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## BUDGET TOWN HALL MEETING - SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2015

The Sierra Madre City Council will be hosting a Town Hall Meeting at the Fire Station on Saturday, June 6, 2015. Residents are encouraged to drop by between 10am and noon and enter to win one of six great participation prizes: A Meal with the Mayor, A Helicopter Ride, Dinner with Firefighters, a Free Park Rental, 10 Free Library DVD Rentals, or a Storytime Birthday Party at the Library.

At the Town Hall Meeting, each participant will have the opportunity to "balance" the City's budget with the current projected revenues. Residents will be able to study the impacts of various reductions including, but not limited to, reduction in hours and programs at the Library and Community Services,

fewer public counter hours at the Planning Department and City Hall, contracting policing services to the Sheriffs or paramedic services to a private ambulance company. Participants will also be asked to "vote" on various revenue measures ranging from no new revenues to increased fees and fines, or a general or special tax.

The accumulation of input gathered at ten different budget input meetings that took place in May will also be available for further comment and discussion.

All the information collected at the Town Hall Meeting will be presented to the City Council for consideration as the Council deliberates and makes decisions on how to balance the City's budget at their regular meeting on Tuesday, June 9, 2015 at 6:30pm in the Council Chambers. Residents are encouraged to attend and provide public comment on this very important topic.

## COMMUNITY YARD SALE - SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2015

The City of Sierra Madre Senior Community Commission is hosting the 5th Annual Community Yard Sale on Saturday, June 6, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. located in the Sierra Vista Park (611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd). Community organizations and members are invited to come together with their neighbors to participate in a community yard sale. The Community Yard Sale will encompass the west parking lot and basketball court in Sierra Vista Park.

## BEST USED BOOK SALE TO BENEFIT LIBRARY SATURDAY

The Friends of the Sierra Madre Library announce plans for the June Best Used Book Sale Saturday, June 6 (10 a.m. - 2 p.m.) The Sale will be held in the basement and the parking lot behind the library at 440 West Sierra Madre Blvd. Just received is a large donation of knitting and quilting books (many with patterns) in pristine condition, ready for those summer projects. Also in the basement will be newer fiction and non-fiction books, including some current best-sellers. "Coffee-table" type books on art, history, cooking and contemporary culture will be on our Basement Table, while on the shelves are a great collection of books of every genre, DVDs and audio books, and wonderful children's books. The parking lot will have the ever-popular Bargain Books for only \$1.00 each. Small paperbacks are only \$5/1.00 and a large donation of thrillers and mysteries just came in. Shop early for the best selection.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2015

## THESE KIDS ARE GOOD!



The regular Little League season is over and in Sierra Madre, when the dust settled, the Sierra Madre Dodgers were able to do something their namesake could not, take their Division Title!

The Dodgers, who range in age from 10-12 play in the Major Division of SML.

These courageous little leaguers in blue, who never rose above 3rd place during the regular season, were known as the "overwhelming underdogs" with a record of 6-20 going into the playoffs. But then, something happened and this team managed to go against two of their toughest rivals, the SMLL Blue Jays and SMLL Yankees. In a previous match up with the Yankees they lost, however, during the playoffs, they defeated both teams: Dodgers vs. Blue Jays 9-8 and Dodgers vs. Yankees 13-10.

They will now move on to the Little League District 7 Tournament on June 6th. Congratulations are in order for the Dodgers and their Manager Jason Young.

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Photo by Amy Stipa

## EMERGENCY HORN ON COUNCIL AGENDA

On Tuesday evening, in addition to the discussions on the city's budget woes, the fate of the city's emergency horn has been placed on the agenda.

The fire horn, which is located on the city's parking lot at the corner of Baldwin and East Montecito, is used in the event of an emergency to notify residents to check with the city's Emergency Radio Station, website or authorities for further instructions. It can be heard throughout the city.

Some residents, however, say that the horn's volume and the testing frequency is unbearable.

Daily, at 5pm, a test blast is sounded, often startling people who are visiting or working in the area.

While there are those who do not see the need for the horn, others are very passionate that the horn is the city's most reliable means of notifying residents of an emergency.

During the 2011 windstorm, in particular, power was out throughout the city for several days. There was no internet, no radio or television. Many residents had no idea what to

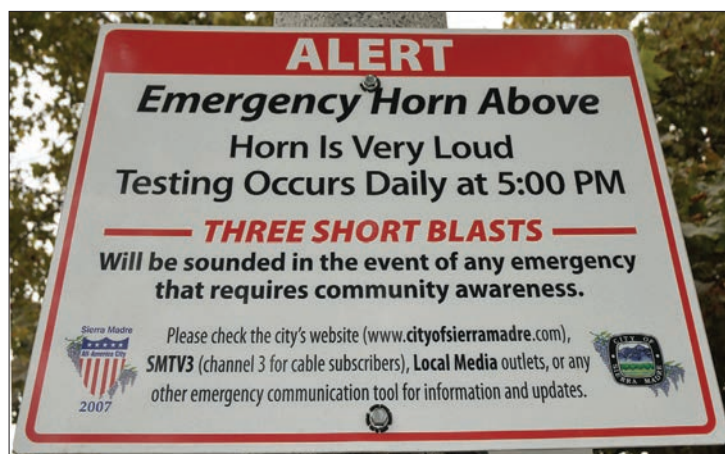
do or what was happening. There was nowhere to go without leaving home and going to City Hall in order to get information.

In 2008 when 500 acres of Sierra Madre's hillsides burned, notification by telephone was not always effective due to power and telephone lines being down and internet services were not reliable. Police and fire personnel had to go door to door in some circumstances to warn residents who were not aware that their homes were being threatened.

In both incidents, the Horn was not functioning. Had the horn been in operation, when it was sounded, citizens would have been alerted of an impending emergency.

Shortly after the fire, an effort was launched to repair the horn that took several years. In January of this year, the horn was repaired and regular testing began.

The primary issue appears to be the frequency and volume in which the horn is tested. The council will hear from people of both sides of the issue at Tuesday's meeting.



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## OLDER AMERICAN LAURIE COOPER HONORED BY COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



Sierra Madre's Older American of the Year, Laurie Cooper, was also honored on May 21st by the County of Los Angeles and the LA County Board of Supervisors. Pictured above with Supervisor Antonovich and Sierra Madre Senior Commissioner Dorothy Jerneyvic. Photo by Debby Prohlias

## SM PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CHANGES

Changes to the Sierra Madre Dial-A-Ride and fixed route Gateway Coach services take effect June 1, 2015. Dial-A-Ride services in Sierra Madre will operate Monday through Friday from 8:00am - 10:30am and 2:00pm - 5:00pm. Dial-A-Ride services are available to Sierra Madre residents that are 62 years of age or older, or have a signed form by a physician attesting to a disability that hinders mobility. For additional information contact the Community Services Department at 626-355-7135.

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## 6-Day Forecast

## Sierra Madre, Ca.

Sun:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
Mon:	Sunny	Hi 90s	Lows 60s
Tues:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
Wed:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
Thur:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
Fri:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

CITY OF SIERRA MADRE  
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

NEXT REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:  
Tuesday, June 9, 2015  
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



## Regular City Council Meeting

June 9, 2015 - 6:30 pm

The final agenda and staff reports will be available online no later than Friday night. Enter the date "05/05/2015" 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

Monday, June 22, 2015, 6:30pm  
Community Services Commission Meeting

Tuesday, June 23rd, 2015, 6:30 pm  
City Council Meeting

Wednesday, June 24th, 2015, 7:00 pm  
Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, June 24th, 2015, 7:00 pm  
Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Commission Meeting

Thursday, June 25th, 2015, 7:00 pm  
Planning Commission Meeting

City Hall Hours - Monday - Thursday 7:30am - 5:30pm  
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JULY 4TH PARADE  
REGISTRATION

The Sierra Madre 4th of July Parade is an annual tradition that is an integral part of the Sierra Madre community! This hometown parade features community members, organizations, classic cars, a marching band, kids on their decorated bikes and so much more. Join us for the 2015 parade on Saturday, July 4, from 10:00am – 12:00 pm. The parade route will begin at the corner of Sierra Madre Blvd. and Sunnyside Avenue, and will travel the length of Sierra Madre Blvd. to Sierra Vista Park.

Parade participation is open to all; young, young-at-heart, and everything in between. There is NO FEE to participate in the parade this year thanks to a sponsorship from the The Kensington. If you are interested in participating in the 4th of July parade, please visit the 4th of July Website for online registration.

<https://sierramadre4thofjuly.wordpress.com/parade/>

All applications must be submitted by Monday, June 1st. Due to staging concerns, no late entries will be accepted. Please make sure to fill out all fields and hit the submit button!

For questions regarding parade registration please contact the 4th of July Committee at [4thofjulysiamadre@gmail.com](mailto:4thofjulysiamadre@gmail.com) or the Community Services Department at 626.355.7135

2015 SIERRA MADRE  
FOURTH OF JULY  
FIRECRACKER FUN RUN  
REGISTRATION

Sierra Madre, CA. – The Spero Foundation will be hosting their fifth annual "Fire Cracker Fun Run" as part of the Sierra Madre Fourth of July Festivities. This is an "unofficial 5K event," but a running clock is provided. We welcome runners and walkers of all ages. Walkers with strollers and dogs on leashes are encouraged to participate as this is a true community event!

The Firecracker Fun Run is held on Saturday, July 4, 2015. Check-in and registration is at Kersting Court from 7:00am-7:45am the morning of the race. The race begins at 8:00am.

Registration is available online at [www.cityofsierramadre.com/online-registration](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/online-registration) and begins Monday, May 4, 2015. Prior to June 15th registration costs for adults are \$21.00 and youth under 10 are \$16.00. After June 15th the cost is \$26.00 per entry regardless of age. If you pre-register online before June 15, you will be guaranteed a t-shirt. For registrations taken June 15 or after, race t-shirts are available until supplies run out.

All participants will receive a custom 2015 Firecracker Fun Run medal! Also as a new twist- this year there will be awards for the "Best-Showing" of RED, WHITE & BLUE- so show your support for the Stars and Stripes. We highly encourage everyone to dress up and show their patriotism with the most creative outfit possible.

The Spero Foundation was formed in 2009 to raise awareness, bringing hope to people in need. In the last year the Foundation has donated over \$28,000 to support local community programs and delivered over 50 food baskets during the holiday season to families in our own community. 100% of the proceeds from this event will support their Holiday Food Basket Program. Hope is not our wish...it is our goal.



## THE SIERRA MADRE KIWANIS CLUB

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EXCEPT FOR THE 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH,  
WHEN WE MEET AT 7:45AM. VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!  
JOIN US, MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS, HELP YOUR COMMUNITY,  
AND HAVE SOME FUN!

SHARE SOME  
GOOD NEWS!

"The Kindness of Strangers" feature encourages readers to share their stories. I can assure you, they will be uplifting especially in contrast to all the challenges and issues we have to deal with daily. So, if you have something you would like to share, please submit it to: [editor@mtnviewsnews.com](mailto:editor@mtnviewsnews.com).

It doesn't matter where you were or when it happened. Share your good experiences in hope that it might bring a little joy and/or inspire someone.

-Susan Henderson, Editor/Publisher MVNews

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## REMEMBRANCE

### SLADOJE, SUSAN J. JULY 6, 1943 TO MAY 25 2015

Susan J. Sladoje (Susie) of Glenview, IL, and formerly of Sierra Madre, beloved wife of George Sladoje passed away at the Midwest Palliative and Hospice Pavilion on May 28. Susie was born in Wauwatosa, WI on July 6, 1943. In her early years the family moved seven times often from one state to another. Throughout her junior and senior high school years the family lived in Upper Arlington, OH a suburb of Columbus where she was crowned "Miss Arlington" in 1960. It was here where Susie's love of the 4th July and all things patriotic took root.



She graduated from The Ohio State University (1966) with a major in retailing. While a student at Ohio State, Susie joined Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity, which became a major factor throughout her life.

During her high school and college days, Susie worked part time at a woman's specialty store in Columbus; ultimately becoming an assistant manager at a major branch while still a part timer. She began her fulltime-working career at Bloomingdales in New York where her retailing experienced and skills were maximized and prepared her for greater undertakings in the city that she ultimately came to adopt--Chicago.

Though she enjoyed New York and took full advantage of its offerings, she preferred the pace and "feel" of Chicago even more. She became the Men's Fashion Coordinator at Carson, Pirie, Scott & Company. Susie was the first female men's fashion coordinator in all of the AMC and Federated stores. She remained at Carson's until the birth of her first child in 1970.

Susie devoted the remainder of her life to her family and community—no matter where she lived. One constant has been Kappa Alpha Theta. Among the many alumnae positions that she held included; President of the Chicago North Shore and Pasadena, California Chapters; Assistant National Convention Manager; and as a Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation Trustee.

In 1997, she and George moved to Sierra Madre where she became active in the Sierra Madre Rotary Club and the Junior League in Pasadena. She also chaired the annual Fundraiser of the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) which provides legal services to needy children. She and George returned home to the Chicago area in 2004.

She was active in and held leadership roles in many organizations on the North Shore, the Chicago area. Among the groups she served were; The Young Women's Auxiliary of the Women's Club of Evanston, The Junior League of Evanston-North Shore, The Auxiliary at Evanston and Glenbrook Hospitals (Susie chaired the 1996 American Craft Expedition), Fortnightly Club of Chicago and the City Associates of the Art Institute of Chicago. In Glenview she served on the Independence Day Celebration Commission, Glenview Leadership Council, Glenview Values, Character Counts! and was a president of the Glen Oak Acres Garden Club. She served on school parent boards in Districts 34 and 225.

She is survived by her husband of nearly 47 years, George and their three children; Steve (Sara) of Glenview, IL, Julie Rickert (David) of Grandview Heights, OH, Katie Chew (Aaron) of Upper Arlington, OH, five grandchildren; George and Samantha Sladoje, Jack and Lily Rickert and Burrows Chew and siblings Thomas Mueller and Cathy Slingerland. She was preceded in death by her parents Sylvester E. and Carol Mueller.

A Memorial Mass celebrating Susie's life will be held at a later date at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Glenview. In lieu of flowers, the family has suggested donations be made in honor of Susan Mueller Sladoje to:

Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation  
8740 Founders Road  
Indianapolis, IN 46268

## SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

During the week of Sunday, May 24th, to Sunday, May 31st, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 311 calls for service.

### Monday, May 25th

At 7:56 am, Sierra Madre Police responded to the 30 block of W Grandview Avenue regarding an injury traffic collision. Upon arrival on scene, Officers discovered a woman had crashed head on into a parked vehicle. Witnesses stated the woman was driving eastbound when she crossed into the westbound lane and began driving on the wrong side of the street for a short distance, before she crashed head on into a car that was parked on the street. Upon interviewing the woman, she stated to Officers that she had fallen asleep. The woman complained of chest pain and was transported to a local hospital. Drugs and alcohol were determined to not be a factor in the crash. No other injuries resulted from the crash. The woman was advised of a re-examination to drive by the DMV.

### Wednesday, May 27th

At 1:07 pm, Sierra Madre Police responded to the station lobby regarding an identity theft report. The victim informed Officers that two days prior, he retrieved his mail from his home on the 60 block of W Orange Grove and discovered a debit card was issued to him from a retail store through a small bank. The victim stated he never applied for a debit card with the company or the bank. The following day the man called the banking company and closed the account. The bank representative advised the victim to contact his local police department. This case has been forwarded to the Detective Bureau.

### Thursday, May 27th

At 6:03 pm, Sierra Madre Police responded to the 300 block of W Sierra Madre Blvd regarding a physical fight between a man and woman. The caller reported that the man was holding a young child and appeared to be forcefully dragging the female. Upon arrival Officers located the man, woman and child. Officers immediately noticed the woman was distraught, crying and trembling. Once separated and the woman took hold of the young child, Officers noticed the man appeared to be under the influence as his speech was rapid and he was sweating profusely. As Officers attempted to place the man in handcuffs as a precaution, the man resisted Officers. Ultimately once secured in handcuffs, the man informed Officers he hit his wife because he was trying to get the evil out of her due to her being overcome by it. When Officers questioned the woman, she confirmed that the man had hit her in the face several times as he held the crying infant. Several witnesses informed Officers of what they saw, and ultimately the man was placed into custody and taken to Los Angeles Sheriff Department Inmate Reception Center to await his appearance in court.

## Walking Sierra Madre...The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

"Up to now, you've had a lot of lessons and then you've had the test. Now you're entering Real Life, where first you have the test and then you get the lesson!" Lain I. Hensley

Have you ever been to so many inspirational events and heard so many incredible speakers that you can't believe you got to be there? That's been our life the last few weeks. Two graduations, one at Chico State University where granddaughter, Ashley, received her degree and her pin. She will soon be joining the ranks of Registered Nurses. Proud? Beyond belief! Then last Saturday grandson, Luke, received his diploma from Maranatha High School. Proud? Totally!

Graduations have improved tremendously in the last few years. Schools have finally begun to get the message across to their principal speakers that it's quality, not quantity that counts. The speaker at Chico State, who is also a career motivational speaker, could not have talked for longer than twenty minutes max, but everyone's attention was riveted on Mr. Hensley. He started off by asking, "Am I in the presence of greatness?" Gave some terrific advice, like the quote up at the top, which continued with "and if you don't get the lesson the first time, you'll be getting it again and again until you do!" I think we all know, usually to our painful regret, how true THAT is! He also advised the graduates to pick a good life partner and then BE a good partner, and to... "Be patient with yourself. Will you make excuses or progress?" Now that's pithy! He ended his address with almost the same words he started with: "I AM in the presence of greatness!" The place went wild. Talk about hope for the future!

My graduation attending partner, John, and I figure we've been to six college graduations, nine high school and one Law School. We attended two at Cal State L.A. which took forever while we baked in the blazing sun and thousands of students marched by. One featured actor, James Edward Olmos, who was not brief!

The Los Angeles Times had an article last week about graduation addresses where they, too, emphasized brevity. One of the student speakers we heard Saturday told us that after ten minutes we would only remember one-tenth



family members, where she received her Junior Ranger certificate and you see her here wearing her new Grand Canyon shirt, which has the message she says she is going to live by:

Advice from the Night Sky...

See the big picture – Be a star – Keep looking up – Don't be afraid of the dark

Stay full of wonder – Expand your horizon – Turn off the lights!

As you attend graduations this year, take a note or two of the really great points the speaker makes, like this one: "One of the mistakes I made was giving my daughters credit cards, which were only to be used for emergencies. I soon found that Nordstrom sells emergency gas, which I had not known before!" May all your graduation speakers be brief and even better, brief and humorous!

My book page: Amazon.com: Deanne Davis

Blog: www.authordeanne.com

"Tablespoon of Love, Tablespoon of Laughter" is available there...

An excellent graduation gift, by the way!

## SIERRA MADRE CONCERTS IN THE PARK 2015

Sierra Madre, CA. – June 1, 2015 – 2015 Sierra Madre Concerts Series Starts June 13th!!

Get ready to start off your summer with some amazing music in Sierra Madre! Thanks to the generous support of community sponsors and series title sponsor The Kensington, Sierra Madre residents won't have to travel far to enjoy this summer staple. The 2015 Summer Concerts in the Park Series kicks off on Saturday, June 13 at 6:30 pm and then runs every Sunday from 6pm – 8pm until August 9th. Concerts take place in the Memorial Park Bandshell and are completely free to the public. Memorial Park is located at 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. Patrons are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets, and their dancing shoes as well as support local organizations that may provide refreshments. There will be something for everyone as this year's featured bands represent a wide array of musical genres.

### 2015 Summer Concerts in the Park Lineup

June 13 (Saturday) – Pasadena Community Orchestra (Classical)

June 21 – SM Volunteer Firefighters Association: Pat O'Brian and the Priests of Love (Rock Blues)

Food- Corfu & The Ice Princess

June 28 – Sierra Madre Civic Club: Heartache Tonight (Eagles Tribute)

Food- Home Baked Goodness!

July 5 – Sierra Madre Music: Local Talent! (Variety)



Food- Corfu & The Ice Princess

July 12 –: Spero Foundation: The Decades of Rock (Classic Rock) Food- Peppertree Grill

July 19 –: LA County Arts Commission Senior Community Commission: Sgt. Pepper (Beatles Tribute) Food- Corfu & The Ice Princess

July 26 –: Sierra Madre Community Foundation: Cash Up Front (Johnny Cash Tribute) Food- Peppertree Grill and The Ice Princess

August 2 – Sierra Madre Rotary Club: Elvis Food- Rounds Burger Truck

August 9 – Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club and Friends of the SM Library: Gem City Jazz Cats (Jazz) Food- Corfu and CAKE!! (Offered by Kiwanis Club)

The Community Service Department would like to thank the following sponsors for making the 2015 Concert Series possible: The Kensington (title sponsor), Friends of the Sierra Madre Library, LA County Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, Pasadena Community Orchestra, Senior Community Commission, Sierra Madre Civic Club, Sierra Madre Community Foundation, Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club, Sierra Madre Music, Sierra Madre Rotary Club, Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighter's Association, and Spero Foundation. For more info on the Concerts in the Park Series please call 626-355-7135.

## SUMMER READING PROGRAM: FUN FOR ALL AGES AT THE SIERRA MADRE LIBRARY

It's here! Summer Reading starts Monday, June 8 at the Sierra Madre Public Library! Adults, teens, and children get ready to sign up.

Children read and record their books (print or e-Book), and prizes are awarded when each reading goal is met. Children enter one of three divisions: Beginner, for our very youngest patrons, who are not yet able to read on their own; Reader school-age readers in grades 1 – 6; and Challenger for children in grades 2 – 6, who want a higher reading goal.

Teens read 8 books by the end of the program and earn prizes for every two books read.

Adults enter to win a prize with every book read, (book, eBook or audiobook). There are drawings weekly for book related prizes, with a grand prize drawing at the close of the program.

Free Programs for all ages

Saturday, June 13, 10:00 am—Spin, Pop, Boom

Grades 1-6, experiment with the science of motion.

Saturday, June 13, 11:00 am—Local History Tour, Historic Hometown

Attend a digital tour of Sierra Madre in the Library.

Monday, June 15, 10:00 am—Sounds Like Science

Explore sound with a scientist— for ages 2-7.

Thursday, June 18, 11:00 am—3rd Thurs. Book Club

This month's selection is Suite Francaise by Irene Nemirovsky.

Saturday, June 20, 4:00 pm—Local Musician Ljiljana Lukic, flute

Adults, enjoy an hour of free music by a local musician.

Wednesday, June 24, 4:00 pm—Anime Your Way

Grades 5-12 are invited to test their skills and learn from an expert Anime

Artist for an hour of drawing, snacks, and music.

Saturday, June 27, 10:00 am—Mr. Twister

The whole family is invited to learn from an expert balloon twister as he

teaches his art. Everyone goes home with a balloon!

Saturday, June 27, 4:00 pm—Local Musician Abram Poliakov, guitar and

voice

Adults, enjoy an hour of free music by a local musician.

Monday, June 29, 10:00 am—Move Like an Animal

Move and groove like an animal as we sing and play with our youngest

library patrons. Recommended for ages 0-6.

Saturday, July 11, 10:00 am—Sound of Disaster

## FAMILY MOVIE FRIDAYS



Get ready to come out to watch some great family entertainment under the stars! Thanks to the generous support of the Sierra Madre Issei Memorial Foundation, Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters Association and Sierra Madre Civic Club, the Sierra Madre tradition

of Family Movie Fridays continues and is free for all to attend. This is an opportunity for families to spend time together and enjoy a great movie in the fresh air. Movies will be screened in the Memorial Park Bandshell, 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., on alternating Fridays during the summer and will begin at approximately 8:00pm. To ensure a comfortable viewing experience, patrons are encouraged to bring low seating and blankets, please avoid tall chairs. Additionally, patrons should consider visiting local downtown restaurants for snacks and refreshments prior to attending the movie.

### 2015 Family Movie Fridays Lineup

June 12, 2015 – Big Hero 6

June 26, 2015 – Annie (2014)

July 10, 2015 – Paddington

July 24, 2015 – Kicking and Screaming (Scenes shot in Sierra Madre!)

For more information on the Family Movie Series please contact the Community Services Department at 626-355-7135.

## THE SIERRA MADRE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION SOCIETY PRESENTS LIZZIE'S FAMOUS CHICKEN & RAVIOLI DINNER JUNE 27, 2015 5-8PM

On the west side of the Mount Wilson Trail, Lizzie's Trail Inn had its start about 1890 as a lunch stand and coffee shop. Walt Douglas ran this stand in 1905. By the time Mr. W.P. Caley purchased the entire property in June 1907, it included the stand, a store, house and stables. The stand was moved across the trail to its present location in 1913. Even though Lizzie only ran the restaurant for 13 years, there are many great stories related to her ownership, especially her signature dinner of Chicken & Ravioli.

The Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society will be celebrating those good ol' days with a Chicken and Ravioli Dinner at the Mt. Wilson Trail Park, located next to the Richardson House and Lizzie's Trail Inn, in Sierra Madre. Come and enjoy a great dinner, visit our native plant demonstration garden, view the Interactive Digital Storyboard in Richardson House with presentations by the Sierra Madre Library's Teen Docents, participate in our silent auction of items donated by local merchants, and visit with Lizzie in person! Both Lizzie's Trail Inn and Richardson House will be open, and you won't want to miss our exciting new display of 1930s - 1950s Sierra

Madre memorabilia, which includes the Suman Pottery's famous petalware, and also ceramics from the McCarty Bros. Pottery. Entertainment will be provided by Joe Tortamasi and Cory Brendel, both ukulele players extraordinaire!

We can't wait to see you there for an evening of good food, good fun, good entertainment, and good friends!

Lizzie's Famous Chicken & Ravioli Dinner

Saturday, June 27, 2015, 5-8 pm

Mt. Wilson Trail Park

167 Mira Monte Avenue

\$30 per person

\*No tickets will be sold the day of the dinner\*

Tickets may be purchased at the following Sierra Madre locations:

Arnold's Hardware, Mary's Market, Savor The Flavor, the Sierra Madre Public Library, and of course, Lizzie's Trail Inn (Saturdays 10:00-noon)



Take a little time.  
Save a little life.

## City of Hope Blood Drive

**Saturday, June 13, 2015**

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices**

115 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre 91024

To schedule your appointment, please call City of Hope at (626)471-7171

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## Make Music Pasadena Event Details

The public is advised of the following parking, road closures and other event information for Make Music Pasadena today. The all-day, all-ages festival features more than 150 live performances from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on six main stages and 30-plus additional venues throughout Pasadena.

Headliners for this year's event are lo-fi artist How to Dress Well, electronic-tinged pop trio Sir Sly, orchestral pop artist Kishi Bashi, electronic art-rock quartet Hundred Waters and rhythm and blues prodigy Nick Waterhouse. Other acts include the Pasadena Symphony and POPS, Afro-Caribbean indie ensemble Making Movies, indie folk group Kaleo and indie pop artist Dark Waves. View the complete lineup at [www.makemusicpasadena.org](http://www.makemusicpasadena.org).

Gold Line, Bus and Bike Travel Options

Attendees are encouraged to carpool, bicycle, walk or use public transportation. Motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians are advised to use extra caution while traveling through the event area. Metro riders can take the Memorial Park Station exit on the Gold Line. The Pasadena ARTS Route 10 buses that link the main stages will provide free, extended service for the event. View the June 6 Route 10 schedule and map at [www.cityofpasadena.net/Transportation/Arts\\_Routes\\_and\\_Schedules](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/Transportation/Arts_Routes_and_Schedules).

All motorists are advised that they should expect to pay for parking at structures and at meters. Please observe all posted and temporary "no parking" signs that will be fully enforced on event day. Vehicles violating parking restrictions can be ticketed and towed at the owners' expense.

To expedite travel through downtown Pasadena, residents are encouraged to use Del Mar Boulevard and Walnut Street for eastbound and westbound travel. For northbound and southbound travel, consider using Orange Grove Boulevard and Lake Avenue.

Find out more about Make Music Pasadena visit [makemusicpasadena.org](http://makemusicpasadena.org).

## Pet of the Week



Leo (A375970) is a two-year-old, male, black and white Pit Bull Terrier and Rottweiler mix. He is a sweet and affectionate fellow! Leo knows his sit, down and stay commands. He earned his Blue Ribbon from behavior staff, which reduces the adoption fee to \$100. Leo has already been neutered which means he is able to go to his new forever home today!

The regular dog adoption fee is \$125 which includes the spay or neuter surgery, microchip, vaccinations, and 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 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).



## Thousands of Cyclists Takeover Pasadena

*An estimated 40,000 people, from all over Southern California, filed Colorado Boulevard, Lake Avenue and surrounding city streets, Sunday using foot, pedal and non-motorized wheel power as part of car-free CicLAVIA Pasadena. "This is really about enjoying our city and making it a livable place and make it like this all year round," said event organizer, Aaron Paley. "Not just one day a year." This was the first CicLAVIA outside the city of Los Angeles. The next CicLAVIA will take place in Venice on August 9. Photo by D.Lee/MVNews*

## Citywide Level 2 Water Shortage Plan Adopted

The Pasadena City Council voted Monday night to adopt the City's Level 2 Water Supply Shortage Plan requiring additional mandatory water restrictions for residents and businesses effective immediately due to the severe drought in California.

The Council action to adopt the Level 2 Plan:

Bans outdoor watering on Thursdays. Outdoor watering is now allowed only on two days per week, Tuesdays and Saturdays, before 9 a.m. or after 6 p.m.

Adopts a 28-percent water conservation goal citywide that aligns Pasadena with mandated reductions set by the State

Reinforces that violators face fines up to \$500 per incident

Officials with the Pasadena Water and Power Department (PWP) will regularly report back to the City Council on progress to meet the 28-percent conservation goal. If water savings are not sufficient during the summer, the City Council may have to mandate additional water use restrictions. A new "Water Savings Gauge" is posted on the homepage of the City's website, [www.cityofpasadena.net](http://www.cityofpasadena.net), and PWP's webpage, [www.PWPweb.com](http://www.PWPweb.com), to help chart water savings with weekly updates.



## Community Meeting to be Held on Conserving Water

Join Assemblymember Chris Holden in partnership with Kidspace Children's Museum for a community meeting on the drought.

Learn ways to outsmart the drought.

Metropolitan Water District exhibits on water conservation programs

- Information on household rebate programs
- Interactive workshops for elementary age students on water conservation
- Drought tolerant plant exhibits
- Refreshments provided

- Bring your water bottle!

Each guest will receive a family four pass to visit Kidspace Children's Museum. See live demonstrations and hear practical advice from:

JPL - Dr. Duane Waliser, Chief Earth Scientist

California State Water Resources Control Board- Caren Trgovcich, Chief Deputy Director

City of Pasadena Department of Water and Power  
Kidspace Children's Museum  
480 N. Arroyo Blvd. (Stone Hollow Amphitheater)  
Pasadena RSVP required by June 19<sup>th</sup>. Call 626-351-1917

## Altadena Crime Blotter

### Sunday, May 24th

2:07 AM - Emilio Mayes was arrested in the area of Lake Avenue and Calaveras Street for an out of state fugitive warrant for residential burglary.

5:10 PM - A shoplifting incident occurred at Baja Ranch Market, 2715 N. Fair Oaks Avenue. Suspects stole beer and fled the location.

9:00 PM - A residential burglary occurred in the 3500 block of Canyon Ridge Drive. Suspects entered the residence by cutting the screen and prying the rear door. Loss: unknown at this time.

11:22 PM - A grand theft occurred in the 2200 block of E. Washington Boulevard. Property stolen: Convertible top to vehicle.

### Monday, May 25th

1:50 AM - Isaac Molina was arrested in the area of Woodbury Road and Fair Oaks Avenue for drinking in public.

### Tuesday, May 26th

No significant incidents to report.

### Wednesday, May 27th

No significant incidents to report.

### Thursday, May 28th

1:00 AM - A residential burglary occurred in the 2900 block of N. Lake Avenue. Suspect(s) entered the residence by prying the sliding glass door. Property stolen: Clothing, dinnerware.

11:15 AM - A petty theft from a vehicle occurred in the 1600 block of E. Mendocino Street. Suspect stole a red and black Honda lawnmower, Echo leaf blower, and a silver Mitsubishi hedge trimmer.

### Friday, May 29th

12:00 PM - A burglary from a detached garage occurred in the 2800 block of Highview Avenue. Suspect(s) entered the location via the unlocked door. Property stolen: Microwave oven, work bench, and insulation.

### Saturday, May 30th

10:28 AM - Ryan Moulton was arrested in the 1500 block of N. Altadena Drive for domestic battery.

11:00 PM - A vehicle vandalism occurred in the 2100 block of El Molino Avenue. Suspect(s) shattered the vehicle's rear window with an unknown object.

## Come Alive With ADA25 Fundraiser

The registration deadline for the "Come Alive With ADA25" fundraiser is June 12. The festive community event will be held 6-8 p.m. Thursday, July 23, at the Brookside Golf Club, 1133 Rosemont Ave., to raise funds for the City's Adaptive Recreation Program for children and adults with disabilities and to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).

The registration fee is \$30.00 per person. Additional donations are welcome and are tax deductible through the Pasadena Recreation and Parks Foundation. Contact Jackie Scott, Adaptive Recreation Specialist, at (626) 744-7257 or [jackiescott@cityofpasadena.net](mailto:jackiescott@cityofpasadena.net) to register and for more information.

"Come Alive With ADA25" attendees will enjoy dinner, live music by the band Soundbytes, Hawaiian dance performances by Tavanna and her Wicky Wacky Wahines, door prizes and other fun activities celebrating the 25th ADA anniversary.

Visit [www.cityofpasadena.net/ADA25](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/ADA25) for more information about the 25th ADA anniversary.

For more information about the Human Services and Recreation Department and its programs, visit [www.CityofPasadena.net/humanservices](http://www.CityofPasadena.net/humanservices).

## Free Lecture on Sea Ice

In his Nye Lecture, Doug MacAyeal provided this delightful summary of the joys of ice research: "The effectiveness of cryospheric science in addressing its main purpose (predicting and assessing response to climate change) is powerfully, but intangibly enhanced by the mysterious nature and the remote locations of ice and snow phenomena. Study of the cryosphere, in essence, depends as much on the universal human desire to satisfy curiosity as it does on the fact that cryospheric science informs humanity about the consequences of the environmental changes now clearly visible in all realms of the cryosphere." While the decline in Arctic sea ice coverage and the smaller opposing trend in the Southern Ocean have occupied the headlines, there are many processes over broad range of geophysical length scales that contribute to the character of the ice cover. The talk will cover several of these processes, including ice deformation, ice growth and snow accumulation, in particular their observation and role in polar climate. Free lectures on June 18 at JPL; June 19 at Pasadena City College; both at 7 p.m.

## Dozens of Cars Damaged by Vandals with a BB Gun

By Dean Lee

Police are still looking for those responsible for damaging or shooting out the windows of over 30 vehicles last week around the 1200 block of North Mar Vista Avenue.

According to police, on May 29, the suspects may have fled the area in a white vehicle after shattering car windows and a store window in the 300 block of Orange Grove Avenue shortly before 9 p.m. No other description was given.

Detectives said they are also looking for possible video shot by witnesses.

Police said the suspects used a BB or pellet gun. Cars were also damaged on streets surrounding Mar Vista Avenue. Police also said that this incident may be related to dozens of other reports of vandalism using a BB or pellet gun in West Pasadena in recent months. Anyone with information is asked to call detectives at (626) 744-4241.

## Plan Revealed to Relieve SR-710 Tunnel Debate



A number of city and organization leaders, last week, announced "Beyond the 710," something they say will dramatically reshaped the debate over the 710 Tunnel in an effort to reimagine how to resolve the conflicts over congestion and mobility that have divided the western San Gabriel Valley for decades.

"Today is a new day in the 710 debate, and we are committed to finding solutions that work for everyone," said Ara Najarian (pictured above), mayor of Glendale, member of the LA County Metro Board, and chair of Beyond the 710. "Just as my city and my neighbors will never accept a tunnel through our communities, we must recognize that a solution to the congestion created by the 710 in Alhambra and their neighbors must be addressed intelligently. That's why we are presenting a starting point for new discussions on how to resolve these issues amicably."

According to organizers, a key insight of Beyond the 710 is to understand that more than 85 percent of commuters exiting the 710 Freeway at Valley Boulevard

are intent on reaching local destinations, and the vision of Beyond the 710's plan is to use 21st Century planning solutions (such as well-planned transit lines, Great Streets concepts, and traffic mitigation) to reduce congestion and promote smart growth rather than 1960s freeway-oriented approaches.

"Pasadena has suffered the negative impacts of freeway 'solutions,' and we recognize that better options exist, such as great streets and smart transit," said Michael Beck, city manager of the City of Pasadena. "Our city council recently voted to oppose the tunnel, and instead we've adopted a progressive approach to improving north-south connectivity that is very consistent with Beyond the 710."

Beyond the 710 is a project of the Connected Cities and Communities, comprised of the cities of Glendale, La Canada Flintridge, Cities of Glendale, La Canada Flintridge, Pasadena, Sierra Madre, and South Pasadena, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the Natural Resources Defense Council.

## Free Concerts in the Park Hosted By the Senior Center



Photo, Great American Swing Band, Mariachi Bella

*Residents do not have to be a member or even a senior to attend*

Every Tuesday evening at 6 p.m. from June 30 to Sept. 1 the Pasadena Senior Center presents free concerts at the Memorial Park band shell.

The one-hour concerts are open to people of all ages. Bring a picnic or purchase dinner at the BBQ snack bar.

June 30 - Pam Kay and The Tap Chicks entertain with lively dance routines, Vaudeville-style comedy and clever costumes.

July 7 - Janet Klein and her Parlor Boys perform jazz, ragtime, blues and novelty songs popular from 1900 to 1930.

July 14 - The all-female Mariachi Bella, dressed in traditional costumes, performs a mix of iconic and new mariachi music.

July 21 -- Susie Hansen Latin Band performs fiery jazz and salsa that will have the audience on their feet and dancing in the aisles.

July 28 - Pasadena Youth Chamber Orchestra features talented high school and college students performing classical music.

Aug. 4 - Billy and the Hillbillies perform a hilarious

act of bluegrass music mixed with comedy.

Aug. 11 - Inca, The Peruvian Ensemble offers a colorful array of music and dance from the Andes region using rare, authentic instruments.

Aug. 18 - Lisa Haley and the Zydekats is a Grammy Award-winning group that plays lively Cajun Zydeco music.

Aug. 25 - Alan Chapman's Movie Music Magic features memorable melodies from the silver screen performed by a dynamic ensemble.

Sept. 1 - The Great American Swing Band features the sounds of big band, rhythm and blues, jazz and Dixieland.

Additional concert sponsors include the Los Angeles County Arts Commission, Pasadena Highlands and AGA Medicare Options.

For more information visit [www.pasadenaseniorcenter.org](http://www.pasadenaseniorcenter.org) or call 626-795-4331.

Founded in 1959, the Pasadena Senior Center is an independent, nonprofit organization that offers recreational, educational, wellness and social services to people ages 50 and over in a friendly environment. Services are also provided for frail, low-income and homebound seniors.





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## SIERRA MADRE FOURTH OF JULY

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**JULY 3**

**5:30pm - 10:30pm**

**Memorial Park**

**GROOVY LEMON PIE**

**6:30pm - 9:30pm**

**Bubblewrap Fireworks**

**8:00pm - 8:30pm**

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Annual 4th of July Pre-Parade Open House  
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**JULY 4**

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**JULY 4**

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CIVIC CLUB COMMUNITY GAMES  
12:00pm (approximately)

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## TASTE OF ARCADIA 2015 SET FOR SEPT. 28; PRE-SALE TICKET DEADLINE TUESDAY, JUNE 30

Record VIP reserve table sales and sponsors 90 days in advance; food/beverage vendors nearly sold

On the heels of what most described as the best Taste of Arcadia ever, the 2015 event has been set for September 28 at the lush Los Angeles County Arboretum. Deadline for advance discount tickets is Tuesday, June 30.

Returning Gold Sponsors of the city's signature event are Westfield Santa Anita, Methodist Hospital, and BMW of Monrovia. Rose Hills Memorial Park & Mortuary is once again sponsoring the Business Showcase at the Taste.

Last year's outdoor event drew a record crowd of more than 1,500 attendees and more than nearly 100 vendors and entertainers.

Attendees enjoy the many different foods and tastes from more than 40 of the most exciting local restaurants, caterers and wine-and-beer vendors at no additional charge beyond the admission ticket.

Tickets may be purchased at [www.ArcadiaCaChamber.org](http://www.ArcadiaCaChamber.org), by calling 626-447-2159, or in person at the Chamber office at 388 W. Huntington Drive, Arcadia, 91007.

Members of the Arcadia Chamber can save nearly 44% off the full \$80 day-of-event ticket price at the gate by purchasing an unlimited number of tickets for \$45 each by June 30. Those who are not members of the Arcadia Chamber can also enjoy a big savings with a \$55 ticket price.

The popular VIP Reserved Tables for ten guests, including a personal usher and exclusive seating around the picture-esque fountain, can be purchased by Arcadia Chamber members for \$499 before June 30 (\$599 for non-members). That's a huge savings from the full price of \$750 as of July 1. The limited number of VIP tables sold out well in advance of the event last year, so get your order in right away.

The Business Showcase at the Taste is nearly sold out with more than 40 vendors and car dealers. Likewise, there are only a few spots left for food and beverage participants.

Contact the Arcadia Chamber if you would like to be a vendor or a sponsor – 626-447-2159 or [Info@ArcadiaCaChamber.org](mailto:Info@ArcadiaCaChamber.org). Other sponsors this year include the City of Arcadia; Silver Sponsor Foothill Credit Union; Ticket Sponsor Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority; Tram Sponsor Arcadia Association of Realtors; and parking lighting and support services from Jan's Towing, and trash recycling courtesy of Waste Management.

Returning this year is the Hollywood premiere-style Red Carpet Experience created by Printing Control in partnership with Arcadia's Selfie Selfie photo studio.

As always, a percentage of proceeds from Taste of Arcadia are donated to local non-profit organizations -- \$5 per ticket for every ticket sold by a pre-approved organization.

## MATT DENNY'S ALE HOUSE AWARDED 2015 TRIPADVISOR CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE

Matt Denny's Ale House is delighted to announce that it has received a TripAdvisor® Certificate of Excellence award. This accolade celebrates excellence in hospitality and is given only to establishments that consistently achieve great traveler reviews on TripAdvisor.

When selecting Certificate of Excellence winners, TripAdvisor takes into account the quality, quantity and most recent reviews and opinions submitted by travelers on TripAdvisor over a 12-month period as well as a business's tenure and ranking on the Popularity Index on the site. To qualify, a business must maintain an overall TripAdvisor bubble rating of at least four out of five, have a minimum number of reviews and must have been listed on TripAdvisor for at least 12 months.

Matt Denny's Ale House Restaurant has been a very popular venue located in Arcadia, CA since 1999 and is one of the local favorites. With its extensive menu, Private Library Room (accommodates 20 guests), Large Patio Beer Garden (accommodates 80 guests), 15 Flat Screen TV's with all the major Sports Programming channels, this is a great place for a Business Lunch or Dinner, Birthday Party, Office Holiday Party or Sports Team Party.

Matt Denny's Ale House features a wide selection of fresh and tasty food, plus a fantastic selection of 28 draft beers (many of them are local Craft Brews). Guests can also enjoy a choice selection of California Wines and a full bar that can prepare most any cocktail you can think of.

"Receiving the TripAdvisor Certificate of Excellence is a very gratifying feeling for the entire team here at Matt Denny's Ale House," said Matt McSweeney, Owner and Manager of Matt Denny's Ale House in Arcadia, CA. "We pride ourselves on exceptional service, and being able to say that we are being recognized for that by our guests gives us the confidence to continue to excel and stay committed to excellence. We thank our past guests for their reviews and we genuinely welcome and appreciate all the feedback."

For five years, TripAdvisor has shared this award on behalf of travelers around the globe. Certificate of Excellence winners include accommodations, eateries and attractions located all over the world that have continually delivered a superior customer experience. Matt Denny's Ale House is proud to be recognized by customers as one of the very best in the business.

View the Matt Denny's Ale House website at [www.mattdannys.com](http://www.mattdannys.com) or contact them by phone at 626.462.0250. Walk-Ins are welcome.

## ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

*For the period of Sunday, April 26th, through Saturday, May 2nd, the Police Department responded to 1,157 calls for service of which 127 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.*

### Sunday, April 26:

Just before 10:34 a.m., an officer conducted an enforcement stop on a bicyclist near the 100 block of East Live Oak Avenue for riding on the sidewalk. The officer detected a strong odor of marijuana while talking with the 59-year-old Hispanic male. During a consensual search of the bicycle, the officer located two small bindles of methamphetamine. The suspect was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

At approximately 5:27 p.m., an officer responded to the 400 block of West Live Oak Avenue regarding a suspicious circumstances report. Upon arrival, the officer located a 39-year-old Hispanic male exiting the basement of the vacant, boarded up residence. An investigation revealed the suspect had been living at the vacant residence without the owner's consent. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

### Monday, April 27:

At about 11:16 a.m., an officer responded to the 200 block of West Longden Avenue regarding a stolen vehicle report. Sometime between 11:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 26th and the morning of April 27th, an unknown suspect stole the victim's unlocked vehicle. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

At approximately 4:00 p.m., an officer responded to the front counter of the Arcadia Police Department regarding a battery that occurred at the food court of the Westfield Shopping Town, 400 South Baldwin Avenue. The officer discovered an 18-year-old white female punched the victim in the back of the head and then poured an unknown liquid on the victim's head before fleeing on foot towards Johnny Rockets. The suspect is a former acquaintance of the victim. The officer attempted to locate the suspect but was unsuccessful. The investigation is ongoing. The victim refused medical attention.

### Tuesday, April 28:

Around 12:21 p.m., an officer responded to Arcadia Super Market, 645 West Duarte Road, regarding a purse theft that had just occurred. The victim stated an unknown suspect opened the front passenger door, took the victim's purse from the front seat, and fled to an awaiting blue, four-door sedan, which drove away.

The suspect was described as a white male in his 20's, approximately 5'8" tall, wearing a baseball hat. The investigation is ongoing.

Just after 8:20 p.m., an officer responded to the 600 block of Sunset Boulevard regarding a hit and run traffic collision. The officer determined Party-2 struck the left side of Party-1 while it was parked along the curb. Party-2 fled without providing documentation. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

### Wednesday, April 29:

Shortly after 1:04 a.m., an officer conducted an enforcement stop on a vehicle near the intersection of Live Oak Avenue and Baldwin Avenue for speeding. Upon contacting the driver, the officer noticed an open container of alcohol inside the vehicle. The driver and passenger admitted to consuming the alcoholic beverage. A field sobriety test revealed both were under the influence of an

alcoholic beverage. The driver, a 27-year-old Hispanic male, was arrested for DUI and Driving with an Open Container of Alcohol. The passenger, a 23-year-old Hispanic female, was arrested for Drunk in Public. Both were transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

At about 9:32 a.m., an officer responded to a bus stop near the intersection of Colorado Place and San Juan Drive regarding two subjects fighting. An investigation revealed a 33-year-old Hispanic male punched, kicked, and hit the victim's leg with a hard plastic suit case for blocking the walkway inside the bus with his leg. The suspect was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking. Arcadia Fire responded and transported the victim to Arcadia Methodist Hospital for evaluation.

### Thursday, April 30:

At approximately 4:17 a.m., an officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Grandview Avenue and Santa Anita Avenue for expired registration. An investigation revealed three occupants of the vehicle were in possession of burglary tools and stolen items from unreported vehicle burglaries. A 27-year-old Hispanic female, a 29-year-old Hispanic male, and a 31-year-old Hispanic male were arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking. During the booking process, the jailer located a smoking pipe and methamphetamine on the female's body. This offense was added to her list of charges.

Around 6:20 p.m., an officer responded to Steve Madden in the Westfield Shopping Town, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a theft report. The officer discovered an employee of the store had used store stock to make fraudulent returns without receipts to credit her own credit card. The 22-year-old Filipino female was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

### Friday, May 1:

Just after 4:37 p.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of Bonita Street regarding a suspicious circumstances report. The juvenile victim stated an unknown suspect, who has been seen at the location on a regular basis over the past three months, asked her where she lived and where she was going. The investigation is ongoing.

The suspect is described as a black male in his 30's, approximately 5'5" tall, with a shaved head.

At about 9:25 p.m., an officer responded to Macy's at the Westfield Shopping Town, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a petty theft report. Surveillance footage revealed the 56-year-old Hispanic female concealed numerous items of merchandise in her bag before exiting the store, failing to make payment. The suspect was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

### Saturday, May 2:

Just after 12:38 a.m., an officer initiated an enforcement stop on a vehicle in the 000 block of First Avenue for having broken tail lights. An investigation revealed the suspect, a 45-year-old white female, was in possession of methamphetamine, smoking pipes, and syringes. She was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

At approximately 6:25 p.m., an officer responded to the front counter of the Arcadia Police Department regarding a report of domestic violence. The officer determined the suspect, a 48-year-old Hispanic male, threw his cellphone at the victim during an altercation. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

## 2015 ADULT SUMMER FRIDAY NIGHT BASKETBALL LEAGUE!

The City of Arcadia Recreation and Community Services Department is offering an Adult Basketball Friday Night League in summer 2015. Get in shape and sharpen your skills at the same time! Teams will be placed in an open division and play 10 games in the Dana Gym, located at 1401 S. First Avenue, Arcadia. The fee for adult basketball is \$475.00 per team (due upon registration), and includes officials, scorekeepers and awards. A separate \$40 forfeit fee is also due at the time of registration. Space is limited. Teams will be accepted into the league on a first-come, first-serve basis. Just go on-line to the City of Arcadia's website: [www.hci.arcadia.ca.us](http://www.hci.arcadia.ca.us) to download the registration form or stop by the office, 375 Campus Drive in Arcadia.

For more information please call Bryant Wang at 626.574.5487!

About the City of Arcadia  
Nestled in the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains, Arcadia is an 11.38 square mile community with a population of just over 56,000. Located approximately 20 miles east of downtown Los Angeles, Arcadia is known for combining small-town charm with the conveniences and amenities of a mid-size city. Arcadia is a full-service charter city governed by a five-member City Council, elected at large. Recognized for exceptional education and recreation opportunities and beautiful neighborhoods, Arcadia is also defined as the "Community of Homes" and has twice been designated the "Best City in California in which to Raise Kids" by Business Week Magazine.



## ARCADIA UNIFIED HOSTING ARCADIA INNOVATION SUMMIT



ARCADIA-- A unique opportunity for Southern California educators is coming to Arcadia on June 24. The Arcadia Unified School District is hosting the first Arcadia Innovation Summit, which will be free of charge and open to all. The mission of the summit is to explore and share innovative practices in education.

Sessions will focus on three main areas: the Google Ecosystem (using Chromebooks, Google Apps for Education, and Third Party Applications), teaching in a 1:1 classroom, and other innovative teaching practices like Genius Hour and Makerspace.

"We have a strong belief that lessons, content, and innovative instruction should be shared, free of charge, and done in a collaborative environment

whenever possible, to benefit as many students and educators as possible," said Arcadia Unified School District Superintendent David Vannasdale. "We are excited to share and learn best practices with forward-thinking leaders in education."

The Arcadia Innovation Summit will begin with the keynote address inside the state-of-the-art Arcadia Performing Arts Center, and all sessions will be held on the newly renovated Arcadia High School campus. Registration is required to attend, and will be limited on a first-come, first-serve basis. Parking, lunch, and WiFi will also be provided free of charge. For additional information and to register you can visit [www.ArcadiaInnovationSummit.com](http://www.ArcadiaInnovationSummit.com). The official hashtag for the summit is #ArcadiaInnovation.

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## SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MIT SENIORS

Duarte Kiwanis President, Mirna de Lira Lopez, was pleasantly surprised at the Senior Awards breakfast for MIT. Two of her interns, Jesus Velasco and Robert Moran, were selected for scholarships from the Duarte Kiwanis Club. Jesus and Robert are both interested and learning various elements of IT while interning for Mirna at her company DLL. Additionally, Robert received a second scholarship from CODA Energy in Monrovia.

Pictured from left, Lois Gaston, Duarte Kiwanis Member, Mirna de Lira Lopez, Duarte Kiwanis President, Cheryl Reynolds, Duarte Kiwanis President-Elect, Reyna Diaz, Duarte Kiwanis Board Member, Jesus Velasco and Robert Moran, scholarship recipients. For further information on speaking or joining the club, contact Dr. Diane Hernandez at [drdiane@drhernandezoptometry.com](mailto:drdiane@drhernandezoptometry.com)

## CITY OF DUARTE 2ND ANNUAL BARK FOR LIFE AND ANNUAL VACCINATION CLINIC JUNE 27

DUARTE, CA, June 2, 2015 – The community is invited to participate in the 2nd Annual “Bark for Life” event, which will be held on Saturday, June 27th from 7:30-10:00 a.m. at the Duarte Teen Center, 1401 Buena Vista Street.

The annual “Bark for Life” event is a fundraising effort to honor the life-long contributions of canine caregivers and support the American Cancer Society’s mission of eliminating cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. Canine caregivers along with canine companions, guide dogs, service dogs, therapy dogs, police dogs, cancer survivor dogs and diagnostic dogs will come together to celebrate survivorship and honor caregivers lost to cancer. The event will also feature pet appropriate vendors and adoptions.

The Duarte Public Safety Rabies Vaccination Clinic in collaboration with VET CARE will run from 8:00-10:00 a.m. They will feature rabies vaccines for \$8.00 each, microchip registration for \$40 and other types of vaccinations will also be available upon request. Residents can also purchase their City of Duarte dog/cat licenses at the event. The yearly fee for unaltered dogs and for spayed/neutered: \$25. Senior citizens, 65 years and older are eligible for one free dog license if the pet is spayed or neutered. Cat licenses fees are \$20 if spayed or neutered and \$40 for non-neutered cats.

For more information about the events or for volunteer opportunities, contact Lauren Worsley with the American Cancer Society at (626) 676-0377 or via email at [lauren.worsley@cancer.org](mailto:lauren.worsley@cancer.org). The Duarte Public Safety office can also be contacted at (626) 357-7938.

About the City of Duarte

The City of Duarte was incorporated on August 22, 1957. With integrity and transparency, the City provides exemplary public services in a caring and fiscally responsible manner with a commitment to our community’s future. For more information visit [www.accessduarte.com](http://www.accessduarte.com) or call (626) 357-7931. Follow the City of Duarte on Twitter @CityofDuarte.

## DUARTE FAMILIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO REACH OUT AND “TOUCH A TRUCK,” JUNE 18

DUARTE, CA, June 3, 2015 – Move aside Optimus Prime because there are some new trucks in town. The City of Duarte will hold its inaugural “Touch-A-Truck” free event on June 18th from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Encanto Park, 751 Encanto Parkway. From fire to dump trucks, and squad cars to ambulances, children of all ages will have the chance to explore and experience trucks of all types at this family friendly event. Music, fun activities and free popcorn and ice cream (while it lasts) will also be available on-site for attendees.

The “Touch-A-Truck” is a true community collaboration with all featured trucks from local agencies and displayed free-of-charge. For more information, contact Duarte Parks and Recreation Department at (626) 357-7931.

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## TWO DRINKING FOUNTAINS IN OLD TOWN GETTING FIXED

Last week, we were made aware of problems with two drinking fountains in Old Town that were not functioning. The first drinking fountain was the old Wishing Well Drinking Fountain, and the other drinking fountain is the one located in the walkway between Chang Thai Bistro and Pinkberry. It appears that the Wishing Well Drinking Fountain was totally inoperable, while the drinking fountain located in the walkway was leaking and in need of maintenance.

Staff did look into both of these issues this past week, and we are happy to report that both drinking fountains are currently getting fixed and should be fully repaired within the next week or two. It appears that there was a mechanical failure with the valve connected to the water line at the Wishing Well Drinking Fountain, and new parts have been ordered and the work has been scheduled. As for the other drinking fountain in the walkway, our crack staff at Public Services fixed the leak, polished the equipment, and ordered some new replacement parts that should be here soon. We will continue to monitor these drinking fountains, and all of the other drinking fountains we have, moving forward!

## MONROVIA POLICE BLOTTER

Following are the weekend’s highlighted issues and events. To see a complete listing of crimes reported, go to the City of Monrovia website and click on the crime mapping link. Sign up to follow us on Twitter for police notifications.

**Vehicle Burglary** May 29 at 2:45 a.m., a vehicle burglary was reported in the 900 block of West Huntington. The victim’s vehicle was parked and locked in a parking stall. Unknown suspect(s) smashed the victim’s passenger window and removed property that was left on the front passenger seat. The investigation is continuing. **Bear Incident** May 29 at 10:03 a.m., and officer responded to a residence in the 800 block of Wildrose regarding a bear. The homeowner saw a bear rip the metal screen off of the crawl space under her house, but didn’t know if the bear had crawled inside the space. The officer checked the crawl space and the surrounding area, but the bear was gone from the location.

**Bear Incident** May 29 at 2:44 p.m., a resident in the 800 block of East Foothill called police and reported a bear swimming in the backyard pool of the home. An officer arrived and saw a juvenile bear in the backyard. He attempted to get the bear to move back into the foothills, however, it wouldn’t leave the area. The officer then deployed two beanbag rounds at the bear, which successfully influenced the bear to return to the foothills.

**Bear Incident** May 29 at 3:14 p.m., officers were dispatched to the 800 block of Crescent on the report of a very large bear in a resident’s backyard, but when officers arrived, the bear was gone. Callers began reporting the bear walking along Hillcrest. Officers responded to Hillcrest and located the bear in a backyard at the base of a large tree. They discovered her two cubs at the top of the tree. The mother began walking toward the officers, so two beanbags rounds were deployed at her, causing her to run away from the officers. She jumped a fence into another yard and then couldn’t be found. The Department of Fish and Wildlife responded and stayed in the area until the cubs came down out of the tree to reunite with their mother and they all returned to the foothills.

**Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol** – Suspect Arrested May 29 at 8:25 p.m., a non-injury traffic collision was reported in the 800 block of Monterey. The investigation revealed that one of the motorists was driving under the influence of alcohol. The driver was arrested, taken into custody, and held for sobering.

**Unlicensed Driver / Incident Report** – Suspect Arrested May 30 at 1:17 a.m., an officer stopped a motorist for a vehicle code violation. Further investigation revealed the motorist was an unlicensed driver and was found to be in possession of documents containing other people’s social security numbers. The suspect was arrested and taken into custody. The officer determined the suspect was using the social security numbers for employment purposes. The investigation is continuing and the report will be forward to the IRS to protect potential victims from receiving IRS penalties for unreported income.

**Warrant Arrest** May 30 at 2:02 a.m., an officer was on patrol and stopped a motorist for a vehicle code violation in the area of Peck and Emery. The officer discovered the motorist had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. The warrant was issued by the El Monte Police Department. The officer arrested the suspect for the warrant and El Monte police officers responded to the Monrovia jail and took custody of the suspect.

**Possession of Methamphetamine / Under the Influence of Methamphetamine** – Suspect Arrested May 30 at 9:38 p.m., an officer was dispatched to a business in the 500 block of West Huntington Drive regarding suspicious subjects loitering behind a store. When the officer arrived, he contacted the subjects and determined one of them,

## HOMELESSNESS AND PARK CONDUCT COMMITTEE BEING RECONVENED

During the past several weeks, staff has been working to review the effectiveness of our current response to the homelessness issues that exist in our community, and to assess potential responses to new transient population issues that have arisen more recently. To that end, Chief Hunt has worked to reconvene the Homelessness and Park Conduct Committee to review the effectiveness of our current strategies, as well as discuss potential adjustments moving forward. Our current efforts have been based on the recommendations developed by the Homelessness & Park Conduct Committee that was established in 2014. The six ideas that the group came up with include:

1. Community Outreach Educational Programming
2. Directed Giving Campaign
3. Populate the Parks with Programs
4. Neighborhood Park Watch
5. Video Surveillance Cameras
6. Restorative Court Program

Of late, new issues transient oriented concerns have been raised, and we plan on engaging the committee in a discussion regarding the following items:

§ Assess strategies for addressing the rise in transient populations living in recreational vehicles throughout the City  
§ Determine next steps for the directed giving campaign  
§ Discuss current status of the six initial recommendations adopted by the City Council  
The committee will be meeting here again in the next week or two, and we will be sure to keep everyone apprised of the progress that we make here moving forward.

## EMERGENCY BOOSTER PUMP REPAIRS NEEDED FOR THE MOUNTAIN AVENUE BOOSTER STATION

One of the City’s most important booster stations is located at 510 South Mountain Avenue. That facility, which is known as the Mountain Avenue Booster Station, feeds both the Cloverleaf Reservoir and the other portions of the Cloverleaf Pressure Zone. In total, 90.95% of all of the water supplied to customers runs through this particular booster pump location.

It appears that one of the critical booster pumps (Booster 2-4) at the Mountain Avenue Booster Station has been inoperable since February 2005. This situation does need to be resolved, as we are relying on our other pumps at the station operating at full capacity in order to be able to supply enough water to our customers during our summer months. In fact, our team observed that during the summer of 2014 that we on several occasions nearly ran out of water for the Cloverleaf Pressure Zone due to the fact that our remaining booster

a female, was under the influence of methamphetamine. She was also found to be in possession of a small amount of methamphetamine and a glass methamphetamine pipe. The suspect was arrested and taken into custody.

**Possession of Metal Knuckles / Minors in Possession of Alcohol** – Suspects Arrested May 30 at 11:04 p.m., an officer was patrolling the 200 block of East Olive when he noticed two suspicious subjects loitering in the alley. The officer attempted to contact the subjects and they ran from him. The officer eventually found the subjects hiding behind a vehicle and discovered they were minors that were consuming alcohol. The officer also found metal knuckles beneath the vehicle where the juveniles were hiding. The juveniles were arrested and released on citations to their parents.

**Armed Robbery** June 1 at 2:03 a.m., officers responded to the 400 block of South Myrtle on the report of a robbery that had just occurred. The female victim reported she had been robbed approximately 15 minutes prior at the intersection of Myrtle and Huntington. She told the officers she had left a bar in the 400 block of South Myrtle and had walked to Huntington and Myrtle alone. A red Chevrolet Camaro drove up next to her and stopped. A male passenger exited the vehicle, pointed a black handgun at her and demanded she give him her purse. The victim refused, so the suspect grabbed the purse and they began to struggle with it. She told him to take everything except her phone. The male driver then leaned over the passenger seat, pointed another gun at the victim, and ordered the other suspect to shoot her. Distracted, the purse was pulled from the victim’s grasp and its contents fell onto the ground. The suspect began picking up the contents and putting it back into the purse. The female picked up her phone. Once all the contents were back in the purse, the suspect walked up to the female and grabbed her phone. Both suspects then fled in the vehicle west on Huntington. Officers searched the area for the suspects, but were unable to locate them. This investigation is continuing.

**Armed Robbery** – Suspects Arrested On June 1 at 1:13 a.m., an officer on patrol stopped a red Chevy Camaro on Foothill for a traffic violation. The vehicle was occupied by two male subjects in their twenties. The subjects claimed they were looking for an address and were distracted. The driver was let go with a warning. Shortly after, a female victim was robbed of her Verizon note pad by two male suspects in a red Chevy Camaro with handguns. Officers searched for the suspects and vehicle, but were unable to locate them. On June 1 at 10:27 p.m., the officer that made the original traffic stop saw the vehicle and suspects stopped at Madison and Foothill. A high-risk stop was made with the assistance of the Foothill Air Support helicopter. A search of the vehicle revealed two Airsoft guns and the property stolen in the robbery. The suspects were arrested and taken into custody, and the vehicle was stored as evidence.

**Hit and Run Traffic Collision / Driving Under the Influence** – Suspect Arrested June 2 at 10:02 p.m., officers responded to a traffic collision at Colorado and Mayflower. One of the vehicles tried fleeing the scene and the other driver chased after the vehicle. Both vehicles stopped at Olive and Monterey until officers arrived. Further investigation revealed the fleeing driver had been drinking alcohol. The driver was arrested for driving under the influence. There were no injuries from the collision.

**Domestic Violence** – Suspect Arrested June 4 at 12:06 a.m., officers responded to the report of a female yelling for help in the 1800 block of South Mayflower. Officers arrived and located the house where the screaming was coming from. Investigation revealed the female subject had attacked her husband while he was trying to go to sleep. The husband had visible injuries to his neck and face. The wife was arrested for domestic violence.

pumps could not quite keep up with the customer demand on our water systems.

To further exacerbate the situation, during a very recent inspection, staff determined that one of the remaining critical booster pumps (Booster 2-1) at the Mountain Avenue Booster Station is in need of major repairs. While that booster pump is operating now, staff is certain that the pump will fail at some point in the near future. Given this situation, we are currently undertaking emergency repairs to Booster Pump 2-4 at the Mountain Avenue Booster Station to ensure that we will not have a system failure should Booster Pump 2-1 stop working.

## ENHANCEMENTS TO THE MUD / DEBRIS BARRIERS DEVELOPED BY OUR PUBLIC SERVICES TEAM

In an effort to continually develop improvements for our residents, our Public Services Team recently hit upon an inexpensive and brilliantly simple solution to a problem that was vexing residents on Highland Place who had mud / debris barriers installed.

After the last rain event, while the barriers worked beautifully, we found that the holes that are used to hold the mud barriers in place were getting filled with debris. After looking into the issue, our team found some plumbing caps that would fit into the holes, and we installed about a dozen of them to see if they would hold up to the weathering and the street sweeper. Upon additional review, it turns out that the plumbing caps solution does work great, and we are now in the process of coordinating the implementation of this project throughout Highland Place.

## YOUTH SOCCER ENDS A SUCCESSFUL SEASON

The spring soccer semi-final and championship games were played on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at Recreation Park. The semi-final game was played between the Boys and Girls Club, Shamrock Falcons and the Mayflower Mariners. The winner of that game advanced to play Bradoaks Bobcats for the championship title! The Boys and Girls Club team came out strong from the beginning and eventually won the semi-final game by a score of 4-2.

The Championship game was nothing short of a thriller! Bradoaks scored a goal in the first half and then the defenses took over. Neither team scored after that, and Bradoaks won the championship title 1-0! The final standings for this season’s successful youth soccer season were:

1. Bradoaks Bobcats
2. Shamrock Falcons
3. Mayflower Mariners
4. Monroe Lions
5. Wild Rose Bears

The final awards program for the season was also held on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at the Community Center. A great season, and many thanks to the players, staff, and volunteers that made it all possible!

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## LARGE RAIN TANK PROVIDES SUPPLEMENTAL WATER FOR ALTADENA RESIDENTS

Foothill Municipal Water District (Foothill MWD or District) is pleased to report the successful installation of a new rain tank on Altadena residents Michele Zack and Mark Goldschmidt's property. Rainwater harvesting tanks are typically used to supplement the water supply for landscape irrigation. They are substantially larger than rain barrels and constructed of durable material, such as reinforced plastic, polyethylene or metal.

The large tank installed by Zack and Goldschmidt has a capacity of 1,550 gallons and will be used solely for garden irrigation. It captures runoff from 600 square feet of garage roof. After the surprise precipitation in May, Foothill MWD estimates that Zack and Goldschmidt captured approximately 700 gallons. The property also has several rain barrels placed in areas which require a smaller footprint for capturing rainwater.

"We are excited to store this water and make use of it throughout the summer," Michele Zack stated. "By limiting use of potable water outdoors, we can do our part to help conserve."

"As drought conditions worsen, we recommend that our residents take advantage of more rainwater harvesting opportunities," said Foothill MWD General Manager Nina Jazmadarian. "Not only will storing rainwater help conserve potable water,

but a direct water quality benefit is also achieved by avoiding runoff into our streets and natural waterways." During Australia's 13-year drought, all residents were asked to collect rainwater, and all new construction was mandated to include rainwater harvesting systems. Cities such as Melbourne cut water use in half, and these savings continued even after the drought ended because people became more conscious of how they used water.

Foothill MWD offers rebates for both small rain barrels and large rain tanks. Current rebates start at \$75 per 50 gallon rain barrel (max 4 barrels per customer) and \$0.15 per gallon for large rain tanks over 300 gallons (up to \$2,000 per customer). Residents interested in learning more about rainwater harvesting with rain barrels and tanks may visit [HYPERLINK "http://www.fmwd.com/conservation.aspx"](http://www.fmwd.com/conservation.aspx) [www.fmwd.com/conservation.aspx](http://www.fmwd.com/conservation.aspx).

Foothill Municipal Water District provides imported water to Crescenta Valley Water District, La Cañada Irrigation District, Mesa Crest Water Company, Valley Water Company, Lincoln Avenue Water Company, Las Flores Water Company and Rubio Cañon Land & Water Association. Kinneloa Irrigation District, another retail agency, takes no water from Foothill.

## FAITH BETRAYED III: DEATH'S MASK

*Adams' Series' Final Book Now Available*

By Joan Schmidt

Marisela Adams is a local author with quite a background. Although writing since she was a child, she first pursued careers in teaching and counseling and has Master Degrees in both fields. Writing has always been her love and with a little prodding and encouragement from her husband Jim, she began to pen novels.

Her novels are real enough and based on portions of truth, an idea picked up from an article she read somewhere. Her book for A Taste of Morgan, is about a young teacher on her first assignment who organizes a phenomenal march to get food for children at Ojo de Agua. (This story is actually based on Marisela's aunt, Nora Aguilar Sanchez Siller.)

When people see the title, Breaking Faith, they may assume the book is based on a religious experience. But it's not. The books are exciting mysteries. Breaking Faith refers to breaking trust.

Before writing Breaking Faith, Marisela watched a real court case about the murder of a young wife by her husband who had another woman. Marisela learned that a study had been done about husbands who murdered their wives, mostly young wives, rather than split community property. This intrigued her.

The setting for the Breaking Faith series is New Iberia, Louisiana, where Bettina Townsend-St. Clair has been murdered, and her husband Billy found shot to death at the murder scene. The



body of a second woman has not been recovered. Homicide detective Blue Black Beauvais has several suspects in Belle Terre Plantation, all belonging to one of the most influential families in Louisiana. In the midst of this, someone is trying to kill men off.

Faith Betrayed III: Death's Mask, now available deals with the final outcome of the characters in the first two books which dealt with good and evil. Please visit [www.romancecalling.com](http://www.romancecalling.com) to order or learn more about Marisela's books.

## ARTS IN ALTADENA

"Altadena has always had an artistic bent, due in no small part to former residents Jiryar Zorthian, Charles White, and Western novelist Zane Grey. Historically rich in the arts as it is, Altadena has never had a formal art walk like its neighbors in Pasadena, South Pasadena, and Sierra Madre. That changed when local artists Mary and Patrick Gothard, along with Kathleen Swaydan, decided to start opening their studios twice a year, on the premise that art seen is much better than art unseen.

After organizing two years ago, Open Studios Tour Alta/Pasa/Dena has taken off like gangbusters, and not a walking tour any longer. It's now a roving tour, encompassing parts of Northwest Pasadena as well as artists across of Altadena, a community of about 42,000 people spread across its almost nine mile (give or take) expanse. Held as a semi-annual affair, Open Studios holds the art tour in June and December. With over 50 artists and 27 locations, this is a great way to see unique creations, and meet the makers!

The tour is coming up on June 6 and 7, with

a kick-off silent auction to be held at McGinty's on Mariposa Avenue in the Upper Lake quadrant of participants. Maps for the tour are available there, as well as long-time Open Studios member Hoopla! Emporium, on Fair Oaks Avenue. Hoopla! will be hosting students from the various Room 13 studios in the area - John Muir High, Eliot Middle, and San Rafael Elementary Schools - who will be selling their creations in store on Saturday, 6/7. Hoopla! will also donate 20% of sales for the weekend to the Light Bringer Project, who is the North American administrator for Room 13 International.

Open Studios Alta/Pasa/Dena can be found online at <http://www.openstudios.gallery>, on Pinterest at <https://www.pinterest.com/lesliedelamater/>, and Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/AltaOpSt?fref=ts>. The Open Studios Alta/Pasa/Dena Tour is provided totally free of charge by the artists involved. Be sure to pick up a map at one of the retail locations, and see what's happening!"



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## JUSTICE FOR GRACIE

It could have happened to any one of us. We love our pets so much. We treat them like part of the family, and we do everything in our power to keep them healthy and happy. We even go to the extent of calling on the services of professional walkers to give our dogs the additional exercise and attention they may need, when or if we are unable to accommodate them due to our work or holiday schedules. Let's face it folks, as animal lovers there is little we won't do to better the lives of our pets.

They bring us so much joy, and it pleases us to reciprocate. Indeed, it is hard to imagine life without them, and we'd rather not have to ponder the thought of the inevitable day when we do have to let them go. It is difficult enough to say good-bye to a pet that passes away from a disease or old age, but the idea of losing a beloved dog due to the neglect or abuse of a trusted care-giver is nearly impossible to wrap our minds around.

There was nothing particularly unusual happening in the life of a gorgeous, 1 1/2-year-old Husky named Gracie on the morning of May 18, 2015. Her human, Terri left for work, having made prior arrangements with a team of two dog-walkers to pick Gracie up a short time later, for what was expected to be a pleasant hike in the local hills.

It seemed like just another normal day, until that afternoon when Terri received a call from one of the dog walkers, saying that there had been some sort of an accident during their outing, and Gracie was in really bad shape and was at the vet being prepped for surgery. Terri was shocked and completely dumbfounded. What could possibly have happened to Gracie? She was perfectly fine when she'd left the house that morning; She'd been her usual happy, healthy and vibrant self. Now she was in critical condition? It just didn't make any sense.

As the events of that day continued to unfold, things began to make even less sense, and it only got worse. It all ended very tragically, with sweet Gracie crossing what we dog-lovers often call the rainbow bridge, and as you can imagine, words cannot describe the emotions Terri was left to process that evening. She was totally grief-stricken and completely confused, all at the same time. How could a healthy young dog go out for a walk in the morning and suddenly end up dying before nightfall? There were, and still are many questions to be answered, but one thing is for sure; something went very mysteriously wrong for Gracie.

Gracie's tragic death has not only taken a toll on her loving owner, Terri. Everyone who knew Gracie, both human and canine alike, are overwhelmed with grief. Each morning since, they have awakened to the sadness of knowing that Gracie will no longer be a part of their lives. She was such a bright light that was suddenly snuffed out, leaving them feeling as though there is a dark cloud hovering over their community.

Frustrated by the dog walkers' lack of response to her query as to what really took place during that fateful outing, Terri contacted the Humane Society to file a report of the incident. She then called the attending vet to request that a necropsy be done on Gracie's body, to hopefully bring some light to the mystery surrounding the cause of her



untimely death. Because this is an open, ongoing case currently under investigation, further details cannot be disclosed at this time.

What, if anything, can be learned from this tragically surreal, yet true story? The first thing that comes to my mind is; be sure you know all there is to know about the dog walker or sitter you choose to hire. A person may seem sincerely concerned about the welfare of your dog, but let's face it folks, some books simply cannot be judged by their covers. This is not to say Terri did not do the right thing. She was introduced to the dog walkers through the referral of a friend, which is the most highly recommended means of finding a pet professional. She had no reason to doubt or question their integrity. The bottom line is, you can never really know, so ~

Ask for a list of current clients along with their phone numbers to call as a reference. Request a copy of a current California driver's license or ID. Be sure to get the address of each individual who pick up your dog and the location of their business, if it pertains. Also, get a copy of their business license and insurance policy. Don't be too shy to request this information and more from a potential pet care professional, just as you would expect it from those whom you entrust with your children. If they are truly legit and worthy of your patronage, they should have nothing to hide.

I, personally, have full faith that Gracie's death will not be in vain. I believe that Terri's questions will be answered and that justice will prevail. God cares about His every creature, great and small. He watches over us all, and He knows what really happened on the trail that day. For this reason I am confident that the truth will come to the surface. Perhaps Gracie had to give up her own life in order to save the lives of many others.

Terri has launched a fund-raising campaign to help pay for Gracie's necropsy (\$14,00 had not been factored in to her well-managed yet humble monthly budget), and to help raise the awareness of other dog owners. Her goal is to gain Justice for Gracie while helping to prevent this from happening to anyone else's dog in the future.

If you would like take part in this very worthy cause, please visit the "Justice for Gracie" fund-raising page at [HYPERLINK "http://www.gofundme.com/w2g524"](http://www.gofundme.com/w2g524) <http://www.gofundme.com/w2g524> and click to donate any amount you can. I promise that you will come away knowing you've helped make a difference for the better on behalf of the animals.



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## PET OF THE WEEK BUSTER: ANIMAL ID #A4833364

Meet Buster, a charismatic and personable black male Spaniel and Longhaired Chihuahua mix that loves life! Buster (A4833364) is a charming 11-year-old Spaniel Mix who was brought into the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center as an owner surrender on May 22nd. A tiny bit over weight at 21lbs, Buster is a sweet and friendly older dog with a lot of love for treats which is a good sign for future training (who says you can't teach an old dog new tricks?). Buster despite having a "senior status" also has a perfectly puppy-like face and is an adventurer who is always up for a bit of old-fashioned fun! He is outgoing and confident and friendly with other dogs actually he absolutely loves them! He originally came into the shelter with his buddy Lexi who is no longer there with him so he is looking for a new home and pack to join! He also absolutely loves people and is an excellent walker. Buster even shows signs of being housebroken he is ready and eager to enjoy life in a comfortable and happy home! Please be his lovely assistant and come adopt him! Buster is the perfect mixture of calm and fun we know he will make a super indoor pet for an individual or family living in a private home, he will do wonderfully with elders or children old enough to respect his itty bitty size. To watch a video of Buster please visit the following link: <http://youtu.be/SRVHWGGhOUU> and <https://youtu.be/EfHEpaNgTuc>



or 626-962-3577). He is available now. For any inquiries about Buster, please reference his animal ID number: A4833364. 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 Buster 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/>.

## LOOKING FOR A BEST FRIEND?

To share the summer fun with.....Draco is your guy! He is a 1-year-old Whippet mix, weighing about 10 pounds. He has a short coat of reddish golden fur that is short and easy to care for. He is a very handsome boy with velvety ears that flop over in a charming way, and beautiful brown eyes.

Draco can be a little shy at first, but he is quick to warm up and show his happy, friendly disposition. He likes being with people, and he is quite comfortable sitting on a lap and getting one-on-one affection. He has a way of looking up into your eyes that is sure to melt your heart.

Draco is still a young dog, and has a fairly high energy level. He is easy to harness and enjoys going for walks, although he could use some training on the leash. Draco loves to find a scent to follow, and is interested in exploring his surroundings when he gets a chance. He is a smart boy, and learned his "sit" command from one of our volunteers in just a few minutes. Draco is responsive, and motivated by treats, so training should be a fun activity to share with his new family!

Draco appears to enjoy the company of other dogs, gets along famously with his kennel mate and can be very playful when he finds a dog willing to join in.

Draco would make a wonderful pet in an active home where he is part of the family. He would benefit from some training, and would love to have a daily walk or two, and a yard where he can play and relax. And in his quiet time, he would love to have a lap where he can cuddle. If Draco sounds like the right addition to your family, please come in to meet him. He is waiting for you!

He 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 Draco, please stop by any time from 10:00am to 4:30pm Tuesday thru Sunday.

His adoption fee is \$120 and includes neuter surgery, vaccinations, microchip and a free wellness exam at a participating veterinarian. Feel free to call us at (626) 286-1159 for more information on Draco. If you are interested in meeting Draco or any of the other wonderful pets at the shelter, visit the [San Gabriel Valley Humane Society](http://www.sgvalleyhumane.org) at 851 E. Grand Ave., San Gabriel, Calif, 91776, Tuesday through Sunday. For more information, call (626) 286-1159. See our website at [www.sgvalleyhumane.org](http://www.sgvalleyhumane.org) for information and photos of all our wonderful pets.

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## ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL WINS NATIONAL QUIZ BOWL CHAMPIONSHIP

ARCADIA-- The Arcadia High School Quiz Bowl team won the National Quiz Bowl Championship hosted by National Academic Quiz Tournaments (NAQT) in Chicago on May 30 and May 31. Arcadia High School is the first team from Southern California to win this prestigious academic competition.

272 of the best teams from all over the United States and Canada converged on the Hyatt Regency O'Hare to compete for the title. This was the tenth annual competition, with Arcadia High School competing in all nine previous tournaments. The Apaches' best showing prior to this year was when they placed 5th in 2014.

Arcadia went through the prelims on Saturday with a record of 8-2 and was seeded seventh going into Sunday's playoffs. At the end of the 22nd round (the 15th match for AHS), Arcadia was one of the last two teams in the winners bracket. They lost a close match (375-360) to defending national champions Liberal Arts and Science Academy from Austin, Texas. They then went into the losers bracket and after three matches against teams that were all ranked in the top ten in the country, found themselves again matched up against the Liberal Arts and Science Academy for the title. In the final match, after five questions, Arcadia was down 140-15. The Apaches kept their composure and rallied back to catch up at question sixteen, and then put away the defending champs for good, pulling away to a convincing 410-285 win.

The championship team is comprised of four seniors: Kevin Wang, Justin Nghiem, Yuqiao Zhao, and Andrew Leung, and they are coached by Arcadia High School English/Language Arts teacher Christopher Schultz.

Quiz Bowl is an academic competition that has a format similar to Jeopardy, but the questions are much more difficult. The questions range over the entire spectrum of a high school curriculum and also include a certain amount of current events, sports, and popular culture. The matches feature a blend of individual competition and team collaboration.



Arcadia High School actually had three teams qualify for the national championships. The Apaches "C" team finished in a tie for 21st place. No other school in the tournament had a higher placing second team. That team was made up of seniors Cibi Pari and Chris Chi and freshmen Matt Forster and Hamlin Liu.

The Quiz Bowl team is one of more than 50 academic teams or clubs at Arcadia High School, many of which also have a long history of putting Arcadia High academics in the national spotlight. The History Bowl team also qualified for its national championship in Washington

D.C. this year, and the Ocean Sciences Bowl team competed in Ocean Springs, Mississippi in a national tournament. The Science Bowl team placed 4th in Washington D.C. at its national competition, and the Arcadia High School "We the People" Constitution Team earned a coveted spot to compete in the 2015 National Finals in Washington D.C. in April.

## STUDENTS OVERCOME CHALLENGES TO GRADUATE FROM HILLSIDES EDUCATION CENTER

PASADENA, CA - It was a day of celebration and tears, of endings and beginnings.

On June 2, 10 seniors graduated from Hillside Education Center (HEC). During a packed ceremony held in Hillside auditorium, their teacher, Julie Howell, characterized the class as "very courageous, very supportive, very compassionate, humorous, very stubborn, but more than anything, very giving individuals."



Graduating senior Ernesto Shimizu receives his diploma from Ryan Eisenberg, the director of Hillside Education Center during an emotional graduation ceremony.

Each graduating senior spoke about the challenges they worked hard to overcome during their time at HEC. One student said how before coming to HEC he hated school, another told of her struggles to heal from the traumatic loss of her beloved grandmother, while another explained how he finally conquered the urge to ditch class: "When I saw the seniors last year in their caps and gowns, I knew I wanted the same thing. And here I am," he said.

Students also gave thanks to their families, teachers, and staff at HEC. "I felt I belonged here from the first day, and here I have grown to be the man I am," said one proud graduate.

Ryan Eisenberg, the director of HEC, said that this year's class had a special place in his heart because his start at HEC coincided with the seniors' freshman year. He also praised the class for being a "true representation of the community we try to promote within Hillside."

Six of the graduating seniors plan on attending college. The rest are headed for vocational schools or jobs.

HEC is a therapeutic residential and day school offering individualized education for students in kindergarten through 12th grade with social-emotional, learning and/or behavioral challenges. It focuses on emotional as well as academic success through its unique GROWTH program, now in its second year. The GROWTH program focuses on individual skill development in personal awareness, social awareness, problem-solving and tenacity.

HEC is one of four core programs of Hillside, a premier provider of child welfare services headquartered in Pasadena and serving Los Angeles County. Hillside offers quality care, advocacy, and innovative services that promote safe, permanent environments where young people can thrive. For more information on hillside, please visit [www.hillside.org](http://www.hillside.org). For more information on HEC, please visit [www.hillsideeducationcenter.org](http://www.hillsideeducationcenter.org).

## APPLICATION DEADLINE TO FILL VACANT PASADENA UNIFIED BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 3 SEAT IS MONDAY, JUNE 8

PASADENA, CA --Monday, June 8 is the deadline for interested individuals to submit an application for the Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) Board of Education District 3 to fill a vacancy by appointment created by the resignation of Board Member Tyron Hampton after his election to the Pasadena City Council.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and be registered to vote in and reside within the boundaries of the PUSD

Board of Education District 3. Applications and a map of District 3 can be obtained from [gopusd.com/boardvacancy](http://gopusd.com/boardvacancy) or the PUSD Office of the Superintendent. Applications and a resume must be received either by mail or hand delivered by 5 p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2015 to:

Office of the Superintendent  
Pasadena Unified School District  
351 South Hudson Avenue,  
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To be considered for the position, applicants must submit the application and resume by the deadline and attend a special meeting of the school board tentatively scheduled for Saturday, June 27, 2015 at which time all prospective applicants will be interviewed. A provisional appointment could be announced as early as that meeting. Unless a petition calling for a

special election with a sufficient number of signatures is filed in the office of the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools within 30 days of the date of the provisional appointment, it shall become an effective appointment. The term of service for the appointment for PUSD Board District 3 is from the date of appointment to May 1, 2017.

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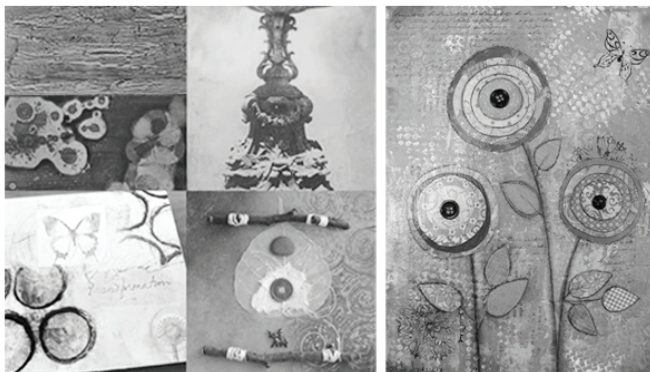
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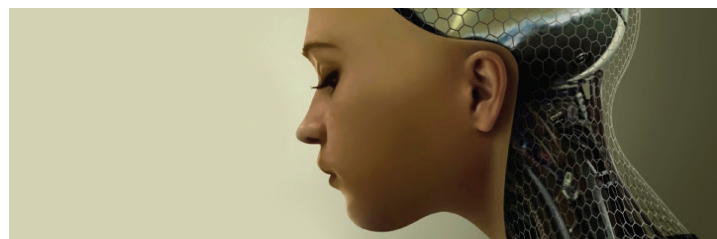
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## THE REEL DEAL: by Ben Show EX MACHINA REVIEW



Throughout the past year, there have been a slew of many movies focused on AI's. From "Transcendence", to "Chappie", to "Avengers: Age of Ultron", there have been too many to count; however, what makes 'Ex Machina' so different and original from all the others?

Caleb (Domhnall Gleeson) surprisingly wins a competition he entered to go visit the CEO of his company, Nathan (Oscar Isaac). He arrives at Nathan's house and so discovers that the technological genius has been experimenting with AI and his, as well as the AI's, intentions are soon revealed.

'Ex Machina' finds its strength and individuality from the script's ability to develop interesting, fully fleshed out characters as well as creating new and creative plot twists to keep the movie engaging. 'Ex Machina' is an original sci-fi movie that deserves to be seen.



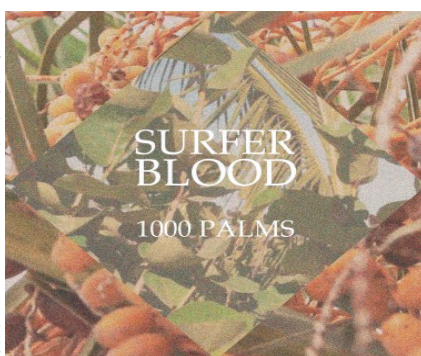


## SEAN'S SHAMELESS REVIEW ALBUMS TO GET YOUR SUMMER STARTED EARLY

By Sean Kayden

Surfer Blood – '1000 Palms' – Released on May 12th, 2015 - Florida surf-rock aficionados Surfer Blood arrive with their follow up to 2013's 'Pythons'. The band

has turned a new leaf by parting ways with their major label (WB Records). Currently, on indie label Joyful Noise Recordings, the band has shifted back to their indie roots. However, a deeply somber situation has recently come to light. Guitarist Thomas Fekete has left the group due to a medical diagnosis for a rare form of cancer that had spread to his lungs and spine. With his absence and optimistic recovery in mind, Surfer Blood remains in tack with their third LP, '1000 Palms'. In light of all this, it is certainly the group's most established record to date. In 2015, several bands are attempting to change their signature formula, as they get further into their individual careers. While Surfer Blood isn't reshaping their fuzzy, summery and laidback vibe, they are however taking an essential step forward to refine their true creativity. The results are great with a dreamlike vibe and a wistfulness that still suggests confidence throughout the course of eleven tracks.



Urban Cone – 'Polaroid Memories' - Released on May 12th, 2015 - Swedish indie pop collective Urban Cone may specialize in infectious electropop, but they bring a different approach than their US counterparts. In 2013, via Universal Music Group, Urban Cone released 'Our Youth'—a tantalizingly delightful debut that allowed them to transfer some of their momentum from abroad to American soil. With two years dividing the releases, there is even a greater accessible pop sound to be heard on the sophomore record, 'Polaroid Memories'. Urban Cone shares some similarities with Australian synth-poppers, The Griswolds, who they are coincidentally opening up for on their own US headlining tour in June. However, despite the similarity in quality, Urban Cone has created a compilation of eleven synth-driven and poppy infused tracks that are affluent with jubilation. In fact, submerged underneath many of the glib sounding tracks is much depth to be discovered. This results in strong replay value for these songs off 'Polaroid Memories'. This quality is something that is greatly missing in the excess of bands grooming their indie-pop penchants.

With an independent label supporting them again, the band took the liberties of self-recording and self-producing their latest endeavor. With more creative control than ever before, Surfer Blood are able to educate a new beginning in an entirely unrestricted way. '1000 Palms' serves as not only as a leap in

## On the Marquee:

Notes from the Sierra MadrePlayhouse

### OUR STOCK-IN-TRADE

By Artistic Director,  
Christian Lezano

I came across a line that struck me while reading the wonderful Canadian writer Robertson Davies' The Lyre of Orpheus: "I hate theatre where the audience is told to use its imagination. That's cheap. The audience lays down its good money to rent imagination from somebody who has more than they ever dreamed of. Somebody like me. Imagination's my only stock-in-trade."

That passage stopped me when I read it. I agree with it mostly – always so satisfying to be really dazzled by an inventive stage design. AND the reason I like to give audiences a little surprise in every production. Think of the tent and the campfire in Battledrum or the use of the trap for the trunk of the car in Driving Miss Daisy. That said, I can think of a few bare-bones productions that I've loved – but I think those were the proverbial rule-proovers!

I've been so pleased with what we've been accomplishing at the Playhouse with our sets recently. We've had the good fortune to have some wonderful designers work with us and I think the sets have been really wonderful – from the mess of Oscar's Upper West Side apartment in The Odd Couple to the simplicity of the Ingalls' cabin in A Little House Christmas. Our designers have used their imaginations to our benefit. I love standing at the entrance to our auditorium and listen to patrons react to the set for the first time. As they sit there waiting for the play to begin, I really hope that audiences will be prepped to enter the world of the play.

We have the good fortune to have our local Sierra Madrean John Vertrees working with us again on Always...Patsy Cline, our next show. As you can see, his design renders Louise Seger's kitchen

where much of the action takes place, as well as the honky tonk bar where she and Patsy met, and a bandstand which will stand in for the various stages on which Patsy sang (the show features 19 of her classic songs!) A set has to create a world for both the audiences and for the actors. I think this one will live in our theater beautifully. What you can't see from this rendering is that we are planning on turning the audience area into a honky tonk as well.

Please come see how well we've done with our imaginations when the show opens on July 31. Tickets are already selling! The Odd Couple has been playing to delighted houses and will play until June 27.



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As always we do it for you – our SMP family – whose support and loyalty mean so much to us and for whom we hope we bring pleasure and joy and moving experiences in the theater. Please let me know how you think we are doing. Reach me at [ArtisticDirector@SierraMadrePlayhouse.org](mailto:ArtisticDirector@SierraMadrePlayhouse.org)



## Social Media Tips, Tricks & Ideas

by: MJ Finstrom



### A 3-MONTH MARKETING PLAN FOR ONLY \$100

Sometimes the simplest thing can make a difference.

It's amazing how many "businesses" are using a Gmail, Yahoo, AOL or other generic email address as their primary business email address. Seeing a generic email address is a red flag that says – "This isn't a real business!" or worse "This is spam!"

Having your business name in your email address is not expensive (instead of [bob@gmail.com](mailto:bob@gmail.com), use [bob@yourbusinessname.com](mailto:bob@yourbusinessname.com)). Annual domain registration is about \$15 per year. Most domain registry services like godaddy.com include an email address or two.

Once you have your email address, put it to good use. Reach out to your current customers with **email marketing**. At least once per month, send your current customers a professional looking, branded marketing message using an email service provider like Constant Contact.

Next, reach beyond your current customers. Social media can help build your audience, but the play for free days are coming to an end. So you need to set aside some of your budget for advertising on these channels.

Facebook's ad model is affordable and can be very effective. Yes, you will need to have a campaign strategy and relevant message/call-to-action and you will need to experiment and adjust. But the exposure should pay off. We've seen businesses grow awareness, sales and engagement by using Facebook ads and not really spending a lot of money.

So, back to the \$100 investment for a 3-month campaign:

1. Purchase a domain for your business = \$15
2. **Constant Contact Email Marketing** starts at \$20/month x 3 months = \$60\*
3. Facebook ads = \$10 x 3 months = \$30\*
4. That leaves \$5 for a cup of coffee – Bonus!

Why not spend it all in one month? You certainly could, but repetition, consistency and perseverance tend to be a better strategy. Hence the 3 months time frame mentioned above.

About MJ: MJ and her brother David own HUTdogs, a creative services business that helps their clients build a strong on-line presence. "Like" them on Facebook for trending news in social media, internet marketing and other helpful tips. [www.facebook.com/hutdogs](http://www.facebook.com/hutdogs). Sign up for their upcoming workshops at: [www.hutdogs.com/workshops/schedule](http://www.hutdogs.com/workshops/schedule)

## Jeff's Book Picks

By Jeff Brown

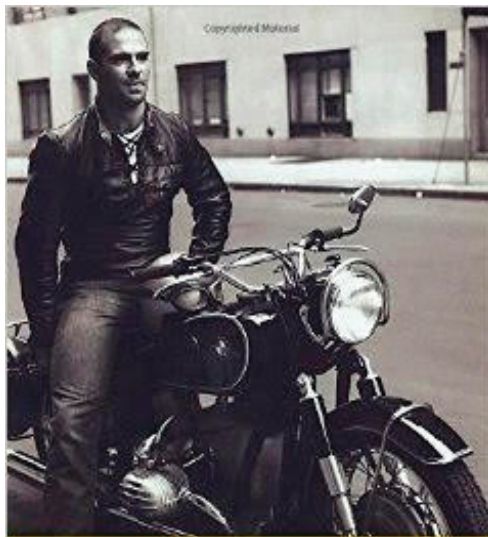
**ON THE MOVE: A LIFE** by Oliver Sacks

When Oliver Sacks was twelve years old, a perceptive schoolmaster wrote in his report: "Sacks will go far, if he does not go too far." It is now abundantly clear that Sacks has never stopped going. From its opening pages on his youthful obsession with motorcycles and speed, On the Move is infused with his restless energy. As he recounts his experiences as a young neurologist in the early 1960s, first in California, where he struggled with drug addiction, and then in New York, where he discovered a long-forgotten illness in the back wards of a chronic hospital, we see how his engagement with patients comes to define his life. With unbridled honesty and humor, Sacks shows us that the same energy that drives his physical passions—weight lifting and swimming—also drives his cerebral passions. He writes about his love affairs, both romantic and intellectual; his guilt over leaving his family to come to America; his bond with his schizophrenic brother; and the writers and scientists—Thom Gunn, A. R. Luria, W. H. Auden, Gerald M. Edelman, Francis Crick—who influenced him. On the Move is the story of a brilliantly unconventional physician and writer—and of the man who has illuminated the many ways that the brain makes us human.

**BOY'S LIFE** by Robert McCammon

Don't miss the thrilling novel from this #1 New York Times bestselling author. A favorite book of many

readers .Zephyr, Alabama, is an idyllic hometown for eleven-year-old Cory Mackenson—a place where monsters swim the river deep and friends are forever. Then, one cold spring morning, Cory and his father witness a car plunge into a lake—and a desperate rescue attempt brings his father face-to-face with a terrible vision of death that will haunt him forever. As Cory struggles to understand his father's pain, his eyes are slowly opened to the forces of good and evil that are manifested in Zephyr. From an ancient, mystical woman who can hear the dead and bewitch the living, to a violent clan of moonshiners, Cory must confront the secrets that hide in the shadows of his hometown—for his father's sanity and his own life hang in the balance. Spending time with young Cory is a magical wonderful time.



### LAST MAN OFF: A TRUE STORY OF DISASTER AND SURVIVAL ON THE ANTARCTIC SEAS

by Matt Lewis There's nothing that armchair adventure lovers relish more than a gripping true story of disaster and heroism, and Last Man Off delivers all that against

a breathtaking backdrop of icebergs and killer whales. On June 6, 1998, twenty-three-year-old Matt Lewis had just started his dream job as a scientific observer aboard a deep-sea fishing boat in the waters off Antarctica. As the crew haul in the line for the day, a storm begins to brew. When the captain vanishes and they are forced to abandon ship, Lewis leads the escape onto three life rafts, where the battle for survival begins.

## BUSINESS NEWS & TRENDS

### FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett



your loved ones stay out of Court and the assets you've worked so hard for make it to the people you want to have them.

If your assets are not titled in the name of your trust correctly, that won't happen. Your loved ones will have to go to Court to take ownership and control of your assets. And, oftentimes, they may not even be able to find your assets. There are currently billions of dollars in assets sitting in the State Departments of Unclaimed Property because people die and their loved ones didn't know what they had.

One of the things we do in our office is prepare a Family Wealth Inventory to ensure your assets are easily located by your family. As long as it is kept up to date (and we help with that, too) you'll never have to worry that what you are working so hard to create will be lost when you are gone.

Plus, when you have a relationship with our office, we'll make sure your loved ones know just what to do if anything ever happens to you. Incentivize your children to grow your wealth, not squander it. As I mentioned, most trust plans are crafted to distribute assets outright to kids when they turn certain ages, whether they are ready for it or not. And chances are that if you die when your kids are still young, they will not be ready to fully inherit your wealth at an early age.

We recommend you use your living trust to properly prepare your children to receive their inheritance. That means allowing them to be a co-trustee for some period of time before receiving full control of their trust assets. It means introducing them to us, if we are your lawyer, so we can begin to help guide them during your lifetime and not wait until after you are gone.

You may also want to consider making small lifetime gifts into an irrevocable trust for their benefit so you can start to teach them how to grow the assets while you are living and enter into a partnership for creating more family wealth that can last for generations.

One of the main goals of my law firm is to help families like yours plan for the safe, successful transfer of wealth to the next generation. Call our office today if you have a trust that hasn't been reviewed recently or if you're ready to get a comprehensive plan in place to protect your loved ones.

To your family's health, wealth, and happiness,

MARC

A local attorney, father, and CASA volunteer (Court Appointed Special Advocate for Children), Marc Garlett is on a mission to help parents protect what they love most. His office is located at 49 S. Baldwin Ave., Ste. G, Sierra Madre, CA 91024. Schedule an appointment to sit down and talk about ensuring a legacy of love and financial security for your family by calling 626.355.4000 or visit [www.GarlettLaw.com](http://www.GarlettLaw.com) for more information.

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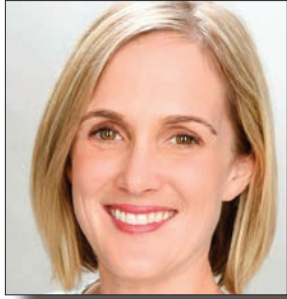


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## THE JOY OF YOGA POSES FOR STRESS RELIEF

It's great to have a few poses right at our fingertips to help cope with stress. Although we each have our own individual needs, here are a few key poses that can help all of us shift perspective and melt stress.

1. Child's pose is a wonderful go-to relaxing & releasing pose. Start on your hands and knees (body like a table) and bring hips back to your heels on exhale. Your forehead should rest comfortably on the floor, or on a block. Toes are untucked in this pose. Arms can remain in front (palms face down) or come to rest along side your body (palms facing up). Begin to breathe in this pose, taking 8-12 breaths.

2. Straddle leg forward fold is both a forward fold and an inversion. It has incredible benefits, the biggest of which is that it stimulates the parasympathetic nervous system. This generates a calming response to our entire body. From standing, take the feet apart approximately 3 1/2 to 4 feet. Make sure the feet are

pointed straight ahead, and begin to fold forward. There can be a slight bend to the knees to assist tight muscles. Place fingertips or hands down between the legs or just in front (resting on a block or small of books if you need to be higher). Begin to breathe in this pose, taking 8-12 breaths.

3. Legs up-the-wall is another great pose. Simply sit sideways next to a wall with your knees to your chest. Begin to lay down on your side, slowly creeping legs up the wall. Torso remains on the earth and legs together, up the wall as you turn onto your back. Stay here in this pose breathing steadily for 3-5 minutes.

Try these three poses and see how they work for you. Make sure you're comfortable and pain free.

The most important part is to engage in conscious, mindful breathing (through the nose) while you're there.

See you in class friends!

Namaste,

Keely Totten



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We are pleased to have Heidi Hoffman, registered dietician join our practice as our newest practioner. Heidi received a traditional education in Nutritional Science from California State University, Los Angeles and a Masters in Public Health from UCLA. Over the 18 years that she has been in the Nutrition Field, Heidi has explored the many aspects of nutrition by getting experience in a variety of settings, including hospitals, long-term care facilities, outpatient counseling, and the Women, Infant, and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC).

After years of having her own health issues of poor digestion and excess weight, Heidi sought out alternative treatments to discover the cause. She learned that she had some food sensitivities and was in need of digestive supplements. Her health began to improve and her body began to release the weight. Born out of a desire to help others with their health issues like she was helped, she

expanded her knowledge of the overlap of the Body, Mind, and Spirit connection and began studying Reiki, Nutrition Response Testing (NRT) and Neuro-Emotional Technique (NET). She focused on the overlap of these aspects as they applied to Functional Nutrition by looking for the root cause of health and wellness issues rather than a quick fix.

Now, after coming full circle with her education, Heidi works with clients one-on-one utilizing all of her education and tools to help her clients achieve maximum results with their health goals. In this way, she is able to provide a supportive and nourishing environment for the health and well-being of her clients. She has had the pleasure of helping many men and women to achieve balanced health and eliminate long-standing health challenges!

Heidi joins Dr. Tina, a traditional naturopath, at Vibrant Living Wellness Center. Tina began her studies in naturopathy after becoming sick herself. She was a misdiagnosis and spent a considerable amount of time on a medication that she did not need. That medication began to erode her health. With each passing month she felt worse. After more than 2 years of feeling awful she began her own research. She came to the conclusion that her body did not have what it needed to perform optimally and heal itself. She made permanent changes to her diet along with whole food supplementation so that her body could do what it does best, heal itself. After receiving her Doctor of Naturopathy degree, Dr Tina went on to receive certification in plant based nutrition from Cornell University and is an Advanced Clinical Nutrition graduate of Ulan Nutritional Systems.

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## Health ADVANTAGE HEALTH TO WEALTH

By Dennis Buckley, DC

"The first step to wealth is health." - Ralph Waldo Emerson

Many people on the road to success intentionally or unintentionally sacrifice a lot. Health is one of those aspects of life that tends to be neglected on the road to success. Many people spend the first part of their life earning a much as they can and then spend the second half trying to buy back the health that was lost.

One of our greatest assets is our health. Without it the other aspects of life may be diminished and are not able to be enjoyed. With it, all the other aspects become more valuable.

When we invest our money in financial investments, whether it is stocks and bonds, mutual funds, businesses or projects, we do so with a hope that we will be given a return on our investments or interest. Hopefully we have learned the lesson of compound interest over many years of how with regular deposits we can accumulate quite a fortune. The same with debt and the negative effects of compound interest which can cost us a fortune over time.

In regards to our health, there are things we can do to invest in our selves to promote and protect our health. If we do these things on a regular basis, making deposits in our selves, we can provide a wealth of health that allows us to enjoy this journey through life without physical limitations. As in financial investments where we can receive interest, in personal investments we can receive self-interest. This is different than selfishness for our self-interest in this context gives us the capacity to do more for more people, gives us the discipline to manage ourselves and in turn increases our ability to help others, and positions us as a model for others to aspire to.

Think of those people you know who exude health and confidence? Are they productive, resourceful, positive, energetic and confident? Do you want to be in their circle of influence? If you aspire to these things then you will want to be in their presence to inspire and motivate you.

Now, if you can, think of those who are struggling. I'm not talking about short term but those who are always struggling. What is their presence like? Are they positive and confident? Do they use their resources well or do they even realize what they have? Do they inspire you? Do they suck the energy out of you? Do you want to be in their presence? Probably not, so in regards to health and wealth you must look at what actions people are taking. Are they positive and constructive actions or negative and destructive actions?

There are principles upon which health is founded just as there are principles upon which wealth is founded. It is not surprising that there are parallels between the two as they are similar.

It has been put forth that the pillars of health are:

- Exercise
- Nutrition
- Sleep/Rest
- Posture
- Attitude
- Structure and function

It has also been postulated that the pillars of wealth building are:

- Goal Setting
- Debt Management
- Philanthropy
- Risk Tolerance
- Spending Plan/Budget
- Tax Planning

The commonality of these principles are as follows:

Exercise – Goal Setting. In health, exercise is one of the two most important activities along with good nutrition as a foundation of good health. The body needs movement to lubricate the joints, move fluids around so they won't stagnate, reduce stress, build cardiovascular endurance and burn calories.

Exercise rarely “just happens” but is planned and made part of one's schedule. The same is true with wealth building and goal setting. What are you working towards? Is it describable, measurable, and does it fit within the larger structure of ones life?

It is said that a goal is a dream not yet realized. To make that dream come true action must be taken to move one toward that goal. Goal setting spurns action, exercise is action.

Nutrition – Debt Management. In health, nutrition is the fuel for your body. What you eat you become. Along with exercise, nutrition it is the foundation of good health. You can eat anything but nutrition gives way to

the word nutritious, or is it good or right for you? Does this food empower you or weaken you?

The same with debt, good debt is what people owe you or the investments that are a cost to you but bring a return. Good debt compounds in a way that raises your assets, bad debt, credit cards, revolving charge cards, loans to pay bills are bad debt and eat away at you just as if you were putting bad things in your body. You can either add to your bank account and your health or chip away at it until it no longer serves you

Sleep/Rest – Philanthropy. Sleep and rest provide a chance for your body to repair itself. During your waking hours your body is in mostly a catabolic state or a breakdown state, as your body breaks down proteins, fats, and carbohydrates for energy. When you rest you give back to your body a chance to repair as it goes into an anabolic state or build up. Giving this time back to your body ensures that your body will serve you the next day and beyond. You can't just take, take, take, from your body. It will break down and not be able to be repaired.

The same with philanthropy or giving back. Using your resources to give back empowers the world and provides the stimulus to show others that they too should give back. If everyone just took, took, took, there soon would be none left for anyone and we would all perish. Giving back provides you the chance to be a center of distribution as things flow through you. When you give you actually set up a momentum to allow it to come back to you. As you sleep you give back to your body a chance to work so that in the future you can live and live well. Those who give back allow the world in which they live to share in their wealth and allow it to flow back to them. It is no secret that the most affluent people are also the biggest givers.

Posture – Risk Tolerance. In health good posture is essential to allowing your body to function with the greatest efficiency. Poor posture stresses the body and makes it work harder and wears it out faster. How you stand, sit, sleep and move is dependent on the proper posture and its effect on health.

In Wealth building risk tolerance is the posture you take to maximize your potential. When you are younger you can be more risky in regards to wealth building because you have time to correct for the ups and downs because the greater the risk the greater the reward. When you get older and you need to protect your assets your risk tolerance may change to be less risky. It all depends on what you are trying to accomplish and at what time.

Attitude – Spending plan/Budget. It is said attitude is everything. Your attitude will set your attitude and it's not what happens to you it is how you respond to it. Well it is more than that. There is a physiological component to attitude and it is known that a positive attitude is an immune system enhancer. Your immune system protects your body from unfriendly invaders and keeps you healthy.

Your spending plan or budget functions the same way. It protects your financial health by making sure that your assets are allocated properly, that you can meet your obligations, build wealth and not overextend yourself exposing you to problems. Your budget protects you and helps to extend your financial life.

Structure-Function/Tax Planning. In health, the relationship between structure and function is paramount. Structure can influence function. If an artery is blocked in the heart, that is poor structure and can compromise the function of the heart. In wealth building, tax planning and structuring your investments can be the difference between wealth building or wealth compromise. Just as there are many things you can do to improve the structure of your body so it functions well, you can structure your investments and your tax planning so that you can maximize your returns and fulfill your tax responsibilities.

These are but a few examples of comparisons between health and wealth building. You invest in yourself as you invest in the finance market for a return on your investment; interest in the form of dividends and gains and self interest as you build health.

Considering the fact that the number one reason people file bankruptcy is medical expenses, by improving your health and minimizing the debilitating effects of preventable health conditions, you avoid expenses that can drain your financial house of its foundations and structure.

So in your journey to personal success make sure that the promoting and protecting the health of your body is also at the top of your priority list.

## FOOD & DRINK

I've written here many times about wines and their trends and popularity. One spring the popular wine is a merlot and the next it's back to chardonnay. Is there a “Sideways” movie sequel on the horizon?

What's hot at the moment seems to be pinot noir. It's so popular, in fact, that there is a festival celebrating that grape. The Pasadena Grand Pinot Fest will take place today (details below) in South Pasadena.

I called my friend Anthony Riboli. Anthony is a fourth generation winemaker with San Antonio Winery, LA's oldest active winery and producer of some fine wines including a pinot noir straight from the highlands of Santa Lucia near Monterey under the San Simeon label. I took a tour with

TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills  
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Anthony last week and he showed me the French oak barrels that store his pinot noir juice for at least ten months. Anthony says, “Monterey is great for pinot noir due to its cool climate, which is highly influenced by fog and wind from the Monterey Bay. These weather conditions allow optimal fruit maturation and concentration of flavors, such as black cherry and raspberry.”

Luckily for me, the downtown LA winery has a tasting area. I enjoyed the fruit-driven flavors Anthony spoke about as well as the light tannins that the oak ageing produced for this 2012 Pinot. Pinot noir is one of the most resilient grapes, and I can see why its popularity is skyrocketing. 2012 was a very good harvest. This reasonably priced pinot noir will be the perfect addition to any backyard BBQ or weekend pasta meal with family and friends. Anthony says since the wine

is versatile, it is ready to open, drink, and enjoy. To take your own tour, call ahead to (323) 223-1401 - the bonus is that you don't have to drive too far for real wine tasting.

Dills Score	90
Alcohol	14.9

Each week I will give you my Dills Score. Starting with a base of 50 points, I have added 8 points for color, 8 points for aroma or “nose”, 8 points for taste, 8 points for finish, and 8 points for my overall impression, which includes my value rating.

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## CHOOSING A HOME BLOOD PRESSURE MONITOR

Dear Savvy Senior:

Can you offer me any tips on choosing a home blood pressure monitor? I just found out I have high blood pressure, and my doctor told me I need a monitor for the house so I can keep an eye on it.

Shopping Around

Dear Shopping:

Almost everyone with high blood pressure or prehypertension should have a home blood pressure monitor. Home monitoring can help you keep tabs on your blood pressure in a comfortable setting. Plus, if you're taking medication it will make certain it's working, and alert you to a health problem if it arises. Here are some tips to help you choose a good monitor.

## Types of Monitors

The two most popular types of home blood pressure monitors on the market today are (electric and/or battery powered) automatic arm monitors, and automatic wrist monitors.

With an automatic arm monitor, you simply wrap the cuff around your bicep and with the push of one button the cuff inflates and deflates automatically giving you your blood pressure reading on the display window in a matter of seconds.

Wrist monitors work similarly, except they attach to the wrist. Wrist monitors are also smaller in size and a bit more comfortable to use than the arm monitors, but they tend to be a little less accurate.

To help you choose the best monitor for you, here are several things you need to check into:

- Fit: Using a cuff that's the wrong size can result in a bad reading. Most arm models have two sizes or an adjustable cuff that fits most people. Make sure your choice fits the circumference of your upper arm.
- Accuracy: Check the packaging to make sure the monitor has been independently tested and validated for accuracy and reliability. You can see a list of validated monitors at [dableducational.org](http://dableducational.org).
- Ease of use: Be sure the display on the monitor is easy to read and understand, and that the buttons are big enough. The directions for applying the cuff and operating the monitor should be clear.
- Extra features: Many monitors come with additional features such as irregular heartbeat detection that checks for arrhythmias and other



abnormalities; a risk category indicator that tells you whether your blood pressure is in the high range; a data-averaging function that allows you to take multiple readings and get an overall average; multiple user memory that allows two or more users to save previous readings; and computer connections so you can download the data to your computer.

- Portability: If you plan to take your monitor with you while traveling, look for one with a carrying case.

## Where to Shop

You can find blood pressure monitors at pharmacies, medical supply stores or online, and you don't need a prescription to buy one.

The price will typically range anywhere from \$30 to \$120 or more. Unfortunately, original Medicare does not pay for home blood pressure monitors unless you're receiving dialysis at home. But if you have a Medicare Advantage plan or a private health insurance policy it's worth checking into, because some plans may provide coverage.

Some of the best arm monitors as recently recommended by Consumer Reports include the Rite Aid Deluxe Automatic BP3AR1-4DRITE; iHealth Dock BP3 (requires an Apple iOS device); Omron 10 Series BP786; A&D Medical UA767F; and the ReliOn BP200. And the top recommended wrist monitor is the Omron 7 Series BP652.

After you buy a monitor, it's a good idea to take it to your doctor's office so they can check its accuracy and teach you the proper techniques of how and when to use it.

For more information on how to measure your blood pressure accurately at home, see the American Heart Association Blood Pressure Monitoring tutorial page at [homeBPmonitoring.org](http://homeBPmonitoring.org).

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 BONANZA!



I called my parents the other day and was surprised to hear the "Bonanza" theme song on their answering machine! My parents have been without a TV since July 1976. It's an easy date to remember because they were watching the tall ships during the Bicentennial festivities when their TV set went poof! My birth

in 1983 did not inspire them to buy a new one, so I grew up sans television. This has contributed to my identity as a closet old person, which is even more apparent now that my column appears in "The Good Life" section under "Senior Happenings." I laughed when I first noticed that.

Now that the Internet has made it possible for people to watch their favorite vintage TV shows, my parents are enjoying a renaissance of "Have Gun, Will Travel," "The Andy Griffith Show," and "Bonanza." Each has spawned jokes and thought provoking observations about the story lines and characters. "Guess what Paladin's first name is?" my dad asked. I gave up. "Wire," he said, "His cards say, 'Wire Paladin.'" Now you'd really have to be a closet old person to get that one. For any young people reading this, to "wire" meant to telegraph. Therefore, if someone said, "Wire the mayor," they meant "Contact the mayor." Fascinating stuff, I know.

Mom's latest interest is "Bonanza." In the show, Ben Cartwright lives with his three sons, Adam, Hoss, and Little Joe on the Ponderosa ranch in Nevada. Each son is from a different mother, prompting jokes about what kind of husband Ben must have been! It takes place in the wild, wild west (another favorite show) in the mid 1800's. In the first season the writers made an effort to include historical figures, such as Henry Comstock, of the Comstock Lode, and others. That eventually petered out, giving way to occasional fanciful episodes, such as

when Hoss came across a band of leprechauns.

Like many old shows, the cast had a limited wardrobe. Ben always wore a buff colored vest, Adam was the cool one in all black (very ahead of his time), Hoss wore a ten gallon hat and a little vest that emphasized his hefty frame, and Little Joe was perpetually sporting a green jacket. The other night I mused that it would have been funny if they showed Little Joe opening his closet and selecting one of countless identical green jackets. When they got dressed up, each wore a string tie, a' la Colonel Sanders. Adam's didn't stand out much against his black outfit, but you knew it was there. This trend of always wearing the same thing was not new to "Bonanza." "The Honeymooners" and other shows from that era did the same thing. But Ralph and Alice Kramden lived in a tiny tenement apartment in New York, so you'd expect they couldn't afford much. On the other hand, the Cartwrights owned half the state of Nevada, so they certainly could've afforded more wardrobe diversity!

Although Bonanza had its cheesy aspects, its traditional values and wholesome entertainment were endearing. The audience knew who the good guys were because what they did was right. It was also clear who the bad guys were, because what they did was evil. And the good guys always won in the end. This is in sharp contrast to so much of the current media offerings. It would be overly simplistic to say that life was easy, but having a shared moral compass at least made decisions and judgments simpler. For a closet old person like me, our Brave New World is looking more and more like 1984.

P.S. For those who read my last column about the adventure my husband and I had roasting our Memorial Day turkey, I just wanted to let you know that we did finally find the giblets! They were hiding in the neck cavity --who knew!



## TRANSPORTATION CHANGES BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2015

Beginning June 1, 2015 Dial-A-Ride services in Sierra Madre will operate Monday through Friday from 8:00am – 10:30am and 2:00pm – 5:00pm. Dial-A-Ride services are available to Sierra Madre residents that are 62 years of age or older, or have a signed form by a physician attesting to a disability that hinders mobility. The cost of a one-way fare is \$2.00. Dial-A-Ride users must submit an application prior to using the service for the first time.

Beginning June 1, 2015 the Gateway Coach fixed-route services operates Monday through Friday from 11:00am – 2:00pm. The Gateway Coach is free for anyone to use. The Gateway Coach stops at various points throughout the City including City parks, the library, City Hall, Senior Center, and schools. In addition the Gateway Coach stops in Hastings Ranch.

To download a copy of the new Sierra Madre Public Transportation Brochure, please visit the City's website at [www.cityofsierramadre.com/transportation](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/transportation). For additional information contact the Community Services Department at 626-355-7135.

## SENIOR HAPPENINGS

**HELPFUL HINT:** White vinegar is an inexpensive way to keep your dishes sparkling, just pour white vinegar in the compartment of your dishwasher instead of a liquid rinse product.

## FOR YOUR FUNNY BONE

Paul, late for an important meeting, was searching desperately for a parking spot in a parking lot. Looking up to the heaven's he entreated "God if you find me a parking spot, I promise to start going to church again." The words were barely out of his mouth, when a spot opened up right in front of his car. Paul looked back up, "never mind I found one."

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ... June Birthdays\*

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

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

## Quote of the Week:

Seize the moment. Remember all the women on the Titanic who waved off the dessert cart. - Erma Bombeck



## 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

**HAWAIIAN AND POLYNESIAN DANCE CLASS:** Every Tuesday morning from 10am to 11am. 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.

**FREE BLOOD PRESSURE TESTING:** 2nd Tuesday of the month from 11am to 12pm. No appt. is necessary.

**CASE MANAGEMENT:** Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month. Case Management services are provided by the YWCA and provide assistance in a variety of areas. Appointments are required and can be scheduled by calling the HPH Office at 626-355-7394.

**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.

**TAX ASSISTANCE:** Every Thursday February 5th through April 9th from 1:00pm-2:00pm. Don Brunner is available for income tax consultation. Appointments are required, call 626-355-7394.

**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.

**SENIOR CLUB:** Every Saturday at the Hart Park House Senior Center. Brown bag lunch at 11:30am. Club meeting at noon. Bingo 12:30-3:30pm. Annual Membership is only \$10.00.



## UPCOMING EXCURSIONS:

## THE ALPACA HACIENDA (TEMECULA)

Date: June 30, 2015

Time: 9:00am to 4:30pm

Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center Cost: \$12.00 (Does not include lunch)

Description: Learn about the history of the alpaca, why we raise them and how we care for them. You'll learn some of their quirky traits and other interesting facts. You may hand feed the alpacas if you like; this is a great opportunity for photographs! This tour includes a mini-seminar on how we work with the fiber, from washing and carding, to spinning and felting, and will give you a brief history of spinning fibers into yarn. Spend some time in our boutique where you can find beautiful, handmade items by local fiber artists made from alpaca fiber, as well as luxurious scarves, hats, sweater and gloves. Lunch will be on your own at Old Town Temecula. Participants should bring money for lunch and souvenirs. Last day to register is Wednesday, June 24th. Level of Walking: Medium

## Excursion Refund Policy

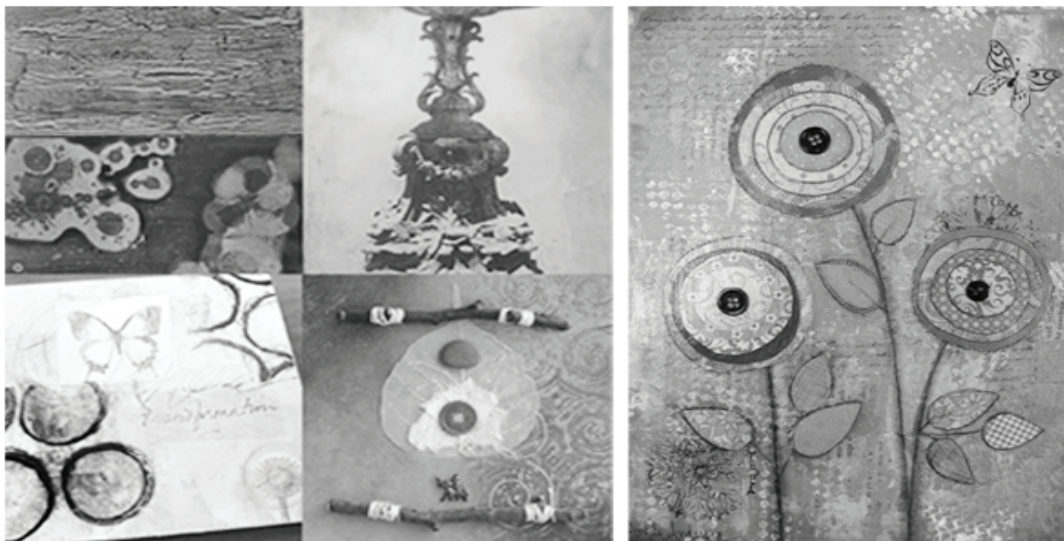
Notification of the cancellation must be made at least 3 business days before the excursion. A refund will only be issued 1) for a medical excuse or 2) if the Department is able to fill the patrons spot from a waiting list. This refund will be issued in the form of a credit which will be applied to the 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 Dept.

## Mixed Media Art Classes

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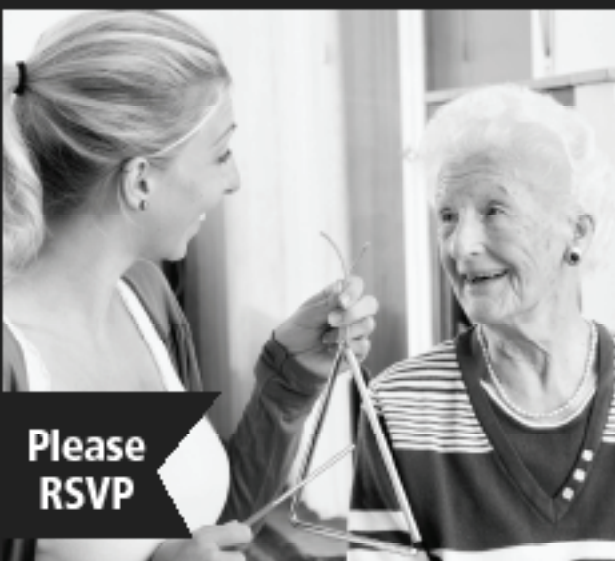
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PLUTO’S MOONS SEEN IN HIGHEST DETAIL YET

Much ink has been spilled over Pluto’s reclassification as a dwarf planet. And yet, such discussions have not diminished scientific interest in Earth’s most distant cousin. A new study is the first to reveal fascinating details about the orbital and rotational patterns of Pluto and its five known moons.

The study, published in the June 4, 2015, issue of the journal *Nature*, describes a system dominated by Pluto and its largest moon, Charon, which together form a “binary planet.” Four smaller moons orbit this pair. The paper reports the techniques used to discover the two smallest moons, Kerberos and Styx, and also provides a detailed description of the strange and unpredictable rotational states of the two slightly larger moons, Nix and Hydra.

Later this summer, NASA’s New Horizons spacecraft will pass by Pluto and its five known moons, providing the most detailed look at this planetary system to date. Kerberos and Styx were discovered in 2011 and 2012, respectively, while Nix and Hydra were first discovered in 2005.

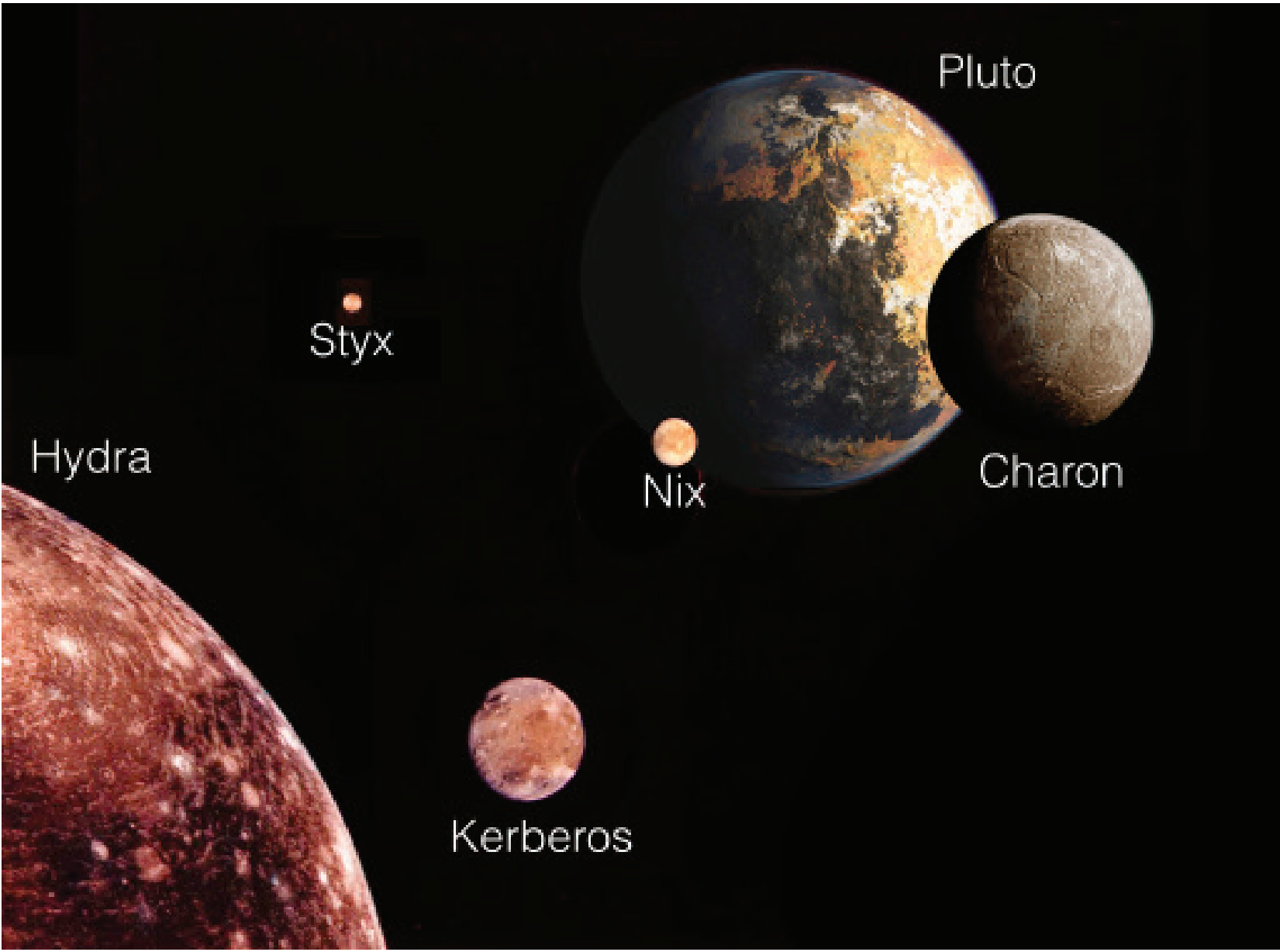
“Like good children, our moon and most others keep one face focused attentively on their parent planet,” said Douglas Hamilton, professor of astronomy at the University of Maryland and a co-author of the *Nature* study. “What we’ve learned is that Pluto’s moons are more like ornery teenagers who refuse to follow the rules.”

The imbalanced and dynamically shifting gravitational field created by Pluto and Charon sends the smaller moons tumbling in unpredictable ways. The effect is amplified by the fact that the moons are roughly football shaped, rather than rounded spheres. The findings are the result of a comprehensive analysis of Hubble Space Telescope data regarding the orbits and properties of the four smaller moons.

In contrast to these seemingly random rotational motions, the moons follow a surprisingly predictable pattern as they orbit the binary planet formed by Pluto and Charon. Three of them—Nix, Styx and Hydra—are locked together in resonance, meaning that their orbits follow a clockwork pattern of regularity. The same effect can be seen in three of Jupiter’s large moons.

“The resonant relationship between Nix, Styx and Hydra makes their orbits more regular and predictable, which prevents them from crashing into one another,” Hamilton said. “This is one reason why tiny Pluto is able to have so many moons.”

The study also revealed that Kerberos is as dark



as charcoal, while the other moons are as bright as white sand. “This is a very provocative result,” said lead author Mark Showalter, a senior research scientist at the SETI Institute. Astronomers had predicted that dust created by meteorite impacts should coat all the moons evenly, giving their surfaces a uniform look.

“Prior to the Hubble observations, nobody appreciated the intricate dynamics of the Pluto system,” Showalter said. The New Horizons flyby in

July may help solve the mystery of Kerberos’ dark surface, and will refine scientists’ understanding of the odd rotational and orbital patterns uncovered by Hubble. The New Horizons team is using Showalter and Hamilton’s discoveries to help guide science planning efforts.

Among other expected insights, a more detailed study of the chaotic Pluto-Charon system could reveal how planets orbiting a distant binary star might behave. Although many exoplanets have

been found to orbit binary stars, these star systems are too far away to figure out their rotational patterns using existing technology.

“We are learning that chaos may be a common trait of binary systems,” Hamilton said. “It might even have consequences for life on planets orbiting binary stars.”

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DISCOVERING THE WILD RADISH  
*Raphanus sativus* and *R. raphanistrum*

By Christopher Nyerges

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When I encounter a field of wild radishes in the spring, I attempt to get my students to identify it by the aroma alone. I’ll first crush a bit of the stem, and let them smell it.

“Oh, that’s very familiar” most of them will say. Then I will pull up a root, which is a long carrot-like white taproot. It’s very woody, but the skin can be readily peeled off. I give each student a piece of this root, and let them smell again. The odor of the root is much more pungent, and unmistakable. I encourage them to taste a bit. “Tastes like radish,” most will say. Yes, indeed! It smells and tastes like radish because that’s what it is. This is the same botanical plant which is cultivated, except this one is feral.

For most people, the wild radish root bears little resemblance to the little round red things purchased in supermarkets, and eaten at Thanksgiving. And because the wild root is so woody, it really isn’t all that useful for food, unless you want to take the time to peel each root and use just the skin.

Occasionally, during wet winters and in very rich soil, the radish plant will produce a root that is much less woody and more-or-less edible raw in salad, if you slice it up. Yes, it is much spicier than its domestic counterpart, but it can be eaten raw in rare cases.

During one very wet year, I pulled an amazing 16 pound wild radish root from out of the thick pile of wood chips in which it was growing. No one could believe it! In fact, I have never seen a root that size since. It was bigger than a human head. We cut into it, and it was hollow, with a mustard-smelling liquid inside. The flesh was perhaps up to two inches thick, and though a bit fibrous, was largely edible. We all sampled a little of the raw, and very hot, root.

Normally, you won’t be eating the wild radish root, but it’s still a very good find. Why? Because every part of the wild radish plant which is tender can be eaten! And each part has a different texture and flavor which lends it to different recipes.

**EATING WILD RADISH**

The leaves can be collected at any time in their growing cycle, cut into small pieces, and added to salads. They are hot and spicy, so add to other greens. Though they



are good in salads, you’d probably not care for a salad of only radish leaves. Mix them with other greens, and toss in some tomatoes and avocado.

The leaves can also be added to soups, egg dishes, and stews, used in pretty much the same way you’d use spinach greens.

The white to lavender flowers are quite tasty and sweet when you first pick and nibble them, but your mouth will get very hot. Eat them sparingly. Many times I’ve been out on a field trip with children, and they taste a radish, and they like it. They eat another. And another. And another. And before you know it, they’re all yelling for water, which they all were asked to leave back in the school bus!

You can pick the flowers and add to salads and other dishes as a tasty garnish.

The tender flower tips which includes the tender stems—somewhat resembling Chinese broccoli—can be snapped free, steamed or boiled, and served with butter, cheese, or a spicy sauce. You’d serve this very much like asparagus, except they are much spicier.

The green seedpods, which somewhat resemble jalapeño or serrano chiles, can be nibbled when they are still tender inside and haven’t gotten woody. You can add the chopped tender pods to soups and salads, or try pickling them. Once they get old, and white inside, they are already too old to eat and should be left alone to produce seed.

I make pickles very simply. I first wash a few cups worth of the tender pods, and then pack them into quart jars. I cover with raw apple cider vinegar, and just let them set in the refrigerator for a few weeks before eating. The vinegar will preserve them for years.

**RECOGNIZING THE WILD RADISH**


As the plant flowers, instead of the usual yellow mustard flowers, the flowers will be lavender or white, or very rarely a pale yellow. There is the typical Mustard family flower formula of 4 petals, 4 sepals, 6 stamens (4 long and 2 short), and 1 pistil. The flowers

are followed by fleshy seedpods that resemble pointed jalapeño peppers.

The root of wild radish is a white taproot, not at all like the radish you might grow in your garden or buy in the store. It is largely woody and inedible, though there is a soft outer layer that can be peeled off. The taste of this outer root layer is so obviously “radish” that most anyone can identify this plant by that aroma and flavor.

Overall, wild radish can get up to 4 and 5 feet in ideal conditions. You find it in fields, wet bottom lands, farms, vacant lots, and disturbed soils.

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## OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

## A WAIST IS A TERRIBLE THING TO MIND

Is it just me or has the whole world going crazy about diets and exercise?

This came to me sometime this week when I was having trouble sleeping one night. I was tossing, turning and getting grunts from the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage.

I decided to get up and watch a little television to make me sleepy. Nothing makes me sleepy like watching television. Of course, when my wife and I are watching TV together we both are complaining about how many commercials there are.

I decided to watch a little bit of television and hopefully in a half hour or so I would get sleepy enough so I could go back to bed. During my watching, I came across so many "infomercials" that I thought I was dreaming or at least having a nightmare.

The thing I noticed about these "infomercials" is the "info" has no commercial value for me. All they want to talk about is diet, diet, diet. Isn't there something more interesting to talk about?

I was watching one "infomercial" and the brazen claim was simply this; if I go on their diet, they guaranteed me that I will look great in a bikini. Really? Why do I want to look great in a bikini? Noticing some of their bikinis, I wear more in the shower and they were wearing on the beach.

No sale for me.

Instead of getting drowsy I was getting a little frustrated and angry.

The thing that really got me was simply this; their argument was that being "post-thin" (to use my terminology) is not normal. According to them, normal is being so skinny people can count how many bones you have.

Have these people been out in public recently? If skinny is normal, there are not too many around. If they are looking for normal, they need to see that skinny is not normal.

Personally, I get a little weary of people judging me from their cookie-cutter perspective. Maybe, just maybe, skinny is not normal! Maybe, just maybe, I, who lean towards the full figure side of the scale, may be normal. Wouldn't that be a kick in their pants!

Some infomercials tried to sell me some kind of exercise equipment. The only shrinking involved in those infomercials would be with my bank account. They earnestly believe in transferring my wealth into their wealth. I am not in Great Britain so I do not want to lose any British pounds. Of course, if I do buy one of their exercise equipment, I will not have enough money to buy food for the next three months. That would be a sure way to lose weight.

When it comes to diets, my wife is very committed to a balanced diet. The problem is, her concept of a balanced diet and mine are completely different.

For my wife, a balanced diet means a little bit of this and a little bit of that and it had better be green and leafy. If there ever was a vegetable queen in the world, she comes close. She has more vegetables on the table than I could ever identify.

Of course, I am assuming they are vegetables because she calls them vegetables. How am I to know they are actually vegetables? The only thing I guard against is that green tree-like vegetable she calls "broccoli." She has tried sneaking it in and so far, at least to my knowledge, I have avoided any encounter with anything resembling broccoli.

My idea of a balanced diet is simple, all I can balance on my spoon and get into my mouth without dropping it. That, to me, is a balanced diet. I must say I am quite good with my balanced diet. Believe me, it is very hard to balance vegetables on my spoon and I refuse to practice!

Getting back to these infomercials trying to convince me I need to exercise and get on a diet. I would like to inform them I am on what I call the twelve-step program. I have put a lot of thought and planning in this program. There are six steps to the refrigerator and then six steps back to my recliner. This twelve-step program has worked marvelously for me.

As I was watching these infomercials I was not getting sleepy, but I was getting hungry. So, I put my twelve-step program in place and as I was watching the rest of those infomercials, I was eating some nice creamy ice cream along with some crunchy candy and to ease my conscience, a diet soda.

What could be healthier than eating like that while watching some infomercials on dieting and exercise? I think the only exercise I really need is watching those exercising on TV. And the thing I notice about these people exercising on TV, they do not really need to exercise. Everyone seemed to be rather skinny.

But as for me, I want to fit in with the normal people of this world. After all, I would like to show to the world by my "plumpness" that my wife is the greatest cook in the world.

One of my favorite Bible verses is in the Old Testament. "And the priest shall burn them upon the altar: it is the food of the offering made by fire for a sweet savour: all the fat is the Lord's" (Leviticus 3:16).

If the Lord can handle my size, I need not listen to anybody else.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers of the City of Sierra Madre:

I am writing as a Sierra Madre resident who is concerned with the proposed budget cuts to reduce the library staff and services and close the Community Services Department. I am a Sierra Madre native, current resident and parent, who is raising two school-age children. My husband and I grew up in Sierra Madre and decided to buy our home and raise our family here so that they could enjoy the great community spirit that we enjoyed.

As I read about proposed cuts to the Library and the proposed closure of the Community Services Department, I am very concerned that what makes Sierra Madre special will disappear. Both the library and the Community Services Department bring the community together. My boys spend lots of time at the library finding reading and research material. They also enjoy the various programs sponsored by the library.

The Community Services Department helps to execute the events and traditions that we have enjoyed for many years. Due to their efforts, our downtown area experiences increased foot traffic from residents and those who reside outside our city limits. This results in more people spending money in our downtown, which results in increased revenues for our small town. It is good for Sierra Madre and its businesses.

As a member of the Sierra Madre Civic Club, I know that the Community Services Department is an integral part of putting our community events together. Our members volunteer at events throughout the year. Even though Civic Club has taken over Halloween Window Painting and the 4th of July games in the park, we work closely and in concert with the Community Services Department. We cannot pull off these events without their help. For example, the Mount Wilson Trail Race Committee and many community organizations work together to execute the event. If the Community Services Department closes, what will happen to the traditions that we have enjoyed all these years? They will disappear. We will have to say good bye to Huck Finn, Mount Wilson Trail Race, 4th of July festivities, Summer Fun in the Park, Concerts in the Park, Movies in the Park and Halloween happenings. Also, our seniors in town will lose the services that they have enjoyed and need. The park and facility rentals, which generate income will also be impacted. My family urges you to rethink this "easy way out" to balance our budget. The Community Services Department is already working with a skeleton crew, but is still able to execute their duties. The "fat" has been trimmed from this department that only makes up 2% of Sierra Madre's budget.

A friend who moved to Sierra Madre a few years ago told me what happened in her former hometown. When she moved there, they held fun parades and events in town. Then the city decided to do away with them. To her, her former hometown has lost its community spirit and what made it special. Now she looks at it as a bunch of homes and nothing else. I would hate to have this happen here.

I urge you to work on other ways to balance the budget. Tough decisions will need to be made. Please do not touch the library and Community Services Department. They are at the heart of what makes Sierra Madre special.

Thanks on behalf of myself, my husband and our boys.

Maria Decker - Sierra Madre

# LEFT TURN/RIGHT TURN

## HOWARD Hays As I See It



"I want to hear their story. And I think America wants to hear their story now."

- Megyn Kelly of Fox News, on an upcoming interview with Jim Bob and Michelle Duggar.

The first thing I usually turn to in the MVN is the "Right Turn"

column, as it often provides something to get mad about and take issue with in my next column. Last week, it was Michael Reagan addressing the Duggar family story, and I found myself in complete agreement. Reagan decried how some, in particular Republican presidential candidate Mike Huckabee (who'd accused the Obamas of bad parenting for allowing their daughters to listen to Beyonce), will ignore and trivialize child abuse in order to associate with celebrity and not alienate its fan base. (Reagan added that as an eight-year-old he'd been a victim of abuse at the hands of a camp counselor.)

Crimes were committed not just by eldest son Josh (now 27), who confessed as a 15-year-old to having molested a five-year-old and other sisters, and possibly a family friend. The parents waited 16 months to report the abuse, seeking no help or counseling for their son or victims during that time, in violation of Arkansas' Permitting Abuse of a Minor law. But for both the son and the parents, the statute of limitations has expired.

Years ago, a guilty pleasure of mine was listening to on-air personal advice from Dr. Laura Schlesinger. Whenever a caller began by announcing, "I'm a Christian, and we practice strong Christian values in our family", I knew I'd be in for something especially salacious. It's not about religion. Michael Reagan's brother Ron Jr. was asked to compare their father with more contemporary "Christian conservatives". He explained that although his father found great comfort, inspiration and guidance through his Christian faith, he "didn't feel the need to wear his religion on his sleeve."

There was no such reticence with Josh Duggar. Proclaiming "Christian family values", he railed against an LGBT non-discrimination measure in Arkansas in order to protect "the well-being of women and children in our cities". Gay marriage must be condemned because "what's really at stake here is the American family". On the Today Show, he described his family as "the epitome of family values. People connect to us in that way."

When his parents first reported the incidents, it was not to police but to the elders of their church who referred Josh to a "Christian treatment program". The Institute for Basic Life Principles was located in a facility donated by Hobby Lobby, which argued to the Supreme Court the corporation's "religious beliefs" required it to dictate to female employees what would be covered under their health plans. The Institute's founder, televangelist Bill Gothard, produced materials for Christian homeschoolers. Gothard was forced to resign

from the Institute amid allegations of sexual harassment, molestation and failure to report child abuse.

When the Duggars finally did report to law enforcement, it was in a meeting attended by a church elder and Arkansas State Police Cpl. Joseph Hutchens, who, after a "stern talk", advised there was nothing else to do since Josh had already been through "treatment". Hutchens is now serving a 59-year sentence in Arkansas on child pornography charges.

Two years ago, Josh Duggars became a lobbyist for the Family Research Council, headed by Tony Perkins. Perkins was suspended as a reserve police officer after failing to inform his superiors of a violent attack he knew was planned against a Baton Rouge women's clinic. He lost a run for U.S. Senate for Louisiana when it was brought out he'd been fined for illegally hiding connections with David Duke. He's condemned the Employment Non-Discrimination Act as a result of President Obama's working for the "totalitarian homosexual lobby". Anti-bullying rules in schools are part of the "homosexual agenda".

Former House Speaker Dennis Hastert (R-IL) was indicted last week; charged with illegally structuring \$1.7 million in cash withdrawals for hush money in silencing allegations he'd sexually abused a student when a high school wrestling coach. For those with memories, we recall Hastert as one of the House figures issuing moral condemnations as they guided the impeachment of President Clinton.

First there was Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-GA). Nine years after the impeachment, he confessed he'd been having an affair during the time he was railing against the president's involvement with Paula Jones and Monica Lewinsky. This was during his second marriage; his first wife says he came to go over divorce terms when she was in the hospital recovering from cancer surgery. ABC News pointed out that the then-top-three Republican presidential contenders, Rudy Giuliani, Sen. John McCain (R-AZ) and Gingrich had eight past and present wives between them.

After Gingrich came Rep. Bob Livingston (R-LA). He was still "Speaker-elect" when he resigned the day of the vote to impeach. Hustler publisher Larry Flint had offered a reward for those coming forward with stories of illicit affairs with Republican leaders. In the case of Rep. Livingston, four women did.

(After his resignation, Livingston's House seat went to David Vitter, who later as senator was busted when his phone number showed up at the brothel of the "D.C. Madam". Vitter maintains a strong record on "Christian values"; supporting funds to teach "creative design" rather than evolution, while opposing funds for low-cost housing.)

Following Livingston came Hastert, now charged with attempts to "conceal sexual abuse against a former male student".

On Fox News, Brit Hume and Geraldo Rivera insist it's Dennis Hastert who's the real "victim". Megyn Kelly assures she won't "cross-examine" or be tough on the Duggars; just allow them a chance to tell their story. But it's not that she accepts wrongdoers escaping accountability and punishment. On her show, Kelly angrily wondered why the police chief who released Josh Duggar's police records hadn't been fired.

## SUSAN Stamper Brown

### WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MORAL DECLINE?



A recent Gallup poll, "Moral Acceptability: Changes Over Time," shows Americans made a startling move to the left over the past 15 years. A blanket blaming of the church is the easy answer, but today, where black and white has faded into varying shades of gray, we are better served going back to where it began because we didn't get where we are today overnight.

America's moral decline began with Presidents Woodrow Wilson and Franklin D. Roosevelt [FDR]. Their arrogant defiance and blatant hostility toward the U.S. Constitution inspired them to lead an insurrection from the Oval Office, effectively convincing good people that government dependence is a morally acceptable alternative to dependence on God, family, community and self.

Progressive godfather FDR did what progressives do best, hijacking the crisis at hand, the Great Depression, and molding the U.S. government into a pseudo-god. Although both New Deals failed on multiple levels, some of the programs and subsidies permanently persuaded people that an interventionist government is good. That was not enough. Progressives understood the "God-factor" must be removed to accomplish their goal of secularization, wherein religion loses cultural and social significance. In 1947, the Supreme Court, largely packed with FDR appointees, decided the First Amendment instituted a "wall of separation" between church and state in Everson v. Board of Education. In so doing, they were able to separate morality and ethics from government and daily life. Hence, the immoral mess we see today.

A recent Pew survey found that in 1990, 86 percent of Americans identified as Christians and today, just 70 percent. Interestingly, mainline Protestant denominations such as Methodist, Lutheran, Presbyterian and Episcopalian, who have consciously dimmed their own bulbs in recent years to remain relevant to the demands of pop culture, dropped from 50 percent in 1958 to 14 percent in 2015. As mosques are being raised at record levels in towns and cities across America and Europe, churches are increasingly vacated.

Today, more often than not, Jesus' command for Christians to be "light" in a dark world is translated "let's keep it subdued, so no one needs to squint." In fashion photography, soft light works because it helps to conceal the unvarnished reality. In sharp contrast, pure light reveals an honest picture, flaws and all. Interestingly, when Jesus revealed himself to the Christian persecutor, Saul, he appeared in light so harsh and offensively bright, Saul was temporarily blinded. Saul's blindness slowed him down long enough to see the contrast between truth and lies, right and wrong, leading to a conversion so complete, his name was changed from Saul to Paul.

Some would rather spread buttercream icing over cow manure than call this moral decline for what it is. Vanderbilt University Professor of Law and Political Science Edward L. Rubin says America's nosedive into the moral abyss is nothing to fret because we are just shifting to a "new morality" based on a "concept of self-fulfillment." Rubin suggests this fluffed-up version of hedonism is making people uncomfortable because they are feeling rapidly "pulled between two moralities." Paul/Saul wrote about the same struggle in Romans 7, reminding true believers to hold fast to "God's law," not giving in to the new morality he called "sin."

The only way progressivism wins is without the presence of absolute truth. Without it, morality is defined by ever-changing social whims; what's wrong today is right tomorrow. Truth is, it's impossible to define morality without a plumb line or divine standard. Wandering outside already-established boundaries since the beginning of time gets us where we are today. History demonstrates it. Polls prove it. Empty pews show it. Progressives love it.

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**321 Adams Street - Sierra Madre** Spacious 2bed/1 full bath home situated on a cul-de-sac and walking distance to town. Large living room with fireplace, dining area, spacious kitchen, and hardwood floors. The home also offers an enclosed bonus/sunroom just steps from the living room. Detached 1-car garage - separate laundry area, & 1/2 bath. Behind the garage is a finished bonus room/office with its own entrance. The large rear yard is fenced and a great area to enjoy the outdoors under covered patio. Multiple fruit trees. Central air & heat, refrigerator, ample storage and a California basement.

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## 791 Lomora Avenue | Pasadena

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Charming 2BR/1BA home located on a lovely tree-lined street in east Pasadena! The spacious living room offers hardwood floor, built-in bookcase & brick fireplace. Kitchen features an eat-in breakfast area & the family room offers sliding glass doors to the rear patio. This charming home also offers a detached 2-car garage & lots of storage!

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