

# Mountain Views News

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## COMPOST GIVEAWAY

Sep 26th



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## WATER WOES CONTINUE FOR SIERRA MADRE

### City Receives Warning From State; Discoloration Escalates

In this week's City Manager's report, Elaine Aguilar reported that the city had received a warning from the State Water Resources Control Board, (SWRCB), noting that the City did not meet its state mandated 32% conservation goal in July, attaining only 28.4%.

The State letter is the first step in enforcement action against the City that can be taken by the State for not meeting the specified goal.

According to Sierra Madre's Director of Public Works, Bruce Inman in his Public Works report, noted that water production figure production data already submitted to the SWRCB for August shows an even lower conservation rate, 24.8% so the city can expect to receive a Notice of Violation and Information Order from the State in the next few weeks. September's water production numbers are even more dismal than August at 23.4%. It is entirely possible that the result of the production report we will have to turn in for September (Due October 15) the SWRCB may assess a significant fine against the City and/or order the City to take specific conservation-related actions.

While the City response to the Information Order

will list everything that City has done to encourage conservation, the fact that the result of those efforts has not met state requirements is expected to result in the City being required to take more stringent actions. Note that the conservation is calculated by the state on a cumulative basis beginning in June 2015. At this time, not only will the city have to increase its monthly conservation to attain 32% cumulatively, but we will actually have to exceed that conservation rate to make for those months in which the 32% wasn't met.

Part of the responsibility for not meeting the state mandates may be attributed to the numerous water main breaks that have been occurring throughout the city.

### WATER DISCOLORATION INCREASES

Inman also noted in his report that portions of the City are experiencing an increase in water discoloration due to the temporary shutdown of the water treatment system that had been somewhat effective in reducing the iron being released into the water from public and private piping. Treatment of the water will resume as soon as possible.

## SIERRA MADRE PLAYHOUSE GETS FIRST EVER OVATION NOMINATIONS

The Sierra Madre Playhouse received two Ovation Award nominations for the 2014-15 season. John Prosky was nominated for Best Leading Actor in a Play in last winter's production of A Walk in the Woods. Cori Cable Kidder was nominated for Best Leading Actress in a Musical in the current production of Always...Patsy Cline, running through October 30. Nominations were announced on Thursday by the LA Stage Alliance. The recognition represents the first Ovation nomination received by each actor, as well as the first nominations to honor the Sierra Madre Playhouse.



John Prosky

The Ovation Awards are the most prestigious theater awards in the Greater Los Angeles area, the equivalent of New York's Tony Awards. They are also the largest peer-evaluated awards in the country. LA Stage Alliance selects 240 Ovation Awards voters from area theater professionals who rank eligible productions according to a point system. In the 2014-15 season, 297 theater productions were registered for the Ovation Awards from 118 participating theaters. A total of 203 nominations were delivered to 73 productions presented by 45 organizations.

"I'm so proud of the recognition for Cori Cable Kidder and John Prosky, as well as our theater," said Christian Lezano, Artistic Director of the Playhouse. "It's unfortunate that John's work isn't still on our stage, but audiences can see Cori's performance through October 30 at the Playhouse." Lezano also acknowledged the many designers and actors nominated for work at other theaters who had also been involved with the Playhouse this past season. "Their nominations reflect our commitment to drawing the very best talent we can," said Lezano.



Cori Cable Kidder

The Ovation awards ceremony will be held at the Ahmanson Theater at the LA Music Center on Monday, November 9.

"I will be there to cheer on our nominees," said Lezano, "and to show the theater community that SMP is in the house!"

### CORRECTION

In the September 19th edition of the Mountain Views News, the story about the automobile crash into Bank of America contained an error. The out of control truck cross Sierra Madre Blvd., not Sunnyside Ave.

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## Weather Wise

## 6-Day Forecast

Sierra Madre, Ca.

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Mon:	Showers	Hi 90s	Lows 60s
Tues:	Showers	Hi 90s	Lows 60s
Wed:	Sunny	Hi 90s	Lows 60s
Thur:	Sunny	Hi 90s	Lows 60s
Fri:	Sunny	Hi 90s	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, October 13, 2015  
6:30 pm

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

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

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

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

Just write a Public Service Announcement that describes your event and e-mail it to [radio@cityofsierramadre.com](mailto:radio@cityofsierramadre.com).

## SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS

## Regular City Council Meeting

October 13, 2015 - 6:30 pm



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

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

## Upcoming Public Meetings

- Monday, September 28th  
 - Police Services Proposal Review Committee - 6:00 pm  
 Thursday, October 1st  
 - Senior Community Commission 3:00 pm  
 Thursday, October 1st  
 - Planning Community Commission 7:00 pm  
 Saturday, September 26th  
 - Medication Drop: Sierra Madre Police Station 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
 Saturday, October 3rd  
 - SPERO Foundation Wine, Rhythm, & Brews 5:00 pm Downtown

- Friday & Saturday, October 23rd & 24th  
 - Halloween Window Painting - Downtown

Friday, October 30th

- Halloween Trick-o-Treating and Parade 5:00 pm Downtown

**City Hall Hours** - Monday - Thursday 7:30am - 5:30pm  
 Planning & Community Preservation and Public Works Service Hours Monday - Thursday 7:30am - 2:00pm  
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## SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

During the week of Sunday, September 13th, to Sunday, September 20th, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 229 calls for service.

## Sunday, September 13th

At 10:47 pm, Sierra Madre Police responded to the 200 block of Ramona Avenue regarding a suspicious person. Upon arrival, the resident informed Officers that several minutes before when he arrived home, he parked his car in his driveway. When he got out of his vehicle he heard a noise coming from the bushes. When he looked over towards the noise, he noticed a dark figure looking over his fence back towards him. The figure, which was described as a male, approximately 5'8" tall with a medium build and wearing a black hoodie, quickly ducked down. The man immediately went into his home to check on his father then called the police. Officers searched the area but did not find any further evidence. This case has been forwarded to the Detective Bureau.

## Wednesday, September 16th

At around 3:37 am, Sierra Madre Police were patrolling the area of Sierra Madre Blvd and Auburn when they heard a vehicle's tires spinning on the wet pavement. When Officers continued on the boulevard they witnessed a white truck with missing passenger side tail and brake lamp, traveling at a high rate of speed. As the truck approached the intersection of Sierra Madre Blvd and Baldwin, it made a right turn at approximately 8 mph, failing to stop at the stop sign. Officers witnessed the truck veer in and out of the north bound lanes while driving south bound. The truck did not immediately come to a stop once asked and drove through another stop sign before pulling off to the side. The man consented to a vehicle search, and Officers located an expired disabled person's parking placard that was registered to someone else, as well as blank checks. When Officers questioned why he was in possession of someone else's belongings, the man stated that they probably belonged to the previous owner of the truck as he did not clean it out when he bought it a few weeks ago. Officers noticed the names on the checks also matched the names on the vehicle registration card for the previous owner. Officers cited the man for crossing the double lines and appropriation of lost property. This case has been forwarded to the Detective Bureau for a follow up with the names on the found property.



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Featured will be a HALF-PRICE sale on DVDs. Also available will be several collections for the history buff, including a complete set of The Second World War by Winston Churchill and two selections by the historian Page Smith.

On the table in the basement will be large-format books on History, Art, Culture and Cooking as well as contemporary Fiction and Non-Fiction. Our Children's collection in the basement will have beautiful picture books as well as classic titles and sets for older children and teens. The shelves in the basement have books of every genre; we are receiving donations every day and add titles frequently.

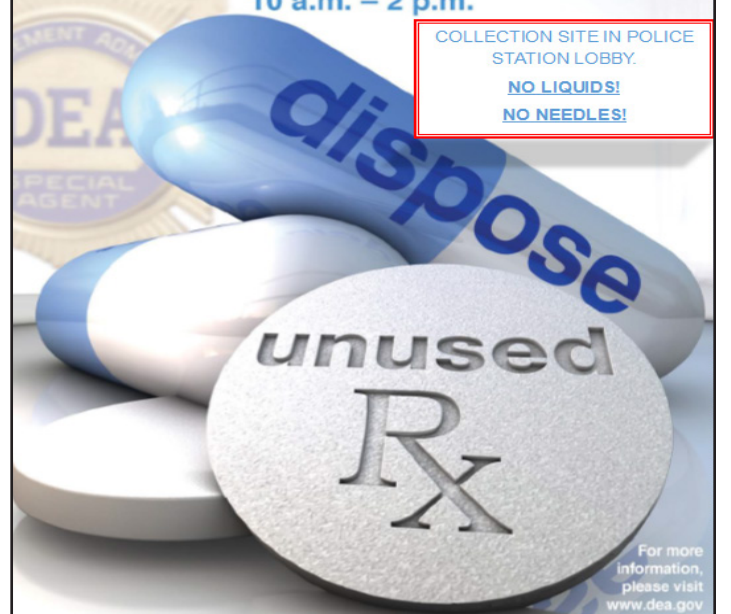
As always in the parking lot, we will have our popular Bargain Books (fiction and non-fiction) for only \$1.00 each. Small paperbacks will be .25 each or 5/\$1.00. Children's /teen books in the parking lot are priced from .25 - \$1.00.

All proceeds from the sale will be used to support programs, services and acquisitions of the Sierra Madre Library. The Friends of the Sierra Madre Library is a non-profit organization and all proceeds benefit the Sierra Madre Library. For more information visit us on Facebook, at our website [www.sierramadrelibraryfriends.org](http://www.sierramadrelibraryfriends.org), or call the library at 626 355-7186.

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**HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS**

\*Note: Alegria Ave will be fully decorated on the 31st

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**Costume Contest Categories**

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 3 - 4 years old  
 5 - 7 years old  
 8 - 12 years old  
 \*\* Must include at least 1 youth under 17

**HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS EVENT MAP**

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 Parade Route  
 Costume Contest Check-in  
 Costume Contest

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## Walking Sierra Madre...The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

*"Nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation are not utopian ideals. They are critical to global peace and security." Ban Ki-moon*

What a week! Will Farrell and Amy Poehler filming in town, our favorite jockey, Victor Espinoza, dancing with Karina Smirnoff on Dancing With The Stars, the scarecrow workshop last Saturday at Creative Arts, and rain! We had actual rain!

The best thing that happened to me this week was meeting Amadea Tanner. Occasionally one meets a young person who is so awesome that one is filled with hope for our future. Yes, there are wonderful teen-agers out there! The hour I spent at The Only Place In Town with her is one I shall treasure. This young woman is probably the busiest person I've talked to in some time, and everything she's doing is beneficial to the world at large.

A research project about the Humanitarian Impact of Nuclear Weapons led to her being one of two Pasadena High School students chosen to accompany the Assistant Principal to Hiroshima, Japan this past summer to represent PHS at a conference on non-proliferation. Additionally, she created a nuclear non-proliferation website. Also attending the conference were students from two schools in Russia, four in Japan and an additional four U.S. schools. Now how amazing is that! Students stayed with host families and Amadea's impression of Japan is that it is very clean...no litter, no graffiti, with very strict social conduct. She was there during the Cherry Blossom Festival and said the locals aren't that wild about it, even though this is one of the most world-famous-save up for years to see it events. Why on earth not, you're asking...well, being over-the-top clean, neat and tidy, they don't like having to keep cleaning up those blossoms! You know, like us when it's Jacaranda blossom time. We love looking at the purple clouds but get really tired of tracking those blossoms into the house.

How was the food? Amadea's host family, wanting to be sure she got the full Japanese food experience served lots of sushi and included her in a family celebration at a sashimi restaurant where ten different courses of raw fish were served. Let's just say that being the delightfully polite young woman she is she smiled a lot and got through it. The Sake ice cream was, "interesting." Her host family live in a very modern, upper-middle class house on a mountain at the edge of the cherry blossom forest, the trees of which have been there for centuries.

Her trip included a visit to the Hiroshima Peace Park and Museum, where the 70th anniversary of the WWII bombing was observed this past summer. This park, filled with numerous memorials, stands on the site of the original bomb crater in downtown Hiroshima. Two of the monuments which most impressed Amadea were the Cenotaph for the A-bomb Victims. Below the Cenotaph arch is a stone chest holding a register of the names of those who died because of the bomb, either due to the initial blast or exposure to radiation. There are over 220,000 names. Also, The Atomic Bomb Memorial Mound, a large, grass-covered knoll which contains the ashes of 70,000 unidentified victims of the bomb. She commented on the thousands of paper



cranes which are everywhere in the peace park, originating with one little girl, Sadako Sasaki, who became ill with leukemia several years after the bombing. Sadako believed that folding a thousand paper cranes would help her to live and, sadly, she did, indeed, fold a thousand paper cranes. Her death was the inspiration for the Children's Peace Monument at the Peace Park. Needless to say, this student conference in Japan to promote non-nuclear proliferation impacted Amadea in a big way.

What did she do the rest of the summer? Traveled to Europe to visit friends and family in France and Florence, visited cousins in Quebec, spent some time looking at Canadian colleges, wrote a terrific blog about her travel adventures and had, basically, a fabulous summer. School is back and Amadea, now a senior, keeps herself busy at PHS being a violinist in the orchestra, she also plays piano and taught herself viola. She's Editor in Chief of the yearbook, runs cross-country, and plans to attend film school and be a screen writer. She made it into the second round for the Rose Court and her goal is to keep expanding on her life experiences. At 17 she's already had more life experiences than a lot of people ever get around to! And then, just to make this wonderful hour we spent together even more special, I discovered that she is the little girl I have observed over the years living right here in Sierra Madre next door to our daughter, Leah, and her husband, Chuck! She babysits their cats and plays their piano! I am convinced that we are going to hear great things about Amadea Tanner in the next few years.

My book page: Amazon.com: Deanne Davis

Blog: www.authordeanne.com

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

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## FRIENDS OF THE ARTS, FOA OPENING.

October 9, 5-9 pm at BELLE'S NEST on North Baldwin, Sierra Madre.

All Are Welcome: Join us for an evening of wine, cheese, beautiful art and craft, and good company.

This FOA exhibition marks the beginning of a series of shows that FOA plans to mount showcasing the many artistic talents of the town in partnership with supportive businesses and Venues.

This exhibition features works by:

Patricia Ancona - Textiles from Mexico  
Elizabeth Converse - Paintings, Design, Textiles  
Sophia D'Auria - Handmade lighting  
Jennifer Lindstrom - Paintings and surprises.

### INCLUDED WORKS BY:

Patricia Ancona: As an artist I promote Arts and Artists. This is an obsession and as an obsession I can only share the fruits and hope to share the emotions. These textiles are hand-made by Mexican women who will share their skill and tradition. My passion is to support their beautiful work and pay them a rate that respects their skill, with the hope that their children will learn and continue the tradition.



Elizabeth Converse has known several artistic professions from the inside out: painter, writer, educator. In the last year, she began devoting herself to a new series of painting. Her Away paintings on display reflect her recent interest in landscapes and the notion of Being Away and Renewal. Also on display are current designs and Textiles from her growing Leda Collection

Sophia D'Auria launched her company SoPhab in 2014. After

10 years of working for others in the decorative lighting industry, honing her wood and metal working skills on both large commercial projects and intimate one of a kind designs, she decided to start her own artisan business. She is committed to creating fun, friendly and functional lighting for both homes and workspaces.

Jennifer Lindstrom is an artist of many colors and mediums from henna to glitter and paint or collage. You never know what it's going to be, it could be anything. On exhibit will be a collection of bird prints mounted in hand painted distressed picture frames. There may also be a few original paintings for sale or possibly an entirely new project altogether. Be surprised!

## SIERRA MADRE COMMUNITY NURSERY SCHOOL RELEASES 70TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION OF NURTURING HUMAN GROWTH

The local preschool Sierra Madre Community Nursery School has published a new edition of its signature handbook Nurturing Human Growth. This edition is in honor of their upcoming 70th Anniversary and includes a special dedication a new foreword by school Director Beverly Slocum and Assistant Director Amy McGinnis.

For many years the handbook created at Sierra Madre Community Nursery School, Nurturing Human Growth, has been used by colleges and early childhood teaching programs throughout the country. Now in its third printing, this valuable text is available for purchase by interested nursery schools, libraries, universities, parents and others.

It is a book about human beings, each worthy of celebration. In it, the school shares their philosophy and understanding of the unfolding of the human

being. It demonstrates how a school program based on this philosophy is developed for children, parents and other adults, and offers practical suggestions for parents to use at home or school.

About Sierra Madre Community Nursery School The Sierra Madre Community Nursery School is a non-profit, parent participation preschool and kindergarten that has been nurturing young children in the San Gabriel Valley since 1947. Since its inception, parents and friends of the school have provided their manpower to build the facilities and maintain them. Over the years it has become one of the largest, most respected parent co-operative preschools in California. The school ascribes to the recommendations of NAEYC, the National Association for the Education of Young Children, and has been accredited by that organization. For more information please visit <http://www.smcns.us/>

## SCARECROW FESTIVAL

It's that time of year again! That's right, the Scarecrow Festival is just around the corner! We hope that you've seen our posters around town and that you are gearing up to participate in our 4th Annual Scarecrow Festival.

If you haven't registered for the contest yet, don't worry, there is still time! The deadline to enter online is Sunday, September 27th. You can fill out the registration form online here: <http://www.creativeartsgroup.org/scarecrow-festival/contest/>.

If you would like to register in person at Creative Arts Group, the deadline is Saturday, September 26th (we close at 2:00pm).

Once you register, you can come in during our office hours to pick up your ID tag. We are open Monday through Friday from 10 to 5, and Saturday 10 to 2.

All registered scarecrows need to be on display with their ID tags by October 2nd.

We are also offering a FREE shuttle tour of many of the residential scarecrows on Saturday, October 10th! The shuttles leave at 10:00, 12:00 and 2:00. [Register to reserve your space today!](#)

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## CONGRESSWOMEN JUDY CHU AND GRACE NAPOLITANO PARTNER WITH KAISER PERMANENTE FOR ANNUAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS CAMPAIGN AND COLLECTION DRIVE



By Joan Schmidt

This past Tuesday I attended the Kick-off Press Conference for the 12th Annual Domestic Violence Collection Drive. Twelve years ago, Congresswoman Judy Chu (CA-27) saw firsthand domestic violence, her friend, an educator with an abusive husband. During the divorce, the abuser was going to get HALF of the victim's retirement pay. Chu couldn't believe this; hence her Assembly Bill 1288-This prevents perpetrators of abuse to purchase firearms. If they do so, victims are alerted.

Within the last two years, Congresswoman Grace Napolitano (CA-32) has joined with Chu. Rep. Napolitano said, "It is a privilege to continue working with Congresswoman Chu, Kaiser Permanente and so many other local heroes in our fight to end domestic violence. The emotional wounds inflicted by domestic violence are often invisible, so increased mental health awareness is critical to ensure those in need seek health." (All in the 32nd District applaud Napolitano's focus on Veterans and Mental Health issues-especially in our schools.)

Dr. Victor Cheng, Physician In-Charge, Kaiser Permanente, and on-board these twelve years spoke of victims of ALL ages, socio-economic/ ethnic groups.

Ken Muche, Public Relations Manager, Verizon Wireless, told us Verizon has also been involved in this project of victims of domestic violence for many years and has obtained \$29 million in grants.

Other speakers included Penny Wilson, President, General/California Federation of Women's Clubs; Ana Interiano, Director, YYCA San Gabriel Valley-Wings, and Personal Testimony from "Jessica".

The Campaign lasts from October 1-November 1. It will support Domestic Violence Victims from Elizabeth House, Pacific Lifeline, Grace Services, Project Sister family Services and Shepherd's Door.

The Collection Locations are:

Congresswoman Chu's Pasadena Office  
527 South Lake Ave. Suite 106, Pasadena  
Congresswoman Chu's Claremont Office  
415 W. Foothill Blvd., Suite 122, Claremont  
Alhambra City Hall  
111 S. First St. Alhambra  
Altadena Community Center  
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The month-long drive, part of the Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October, will collect gently used women's and children's clothing/school supplies, household cleaning products, toiletry items- NO BREAKABLE items, please- and other donations that will be distributed to victims at shelters throughout the San Gabriel Valley. Donations can also be dropped off at Kaiser Permanente Facilities in Baldwin Park, Diamond Bar, Montebello, San Dimas and West Covina. Thank you!



## At first, Dad and I didn't see eye to eye about moving to The Kensington, but ever since he did, we've both been thrilled

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## City Appoints New Finance Director



City Manager Michael Beck announced last week the appointment of Matthew Hawkesworth as the new Director for the Pasadena Finance Department. Hawkesworth will be responsible for the administration and operation of the department, including overall financial management of the City, accounting, debt management, investments, purchasing and payroll. He is expected to begin October 5.

Hawkesworth's appointment caps an eight-month nationwide recruitment process.

Hawkesworth was the Assistant City Manager for Rosemead, overseeing the Finance, Human Resources, Public Works, Technology and Risk Management departments.

"Mr. Hawkesworth brings strong managerial and financial experiences to help restore public confidence in our financial operations," Beck said. "His experience overseeing departments and personnel at various levels will add to our existing Executive Leadership Team."

Hawkesworth said "I'm looking forward to joining the City Executive Leadership Team and serving the residents and businesses of the remarkable City of Pasadena."

The maximum annual salary for the Director of the Finance Department is \$199,799, according to information on the City's website. Contract terms will be finalized prior to the start of his formal duties.



### Pet of the Week

Greyson (A384119) is a stunning four-year-old, affectionate gray domestic Shorthaired cat. He always wants attention and will talk you into picking him up. Greyson enjoys being carried and he will nuzzle into your neck. Greyson was previously living in our communal room at the shelter so we know he gets along with other cats. His favorite past time is cuddle time; all he wants is someone to hold him. Greyson would love to find a home where he will receive a lot of attention. He seems to get along with men, women, children, cats, and even small dogs.

The regular cat adoption fee is \$70 which includes the spay or neuter surgery, microchip, vaccinations, and a free follow-up health check at a participating vet.

New adopters will receive complimentary health and wellness exam from VCA Animal Hospitals, as well as a goody bag filled with information on how to care for your pet.

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

## CITY MOVES AHEAD WITH NEW ARCHERY REGULATIONS

*Stewards for Public Land sue the city over proposed changes to the archery range in the lower Arroyo.*

By Dean Lee In light of a pending lawsuit, the Pasadena city council voted Monday night in favor of new rules for the archery range in the lower Arroyo including that all persons using the range must complete a city-approved safety and training program or competency exam and prominently display credentials when using the range. It also keeps hikers, walkers and joggers out of the area.

Councilmember Steve Madison was the only no vote. Newly appointed Councilmember Andy Wilson abstained saying he did not have enough information to make a decision. Monday night's vote was first reading of the municipal code amendment.

About a have-dozen people in the audience spoke including a lawyer representing Stewards for Public Land, an environmental group based in Pasadena. Most of the comments favored the ordinance saying it would make the area safer. Attorney Mitchell Tsai was the only speaker against the new rules.

"My clients are saddened by the need to sue the city," Tsai said.

**Chief Engineer for the Mars Rover Curiosity**

Rob Manning, chief engineer for the Mars Rover Curiosity will discuss this momentous occasion and the events leading up to the landing on Saturday, Oct. 3 from 2 to 3 p.m. at Pasadena Public Library's Allendale Branch Library, 1130 S. Marengo Ave.

Manning has been working on space missions at Jet Propulsion Laboratory since his arrival in the early 1980s. He was responsible for developing and managing the critical entry-descent-landing (EDL) process for Curiosity, which required a Rube Goldberg-esque series of parachutes, rockets, and thrusters that carefully deposited the rover on the surface of Mars and then flew away.

## Altadena Station Crime Blotter

**Sunday, September 13th**  
7:32 AM – Stephanie Jenkins, 65 years old of Altadena, was arrested at Walmart, 2408 Lincoln Avenue for shoplifting.  
7:35 PM – Rodolfo Montoya, 23 years old of Altadena, was arrested in the 3300 block of Lincoln Avenue for possession of a controlled substance.

**Monday, September 14th**  
4:12 AM – Gewo Khachadorian, 24 years old of Pasadena, was arrested in the 1400 block of N. Hill Avenue for possession of a controlled substance.  
6:26 AM – A vehicle was reported stolen from the 3100 block of Casitas Avenue. The vehicle stolen was a 1995 Honda Civic. Still outstanding.  
7:00 PM – Joshua Muema-Washington, 20 years old of Altadena, was arrested in the area of Lincoln Avenue and Wyoming Street for possession of burglary tools.

**Tuesday, September 15th**  
12:20 PM – Lando King, 31 years old of Altadena, was arrested in the 2300 block of Grandeur Avenue for violation of a court order.  
2:52 PM – Zuri Ordenez, 20 years old of Altadena, was arrested for violating a court order in the 100 block of E. Altadena Drive. He was additionally charged with battery on a Peace Officer after spitting on arresting deputies during the booking process.  
7:29 PM – Mukri Ordenez, 18 years old of Altadena, was arrested in the 100 block of E. Altadena Drive for attempt carjacking. The victim and her children were sitting in the vehicle when the suspect began banging on the driver's side window demanding the



said. "But it's an issue that's been raised because my clients feel that their interests and concerns have been effectively ignored and shutout of the political process."

Tsai said, at issue, was that all the authority of where archery occurred, and the rules, went solely to the city manager something the group said circumvents city commissions or public review.

City Attorney Michele Beal Bagneris said "the city code and the city charter would allow for this delegation to the city manager as proposed."

An agreement approved in February with the Pasadena Roving Archers grants exclusively to the area for archery, expands the archery range by installing of two targets, barriers, and new signage for the area.

Stewards for Public Land representatives also said they plan to add Monday's newly adopted ordinance to a current lawsuit claiming the city in February did not undergo a full Environmental Impact Report for the use of archery



Manning Image: NASA/JPL

Manning will share his experiences and insights in leading this exciting and demanding part of the mission. He will also sign copies of his book, Mars Rover Curiosity: An Inside Account from Curiosity's Chief Engineer. Co-written with bestselling author William L. Simon.

For more information, contact Jean Penn (626) 744-7260.

vehicle. The victim, fearing for her safety, fled the area. Shortly after the incident, deputies located the suspect and took him into custody.

**Wednesday, September 16th**  
4:00 PM – Freddy Serrano, 29 years old of Azusa, was arrested in the 1900 block of Raymond Avenue for possession of a controlled substance for sales.  
4:00 PM – A vehicle burglary occurred at the "MintLeaf", 2535 E. Washington Blvd. The suspect entered the vehicle by shattering the driver's window. Property stolen was a Mac Air laptop, a backpack, credit cards, and currency.

**Thursday, September 17th**  
12:45 PM – A battery occurred at McDonald's, 2157 Lincoln Avenue. The suspect entered the business and demanded food. After the victim refused to give the suspect free food, he became irate, and struck the victim with his fist. The suspect was described as a male Hispanic, 5' 4" tall, 140 lbs., wearing no shirt, gray shorts, and black sneakers. The suspect had a "P" tattooed on his torso and a "Skull" in his abdomen. The investigation is ongoing.

**Friday, September 18th**  
5:45 PM – Brian Conley, 52 years old of Pasadena, was arrested in the area of Calaveras Street and Fair Oaks Avenue for domestic violence.  
6:40 PM – A residential burglary occurred in the 100 block of Taos Road. The suspect entered the residence by shattering a window. The victim followed the suspect until deputies arrived and took the suspect into custody. A passport and money belonging to the victim were recovered.

**Saturday, September 19th**  
5:31 PM – Robert Ashmore, 25 years old of Pasadena, was arrested in the area of Lincoln Avenue and Idaho Street for being under the influence of a controlled substance.

in the Lower Arroyo under the California Environmental Quality Act.

The adopted ordinance will allow leaders of the Roving Archers, park rangers or police to enforce the new rules.

Violations would be an infraction punishable by a fine not exceeding \$100.00 for a first violation and a fine not exceeding \$200.00 for a second violation.

## Women's Health Conference and Expo

Pasadena's Commission on the Status of Women is encouraging women of all ages to attend the 15th annual Southern California Women's Health Conference and Expo, 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Oct. 2, at the Pasadena Convention Center, 300 E. Green St.

The conference is free, but registration online is required at [www.socalhealthconference.com](http://www.socalhealthconference.com). A luncheon and fashion show is available as part of the event for \$35 per person.

"We are delighted to partner with the SoCal Women's Health Conference, as it has been a pivotal health education forum in Southern California," said Char Bland, chair of the Pasadena Commission on the Status of Women. Bland said the Commission encourages all women to attend.

The conference and expo features about two dozen free workshops led by some of the nation's best health experts and motivational speakers on a variety of topics including kidney health, weight loss, relationships, income stability and dental hygiene. Participants can also receive health screenings such as mammograms and flu shots at no charge and browse among dozens of vendor exhibits.

The conference is organized by Community Women Vital Voices, a Pasadena-based non-profit organization founded by Lena L. Kennedy. Contact Ms. Kennedy at (626) 765-6206.

A special "Man Cave" for men will be available with activities including watching ESPN TV, playing in a dominoes competition and practice their golf on a putting green.

## Fall In for La Pintoresca

The La Pintoresca Associates are hosting their first annual La Pintoresca Associates Fundraiser on Sunday, Oct. 4 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Pasadena Public Library's La Pintoresca Branch, 1355 N. Raymond Ave.

The public and in particular the La Pintoresca community are invited for an afternoon of fun, food and music. Special guests include newly elected Mayor Terry Tornek and District One Councilmember Tyrone Hampton.

A Silent Auction will be held featuring items donated by neighborhood businesses and community members including: four Club tickets to the UCLA-Washington State football game on Nov. 14, breakfast or lunch for four at the Brookside Clubhouse, green fees, including a cart, for four at the Brookside Golf Club, five private sessions at Le Studio Pilates, one session of the Learn-to-Swim Program at the Rose Bowl Aquatics Center, a private guided tour for four at the Gamble House, a private guided tour for four at the Getty Center, a Southern Comfort Gift Basket, a Porta Via gift certificate, and a professional family photography session. Proceeds from the event will go towards creating an interactive learning and play center in the library's children's area.

For more information, contact Pat Smith (626) 744-7268

## Pasadena Doo Dah Parade Queen Tryouts Are Coming

Individuals of all genders, shapes, ages, and persuasions can test their fate to become this year's 38th Pasadena Doo Dah Parade Queen. Tryouts will be Oct. 18 at The American Legion Bar in Pasadena.

The town-hall setting with long tables in beer-fest style, crock pot chili, and legendary Doo Dah House Band, Snotty Scotty and the Hankies on stage, set the mood for the lively caucus.

There is a \$5 cover to Legion's charity although the first 20 Queen Hopefuls to arrive get in free (1 admission per Queen's entourage). Each Queen Hopeful will have a few minutes to wow the Judges. Microphone and boom box, even drumroll, provided. Be ready to show us and tell us why you should be Queen! Bring loyal followers and humor.

Organizers staged the first public tryouts in 1998 at a Gothic house on stilts. It then moved to the famed Zorthian Ranch, in Altadena. This and other parodies of Pasadena's 'Other Parade' have fueled Doo Dah's colorful and controversial life on Colorado Boulevard.

The 34th Occasional Pasadena Doo Dah Parade will be held on Sunday, November 22 stepping off at 11:00am on the streets of East Pasadena.

If trying out please call us at 626-590-1134 and event organizers will answer your questions and give you tips. All are encouraged to dress randomly even if you are coming to watch.

Doors Open and live music begins at 2 pm. Queen Tryouts start at 4pm-ish.

The American Legion Bar is at 179 N. Vinedo St., Pasadena, Cross Street is Colorado Blvd.



Queen Narayana

## College District Area 2 to Hold Candidate Forum

Join the Neighbors Building a Better Altadena for a Candidate Forum Oct. 7 to find out more about the candidates vying for Pasadena Community College District Area 2- co-sponsored by the Altadena Library District and the League of Women Voters Pasadena. All three candidates Martin Enriquez, James Osterling and Tom Selinske have confirmed their attendance. This is the

only public forum where they will all appear.

"PCC is a key resource in our community - and the Trustees that run the district are important to our Community College's future - and we will be voting for our own representative in November," NBA organizers said.

The forum will take place, 7:00 p.m. at the Altadena Library, 600 east. Mariposa St.

## Coffee with the Captain at Aladena Coffee Gallery

The public is invited Monday from 6:00pm to 7:30pm at the Coffee Gallery, located at 2029 N. Lake Ave, Altadena for Coffee with the Captain. Meet with Captain Christopher Reed and staff to discuss topics of concern and any community issues. Starting a Neighborhood Watch Program, recent crime trends and how to safeguard your property will also be discussed. Members of the public are also welcome to just stop by and say hello. For more information regarding



this event contact Deputy Greg Gabriel at (262) 296-2107

## Free Upcoming Events at Pasadena Senior Center

There is something for everyone in September at the Pasadena Senior Center, 85 E. Holly St. All events listed are free.

You do not have to be a member to attend. Some events require advance reservations as noted.

**Stay Connected with Social Media – Tuesdays and Thursdays, through Sept. 29, from 9 to 11 a.m.** Learn how to keep in touch with family and friends via email, Skype, Facebook and other forms of social media during a 30-minute, one-on-one meeting with an instructor. You'll choose which applications you want to learn. Bring a laptop or use one of the onsite computers. If you have an email address, bring it and your password. Sign up with Edison at the Welcome Desk.

**Smart Phones, Tablets and Computers – Any Questions? – Tuesdays and Thursdays, through Sept. 29, from 10 to 11 a.m.** Get the answers you need about technology devices, whether you own them already or are considering a purchase.

**Memories in the Making – Mondays through Oct. 19, at 10 a.m.** This fun and engaging activity can turn into your new hobby! Memories in the Making is a program developed by the Alzheimer's Association for people with early stage dementias so they can preserve distant memories and capture precious moments through art. Instead of teaching new concepts, this program focuses on skills that remain. No previous artistic experience is necessary. Reservations are required: 626-685-6733.

**Parkinson's Education Group – Tuesday Sept. 29, from 3 to 4:30 p.m.** This education and support class explores diagnosis, treatment, maintaining mobility and quality of life. Speakers will include speech, occupational,

physical and speech therapists. Registration is encouraged but not required. 626-685-6730. Walk-ins are welcome.

**Healthier Living – Thursdays, through Oct. 8, from 1 to 3:30 p.m.** Learn how to live an overall healthy life and feel better about yourself during this six-week class designed by Stanford University and Kaiser Permanente. Explore common health concerns, such as fatigue, frustration, anxiety and depression, and learn how to set weekly goals, reduce stress, receive support, have fun and thrive! Reservations are required: 626-685-6730. Presented by Kaiser Permanente.

**After Your Loss – Thursday, Oct. 1, at 10 a.m.** People grieve differently in facing the loss of a loved one. Learn about the cyclical nature of grief and how to cope during this difficult time. Presented by Forest Lawn.

**Chess Classes – Thursdays, Oct. 1 to 29, at 3 p.m.** Chess is a fun board game that challenges minds and contributes to mental and social lives. In this beginner class anyone 50 and older will learn to play a full game with others. It's easier than you may think and anyone can learn in a few lessons. The class is open to beginners as well as experienced players who want to find partners. The instructor is Harrison Chen, a 10th grader at Flintridge Prep.

**A Writer's Workshop – Fridays, Oct. 2 and 16, from 1 to 3 p.m.** Are you writing a memoir, poetry, short stories or a novel? Get support and peer feedback from a group of writers engaged in similar activities. This new club meets the first and third Friday of every month. For more information call Esther Gillies, club captain, at 213-709-6703.

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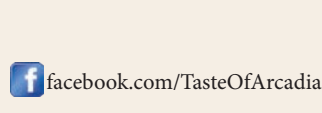
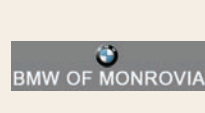
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## POPULAR BULGARINI GELATO CART AT TASTE OF ARCADIA SEPT. 28

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The wildly popular Bulgarini Gelato will be making its debut at Taste of Arcadia, as will a new giant "Big Shot" selfie camera on the Red Carpet Experience.

This year's traditional outdoor event produced by the Arcadia Chamber of Commerce is being held from 5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. Monday evening at the beautiful Los Angeles County Arboretum at 301 N. Baldwin Avenue in Arcadia, made possible by returning Gold sponsors Westfield Santa Anita, Methodist Hospital, and BMW of Monrovia.

The popular Bulgarini Gelato cart is coming fresh off an appearance by popular demand earlier this month at The Taste in Los Angeles sponsored by The Los Angeles Times.

Owner Leo Bulgarini's popular selections include yogurt gelato with sea salt and drizzled with olive oil, hazelnut gelato with gavi, goat's milk gelato with toasted cocoa nibs and pinot noir, nectarine sorbet with trebbiano malvasio, kona coffee gelato and stout beer, gelato he makes with the ultra-pricey Bronte pistachios he picks himself from trees in Sicily, and many more.

The Rome-born Bulgarini who has set up a base of operations in Altadena says that once you taste his gelato, you will never eat ice cream again. Although he follows the teachings of traditional Italian gelato-making from his uncle, he says his recipes and process are so unique that

you won't even find his gelato in Rome.

The Big Shot camera sponsored by Arcadia Performing Arts Foundation allows attendees to pose several feet away from the camera on the Red Carpet Experience (with optional exotically-costumed Brazilian dancers) and take their own photos that show up on a video screen. After choosing their favorites on a touch-screen tablet, they may make printed copies on the spot and also e-mail copies to themselves.

Bulgarini and The Big Shot are just two of many firsts at Taste this year in addition to valet parking for only \$7, the colorful Yoobi bus, a giant 33-foot inflatable screen, three live performers simultaneously, new models of Tesla and Cadillac cars, and much more.

Advance tickets \$65 (\$55 for Arcadia Chamber of Commerce members; \$80 at gate; or VIP reserved table of 10 for \$750 - Chamber members \$599) under "Shop" at [www.ArcadiaCaChamber.org](http://www.ArcadiaCaChamber.org), by calling 626-447-2159, or in person at the Chamber office at 388 W. Huntington Drive, Arcadia, 91007.

About 1,500 people are expected to attend what City officials refer to as the "signature event of Arcadia." From 5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. on a Monday evening attendees enjoy tastes of everything from 40 of the best local restaurants for no additional charge, 40 community organization and Business Showcase booths, and plenty of entertainment, including a Monday Night Football lounge.

## COMMUNITY INVITED TO ARCADIA'S FIRST ANNUAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXPO ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2015



Arcadia, CA - On Sunday, September 27, 2015, Arcadia is proud to host its First Annual Emergency Preparedness Expo from 1 - 5 p.m. at the Arcadia Community Center located at 365 Campus Drive.

This event will strive to educate and empower the community on how to keep themselves and their loved ones safe and prepared in the event and aftermath of an emergency or disaster. The Expo will focus on three stages: Prepare, Survive, and Recover. Admission is FREE and everyone is invited to attend this very important event.

Featured demonstrations, displays, and workshops will include interactive presentations for kids, earthquake simulator station, fire extinguisher and emergency vehicle demos, Gold Line train safety education, and informational booths representing

various local, state, and federal agencies and other organizations specializing in disaster preparedness and response. Free door prizes will also be drawn throughout the day and food trucks will be available on-site.

This event is made possible by the efforts and collaboration of the following organizations: American Red Cross; Arcadia Unified School District; Methodist Hospital of Southern California; Los Angeles County; and Offices of Assemblymember Ed Chau, and Congresswoman Judy Chu.

Preparedness is everyone's responsibility. Being Ready starts with you! Taking steps now to effectively prepare for, protect against, respond to, and recover from disasters and emergencies of all types will go far in ensuring everyone's safety.

## ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

*For the period of Sunday, September 13th, through Saturday, September 19th, the Police Department responded to 1,088 calls for service of which 110 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.*

### Sunday, September 13:

1. Just before 5:19 a.m., an officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Golden West Avenue and Huntington Drive for driving on the wrong side of the road. The officer discovered the vehicle had been involved in a collision, and through a field sobriety test, concluded the driver was under the influence of a controlled substance. The 32-year-old female from Los Angeles was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

2. At approximately 7:04 p.m., an officer responded to Rite Aid, 165 East Foothill Boulevard, regarding a robbery report. An investigation revealed two unidentified suspects stole various cosmetic products, and as they exited without making payment, they threatened to spray the employees with pepper spray. The suspects fled on foot in an unknown direction. The investigation is ongoing.

The suspects are described as two black females in their late teens.

### Monday, September 14:

3. At about 8:53 a.m., an officer responded to Goldstein's Bagel Bakery, 412 North Santa Anita Avenue, regarding an attempted commercial burglary. The officer determined unknown suspect(s) removed the drive-through window but did not steal anything from the business. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

4. At approximately 10:58 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 2300 block of South Eighth Avenue regarding a burglary report. An investigation revealed the unknown suspect(s) broke a rear window, stole the victim's jewelry, and fled undetected. The investigation is ongoing.

### Tuesday, September 15:

5. Around 1:59 p.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Santa Anita Avenue and Camino Real Avenue for having a broken tail light. Upon contacting the driver, the officer discovered the 62-year-old male from El Monte was driving with a suspended license. He was cited and released in the field. The vehicle was released to a licensed driver.

6. Just after 6:48 p.m., an officer conducted an enforcement stop on a vehicle in the 700 block of Sunset Boulevard for having expired registration. A records check of the vehicle revealed the registration had expired; however, the vehicle displayed a 2016 registration sticker. The driver, a 39-year-old male from Arcadia, knowingly placed a registration sticker from a different vehicle to avoid the renewal process. The suspect was cited and released in the field.

### Wednesday, September 16:

7. Shortly after 10:33 a.m., an officer responded

to Macy's at the Westfield Shopping Town, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a theft report. Surveillance footage revealed an unknown suspect stole 12 designer jackets before exiting and failing to make payment. The investigation is ongoing.

8. At about 9:17 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 000 block of Bonita Street regarding a burglary report. The officer discovered an unknown suspect broke into a maintenance closet and stole various tools. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

### Thursday, September 17:

9. At approximately 10:00 a.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle near the intersection of El Monte Avenue and La Sierra Avenue for having an active warrant attached to the license plate. Upon contacting the driver, the officer discovered the 37-year-old female from West Covina had never been issued a license and the warrant was for her husband. She was cited and released in the field. Her vehicle was left legally parked.

10. Around 12:44 p.m., an officer responded to Arcadia High School, 180 Campus Drive, regarding a student in possession of marijuana. The officer determined the 16-year-old male from Arcadia was in possession of marijuana and a smoking pipe. He was cited and released to his father.

### Friday, September 18:

11. At about 9:35 a.m., officers responded to the 1000 block of North Santa Anita Avenue in reference to a subject check request. Officers discovered the 56-year-old male from Sierra Madre was operating a business without a license. The suspect was cited and released in the field.

12. Just after 9:43 p.m., an officer responded to the 200 block of Foothill Boulevard regarding an auto burglary report. An investigation revealed an unidentified suspect entered the vehicle by unknown means and stole the victim's cassette player. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

### Saturday, September 19:

13. Just after 2:37 a.m., an officer conducted an enforcement stop on a vehicle in the 200 block of Foothill Boulevard for speeding. Upon contacting the driver, the officer detected a strong odor of alcohol emitting from his person. A field sobriety test revealed the 22-year-old male from Glendora had a blood alcohol content of .132%. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

14. At approximately 2:57 p.m., an officer responded to the horse trail south of Live Oak Avenue and Sixth Avenue regarding two male and female transients fighting. The officer discovered an argument between a boyfriend and girlfriend escalated when the male suspect punched the female victim numerous times. The 52-year-old male from El Monte was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking. The female victim was transported to Arcadia Methodist Hospital for clearance.

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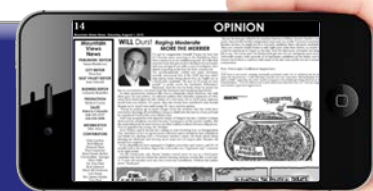
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## MONROVIA POLICE BLOTTER

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.

**Burglary** September 18 at 5:39 a.m., an officer responded to the 1100 block of East Huntington on the report of a possible burglary. A neighbor heard a window breaking at a restaurant. Officers found a broken window to the kitchen area. The officers checked the location, but no suspect(s) were located. Cash was taken from two registers and bottles of liquor were found placed near the doors. The investigation is continuing.

**Grand Theft Auto** September 19 at 7:00 a.m., a vehicle was reported stolen from the 800 block of Anita Avenue. The vehicle stolen is a grey, Kia Optima. The vehicle was taken from in front of the victim's residence sometime during the night. The investigation is continuing.

**Warrants** – Suspect Arrested September 20 at 7:00 a.m., a suspicious person was reported in the 600 block of West Duarte Road. An officer arrived in the area and located a male subject matching the description who was sleeping on a bus bench. The subject was found to have several outstanding warrants. He was arrested and taken into custody for the warrants.

**Injury Traffic Collision** September 20 at 9:56 a.m., officers responded to the report of a female subject injured on a bicycle. When they arrived, they discovered the bicyclist had been in a traffic collision with a vehicle. The female made a left turn from the center of the road and ran into a vehicle that was making a left turn onto the same street. The female struck the front of the vehicle and sustained minor injuries. She was treated by Monrovia Fire Department and taken to a hospital for treatment.

**Petty Theft** September 20 at 1:25 p.m., a petty theft was reported at a restaurant in the 600 block of West Huntington. The female victim's purse was stolen while she was eating at the restaurant. She was seated near a door and did not see anyone take the purse. The investigation was continuing.

**Injury Traffic Collision** September 20 at 1:37 p.m., officers responded to a vehicle versus bicyclist traffic collision at the intersection of Foothill and Alta Vista. The bicyclist was riding against traffic and entered the intersection. The vehicle was looking for traffic approaching from the west and struck the bicyclist. The bicyclist was treated by Monrovia Fire Department paramedics, but refused to be taken to a hospital and left the scene.

**Residential Burglary** September 20 at 8:45 p.m., a residential burglary was reported in the 300 block of Encinitas. The suspect(s) appear to have entered through an open window. Two rooms were ransacked while the homeowner was on vacation. The investigation is continuing.

**Grand Theft** September 21 at 6:08 a.m., a grand theft was reported at a business in the 700 block of East Cypress. The reporting party arrived at work in the morning and discovered all of the batteries to the business semi-trucks had been stolen. A total of 22 batteries were taken in the theft. The investigation is continuing.

**Vehicle Burglary** September 21 at 1:03 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 700 block of South Myrtle on the report of a vehicle burglary. The victim parked his vehicle in the parking structure while visiting his brother. When he returned to his vehicle, he found a window was smashed and a vacuum that was in the vehicle had been stolen. The investigation is continuing.

**Grand Theft Auto Recovery** September 21 at 4:07 p.m., dispatch was contacted by LoJack and advised they were tracking a recovery signal from a stolen vehicle to the area of Evergreen and Myrtle. Officers responded and located the stolen vehicle, which was unoccupied. The vehicle had been stolen out of Pasadena several hours earlier. The vehicle was stored for Pasadena Police Department processing or for the victim to recover. No suspects were located.

**Residential Burglary** September 22 at 8:49 a.m., a residential burglary was reported in the 200 block of North Encinitas Avenue. The residence is under construction and unoccupied. Unknown suspects broke into the location sometime in the afternoon on September 20. A white utility truck was seen in the driveway. The suspects stole a new hot water heater that was being installed. The investigation is continuing.

**Vehicle Burglary** September 24 at 1:38 a.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of East Huntington Drive regarding a vehicle burglary. Unknown suspect(s) entered the victim's vehicle by smashing the driver's window. The suspect(s) then removed the interior door panel and fled the area. The victim's vehicle is a silver 2001, Toyota Highlander, Other valuables in the vehicle were not disturbed. The investigation is continuing.

## NEW SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE DEMONSTRATION GARDEN WILL HELP DUARTE LEAD THE WAY IN OUTDOOR WATER CONSERVATION!

MONROVIA, CA, -- The Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District and the City of Duarte are pleased to announce the completion of a new water-wise, landscape demonstration garden located on the corner of Buena Vista Street and Village Road on the City of Hope campus. A ribbon cutting ceremony with be held for the Duarte community on Thursday, October 8 at 6:00 pm. Following the ribbon cutting ceremony, guests will be able to tour the garden area and enjoy light refreshments. Free parking is available in the lot adjacent to the project site and guests are encouraged to wear comfortable shoes.



The garden is part of Upper District's Sustainable Landscape Demonstration Program, a community-based conservation program that provides grant funding to cities as a means to convert high-water use landscapes to low-impact, drought tolerant gardens. For this project, Upper District was pleased to partner with the local water retailer, California American Water, who provided additional grant funding for the project. Additionally, the project was supported through the partnership of City of Hope, where the garden is located, and Burrtec Services.

"With California experiencing a severe drought, we wanted to select a site that would provide optimum visibility to the community and we are very pleased with the location and community partners that stepped up to the table,"

said Director Bryan Urias, representing Division 5 of Upper District's service area. "This location will provide community members with a great example of sustainable landscaping; drawing further attention and interest to water efficient gardening practices."

Now completed, the sustainable landscape demonstration garden in Duarte will significantly reduce the site's existing water footprint through the installation of high-efficiency irrigation systems, low-water-use plants, and on-site stormwater retention and capture. The approximately 2,000 square foot demonstration project was constructed by EcoTech Services, Inc. and showcases a variety of California native plants, including sage, toyon, yucca and other colorful plants.

"We are pleased to partner with Upper District, Cal American Water and the City of Hope on this wonderful project," stated Duarte Mayor Tzeitel Paras Caracci. "Now that the garden is complete, our Duarte residents and the many visitors coming to City of Hope will see how beautiful and efficient these sustainable landscapes can be."

Outdoor landscaping accounts for the highest percentage of regional water usage and grass turf is one of the most commonly used, water-thirsty plants. Thus, it is also one of the most promising targets for future water savings.

Upper District encourages residents and businesses throughout the San Gabriel Valley to consider using sustainable landscaping on their own properties as a means to significantly reduce their overall water use. For more information on removing grass turf, drought tolerant landscaping ideas, and other water-saving tips, please visit: [www.bewaterwise.com](http://www.bewaterwise.com) and [www.saveourwater.com](http://www.saveourwater.com).

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

Upper District's mission is to provide a reliable, sustainable, diversified and affordable portfolio of high quality water supplies to the San Gabriel Valley; including water conservation, recycled water, storm water capture, storage, water transfers and imported water. Upper District services nearly one million people in its 144 square mile service territory. Governed by a five member elected board of directors, Upper District is a member agency of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. Annually, more than 78 billion gallons of water is used in Upper District's service area. For more information about Upper District, please visit our website [www.upperdistrict.org](http://www.upperdistrict.org) or call 626-443-2297.

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## ALVERNO HIGH SCHOOL STARTS NEW SCHOOL YEAR WITH INCREASE IN ENROLLMENT

Sierra Madre, CA The halls of Alverno High School are a little busier this year as Alverno is reporting an increase in enrollment over last year.

"We are thrilled, and grateful, to report that Alverno's enrollment is up 7.75 percent from last school year. Alverno has made a number of improvements over the past few years and we are grateful that our local community has taken notice of these changes," said Julia V. Fanara, Head of School. "As we continue to evolve and grow, we do so while maintaining the values and excellence that have been pivotal to Alverno High School for the past 55 years. The Class of 2015 had a 100 percent college acceptance rate and received more than \$1.5 million in scholarships and financial aid; we currently boast 16 AP scholars, and more than half of the Class of 2019 was admitted to Alverno with honors from 25 different feeder schools. It is an exciting time to be a student at Alverno and we invite our community to learn more about the changes we have made."

Ms. Fanara attributes this enrollment increase to several factors. First, building on the school's reputation for academic rigor and success, Alverno has added new Advanced Placement course offerings to the curriculum including AP Calculus BC, AP Chemistry, and AP U.S. Government and Politics. With these additions, Alverno now offers at least two AP courses in all core subjects. The standard curriculum has also been expanded to include ESL for International Students, Forensic Science, Independent Research in Engineering, and Speech and Debate. A total of four new faculty members, with advanced degrees in their fields, were added to the teaching staff to help bring these classes into the curriculum.

In the spring of 2015, Alverno introduced three new merit scholarships: a Head's Scholarship, a Board of Trustees' Scholarship, and the Elizabeth Mahoney, IHM Memorial Scholarship, which help make an independent, Catholic, all-girls education more affordable for more families. A Legacy Scholarship has also been added, which will be awarded automatically to the daughters of Alverno High School alumnae, beginning with the Class of 2020, so that the Alverno tradition may continue in their family. Recognizing that private school education is a luxury for most families, particularly in a tough economy, Alverno has committed to offering more scholarship support to families than ever before. At Alverno, the saying is "If you think you can't afford an all-girls, independent, Catholic education—then think again."



Emily Yekikian, Alexis Baro, Asia Leong, Head of School Julia V. Fanara, McKinley Luna, Arianna Munoz, and Amanda Pavon

Finally, Alverno has made several updates to the campus including re-landscaping the areas around the property's historic Villa and a complete renovation of the main terrace. Additionally, plans have been announced for the update of the school's library to a Learning Technology Center, which will open in the fall of 2016. The updated space will provide students with updated technology and wireless access, a language lab, a soundproof meeting room for collaborative work, open spaces for quiet study, and contemporary, lap-top friendly furniture.

For those interested in a progressive Catholic, independent college preparatory high school education for their daughter, enrollment for the 2016-2017 school year is open. For more information on Alverno High School, please contact Sara McCarthy '05, Director of Admissions and Public Relations, at (626) 355-3463 x. 235 or visit [www.alverno-hs.org](http://www.alverno-hs.org).

About Alverno High School  
Alverno High School is a Catholic, private, college preparatory school for young women dedicated to preparing them to function in a society as informed, knowledgeable persons, who have the requisite skills to make and implement mature decisions about complex problems. Enlivened by the spirit of its Immaculate Heart Community sponsors, and mindful of the Franciscan roots of its founders, Alverno's program—academic, spiritual, aesthetic, social, and physical—is shaped by the staff, trustees, and students in light of the world for which the students are being educated. Alverno's mission is to empower each young woman to be exactly the person she wants to be and since 1960, Alverno has empowered more than 4,500 women to meet that goal. For more information about Alverno High School, please call 626-355-3463 or visit [www.alverno-hs.org](http://www.alverno-hs.org).

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## SAVE THE DATE FOR ST. RITA SCHOOL'S ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL

(Sierra Madre, CA) St. Rita School will hold its annual Harvest Festival on October 16 and 17 this year. A favorite fall tradition, this two-day event offers something for everyone in the community, so come join in on the fun.

The festivities begin on Friday with Beer, Brats and Bingo from 6-10 p.m. in O'Malley Hall at St. Rita's. The whole family can enjoy great food, play dollar bingo, have a sneak peak of items going up for raffle at the Harvest Festival, and bid on the always-popular first row pew for the annual Christmas Pageant and First Communion in the spring. This year, parents can play bingo and unwind after a busy week while the kids go off to a supervised child care area for them to watch movies, dance to a DJ, play their own bingo and enjoy other fun activities. For older children, there will be a junior high dance from 8-10 p.m. in Gara Hall. Tickets are available at the door and the \$8 adult dinner includes bratwurst or hot dog, chips, salad, dessert, and lemonade. An additional \$3 can buy a bowl of The Buccaneer's secret-recipe chili, and kids' meals are available for \$5. In addition, beer, wine and an assortment of non-alcoholic beverages will be available.

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The excitement continues on Saturday from 12:30-9:30 p.m. with the fun- and activity-packed Harvest Festival. Throughout the day, families can participate in budget-friendly entertainment everyone will enjoy. Admission is free and you can purchase ride, game and food tickets at the gate. Sports fans can watch college football in the beer garden throughout the day, and everyone can enjoy live entertainment and a DJ in the evening.

Featured vendors will provide a great variety of food, and fun seekers of all ages can enjoy the rides including the Orient Express Roller Coaster, Super Slide, Tea Cups, Giant Swings, Bounce Houses, and a multitude of game booths. In addition, the silent and live auction will feature a Monrovia Fire Station Experience, tickets to TV's The Price is Right, a 5-day stay on the 48th floor of Chicago's Hancock Building, a trip to Cambodia, tickets to see Cat in the Hat at Pepperdine, and much more!

Tickets will be available at the door for both events, with cash and major credit cards accepted. And new this year, tickets may be purchased online at [www.st-ritaschool.org/harvest-festival-2015/](http://www.st-ritaschool.org/harvest-festival-2015/). For more information, call St. Rita School at (626)355-6114 or visit [www.st-ritaschool.org](http://www.st-ritaschool.org). The school is located at 322 North Baldwin Avenue in Sierra Madre. The school is celebrating its 93rd year, with a focus on faith, stewardship and academic excellence.

## THE REEL DEAL: by Ben Show BLACK MASS REVIEW

Lately, the movies that Johnny Depp has starred in have not been received very well. 'The Lone Ranger', 'Transcendence' and 'Mortdecai' have made up the legendary actor's low point in his career. With the fifth 'Pirates of the Caribbean' movie and the 'Alice in Wonderland' sequel still a few years away, can Depp revive his career by going back and to a more serious role, or is he unsalvageable?

At first, James Bulger (Johnny Depp) was not a big-time criminal. He was kept from becoming a large crime lord by the Italian mafia, who competed with Bulger and his Winter Hill gang for dominance in South Boston. However, when Bulger starts working with FBI agent John Connolly (Joel Edgerton) to get the Italian mafia out of Boston, Bulger begins to grow in power and insanity, wreaking havoc across the city.

'Black Mass' is not only the movie that saved Depp's career, but it's also a really good gangster movie. The acting across the board is stellar, the writing is crisp and keeps the movie moving at a good pace, and the directing always makes you afraid of Bulger, while also being completely on his side. 'Black Mass' is definitely a film worth seeing, and will go down with 'The Godfather' and 'Goodfellas' as one of the best gangster films ever made.

## Happy Tails

by Chris Leclerc



There is nothing quite as captivating as seeing a huge hawk or owl, wings spread wide side-to-side, soaring over the treetops of our local foothills. When I am fortunate enough to catch a glimpse of such a beautiful sight, I can't help thinking it is a good sign that nature has things well in check and in good balance. Knowing the raptors are plentiful and engaged in seeking out their next meal in our area indicates to me that the local prey must be plentiful as well, and on it trickles down to all of the species, both plant and animal in nature's food chain.

However, there are numerous risks in our suburban sprawl that can cause valid concern about the local bird populations. Freeway traffic is one example. Also, the dwindling population of trees due to clearing for building and development creates a problem for birds when they go looking for a good nesting spot. Pollution, both in the air and on the ground is yet another potential hazard to the healthy proliferation and survival of all wildlife in our area.

I once read a statistic in an article telling the number of raptors killed each year by rapidly passing trucks on the freeway, entanglement in fences, electric cables and wires or other man-made obstructions. I can't remember the exact statistical figures quoted, but I do remember being absolutely floored when I read that article. Suffice it to say there are way too many birds being killed or injured by vehicles and other obstructions versus those that die a natural death after a full life in the forest.

The good news is there are people in the world who recognize the challenges birds of prey are met with by living so close to an urban setting and they realize the importance of doing everything possible to protect them. Ojai Raptor Center (ORC) is a state and federally licensed 501(c)(3) non-profit organization made up of just those kinds of people. Folks who are dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation and release of birds of prey, as well as to providing educational programs about wildlife and our shared environment.

ORC director, Kimberly Stroud started her training at the Raptor Rehabilitation & Release Program in 1992. Shortly after that she co-founded Wildlife Care of Ventura in 1994, where they received permits from California State and US Federal Fish & Wildlife Agencies, and went on to found ORC in 2000. There was no real 'Center' back then. In those days ORC operated out of volunteers' homes, including Kim's and a small outbuilding on the campus of outdoor clothing manufacturer, Patagonia. Thanks to the generous donations and help of many who care, today ORC has a 3 acre facility where Kim leads

## OJAI RAPTOR CENTER

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The Center's core goals are to rescue, rehabilitate and release birds of prey and other wildlife, but above and beyond wildlife rehabilitation, their Wildlife Education Program is of paramount importance to the work they do. They are committed to teaching the public about local raptor species, and how human interaction affects them. They carry out this mission by going to as many public events as possible with their 'education ambassadors' and every month they go to several schools to perform education programs for children in hopes that the next generation will have a deeper love and respect for birds of prey.

ORC also holds fund raisers and open house events throughout the year, inviting the public to come and learn more about their facility and programs. On Thursday, October 1 from 6-9pm they are having an art show at the Bell Arts Factory located at 432 N. Ventura Ave. in Ventura. There'll be refreshments including locally brewed beer, raptor ambassadors, and a variety of bird of prey-based fine art including photography and sculpture. \$10 donation at the door. A second showing will be held the next evening as part of Ventura's traditional monthly "First Friday" event, so if you can't get away until the weekend, Friday night might work better for you.

Another upcoming ORC event is their annual Raptors of the Valley Fall Open House on Sunday Oct. 25th 12pm-4pm, to be held at the Ojai Raptor Center, 370 Baldwin Rd. in Ojai, CA. The whole family is invited to come and meet the staff and volunteers who do all the good work and get up-close and personal with the raptors themselves! There'll be refreshments, stage presentations, chumash stories, a silent auction and lots of activities for the kids. \$5 at the door, children under 10 are free, no dogs please.

For more information about Ojai Raptor Center, you can visit their website at [www.ojairaptorcenter.org](http://www.ojairaptorcenter.org). You may want to consider making a donation while you are visiting their site. It's as easy as 1-2-3, and you will benefit greatly from knowing that you have contributed to a very worthy and important cause.

## LOOKING FOR A BEST FRIEND?

To watch football games with? Chester is your guy!

It is a shame that any animal has to end up in a shelter, rather than in a safe and happy home. But it seems especially sad when an older animal is either surrendered by their family, or is found stray on the streets trying to fend for themselves. Unfortunately, this is not a rare occurrence, and many shelters become the only option for animals that are no longer able to stay in the homes they have known for most of their lives. It is also a sad reality that older animals have a much lower chance of finding a new home – most adopters want puppies or young dogs that can grow up in their families – so the seniors are most often passed over without a second look.

Meet Chester – this sweet guy can't help but melt your heart if you spend a little time with him. Chester was found as a stray dog in San Gabriel with no identification to help him locate his owner. He is estimated to be around 13 years old, and is a tan Chihuahua mix weighing almost 13 pounds. His coat is speckled with gray hairs, and his face is mostly white.

Besides his gray hair, Chester also has a bit of stiffness in his legs, probably from age related arthritis. It doesn't discourage him from walking, though – he loves to get out of his kennel and get some mild exercise when he has the opportunity. He has a calm energy level and is very easy to harness and walk on leash.

Chester also has some visual impairment. He does not seem to be blind, as he notices a few objects in his surroundings, but he needs some guidance when he walks, especially around steps and curbs and other changes in surfaces. In spite of his limited vision, Chester shows an interest in exploring his world, using his nose to find his way.

Chester is a loving dog, friendly with people, as well as with other dogs. He will happily sit in a lap for pets and will eagerly take treats if they are offered. He shares his kennel with another senior dog, and the two of them get along very well with each other.

Chester is a gentle, non-demanding dog and wants nothing more than a quiet home to call his own where he can spend his retirement years. He would enjoy a shady yard during the day, and a soft comfortable bed at night. Chester needs a loving person who is able to see beyond his age and mild disabilities. Please think about adopting Chester or another senior dog so they don't have to spend the cold winter months sleeping in a kennel. They will reward you with love and loyalty, and will bring many blessings to your life. Chester qualifies for our reduced fee 'Senior For Senior' adoption rate.

Since he doesn't require a lot of exercise, he would make the perfect lap dog in a quiet environment. His adoption fee is \$130 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 Chester or any of the other available animals at the shelter, visit the [San Gabriel Valley Humane Society](http://www.sgvhumane.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 our website at [www.sgvhumane.org](http://www.sgvhumane.org) for information and photos of all our wonderful pets.

Readers are also invited to join the San Gabriel 'Strut Your Mutt' dog walking team and the 'Race for the Rescues' team to raise funds for shelter animals. The Walk is Saturday, October 10th at Exposition Park and the Race is Saturday, October 24th at the Rose Bowl. Go to the shelter's website at [sgvhumane.org](http://sgvhumane.org) for more information and how to sign up!



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## PET OF THE WEEK: PEPE -ANIMAL ID #A4875766

Amazing things sometimes come in tiny packages! Meet Pepe (A4875766), a distinguished 9-year-old black with white male Chihuahua who came to the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center as a stray on September 9th. Weighing 5 lbs, Pepe is a little bundle of senior-ness, which just means he is easy-going with a light-hearted energy – he is just an all-around awesome companion! He's not all that fond of walking on a leash, at least not in the shelter environment; but he has absolutely no issue with being carried to his destinations.



Pepe, please reference his animal ID number: A4875766. 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 Pepe or the adoption process, contact United Hope for Animals Volunteer Adoption Coordinator Samantha at [Samantha@hope4animals.org](mailto:Samantha@hope4animals.org). To learn more about United Hope for Animals' partnership with the Baldwin Park Shelter through its Shelter Support Program, as well as the many dogs of all breeds, ages, and sizes available for adoption in local shelters, visit <http://www.unitedhope4animals.org/about-us/shelter-support-program/>.

He would like his life from here on to be calm, structured, and preferably devoid of children, and full of inviting laps and soft beds to sit and sleep on, as well as comfy purses and/or pockets as his conveyances of choice. Volunteers think he will thrive as an indoor pet and companion in a loving household consisting of one or more adults, all of whom should (ideally) have Pepe-accepting laps. Pepe wants his next years to be truly soft and comfy, full of good food and peace and quiet. Pepe will reward those who provide him with that life with his total devotion and the pleasure they will no doubt derive from gazing upon his distinguished self. To see a video of Pepe please visit the following link: <https://youtu.be/o0dripiXfcs>

To meet Pepe in person, please see him at the Baldwin Park Shelter, located at 4275 N. Elton, Baldwin Park, CA 91706 (Phone: 626-962-3577). He is available now. For any inquiries about

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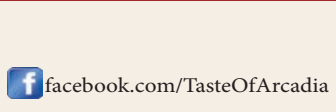
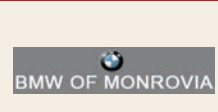
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## SEAN'S SHAMELESS REVIEWS: THE CELESTIAL DEBUT LP FROM ASTRONAUTS, ETC.

By Sean Kayden

Debut record Mind Out Wandering from Astronauts, etc. captures a heavenly soundscape in the course of ten commendable tracks. The man behind this moniker is Anthony Ferraro. The culmination of Astronauts, etc. didn't just happen by accident or overnight. While studying music at the University of California, Berkeley, Ferraro's arthritis began to affect his hands. Unable to perform etudes or concertos at the level that was deemed necessary, he dropped out of school and began to seek new avenues. It wasn't too long afterward when he started recording music in his bedroom under the name Astronauts, etc. He broke out in 2012 with singles, "Mystery Colors" and "Coldboy," and now the road has led him to his first full-length record. Ferraro was able to record his debut with jazz musicians at San Francisco's prominent Tiny Telephone. The album gracefully embodies 70s soft rock as well as echoes with modern day indie rock. Mind Out Wandering features crisp and laidback beats, but the dominant presence of Ferraro's work on the piano as well his powerful falsetto are on full display.

"If I Run" strikingly introduces Mind Out Wandering. It opens with a soft piano as it leads into a soulful 70s sound. There's a very earthy quality going on here too. After listening to the first song, the title of the album makes perfect sense. The melodies and vibes have a strange way of pacifying one's mind. In doing so, your mind runs wild with thoughts and imagery. "No Justice" is a dreamy track balancing between the likes of melancholy and optimism. The way Ferraro's songs are constructed seem as if there is an exact science to them. Every echo, beat, and pulse is on cue perfectly. The smooth work conquers the soul with sentimental lyrics and beautifully arranged melodies. "I Know" follows suit with wondrous guitars, effective vocals, and a poignant cadence throughout. You can feel the passion and laborious efforts that went into crafting each track on Mind Out Wandering. "Eye To Eye" speeds up the tempo when compared to the tracks before it. The R&B tinged tune is dance-ready from

the beginning. With sultry vocals and marvelously crafted beats, it's a standout track amongst an already praiseworthy collection. "Eye To Eye" marks the halfway point of the record, but after just 5 tracks, you're already on full escape mode.

"Shake It Loose" is a superbly produced melodic-

Artist: Astronauts, etc.  
Album: Mind Out Wandering  
Label: Hit City USA  
Release Date: September 18th, 2015

pop song. As cliché as it is to say, this song (let alone the band itself) is a real breath of fresh air. Both invigorating and endearing, this upbeat endeavor puts you in a tremendous mood. "Control" is driven steady by the piano and Ferraro's tender vocals. The meditative effort picks up half way through, but still packs an emotional punch. As the song rises louder and louder toward the last fifteen seconds or so, it cuts off abruptly at the very end. "See You" starts off with hypotonic guitar vibes. It flows so smoothly as you follow along with Ferraro's lyrics that capture the spirit of falling in love and keeping your mind steady in the process. The finale for Mind Out Wandering is "Upward Swing." The warm beats and jazzy arrangements shine over the duration of the track. The record is cohesively stitched together as every track feels united, but at the same token, each song can stand firmly on its own. Ferraro and his band have developed something refreshingly exceptional here for Mind Out Wandering. It's a special record that may give a nod to another era, however, finds its own originality in the progression. The album sounds gorgeous from start to finish as it soars with imagination, beauty, and depth. Astronauts, etc. have carved their own path midst the already worn out roads led by others in this modern age of music.

Grade: 8.3 out of 10

Key Tracks: "No Justice," "Eye to Eye," "I Know," "If I Run"

## On the Marquee: Notes from the Sierra Madre Playhouse

### HONORS AND EXTENSIONS

By Artistic Director, Christian Lebrano

Thursday was another good day for the Playhouse. We received our first two Ovation Award nominations ever! John Prosky and Cori Cable Kidder were both honored with nominations for their leading roles in A Walk in the Woods and Always...Patsy Cline respectively. I couldn't be happier for both of them – and for the Playhouse.

These nominations announce to all that we are serious in our goal of becoming a leading theatrical venue in the San Gabriel Valley and that we are committed to bringing audiences the best performances in the best productions we can. Even though we have grown so much in the last few years, we still struggle against a perception that we are a community theater. I still hear from some actors, "Sierra Madre – why would I want to work way out there – who will even notice?" Now I'll be able to point to these two nominations – for two different shows -- and tell prospective talent that our work DOES get noticed. And that we have great and loyal audiences as is evidenced by the tremendous response to Always...Patsy Cline.

The recognition that these awards bring goes so much further than the personal honor to John and Cori, but state unequivocally that we take seriously what we do. The Ovations honored several designers who have either worked with us the last few years or will be working with us later this season with nominations for work they did at other theaters. I am thrilled for them and for us because I know they will be bringing their best efforts to realizing the shows that they will be working on for us.

I will admit to being disappointed that Always...Patsy Cline wasn't nominated for Best Musical. I thought we really had a shot after we received our Ovation Recommendation, but then I didn't see the other shows that were nominated – all traditional book musicals. Awards aren't the endgame however, I am happy to exchange a nomination for the incredible response we've gotten to this show – AND am very proud to announce that we will be extending Patsy one final time to October 30. We are planning a big party after the last performance to which we will invite our patrons to join us. More about this as plans firm up.

If you haven't seen Patsy you now have until October 30 to do so. If you think a show may be sold-out it is still worth calling Mary Bavage in our box office and getting on the waiting list for the show you want – we sometimes get cancellations and Mary will call you and let you know. Remember we give 20% discounts for groups of 10 or more who purchase their tickets ahead of their attendance date. Please call Mary at 626.355.4318 to arrange your purchase.



## Jeff's History Corner

By Jeff Brown

1. Gold was discovered in Big Santa Anita Canyon, first attracting individual prospectors and later a hydraulic mining outfit, which stripped hillsides in search of the yellow element. Logging also accelerated, and by the 1880s concerns about vanishing forests and the quality of mountain streams and springs amid the denuded hillsides prompted Southern California to reconsider its management of the mountains' national resources. In an 1886 state Board of Forestry report, Abbot Kinney, California's first state forester, pleaded for forest conservation. Naturalists like John Muir and interested parties like San Gabriel Valley farmers and orange growers echoed Kinney's call, and in 1892 President Benjamin Harrison created the San Gabriel Timberland Reserve -- only the second such reserve in the nation (after Yellowstone) and the first in California.

2. Shortly before the Rose Bowl game in 1958, Ohio State Coach Woody Hayes started looking for a place to sequester his team from the wicked temptations of Los Angeles. The Mater Dolorosa monastery in Sierra Madre offered secluded serenity, along with a small company of black-robed friars to make

sure the team didn't get into any mischief. The Buckeyes won the game. Other team coaches have followed suit. Bobby Bell, a Minnesota linebacker, remembered the team bus pulling into the monastery one late night, with only the headlights and police escort lights shining against the religious statues. He remarked to his coach: "You don't have to worry about bed-check tonight, Coach."

3. In 1921, a disastrous bakery fire at Windsor Lane and Montecito Court, prompted the official organization of the Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Department.

4. A year after the city's incorporation, Roman Catholic families contacted a priest from Chicago, Fr. M. W. Barth, who had moved west for his health, to ask if he could celebrate Mass for them. The construction of the first very small church of St. Rita's parish, founded by Father Barth in 1908, was completed in 1910. In 1922, St. Rita's Catholic Church parochial school opened. During the first 100 years of St. Rita Parish, it has on record: 4,075 Baptisms, 3,590 Confirmations, 1,334 Marriages and 1,469 funerals.

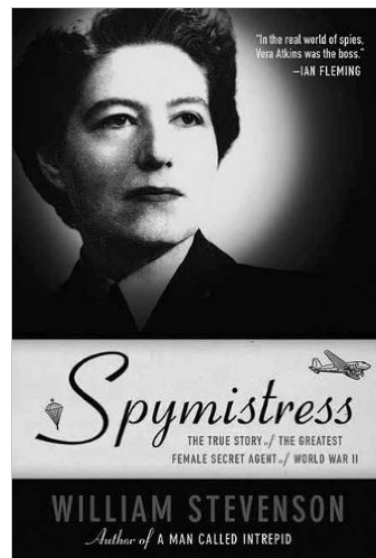
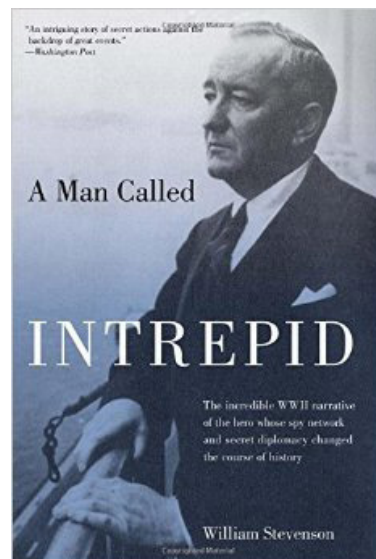
## Jeff's Book Corner

By Jeff Brown

### Man Called Intrepid: The Incredible WWII Narrative Of The Hero Whose Spy Network And Secret Diplomacy Changed The Course Of History

by William Stevenson  
A classic about real-life WWII espionage, as conducted by its modern master. A Man Called Intrepid is the classic true story of Sir William Stephenson (codenamed Intrepid) and the spy network he founded that would ultimately stall the Nazi war machine and help win World War II. Ian Fleming, bestselling author of the James Bond novels, once remarked, "James Bond is a highly romanticized version of a true spy. The real thing is William Stephenson." Illustrated with thirty-two pages of black-and-white photographs, this book describes the infamous "Camp X" spy training center in Ontario, Canada; the breaking of the Ultra Code used by Enigma; and countless tales of assassinations, clandestine activities, guerrilla armies, resistance support, and suicide missions. This modern classic, which reads like fiction, was a national bestseller when first published in 1976. Spymistress: The True Story of the Greatest Female Secret Agent of World War II by William Stevenson She was beautiful. She was ruthless. She had a steel trap for a mind and a will of iron. Born Vera Maria Rosenberg in Bucharest, she became Vera Atkins, legendary spy and holder of the Legion of Honor. Recruited by William Stevenson—the spymaster who would later come to be known as "Intrepid"—when she was only twenty-three, Vera spent much of the 1930s running countless perilous espionage missions. When war was declared in 1939, her fierce intelligence, blunt manner, personal courage, and

knowledge of several languages quickly propelled her to the leadership echelon of the highly secretive Special Operations Executive (SOE), a covert intelligence agency formed by, and reporting to, Winston Churchill. She recruited and trained several hundred agents, including dozens of women, whose objectives were to penetrate deep behind enemy lines. The stirring exploits and the exemplary courage of the SOE agents and the French Resistance fighters—who in the words of General Dwight D. Eisenhower together "shortened the war by many months"—are justly celebrated. But the central role of Vera Atkins has until now been cloaked in silence. William Stevenson was the only person she trusted to record her life; he kept his promise that he would not publish her story until after her death. Here is the extraordinary account of the woman whose intelligence, beauty, and unflagging dedication proved key in turning the tide of World War II.



**The Crossing** by Michael Connelly  
Harry Bosch teams up with Lincoln Lawyer Mickey Haller in the new thriller from #1 New York Times bestselling author Michael Connelly. Detective Harry Bosch has retired from the LAPD, but his half-brother, defense attorney Mickey Haller, needs his help. The murder rap against his client seems ironclad, but Mickey is sure it's a setup. Though it goes against all his instincts, Bosch takes the case. With the secret help of his former LAPD partner Lucia Soto, he turns the investigation inside the police department. But as Bosch gets closer to discovering the truth, he makes himself a target.

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master each limb before proceeding to the next. Some yogis practice it in precise order while others invite all eight limbs into their life. The fifth limb is Pratyahara, or withdrawal of the senses. This withdrawal of the senses, is essential for mastery of limbs that lie ahead such as one pointed focus, sustained concentration and devotion and ultimately, total bliss.

There's a relationship between the inner world of breath and meditation and the external world of screen time, advertising and the nightly news. Pratyahara acts as a bridge to bring us from the external world into the inner space. Of course, asana and pranayama help greatly too, but using Pratyahara in everyday life is a powerful tool. Think first of the five senses: sight,

sound, touch, smell and taste. Using the senses as a guide, what negativity could you remove from your awareness? Or what is incredibly distracting? We are constantly bombarded with sensory experiences that divert us from our life goals and desires.

The most simple Pratyahara practice is to close the eyes and find your breath. Hear only the sound of your breath. Notice immediately where your attention goes. Further, you may try closing the eyes and using the thumbs to plug the ears. Again, hear the sound of your breath, notice your inner landscape. This practice could progress to close the eyes, ears, nostrils and mouth (careful measure should be taken to not deprive yourself of oxygen).

If you feel yourself being pulled unconsciously by your senses (through food or screen time for example), incorporate Pratyahara into your day. It's super effective paired with pranayama or breath practice.

Enjoy and see you in class soon!  
Namaste, Keely Totten



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Avocados, due to their mono and polyunsaturated fat content, are a great substitution for foods rich in saturated fat. Try substituting avocado for cheese on a sandwich or burger. Avocados also contribute nearly 20 vitamins, minerals and beneficial plant compounds that can add to the nutrient quality of your diet. Most American diets are deficient in magnesium and potassium. Avocados are a great source of both of these minerals. They improve the absorption of carotenoids rich foods when they are consumed at the same time. Many of our best foods for obtaining carotenoids—for example, sweet potatoes, carrots, and leafy greens contain very little fat so it is hard for our bodies to absorb these beneficial carotenoids. Adding avocado to your salad may be just the answer. Try substituting avocado for oil of any kind in your favorite salad dressing recipe. Using a blender for this generally works best. Avocados can be mixed with some cocoa powder and stevia to make delicious chocolate pudding.

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

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# BUSINESS NEWS & TRENDS

## FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett



**Taking the Complexity Out of Estate Planning**  
Remember that old joke: How do you eat an elephant? Answer: One bite at a time. At the heart of that gag is the truth about how you tackle any seemingly complex task, taking it one step at a time so as not to overwhelm yourself.

Many people neglect to create an estate plan because they see it as the proverbial elephant...too big, too complex. But if you approach estate planning in a systematic fashion, it takes the complexity right out of it – especially with the help of a knowledgeable estate attorney.

Here are some tips on how you can reduce the complexity in creating an estate plan:

Add up your assets. Take into account your retirement accounts, life insurance policies, potential inheritance, savings, property ownership, etc.

Consider setting up a trust. Trusts are simply vehicles for protecting your assets from creditors – yours or your heirs – and from potential future ex-spouses. They are also a great mechanism for maintaining your privacy and allowing your assets to pass to your heirs without the expense and hassle of probate, which can tie up assets for a year or more. And they also help you and your heirs avoid estate taxes.

Think about whom you trust to act as your agent(s). You will need to appoint a person or persons to act as your agent through a power of attorney in case you become incapacitated and are unable to make decisions yourself. This applies for health care decisions as well as financial oversight.

Realize what a will can and cannot do for you. A will gives you the legal power to pass along assets and property to heirs as well as name a guardian for minor children and appoint the people you want to carry out your wishes after you are gone – i.e., who will administer your estate and safeguard assets for your minor children.

A will does NOT shield your assets from creditors, predators, or opportunists – yours or your heirs – nor does a will enable your family to avoid the very costly, lengthy, and public court process known as probate. A trust, on the other hand, accomplishes all of that and more.

If you would like to learn more about your own estate planning options, call our office today to schedule a time for us to sit down and talk. We normally charge \$750 for a Family Estate Planning Session, but because this planning is so important, I've made space for the next two people who mention this article to have a complete planning session at no charge. Call 626.355.4000 today and mention this article.

MARC

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



## Social Media Tips, Tricks & Ideas



by: MJ Finstrom

## DELICIOUSLY SIMPLE MARKETING RECIPE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The holidays are just around the corner. It's the season of spending. Retailers are counting on the tradition. Smart Business-to-Business (B2B) knows that budgets need to be consumed before the end of the year. Savvy non-profits know that donations go up as folks look for a year-end tax break.

All of which means it is time for small businesses and non-profits to hurry up and move forward to leverage these opportunities.

Here is the basic recipe:

Prepare a game plan. Know what you want to offer. Devise a valuable "what's in it for them" offer. It could be a coupon, a discount, a special event but it must have value to your audience.

Target the audience. Who should you aim your efforts toward? Know what your ideal customer looks like, their age, sex, their likes

and interests, their wants and needs, where they 'hang out' on line the channels they frequent (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)

Choose the channels of communication. Email Marketing is a great way to target your current customers and prospects. Social media is a useful media for building your brand awareness. Advertising on Facebook can be a powerful tool to drive new business. Maybe a printed piece can be sent. How will you get the message out there? Create the campaign. Find relevant images and or videos that will support your message. Craft your copy- how you say something can make a difference.

Create a delivery schedule. When will you schedule your emails, posts, phone calls and other activities?

Execute the campaign. This is the most important ingredient. One that all too often gets shelved because of fear or lack of confidence. Press SEND, spend some money on Facebook ads, inform your staff of how they need to re-post your social media messages, get the ball rolling and keep it rolling.

Now, get cookin' and don't forget to add your own flavor!

About MJ: MJ and her brother David own HUTdogs, a creative services business that specializes in Internet Marketing strategies and Social Media. They offer social media management services and help their clients build a strong on-line presence. "Like" them on Facebook for trending news in social media, internet marketing and other helpful tips. [www.facebook.com/hutdogs](http://www.facebook.com/hutdogs).

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## SPECIALIZED SERVICES THAT HELP SENIORS RELOCATE

Dear Savvy Senior,  
I need to find some help with selling my elderly mother's house – where she's lived for almost 50 years – and relocating her to an apartment or condo closer to where I live. Can you recommend any businesses or services that specialize in helping seniors relocate?

### Overwhelmed Daughter

Dear Overwhelmed,  
The process of selling a house and moving to a new home, or downsizing to a condo, apartment or senior housing facility is a big job for anyone. But it can be especially overwhelming for seniors who are moving from a long time residence filled with decade's worth of stuff and a lifetime of memories. Fortunately, there are several specialized services available today that can help make your mom's move a lot easier.

### Real Estate Specialist

To get help selling your mom's home and/or finding her a new one, you should look into hiring a Seniors Real Estate Specialist (SRES) or a Certified Senior Housing Professional (CSHP). These are realtors that have received special training, making them better equipped to help seniors and their family members through the financial and often complex emotional issues that can come with selling a long time family home and relocating.

SRES and CSHP designees are educated and knowledgeable in such areas as downsizing, aging-in-place, senior housing options, reverse mortgages, as well as ways to use pensions, 401k accounts and IRAs in real estate transactions. And, if you need help from other professionals, a SRES and CSHP can put you in touch with qualified home inspectors, movers, attorneys, CPAs and other experts.

To learn more or to locate a professional in your area, contact the SRES Council (sres.org, 800-500-4564) which also offers a free "Moving On" guide that help seniors and their family members with the decisions and transitions that come with moving. And to find a CSHP see SeniorsRealEstateInstitute.com.



### Moving Manager

To help your mom get packed up and move, you should consider hiring a "senior move manager." These are organizers who assist older people with the challenges of relocating, and can minimize the stress of this major transition by doing most of the work for you.

They can help your mom pare down her belongings, decide what to take and what to dispose of, recommend charities for donations and help sell her unwanted items. They also get estimates from moving companies, oversee the movers, arrange the move date, supervise the packing and unpacking, have the house cleaned and just about anything you need related to her move.

Costs vary depending on the services and size of the move, but you can expect to pay between \$1,000 and \$5,000, not including the cost of movers.

To locate a senior move manager visit the National Association of Senior Move Managers website at nasmm.org or call 877-606-2766. You can also search at Caring Transitions (caringtransitions.com), the largest senior relocation and transition services franchised company in the U.S.

But, before you hire one, be sure you ask for references from previous clients and check them. Also find out how many moves they have actually managed, and get a written list of services and fees. And make sure they're insured and bonded.

If you can't find a senior move manager in your area, another option is to hire a certified professional organizer who specializes in downsizing and relocating. To find one, check the National Association of Professional Organizers who has a searchable database on their website at napo.net.

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

## KATIE Tse.....This and That



## ATTRACTIVE NUISANCES

It's strange some of the things people feel passionate about. Politics and religion are up there, but there's a host of unusual topics that really concern some folks. I recall one of my friends saying that she knew her boyfriend was "the one" in part because he had numerous spools of dental floss in his bathroom. She probably doesn't realize that the rest of us might not consider dental hygiene a "make or break" issue. But I suppose we all have our own priorities.

Many of our opinions were developed during the formative years of childhood. My mom always warns me of the dangers of "wedge" shoes that were popular when she was young. These high heels originated during the 70's, and have been experiencing a vibrant rebirth in modern fashion. Since I am as far from fashion consciousness as Kim Kardashian is from a pair of size 3 pants, my mom's admonition didn't register with me. That is, until one of my professors broke both ankles at once by tripping on the two inch sidewalk incline outside our classroom. She was wearing wedge shoes at the time, and ended up in a wheelchair for months. If I had any latent interest in sporting wedges, that incident put me off them for good!

Other opinions come from personal experience

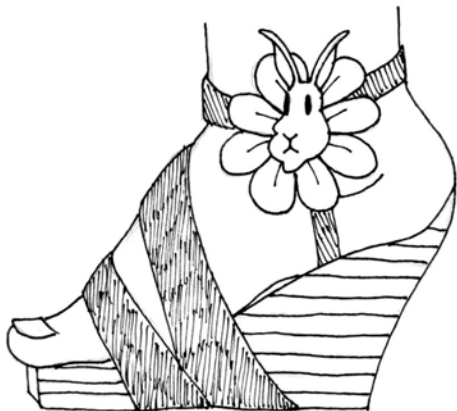
and aren't necessarily common among the general public. My opinion about the dangers of carpeted stairs is an example of this. I was having lunch with a friend when the topic of stairs came up. If you have no strong feelings about carpeted stairs, please let me try to dissuade you from ever, EVER having them. Stairs on their own are dangerous enough. Thank goodness for building codes

regulating the ratio of rises to treads! If you've ever walked on stairs not built to code, you know what I'm talking about. It takes complete concentration to not trip down the whole flight.

Adding carpeting just makes stairs all the more slippery. And if you're wearing socks and walking on carpeted stairs, Watch out! My aunt knocked herself unconscious one night when she fell down her friends' carpeted stairs.

There's still a dent in the plaster where her head hit the wall. One of my friends tripped when walking (in socks) down their flight of carpeted stairs while carrying his infant son. The child made it out unharmed, but my friend bruised a vertebrae or two.

The take away message is clear. So for all you wedge-wearing, carpeted stairs-owning people --you've been warned!



# SENIOR HAPPENINGS



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

Clem Bartolai, Pat Hall, Donna Anderson, Teresa Chaure, Cathy Gunther, Esther Macias, Sheila Pierce, Nancy Sue Shollenberger, Yvonne Osti, Patti O'Meara, Judie Cimino, Mary Steinberg, Geri Wright, Parvin Dabiri, Denise Reistetter and Nehama Warner.

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



**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 \$3.00 for those 60 and over and \$5.00 for non-senior guests. Daily reservations are necessary as space is limited. Please call 24 hours in advance...626.355.0256

**Tech Talk:** Held on Monday, September 21st and 28th from 1:30-2:30pm. Learn how to use your new technology devices. Please reserve your space with the Hart Park House by calling 626-355-7394.

**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.

**Brain Games:** Thursday, September 17th, 10:30am - 11:30am, improve your memory and strengthen your brain. Activities facilitated by Swati Puri, Community Liaison for New Wave Home care of Pasadena.

**Free Legal Consultation:** Wednesday, September 30th from 10:30am to Noon. Attorney Lem Makupson is available for legal consultation. He specializes in Family Law, Wills, Trusts, Estates, and Injury. Appointment are required by calling 626-355-7394.

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

**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 at the Hart Park House. The free birthday cake is provided by the Sierra Madre Civic Club.

**Game Day:** Every Thursday starting at 12:00pm. (Please note the time change.) A regular group of seniors play poker. Other games available for use.

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

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

## UPCOMING EXCURSIONS:



### THE GETTY CENTER (WEST LOS ANGELES)

Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2015

Time: 9:00am to 4:00pm

Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center Cost: \$10 (Does not include lunch)

Discover the museum's historic collection and the Getty Center's architecture and gardens by participating in a rich selection of engaging talks and tours that bring the Getty Center's unique setting and the visual art to life. There are several gardens and fountains and landscaping for the public enjoyment. Lunch will be on your own. Chose from elegant dining in the Restaurant (reservations are recommended, 310-440-6810), to casual meals, coffee, and snacks at the Café, Garden Terrace Café, or the Coffee Carts. Participants should bring money for lunch and souvenirs. Last day to register is September 15th. Level of Walking: High. Please call the Hart Park House 626-355-7394.

## OKTOBERFEST (HUNTINGTON BEACH)

Date: Thursday, October 1, 2015

Time: 10:00am to 3:00pm

Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center Cost: \$16

Description: Old World Oktoberfest Celebration includes live bands playing the most popular German Oom Pa Pah Music. The crowd is further entertained with a variety of dancing, singing, music and our ever popular Heidi, and her contortionist act. Oktoberfest menu includes fresh baked bread, your choice of either potato salad, red cabbage or coleslaw. The main entrée includes bratwurst, chicken, spaetzli (German Egg Noodles) with mushroom gravy, sauerkraut and red cabbage. Dessert and drinks include apple streusel cake, coffee and water. Alcohol is also available for purchase. Guests get to tour the European market, offering great selection of meats, cheeses, and deli items. Also German bakery, producing the best breads, bakery and dessert items. Participants should bring money for souvenirs. Last day to register is September 24th. Level of Walking: Low to Medium. Please call the Hart Park House 626-355-7394.

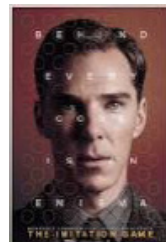
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## SENIOR CINEMA AT THE HART PARK HOUSE SENIOR CENTER

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During the winter of 1952, British authorities entered the home of mathematician, cryptanalyst and war hero Alan Turing to investigate a reported burglary. They instead ended up arresting Turing himself on charges of 'gross indecency', an accusation that would lead to his devastating conviction for the criminal offense of homosexuality. Little did officials know, they were actually incriminating the pioneer of modern-day computing. Rated PG-13. Start time: 1:00pm (run time 114 minutes)








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Griffith Observatory will host a free public event to view the total lunar eclipse on Sunday, Sept. 27, from 6:45 p.m. to 9:45 p.m. Telescope and binocular viewing of the Moon will be available free to the public, with commentary by Griffith Observatory staff members. During parts of the evening, the L.A. Philharmonic and Steinway & Sons will present live piano music performed by Ray Ushikubo of the Colburn School. He will perform Beethoven’s “Moonlight Sonata” and other Moon-related pieces on the Observatory’s front lawn. Blankets are welcome, chairs are prohibited.

People can safely view the eclipse from anywhere and don’t need a telescope or other viewing device. Just look near the horizon to the east, beginning just after sunset. (Although the dim eclipsed Moon rises at about 6:45 p.m. PDT, it may be somewhat hard to see until after dark, around 7:30.)

You can also watch Griffith Observatory’s live online broadcast at <http://new.livestream.com/GriffithObservatoryTV>

A total lunar eclipse occurs when the Moon passes into the shadow cast by the Earth. The round disk of the full Moon slowly moves in to the dark shadow, and the bright Moon grows dim. The Moon, however, does not become completely dark. Instead, it usually glows with a faint copper or red color, a result of sunlight being filtered through the Earth’s atmosphere.

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STUNNING NEW VIEWS OF PLUTO. The latest images from NASA’s New Horizons spacecraft have scientists stunned—not only for their breathtaking views of Pluto’s majestic icy mountains, streams of frozen nitrogen and haunting low-lying hazes, but also for their strangely familiar, arctic look.

A new view of Pluto’s crescent—taken by New Horizons’ wide-angle Ralph/Multispectral Visual Imaging Camera (MVIC) on July 14 and downlinked to Earth on Sept. 13—offers an oblique look across Plutonian landscapes

with dramatic backlighting from the Sun. It spectacularly highlights Pluto’s varied terrains and extended atmosphere. The scene measures 780 miles across.

“This image really makes you feel you are there, at Pluto, surveying the landscape for yourself,” said New Horizons Principal Investigator Alan Stern, of the Southwest Research Institute, Boulder, Colorado. “But this image is also a scientific bonanza, revealing new details about Pluto’s atmosphere, mountains, glaciers and plains.”

Owing to its favorable backlighting and high resolution, the MVIC image also reveals new details of hazes throughout Pluto’s tenuous but extended nitrogen atmosphere. The image shows more than a dozen thin haze layers extending from near the ground to at least 60 miles above the surface. In addition, the image reveals at least one bank of fog-like, low-lying haze illuminated by the setting Sun against Pluto’s dark side, raked by shadows from nearby mountains.

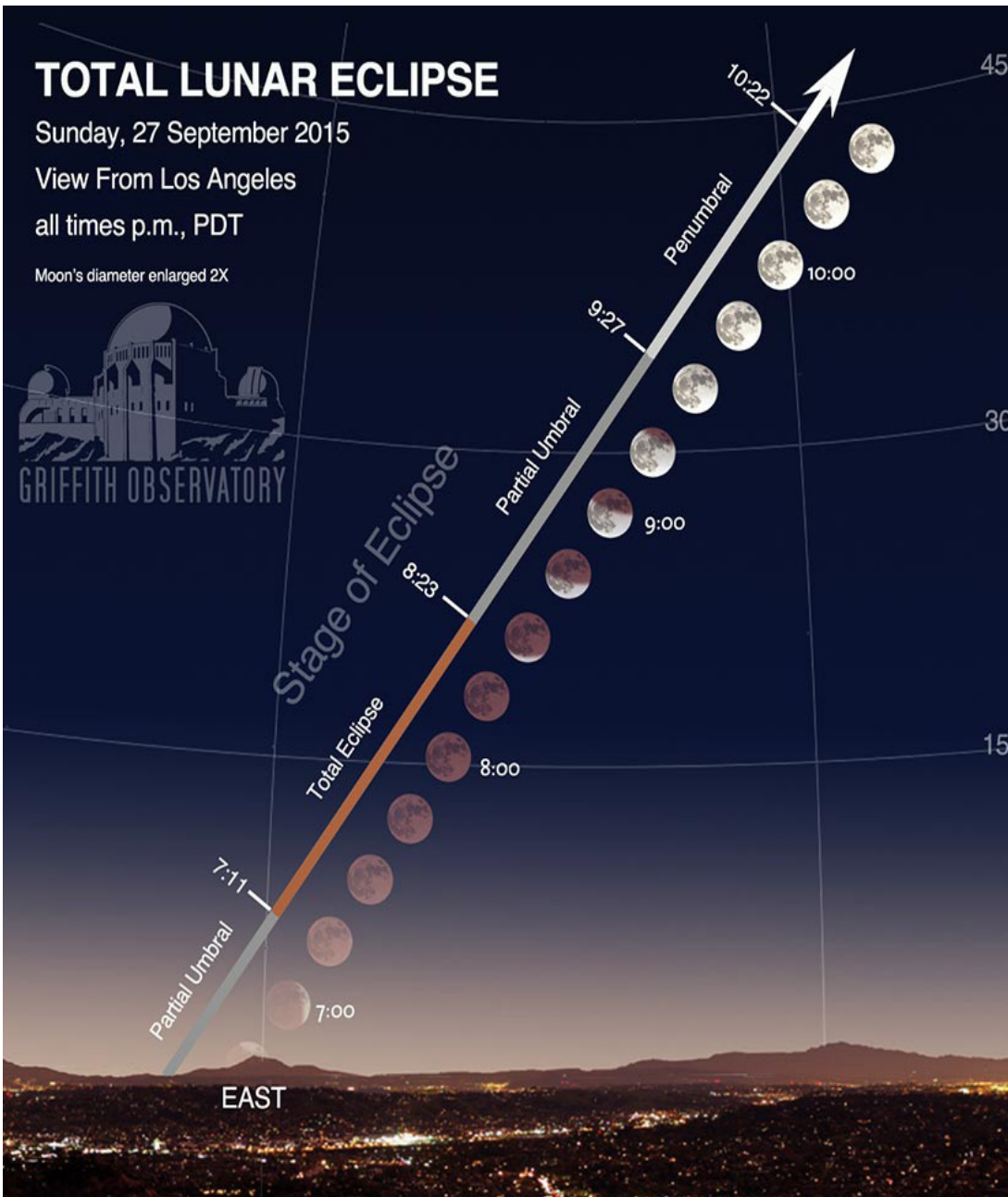
Combined with other recently downloaded pictures, this new image also provides evidence for a remarkably Earth-like “hydrological” cycle on Pluto -- but involving soft and exotic ices, including nitrogen, rather than water ice.

Bright areas east of the vast icy plain informally named Sputnik Planum appear to have been blanketed by these ices, which may have evaporated from the surface of Sputnik and then been redeposited to the east. The new Ralph imager panorama also reveals glaciers flowing back into Sputnik Planum from this blanketed region; these features are similar to the frozen streams on the margins of ice caps on Greenland and Antarctica.

“We did not expect to find hints of a nitrogen-based glacial cycle on Pluto operating in the frigid conditions of the outer solar system,” said Alan Howard, a member of the mission’s Geology, Geophysics and Imaging team from the University of Virginia, Charlottesville.

“Pluto is surprisingly Earth-like in this regard,” added Stern, “and no one predicted it.”

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## WHAT HAPPENS TO FORMER FOSTER YOUTH? Highlights from an Interview with Jessie Castillo

The mural that covers the entire west wall in the kitchen at the Pasadena-based nonprofit agency, Journey House is the work of Jessie Castillo. Now 27 years old, he credits the organization with helping him transition into life as an adult after spending years in the foster care system. He was first placed into foster care at age five and says, “I was bounced around from place to place until I was eight when I went back to live with my mother.” The devastation of crack cocaine addicted adults resulted in Jessie and his younger sister being placed into foster care when he was 16.

Fortunately they were placed in the same home. She is now 15 years old and remains in foster care.

At 16, when he learned that he could start the legal process to become emancipated, he proceeded and completed it by the age of 18 after he had moved to an Independent Living Program (ILP). When it came to his future, he had figured out that he really was on his own. His life has taken many twists and turns, and his experience provides us with a glimpse into some of the challenges faced by older foster children. The current system that assigns a “graduated from foster care” status based on a young person turning 18 or 21 doesn’t appear practical considering that there is virtually nothing in place to assist them beyond foster care.

Eight years ago when Jessie first learned about Journey House from another youth who lived in the same Independent Living Program (ILP), he was 19 years old. The ILP applies to all foster youth ages 16 to 21 and is intended to prepare them for the transition into being independent. On his 18th birthday, the clock starting ticking as a reminder that he would need to be prepared to fend for himself by his 21st birthday.

At age 14, Jessie had started developing an interest in art and became intrigued with sketches and drawings that his peers drew in their books. He found the images more interesting than what he was learning in the art classes at school, so he applied his restless adolescent creativity to tagging. Certainly a nuisance to property owners, his unsanctioned “public art” became his outlet and fortunately his love for art outweighed the lure of joining a gang.

When he first came to Journey House at 19, Jessie was still tagging. Journey House Executive Director, Tim Mayworm and Program Director, Jorge Camerana encouraged him to focus his talents in a legal and more constructive manner. They purchased art supplies and Jessie took to painting on canvas with a vengeance. Over the years he has developed a reputation for beautiful abstract paintings. His work has been exhibited in various galleries and shows throughout Los Angeles County and he been commissioned to paint several murals. One can be seen from the Metro Gold Line near the Highland Park Station. Jessie has sold over 40 paintings, but like all creative people, he would love to make his livelihood with his talents, stating, “I would like to sell some more of my art.” Yet he is the first to realize that he has to make a living and is currently going to school for welding, with plans to join the Iron Workers Union. It is no surprise that Jessie has also expanded his repertoire into creating sculptures out of metal. He is eager to share his creations and stated, “I’d like for people to enjoy some of my works posted online at at [www.flickr.com/photos/kastleart](http://www.flickr.com/photos/kastleart) and <https://m.youtube.com/#/user/KastleArtwork>. When asked about his future he says, “I’d like to get married and have kids, and make sure that I always have a place for my little sister to live with me.”

When Jessie came to Journey House for this interview last week, he was treated like one of the adult “kids” who was just stopping by, to catch up and connect with family members. Staff are elated that one of the “kids” is still making strides as he navigates life as an adult. Jessie is assured that he will always be able to journey back to the place where he can always count on support and encouragement whenever he needs it, beyond foster care.

For information on Journey House, the Beyond Foster Care campaign and how you can help, visit [www.journeyhouseyouth.org](http://www.journeyhouseyouth.org) or call (626) 798-9478.



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## OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

## I REALLY MEANT TO BEHAVE MYSELF...

I have never been in serious trouble except with the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage. I must have gotten in trouble with my parents when I was young, but I am too old now to remember that. The great thing about getting old is having a selective memory.

Now, the only trouble I get into is with her. And trust me; I have had my moments of trouble with her and can remember every one.

We were getting ready to visit our son and his family for a week. Four of our grandchildren live with my son and his wife.

Grandchildren are God's way of apologizing for children. When you have children, you are too young and busy to know what to do with them. At the grandfather stage, it is a different story altogether. I now have the experience and the time to spend with these grandchildren.

Half of my grandchildren live here in Florida and the other half lives in Ohio. It would be great if I could spend half of my time in Florida and the other half in Ohio, but nobody has bought into that suggestion, and by "nobody" I'm referencing my children.

Grandmothers have a positive influence on their grandchildren. Grandmothers teach the grandchildren many nice things. My wife always has a craft party when she gets together with the grandchildren. They are so excited to see her and so eager for the next craft she has prepared for them.

Therefore, it is always a great pleasure to set aside a week and spend with the grandchildren up in Ohio.

As we were packing to head for the airport to catch our plane for Ohio, my wife looked at me with one of "those looks," and said rather sternly, "Do you think you can behave yourself this time?" Honestly, I am not sure what the phrase "behave yourself" really means. As far as I know, and my memory does not go back too far, I have never behaved like anybody else. After all, I am not an actor. I can "act up," but I cannot act.

I looked at her rather meekly, well, as meekly as I could look and said rather frankly, "I will behave like nobody else."

"No," she said, "you must promise me that you're going to behave yourself on this trip to Ohio."

I remember another promise I made to her around 44 years ago when I said, "I do." That promise carried on for 44 years and now she wants another promise? Isn't one promise enough for her?

Then she said, "Do you remember the last time we were up in Ohio? Do you remember the

trouble you got into then?"

I did, and it was difficult for me not to laugh out loud. I must confess I laughed on the inside, but was trying to "behave myself," whatever that meant.

The last time we were in Ohio, I took all the grandkids out for supper at a restaurant. It is always good to get together on neutral territory. Because, on neutral territory I can really behave like myself and no other.

We were in the middle of supper when casually I picked up my straw. Now, when I am at home my wife forbids me even to have a straw because she knows what a temptation a straw is for me.

However, these grandchildren needed to be instructed on the proper use of a straw. A straw is not just to drink your soda. It has other more ambitious functions.

Casually, I put a little wad of paper in my straw; nonchalantly put the straw to my mouth and one little puff and that wad of paper hit one grandchild in the face.

At first, they did not know what had happened. I looked the other way as though I did not know what had happened. The grandchild said, "Who did this?"

Confession may be good for the soul, but it is also good for the turmoil. I acknowledged it was me and immediately a very aggressive spitball fight ensued right there in the restaurant, no straws barred. After all, grandchildren need to know the level of fun a person can have, especially with a straw.

Glancing over at my wife at the time, I saw her glaring at me with one of "those looks" and I knew I was in trouble. Since I was already in trouble, it could not get any worse, so we exhilarated the spitball battle and by the time we were ready to leave, spitballs were all over the floor like snow on a winter day.

I think that was what my wife was thinking of when she asked me to remember the last time we were in Ohio.

Looking at my wife, I smiled with one of those freaky little twinkles in my eye, and said, "I will behave just like myself and no other while in Ohio."

I'm not sure, Paul may have had this in mind when he wrote, "These things write I unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly: But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth" (1 Timothy 3:14-15).

I always mean to behave myself, but often there are too many other options.

## HOWARD Hays As I See It



*"I have here in my hand a list of 205 names that were made known to the Secretary of State as being members of the Communist Party and who nevertheless are still working and shaping policy at the State Department."*  
- Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-WI), 1950

*"Simply stated, there is no doubt that Saddam Hussein now has weapons of mass destruction."*  
- Vice President Dick Cheney, 2002

*"I dare Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama to watch these tapes. Watch a fully formed fetus on the table, its heart beating, its legs kicking while someone says we have to keep it alive to harvest its brain."*  
- Carly Fiorina, 2015

In 1991, having assisted the producer of clip-show segments seen in the broadcasts, I was given tickets to an Academy Awards ceremony. It was fun seeing Billy Crystal live do his thing and Madonna perform (the nominated song from "Dick Tracy"), but a couple other impressions stuck with me. One was like attending a USC/UCLA game and feeling you're the only one there with no interest in the outcome. The other, with the flashing "Applause" sign and staff getting things together coming out of commercial breaks, was that we were a studio audience and this was, after all, a TV show. I got the same impression from the last Republican debate (nearly as long as that Academy Awards broadcast). Whatever the prestige and iconic history, it was a TV show; focus on the center-stage star, 23 million viewers for CNN.

Many select candidates based on impressions, and that's what media caters to. I had a few of my own – aside from it being primarily a TV show.

I was glad Sen. Rand Paul (KY) reminded those anxious for war that short-term efforts to oust regimes have had disastrous long-term consequences. Gov. Chris Christie (NJ) was impressive shutting down the one-upping exchange between Donald Trump and Carly Fiorina on their respective CEO records; stating that Americans were not concerned with the careers of those two, but with their own jobs. And, when Trump tried to whitewash remarks he'd made on Fiorina's appearance, she responded perfectly; that American women understood clearly what was said.

I was disappointed in Dr. Ben Carson more as a doctor than a politician. When Trump linked vaccinations to autism, Carson offered there's been no evidence establishing a "correlation." As a doctor, he should have warned such baseless suggestions put our children at risk. Rand Paul, himself a physician, agreed parents should be able to "spread out" vaccinations, though this would only extend the time children remain vulnerable.

(Unsurprisingly, none cited a report released the month before by the Centers for Disease Control stating that childhood vaccinations in the U.S. over the past twenty years have prevented 732,000 early deaths, 322 million illnesses, 21,000 hospitalizations and \$1.38 trillion in hospital costs.)

Mike Huckabee opened by pointing out, "None of us on this stage are under investigation by the FBI because we destroyed government records, or because we leaked secrets." Neither is Hillary Clinton, according to filings by the Justice Department.

Trump claimed "Illegal immigration is costing us more than \$200 billion a year." In 2013, the CBO estimated a bill giving illegal immigrants a path to citizenship "would decrease federal budget deficits by \$197 billion over the 2014-2023 period". The measure, passed by the Senate, was killed by House Republicans.

When the issue of climate change (finally) came up, Sen. Marco Rubio (FL) suggested there were but two options; either ignore it or wreck the economy. End of discussion.

Most disturbing was Fiorina's statement quoted above. When I worked as a supplier of stock footage (which led to the Oscar tickets), we'd get requests for newsreel footage from the sinking of the Titanic to Khrushchev banging his shoe at the U.N. and, when informing such footage didn't exist, the response would often be, "But I've seen it." Maybe they thought they actually had, but that's no excuse for Carly Fiorina.

When reminded by Chris Wallace on Fox News that fact-checkers determined the footage she referred to in the debate doesn't exist, Fiorina was defiant; insisting any who would "challenge" her on it would first have to "prove" they'd seen the footage themselves (footage that doesn't exist to be seen).

Well, I did – or at least tried to find what she was talking about. What I saw was a former employee of a biotech company on-camera describing the scene related by Fiorina. The only accompanying visual was a graphic photo which, it turns out, was lifted from the personal blogsite of a woman who suffered a miscarriage at nineteen weeks.

The opening quotes above remind how our nation has suffered under leaders who, rather than leveling with the American people, sought to advance agendas by making stuff up.

Hillary Clinton noted on "Face the Nation" that if there was indeed concern over the issue they've focused on, there would be calls to revisit the rules governing fetal tissue research, passed by Congress over twenty years ago. There haven't been. Rather, we have the cynical strategy of latching onto an inflammatory issue, as with guns and gay marriage in years past, hoping to energize a "base" – with no concern over jeopardizing accessible healthcare for millions of American women.

We also got the candidates' preferences on what woman might replace Alexander Hamilton on the \$10 bill – with Trump, Rubio and Sen. Ted Cruz (TX) advocating for Rosa Parks. Much more than the woman who refused to give up her seat on the bus (not because she was "tired", according to her autobiography, but "tired of giving in"); she was a lifelong activist for equal rights and justice from the days of the Scottsboro Boys to the movement against the Vietnam War.

It was especially nice to hear those three Republicans propose such an honor for a woman who, among so many accomplishments, served on the national board of Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

## MICHAEL Reagan Making Sense

## THE POPE'S PROBLEM

I've been a Roman Catholic since 1954.

I have great respect for Pope Francis. When it comes to matters of faith and morals, what he says, goes.

But when it comes to politics and economics, the pope is about as far from infallible as anyone can get.

For example, he was in Cuba earlier this week, meeting informally with Fidel Castro and touring the island to say Masses and meet with priests.

Apparently the pope was having such a good time he forgot that for more than half a century Cuba has been a rotten communist prison camp and his hosts Fidel, and his brother Raul, have been the wardens.

The people of Cuba have been denied every basic human freedom there is, plus they've been impoverished en masse and deprived of the simple blessings of modern life by the Castros' brand of atheistic socialism.

Yet apparently Pope Francis couldn't see the barbed wire that still surrounds Fidel's broken-down paradise.

His visit to Cuba was a perfect chance for him to throw his moral weight around and shame the Castro brothers before the whole world.

But unlike John Paul II, who went to Communist Poland to encourage the creation of Solidarity and meet with its brave leaders, Francis ignored the existence of Cuba's political dissenters and prisoners of conscience.

How great would it have been if Pope Francis had stood in Havana Cathedral and delivered a "Mr. Castro, cut down that barbed wire" sermon?

Instead, in the poorest and least free dictatorship in the Western Hemisphere, he warned the people against letting riches rule your life. Getting too rich and losing your spiritual values is the last thing the poor of Cuba need to fear right now.

I'm afraid Pope Francis wouldn't get that joke because, unfortunately, he really does think capitalism and its love child, manmade climate change, are the world's two biggest problems.

Not ISL taking territory and beheading people. Not terrorism. Not the Syrian refugees. Not a nuclear Iran. Not the civil wars in Ukraine or Yemen or Libya or Iraq. Not the poverty or lack of electricity or clean water for half of Africa. Not a hundred other things.

Global warming and capitalism. Seriously.

On Wednesday, one of the first things the pope did in Washington was call for a fight against climate change, which he said is a planetary crisis so serious it "can no longer be left to future generations."

He didn't explain how spending hundreds of billions of dollars to lower the global temperature a tenth of degree a hundred years from now will help the poor, because it's unexplainable even for a pope.

Before he heads back to Rome, Francis will surely get around to scolding America for the inequalities of its capitalist economic system and the greed of Wall Street.

But like so many Americans of the liberal faith, he has capitalism and socialism backward.

It's capitalism that has made America the wealthiest and most generous country in the history of mankind and has brought forth everything we eat, use and enjoy.

It's capitalism and freedom, not socialism and its chains, that have brought a much better life on Earth for billions of the poor souls the pope cares so much about.

Does the pope realize that 401(k)s and pension funds owe their good returns to the health of Wall Street and the stock market?

Or that most of the enormous wealth the Catholic Church has acquired over the centuries was generated by greedy immoral capitalism? I bet not.

Pope Francis is rightly praised for caring deeply about the poor and the marginalized.

But he'll never figure out how to actually help them until he understands what made America so wealthy and stops worrying about the wrong things.

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ALPHA LOUNGE, 9060 GALLATIN RD., DOWNEY, CA 90240. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JUAN C. RANGEL, 9060 GALLATIN RD., DOWNEY, CA 90240. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JUAN C. RANGEL. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/21/2015. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: Sept. 26, Oct. 03, 10, 17, 2015

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ARRY'S SUPER BURGER, 1015 W. WHITTIER BLVD., MONTEBELLO, CA 90640. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PARASKEVAS ROUMBOS, 226 PEACOCK LN., MONTEBELLO, CA 90640. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ZENPYE, LLC, 1212 MILLBROOK RD., CORONA, CA 92682. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: MELINA ROUMBOS. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/24/2015. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: Sept. 26, Oct. 03, 10, 17, 2015

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2015-243844

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: C.S. TRUCKING, 1770 CLUB DR., POMONA, CA 91768. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) CRISTOBAL SANCHEZ, 1770

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2015-247353

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BELIEVE IT, 7901 EASTERN AVE., BELL GARDENS, CA 90201. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JOSE PEDRO HERNANDEZ CALIXTO, 12053 LEMMING ST., LAKEWOOD, CA 90715, ESMERALDA JANETTE HERNANDEZ, 12053 LEMMING ST., LAKEWOOD, CA 90715. This Business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE. Signed: JOSE PEDRO HERNANDEZ CALIXTO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/24/2015. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: Sept. 26, Oct. 03, 10, 17, 2015

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2015-244067

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BELLA INSPIRATION EVENTS, 3313 ANGELUS AVE., ROSEMEAD, CA 91770. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JESSICA MILLAN BRAVO, 3313 ANGELUS AVE., ROSEMEAD, CA 91770. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) YASMIN GARCIA, 3313 ANGELUS AVE., ROSEMEAD, CA 91770. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: JESSICA MILLAN BRAVO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/22/2015. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: Sept. 26, Oct. 03, 10, 17, 2015

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BIRNICKS, 2426 E. GAGE AVE., HUNTINGTON PARK, CA 90255. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ELENA MENDOZA-MARTINEZ, 6726 EMIL AVE., BELL GARDENS, CA 90201. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ELENA MENDOZA-MARTINEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/22/2015. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: Sept. 26, Oct. 03, 10, 17, 2015

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2015-242175

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BIRNICKS, 2426 E. GAGE AVE., HUNTINGTON PARK, CA 90255. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ELENA MENDOZA-MARTINEZ, 6726 EMIL AVE., BELL GARDENS, CA 90201. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ELENA MENDOZA-MARTINEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/22/2015. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: Sept. 26, Oct. 03, 10, 17, 2015

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2015-242175

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: C & Y FORWARDING COMPANY, OPES OCEAN, 18434 FARJADO ST., ROWLAND HTS., CA 91748. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) C & Y MARKETING CONSULTING, 18434 FARJADO ST., ROWLAND HTS., CA 91748. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: LIEH WEI CHANG. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/18/2015. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: Sept. 2







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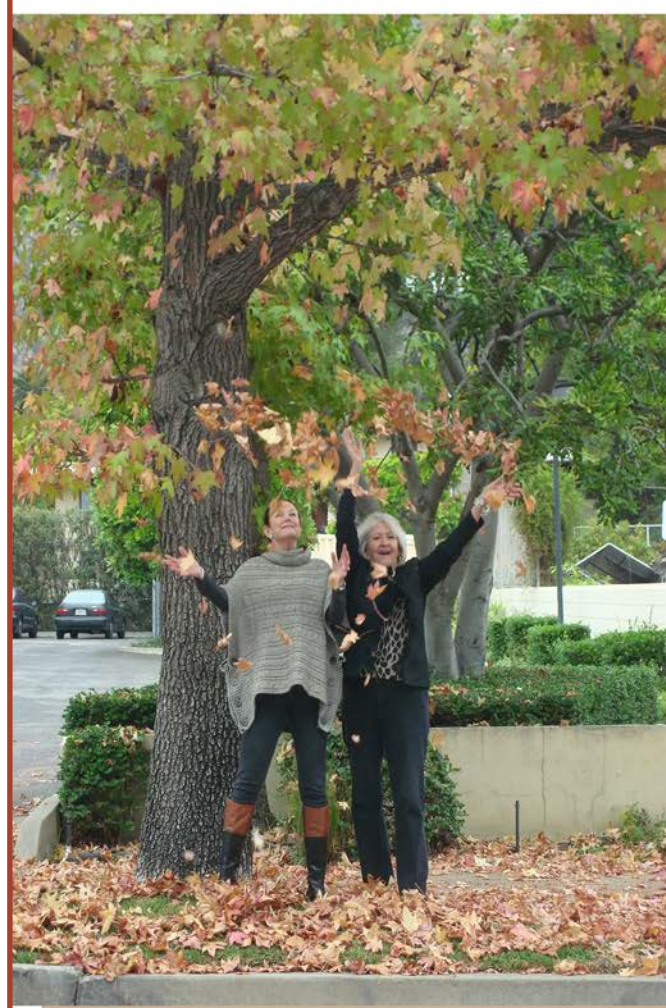
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