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SIERRA MADRE NEWS BRIEFS

PUBLIC HEARING NOTIFICATION FOR THE HIGHLAND MEWS TOWNHOMES

City staff and staff from Heritage Housing Partners will be available the evening of Monday, July 13th (at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers) to answer any questions from the project neighbors, or other interested individuals. The Development Agreement and other associated documents will be available on the City's website by Friday, July 10th.

City Council & Planning Commission Hearings are scheduled for next week. Location of Both Hearings: City of Sierra Madre, City Council Chambers 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

City Council Hearing: Tuesday, July 14, 2015
Hearing begins at 6:30 PM

The City Council public hearing will be conducted to consider the Development Agreement between the City and HHP.

The Planning Commission Hearing: Thursday, July 16, 2015
Hearing begins at 7:00 PM

The Planning Commission public hearing will be conducted to consider 1) a request for a three-unit subdivision for condominium purposes (parcel map), 2) a proposal to designate the property as a local historic landmark, 3) a certificate of appropriateness to restore, modify, and change the use of the structure, and 4) the use of affordable housing incentives.

The Planning Commission is a recommending body to the City Council on this project. A second, City Council hearing on all entitlements will be held before the City Council under a separate notice. We anticipate this hearing taking place in September.

REMEMBER TO CONSERVE

Penalties for overuse will be enforced effective July 1st.

Governor Brown's April Executive Order requiring a statewide water conservation of 25% is now in full force and effect. The State regulations call for:

- A limitation on outdoor irrigation to two days a week.
- A prohibition on watering hardscape such as streets, driveways, walkways or sidewalks.
- No irrigation within 48 hours after measurable rain.
- A prohibition on restaurants service water to customers if not specifically requested by the customer.
- A prohibition on wasteful watering

Water providers such as the City must report to the state on a monthly basis their total water production and their enforcement activity regarding these regulations.

The City of Sierra Madre, with its above average daily per capita water use, is being required by the State to conserve 32% over the levels of 2013.

A prohibition on watering of street median turf with potable water.

City Staff will be assisted by volunteers who will patrol the city looking for water waste violations. Fines for repeated violation of the water waste regulations are \$100 for the first offense, \$250 for the second and \$500 for the third.

PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN IN SIERRA MADRE



Sierra Madre celebrating the Independence Day weekend in storybook fashion last week. Starting on Friday night, with the Beer Garden, Food Trucks, Dunk Tank and Concert. The following day, bright and early, the Spero Foundation sponsored the annual July 4th Fun Run. The Sierra Madre Women's Club held their annual breakfast and then it was off to the Annual July 4th parade.

There were more than 80 entries

celebrating America. In addition to Sierra Madre's own celebrities such as Triple Crown Jockey Victor Espinoza and our elected officials, we had the honor of having our 97 year old Older American Laurie Cooper riding in the parade. Congresswoman Judy Chu, Assemblyman Chris Holden and LA County Supervisor Michael Antonovich also attended the event. When the parade completed route down Sierra Madre Blvd., a community picnic was held at the park.

The all volunteer 4th of July Committee managed the event.

Sierra Madre's Internet Radio and Video Station, Village Vine, streamed the event live. If you missed the parade, or would like to see it again, you can do so by logging on to: www.villagevine.org.

This edition of the Mountain Views News features many memorable moments captured by a variety of photographers.

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Editorial

PROPOSITIONS 109 & 47 & INCREASED CRIME

By Joan Schmidt, East Valley Editor

In the last two months, I have attended three events, listened to reports/statistics, and the outlook is bleak. The Governor began the trend, and CA voters continued it. The three events were the Third Annual Crime Victims' Clinic, The Chiefs of Police Luncheon and Supervisor Antonovich's annual Meeting with the City of Monrovia.

Let's start with AB 109, which has been around for four years. The Federal Government ordered the state to reduce its overcrowded state prisons. I can accept that. The problem was the governor refusing to house them out of state at half the cost. No he chose to send 30,000 prisoners down to already overcrowded county jails. I did research and found this not only here in LA County, but other counties as well. We were told that the prisoners send to county jails would be non-violent, non-serious, non-sex offenders. (Unfortunately the classification is based on the prisoner's CURRENT offense-doesn't matter if there were charges of armed robbery or manslaughter previously!)

In November, 2004, Proposition 69 (DNA Fingerprints, Unsolved Crime, and Innocence Protection Act) was passed. Unfortunately Proposition 47 has negated it. Proposition 47 downgraded drug possession and minor thefts to misdemeanors. These "misdemeanor" offenders may be avoiding jail, but unfortunately also the drug treatment that could have turned their lives around! (This point was emphasized at the Crime

Victims Clinic, the Chiefs Luncheon and the Monrovia City Meeting!)

Los Angeles County Assistant Sheriff Mike Rothans and Chief Dave Bender attended the Monrovia City Meeting. Sheriff Rothans said crime has increased 7% in the 42 contract cities and 107 unincorporated areas served by LASD. It's happening everywhere-from Malibu, Palos Verdes, Walnut and Diamond Bar-to name a few. He also said LAPD also reported a spike in crime. (LAPD Lt. Phil Tingirides at the Crime Victims' Clinic also reported this.)

Sheriff Rothans gave some sobering figures: 31,000 people have been arrested-but only 1/3 of them remain in jail. What is sad is I read an article where an officer just gave a warning-because the crime was just a misdemeanor and the person would be back on the street anyway. (That is scary!) So how many perpetrators are walking around? I am within 1/2 mile of a beautiful housing complex where the rapist was from-the one who held a woman captive for 11 hours and continued to harm her! (I believe he was supposed to be on probation.)

At the Chiefs' Luncheon, Supervisor Antonovich asked about an increase in crime since Proposition 47, and all attendees said it was happening in their jurisdictions. (This included the Captains/Commanders of the Sheriff's Stations and the Chiefs of Police in the 5th Supervisory District. For instance, Chief Rainey, from Covina reported 13% increase. (Also at the recent Monrovia-Arcadia Duarte Town Council Meeting, Deputy April Nelsen (cont. on page 4)



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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, July 14, 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.

SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS



Regular City Council Meeting

July 14, 2015 - 6:30 pm

The final agenda and staff reports will 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 before 5:30 the night of the meeting and your statement will be delivered to all the Council Members.

Upcoming Public Meetings

Wednesday, July 15th, 2015, 7:00 pm
Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Commission Meeting

Thursday, July 16th, 2015, 7:00 pm
Planning Commission Meeting

Monday, July 20th, 2015, 6:30 pm (Cancelled)
Community Services Commission Meeting

Tuesday, July 28th, 2015, 6:30 pm
City Council Meeting

City Hall Hours - Monday - Thursday 7:30am - 5:30pm
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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 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@mtnews.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

CITY COUNCIL'S SPECIAL BUDGET RELATED
COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Library Services Proposal Committee: Tuesday, July 21st at 6:00 pm, in the Council Chambers

Revenue Committee: July 27th at 6:30 pm, in the Council Chambers

GENERAL PLAN UPDATE TO BE DISCUSSED AT NEXT
COUNCIL MEETING

At the upcoming City Council meeting the City Council will be holding a Public Hearing regarding the General Plan Update. There will also be a Public Hearing held by the City Council for the consideration of Urgency Ordinance 1366-U to rescind an interim moratorium ordinance. The final public hearing held at the upcoming City Council meeting will be about the approval of the Disposition and Development Agreement and transfer ownership of Agency and City owned property to the Developer by approving Successor Agency Resolution 453 and City Council Resolution 15-51.

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 before 5:30 the night of the meeting and your statement will be delivered to all the Council Members.

SUMMER FUN IN THE PARK

The Summer Fun in the Park program includes Tuesday interactive presentations provided by local organizations and Thursday fitness activities; it is targeted for children 3-10 years of age. The program will occur Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:30am-10:30am in Memorial Park, located at 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. This program is free. The 2015 Summer Fun in the Park schedule can be found here. For information please contact the Community Services Department at 626-355-7135.

YMCA Programs at the Sierra Madre Recreation Center -
Registration Available @ the Sierra Madre Recreation Center

The Community Services Department is partnering with the Pasadena YMCA to provide expanded programming and services at the Sierra Madre Recreation Center. For more information please visit www.ymca.org/pasadena or call 626-432-5880.

WATERWORKS AQUATICS AT THE SIERRA MADRE
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REMEMBRANCE

HELEN NOMURA OBAZAWA
August 10, 1920 to June 17, 2015

Helen was born in Sierra Madre, California in 1920. Although born in the USA, Helen was raised by her Grandparents in Japan from age 2-10 years old. She returned to Sierra Madre in 1930, attended Sierra Madre Elementary, Wilson Jr. High School, Pasadena High School and Pasadena Junior College. In 1941, she attended the University of Washington in Seattle, where she met Ray Obazawa. The War broke out and to avoid going to an Internment Camp, Ray moved to Spokane. Helen then joined him and they married. After a few years in Spokane, Ray was drafted into the Army when Helen and Ray moved to Chicago to join Ray's sister, Masa and his parents.

When the War was over, Helen, Ray and two-year old Susie moved to Pasadena and eventually to Sierra Madre where they have been active members of the Sierra Madre Community. Helen was a member of Sierra Madre Bethany Church and Choir, a Girl Scout Leader, a Cub Scout Leader and a Pioneer Girl Leader as well as working at Sierra Madre and Sierra Mesa Elementary Schools in the cafeteria. She eventually became a school cafeteria Manager and Manager Trainer for the Pasadena School District. Because of these activities, she has had significant influence on many, many children over the years.

In her retirement, Helen kept cooking by teaching classes, she sang in choirs, at weddings, funerals and other celebrations. She also organized craft groups for fund raisers. She also did a lot of entertaining, i.e., her Christmas Eve party, hosting Home Stay students from Japan and having birthday, anniversary and other celebratory parties. She loved being with people,



young and old alike and made many, many people happy.

Helen is survived by her husband of 73 years, Ray Obazawa; John Obazawa, son; Susie Berteaux, daughter; John Berteaux, son-in-law; David Berteaux, grandson; Yuko Ishizaki, granddaughter-in-law; Anthony, Taylor and Alicia Berteaux, great grandchildren; Sho and Florence Nomura, brother and sister-in-law; plus a multitude of nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Memorial Service will be held:
Saturday, August 15, 2015
First Presbyterian Church
2775 Lincoln Ave.
Altadena, CA 91001
11:00 am
Buffet Lunch in Church Social Hall following the service.
The family requests no flowers.

CRIME (cont. from page 1)

spoke of the increase in robberies and reminded everyone to keep residence and vehicle doors locked and report anything unusual or suspicious.)

At the Crime Victims Clinic, Assemblyman Mike Gatto who recently lost his father, (who was murdered during a robbery) spoke about Proposition 47. Reduction of felonies to misdemeanors has prevented DNA testing and previously that was a great tool used for solving unsolved crimes. (This point was also reiterated by the LASD (Captain Rod Kusch) and LAPD (Lt. Mike Oppelt) Homicide Bureaus.

What's the solution? Start writing your representatives and tell them legislation needs to begin to stop the horrible repercussions from Prop. 47.
Picture above, l to r : Interim Sierra Madre Capt. Joe Ortiz, SMPD Chief and Public Safety Director Larry Gianonne and Chief Anthony Miranda of Irwindale



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CONCERTS IN THE PARK

JUNE 13	
JUNE 21	PASADENA COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA (Classical) <i>*SATURDAY* Sponsored by Pasadena Community Orchestra</i>
JUNE 28	PAT O'BRIEN & THE PRIESTS OF LOVE (Blues) <i>Sponsored by Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters Association Food Offered: Corfu & Ice Princess</i>
JULY 5	HEARTACHE TONIGHT (Eagles Tribute) <i>Sponsored by Sierra Madre Civic Club Food Offered: Home Baked Goodness!!</i>
JULY 12	SIERRA MADRE MUSIC (Local Talent!) <i>Sponsored by Sierra Madre Music Food Offered: Corfu & Ice Princess</i>
JULY 19	DECADES OF ROCK (Rock and Roll Covers) <i>Sponsored by Spero Foundation Food Offered: Peppertree Grill & The Ice Princess</i>
JULY 26	SGT PEPPER (Beatles Tribute) <i>Sponsored by L.A. County Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich & Senior Commission Food Offered: Corfu & Free Popsicles Courtesy of the Senior Commission</i>
AUG 2	CASH UP FRONT (Johnny Cash Tribute) <i>Sponsored by Sierra Madre Community Foundation Food Offered: Peppertree Grill & The Ice Princess</i>
AUG 9	ELVIS (Elvis Tribute) <i>Sponsored by Sierra Madre Rotary Club Food Offered: Rounds Burger Food Truck & The Ice Princess</i>
	GEM CITY JAZZ CATS (Big Band) <i>Sponsored by Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club & Friends of the Sierra Madre Library Food Offered: Corfu & Free Cake Courtesy of Kiwanis Club!</i>

All concerts are free and held from 6:00pm-8:00pm at the Memorial Park Bandshell, located at 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Seating is on the green. Be sure to bring blankets and lawn chairs for seating. Alcohol is prohibited. Spectators are encouraged to support local organizations that may provide refreshments. For more information contact the Community Services Department at 626-355-7135.

Walking Sierra Madre...The Social Side

by Deanne Davis



"If you're in the front row of the parade and you stop walking, pretty soon you're back in the tuba section. And if you want to lead the parade, you've got to keep moving!" Dr. Phil McGraw

"If you're not in the parade, you watch the parade. That's life!" Coach Mike Ditka

If you didn't enjoy this past July 4th weekend, you just weren't trying hard enough! First of all, the weather was absolutely perfect. Remember July 4th last year when we all just about melted? This year couldn't have been better. Best parade ever, too. Highlight for just about everybody was seeing Victor Espinoza, Triple Crown winning Jockey. And then, the U.S. Women's soccer team won the Women's World Cup title. As Carli Lloyd put it, "I was just on a mission. I was on a mission to help my team win this game!"

Back to the parade...we're still laughing about the Sierra Madre City College float, "Bullet Train To Nowhere!" Happy to see our VFW guys stepping along smartly carrying the flags. Bud Switzer – you know who he is, the guy who started all the Halloween festivities years ago up on Alegria when he and his son, Kevin, started carving a couple hundred pumpkins and lining them along his driveway, which drew neighbors first, then a few folks from around town and now thousands pour into Sierra Madre to take a look at Halloween the Sierra Madre way. Anyway, it was great to see Bud looking sharp, marching with the rest of our VFW guys to start the parade. Don't know why everybody doesn't stand up when the flag is going by, though. One of the mysteries of our age, I guess. We always do.

All the kids from various scout troops, nursery schools, softball association, Little League were great to see. Dr. Walter Cailleteau, of Sierra Madre Animal Hospital made a parade appearance. All sorts of folks have made him their main veterinary guy since he moved into the area and set up his practice on Michillinda, where Albertson's used to be. Speaking of Albertson's and a new grocery store to set up shop there, we were so hoping when we read that Aldi's Markets will be coming to California that maybe one of them would land there. We're going to keep hoping. Liked Father Richard's classic Chevy, too. St. Rita's

was well represented.

We got so many goodies just sitting there on the parade route: Cookie tokens from Mary's Market, which made us laugh as it says on there, "Find us if you can!" We know exactly where Mary's is in the Canyon and we'll be heading up there for our free cookie. Think they're still doing Taco Tuesdays, too. Creative Arts invited us to a free Scarecrow Workshop in September so we can beat the crowd and create the winning scarecrow for Halloween. The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) gave us a pamphlet telling us when their next training class will be held. August 15-22 if you're interested. Here's their phone number: 626-470-7426 and classes are FREE! Zombies were all over the place looking particularly ghoulish and the Sierra Madre Playhouse passed out cards about their Halloween events...more great family FREE shows! Candy was flying in every direction and watching the little ones scramble for it is just a hoot. We were delighted to see the Search & Rescue Team, and riding with them was our friend, Rae Anderson, who is on the Search & Rescue Board and is now 92!

Isn't this the greatest place to live! Every restaurant in town was doing fantastic business all day on the 4th and that's good for all of us. Loved seeing Citizen of the Year, Dave Loera and Nina and Clem Bartolai, our Grand Marshals. Sierra Madre Music had a super float with a great band and singer. Our Rose Float is going to be incredible with paddle wielding flamingos floating in umbrellas. This year's winning design was submitted by Richard Burrows and is a fitting design/tribute, as longtime SMRFA President Bob Young, who passed away last year, was a big fan of flamingos.

Well, our tomatoes are looking better, the cantaloupe seeds we planted are making nifty little vines and our potato salad was devoured at the family barbeque. Doesn't get much better than this! Hope you have a great week and shorter showers than you ever thought possible are becoming a personal challenge.

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During the week of Sunday, June 28th, to Sunday, July 5th, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 288 calls for service.

Thursday, July 2nd

At 10:36 pm, Sierra Madre Police responded to the 2000 block of Santa Anita Ave regarding a residential burglary. Upon arrival, Officers were informed by the victim that earlier that day while away, she had received notification from her alarm company that her security control panel had experienced a power failure. She arrived to the residence at around 10 pm and entered the rear double doors. She stated she noticed the doors were closed but unlocked. The victim informed Officers that the residence is currently up for sale and is vacant. While she searched the house, she noticed in the kitchen that the stove had been stolen. During their investigation, Officers discovered the security system motion sensors, portable security system control panel, and the residence key box were stolen. This case has been forwarded to the Detective Bureau.

Friday, July 3rd

At 1:26 am, Sierra Madre Police responded to the 100 block of West Sierra Madre Blvd reading a criminal threats investigation. Upon arrival, the victim informed Officers that she had dated the suspect for

several months, but when she decided to end the relationship, he became violent. She stated he had been calling and texting her all day, harassing her and threatening her life. Officers searched the area and were unable to locate the suspect. At around 2:23 am, Officers were patrolling the area when the victim flagged them down and informed them that she had seen the suspect near her location. Upon returning, Officers were informed by the victim that the suspect called her and told her that he would harm her for snitching on him. He stated he watched her talk to Officers and was hiding and waiting until the Officer that was parked across from her home would leave so that he could harm her. Officers searched the area and were able to locate the suspect. Initially the suspect gave a false name and denied knowing the victim. The victim positively identified the suspect and the man was placed under arrest. This case has been forwarded to the Pasadena District Attorney's Office for filing. At 7:27 am, Sierra Madre Police responded to the 100 block of Holdman Avenue regarding motor vehicle burglary. Upon arrival, Officers were informed by the victim that the night before, he parked and secured his vehicle in his driveway. The following morning the victim came out discovered that his vehicle had been broken in to and miscellaneous power tools were stolen. This case has been forwarded to the Detectives Bureau.

FREE SUMMER FUN IN THE LIBRARY

Sierra Madre, CA. – July 7, 2015 – Enjoy air-conditioned comfort as you attend three free fun events at the Sierra Madre Public Library this coming Saturday, July 11.

The Sound of Disaster. Join the Sierra Madre firefighters as they show how to respond to an emergency. All ages welcome, program starts at 10:00 am.

Local History Tour at the Library. The whole family is invited to attend a digital tour of Disaster Strikes. 11:00 am led by the Teen History Docents using the Digital Storyboard.

Salsa Dancing Lessons. Adults, bring a partner, or find one here, as we learn to Salsa! "Very Fun Programs" will show you all you need to have a great time with Salsa dancing, starting at 4:00 pm.

Check the website or brochures in the library for the summer schedule and join us for free programs all summer long!

Read, Discover, Connect @ Sierra Madre Public Library, 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024, (626) 355-7186, www.cityofsierramadre.com/departments/library.

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ATTEMPTED MURDER OF ARCADIA POLICE OFFICER

An Arcadia police officer was choked by a 24 year-old Monrovia man Monday afternoon while two officers tried to subdue him. The man, David King Brewster, has been charged with attempted murder of a police officer.

During the incident Brewster allegedly also punched another officer in the face.

Officers initially responded to a call shortly after 3 p.m. July 6 in the 400 block of East Huntington Drive near the border of Monrovia. The caller reported a man loitering in front of a business and disturbing and scaring customers.

Officers reported that the “extremely agitated man” appeared to be under the influence of a controlled substance.

According to the police report, shortly after the officers made contact with Brewster, he became combative and began fighting with them for no apparent reason. While defending themselves, the two officers attempted to take the Brewster into custody for his assault on them. During the fight, police report that Brewster punched one of the officers in the face and choked the other officer in an attempt to cause serious or fatal injury to him. Both officers fought with Brewster until additional officers arrived on scene to lend assistance.

Soon thereafter, officers were able to gain control of Brewster and place him under arrest.

Both officers suffered visible injuries and were examined at a nearby hospital before being released a few hours later. Brewster suffered minor injuries and was also taken to a nearby hospital before being cleared for booking and housing and transferred to the custody of the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department. His booking number is 4378580 and his bail is \$1 million under the charge of PC 664/187 – Attempted Murder of a Police Officer – amongst other charges.

This incident is being investigated by Arcadia Police Department Detectives. Anyone with information on this incident is encouraged to contact the Arcadia Police Department at (626) 574-5151, case #15-3332.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE DAY CAMP AND SPORTS CAMP! LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!

The Recreation and Community Services Department offers the Outdoor Adventure Day Camp at Wilderness Park with 6 weeks left from July 13th to August 21st. There are still some spots available but hurry because they are filling up fast. Each camp features a variety of fun summer activities for youth ages 5-12.

The Sports Camp is held at Dana Gym, 1401 S. First Avenue, Arcadia and two weeks are still available starting August 10th to August 21st. The week of August 10th is for youth ages 11-15 and the week of August 17th is for youth ages 6-10. There is limited space in the sports camps as well! This camp utilizes the school’s athletic facilities and features a variety of fun sports activities for youth including swimming, flag football, basketball, softball, soccer, volleyball and other fun group games. Each week there are two excursions and two swim days.



Both day and sports camps are \$110 per week. To get a copy of the summer “Buzz” go to the city’s website at www.ci.arcadia.ca.us under the Recreation and Community Services Department to download a copy. To register in person, please come by the Recreation Office, 375 Campus Drive, Arcadia. The “Buzz” also displays programs and classes for the 2015 summer season in our new, more user-friendly format for you and your family. Do you want to know what the “Buzz” is about in Arcadia? Look on line to check out the latest copy of “The Peacock Buzz” to find out! For more questions, please contact the Recreation Department at 626.574.5113.

About the City of Arcadia
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CITY OF ARCADIA - SUMMER CONCERT & MOVIES IN THE PARK SERIES!

The Arcadia Recreation and Community Services Department proudly announces the Summer Concert and Movie Series for 2015!

Mark your calendar! The City of Arcadia’s FREE summer concert series is approaching fast, so make sure you don’t miss out on the fun in the sun! The summer concerts are held on Thursday evenings starting at 6:30-8pm on the lawn between City Hall and the Police Department (240 West Huntington Drive). Bring the kids out to participate in the FREE fun zone, featuring games, crafts, and activities each week. In addition, the City is pleased to announce The Grilled Cheese Truck at all of the 2015 Summer Concert Series! We look forward to making your hearts melt with all of our cheesy goodness. A portion of the proceeds will be given to the Recreation and Community Services Department! For more information, please call 626.574.5113.

ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, June 28th, through Saturday, July 4th, the Police Department responded to 1,134 calls for service of which 123 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, June 28:

Just before 10:38 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 900 block of Fairview Avenue regarding a mail theft report. The officer discovered an unknown suspect pried open numerous mail boxes at the location. The total loss was unknown at the time of the report. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

At approximately 1:48 p.m., an officer responded to Macy’s at the Westfield Shopping Town, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a theft report. An investigation revealed the 18-year-old male from Pasadena concealed merchandise in a shopping bag and exited the store, failing to make payment. The suspect was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Monday, June 29:

At about 6:35 a.m., an officer responded to Arcadia High School, 180 Campus Drive, regarding a commercial burglary report. Sometime during the weekend, unknown suspect(s) tampered with the locks of four vending machines on campus and stole an unknown amount of cash and coins. The investigation is ongoing.

At approximately 3:32 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 1100 block of Oakwood Drive regarding a burglary report. An investigation revealed unknown suspect(s) pried open a bathroom window, ransacked the residence, and fled undetected with an unspecified amount of property. The crime occurred sometime between 11:30 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. on this date. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

Tuesday, June 30:

Around 1:06 a.m., an officer conducted an enforcement stop on a vehicle in the area of Huntington Drive and Santa Clara Street for driving with a broken headlight. During a consensual search of the vehicle, the officer located a glass pipe commonly used to smoke methamphetamine. The 23-year-old female from Los Angeles was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Just after 9:13 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 900 block of Arcadia Avenue regarding a domestic violence report. During an argument between a husband and wife, the husband pushed his wife, causing her to fall and injure herself. The 33-year-old male from Arcadia was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking. The victim did not request medical attention.

Wednesday, July 1:

Shortly after 5:34 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 900 block of Sunset Boulevard regarding a stolen vehicle report. Sometime during the previous night, an unknown suspect stole the victim’s vehicle. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

At about 12:01 p.m., officers responded to the area of Sunset Boulevard and Duarte Road regarding a female subject who was seen pushing a stroller across the street and appeared intoxicated. Upon contacting the female, the officer detected a strong odor of alcohol

emitting from her breath and located a 3-year-old juvenile in the stroller. The 45-year-old female from San Gabriel was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking. The child was released to DCFS.

Thursday, July 2:

At approximately 1:25 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 400 block of West Duarte Road regarding a trespassing report. The victim stated an acquaintance she met 5 days prior climbed onto her balcony, entered her apartment through an unlocked door, and, believing he left his property in her car, attempted to retrieve his items. The victim showed the suspect she did not have his property and the suspect fled with two accomplices.

The suspect is described as a white male, about 28-years-old, 5’7” tall, thin build, with a tear drop tattoo underneath each eye. The investigation is ongoing.

Around 8:54 p.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Huntington Drive and La Cadena Avenue for expired registration. Upon contacting the driver, the officer detected a strong odor of marijuana emitting from inside of the vehicle. The driver admitted to having marijuana, Xanax pills, and scales in the vehicle. The 19-year-old male from Duarte was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Friday, July 3:

At about 1:38 a.m., an officer conducted an area check of a business complex in the 400 block of East Huntington Drive and located a suspicious vehicle occupied by an unknown male. A records check revealed the owner of the vehicle had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. The officer verified the suspicious male was the owner of the vehicle. The 52-year-old male from Monrovia was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Just after 8:54 p.m., an officer initiated an enforcement stop on a vehicle in the area of Duarte Road and Santa Anita Avenue for crossing a double yellow line. Upon making contact with the driver, the officer detected a strong odor of alcohol emitting from the driver’s breath. A series of tests concluded the driver, a 36-year-old male from Monrovia, had a blood alcohol content of .18%. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Saturday, July 4:

Just after 4:03 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 200 block of West Las Flores Avenue regarding a robbery report. An investigation revealed two unknown suspects ransacked the victim’s home and demanded cash from the victim and his father. The suspects fled in a gray, four-door vehicle in an unknown direction.

Suspect 1 is described as a black male, 20 to 30-years-old, black hair, with a small black handgun. Suspect 2 is described as a black male wearing a dark hooded sweatshirt. The investigation is ongoing.

At approximately 6:19 p.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Huntington Drive and Santa Clara Street for having a broken brake light. Upon contacting the driver, the officer discovered the 30-year-old female from Pasadena was driving with a suspended license. She was cited and released in the field. The vehicle was released to a licensed passenger.

FAMILY NATURE HIKE – STURTEVANT FALLS! SATURDAY JULY 25TH, 7:30AM SHARP!

We will meet at the Community Center at 7:30am sharp and board a bus to the trailhead in Sierra Madre and enjoy a relatively easy hike that totals 3.7 miles round trip. Join us as we hike through Big Santa Anita Canyon via Chantry Flat to a 50-foot waterfall. The thick chaparral and lush scenery offers a delightful saunter. Along the creek side trail you are soothed by the sights and sounds of sparkling water playfully dancing and splashing under a canopy of alder, oak and willow. Along the route you will also see dozens of rustic cabins that were built in the early 1900’s. Be sure to bring sunscreen and a hat. At the end of our hike we will enjoy a picnic lunch. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is required. The cost is \$15 and includes lunch and transportation. You can register now, on-line or in person! To download the registration form, go on-line to the City of Arcadia’s website: www.ci.arcadia.ca.us or stop by the office, 375 Campus Drive. For more information please call 626.574.5113!

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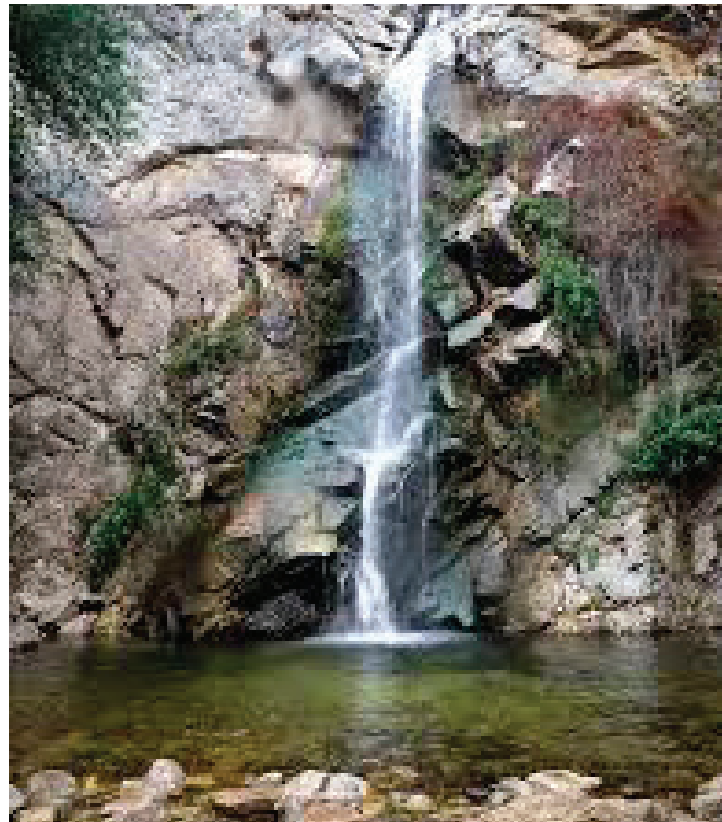
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Although more customers are learning to recognize phone scams, impostors continue to cheat people out of their money using more elaborate, deceptive, and persistent plays. Scammers also have created fake telephone lines and recordings that state: “Hello. Thank you for calling Southern California Edison Disconnection Department.” Another trick is telling customers local police will be called if they don’t pay immediately. Don’t fall for these types of scams! Utility companies will not call and make such demands. HERE is additional information on scams from SCE. If you receive such a call, please report the incident to both your local police and SCE at 1-800-655-4555.

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COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TO HOST SAN DIEGO PRAISE TEAM

A Praise Team from San Diego will join with the Family Choir at Community Presbyterian Church on Sunday, July 19. Together they will celebrate the Lord’s Day at the 11 a.m. worship service. The Family Choir is composed of children, parents, and grandparents who regularly meet at 10 a.m. to prepare their joyful music. All are welcome to attend and share the worshipful music and energetic singing. For more information, call Tabitha Henken, 626-447-9506. The Community Presbyterian Church is at 4602 N. Peck Rd., El Monte; phone 626-448-5403.

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RESIDENTS TO CELEBRATE THE CITY'S 32ND ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME, AUG. 4TH WITH NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BLOCK PARTIES

DUARTE, CA, July 7, 2015 – Ribs, hot dogs, popcorn and a free screening of the classic flick Jurassic Park may not appear like traditional crime fighting but that's exactly what Duarte residents will be doing when they gather at Encanto Park on August 4, 2015 to celebrate the City's 32nd annual National Night Out Against Crime.

Neighborhood Watch block captains, with the support of Duarte Public Safety and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, are inviting all Duarte residents to this free event. Non-profit, Marvell West will provide free hot dogs, ribs and hot links at 6:00 p.m. with the movie starting at sunset. Duarte deputies, firefighters, non-profit and other local organizations, as well as city officials will be on hand to serve food and giveaway over \$500 in raffle prizes provided by event sponsor, Target of Duarte. Residents are also invited to bring donations of canned goods to the movie night.

"Neighborhood Watch is one of the most effective and least costly ways to prevent crime and reduce fear because it fights the isolation that crime both creates and feeds upon. It forges bonds among area residents, helps reduce burglaries and robberies, and improves relationships between law enforcement and the communities they serve," said Duarte Public Safety Director, Brian Villalobos.

Hundreds of Duarte residents are expected to participate in the annual citywide "going away party" for crime. As a National Night Out participant, Duarte residents join citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials from over 10,000 communities across the nation in the fight against crime. The crime, drug and violence prevention program, sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch is designed to send a message to criminals that neighborhoods are organized against crime and fighting back. Encanto Park is located at 751 Encanto parkway, Duarte, CA 91010. Don't miss this opportunity to go outdoors, mingle with neighbors, deputies, firefighters and local organizations and enjoy a free dinner and a movie. For more information, contact the Duarte Public Safety Department, call Aida Torres at Duarte Public Safety (626) 359-5671, ext. 316, or A2torres@lasd.org.

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 or call (626) 357-7931. Follow the City of Duarte on Twitter @CityofDuarte.

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.

Driving Under the Influence – Suspect Arrested July 3 at 1:23 a.m., police received a call reporting a possible drunk driver. The caller observed the driver drinking behind a business near Myrtle and Evergreen. The caller saw the subject get in his vehicle and reported him to police as he was leaving the area. Officers located the vehicle and saw the driver swerve and nearly hit a parked car. The driver was stopped and, through investigation, he was determined to be driving under the influence; the driver was arrested and held for sobering.

Domestic Violence – Suspect Arrested July 3 at 1:15 p.m., an officer was sent to the 500 block of West Olive on the report of a male and female arguing inside of a parked vehicle. Officers arrived and, through investigation, determined the male subject was the primary aggressor. The subjects are in a dating relationship and were involved in an argument. During the argument, the male suspect grabbed the victim by the back of the neck, squeezing for several seconds before releasing his grip. The suspect also slapped the victim several times. The suspect was arrested and taken into custody; he was held pending his court appearance.

Possession of a Controlled Substance/Outstanding Warrant – Suspect Arrested July 4 at 9:57 a.m., an officer observed a bicyclist riding erratically in and out of the roadway and crosswalk in the 400 block of West Huntington Drive. He stopped and contacted the subject. The subject told the officer he had methamphetamine in his pocket. The officer searched the subject and found that he was in possession of methamphetamine; he was arrested and taken into custody. A computer check revealed the subject also had an outstanding warrant for his arrest, which was added to his charges.

Warrant – Suspect Arrested July 5 at 7:31 p.m., officers were dispatched to the 500 block of Linwood regarding a welfare check. The caller reported her father was extremely intoxicated and she thought he was going to get in his car and drive away. The subject was found sitting on the curb in front of the home. A computer check of the subject revealed two outstanding misdemeanor warrants for his arrest. He was arrested and taken into custody for the warrants.

Residential Burglary July 6 at 5:49 p.m., a residential burglary was reported in the 200 block of East Maple. The night before,

the victim closed his automatic garage door and went into his house. He thought it had closed all the way, but at 7:00 a.m. the next morning, he walked outside and saw the garage door was partially open, with enough room for someone to crawl underneath. He closed it all the way and went to work. When he returned home from work, he opened his garage door and noticed several car batteries and a hydraulic fuel pump had been stolen. He immediately called the police. The investigation is continuing.

Drug Paraphernalia/Under the Influence – Suspect Arrested July 7 at 1:21 a.m., an officer was on patrol in the 500 block of South Myrtle when he saw a male subject loitering around a bank's ATM machines; however, he was not using the machines. The male had a bandana covering his face and he was sweating, appearing suspicious. The officer contacted the subject, who told the officer he was stealing electricity from the bank by charging his cell phone in their outside electrical outlet. The subject was showing signs of being under the influence of a controlled substance, so the officer conducted a drug evaluation. He was arrested for being under the influence, and he was found to be in possession of an almost empty baggy of methamphetamine and a used, glass smoking pipe.

Park Closed – Citations Issued July 7 at 2:08 a.m., an officer was patrolling a park in the 500 block of South Mountain and located two male subjects camping out and sleeping after the park closed. Signs were posted notifying the subjects that the park was closed; they were both issued citations and asked to leave the park.

Grand Theft Auto July 7 at 4:38 p.m., a vehicle was reported stolen from the 600 block of West Huntington Drive. The vehicle is a 2015, Chevy Camaro and was stolen from a business parking lot. The victim saw the vehicle being driven away by a male suspect, but did not realize the car was hers until she found that her vehicle was gone from where she had parked it. The investigation is continuing.

Warrant – Suspect Arrested July 7 at 10:28 p.m., officers responded to a market in the 400 block of West Foothill regarding a male subject who was causing a disturbance in the parking lot with store customers. When the officers arrived, a computer check revealed the male had two outstanding warrants for his arrest. The male subject was arrested and taken into custody for the warrants.



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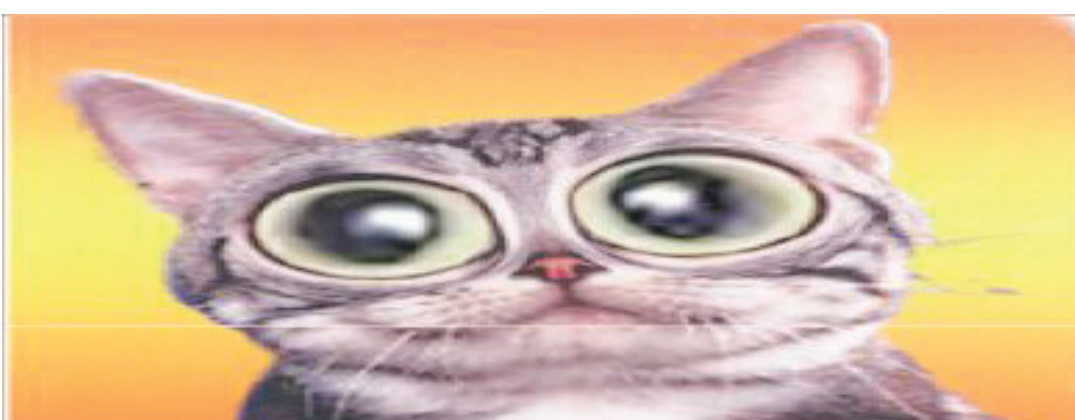
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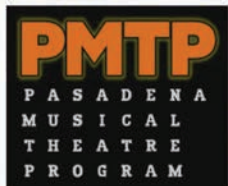
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The Girls Empowerment Summer Camp runs Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 6:00 pm, from June 29th to August 7th. Our camp builds self-esteem and new friendships, explores new ideas, develops fresh skills, and empowers girls to dream big. We provide countless activities based on several components: physical, emotional, spiritual, environmental, intellectual and social wellness to provide a well rounded experience for the girls. For more information, please see bit.ly/GESC15

Many of the girls that attend the camp are underserved and from economically challenged backgrounds. That's where we need your help. Over 60% of the girls in our summer camp this year are on partial or full scholarships. These girls are the most in need of what our camp has to offer. It gives them the chance to see and experience things that might not otherwise be possible due to financial and/or familial circumstances. Many of our girls have never had a family member go to college, visited the Huntington Library & Gardens, or even been to the beach. Your support will allow them to broaden their horizons by allowing them to visit landmarks like the LA Zoo and the Getty Museum, learn new skills and concepts with our science, technology and financial workshops, and build a community with each other and our camp counselors.

Please donate today and change the life of a girl in need.

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THE REEL DEAL: by Ben Show INSIDE OUT REVIEW

It has been quite a while since Pixar has made an original movie (not a sequel). Pixar, in the late 90s and early 2000s, was a powerhouse in the market of animated movies, but has taken a back seat in recent years with Marvel creating so many movies, Disney also starting a new path of remakes and animated movies, and Lucasfilm developing the new 'Star Wars' film. Is 'Inside Out' as good as the other Pixar classics or has the studio lost its magic touch?

Joy (Amy Poehler) finds her job of keeping young Riley (Kaitlyn Dias) happy all the time with all the other emotions running around her head: Sadness (Phyllis Smith), Fear (Bill Hader), Disgust (Mindy Kaling), and Anger (Lewis Black); however, all of their lives are completely changed when Riley and her parents move from Minnesota to San Francisco. Major changes start happening in Riley's head and the emotions must figure out how to get themselves and her through them.

'Inside Out' is one of Pixar's greatest films to date. The bright colors and funny characters will keep kids interested, while the inventive story and complex ideas presented in the film will keep adults fixated on the screen. This film not only introduces kids to important ideas about growing up, but teaches adults not to forget their childhoods, but to grow from them. 'Inside Out' is truly amazing.



All the kids in our neighborhood...

...meet at the park to play games!

Kids: color stuff in!

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Careful, Petal!

Do you like to play games? Children and adults all over the world enjoy games. If you were to visit different countries and play games with the people who live there you would find games similar to those you play at home with your family and friends. The name of the game might seem strange. The rules and materials used to play the game might vary from what you would use, but the idea of the game would basically be the same.

Some adults think kids don't know how to play many games anymore. Well, sharpen your pencil and get ready to find out what you really do know.

Match the games to skills used while playing them:

- ball games
- thinking games
- jumping games
- party games

- singing, acting
- hopping, skipping
- catching, throwing
- judging, remembering

Hold a game day!

Ask your Mom or Dad if it's okay to invite a few friends to join in!

street jumping thinking seeking ball

party running holiday finger singing

We use lots of skills when we play. Running, tagging, hopping, skipping, thinking, balancing, and seeking are just a few things we do while playing. There are many kinds of games. They all demand different sets of skills. Can you study the picture clues to fill in some kinds of games?

Outdoor Games

10th

Sigh! All these fun extra puzzles mean extra work for me!

On Wednesdays in July look for our July Wednesday Surprise puzzles! They will keep kids thinking!

Come to print out our new puzzles: Outdoor Games, Perfect Picnics, Super Hero Sounds, & Outer Space, Space, Space @ www.readingclubfun.com



by Chris Leclerc

WE'VE GOT TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER

"One Love, One Heart... Let's Get Together and Feel Alright." ~ Bob Marley

When I was a kid, I remember the adults saying, "When one stops learning, one stops living". That probably meant very little to me at the time, but as I grew older and had my own personal experiences with living, I began to realize the amazing lessons that God's wonderful creatures can teach us.

I once saw a video that reminded of an amazing phenomenon of nature that truly astounds me, and makes me wonder, "How can this be?" I am talking about animals of distant and unrelated species who are apparently able to put away their inherent instinctive differences to not only survive, but to share symbiotic and friendly relationships with other beings that are for the most part, very different from themselves.

There have been many documented accounts of cross-species relationships over the years, but the e-mailed video that brought this subject to mind, was uniquely inspiring. It was a home movie showing a dog and a wild crow playing together in an enormous back yard at the pup's home in the south part of Germany in 2006.

The dog was apparently quite a social sort, but there were no other pets in his home to interact with, so having become lonely for companionship, he decided to befriend a huge crow that came flying out of a tall tree nearby and plopped itself down in the backyard. The crow promptly commenced squawking at the dog and taunting him. Instead of rushing forward and frightening the seemingly crazy crow, the dog approached slowly, whimpered humbly and proceeded to rub his furry neck against the big black bird's beak! Soon they were inseparable pals, spending all their time together under the tree canopies in the back yard. Who knew?

After watching that video, I decided to look up more information about unusual cross-species relationships, and I found a few similar stories. One was about a maternal relationship that developed between "Pixie", a darling standard poodle, and three abandoned wild squirrels who, by forces beyond their control, showed up on the poodle's property in March 2010. The tree where the squirrel family had nested for years was felled by chainsaws, so the adult squirrels were left with no choice but to abandon the nest.

The three infant squirrels were too tiny to run when the tree came down, so they were left lying in the grass where Pixie romped and played daily. In an epic stroke of fate, Pixie opted to befriend the squirrels rather than attack them, as one might expect a dog to do. Not only was

Pixie friendly with the baby squirrels, she allowed them to exploit the remaining lactated milk left over from a recently birthed litter of puppies. If it hadn't been for Pixie's willingness to show random kindness, those baby squirrels would most likely have perished. As it turned out, all three of those squirrels survived and grew strong enough to be released back into the wild.

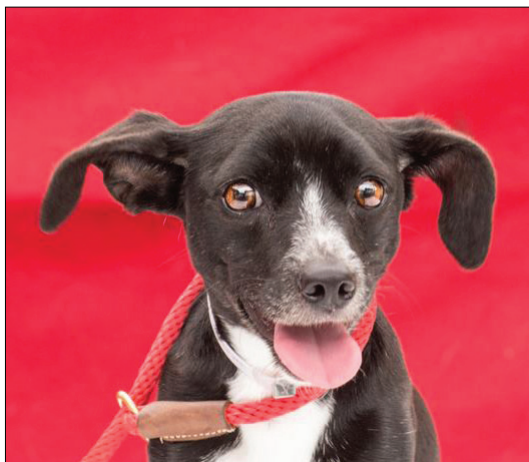
Another remarkable account of an unlikely loving relationship between members of two very different species happened at the Elephant Sanctuary in Hohenwald, Tennessee, just southwest of Nashville. In this case, a young female elephant affectionately named "Bella" bonded with a yellow lab named "Tara". All of the other elephants at the sanctuary chose a friend of their own species to connect with, but apparently Bella ended up the 5th wheel in the deal, so with no other elephant to partner with, she focused her need for friendship on a cute, cuddly canine companion. There are several rescued elephants and dogs at the Sanctuary in Hohenwald who share the same open space, but the two species typically avoid contact with each other. However, the two unlikely lovebirds named Bella and Tara are absolutely inseparable. They eat together, wander together and even sleep together.

I observe and learn so much from the animals every day. They truly inspire me, and I hope to play it forward by inspiring others in the same way. If animals, both domestic and wild can be willing to forego instinctual expectations in order to love and be loved by someone very different from themselves, why can't we humans do the same?

I don't know about you, but I am willing to cross the bridge of unfamiliarity and reach out to those with whom I may have very little in common. When I do take that chance, I find that I learn a lot, not only about other people, but about myself. I learn about living with a giving spirit and it allows me the opportunity to get out of my own head and be part of something bigger than myself. And, interestingly enough, I typically find out that I have more in common than not, with the folks I thought were so very different from me. Learn from the animals, love and let live!

PET OF THE WEEK OREO: ANIMAL ID #A4846601

Dogs know when they are rescued, and they return the love tenfold! Such will be the case with Oreo (A4846601) if he were to be adopted. Oreo is a tender loving 1½-year-old black-and-white male Chihuahua and Dachshund mix (aka a Chiweenie) whose owner left him at the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center on June 22nd for no known reason. Weighing 11 pounds, Oreo finds the noisy shelter environment stressful, but we expect he will blossom once in a home. He is initially shy with new people, but warms up quickly into a sweet and attentive character. He walks fine on leash, but could use additional training to polish his skills. Oreo gets along with other dogs, and is a wonderful listener, watching his handler carefully with his big brown eyes. Oreo will thrive in a big-hearted home eager to have the wonderful reward of watching his confidence flourish outside of the shelter. To watch a video of Oreo, visit the following link: <https://youtu.be/GkGgdUZltsA>



To meet Oreo in person, please see him at the Baldwin Park Shelter, located at 4275 N. Elton, Baldwin Park, CA 91706 (Phone: 626-430-2378 or 626-962-3577). He is available now. For any inquiries about Oreo, please reference his animal ID number: A4846601. 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 Oreo or the adoption process, contact United Hope for Animals Volunteer Adoption Coordinator Samantha at Samantha@hope4animals.org. To learn more about United Hope for Animals' partnership with the Baldwin Park Shelter through its Shelter Support Program, as well as the many dogs of all breeds, ages, and sizes available for adoption in local shelters, visit <http://www.unitedhope4animals.org/about-us/shelter-support-program/>.



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LOOKING FOR A BEST FRIEND?

Meet Squiggy! Squiggy is a handsome terrier mix, about 2 years old and weighing around 15 pounds. He has a wiry medium length coat of black with tan highlights. He came to the shelter as a stray with no identification, and has not been claimed.

Squiggy has a calm energy level and a mellow disposition. He is a friendly boy who is very fond of people and loves getting pets and attention. He is perfectly content to lie down next to his person, or maybe even share a lap. Squiggy is a world-class snuggler.

Squiggy is easy to harness and he walks well on leash, pleased to sniff and explore the world in a relaxed manner. He is happy to take a break and lie on the grass next to his walker, especially if there is some attention involved – maybe some treats, or even better, a belly rub or back massage.

Squiggy appears to enjoy the company of other dogs, especially if they have the same calm energy that he has. He is a bit independent, and quite happy on his own, but he and his kennel mate get along well and have formed a harmonious relationship with each other.

Squiggy is looking for a forever home where he is part of the family, sharing in daily activities. This happy, friendly boy has a lot of affection to give



in return for a loving, secure home. He might do well with another compatible dog in the household, but he could also be quite content as the only dog. If you think Squiggy might be the right new best friend for you, please come in and meet him.

His adoption fee is \$120 which includes his neuter surgery, a microchip, first vaccinations and a free wellness check-up at a participating

veterinarian.

If you are interested in meeting Squiggy or any of the other available animals at the shelter, visit the [San Gabriel Valley Humane Society](http://SanGabrielValleyHumaneSociety.org) at 851 E. Grand Ave., San Gabriel, Calif. 91776. It is open 10:00am to 4:30pm Tuesday thru Sunday. For more information, call (626) 286-1159. See their website at www.sgvhumane.org for information and photos of all their wonderful pets.

SGVHS Calendar Photo Contest: Pet photos wanted! If you have some great pet photos and want to share, the shelter welcomes your best photos in their second annual calendar contest. It's easy - just email your landscape (horizontal) format photos to sgvhscalendar@gmail.com. Tell your friends, family and co-workers! Everyone is invited to compete. The submission deadline is Saturday, July 11, 2015.

SHOP BALDWIN AVENUE - SIERRA MADRE!

PARKWAY GRILLE GOOD AS IT EVER WAS

TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills
thechefknows@yahoo.com

I decided to revisit one of the most popular and well-respected restaurants in Pasadena. The Parkway Grill has been awarded-congratulated and praised for over twenty-five years. And, for

good reason. Parkway Grill has proven to be very consistent, which has always been a formula for success.

Would Friday's lunch pass the Peter Dills' test? Sure, with flying Colors. Why is The Parkway Grill so successful, I believe owners Gregg and Bob Smith will settle for nothing less. Am I giving you a "homer" review? Nope!!! Paid for my own meal. Both Gregg and Bob were present at the restaurant, a good sign.



But let's stick to the task at hand. On my Friday afternoon visit, Seems that I have been here a hundred times, I decided to sit in the bar for lunch I wanted to keep on eye on CNBC in hopes that my stock my actually break even. My server/bartender was Kevin and he gleefully handed me lunch menu. After he rattled off a few weekly specials, I opted to stick with

the regular lunch menu. I started with Parkway's Caesar salad (\$13), ahhh perfect, Caesar Cardina would be very proud!!!

The Romaine was prefect and the croutons were mixed correctly with the dressing. We are off to a very good start. Second up, blue crab cakes(\$18) while not the same as I remember from my days living in Maryland, I good choice nevertheless.

My final choice the main course was the Roasted Mary's chicken (\$28), cooked perfectly and was a big enough portion to share with



"Dining with Dills"
Sundays at 6PM

AM 830

my table (bar) mates. All in all two thumbs way up!!! Parkway Grill always is a great choice and today's lunch was no different. Dessert? Forget about it! I'm stuffed.

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Listen to Dining with Dills on Angels Radio KLAA AM 830 Sundays at 6 PM.



INGREDIENTS

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

DIRECTIONS

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

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HOW TO CHOOSE THE BEST PLACE TO RETIRE

Dear Savvy Senior,

My wife and I will both be retiring in a year or two and are interested in moving to a smaller house in a better climate but could use some help. What resources can you recommend for locating and researching good places to retire in the U.S.?

Looking To Relocate

Dear Looking,

If you're interested in relocating when you retire, like millions of other baby boomers, there are a wide variety of free Web-based resources that can help you find and research a new location that meet your wants, needs and budget. Here are several to help you get started.

Where to Retire?

If you aren't sure where you want to retire, a good place to begin is by taking a retirement test at sites like Sperling's Best Places (bestplaces.net/fybp) or Find Your Spot (findyourspot.com). These are free quizzes that ask dozens of questions on your preferences such as climate, recreation, community size and more, and suggest possible destinations that best match your answers.

There are also various media sources and websites, like U.S. News and World Report, Kiplinger's, Forbes, Money magazine, Reuters, Bankrate.com, TopRetirements.com, the Milken Institute and AARP that publish top retirement location lists you may find helpful too. To find them, go to any search engine and type in "best places to retire" along with the name of the media source.

You should also consider getting a subscription to "Where to Retire" magazine (wheretoretire.com, 713-974-6903), which is designed to help you find ideal retirement settings. A yearly subscription runs \$18 for six issues.

Once you find a few areas that interest you, your next step is research them. Here are some important areas you need to investigate.

Cost of living: Can you afford to live comfortably in the location you want to retire to? BestPlaces.net and Numbeo.com offer tools to compare the cost of living from your current location to where you would like to move. They compare housing costs, food, utilities, transportation and more.

Taxes: Some states are more tax friendly to



retirees than others. If you're planning to move to another state, Kiplinger's has a tax guide for retirees at Kiplinger.com/links/retireetaxmap that lets you find and compare taxes state-by-state. It covers income taxes, sales tax, taxes on retirement income, Social Security benefits taxes, property taxes, and inheritance and estate taxes.

Crime rate: To evaluate how safe a community or area is, NeighborhoodScout.com is a top tool that provides property and violent crime rates, and crimes per square mile.

Healthcare: Does the area you want to relocate to have easy access to good healthcare? To locate and research hospitals in a new area, use HospitalCompare.hhs.gov and QualityCheck.org. To search for new doctors that accept your insurance, contact your plan, or, if you're 65 or older use Medicare.gov/physiciancompare. It's also important to know that healthcare costs can vary by region, so you should contact your insurer to check out possible cost variables.

Transportation: If you plan to travel much, or expect frequent visits from your kids or grandkids, convenient access to an airport or train station is a nice advantage. You should also investigate alternative transportation options, since most retirees give up driving in there eighties. To do this contact Rides in Sight (ridesinsight.org, 855-607-4337), a free transportation referral service, and the Area Aging Agency - call the Eldercare Locator at 800-677-1116 to get the local number.

Other Resources

To learn more about specific communities across the U.S., AARP's new livability index (livabilityindex.aarp.org) along with Epodunk.com and GangsAway.com are three excellent resources, as well as the city's chamber of commerce office. To locate it, go to any search engine and type in the name of the city and state followed by "chamber of commerce."

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

SENIOR HAPPENINGS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ... July Birthdays*

Nina Bartolai, Mary Lou Caldwell, Louise Neiby, Eunice Banis, Betty Hansen, Christine Durfort, Shahrzad Azrani, Jeanne Borgedahl, Janet Cox, Dorothy Montgomery, Bess Pancoska, Janet Swanson, Linda Thunes, Barbara Watson, Pat Alcorn, Karma Bell, Alice Clark, Dorothy Jerneycic, and Betty Dos Remedios.

*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:

Ganna Walska Lotusland (Santa Barbara) Date: July 17, 2015
Time: 7:30am to 5:00pm

Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center Cost: \$45.00 (Does not include lunch)
Description: Lotusland features an enormous diversity of exotic plants from around the globe arranged in nearly 20 gardens, each distinctive in design. The garden now covering the estate were created by Ganna Walska, a well known Polish opera singer and socialite, who owned the property from 1941 until her death in 1984. She spent 43 years of her life designing unusual display gardens with exotic plants. We will take a two hour docent guided walking tour. The tour includes both horticultural and historical information. There will be time to visit the Garden Shop at the end of the tour. Lunch will be on your own at nearby restaurants. Participants should bring money for lunch and souvenirs. Last day to register is Wednesday, July 2nd. Level of Walking: Medium to High

California Science Center (Los Angeles) Date: August 12, 2015

Time: 9:30am to 5:00pm

Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center Cost: \$28.00 (Does not include lunch)

Description: The California Science Center in cooperation with the Israel Antiquities Authority is Proud to present the largest Dead Sea Scrolls exhibition ever mounted outside of Israel, featuring over 600 ancient artifact on display. We will also see Jerusalem in the IMAX Theater. Through breathtaking aerial footage, eye-opening personal stories and remarkable historical perspective, Jerusalem takes views inside the heart of the ancient city in ways never seen before. Lunch will be on your own. There is Trimana-Grill, or Market and Coffee Bar at the Science Center for you to enjoy a meal or light snack during your visit. Participants should bring money for lunch and souvenirs. Last day to register is Wednesday, August 5th. Level of Walking: High

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Ex-covert operative Bryan Mills (Liam Neeson) and his ex-wife, Lenore (Franke Janssen), are

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enjoying a reconciliation with his ex-wife when she is brutally murdered. Consumed with rage and framed for the crime and flees, Bryan goes on the run to evade the relentless pursuit of the CIA, FBI and police. For the last time, he channels his rage and particular set of skills into hunting down Lenore's real killers, taking his revenge and protecting the one important thing left in his life: his daughter, Kim (Maggie Grace). Start time: 1:00pm (run time 89 minutes)

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KATIE Tse.....This and That



DROP KICK

Working at a public school, I'm blessed and thankful to have the summers off! While I do relish summer vacation, the lack of interaction with the kids and my coworkers sometimes makes it more difficult to find things to write about. I've never been one to stay on the cutting edge of current events, and in the summer I'm doubly out of the loop. So it's times like this that I can always fall back on my mom's friend, Florence, for a good story or two!

I've chronicled Florence's stories in the paper before, but forgot which alias I gave her. So if her character seems familiar, that's why. In a word --Florence is a riot! It's not just that she can make stories sound funny; she, herself, attracts humorous situations. When my mom relays her friends' stories to me, by the middle of it I can usually tell if Florence is the source. After their most recent get together, my mom thanked Florence for the laughs and said that now I'd have material for my articles. So, you may be reading about Florence for a couple of weeks unless I become otherwise inspired. I can't promise to make the stories as funny as if Florence were telling them, but I'll try. This week, it's about a rabbit --a subject dear to my heart.

Florence comes from a big family and has several siblings. She grew up rural Montebello (yes, Montebello was fairly rural at one time). Living close to nature gave her family a greater connection with native animals. One time her sister got a baby rabbit, a tiny thing about the size of chicken nugget. I assumed, as is the case in many of Florence's stories, that they had rescued it in the wild. But my mom corrected me that it was, in fact, from a local fair. Fairs being what they are, the man who sold it to them didn't provide a detailed lineage of the rabbit. You can imagine their surprise when their nugget-sized bunny grew into a big, honking Flemish Giant!

No, I'm not talking about Norse mythology (although judging by its appearance, this breed's name was probably inspired by Thor or the

Valkeries). Check out photos of these beasts if you haven't already. Their heads are larger than those of the men holding them. They're in the same league as other abnormally sized things you'd find at a county fair. "Here's a cabbage as big as a wrecking ball, a five yard long radish, and Farmer Sven's 18 pound rabbit." The pictures in which people are hoisting them up seem to have been taken quickly. They look strained, with flushed faces. "Take the picture already, Carl! I can't hold her up much longer!"

Needless to say, the rabbit (we'll call him Zeus) was an instant family favorite. His notoriety was rivaled only by the infamy of one of the cousins'

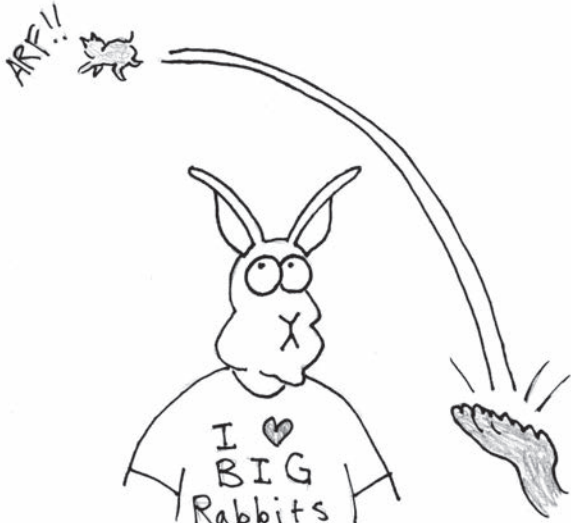
yappy Chihahas (we'll call him Styx). Styx was one of those dogs who, no matter how often you visit or give treats, never remembers you, and therefore barks its head off whenever it sees you. After a few years of trying to form a friendship with Styx, the family gave up and resigned themselves to his incessant yapping whenever his owner came over.

It was one of these family gatherings at Florence's house that Styx met his match. Zeus didn't move

around a lot due to his massive size, but he was very observant, and waited until Styx was close enough to come in contact with Zeus's powerful hind legs. "When an irresistible force meets and old immovable object... something's gotta give!" We all know about flying pigs, but I bet you hadn't heard of air borne Chihuawas!

The flight only temporarily jolted Styx, and he sustained no injuries. However, being the slow learner that Styx was, the Zeus-and-Styx-flying routine played out many more times at holidays and other get-togethers. I can imagine Florence telling her childhood friends to come and see the giant rabbit and the flying dog --and their surprise when they did see it!

* Using spell check sometimes "blocks the flow" when I'm writing, therefore I save it until the final draft. This time my proofreaders (a.k.a. parents) laughed so hard at my horrible misspellings I decided to leave them in!



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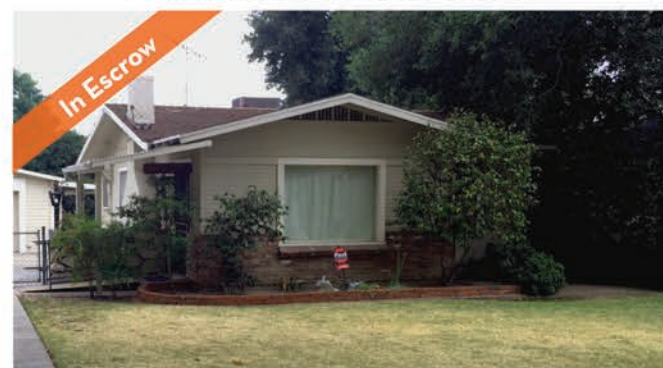
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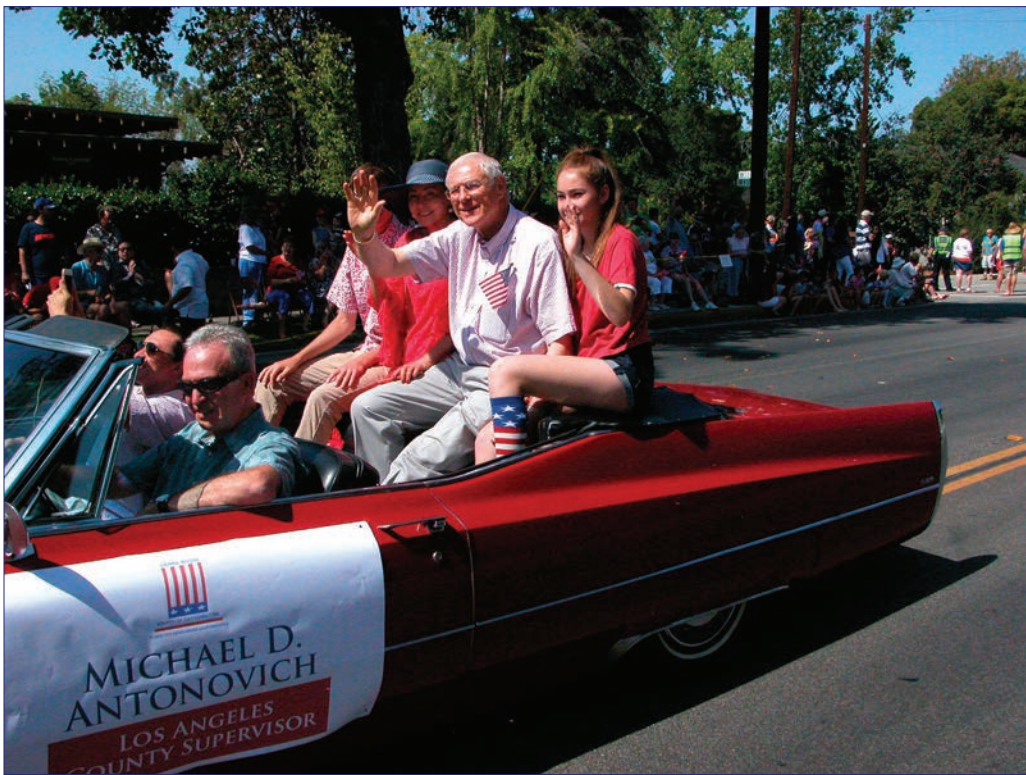
AROUND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

BOARD ENHANCES EFFECTIVENESS OF COUNTY GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

LOS ANGELES COUNTY — The Board of Supervisors unanimously adopted the recommendations of the Interim Chief Executive Officer on a motion by Mayor Michael D. Antonovich and Supervisor Sheila Kuehl to enhance the efficiency of the governance structure and end the failed 2007 interim structure. The Board also directed the CEO to report back to the Board in 90 days with additional changes to governance to further enhance operations.

“Today’s action will improve the Board’s ability to address emerging priorities and ensure effective service delivery with increased collaboration on vital county issues,” said Mayor Antonovich. “The previous costly and bureaucratic interim governance structure was bloated and hindered the ability to provide coordinated services to emancipated youth, veterans, the mentally ill and other vial services.”

In February, the Board unanimously approved a motion by Mayor Antonovich and Supervisor Kuehl that directed the CEO to provide flexibility, transparency and accountability to the County governance structure. The new structure provides Board interaction with departments and improves decision-making by creating ad hoc



Supervisor Antonovich and family in the Sierra Madre July 4th Parade.

Photo by D. Lee/MVNews

units in the Chief Executive Office dedicated to accomplishing Board priorities.

In 2007, the Board of Supervisors adopted an ordinance establishing an interim governance structure for the County which created a “Chief Executive Officer” (CEO). However, a consequence which added layers of county bureaucracy was an increased distance between departments and the Board of Supervisors -- thereby reducing accountability to County residents.

SUPERSCOOPER FIRE-FIGHTING AIRCRAFT TO ARRIVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY SEPTEMBER 1

LOS ANGELES COUNTY – Mayor Michael D. Antonovich announced that the two CL-415 SuperScoopers fire-fighting aircraft leased from the government of Quebec will arrive for service in Los Angeles County on September 1, 2015

SuperScoopers are a fixed-wing aircraft that can carry up to 1,620 gallons of water and takes only 12 seconds to scoop water from a lake and inject it with fire-resistant foam – a combination up to 3 times more effective than water alone. They can be airborne in as little as five minutes and fly three hours before refueling.

In addition, an Erickson Aircrane Type I Helitanker was also

leased for the 2015 fire season. Capable of delivering 2,200 gallons per drop, it will be placed into service on Saturday, August 15, 2015.

“To combat wildfire and protect life and property, these vital aircraft will supplement our County Fire Department’s water-dropping helicopters, its arsenal of ground equipment, and the nation’s finest firefighting force,” said Mayor Antonovich.

The Los Angeles County Fire Department will continually monitor the fire activity, wildland fuel conditions and weather forecasts in order to determine if these important firefighting resources will need to be extended past their initial lease periods.

SUMMER CAN BE PRIME TIME TO ENCOUNTER SNAKES OUTDOORS

BURBANK-GLENDALE-PASADENA, Calif.—City officials want to remind the public that summer months can be prime time to encounter snakes, including California rattlesnakes, while recreating outdoors in parks or open spaces and while on hiking trails. Remember, snakes generally seek shelter from the sun by hiding under rocks, bushes or in caves and animal burrows during the day. When it’s cooler at night, they can become more active as they hunt for prey. The City offers the following safety tips to help avoid snake bites:

- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- Walk in areas where the ground is clear so you can see a few steps ahead.
- Be aware of where you sit, before you sit, especially in shady areas.
- Wear protective clothing, such as long pants, long-sleeved shirts and hiking boots
- Wear gloves and long-sleeved shirts when moving brush or rocks.
- Never reach into cracks in rocks, animal burrows or under bushes.
- Avoid nighttime hikes & sleeping outdoors on the ground when snakes are most active.
- Do not tease, handle or attempt to kill a rattlesnake.
- If you encounter a snake, move out of the way. Do not panic or blindly

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SOUTHLAND DEMAND FOR METROPOLITAN TURF REBATE PROGRAM EXHAUSTS AVAILABLE SUPPLIES

Applications are still available for water-saving device rebates Facing unprecedented public demand for incentives to transform the region’s landscapes, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California announced today it will be closing its turf rebate program to new applications later this week because available funding has been fully allocated.

Metropolitan’s \$450 million conservation program, the largest of its kind in the nation, will focus remaining available funds on rebates for water-saving devices and a multi-media outreach campaign to promote greater water conservation in homes, gardens and communities throughout the Southland. The district will also maintain a waiting list of interested turf rebate applicants in the event that some of the approved projects do not move forward with their planned landscape changes.

“We knew that the popularity of the turf program would exhaust the available funds at some point, but even we didn’t predict just how popular turf rebates would become,” said Metropolitan General Manager Jeffrey Kightlinger. “Metropolitan is proud to have accelerated the movement by hundreds of thousands of Southern Californians to embrace a new outdoor aesthetic and lock in water savings permanently.”

Last December, Metropolitan’s board increased the conservation budget from \$40 million to \$100 million to keep pace with the extraordinary public demand. Facing a 20-fold increase in water-saving rebate requests, stoked primarily by turf removal reservations and Gov. Jerry Brown’s April 1 executive order to reduce statewide residential water use by 25 percent, Metropolitan’s board in May increased the budget by an additional \$350 million for a total investment of \$450 million.

In addition to the budget increase, the board modified the turf removal program so that funds could reach as many residents, businesses and government agencies as possible. These actions spurred unparalleled interest in turf removal as the historic dry spell worsened.

Kightlinger noted that the board’s May action anticipated turf removal funds would be spent at some point this year. As a result of extremely high interest throughout Southern California, all funds have been allocated for either completed projects or for those with approved work plans. He noted that rebates are still available for water-saving devices such as high efficiency clothes washers, toilets, weather-based irrigation controllers and rotating sprinkler nozzles. Metropolitan estimates that the program will fund removal of over 150 million square feet of turf, more than three times the statewide goal set by Governor Brown to respond to drought conditions and promote more drought-tolerant landscaping.

“We truly believe this campaign helped push the tipping point to shift the cultural norm away from lawns and toward California Friendly® landscapes that embrace the region’s Mediterranean climate,” added Kightlinger. “This rebate program was intended to stimulate interest in turf removal to the point that government incentives were not necessary for the long term.”

A variety of conservation tips are provided at Metropolitan’s online drought information and conservation rebate website, bewaterwise.com. In addition, television, billboard and digital advertisements in five languages will be showcasing Metropolitan’s new conservation outreach campaign called “Turn” throughout the six-county region. The campaign encourages all Southland residents to take their turn at lowering water use.

Metropolitan staff will be presenting a comprehensive update on the rebate programs at the district’s next scheduled committee and board meetings July 13-14.

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is a cooperative of 26 cities and water agencies serving nearly 19 million people in six counties. The district imports water from the Colorado River and Northern California to supplement local supplies, and helps its members to develop increased water conservation, recycling, storage and other resourcemanagement programs.

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SEAN'S SHAMELESS REVIEWS:

By Sean Kayden

WHICH SHOWS TO WATCH THIS SUMMER

Last week, I delved into why you should be watching True Detective season two. It's dark, gritty, well-acted and just plain good. This week, I want to share my thoughts on some new original programs that have recently started up and a returning favorite that premiered this week. I will be taking a look into HBO's new comedy series Ballers, USA networks brooding hacker drama, Mr. Robot, and the arrival of the best show on television that no one knows about, season three of Rectify from the Sundance Channel.

HBO's Ballers comes to us from the producers of Entourage, which returned this year on the big screen to poor reception. Ballers is a sports dramedy that explores the lives and families of former and current football players, including retired football star Spencer Strasmore (Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson), who is struggling to adjust to life as a financial advisor. The series also stars John David Washington, Rob Corddry, Omar Benson Miller and Troy Garity. It's a moderately light and entertaining addition to the HBO lineup. While the show won't be picking up any awards, Dwayne Johnson is simply enjoyable to watch on the small screen. Known for his action roles in films, it's terrific to see him do a little more acting with an ideal balance of comedy and drama. Overall, if you were a fan of Entourage and are into football, this show will do the trick. It's not Shakespeare here people, but if you're considering something light to watch on a Sunday night, Ballers will most certainly fit the bill.

Many critics are hailing USA network's Mr. Robot as the best summer show. After two episodes, I may not consider it the best, but a damn good one. Created by Sam Esmail, Mr. Robot follows a mysterious anarchist who recruits a young computer programmer who suffers from social anxiety disorder and forms connections through hacking them. Wide-eyed actor Rami Malek is convincing in the lead role as a young

man who loathes today's society and for good argument to boot. Christian Slater pops up as the titular character, but Malek is the main attraction here. The series pilot was a special one and I understand why it had so much buzz surrounding it. Obviously, it's a darker show than Ballers, but it's worth seeking out since it's so relevant to today's culture. As far as summer shows usually go, this one may have the potential to stack up with the best of the year if it can continue to evolve and refrain from being a retreat every episode as it airs each subsequent week. Presently, with its political and cultural views as for something to contemplate about, I say pull the trigger on Mr. Robot. In the end, it may get you thinking which is a rare thing for summer shows these days.

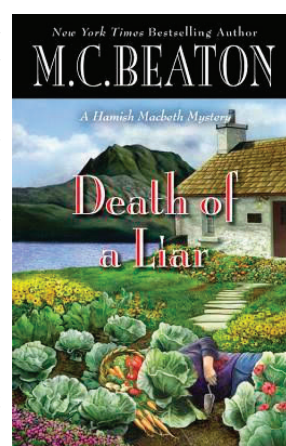
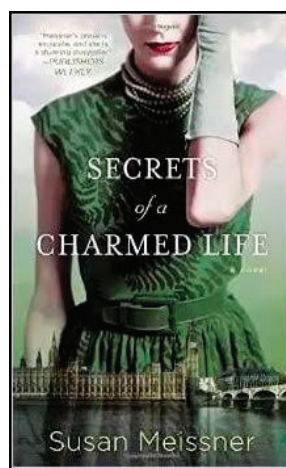
After spending nineteen years on Death Row for the rape and murder of his teenage girlfriend, Daniel Holden (Aden Young) is going home. His conviction has been relinquished due to new DNA evidence, propelling him back into a world he no longer knows. Having spent his adult life waiting to be executed, Daniel must now learn how to live again. But, his return into the outside world may be as merciless as prison. He is disturbed by the past, dogged by the present, and unclear of his future. Rectify is absolutely magnificent. I am at a loss for words when I speak about the sheer beauty of this one of a kind series. With incredible storytelling that I'd considered chill worthy to spectacular acting across the board (especially lead actor Aden Young, who deserves an Emmy), Rectify is the best drama on television hands down. Season three started up this week (before this article was published) and I have high hopes it will be the finest season yet. Unfortunately, like the first season, it will only consist of six episodes. All this means is that each episode will be extremely pivotal, no filler episodes here. Check out the first two seasons on Netflix, I guarantee you will be hooked after just one episode.

Jeff's Book Picks

By Jeff Brown

SECRETS OF A CHARMED LIFE BY SUSAN MEISSNER

The author of A Fall of Marigolds journeys from the present day to World War II England, as two sisters are separated by the chaos of wartime ...She stood at a crossroads, half-aware that her choice would send her down a path from which there could be no turning back. But instead of two choices, she saw only one—because it was all she really wanted to see... Current day, Oxford, England. Young American scholar Kendra Van Zant, eager to pursue her vision of a perfect life, interviews Isabel McFarland just when the elderly woman is ready to give up secrets about the war that she has kept for decades...beginning with who she really is. What Kendra receives from Isabel is both a gift and a burden—one that will test her convictions and her heart.1940s, England. As Hitler wages an unprecedented war against London's civilian population, hundreds of thousands of children are evacuated to foster homes in the rural countryside. But even as fifteen-year-old Emmy Downtree and her much younger sister Julia find refuge in a charming Cotswold cottage, Emmy's burning ambition to return to the city and apprentice with a fashion designer pits her against Julia's profound need for her sister's presence. Acting at cross purposes just as the Luftwaffe rains down its terrible destruction, the sisters are cruelly separated, and their lives are transformed...



DEATH OF A LIAR (HAMISH MACBETH MYSTERIES # 31) BY M. C. BEATON

Hamish Macbeth is a policeman in the small Scottish town of Lochdubh, who occasionally bends the rules when it suits him or when it can help some of his fellow eccentric townsfolk.All 31 books in the series are

wonderfully atmospheric and a cozy read. In this book Sergeant Hamish Macbeth is alarmed to receive a report from a woman in the small village of Cronish in the Scottish Highlands. She has been brutally attacked and the criminal is on the loose. But upon further investigation, Hamish discovers that she was lying about the crime. So when the same woman calls him back about an intruder, he simply marvels at her compulsion to lie. This time, though, she is telling the truth. Her body is found in her home and Hamish must sort through all of her lies to solve the crime.

BLIND DESCENT: THE QUEST TO DISCOVER THE DEEPEST CAVE ON EARTH BY JAMES M. TABOR

In 2004, two great scientist-explorers attempted to find the bottom of the world. American Bill Stone took on the vast, deadly Cheve Cave in southern Mexico. Ukrainian Alexander Klimchouk targeted Krubera, a freezing nightmare of a supercave in the war-torn former Soviet republic of Georgia. Both men spent months almost two vertical miles deep, contending with thousand-foot drops, raging whitewater rivers, monstrous waterfalls, mile-long belly crawls, and the psychological horrors produced by weeks in absolute darkness, beyond all hope of rescue. Based on his unprecedented access to

logs and journals as well as hours of personal interviews, James Tabor has crafted a thrilling exploration of man's timeless urge to discover—and of two extraordinary men whose pursuit of greatness led them to the heights of triumph and the depths of tragedy. Blind Descent is an unforgettable addition to the classic literature of true-life adventure, and a testament to human survival and endurance.

On the Marquee: Notes from the Sierra Madre Playhouse

COMING HOME TO THE PLAYHOUSE

By Artistic Director, Christian Lebano

I'm just back from a vacation in Ashland, Oregon visiting friends and seeing shows at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival (OSF). I had the good fortune to work there in the 1990's and I still have many friends in the company. OSF is the largest theater in America. This season it is producing 11 plays in repertory and its company numbers over 500 people – all paid! I saw three shows there, with a really fun production of the musical Guys and Dolls being my favorite (it will tour to the Wallis in the Fall so you will have a chance to see it.) My best friend is the head of their costume shop and she gave me a tour of the new production building – 78,000 sq. ft. of shops and storage. It truly is state of the art – they even have a 3D printer. It was impressive, to put it mildly – and jealousy-inducing!

As I attended shows and, especially, as I toured the facilities, I couldn't help but think about what SMP could accomplish with even the smallest amount of their resources. I fantasized about being able to produce theater and not have to go begging for props and furniture, to not have to cajole artists and artisans to work for less than they should be paid, to have access to the kind of production support that could make happen whatever we dreamed of in a show. Just once, I would love the chance to realize a show exactly as I imagine it in my head. As the Artistic leader of SMP, I am so proud of what we are accomplishing on our limited budgets and with our limited staff – we have been attracting remarkable talent to work with us, both on and off the stage. I made a promise to the Board and to you, our loyal patrons, that the shows at SMP would be as wonderfully realized as possible and I think our past season was a good example of how we are doing.

We are about to launch our second season under my artistic leadership – I certainly have learned much this past year (I've made my share of mistakes, too – but never the same one twice, thankfully!) I still have much to learn, but I'm so excited to be a part of the growth of SMP. And I've heard from many of you that you like what you are seeing. We are very close to being able to announce the second half of our season. It is a



tricky thing putting a season together – balancing the offerings against our resources and the availability of the shows (we were turned down again this year for a comedy that I would love to stage – I'll try again for next year.)

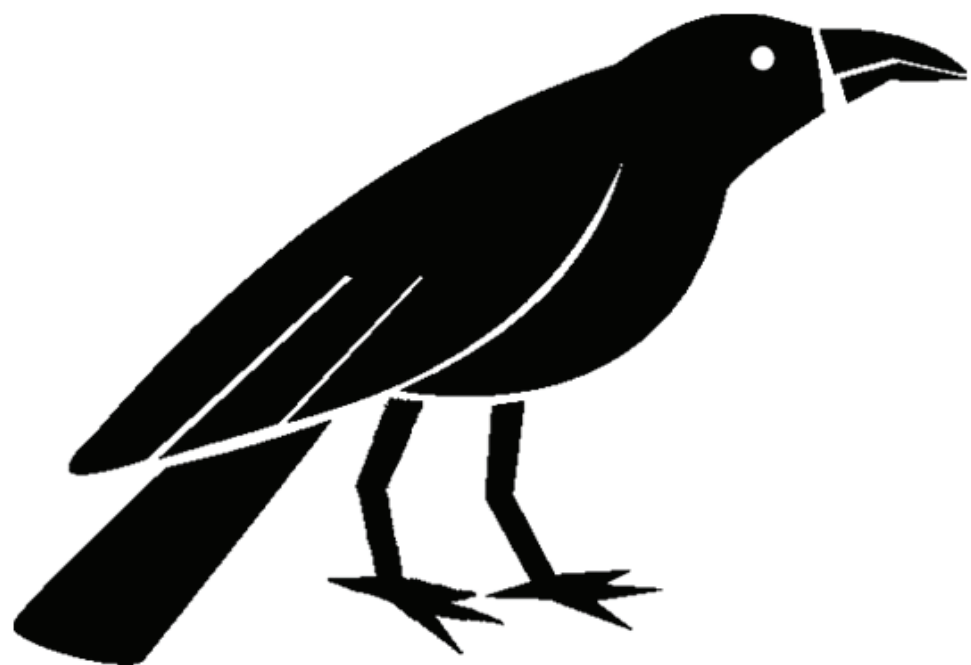
The adage says “there is no place like home” and though I've been to the largest theater in America, I'm happy to be working for you at SMP. As one of our slogans says: “Come Home to the Playhouse”. I'm glad to be home – and I hope you'll find your way “home” as well.

... As you can see from the picture Always... Patsy Cline is going to be fantastic. Tickets are selling well for this one already – don't miss out, buy yours now! The show opens July 31. Remember we give 20% discounts for groups of 10 or more who purchase their tickets ahead of their attendance date. Please call Mary Bavielle at 626.355.4318 to arrange your purchase.

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THE JOY OF YOGA RELAXATION

I have a fantastic, poignant quote to begin this week! Courtesy of Yogarupa, Rod Stryker, one of the world's leading teachers on meditation and yoga. "It's best if we understand that the world we live in today is very fast moving/fast paced. Take time when you are NOT in emergency mode to de-stress regularly. If we don't have this sort of practice already established then just trying to grasp at peace and tranquility in moments of high stress and anxiety can be quite hard." Quite hard is right, how about nearly impossible?

It's often the case that instead of de-stressing, we try to blanket the stress by self-medicating or adding on more tasks to our plate filling all free time on our schedule. It's only when we feel like we're going to

lose it, do we run to the nearest foot massage place or pop into a yoga class.

What would life be like if we already had those things built into our schedule? Or what would the day look like if we BEGAN with savasana for 10 minutes? Wake up, find corpse pose and breathe. There are other things you can do that de-stress and ultimately relax you. Find out what they are and make time to unplug and unwind. A fun evening laughing with friends may be just the thing. How about one morning a week with NOTHING on the schedule? With a practice of de-stressing and relaxation in place, life will be enjoyable and fluid. You will sleep better at night (literally!)

Enjoy this week and see you in class,

Namaste, Keely Totten



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

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It also helps maintain the health of the digestive system.

Quercetin: May neutralize free radical damage which has been involved in age-related health problems like Alzheimer's and reducing the risk of many cancers.

Vitamins A, C, E and beta carotene: These fight free radical damage which helps reduce the risk of

heart disease, diabetes and asthma.

Flavonoids and Antioxidants: Some scientists believe that these substances make apples better than many other superfoods to combat potentially life threatening conditions.

Recently, Chinese University of Hong Kong researchers reported that fruit flies given an apple extract lived 10% longer. The flies were able to walk, climb and move more easily as they aged. They believe the extract cleaned up free radicals which are the dangerous chemicals blamed for a host of maladies including aging.

Apples have the mark of a healthy food because they are low in calorie density which means you get a lot of nutrients for little calories. They also have been called nature's toothbrush since they can help clean our teeth and kill bacteria in the mouth which will reduce the risk of tooth decay. I think it's easy to see how beneficial an apple is, so eat up. There are so many varieties of apples that you can never get bored with eating them. And remember, The Environmental Working Group's 2014 Dirty Dozen list has apples as #1. So whenever possible, buy organic.

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FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett



IF YOU HAVE YOUNG KIDS, DON'T SETTLE FOR A FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY

Does your estate plan name permanent guardians for your minor children? It absolutely must, and most plans do. But how about temporary guardians? And does your plan include medical powers of attorney for your kids? What about instructions and guidelines for your guardians (both permanent and temporary)? Do you carry a card in your wallet stating you have minor children and identifying your temporary guardians in case of emergency?

Naming and legally documenting temporary guardians will prevent your kids from ever being put into the arms of strangers, even for a moment. But without temporary guardians in place, there's a very real possibility your kids could be handed over to foster care until a judge orders the children into the custody of the permanent guardians. Even if that's only for a day or two, that's far too long.

Without a medical power of attorney for your children they may not receive the medical care you would want them to have if you are not with them when they need it.

Providing instructions and guidelines to guardians is one of the best way to ensure your children will be raised with your values, learn about your story, benefit from your wisdom, and continue to feel your love even if you are not able to be physically present for them.

When you go to bed at night, do you lock the front door but leave the back door wide open? Your estate plan shouldn't do that either, especially where your kids are concerned. Yet most estate plans simply slap in a quick paragraph about permanent guardians but fail to address the myriad of other issues those of us with young children need to be concerned about.

You see, traditional estate planning focuses on the elderly. And if you have a traditional estate plan, it is most likely incomplete and less than comprehensive if you also have minor children at home. But it doesn't have to stay that way.

Taking care of my kids the way they deserve to be taken care of is what got me into estate planning in the first place. And I love empowering other parents to take care of their kids, too. Let me know if you have any questions.

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Social Media Tips, Tricks & Ideas



by: MJ Finstrom

HOW MANY EYEBALLS CAN \$25 BUY

I often hear business owners say they can't afford and don't see the value of boosting Facebook posts. They are missing out on one of the most powerful and affordable ways to distribute information and target a very specific audience on-line.

For example, if you cater to the bridal industry, you can target people who are newly engaged. If you sell dog products, you can advertise to the people who follow Cesar Millan (a very large list). If you want to start a Birthday club, you can advertise to everyone who has a birthday coming up in two weeks. This is just scratching the surface.

When you boost a Facebook post, it's like distributing flyers door-to-door.

A while back, I paid \$25 to boost a post on Facebook promoting a local event. We targeted a

specific location plus a 10-mile radius. For \$25, we reached 8,000+ eyeballs with one simple post and picture! 45 people shared the post. On average those 45 people have at least 100 friends on Facebook so I'm confident that this post reached at least 4,500 more eyeballs.

Can you print and distribute 12,500 flyers for \$25? I don't think so.

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.

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Tips of the Trade: Real Estate Revealed

by Luther Tsinoglou

LISTINGS LINGO

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

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

If you're buying, you go to tour "foreclosures," per se. You're probably going to look at "Real Estate Owned" listings, or REOs. These are properties that the lender has taken back after the foreclosure process is complete. You may see these advertised as "bank owned."

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

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THE WORLD AROUND US

Looking Up

with Bob Eklund



EYEING UP EARTH-LIKE PLANETS WITH THE JAMES WEBB SPACE TELESCOPE

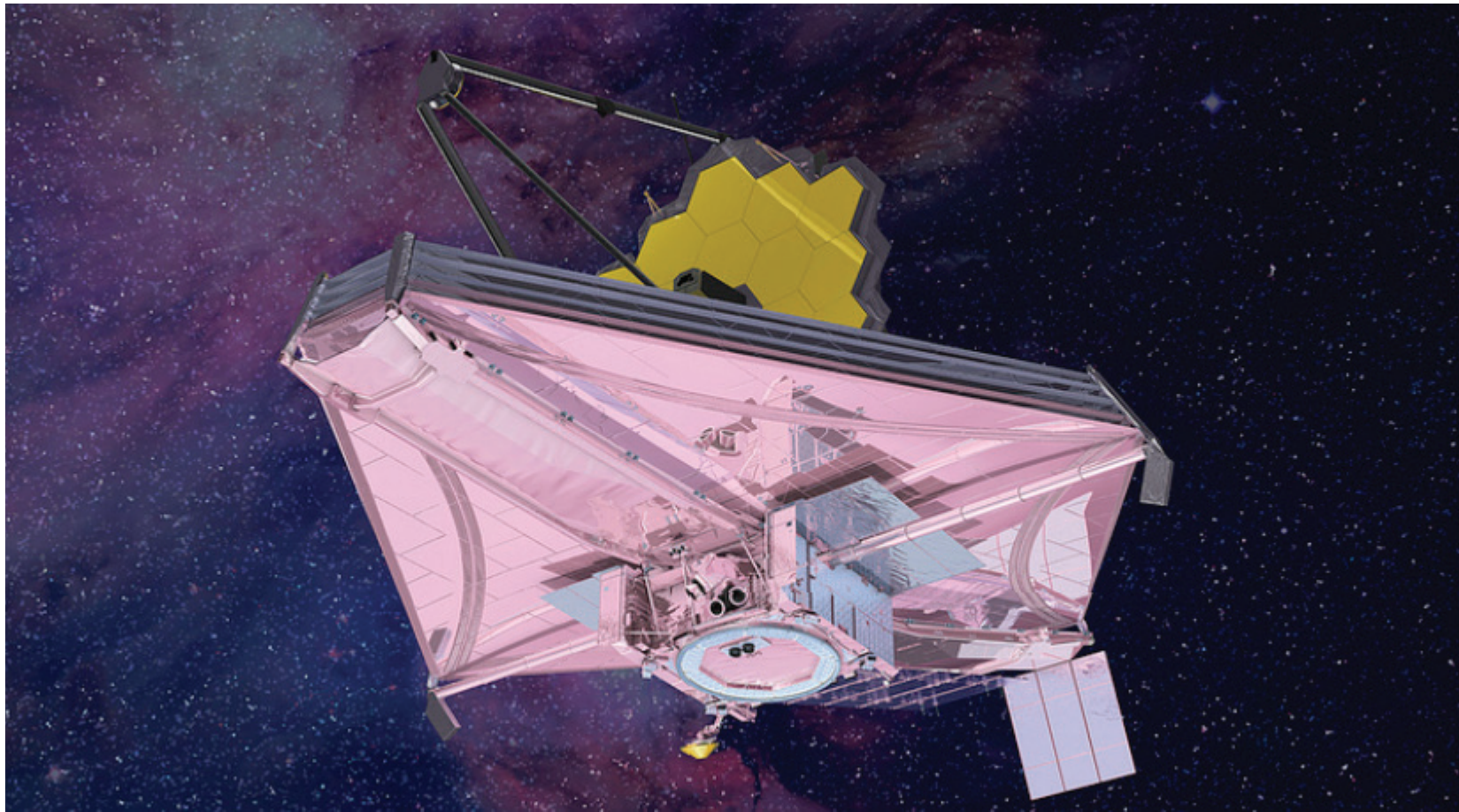
Almost 2,000 exoplanets have been discovered to date, ranging from rocky Earth-like planets to hot Jupiters, and orbiting every type of star. But how many of these distant worlds are habitable? Today's technology means that we currently have very little information about what exoplanets are like beyond their presence, size and distance from star. With the launch of the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST, <http://www.jwst.nasa.gov>), we may have our first glimpses into atmospheres of Earth-like exoplanets, according to the results of a study by Dr. Joanna Barstow, presented at the British National Astronomy Meeting in Llandudno, Wales, UK, on Wednesday, July 8.

"A planet's atmosphere provides a good guide to likely conditions on the surface," said Barstow, of the University of Oxford. "The Earth's atmosphere contains significant amounts of nitrogen, oxygen, ozone and water. By contrast, its inhospitable 'evil twin,' Venus, has an atmosphere made mostly of carbon dioxide, which drives its surface temperature to a blistering 450 degrees Celsius."

A successor to the Hubble Space Telescope, JWST is due for launch in 2018 and will study the universe in infrared wavelengths. Barstow's study shows that JWST may be able to differentiate between a planet with a clement, Earth-like atmosphere, and one with more hostile conditions such as are found on our neighboring planet Venus. JWST will have the capability to detect key markers that could indicate the presence of a climate like our own when looking at Earth-size planets around stars that are smaller and redder than our Sun.

Different gases have already been identified successfully in the atmospheres of several large, hot, Jupiter-size planets by studying tiny variations in the starlight that passes through their atmospheres when they cross in front of their parent stars. However, these variations are minuscule: the light filtered through the exoplanet's atmosphere is one ten-thousandth of the total starlight detected. Studying planets the size of the Earth is an even greater challenge. Although JWST would struggle with analyzing a solar system exactly like our own, it would be capable of studying Earth-like planets around cooler stars—if such a system were to be found.

"If we took the Earth and Venus, and placed them in orbit around a cool, red star that's not too far away, our study shows that JWST could tell them apart. Earth's ozone layer, 10 kilometers above the surface, is produced when light from the Sun interacts with molecules of oxygen in our atmosphere, and it produces an unmistakable signal that could be

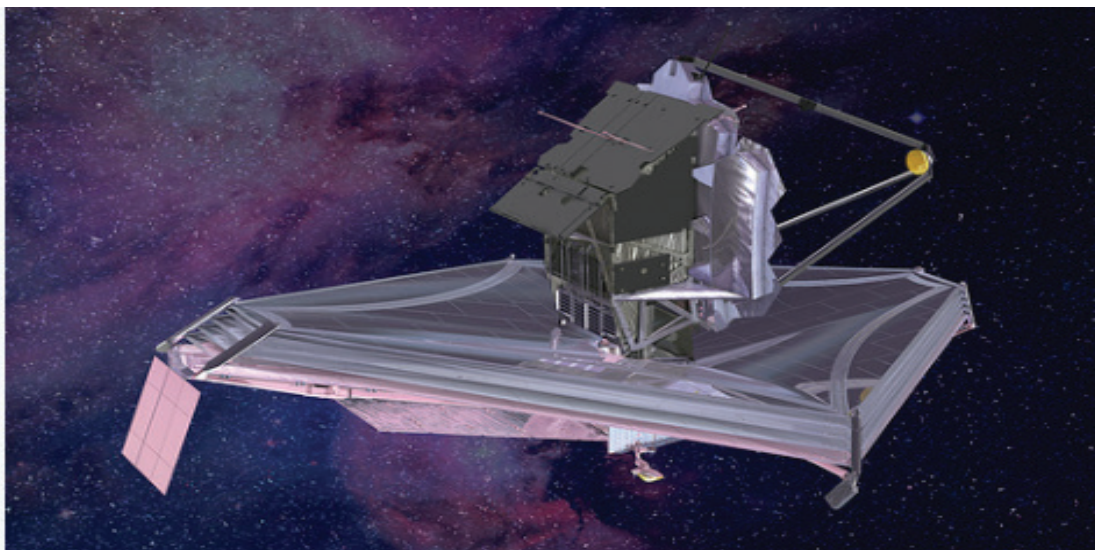


detected by JWST. Venus, without a substantial ozone layer, would look very different," said Barstow. "That's assuming that planets starting out like Earth and Venus would evolve in the same way around a cool star!"

However, JWST will be used for a wide range of astronomical applications, not just detecting exoplanets, and securing time on the telescope will be highly competitive. To make these detections, astronomers would need to observe the exoplanets at least 30 times, taking valuable telescope time.

"Future telescopes that are dedicated to observing the atmospheres of many rocky planets around different stars will be required to fully resolve the question of habitability on exoplanets. In the meantime, JWST will observe many other weird and wonderful planets in unprecedented detail," said Barstow.

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WATER IN MEXICO

By Christopher Nyerges

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I've heard it so long that it sounds like some religious mantra: "Don't drink the water in Mexico."

The meaning is that a visitor to Mexico should not drink the water untreated. And why is that? One explanation that I used to hear back in the 1970s when I first visited Mexico was that, while every place has its own bacteria and organisms in their water, one will get used to the organisms in their water after a while. And supposedly, this also meant that native Mexicans could drink their municipal tap from the water without concern. When I went to language school in Mexico, I always boiled my water or added water purification tablet to the tap water, or purchased bottled water. Back then, I never thought about asking native Mexicans if they drank their water out of the tap.

More recently, having visited the Yucatan region several times, I asked some of the natives about this. These days bottled water is everywhere, and most of the people whose homes I stayed in purchased all their water and did not drink from the tap. When I asked whether or not they'd get sick by drinking water out of their tap without purifying it, they shrugged and said they didn't know. They buy their water.

Finally, I met someone who seemed to know a thing about the Mexican water situation. I asked Julia, who was an American who married a Mexican man and now calls the Yucatan region her home where she and her husband run a farm.

"Do you drink from the tap directly?" I asked Julia. "No, though I'm not afraid to," she responded. "If I'm out in the fields and I'm thirsty, I will drink from the hose and I don't get sick. But usually, we buy purified and filtered water and they deliver it to our home."

Julia went on to explain that the tap water is used directly for washing, brushing teeth, irrigation, etc.

"When people say not to drink the water in Merida (Yucatan), I don't believe the reason is that the water

has bad bacteria. I believe it's because the water here is very high in minerals and calcium, etc. And it's those minerals that might cause sickness if you're not used to it," explained Julia.

I asked Julia about the people living in all the small villages where they could not afford to buy water. "I don't know what they do," responded Julia.

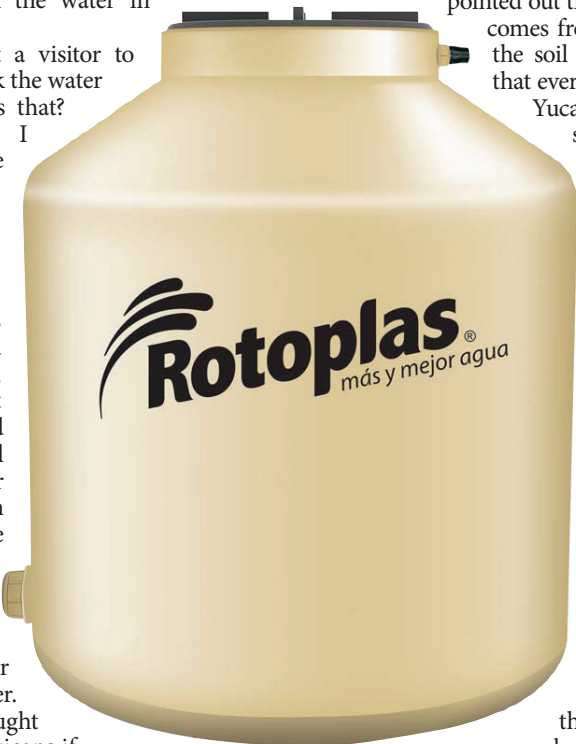
"However," added Julia, "I've been told that in 20 years or so, you won't be able to drink the water in the Yucatan region because it will be so polluted." Julia pointed out that all the water in Yucatan comes from underground, and that the soil is very porous. She adds that everyone uses septic systems in Yucatan, and there is no sewer system (like in most parts of the U.S.) where the waste water is treated before it is discharged into the soil or water. Although the local politicians all talk about installing a sewer system after each flood, Julia doesn't think that will ever happen because of the immensity of such a project.

"Because the soil is so porous, when chemicals are used, they go directly into the ground water," she says. "So, because there is no sewer system, there is flooding after every major storm, and everyone blames the mayor and they elect a new mayor who makes new promises, and then it rains again and floods again because nothing was done."

I concluded that it was a good thing for me to buy my water, or purify it, whenever I travel. And it's not wise to judge the water of such as large country as Mexico with one yardstick because the "water situation" of any country is vastly more complex than what I've presented here. Unfortunately, we should be suspect of most tap water and most open sources of water, wherever we are.

I asked Julia about the black tanks on nearly everyone's roof in most parts of Mexico. "Those are called tinacos," Julia told me, which my dictionary told me simply means "water tank."

In the United States, people often let their water run a bit so it starts to cool off. However, due to the lack of pressurized water in Mexico, most homes and buildings have large water tanks – tinacos – on their roofs. These then deliver the water by gravity as needed. But since these are traditionally black, the coolest water comes out first and then the water gets hotter as you let the tap run because the water was heated by the sun. Now you can find tinacos white or light-colored so that the water is not heated so much by the sun.



A light-colored tinaco.



OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

AND THEN IT WAS SUMMER

Summer is my favorite time of the year. It makes up for the nastiness of winter, the cold and the gloom, not to mention the snow. The only place I like my snow is on a postcard sent by some family member up North where they have all the kind of stuff.

My love affair with summer began when I was in school. I know school is supposed to be a great time and it was for me except for those classes where the teachers were trying to teach me something. They had their work cut out with me.

School was rather boring, but then, Summer came and set all the prisoners free, me being one of them. Since that time, I have always appreciated the good nature of Summer and have celebrated it as enthusiastically as possible.

Now that summer is here, the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and me are planning to take a wee bit of vacation. It is not often that we can pack up our bags and "get out of Dodge." When we do, it is a very special time.

When it comes to vacations, my wife and I are at opposite ends of what a vacation is all about. As soon as we mention the word "vacation," I am ready to go. Not so with the better half. She has all kinds of planning and preparation work to do and it takes more work for her to plan our vacation than it does to stay home and just work.

My part of the planning is to stay out of her way! I learned this a long time ago and have the scars to prove it.

Some people believe that women are masters at multitasking. My wife is the queen. I, on the other hand, am a master at anti-tasking. My wife can juggle four or five different jobs at the same time while I can do nothing at the same time. It's a gift on my part.

For vacation, I only need three things, which makes my vacation the wonder and joy that it always is.

The first thing I pack for vacation is my incorrigible laziness. I am not boasting, mind you, but I have mastered the art of laziness like nobody you know. In fact, if I was not so lazy, I would do several workshops on Mastering the Art of Laziness. I have a Master's degree in laziness and if I was not so lazy, I would prepare a diploma to hang on the wall.

Some people go on vacation to do all kinds of things and get involved in all kinds of activities; I go to work on my laziness.

My wife has a little bit of trouble with this. She is the Queen Bee when it comes to busyness and is buzzing all the time. I am the honey that flows rather slowly.

Another important thing in my baggage for vacation is my non-vegetable diet. I know vegetables are good for you, but please, on my vacation this is the one thing I am vacating.

When I sit down at a meal on my vacation, I do not want to see any vegetables or anything green or leafy on my plate. I want my plate piled high with apple pie à la mode, chocolate cake topped with a scoop of ice cream, and for dessert, a bowl of ice cream topped with a scoop of ice cream, and do not be stingy with the chocolate fudge.

Of course, after such a lunch I am feeling a little woozy and need to go back to my room and sleep it off. This is carefully planned on my part. After every lunch, my vacation companion has this uncontrollable desire to visit thrift shops. She can smell a thrift shop 25 miles away. You can imagine how someone as lazy as me is not too interested in visiting all of these stores during vacation. It has something to do with my drug problem. I do not like being drug from one thrift shop to another all afternoon.

Then there is my Sun Sponge attitude that soaks up all the sun available. When I come back from my vacation, I want to have a sunny glow about me that lasts for weeks.

This is where the art of laziness is quite handy. In order to get as much sun as possible you have to be able to do as little as possible. Sitting out in the sun with nothing to do is the best posture for soaking up the sun.

So, here I am, sitting all packed and ready to go, while the wife is making sure she has everything packed she needs. I could go on vacation on a scooter while she needs a U-Haul.

No matter who you are, vacation is a time for rest and I suppose everybody has their own definition of rest.

The Bible speaks of "rest" around 380 times. Most people have not caught this idea.

My favorite verse is, "Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass" (Psalms 37:7).

It is easy to get all caught up with the activities of the world around, but it takes a lot of discipline to really "rest in the Lord."

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TOM Purcell Free-Range Parenting Getting Costly



Ah, summer. We all know what that means for young children.

If your kids are seen walking without adult supervision, somebody will call the cops, Child Protective Services will conduct an investigation and charges will be filed.

That is what happened recently to Danielle and Alexander Meitiv, two Maryland parents who allowed their young children to walk home alone from a park near their home.

"The Meitivs say they have gradually allowed their son, Rafi, 10, and daughter, Dvora, 6, more freedom to walk on their own in areas they know," reports The Washington Post. "But police twice picked up the siblings as they made their way home in Silver Spring, and CPS neglect investigations ensued."

What were these parents thinking, you ask. They were thinking about the well-being of their kids. You see, the Meitivs have embraced the "free-range" kids movement, which encourages childhood independence.

"When you let children out, all the good things happen — the self-confidence, happiness and self-sufficiency that come from letting our kids do some things on their own," says columnist and blogger Lenore Skenazy, founder of the free-range kids movement. She caused a firestorm in 2008 when she wrote, in the New York Sun, about letting her 9-year-old son ride the New York City subway alone.

Free-range parents are the polar opposite of helicopter parents. According to The Washington Post, helicopter parents have "watched their (child's) every move, checked their grades online hourly, advocated for them endlessly and kept them busy from event to activity to play date ..."

Helicopter parents would never allow their children to walk home from a park alone.

According to The New York Times, it's routine for such parents to drive their kids to and from school — even if they are 10, 11 or 12 — and even if the school is only a few blocks away.

At some schools, there is a rigorous process for picking children up. Parents display their kids' names on their dashboards. A school official radios to the building and the kids are escorted, one at a time, to the cars.

Prison inmates receive less monitoring than the kids of helicopter parents. Why are so many parents obsessing over their kids these days?

According to WebMD, "if you grew up in the '70s and '80s (and earlier, of course), you probably remember going out to play after school and being expected to return home only when the street lights turned on. But as more



LEFT TURN/RIGHT TURN

HOWARD Hays As I See It



"Germany is the country that has never repaid its debts. It has no standing to lecture other nations."

- Thomas Piketty

I don't write much about international happenings; it's hard enough trying to figure out what's happening here at home. And with the big story over the past week in

Greece, it seems even the Greeks are conflicted as to what's at stake. With that referendum last weekend, Europeans were framing it as a choice for Greece of either agreeing to more austerity demanded by the creditors or leaving the Eurozone and going back to the drachma for their currency. After the vote, it seems the overwhelming consensus among the Greeks was to stay in the Eurozone, keep the Euro as their currency — but to vote "no" on those demanded austerity measures, anyway.

It's not like the Greeks won't accept blame for the mess they're in. They don't hesitate in calling out the corruption and nepotism that had crippled their government. And, as the owner of a small Athens restaurant put it in a BBC interview, when the foreign loan money was offered, they took it — "not to put in a business," she said, "but to go on a holiday."

One thing is clear, though: With few exceptions (maybe Spain and Ireland coming out of the Recession), austerity only makes things worse. And, much as some would hate to admit it, debt forgiveness is often the only way to get some countries, like some people, back on their feet. It's ironic that Germany, the country taking the hardest line against Greece today, is the country that benefited most from debt forgiveness over the last century. At Versailles following WWI, President Wilson argued against piling on a defeated Germany by saddling it with an essentially unpayable debt of war reparations. Our allies disagreed and got their way, however, and through the 1920s we loaned Germany the money to pay its war debts. This spigot was turned off when the Depression hit in 1931, we were stuck with the bad loan, Germany's economy tanked and the breeding ground for Nazism was laid.

We weren't going to make the same mistake after WWII. In 1953 we got our allies to cut Germany's war debt by 60%. Repayment of the remainder was tied to Germany's economic growth — giving others an incentive to buy German exports. Despite the devastating losses incurred by the war, European countries agreed to forgo reparations due them — including Greece. What resulted was the "economic miracle" of post-war Germany. As economic historian Albrecht Ritschl put it in Spiegel Online, "No one in Greece has forgotten that Germany owes its economic prosperity to the grace of other nations."

In 2010 the International Monetary Fund predicted these new austerity measures would cost Greece a 5.5% contraction in its economy

and a 15% unemployment rate. Just over a year ago, it fantasized that with a little tinkering with interest rates and maturation dates, Greece could make payments while enjoying 4% annual economic growth. Instead, the economy contracted by 17%. Unemployment stands at 25%; a third of its citizens are in poverty, 75% of bank loans are nonperforming, and the government survives by not paying its bills. This comes after a cut of 30% in the public workforce since 2009 and a 48% cut in pensions — with 45% of remaining pensions providing incomes below the poverty line.

As it is now, what money Greece is offered is not so much to bail out the country, but to bail out the banks and investors who gambled on buying pieces of Greek debt. It's like the approach seen when our own cities, from Detroit to San Bernardino, went through bankruptcy: investors aware of the risk in investing in municipal bonds have to be taken care of, while those assured there was no risk in investing their working lives towards a pension get stiffed. Of all that tens of billions in aid, as of last January only 11% of it has gone to help Greece directly, with the rest going to pay off creditors. Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-VT) commented, "At a time of grotesque income inequality, the pensions of the people in Greece should not be cut any further to pay back some of the largest banks and wealthiest financiers in the world." Days after the election of Greek Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras early this year, President Obama weighed in; "You cannot continue squeezing countries that are in the midst of depression." Greece's debt amounted to 175% of its entire annual economic output. In his book "Capital in the Twenty-First Century", Thomas Piketty figures a debt of 200% of output would take 50 to 60 years to repay.

As economist Paul Krugman explains, the problem with austerity is that it shrinks economies faster than it shrinks debt — with that debt then comprising an ever-larger portion of the economy. The effect on Greece has been to transform the Recession of 2009 into a full-blown Depression.

There's speculation that recent demands on Greece have been made not so much expecting to see them accepted (documents show the IMF regarding them as impossible to meet, anyway) but rather to get Greeks to dump their new, leftist government. That didn't happen, as voters resoundingly made clear. Now it's time to get real and weigh the consequences of a Greek default.

"We need to look ahead," says Piketty. "Europe was founded on debt forgiveness and investment in the future. Not on the idea of endless penance."

One of the things the Nazis did when occupying a country would be to go to its treasury and extract "costs" incurred by the occupation. It would then arrange "loans" from that country to the government in Berlin. Greece was among the countries that later forgave these loans, to help Germany get back on its feet. But perhaps it could resurrect some old I.O.U.s, if need be.

MICHAEL Reagan

THE CONFEDERATE FLAG FLAP



You can tell it's presidential election season. Once again, politicians and the mainstream media are being stupid and irresponsible. They are wasting our time on minor issues that get both sides of the conservative-liberal divide riled up at each other, but prevent us from focusing on what really matters.

We have a mess of serious problems we have to fix or deal with at home and overseas.

And what have the media, the politicians and the whole country been yapping and arguing about for two weeks?

The symbolism of a 150-year-old Confederate battle flag.

Jeb Bush — as predictably as Donald Trump and the others — said on Monday that the flag is "a racist symbol" from the past that divides people and causes disagreement today.

He said the Confederate flag should be removed from South Carolina's statehouse grounds, just as he removed it from Florida's capitol when he was governor.

I agree.

Though it was originally designed to prevent southern soldiers from killing each other in battle, the flag has been a symbol of both heritage and hate since the beginnings of the civil rights movement.

Sadly, it took a horrible tragedy in Charleston to make the country and our leading politicians realize that a state government has no business giving the Confederate flag a place of honor.

Like it or not, in 2015 the Confederate flag we all saw on the roof of those 1969 Dodge Chargers on the "Dukes of Hazard" is no longer so innocent. Now it symbolizes two totally different and incompatible things to whites and blacks.

Many Southern whites still see it as a symbol of the battlefield bravery of their ancestors, or as a roman-tic symbol of their Southern heritage and culture.

Meanwhile, for obvious reasons, the exact same flag is an insult to blacks. Many of their ancestors were slaves when the flag was first waved in battle. And then, though freed, for the next 100 years their grandparents and parents were treated as second-class Americans by racist state governments that incorporated the Confederate symbol in their official flags.

If you can't understand why the black citizens of the South might consider the old Confederate battle flag an insult today, ask yourself how a German Jew would react to seeing a swastika fluttering proudly in front of the Reichstag in 2015.

The Confederate flag deserves no place of honor on government property in America. It never did.

But, as usual, some have gone overboard with political correctness.

Amazon and Wal-mart made fools of themselves when they announced that because of the Confederate flag flap they were going to stop selling products that carry its image.

The TV Land channel was just as idiotic when it pulled episodes of "The Dukes of Hazard." NASCAR hasn't banned Confederate flags at its races, but it still might.

At least the Confederate flag hasn't been outlawed. And the First Amendment hasn't been repealed.

If Confederate flag worshippers want to fly their colors, they are still free to do so on their own property. Or they can make their own flags and put them on their T-shirts or pickup trucks or sell them at flea markets and gun shows.

Meanwhile, let's try to get back to things that really matter in this election season.

Our economy is still a wreck. We have too few good full-time jobs and way too many people on unemployment, food stamps and welfare.

We have to come up with sensible ways to reform immigration, health care and Social Security/Medicare. High debt and heavy taxes are going to turn us into Greece.

We don't know yet how our presidential wannabes plan to fix immigration or healthcare.

Or how they plan to defeat ISIS or get the economy back on track after eight years of Obama.

All we know for sure so far is what they think about the Confederate flag.

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