption fee is \$135 which includes her spay surgery, a microchip, first vaccinations and a free wellness check-up at a participating veterinarian. She is eligible for the shelter’s ‘Senior For Senior’ reduced-fee adoption program. Feel free to call us at (626) 286-1159 for more information on this lovely lady.

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Love, looks and loyalty all in one sweet package! Meet Cleopatra (A4742819), a star-quality one-year-old gold-and-brown (with some black) female Pekingese and Dachshund mix puppy who was found in La Puente and brought to the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center on August 7th. Weighing 20 lbs, Cleopatra prances politely on leash and enjoys the company of smaller-sized dogs. She also relishes human company. She particularly enjoys being petted, and this talkative girl has quite a bit to say about it! She has a small lump on her stomach that the shelter veterinarian believes may be a hernia, but it should be evaluated by a private veterinarian. Cleopatra will be an endearing indoor pet and a great listening companion for any individual or family in any living situation. To watch a video of Cleopatra visit the following link: <http://youtu.be/6V147oRI-k4>

To meet Cleopatra in person, please see her at the Baldwin Park Shelter, located at 4275 N. Elton, Baldwin Park, CA 91706 (Phone: 626-430-2378 or 626-962-3577). She is currently available now. For any inquiries about Cleopatra, please reference her animal ID number: A4742819. 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 Cleopatra or the adoption process, contact United Hope for Animals Volunteer Adoption Coordinator Samantha at [Samantha@hope4animals.org](mailto: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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## All Set to Go Back to School?

Are you getting ready to go back to school?

Huh?

Oh, you mean gathering and packing all the stuff I'll need? Hmmm...

Let's see... skateboard, tablet... just about all set.

Wait, where did I leave my stunt kite?

Can you help Chitter fill his bag with things he really needs?

Oops...We help to fix mistakes!

7. organize papers, reports

8. write compositions in

9. make mistakes disappear

10. put a point on a pencil

11. write final copies; correct

12. sketch; do math tests

13. write on an erasable board

14. work out math problems

Here are some phrases that people use with the word **school** or **class** in them.

1. tell tales out of school

2. school of thought

3. school of hard knocks

4. old school

5. school someone

6. class act

A. way of thinking about something

B. learned through life, not a class

C. tell secrets one shouldn't

D. the best

E. used to work well in the past

F. teach or train

What do they mean? Match each one to its definition:

We use this (these) to:

1. cut paper and string
2. fasten work together
3. write or draw on
4. make things stick together
5. draw a straight line
6. color our work

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I thought you might like to know a little bit about him:

Pandit Rajmani Tigunait, PhD, is a modern-day master and living link to the unbroken Himalayan Tradition. He embodies the yogic and tantric wisdom which the Himalayan Tradition has safeguarded for thousands of years. Pandit Tigunait is the successor of Sri Swami Rama of the Himalayas and the spiritual

head of the Himalayan Institute. As a young man he committed himself to arduous spiritual practice and studied with renowned adepts of India, before being initiated into the lineage of the Himalayan Tradition by his master, Sri Swami Rama, in 1976.

Pandit Tigunait is fluent in Vedic and Classical Sanskrit and holds two doctorates, one from the University of Allahabad (India), and another from the University of Pennsylvania. As a leading voice of YogaInternational.com and the author of 15 books, his teachings span a wide range, from scholarly analysis and scripture translation to practical guidance on applying yogic wisdom to modern life. Over the past 35 years, Pandit Tigunait has touched innumerable lives around the world as a teacher, guide, author, humanitarian, and visionary spiritual leader.

Hope to see you there!

Namasté,  
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## 5 Herbs for Better Digestion



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

can also aid in digestion. Most people know that peppermint calms an upset stomach but did you know these herbs were also good for digestion:

**Oregano:** Oregano is a highly alkaline herb, so it fights acidity and thus lowers inflammation. It also stimulates the digestive system which helps prevent constipation.

**Rosemary:** It is a great remedy for indigestion,

bloating, gas pain and constipation. It has antifungal properties so it can help prevent an overgrowth of yeast in the digestive tract.

**Sage:** Sage is a calming, soothing herb. It can help keep the digestive system running smoothly. It helps the stomach digest protein, and also helps to eliminate gas.

**Thyme:** Thyme is another soothing herb which makes it great for dealing with an upset stomach. Thyme is also antiviral which can help your system to ward off digestive system viruses.

**Lavender:** Not only does lavender smell great but it is also known as one of the best calming herbs. When we become stressed and anxious our digestion slows which can cause many issues. Lavender used to flavor foods can calm our digestive tract. It is also an alkaline food, so it aids in reducing acidity and inflammation.

Herbs and spices were widely used by our ancestors for increased health and well-being. If you are looking to find a healthier way of living try, using more herbs as part of your meals. They provide many other benefits besides aiding in digestion. Be creative, you never know what you might come up with!



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## U.S. EPA settles with Calif. shoe insert companies for unsubstantiated product claims

Los Angeles--The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency last week, ordered WalkFit, LLC, WalkFit Platinum, LLC, and Ideal Products, LLC to pay \$210,316 in civil penalties for making unsubstantiated antimicrobial claims about their orthotic shoe inserts, resulting in the sale and distribution of an unregistered pesticide, a violation of federal environmental law.

The instruction sheet and advertising material for WalkFit Platinum Orthotics contained claims that the shoe inserts were treated with 'nanosilver' that had antibacterial and antifungal properties and killed germs. Products that claim to kill or repel bacteria, fungi, or germs are considered pesticides and must be registered with the EPA before their sale or distribution, as required under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA).

During an investigation that began in 2010, EPA, along with the California Department of Pesticide Regulation, found that the WalkFit companies, headquartered in Sherman Oaks, Calif., sold

numerous orthotics with the claims to various retailers and customers throughout the nation from July 2009 to August 2012. Orthotics are shoe inserts that claim to eliminate posture problems, strengthen heels and ankles, and reduce foot and leg pain.

The companies have since removed the terms "antibacterial," "antifungal," and "germ-killing" from their instruction sheets, advertising material, and website.

Under FIFRA, companies must register pesticide products with EPA before making claims about their ability to control germs or pathogens, and prior to distribution or sale. The Agency will not register a pesticide until it has been tested to show that it will not pose an unreasonable risk when used according to the label directions. Consumers should be careful to look for the EPA registration number printed on pesticide product labels, and need to follow the label directions for use.

For more information on FIFRA, please visit: <http://www.epa.gov/agriculture/lfra.html>

RICH Johnson

## THE JOURNEY IS THE REWARD



This column is a reaction to my profound sorrow at the tragic end to Robin William's life. My hope is this perspective will help someone out there who is struggling and looking for purpose.

"The Journey is the Reward" is the title of the first biography of Apple Computer founder Steve Jobs. It was published in 1988 so Steve still had a lot of his journey left to live out.

"The journey is the reward" is also a Chinese proverb.

To me the truth buried in that quote is; it's not the arriving or the achievement that is the reward, but rather the gettin' there.

Having read dozens over the years I consider myself a student of biographies. Biographies tend to be written about people who have achieved stardom and/or notable accomplishments (duh). A common question asked the subjects in biographies is what periods of their lives do they most fondly remember. A typical answer might surprise you. Actor Henry Fonda looked most fondly back at the time in his life when he was broke and doing summer stock in Falmouth, Massachusetts. Laurence Olivier's fondest memories were his early years doing theater in the West End of London. These two accomplished men, in addition to countless others, discovered the arriving could not compare to the getting'.

Do we really know what we want? That's the question and lesson found in Christopher Marlowe and Johann Wolfgang von Goethe's play "Faust". The scholarly Faust dissatisfied with his life makes a deal with the devil to give him what he thinks he wants. Faust ultimately discovered it wasn't what he really wanted. To bad there wasn't a guarantee. There is a wonderful 1945 movie version of "Faust" called "The Devil and Daniel Webster".

To me the life of John Lennon has Faustian overtones. John, in the early years of the Beatles would say to the depressed mop-tops, "We're going to the toppermost of the poppermost." The Beatles wanted to be more popular than Elvis and would have given anything to make it so. And it happened. But anyone who has read a biography of John knows he loathed the fame that ensued. He moved to the middle of New York City where he could find some cherished anonymity.

So, Rich what is your point? How many of us think if we could acquire fame, wealth and success we would have our reward. We would have arrived. I think many of the famous arrivers (we call them celebrities) find a big hollow vacuum up on that plateau. Nope. I'll stick with Steve Jobs and believe that "The Journey is the Reward".

If you are of such a mind crack open your Bible to the third chapter of Ecclesiastes (Many of you remember this chapter from the 60s song "Turn, Turn, Turn"). Ecclesiastes, probably penned by Solomon, the smartest and richest person in all of history offers us good advice. Read through that third chapter and pay close attention to verse 12-13: "I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live. That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil--this is the gift of God." If you currently find no fulfillment in your labor, change careers! It may take time but so? Where ya' going? While you're at it seek the Lord. He's very good a providing perspective and purpose, if you are looking.

Finally, nanu nanu Robin. You brought my friends and I lots of joy.



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FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS CAN HELP SENIORS IN NEED

Dear Savvy Senior:

I run a community counseling program for needy families and am frustrated that so few eligible seniors take advantage of the food stamp program. Can you write a column on this to help educate seniors to this underutilized benefit?



Reaching Out

Dear Reaching:

It's hard to imagine that a government program serving more than 46 million Americans each month is considered severely underutilized. But that's the reality of the federal Food Stamp Program when it comes to serving seniors.

Nationwide, food stamps (now called the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP) reaches around 80 percent of those eligible, but the numbers are much slimmer among the seniors, age 60 and older. Recent statistics indicate only 39 percent of eligible seniors receive SNAP benefits.

There are a number of reasons for the lack of participation. Some seniors are too embarrassed or too proud to apply. Others think that if they receive SNAP they will be taking food benefits away from others (which they won't). Some think it is too difficult to apply for SNAP, and others don't even know the program exists.

With all that said, here's a run down of which seniors are eligible for SNAP, what they get and how they can apply.

Who's Eligible?

For seniors to get SNAP, their "net income" must be under the 100 percent federal poverty guidelines. So, households that have at least one person age 60 and older, or disabled, their net income must currently be less than \$958 per month for an individual or \$1,293 for a family of two. Households receiving TANF or SSI (except in California) are also eligible.

Net income is figured by taking gross income minus allowable deductions like medical expenses that exceed \$35 per month out-of-pocket, and shelter costs (rent or mortgage payments, taxes and utility costs) that exceeds half of the household's income.

In addition to the net income requirement, a few states also require that a senior's "assets" be below \$3,250, not counting the home, retirement or pension plans, income from SSI or TANF, and vehicle (this varies by state). Most states, however, have much higher asset limits or they don't count assets at all when determining eligibility.

The SNAP pre-screening tool at [www.snap-step1.usda.gov/fns](http://www.snap-step1.usda.gov/fns) can help seniors, and their family members, figure out if they qualify.

To apply, seniors or an authorized representative will need to fill out a state application form, which can be done at the local SNAP office or it can be mailed or faxed in, or in many states it can be completed online.

If eligible, benefits will be provided on a plastic card that's used like a debit card and accepted at most grocery stores.

Depending on the person's financial situation, the amount of SNAP a beneficiary may be eligible for will range between \$15 and \$189 per month as an individual, or \$15 to \$347 for a family of two.

To learn more or apply, contact your local SNAP office - call 800-221-5689 for contact information or visit [www.fns.usda.gov/snap](http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap).

Produce Coupons

In addition to SNAP, the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program is another underused program that provides coupons that can be exchanged for fresh fruits and vegetables at farmers' markets, roadside stands and community supported agriculture programs.

This program is currently available in select counties in 43 states, seven Indian reservations, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, to seniors, age 60 and older, with gross monthly household incomes below 185 percent of the federal poverty line, which is currently below \$1,800 for individuals, or \$2,426 for a family of two. For more information visit [www.fns.usda.gov/sfmnp](http://www.fns.usda.gov/sfmnp) or call 703-305-2746.

Other Programs

Seniors that are eligible for food assistance may also be eligible for a host of other programs that can help pay for medications, health care, utilities and more. To locate these programs, visit [benefitscheckup.org](http://benefitscheckup.org), or call the Eldercare Locator at 800-677-1116.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](http://SavvySenior.org). Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.



KATIE Tse.....This and That

Fat on the Brain

\*A little disclaimer: This article is geared more toward the ladies. But perhaps it might also help you guys better understand the ladies in your life.

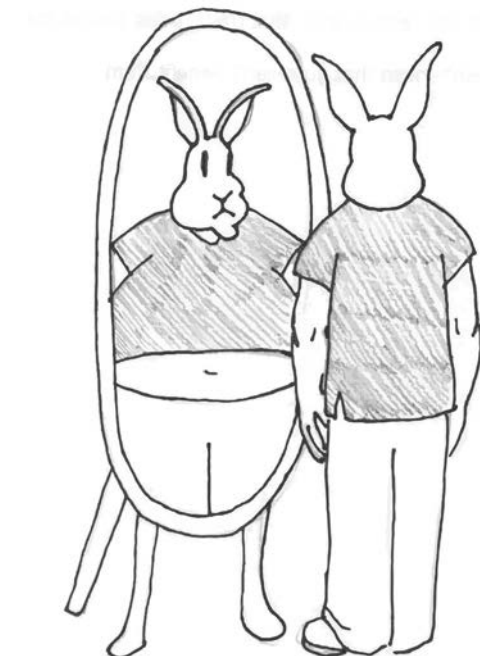
The other day my dad told me about an interesting article he read. A study found that when women see other women one of the first things they notice is the others' weight. He waited for me to join him in laughing at the ridiculousness of it. I looked at him blankly, "And?... That's it?" I could've told him that without conducting a study.

Men and women are different. That's something learned before kindergarten. We're all familiar with the stereotypes that women are more emotional, and that men prefer action to commiseration. But another major difference is that (generally speaking) women are more likely to have "fat on the brain."

Kate Winslet is a classic example of this. "Titanic" celebrated its 15th anniversary with a 3D makeover a few months ago. In an interview, Kate described the trauma of seeing what she looked like back then in 3D on the big screen. Why so scared, Kate? It was because she couldn't stand the sight of herself weighing as much as she did at that time. She later remarked that "[Leo's] fatter now --I'm thinner." "How shallow!" you say. But I know just how she feels.

What's truly sad is that women's weight obsession doesn't end after graduating from high school, becoming a parent, or being eligible for AARP. I had lunch with some of my retired friends the other week, and nearly every topic touched on weight at some point. "I need to lose weight." "Well, certainly not much. You look great!" "No, I want to lose at least 35 pounds." "Wow! You don't look like you've gained that much. Where?" "Here (poke). Here (poke). And here (shake)."

For a while it was cool for thin women to laugh and swear that they eat burgers all the time, and the only exercise they get is when they're



shopping. And overweight women are praised for "seeing the beauty" in their bodies, and "loving themselves just the way they are." Hey, if they're happy, I say "more power to them!"

But in both cases, the women are implying that they are "above" the trivial preoccupation with their weight. It's bad enough having constant awareness about your weight, but to feel guilty about being aware --that's just too much! So that's why it's comforting to hear women like Gwen Stefani shamelessly talk about "torturing herself" with exercise and dieting to stay thin. (Yes, I've blown another night reading too much "Mail Online.") No one should have to live with weight-consciousness guilt! Self acceptance can include accepting your body the way it is. But it's also about accepting the fact the you may have fat on the brain, as I, and many other women, do. And I'm not going to feel guilty about it!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ... August Birthdays\*

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

Quote of the Week:

I distrust camels, and anyone else who can go a week without a drink.  
Joe E. Lewis



ACTIVITIES:

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

YMCA San Gabriel Valley Intervale Senior Café: Monday-Friday at 12:00 Noon (Participants are urged to arrive no later than 11:45 A.M.)

All seniors 60 and up can take part in the lunch program. There is a suggested donation of \$2.00 for those 60 and over and \$3.75 for non-senior guests. Daily reservations are necessary as space is limited. Please call 24 hours in advance...626.355.0256

**Free Balance Class:** Every 3rd Monday, from 11:00 to 11:45 am with Shannon. All ability levels are encouraged and welcomed.

**Hawaiian and Polynesian Dance Class:** Every Tuesday morning from 10:00am to 11:00am. Join instructor Barbara Dempsey as she instructs you in the art of hula.

**Bingo:** Every Tuesday beginning at 1:00pm. Cards are only \$0.25 each! Everyone is welcome to join. May be canceled if less than 5 people. Canceled on August 5th and 12th.

**Free Blood Pressure Testing:** Held 2nd Tuesday of the month from 11:00am to 12:00pm. No appointment is necessary.

**Free Legal Consultation:** Wednesday, August 27th from 10:00am to Noon. Attorney Lem Makupson is available for legal consultation. He specializes in Family Law, Wills, Trusts, Estates, and Injury. For an appointment call 626-355-7394.

**Chair Yoga:** Mondays and Wednesdays from 11:00 to 11:45 am, except on the third Monday of the month when the balance class is held. A suggested donation of \$5 at one of the classes is requested, but is not required.

**Birthday Celebrations:** Every second Thursday of the month the Hart Park House Senior Center celebrates birthdays of our patrons. The free birthday cake is provided by the Sierra Madre Civic Club.

**Game Day:** Every Thursday starting at 12:45pm. A regular group of seniors play poker. Other games available for use.

**Free Strength Training Class:** Every Friday from 12:45pm to 1:30pm with Lisa Brandley. The class utilizes light weights for low impact resistance training. All materials for the class are provided.



UPCOMING EXCURSIONS

Homeboy Industries and Home Girl Cafe (Los Angeles, CA)

Date: Thursday, August 21, 2014

Time: 8:45am to 2:30pm Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center Cost: \$12.00 (does not include lunch). Come venture out and take the Gold Line to Homeboy Industries. You will have the chance to see Homeboy's Programs in-action, gain a better understanding of how the social enterprises work, and discover the sense of community that exists for the young men and women who come though their doors seeking to leave their gang involvements behind and find hope in their futures. Tour is followed by lunch at Home Girl Café, where they provide a wide selection of choices to choose from. Participants are asked to bring additional money for souvenirs and lunch. Last Day to register is Monday, August 18th. Level of Walking: High. Please note: public transportation will be used for this trip including MTA buses and the Gold Line; TAP cards will be provided to you. If you have any concerns please contact the Senior Center.

Gondola Getaway (Long Beach, CA) Date: Friday, September 19, 2014

Time: 9:15am to 3:15pm Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center Cost: \$30.00 (does not include lunch) The Gondola Getaway brings old world charm and a thousand year old tradition to Long Beach. Authentic Venetian gondolas gently cruise the enchanting canals and waterways of Naples Island near the resort area of Belmont Shores in Long Beach. Join us for an hourlong cruise followed by lunch at one of the charming restaurants in Belmont Shores. Participants are asked to bring \$20 for lunch. Level of Walking: Low

**Excursion Refund Policy:** Notification of the cancellation must be made at least 3 business days before the excursion. A refund will only be issued 1) for a medical excuse or 2) if the Department is able to fill the patrons spot from a waiting list. This refund will be issued in the form of a credit which will be applied to the patron's account with the City, less a \$10 cancellation fee. The credit will remain on your account for one year from the date issued and the credit may be used for any program or service offered by the Community Services Department.

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AUGUST 6TH: LINCOLN (2012)

As the Civil War continues to rage, America's president struggles with continuing carnage on the battlefield and as he fights with many inside his own cabinet on the decision to emancipate the slaves. Rated PG-13. Start time: 1:00 pm (run time 150 minutes) Featuring: Daniel Day-Lewis, Sally Field, David Strathairn, Tommy Lee Jones.

AUGUST 20TH: PHILOMENA (2013)

A world-weary political journalist picks up the story of a woman's search for her son, who was taken away from her decades ago after she became pregnant and was forced to live in a convent. Rated PG-13, Start time: 1:00 pm (run time 98 minutes) Featuring: Judi Dench, Steve Coogan.

MARLEY & ME (2008) will also be shown on August 27th as part of the Dog Days

LUNCH & LEARN PRESENTATION - PASADENA HERITAGE

Wednesday, August 27, 2014 • 12:00-1:00 pm

Take a look back into the history of the San Gabriel Valley and uncover the early beginnings of the cities of San Gabriel, Arcadia, San Marino, and Pasadena. Meet the Gabriellino Indians, the Indiana Colonists, and the investors who took part in the real estate boom of the turn of the century. Discover why the founders, developers and early settlers of the San Gabriel Valley made this area their home and why we appreciate, continue to appreciate and preserve it today. If you are interested in having lunch with the Senior Lunch Cafe during the presentation please call 626-355-0256 to make a reservation; otherwise, you may bring your own.

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Hot dog, it's HOT out there! Escape the August heat and join us for a fun-filled week of activities!

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• **Tuesday, August 26th**, 12:00pm- Satisfy your sweet tooth and come enjoy "dog treats" with lunch. You are welcome to either bring your own packed lunch or eat from the Senior Lunch Café. If you choose to eat from the Senior Lunch Café, please make a lunch reservation at 626-355-0256.

• **Wednesday, August 27th**, 1:00pm- Marley & Me, a heart-wrenching film about a mischievous Labrador, will be shown in the Senior Center at 1 pm. If you haven't seen it already, it is a must see for all ages!

• **Thursday, August 28th**, 12:30pm- Two therapy dogs from Methodist Hospital will be visiting the Senior Center at 12:30pm to sit with anyone who would like a little extra love.

• **Friday, August 29th**, 4:30-6:00pm - To cap off the Dogs Days of Summer, Gables of Monrovia will be catering a complimentary Hot Dog Dinner. Hot dogs will be served in addition to delicious side dishes. Other activities such as a prize raffle are planned to guarantee a fun time. R.S.V.P. to Kyle or Tracy at 626-355-7394. All reservations must be in by noon on August 25th.

TECH TALK: TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE

Mondays, August 11th and 25th 2:00 to 3:00 PM Tech-savvy youth from Sierra Madre Middle School will provide assistance with the operation of cell phones, tablets, and computers. Participants should bring the device with which they need assistance; computers are available at the Senior Center for general instruction. The class is free of charge, but registration is required. To register, or for questions regarding the program call 626.355.7394.

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Dr. Budinich will be available Tuesday, August 12th from 12:30pm to 2:30pm for consultations at the Hart Park House Senior Center. Each consultation will take approximately 5 min tes. While walk-ins are welcome, appointments are encouraged. Those who partake will receive a complimentary pair of stock reading glasses. To make an appointment, please call 626-355-7394.

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## SEAN'S SHAMELESS REVIEWS:

By Sean Kayden

### THE GASLIGHT ANTHEM

"Get Hurt," the deeply personal new record from The Gaslight Anthem tries to be a departure from their previous albums. I've always been fond of the band's sound, their homage to Springsteen, and raw resonance. Lead singer Brian Fallon's new direction comes after the divorce from his wife of ten years. In an interview with Rolling Stone published May 23, 2014, Fallon described the album as "completely different than anything we had ever done before. Instead of going that extra step of just adding some organ or some background vocals, this time we actually really changed up a lot of the sounds." While the directional change is present and the themes, lyrics, and structure of songs are different, you can still hear the raw intensity of their New Jersey rock and roll sound. Instead of wearing Springsteen on their sleeves, the band has splashes of U2, Tom Petty, and Pearl Jam sounds scattered throughout the record. "Get Hurt" is twelve tracks long and the deluxe edition reaching fifteen tracks (and an additional bonus track for exclusively for both iTunes and Best Buy). There's quite a bit to be fond of here. Bonus material rarely excites, but The Gaslight Anthem is different. Maybe "Get Hurt" isn't a game changer that was promised. However, it's a notable step in the right direction for a band always striving to be better than who they were previously.

Fallon's relentless pursuit of the perfect rock n' roll record is ever so apparent. He hasn't reached such heights, but every step he makes, progression is made in some way, shape, or form. "Stay Vicious" kicks off the record. It starts off like a hard rock track, reminiscent of grunge rock. The chorus softens up, which makes the song much better (and more in tune with the rest of the record). "1000 Years" has Kings Of Leon type of guitar riffs. It's a solid tune that reflects upon Fallon's own darkness. The sound is superb and I think it's one of the best songs the band has ever created. "Get Hurt" begins very soft and it feels like Fallon is

talking right to his ex. Fallon is ceaseless with sharing his own personal pain, but that's the point of the record. Coping with something unimaginable until it actually happens. Somehow, The Gaslight Anthem can take ominous lyrics and give them light with their terrific arrangements and song structure. "Underneath The Ground" is another ambitious tune. With this latest track, the band

Artist: The Gaslight Anthem  
Album: Get Hurt  
Label: Island Records  
Release Date: August 12, 2014

is shedding old feathers and spreading their newfound wings. "Rollin' and Tumblin'" is yet another pure rock n' roll track. It's brimming with catchiness and honesty. Some of the arrangements remind me of Arctic Monkeys, which makes sense since the band was aided by one of their producers Mike Crossey. "Break Your Heart" is a lovely ballad that has a Tom Petty style to it. It's a painful and fervent song that seems like a letter from Fallon to his ex-wife. After first listen, it may just break your own heart.

"Red Violins" seems to be the average track on the record. One that is in tune with the entire album, but can't equally live up to such great promise as the rest. The same goes for "Selected Poems." Not terrible songs by any means, however, the excitement just doesn't exist. In the end, "Get Hurt" is a captivating, compelling record. It's not perfect or as grand as perhaps Fallon thinks, but it's damn close of being so. Some of the best songs of 2014 are on this record. Vehemently intimate, consistently ardent, and genuinely heartfelt, this ranks among the finest American rock albums of the year.

**Key Tracks:** "1000 Years," "Underneath the Ground," "Stray Paper," "Break Your Heart" **rade: 8.5 out of 10**

## Jeff's Book Picks

By Jeff Brown

### THE UNLIKELY SPY by Daniel Silva

A wonderful WW II British spy thriller. "In wartime," Winston Churchill wrote, "truth is so precious that she should always be attended by a bodyguard of lies." For Britain's counterintelligence operations, Alfred Vicary (a shrewd history professor who was badly wounded as a behind-the-lines courier during WW I) is assigned early in 1944 to MI-5's hush hush effort to mislead Hitler's intelligence services concerning D-day's primary target. The Nazis, however, have also chosen an unlikely agent: Catherine Blake, a beautiful widow of a war hero, a hospital volunteer-and a Nazi spy under direct orders from Hitler to uncover the Allied plans for D-Day. Intrigue abounds!!!



### ALL THE LIGHT WE CANNOT SEE: A NOVEL by Anthony Doerr



From multiple award winning Doerr, this is a beautiful book about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of World War II. Marie-Laure lives with her father in Paris near the Museum of Natural History, where he works as the master of its thousands of locks. When she is six, Marie-Laure goes blind and her father builds a perfect miniature of their neighborhood so she can memorize it by touch and navigate her way home. When she is twelve, the Nazis occupy Paris and father and daughter flee to the walled citadel of Saint-Malo, where Marie-Laure's reclusive great-uncle lives in a tall house by the sea. With them they carry what might be the museum's most valuable and dangerous jewel. In a mining town in Germany, the orphan Werner grows up with his younger sister, enchanted by a crude radio they find. Werner becomes an expert at building and fixing these crucial new instruments, a talent that wins him a place at a brutal academy for Hitler Youth, then a special assignment to track the resistance. More and more aware of the human cost of his intelligence, Werner travels through the heart of the war and, finally, into Saint-Malo, where his story and Marie-Laure's converge. Deftly interweaving the lives of Marie-Laure and Werner, he illuminates the ways, against all odds, people try to be good to one another. Ten years in the writing, All the Light We Cannot See is a magnificent, deeply moving novel from a writer "whose sentences never fail to thrill" (Los Angeles Times).

### SOLDIER GIRLS: THE BATTLES OF THREE WOMEN AT HOME AND AT WAR by Helen Thorpe


From another award-winning writer comes a groundbreaking account of three women deployed to Afghanistan and Iraq, and how their military service affected their friendship, their personal lives, and their families. America has been continuously at war since the fall of 2001. This has been a matter of bitter political debate, of course, but what is uncontested is that a sizeable percentage of American soldiers sent overseas in this era have been women. Their experience in the American military is quite different from that of men. Surrounded and far outnumbered by men, imbedded in a male culture, looked upon as both alien and desirable, women have experiences of special interest. Thorpe follows the lives of three women over twelve years on their paths to the military, overseas to combat, and back home...and then overseas again for two of them. These women, who are quite different, become friends, and we watch their interaction and also what happens when they are separated. We see their families, their lovers, their spouses, their children. We see them work extremely hard, deal with the attentions of men on base and in war zones, and struggle to stay connected to their families back home. We see some of them drink too much, have illicit affairs, and react to the deaths of fellow soldiers. And we see what happens to one of them when the truck she is driving hits an explosive in the road, blowing it up. She survives, but her life may never be the same again. Deeply reported, beautifully written, and powerfully moving, Soldier Girls is truly groundbreaking.

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The 3rd Annual  
**Scarecrow Festival**  
September 13<sup>th</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup> in Sierra Madre

**Crows are Invading Sierra Madre!**

Creative Arts Group is calling all creative minds to the 3rd Annual Scarecrow Festival of Sierra Madre to shoo away those pesky crows! Join in the fun by creating your own scarecrow, entering the contest, and voting for your favorite as you tour Sierra Madre.

Find out more: [www.creativeartsgroup.org/scarecrow-festival/](http://www.creativeartsgroup.org/scarecrow-festival/)

**Make a Scarecrow and Enter the Contest**

Make your own scarecrow to put on display in front of your home or business. As long as you are a Sierra Madre resident or business – you can participate in the contest.

Register for the contest on our website or by filling out the application on the back of this page and turning it into Creative Arts Group by September 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Take a FREE Scarecrow Building Workshop**

Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

The workshop is FREE, but space is limited – so register early!

Register for the workshop in person or on our website.

**Vote for your Favorite Scarecrow!**

Scarecrows will be on display throughout Sierra Madre from September 28<sup>th</sup> through the end of October. Maps will be available on our website, in participating stores, and at Creative Arts Group. Wander through town and find your favorites. Vote online via our website or Facebook for the People's Choice Award! An award ceremony will be held at Creative Arts Group on October 17<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:00 pm.

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# Looking Up

with Bob Eklund



## ROSETTA ARRIVES AT COMET DESTINATION

On August 6, after a decade-long journey chasing its target, the European Space Agency's Rosetta became the first spacecraft to rendezvous with a comet, opening a new chapter in solar system exploration.

Comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko and Rosetta now lie 243 million miles from Earth, about halfway between the orbits of Jupiter and Mars, rushing towards the inner solar system at nearly 33,000 miles per hour.

The comet is in an elliptical 6.5-year orbit that takes it from beyond Jupiter, at its farthest point, to between the orbits of Mars and Earth at its closest to the Sun. Rosetta will accompany it for over a year as it swings around the Sun and back out toward Jupiter again.

Comets are considered to be primitive building blocks of the solar system and may have helped to 'seed' Earth with water, perhaps even the ingredients for life. But many fundamental questions about these enigmatic objects remain, and through a comprehensive, in situ study of the comet, Rosetta aims to unlock the secrets within.

The journey to the comet was not straightforward. Since its launch in 2004, Rosetta had to make three gravity-assist flybys of Earth and one of Mars to put it on course for its rendezvous with the comet. This complex course also allowed Rosetta to pass by asteroids Steins and Lutetia, obtaining unprecedented views and scientific data on these two objects.

"After ten years, five months and four days travelling towards our destination, looping around the Sun five times and clocking up 3.8 billion miles, we are delighted to announce finally 'we are here,'" says Jean-Jacques Dordain, ESA's Director General. "Europe's Rosetta is now the first spacecraft in history to rendezvous with a comet, a major highlight in exploring our origins. The discoveries can begin."

The comet began to reveal its personality while Rosetta was on its approach. Images taken between late April and early June showed that its activity was variable. The comet's 'coma'—an extended envelope of gas and dust—became rapidly brighter and then died down again over the course of those six weeks.

Then, stunning images taken from a distance of about 7,000 miles began to reveal that the nucleus comprises two distinct segments joined by a 'neck.'

"Our first clear views of the comet have given us plenty to think about," says Matt Taylor, ESA's Rosetta project scientist. "Is this double-lobed structure built from two separate comets that came together in the solar system's history, or is it one comet that has eroded dramatically and asymmetrically over time? Rosetta, by design, is in the best place to study one of these unique objects."

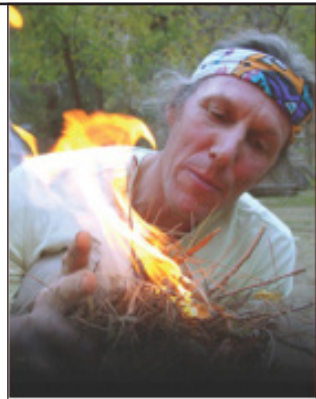
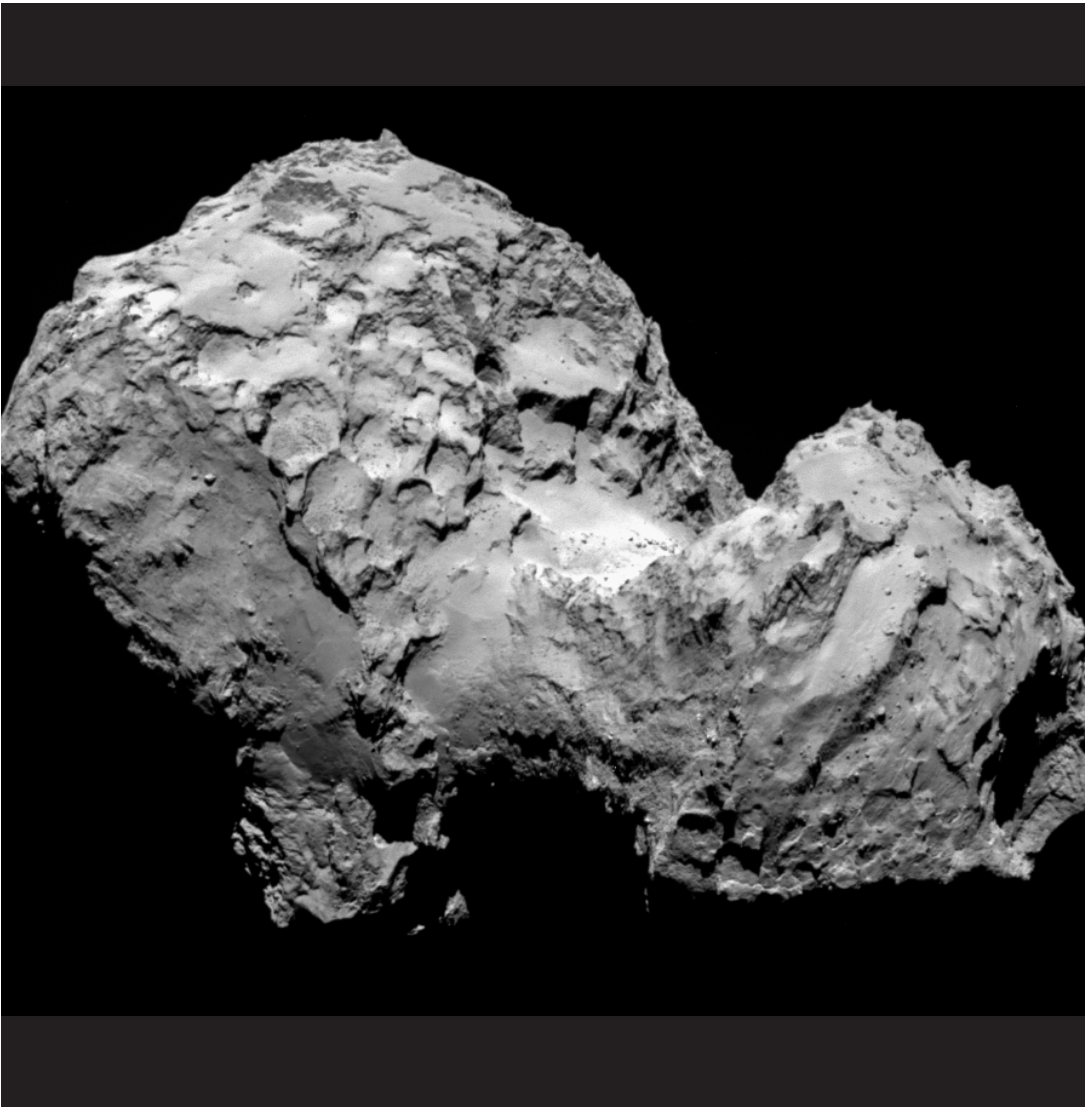
Today, Rosetta is just 60 miles from the comet's surface, but it will edge closer still.

At the same time, more of the suite of instruments will provide a detailed scientific study of the comet, scrutinizing the surface for a target site for the Philae lander.

"Over the next few months, in addition to characterizing the comet nucleus and setting the bar for the rest of the mission, we will begin final preparations for another space history first: landing on a comet," says Taylor.

"After landing, Rosetta will continue to accompany the comet until its closest approach to the Sun in August 2015 and beyond, watching its behavior from close quarters to give us a unique insight and real-time experience of how a comet works as it hurtles around the Sun."

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### CASSIE'S GIFT

By Christopher Nyerges

[Nyerges is the author of numerous books, including "Til Death Do us Part?" (on Kindle), "How to Survive A n y w h e r e," etc. He can be reached at [www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com](http://www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com), or Box 41834, Eagle Rock, CA 90041. He regularly participates in seminars on death and metaphysical topics. For details, go to [www.wtinc.info](http://www.wtinc.info).]

I have many fond memories of 17 years with my purebred pit bull, Cassius Clay, who died one Easter Sunday. I remember the end of his life the most right now. I thought that I was taking care of Cassie and helping and saving him – I had to carry him in and out, and was always concerned about his welfare. In the end, I realize that Cassie was helping and saving me. He instilled in me a sense of responsibility and caring that maybe I never had before.

When I walked today, I missed Cassie so much, and I thought about his role in my life. I thought about how I tried to see his dog pictures of the world, how he processes the many smells that he takes so long each day to smell. When I attempted to go into his mind, like Beatrice Lydecker described in her What the Animals Tell Me book, I "saw" a colorful, very dynamic image of flowing geometric shapes that all moved like the wind in varying patterns, in a three-dimensional complexity. To me, it was the complexity of odors that meant so much to Cassie, and very little to me.

Shortly after he died, I asked him to show me his picture, and I "saw" in front of me his big

face licking mine. He was telling me that he was happy, in peace, no pain and that I was OK.

As I walked this morning, I thought about Easter Day when Cassie died. Though he had had trouble walking for weeks, he seemed OK in the morning. When I came home in the early evening, it was dark and Cassie was warm but I could not rouse him from his house, and when I pulled him out, I knew it was over, even though I tried to bring him back. There was no music, no singing of birds, just the quiet of the night and the final sounds of his dying body.

As I walked this morning, I realized that Cassie's gift was his unconditional love. And now that he was gone, I tried to sort out the meaning of that love. I have heard it said that Eternal Life is synonymous with Eternal Love. That Eternal Love is also impersonal. It is universal loving without concern for prejudice or opinion or preferences. It is doing what is right, and not being concerned about my group, or my party, or my race, or my gender, or my family. It is finding those ways of thinking, and of living, that exemplify the Golden Rule, and Jesus' command to "Love ye one another as your self." Which means we must love our spiritual self, and see that every single one of us is the same.

Cassie taught me to be a better person. He taught me to see that only through impersonal love can we ever find real meaning and harmony. Of course, I feel a personal love for Cassie, and for other close people in my life. But now again, Cassie has made me realize that death is inevitable, and personal love is full of pain and heartache and disappointment. Impersonal loving is not focused exclusively towards one person or animal, but is a way of thinking about all life, including all animals. This was Cassie's gift to me.

### THE CROWS ARE COMING! THE CROWS ARE COMING!

By Donna Packer

The observant stroller of Sierra Madre's streets may notice a marked increase of crows taking up residence in our foothill village during the coming weeks. These black-winged harbingers of autumn will be invading our town, and as citizens we are called upon to defend and protect our homes, businesses and institutions with ..... scarecrows!

Scarecrows have been used for more than 3,000 years to protect property and crops. Egyptian farmers along the Nile made the first scarecrows in recorded history to protect wheat fields from flocks of quail. Scarecrows in some form or other have been used in every country from the time of the Middle Ages to Medieval Britain to the American Colonies to the present. The Ancient Greeks carved wooden scarecrows and placed them in their vineyards, while in Germany farmers made wooden witches that would draw the evil spirit of winter away and usher in spring. In this country, German immigrants made human looking scarecrows called "bootzamon," which was later changed to bogeyman. They were dressed in old clothes with a large red handkerchief around their necks. In the American Southwest, Zuni children in the 1800s had contests to see who could make the scariest or most unusual scarecrow. Scarecrows have evolved along with people and during the growing season scarecrows still stand in fields around the world, and each fall many communities across the United States and around the world have scarecrow contests.

Creative Arts Group is pleased to continue this tradition with Sierra Madre's third Annual Scarecrow Contest and Festival beginning in September. Adults, children (16 and under), families, businesses, and organizations are invited to enter. Prizes will be awarded in several categories including most humorous, scariest, best use of technology or recycled materials, best representation of a business, church, service organization etc. among others. A free scarecrow-making workshop will be held at Creative Arts Group on Saturday September 13<sup>th</sup> (spaces are limited, so register early). Deadline for entering the contest is September 19<sup>th</sup>. For more information or to register for the free workshop go to [creativeartsgroup.org/scarecrow-festival/](http://creativeartsgroup.org/scarecrow-festival/).



#### HOW TO MAKE YOUR YARD MORE ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY

It's easy to make your home more eco-friendly, and your yard is a great place to start. This season, take steps to limit your home's impact on the local environment by giving your outdoor spaces an earth-friendly makeover.

**Limit Yard Waste**  
When the leaves fall from the trees, you may be dealing with extra bundles of yard waste. Take steps to handle the debris properly. Never throw your leaves and trimmings out with the garbage. Instead, try composting what you can at home or bagging the waste to use as mulch on an as-needed basis.

If your community has special pick-up days for yard waste, take advantage of those. Additionally, you can leave some clippings on the lawn to act as an organic

fertilizer and provide the soil with nutrients.

**Be Bird-Friendly**

An eco-friendly yard will contain plenty of vegetation that provides cover and food for such wildlife as birds. Unfortunately your home itself can present a threat to their safety. Millions of wild birds are killed annually flying into windows.

You can protect birds from this fate by applying decals to your windows that contain a component that reflects ultraviolet sunlight. Try placing WindowAlert decals every few feet on your glass and applying WindowAlert UV liquid in the remaining areas. This will create a visual barrier that only birds can see and that helps them avoid striking glass.

Because the UV reflectivity may fade over time based on exposure, replace the decals every six to nine months and reapply the liquid every three months. For more application tips and information

about bird safety, visit [www.WindowAlert.com](http://www.WindowAlert.com).

**Be Flexible**

The mark of a beautiful, eco-friendly yard is not necessarily a conventional lawn. Fuel, water and a lot of time are necessary to maintain green grass. In at least some parts of your property, consider alternative ground cover that has a lower carbon footprint to maintain. Ornamental grasses, shrubs, thyme and other colorful, low-maintenance plants that don't grow very tall can make for a sustainable alternative that's just as visually appealing as grass. You may already be taking steps inside your home to be more planet-friendly, such as recycling, composting food scraps, using LED bulbs and turning off appliances when they aren't in use. Now it's time to take your greener living campaign to your home's outdoor spaces by protecting wildlife and tweaking the way you maintain your lawn.



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FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett



If You Don't Trust Your Kids with Money, You Need a Trust

While most parents have the best intentions when it comes to teaching their children about handling finances wisely, sometimes the lessons don't take. In addition to concerns about spendthrift behavior, some children experience substance abuse or have mental issues that make giving them access to wealth a problem. This is where a trust can be a parent's best friend.

Trusts allow you to put controls on the distribution of your wealth. For example, you could elect to make partial distributions at predetermined ages throughout a child's life, or select a trustee who will make the decisions on regular intervals of asset distribution. A trustee may also be a good choice to manage the assets and make investment decisions that are better suited for those with the professional capacity to do so.

Trusts can also protect your heirs from a future divorce or creditors. In the case of a special needs child, a trust can be set up to provide supplemental financial support that doesn't disqualify them for important government benefits.

One of the most commonly used trusts is a revocable living trust, where you transfer assets into a trust that you control while you are still living.

After your death, those assets pass to your heirs outside of probate (an unnecessary, expensive and totally public court process). This helps your heirs avoid the hassle and cost

of going to Court and doesn't tie up the assets, which are generally frozen during the probate process unless protected by a trust.

Setting up a trust happens in three, equally important phases. First, the trust must be drafted to meet your family's unique needs and achieve your specific goals. Then, your assets MUST be retitled in the name of the trust. And finally, since trust laws are changing all the time (not to mention your assets, financial holdings, and family situation) it is necessary to review your trust regularly to ensure it remains up to date, continuing to protect your assets and your family for the rest of your life.

And just like the proverbial stool, unless all three phases of a trust are handled correctly, it will fail. Unlike many estate attorneys who only focus on the first phase of trust planning, I lead my clients through all three phases so they can ensure a legacy of love and financial security for their families, no matter what.

If you would like help planning for the safe, successful transfer of wealth to your family's next generation, call my office at 626-355-4000 or visit [www.GarlettLaw.com](http://www.GarlettLaw.com) for more information.

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Tips of the Trade: Real Estate Revealed

by Luther Tsinoglou

LISTINGS LINGO

As if the language of real estate weren't confusing enough, the wave of bad lending practices and loan defaults of recent years have added more terms that have subtle but important shades of difference. When you prepare to speak with an agent about buying or selling, make sure you understand the lingo.

First, realize that the word "foreclosure" does not describe a property, but the legal process by which a homeowner loses their interest and the bank or lender assumes ownership. It's a legal term, not a property description.

If you're buying, you go to tour "foreclosures," per se. You're probably going to look at "Real Estate Owned" listings, or REOs. These are properties

that the lender has taken back after the foreclosure process is complete. You may see these advertised as "bank owned."

Then there's another type of listing described as a "short sale." This may qualify as a "distressed" property, but it is not yet in the hands of the bank or lender. The homeowners and the lender have reached an agreement to sell the property for less than the owners owe on their mortgage.

The short sale is an attempt at compromise between the two parties, keeping the sellers out of foreclosure and credit history ruin, and keeping the lender out of the costly process of foreclosure and expensive business of property management.

WHEN SHOULD YOU DUMP A MUTUAL FUND

By Greg Welborn

One of the toughest investment decisions you'll have to make is dumping an investment. Whether it's a specific stock or, as I want to address here, a mutual fund, you can't put your portfolio on autopilot and forget about it. You have to know when to buy and when to sell. So when should you dump a mutual fund?

**There are key personal reasons for dropping the hammer.** If your goals change – especially in how long you'll be investing – then it's perfectly normal to change funds. If you need to rebalance to maintain the proper balance between bonds and stocks, then you should also be willing to sell. And, if there are some substantial tax losses you can use and you can find a similar fund in which to put the proceeds, then sell.

**There are also fund-specific issue.** These can be tougher to ascertain. If a mutual fund becomes too large for its category, even if it's still "succeeding", you should move on. The larger the asset base, the tougher it is for the manager to successfully implement his or her strategy. Changes in investment strategy or key personnel should also be red flags. If you use a fund managed by Bob to invest in large utility companies, and you find that Suzy has taken over to invest in small cosmetic companies, you should consider moving on, unless of course your long term plan involves cosmetics.

**The toughest fund-specific issue is performance.** It's easy to say that if a fund consistently under-performs, you should move on. The trick is defining "consistently". Almost every single long-term, successful mutual fund has had a two, or even three, year period of lagging its category. So, you may need to use some outside resources to determine whether a fund is really under-performing or is just temporarily out of step with its category.

As tough as the decision may be – both factually and emotionally – deciding when to hold 'em and when to fold 'em is a critically important component of successful investing.

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the creative entrepreneur

by Lori Koop, Business Coach

Life is a linear journey. We walk it out, one day after another. And with that, we create history. Our experiences are recorded. Within us. In our words. As stories. And we use them to make decisions in today.

It is our default. Our brain relies on the past to predict the future. If you were unsuccessful the first time, your mind warns you you'll be unsuccessful the second time. It's scared. It doesn't want to lose money, to waste time, or look like a fool. That amygdala brain we were born with sends regular messages of fear and doubt, and it uses the past as evidence.

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# LEFT TURN AND A LITTLE MODERATION

## HOWARD Hays As I See It



*"There are very few African American men in this country who haven't had the experience of being followed when they were shopping in a department store . . . (or) . . . walking across*

*the street and hearing the locks click on the doors of cars. That happened to me, at least before I was a senator."*

- President Obama

In Greg Welborn's column last week, he reasoned that those who've been critical of Israel's actions in Gaza hold such views because they simply don't like Jewish people. Following the logic of his column led me to conclude that Greg's repeated disparagement of President Obama must be because he simply doesn't like black people.

Of course, it's nonsense. It's easier to throw charges of racism or anti-Semitism around than to deal with real, underlying issues. It's equally nonsensical, though, to dismiss such charges and pretend that racism and anti-Semitism no longer exist.

We know they exist if for no other reason than so many exploit them to protect their own power. The rise of anti-immigrant nationalist groups in Europe retains imagery of centuries-old anti-Semitism. When Ronald Reagan referred to the "welfare queen" arriving in her Cadillac to pick up her check, the intent was not to evoke an image of a young, white single mother in Appalachia.

Fifteen years before Reagan, strategists saw the opportunity to turn a predominantly Democratic region Republican. They targeted Southern whites alarmed by the blacks registering as Democrats under LBJ's Voting Rights Act, and got those whites to switch registration to Republican. Lee Atwater explained the "Southern strategy" in an interview years later, "By 1968 you can't say '(the N-word)' - that hurts you. Backfires. So you say stuff like forced busing, states' rights and all that stuff".

The Voting Rights Act had a profound effect. As Jason Zengerle pointed out recently in The New Republic, in Mississippi the registration rate among blacks went from 6.7% in 1964 to 59.4% in 1968. By 2001, Mississippi and Alabama had more black elected officials than there were in the entire United States in 1970.

In 2010, though, Republicans realized the way to win back southern statehouses was to bring in laundered out-of-state cash and make the campaigns not about issues, but about the fact there was a black man in the White House. By 2013, Republican majorities in Alabama were able to bypass Democrats to divert \$40 million from public to private schools, require public schools to determine students' immigration status, block Medicaid expansion under the Affordable Care Act and institute photo-I.D. requirements for voters - targeting the poor, students, the elderly and blacks.

Once in the majority, Republicans concentrated black voters into fewer districts. In 1994, 99.5% of black state legislators in the South served in the majority; now it's 4.8%. 55% of America's

black population lives in the South, yet they're rapidly disappearing from any meaningful role in the legislatures. It's "looking like a different country", says Zengerle, "fewer children can read; more adults have HIV; its residents suffer from the shortest life expectancies of any in the United States." Republican strategists knew the racism was prevalent enough so its exploitation could turn state legislatures solidly to the complexion of their party.

A study out of Stanford ten years ago consisted of showing police officers pictures of different faces. "When we ask the police officers directly, 'Who looks criminal?'," says the authors, "they choose more Black faces than White faces. The more stereotypically Black a face appears, the more likely officers are to report that the face looks criminal."

I won't call it "racism"; it may be related to the officers' experience. Whatever the case, it's clearly their perception.

We don't know what the perception was of the officer who killed Michael Brown in the streets of his hometown of Ferguson, Missouri last weekend. Ferguson is a town with twice the population of Sierra Madre, two-thirds of which is black. It has a police force of 53, three of whom are black.

Police say Brown was trying to get the officer's gun; which doesn't seem a likely action for an eighteen-year-old a few days away from starting college. Witnesses say Brown had his hands in the air when he was shot. We don't know whether it was a matter of the policeman's racism and/or perception. We do know that Brown was unarmed; he was shot multiple times, at least once in the head; and that no ambulance was called - his body lay on the street for 4 1/2 hours.

Police say they won't release the name of the officer, but folks in the community say they know very well who it is. They say the kids are all-familiar with him as a cop who goes around the community hassling people.

The folks in the community, and from nearby St. Louis, want to make clear it will no longer be tolerated. Police have responded in full military gear; arresting and aiming guns at protestors, firing tear gas and rubber bullets, barring and arresting journalists trying to cover the story.

Here in L.A. last Monday, 25-year-old Ezell Ford, apparently unarmed, was allegedly shot by police as he lay on the ground. A cousin of Ford's told KTLA, "Every officer in this area . . . knows that this child has mental problems."

Dismissing it simply as "racism" would be wrong, but so would ignoring reality to pretend that racism is no longer a factor.

Those who insist racism is a thing of the past often claim that with a developed skill and talent, anyone can overcome adversity.

Witnesses say Michael Brown might have been guilty of jaywalking. Ezell Ford was out on the street with a mental disability. Both are dead.

Ma'lik Richmond is one of the Steubenville (Ohio) High School football players convicted of raping a 16-year-old, with video circulated of the party guys joking about it. Last week, the wide receiver rejoined his team.

## WILL Durst A Raging Moderate

### THE SLACKER CONGRESS



More fun than fourteen barrels of flunkies watching our elected officials exit Washington like scared rats streaming out of a sewer to escape Godzilla. And really, who can blame them. Anybody who's ever spent a summer in DC can tell you the climate is real similar to Hell. With humidity. Then again, not sure even Hell has winged insects the size of footstools. It's not called Foggy Bottom because that's the first thing that springs to mind when Diane Feinstein walks away, you know.

Funny thing is, this is the same Congress that lies on the verge of breaking all previous records for complete and utter futility. The Zero Zip Zilch Crew. Who have ridden lethargy into the ground and taken loitering to bold new heights. Or is it depths? Folks who would need hydraulic mechanical assists to raise their attitudes from stuporous to torpid. From the lair of the drugged slugs. Debi Does Drowsy.

In essence, they're taking a vacation from nothing. Which is a lot like waking up to take a nap. Topping breakfast off with a sleeping pill. Floating off to a loafing, lay- about layoff. Playing hide and seek with the mirror. And losing.

The 113th Congress is destined to go down in history as the most Do-Nothingest Congress of all time. Accomplishing less than all the other Do- Nothing Congresses combined. Which is saying something, because there were plenty.

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What we the public fail to understand is that nothing can be downright tiring. Yes, there's the failure to pass a highway bill or any hint of immigration reform, but let's focus on the positive. During the past 19 months, the Republican- controlled House has shut down the government and voted to defund or repeal Obama Care about a gazillion times and don't forget the 2 dozen or so Benghazi hearings. They have definitely earned that approval rating lower than thumbtacks in your underwear while riding a motorcycle. Over railroad tracks.

And now these hordes of professional indolents have slipped the surly bonds of sloth and been released into their home districts to freely roam amongst we innocents as a 5 week recess begins. One question: how do you relax after suffering through the arduous routine of nothing? Slip into a coma? Binge watch The Leftovers? Will sunstroke play an integral part? And not just any vacation: a five- week paid vacation. Who told our esteemed representatives we were Europe?

The odd part is... they have to. It's the law. The Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 requires Congress to take off the entire month of August. Not sure, but perhaps it was in response to members of Congress wandering aimlessly en masse in our nation's capital during peak tourist season; frightening small children and prompting plaintive cries from local merchants.

All we can do is hope our pooped populist politicians finally get some quality downtime, in order to come back tan and rested and ready for the tough task of remaining inactive and unable to pass any sort of worthwhile legislation when they return after Labor Day. Pretty obvious, that holiday sure weren't named after these guys.

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## OUT TO PASTOR TWO WORDS THAT CHANGED MY LIFE

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder



This week is a hallmark in the lives of the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and me. Forty-three years ago this week, we began a journey that has just become better with each year.

That is the benefit of marrying up.

Getting married was not something I had put together. Very few men put together their wedding plans. After all, that is why we get married.

It came to me rather suddenly. I was at Bible college and one morning one of the guys in the dorm said to me, "Congratulations. I just heard the good news."

I smiled and nodded my head thinking about my plans for the day. I had no idea what he was talking about and at the time I did not have the time to ask him what he was talking about.

Everybody I met that morning was congratulating me and telling me how happy they were for me. Soon I was beginning to wonder what in the world was going on. I did not have any test in any my classes yesterday so it could not be anything like that. I do not play the lottery so I could not have won the lottery. I could not think of anything I did yesterday that would cause all of this congratulatory remarks in my direction.

Finally, when I had about as much as I could take, I asked somebody, "What is everybody congratulating me for?"

The person that I queried looked at me, broke out in laughter and said, "Man, you got to be kidding!" Then he turned around, walking away laughing every step of the way.

I went to my class, found my seat and got situated then one of the young ladies passed by, patted me on the shoulder and said, "I am so happy for you and I think it is a wonderful thing. And I know you are

going to be happy for the rest of your life."

Well, I had had it. I looked at her and very firmly said, "What are you so happy about?"

"Your wedding," she said laughing, "you're getting married."

"Oh," I said, nodding my head. "Thank you very much."

Then what she said dawned on me. I looked at her and said, "I'm getting what?"

"Silly boy," she said, laughing hysterically, "it's all over campus so it must be true."

I then had to think about this situation I was in. Everybody on the campus knew I was getting married, except me. Was I still sleeping? Was this just a dream I am having?

I began to think about the events the preceding evening, and remembered a little conversation I had with the girl I was now supposed to be getting married to. In the course of our conversation, as I remembered it at the time, she said something to the effect, "Wouldn't it be great to get married?"

As I recalled the conversation, I nodded my head and said something to the effect, "Yea, I guess it would be." That was the end of the conversation as far as I was concerned, but the beginning of an ongoing conversation as far as someone else was concerned. Why is it that the groom-to-be is always the last one to know?

Then I asked one of the girls in the hallway, "When am I getting married?" At the time, I did not have the foggiest idea.

She turned away laughing and muttering to herself something to the effect that I had a really good sense of humor. Believe me, I was not laughing.

As it turned out, me and the young lady I was to be married to, were engaged to be married and, I do not want to pry into this point very much, the wedding

dress already purchased."

As it turned out, it was the best thing that ever happened to me. Looking back over life, most of the good things that have happened to me were never of my doing. I'm convinced that is the way God works. If you are doing what you want to do, you are probably not doing what God wants you to do. At least I have developed that philosophy to this point of my life.

Some things in life I am rather good at planning, a wedding not being one of them; not even close.

After all these years, I can still remember that wonderful day when the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and I were united in holy matrimony. Our wedding was rather simple and the focus point of the wedding was the wedding vows. When I said, "I do" it clinched the deal and I was married and I have been doing it ever since.

I have said many words in my life, and written thousands and thousands of words, but the most important words that have changed my life were those words, "I do."

The Bible has a lot to say about marriage and husbands and wives. "Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it" (Ephesians 5:24-25).

There are some empty words that we use every day but every once in a while we say a word or two that fills our life with joy unspeakable and full of glory.

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Good romantic comedies are always fun to watch on a rainy afternoon, and this one is good enough to watch any other time as well. It takes place in 1945, but it reminds me of some of the Great Depression comedies that pit wealthy idiots with intelligent rogues. Grab your white kernel popcorn and get ready to enjoy the next hour at the Hammond family estate.

Corporal Marion Scott is trying to hitch-hike to a small town and make a new life for himself. He is an orphan that was released from the war because of his wounds. He spent much of the war listening to a buddy who didn't survive talk about his little home town. Marion has heard so much about this little town that he wants to make it his home town. A gal drives along as he is trying to catch a ride and has a flat tire, and they immediately dislike each other. We can tell in an instant that these two folk are meant for each other. She won't tell him who she is, and he won't tell her who he is. Soon they are arrested and dumped into the small town jail - twice. We learn that the gal is the older daughter of the wealthiest family in town, and she is supposed to be married in two days to a prominent politician. We still don't know who the man is . . . but there is something very mysterious about him. Soon we meet the whole Hammond family and the rich guy politician that means to make the gal an honest woman. But she already loves Marion, although she fights it with everything she has . . . well . . . almost everything. The wind-up comes on the wedding day, when 'Willie' will be married to the politician, and the cops have been called to arrest Marion as a deserter from the Army. You will laugh, cry and laugh some more at the wild way that these two people run towards and away from each other until they are together at last.

by Jimbo Berkey

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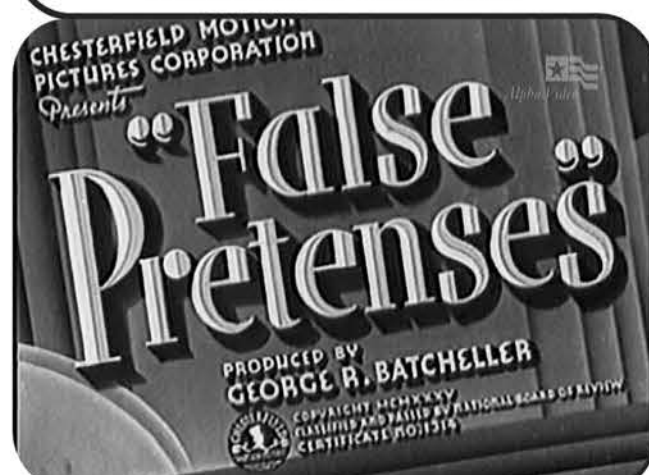
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7 to 8 am	Sweetheart of the Navy
9 to 10 am	Lady of Burlesque
11 to 12 pm	Beverly Hillbillies, Love that Bob, The Lucy Show, Little Margie
1 to 2 pm	Moonlight Sonata
3 to 4 pm	The 39 Steps
5 to 6 pm	Road to Happiness
7 to 8 pm	Conquest of the Air
9 to 10 pm	Behind the Green Lights & Prison Nurse
Tuesday 8.19.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	The Missing Corpse & The Millionaire Kid
9 to 10 am	People are Funny
11 to 12 pm	Beverly Hillbillies, Love that Bob, The Lucy Show, Little Margie
1 to 2 pm	The Dancing Pirate
3 to 4 pm	Convict 99
5 to 6 pm	A Song For Miss Julie and Rhythm in the Clouds
7 to 8 pm	Return of the Whistler
9 to 10 pm	House of Secrets
Wednesday 8.20.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Neath Brooklyn Bridge & Sky Patrol
9 to 10 am	Keep Your Seats Please
11 to 12 pm	Beverly Hillbillies, Love that Bob, The Lucy Show, Little Margie
1 to 2 pm	Becky Sharp
3 to 4 pm	The Dishonored Lady
5 to 6 pm	Rainbow on the River
7 to 8 pm	Bowery Blitzkrieg
9 to 10 pm	Hells House & The Man From Utah
Thursday 8.21.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Speed Devils & Live Wire
9 to 10 am	O Kay For Sound
11 to 12 pm	Beverly Hillbillies, Love that Bob, The Lucy Show, Little Margie
1 to 2 pm	Swing High Swing Low
3 to 4 pm	Back Door to Heaven
5 to 6 pm	Moonlight and Cactus & Star Reporter
7 to 8 pm	Dick Tracy vs Cueball
9 to 10 pm	Broken Dreams & Prison Nurse
Friday 8.22.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Hats Off & Atlantic Flight
9 to 10 am	Windbag The Sailor
11 to 12 pm	Beverly Hillbillies, Love that Bob, The Lucy Show, Little Margie
1 to 2 pm	Thunder in the City
3 to 4 pm	Little Tough Guys
5 to 6 pm	Molly and Me
7 to 8 pm	Outer Gate
9 to 10 pm	Gangs Inc & Riders Of The Whistling Skull
Saturday 8.23.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Mark of the Avenger & Sheriff of Sage Valley
9 to 10 am	Loaded Pistols & Border Caballero
11 to 12 pm	Renegade Girl & Trigger Pals
1 to 2 pm	The Cowboy Millionaire & Rip Roarin Buckaroo
3 to 4 pm	The Courageous Dr Christian & Border Patrol
5 to 6 pm	The Bold Caballero & Black Stallion
7 to 8 pm	The Man Who Walked Alone & The Way of the West
9 to 10 pm	Girls in Chains & Blue Steel
Sunday 8.23.14	Movies
7 to 8 am	Jungle Book
9 to 11 am	Kids A Cookin' - 2 hours of kids cooking shows
11 to 12 pm	Lady Behave
1 to 2 pm	Horace Takes Over & X Marks the Spot
3 to 4 pm	Mr Wong The Fatal Hour & Dangerous Holiday
5 to 6 pm	Thats My Baby & The Case Of The Radiant Wine
7 to 8 pm	The Great Mike
9 to 10 pm	Fire Alarm & Female Fugitive

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