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1ST RESPONDERS TO HONOR 9/11

On Sunday, September 11, 2016, the public is invited to join Sierra Madre's First Responders - The Sierra Madre Police, Paramedics, Firefighters and CERT members when they gather to honor the memory of those who lost their lives fifteen years ago.

Arrive at the SMFD by 6:30 am. The Verdugo Fire Communications Center, the regional emergency dispatch facility serving the cities of Burbank, Glendale, Pasadena, Alhambra, Arcadia, Monrovia, Montebello, Monterey Park, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre, and South Pasadena. Verdugo and also provides contract dispatch service for the Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority Fire Department will sound an area wide alarm at the exact moment the first tower was struck.

SIERRA MADRE'S COMMUNITY FOREST IN PERIL

Sierra Madre, Ca. - As many residents have noticed, many trees are suffering from drought stress in our community, and many trees are dying. This includes public trees, which are within the parkway or at public parks, as well as trees on private property. Sierra Madre is not the only community in Southern California that is experiencing this problem. According to the City's contracted Arborist, the primary cause for the rapid decline and death of these trees is a reduction in soil moisture content and levels caused by the multiple-year drought. As you may have noticed, some species in our Community Forest are harder hit than others.

Public Works staff would like the community to know that it is our intention to have dead or non-viable trees removed as quickly as possible. Dead or non-viable trees may eventually become hazards from branch or total failure, and also become homes for pests that can further damage our Community Forest. The Fire Department and Code Enforcement Department are also addressing private dead trees for these reasons.

The Public Works staff would like to ask for the community's assistance in protecting this valuable resource. The community has made tremendous efforts in water conservation activities, and while balancing water conservation with tree preservation may sound like a difficult task, please consider the following:

The USDA, US Forest Service, and CalFire recommend proper watering of young trees twice a week, 5 gallons each time and proper watering of mature trees once a week, 5 gallons. For perspective, if a resident was concentrating on saving one mature and one young tree on their property it would take almost a year to use just one unit of water (748 gallons). Please note that this is a general rule-of-thumb. Some species will need more or less water, and you may have more than two trees that you wish to save.

Some of Sierra Madre's mature trees, public and private, have taken decades to become the beautiful trees that comprise the Community Forest. In addition to aesthetic value, they provide shade to reduce energy use and costs, improve air quality, assist in keeping pollutants from the watershed, and many other environmental advantages. Trees are inherently much more valuable to the community as-a-whole than water intensive turf and other plants.

Sierra Madre's Municipal Code section 12.20.070 requires adjacent property owners to provide on-going irrigation to parkway trees.

For more information on techniques to help save the Community's trees during this extended drought, you can visit the Public Works Department in City Hall, Monday through Thursday from 7:30am to 2:00 pm or visit the City's website here, or contact James Carlson at 626-355-7135 jcarlson@cityofsierramadre.com.

SIERRA MADRE CITY MANAGER ELAINE AGUILAR TO RETIRE

Sierra Madre City Manager Elaine Aguilar recently notified the City Council of her retirement, effective December 9, 2016. Aguilar has served as Sierra Madre's City Manager since 2007 and has a combined total of thirty-three years of public service, working for three other municipalities since 1983.

Aguilar came to Sierra Madre after serving in the Southern California cities of Glendale, La Puente and Paramount. She personally notified the City Council of her decision to retire, stating that, "It has been a pleasure and an honor to work with the City Council, the community and staff for the past 9 years, but after 33 total years, it is time for me to devote more time to my family."

Upon being notified, Mayor Gene Goss stated, "I congratulate City Manager Aguilar on her pending retirement and her years of service to Sierra Madre. Elaine has been a tireless, dedicated public servant and will be difficult to replace. I know I speak for many by saying that she will be missed."

Former Mayor and Council Member John Harabedian added, "Elaine retiring as City Manager is a huge

loss for Sierra Madre. We express our deep gratitude for her nearly decade of service to our community, and know that she will remain a close friend to the City for years to come."

Prior to City Manager Aguilar's arrival, the City had five different City Managers and Interim Managers in a short seven year period. For staff stability and continuity, the City Council requested a minimum five year commitment. When reminded of this, Aguilar stated, "The five year commitment became a nine year commitment, because I enjoyed what I was doing. Sierra Madre is a truly special community that comes together to resolve problems and find creative solutions."

Aguilar provided advanced notice of her upcoming retirement, so the City Council could initiate the recruitment process for the next City Manager. Aguilar stated, "There are many projects and plans in the works, and it is important to maintain the momentum."

The Council will be discussing the recruitment of the City's new City Manager at their September 13, 2016 City Council meeting.



Elaine Aguilar, left with former Mayor Mary Ann MacGillivray
Photo by Bill Coburn

ANTONOVICH CELEBRATES PATRIOT'S DAY

Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich remembered those who died, the firefighters and law enforcement who perished in rescue efforts, and called for renewed awareness and preparedness.

"September 11, 2001 was a dawn that will see no sunset. I was in Washington D.C. on that fateful day and witnessed firsthand the devastating aftermath of the attack on our Pentagon. Fifteen years later, we remember the thousands of innocent victims who perished, the heroic first responders and the men and women in our armed services fighting to protect our nation. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and we will never forget their sacrifice. To prevent future acts of terror, we must remain vigilant and prepared. While our Armed Forces and allies fight terrorism abroad, LA County agencies continue to monitor and prevent attacks locally and prepare for the possibility of an incident. It is vital for each of us, in our communities and neighborhoods, to be vigilant in observing any potential threat or violent act and reporting it to authorities. If you see something, say something."

SIERRA MADRE HONOR AWARDS IS THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE'S OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE TRUE TREASURES OF SIERRA MADRE, ITS VOLUNTEERS, CITY COMMISSIONERS, AND EMPLOYEES.

To Nominate: Simply e-mail or drop off a short letter at City Hall listing qualifications of your nominee by 5:00 pm, Monday September 12, 2016.

GEORGE MAUER LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

PAST WINNERS: Gordon Caldwell | George Enyedi | Marilyn McKernan | Richard Mays | Robert Young | Bob Spears
Awarded to a person / entity whose lifetime of service embodies the spirit of volunteerism

WISTARIA AWARD

PAST WINNERS:

Sierra Madre Little League | Friends of the Library | MWTR Committee | Historical Preservation Society, Fourth of July Committee | Civic Club. Recognizes a City / Community partnership that assists with providing community-wide programs and services.

PUBLIC SAFETY AWARD

PAST WINNERS: Hank Landsberg | Casey Morrisey | Todd Conrad | Emergency

Communications Team | CERT | Joe Ortiz. Awarded to an employee/individual for protecting and maintaining safety in the community

PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

PAST WINNERS: Debbie Henderson | Toni Buckner | Miguel Hernandez, James Carlson | Susan Clifton, Jose Reynoso, Selena Yang, Kyle Schnurr | Rosemary Garcia
The Employee of the Year award for the remarkable public and customer service.

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SAVE THE 85 S. BALDWIN FICUS: APPEAL LETTER FILED

Sierra Madre resident Daniel Golden filed a formal appeal with the city in an effort to save the Ficus tree on North Baldwin. The appeal is requesting a temporary halt to plans for removal of the tree pending further research and examination of the tree and the buckled sidewalk. It also requested that the matter be placed on the September

21st Agenda of the Energy, Environment and Natural Resource Commission meeting.

The story behind the appeal was published in this newspaper August 20th. (<http://mtnviewsnews.com/v10/htm/n34/index.htm>).

Golden believes, "there may

be other solutions that could preserve the tree and ensure public safety for all." He offers the city two options:

Option 1. Secure a Second Opinion. Though the City's regular consulting Arborist is a certified and responsible professional,
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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 September 13, 2016
6:30 pm

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

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

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

Your event must:

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

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



SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS

Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 13, 2016, 6:30 pm

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 cityofsierramadre.com before 5:30 the night of the meeting and your statement will be delivered to all the Council Members. Sierra Madre City Hall 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, CA 91024 (626) 355-7135

Thursday, September 15, 2016, 7:00 pm
Planning Commission Meeting

Monday, September 19, 2016, 6:30 pm
Community Services Commission Meeting

Wednesday, September 21, 2016, 7:00 pm
Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Commission Meeting

Wednesday, September 28, 2016, 7:00 pm
Library Board of Trustees Meeting

LIBRARY EVENTS - GET CARDED! SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH!

Come in to the Library to replace your lost or damaged card for free or to get your first Sierra Madre Library card from September 1 through October 31.

TAKE THE ADULT READING CHALLENGE
Take the challenge and expand your horizons by reading outside your comfort zone. This month, read Science Fiction or Fantasy to qualify for prize drawings.

COLORING NIGHT
Monday, September 19, and every third Monday, 5:00 – 8:00 pm. Relax in the Library with a variety of coloring books and materials.

BOARD GAME NIGHT
Tuesday, September 20, and every third Tuesday, 5:00 – 8:00 pm. Games for all ages and volunteers to teach.

TEEN BOOK CLUB
Wednesdays at 4:00 pm for those in grades 7 – 12. Free books, snacks, and lively discussion.

<http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/services/library>

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HELP DECORATE SIERRA MADRE FOR HALLOWEEN

Students between the ages of 9-17 are invited to participate in Sierra Madre's spooktacular Halloween Window Painting Contest. Applications and guidelines will be distributed in private schools and can be found coming home with students in PUSD the week of September 6. They can also be picked up at the front desk of City Hall and at the Library where they have been available since the middle of August. Completed applications are due back to City Hall or the Library by 5 pm on Tuesday, October 11.

Teams of up to four students of the same age group can work on a window design. At least one participant must be a Sierra Madre resident. Painting will be done from 2:30-6:00 pm on Friday, October 21, and from 7:30-10:00 AM on Saturday, October 22. Judging will follow and awards by age group will be given at 12:15 on Saturday.

Our local merchants are critical to the success of this event. They support us by allowing us to use their windows for the painting contest, through monetary donations to cover the cost of materials, and through the donation of other items that enhance the experience of the participants. We thank them for their help.

This year's Halloween Window Painting Contest is sponsored and underwritten by the Sierra Madre Civic Club and is free to



participants. Specific questions may be directed to Margaret Switzer, event chair, Sierra Madre Civic Club at 626 355-8207. Last year's participation enjoyed a record turnout as 275 children painted 88 windows offered by 65 merchants. This was an increase of 40%. We look forward to your participation in this annual fun, fall activity.

The Sierra Madre Civic Club is a civic and philanthropic organization. We meet the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm in the Hart Park House. You are welcome to

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his analysis is necessarily incomplete, because a full sense of any possible root pruning to alleviate buckled sidewalk could only be made upon temporary removal of the damaged sections of sidewalk slabs.

A Second Opinion from a certified Arborist at that point seems in order. It took 24,000 days, more or less, for this tree to reach its mature splendor, but it would take less than 24 hours to remove it.

The only way to truly gauge the root structures would be to have the City lift the two sidewalk slabs in question. Given the two large trees that sit on private property at 85 S. Baldwin, we might, in fact, also discover upon lifting the sidewalk slabs that the buckling has been

caused or partially caused by the roots of those trees. But for complete diagnosis, access underneath the slabs is essential.

If root pruning is impossible without destabilizing the ficus or killing it outright, and the two Arborists were in agreement on this analysis, see Option 2:

Option 2. The City could try to seek an easement from the property owners to create a gentle loop in a new area of sidewalk that would curve away from the root area and leave a smooth, new path for walkers and those in wheelchairs. There is City precedent for such an action step that would protect the public safety, comply with ADA access criteria, and leave the ficus in place.

Even allowing for the time and expertise of the City Attorney and others in

securing an easement, as well as costs of diagnostic removal of sidewalk slabs and getting a second opinion from a certified Arborist, the City would still save considerable costs, compared to the safe removal of this large tree.

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AWARDS
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COMMUNITY YOUTH SERVICE AWARD

PAST WINNERS:
Brittany Dashek, Taryn Clark | Lydia Kerns | Aliyah Crochietiere | Alexi Zate | Emma Allen.

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Walking Sierra Madre...The Social Side

by Deanne Davis



"If all the cars in the United States were placed end to end, it would probably be Labor Day weekend." Doug Larson

Walking Sierra Madre on Labor Day weekend has been splendid. Saturday's weather was so perfect that I didn't have to close the windows and turn on the A/C. Of course, the only thing wrong with Saturday was the start of the long-awaited, long-anticipated start of college football. Watching Texas A & M stomp all over UCLA - 31 to 24 - was sad but when Alabama wiped the stadium floor with the Trojans - 52 to 6 - that was flat out depressing. We did see a fantastic game Sunday afternoon: Texas Longhorns vs. Notre Dame. That one went into double overtime with Texas winning 50-47. As our Texas girls are all Longhorn supporters, we were delighted.

It was so cool Sunday morning that...dare I say it...we were chilly while walking. It's been so long since we were chilly outside that we hardly knew what to say. Labor Day Monday started out with another cool morning and beautiful blue and pink flavored clouds filling the sky.

All the changes are complete at St. Rita's and we stopped to admire the planters, which have some stunning crepe myrtles in place, some succulent things and a bunch of spider plants, which grow with determination and send out runners to make more. My kinda plant! These plants will effectively screen off the seven huge air conditioners they have there in the corner. St. Rita's is going to be cool, friends and neighbors! The new steps and railings are gorgeous and if you haven't stopped by to take a look, you should.

Labor Day Monday was very very quiet. I said to my walking buddy and BFF, John, that tomorrow will be different. Tomorrow will be bedlam, chaos, and a traffic nightmare as all the children return to school. We're kind of excited as we love to hear them playing. Speaking of playing, the little kids' play area at St. Rita's - around the corner on Alegria - has been raked perfectly smooth, all the toys are in plastic boxes and it looks so lonely without a herd of little people in there. Tomorrow! Took pictures of these scarecrows along Grandview. So clever!

Made this really easy crustless quiche which I adapted from a recipe I saw in the Costco Magazine.
Grape Tomato & Cauliflower Quiche
Preheat oven to 350.
1 small cauliflower, cut into small florets and steamed till tender (about 8 minutes in a microwave steamer bag)
2 TB Olive Oil
2 TB butter
½ an onion, chopped
Put the butter and olive oil in a small pan, melt the butter, add the onion and sauté till it's tender

8 eggs
½ cup fresh basil, chopped (I didn't have that so just used a tsp. of basil flakes)
1 cup all purpose flour
1-1/2 tsp. baking powder
1-1/2 tsp. kosher salt
¼ tsp. ground turmeric
½ tsp. ground cumin
Pinch of chili flakes
Ground pepper to taste
5 oz. Parmesan cheese grated (I used good ol' Kraft's in the green can)
1-1/2 cups grape tomatoes, sliced (use a serrated knife)

Whisk the eggs, add in the onion, combine all the dry ingredients and add to the egg mixture. Gently stir in the cauliflower and tomatoes. Spray a large pie pan - I used a 10" - add the mixture. Place on middle rack and bake 40-45 minutes till golden brown and set. Remove from oven and let set 15-20 minutes. Slice into wedges and enjoy!

Incidentally, if you haven't seen Pete's Dragon yet, you need to treat yourself. It's an excellent movie and Robert Redford is great.

My book page: Amazon.com: Deanne Davis
Blog: www.authordeanne.com
"Tablespoon of Love, Tablespoon of Laughter" is available there...
An excellent The Kids Are Back In School gift, by the way!

SIERRA MADRE PUBLIC BLOTTER

During this time period, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 208 day and night time calls for service.

Monday, August 29

At about 12:37 a.m. officers were dispatched to the 00 block of S. Baldwin Ave. regarding a theft report. Based on video footage available at about 11:00 p.m. the suspect parked his vehicle, a white Chevy pick-up truck next to two rubber mats that are used to cover the fuel intake covers for the underground storage tanks, and put them in the bed of his truck. Suspect then fled the scene north on Baldwin Ave. The victim stated that the mats were at the location the previous night when he locked up for the evening.
Case to Detectives

Friday, September 2

SMPD officers responded to a burglary investigation in the 600 block of Camillo Street at about noon. During the investigation officers discovered that the glass door in the master bedroom was shattered allowing suspect(s) entry into the house. Once inside the residence, the suspect(s) ransacked the entire house and took an empty black safe from the living room.
Case forwarded to Detectives

ALSO:

The Sierra Madre Police Department reminding residents that September is FEMA's National Preparedness Month. Weekly topics are covered and posted on the SMPD's Facebook page. Be safe. Be prepared!

Creative & Fun Art Classes For Kids

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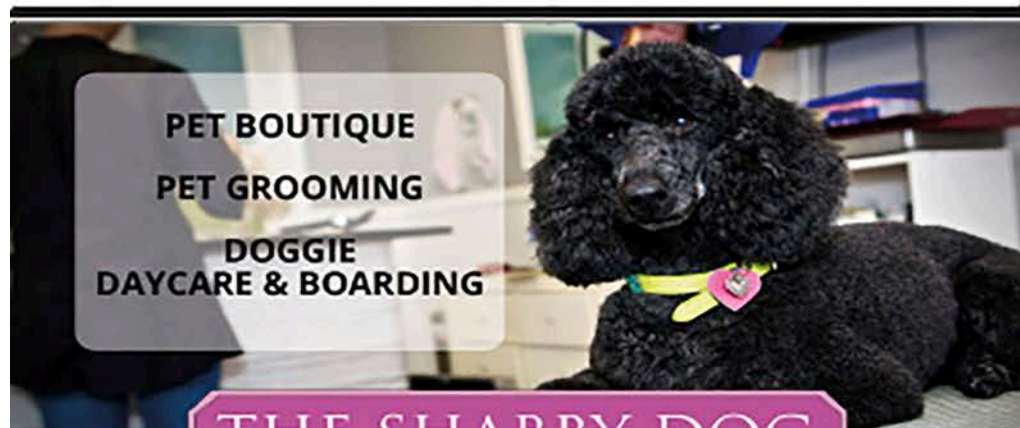


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Pasadena News Briefs

Multiple people assaulted with a mini baseball bat

Pasadena Police officers investigated an Assault with a Deadly Weapon incident Saturday at about 11:06 p.m. in the 800 block of Brooks Avenue. During the investigation officers learned victims and suspects all know one another. The victims were seated inside a vehicle when without provocation; they were confronted by the ex-girlfriend's sister and her cousins. A verbal dispute arose, which lead to a physical confrontation. The suspects began hitting the victims about the head and body with a mini baseball bat. The suspects also damaged the victim's car. The suspects then fled the area and despite a comprehensive search they were not located. Our investigation is ongoing.

Vehicle crashes into Gold Line train

Pasadena Police officers responded to the area of California Boulevard and Raymond Avenue On August 31 regarding a traffic collision involving a motorist and a Metro Gold Line train. During the field investigation, officers learned that the motorist was driving east on California Boulevard, at 7:30 a.m., and failed to stop for the crossing arms. The driver collided with the train, causing minor damage. There were no injuries as a result of the collision.

Suspects arrested for mail theft

Pasadena Police officers responded to the 500 block of Lincoln Avenue, on August 29, at 7:30 p.m., regarding trespassing on private property. On arrival, officers made contact with two subjects who were on the property without authorization. Further investigation revealed that they were in possession of several pieces of U.S. mail. They were arrested for mail theft. The United States Postal Inspectors were notified.

Pet of the Week



Munchie (A404140) is a handsome, 3-year-old, neutered male, red tabby. His previous owner told us that Munchie loves to be loved, which Munchie will gladly prove. Give him a little love and he will purr, rub, and roll on his side to show his appreciation. Munchie would like to find a quiet forever home where he will get lots of attention and a warm lap. Munchie is available for adoption at Pet Food Express, 320 S Lake Ave, Pasadena.

The adoption fee for cats is \$70, which includes the spay or neuter surgery, microchip, and vaccinations.

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

Call the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA at (626) 792-7151 to ask about A404140, or visit at 361 S. Raymond Ave. in Pasadena. Adoption hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Pets may not be available for adoption and cannot be held for potential adopters by phone calls or email. Directions and photos of all pets can be found at pasadenahumane.org.



Council to Discuss Immense Hotel Project

The city council is set for a public hearing Monday night on a proposed new "Colorado Hill Hotel Planned Development" project that includes two hotels, housing and ground-floor commercial businesses—the project would span both sides of Colorado Blvd. at Hill Ave. adjacent to Pasadena City College.

According to city staff, the development properties are located at 1347-1355 East Colorado Blvd., 39 North Hill Ave. and 1336 East Colorado Blvd. The site is the long vacant Ford dealership and would include the preservation of the automobile showrooms and some historic signage, city staff said.

"As proposed by the applicant, the north parcel would be developed with a 375-room hotel and ground-floor commercial uses totaling approximately 350,000 square feet. The south parcel would be developed with a 150-room hotel and ground-floor commercial uses totaling approximately 90,000 square feet," according to the staff report.

The report also states that building on the north side of

Colorado Blvd. would range in height from two stories up to a maximum of five stories along roadway frontages. In the interior of the site, portions of the building would be up to seven stories. Along Colorado Boulevard, a driveway serving as the drop-off and pick-up to the hotel, as well as valet service, would be centered approximately 150 feet away from the intersection of Colorado Blvd. and Hill Ave.

"The building along the south side of Colorado would range in height from three to four stories with a maximum height of 48 feet. Vehicle access to the site would be served by an existing alley located to the rear of the property that connects to Holliston Ave. to the west and Hill Ave. to the east."

Monday night's council vote could certify the Final Environmental Impact Report, approve the development of the entire project and change the zoning to allow for hotel and mixed use development. The issue will be heard at 7 p.m. according to the council's agenda.

The project was also heard by

the city's Planning Commission July 27. They recommended approval but said, "Enhance the pedestrian experience and improve pedestrian circulation at and near the designated valet court through the use of alternative paving materials that distinguish pedestrian versus automobile areas."

They also suggested the site be evaluated for compliance with the city's Noise Ordinance and prohibit the use of the pool area between 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. daily. The also voted to add hotel as a permitted use on the south parcel.

Tribute Band Playing Farnsworth Park Tonight

Bruce Springsteen tribute band, The Rising is performing a free concert at Farnsworth Park tonight at 7:00 p.m. Farnsworth Park located at the top of Lake Avenue at 568 E. Mount Curve Ave.

Much like Bruce Springsteen & the E Street Band, they take the stage more like a gang, than a band. Springsteen Tribute performs classic hits and sing along anthems from Bruce's storied career. The energy, the passion, the talent, and the look is all there in this truly amazing seven piece band. From longtime Springsteen fans to those just discovering this great American artist, you're in for some great music and a truly high energy performance.

Gold Line Recognized Outstanding Rail Project of the Year

The Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority has recently been awarded with four distinguished industry awards for the nearly \$1 billion, 11.5-mile Foothill Gold Line light rail extension from Pasadena to Azusa. The extension, which was completed and turned over to Los Angeles County Metro in September 2015 and began passenger service in March, required three design-build contracts. Altogether, design and construction included six new light rail stations; five parking facilities; a LEED Gold certified, 24-acre Operations Campus; 28 miles of light rail track, including four miles of relocated freight track; two dozen bridges, including the award-winning iconic Gold Line Bridge; 14 at-grade street crossings; power systems; and much more.

The four awards were given by various construction and engineering industry associations, they include:

Outstanding Rail Project of the Year – American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Metropolitan Los Angeles Branch

Sustainability Excellence Distinction Award – Western Council of Construction Consumers (WCCC)

Exceptional Project Achievement Award – Western Council of Construction Consumers (WCCC)

Excellence in Dispute Avoidance & Resolution Award – Dispute Resolution Board Foundation (DRBF)

The Foothill Gold Line from Pasadena to Azusa first broke ground in June 2010 and was completed on time and under budget with 2.4 million work hours logged and an excellent safety record.

Public Invited To Fire Station 34 Open House



There will be station tours, equipment demos and disaster preparedness information available

The public is invited to an Open House at the Pasadena Fire Department's Station 34, 1360 E. Del Mar Blvd., 9-11 a.m., Saturday, September 17.

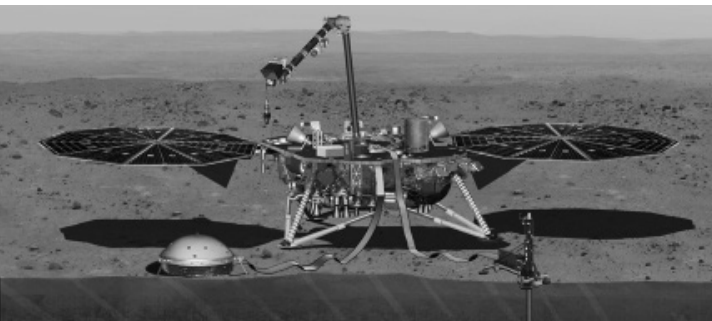
Fire personnel and department volunteers will be there to meet the public, showcase fire equipment

and rolling stock and provide tours of Station 34 on the Caltech campus. Several other City Departments and community partners will be there to highlight other programs and services.

For more information, contact Lisa Derderian, (626) 744-7276 or lderderian@cityofpasadena.net.

More information about the Fire Department is online at www.cityofpasadena.net/fire.

NASA Approves Launch of Mars InSight Mission



Scientists say InSight is one step closer to a manned mission to the red planet

NASA announced a spring 2018 launch of its InSight mission to study the deep interior of Mars, following final approval this week by the agency's Science Mission Directorate.

The Interior Exploration using Seismic Investigations, Geodesy and Heat Transport (InSight) mission was originally scheduled to launch in March of this year, but NASA suspended launch preparations in December due to a vacuum leak in its prime science instrument, the Seismic Experiment for Interior Structure (SEIS).

The new launch period for the mission begins May 5, 2018, with a Mars landing scheduled for Nov. 26, 2018. The next launch opportunity is driven by orbital dynamics, so 2018 is the soonest the lander can be on its way.

NASA's budget for InSight was \$675 million. The instrument redesign and two-year delay add \$153.8 million. The additional cost will not delay or cancel any current missions, though there may be fewer opportunities for new missions in future years, from fiscal years 2017-2020.

The SEIS instrument - designed

to measure ground movements as small as half the radius of a hydrogen atom - requires a perfect vacuum seal around its three main sensors in order to withstand harsh conditions on the Red Planet. Under what's known as the mission "replan," NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, will be responsible for redesigning, developing and qualifying the instrument's evacuated container and the electrical feedthroughs that failed previously. France's space agency, the Centre National d'Études Spatiales (CNES), will focus on developing and delivering the key sensors for SEIS, integration of the sensors into the container, and the final integration of the instrument onto the spacecraft.

InSight's primary goal is to help us understand how rocky planets formed and evolved.

"Our robotic scientific explorers such as InSight are paving the way toward an ambitious journey to send humans to the Red Planet," said Geoff Yoder, acting associate administrator for NASA's Science Mission Directorate, in Washington. "It's gratifying that we are moving forward with this important mission to help us better understand the origins of Mars and all the rocky planets, including Earth."

Free Events Roundup at the Pasadena Senior Center

There is something for everyone at the Pasadena Senior Center, 85 E. Holly St. You do not have to be a member to attend. Some events require advance reservations.

Friday Movie Matinees – Fridays, Sept. 16 and 30, at 1 p.m. Everyone enjoys movies and the pleasures they bring. Sept. 16: "Casablanca" (1942, PG) starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman. A cynical American expatriate meets a former lover in Morocco in 1941 with unforeseen complications. Sept. 30: "The Letters" (2014, PG) starring Juliet Stevenson and Rutger Hauer. The life of Mother Teresa is explored through letters she wrote to her longtime friend and spiritual advisor Father Celeste van Exem over a nearly 50-year period.

Smart Phones, Tablets and Computers – Any Questions? – Tuesdays and Thursdays, to 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. Learning how to text, check voicemail, set an alarm, navigate the Internet and download apps is easier than you may think.

Vein Disease – Thursday, Sept. 15, at 10 a.m. Learn the signs, symptoms, risk factors and treatment options for leg venous insufficiency, also known as vein disease, and see a display showing proper blood flow using

demonstrations on the lower leg. Presented by the Center for Vein Restoration.

Art Exhibit with Music, Wine and Cheese – Thursday, Sept. 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. Studies show that creating art improves brain function. Pasadena Senior Center art students, at levels from beginners to professionals, will display their works in watercolors and mixed media. Awards will be presented in recognition of excellence, and some of the works will be for sale. Complimentary wine and cheese will be provided, a harpist will entertain and a raffle will be held. For more information call instructor Barbara Medford at 626-529-5484. The exhibit will be in place through Nov. 5.

Health Fair – Friday, Sept. 16, from 9 to 11 a.m. Services include glucose, varicose vein, vascular health, blood pressure and hearing screenings as well as counseling and health/community resources. Bring your list of medications, doctors and emergency contacts for a free personal identification card sponsored by New York Life. For more information call 626-685-6755.

Founded in 1960, the Pasadena Senior Center is an independent, nonprofit organization that offers recreational, educational, wellness and social services to people ages 50 and older.

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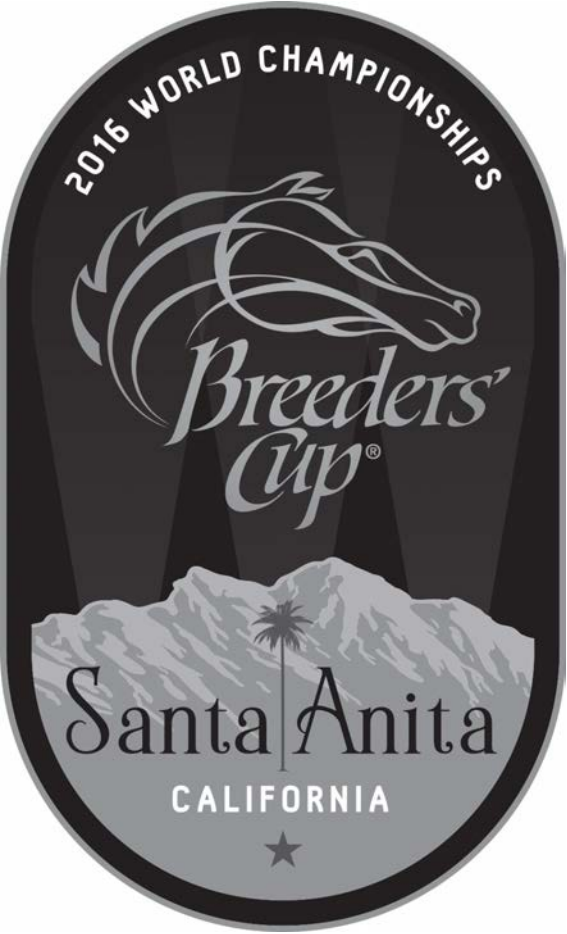
Breeder's Cup World Championships stands as one of the World's greatest and most prestigious horse racing events, it commences this year November 4 & 5 for the record 9th time at Santa Anita Park. This morning September 1, 2016 the Arcadia Chamber of Commerce welcomed Brandy Stoekinger, Sr. Director for Ticketing & Horsemen Relations of Breeder's Cup, who gave attendees of our Government Affairs Forum a comprehensive look into the event's history, effect on local businesses and worldwide appeal. In addition to this Peter D. Siberell, Director of Community Service and Special Projects for Santa Anita Park, offered insight into the steps being made by Santa Anita Park to best accommodate the large event.

Brandy elaborated on the history and details of Breeder's Cup, which has unofficially taken on the moniker the Superbowl of Horse Racing. The two-day event which consists of 13 races and more than 150 horses from 13 countries were attracted by the prestige as well as the increased 28 million dollars in combined purses and awards, as well it stands as the unofficial finale of the thoroughbred-racing season and the ultimate test of talent. Through the continued participation of the best horses, trainers, and owners from around the world, Breeders' Cup has established a reputation as a showcase for thoroughbred racing at the highest level of international competition.

"Our message this year is Come Early," a statement shared by Brandy which communicates the local and international audience the Breeder's Cup brings in and how this in turn has had the effect in previous years to generate around 65 million dollars in economic impact for the hosting city. A figure which makes Breeder's Cup the second largest sporting event in Los Angeles. This year the Breeder's Cup team has worked diligently to reward those who come early, in particular on November 2, 2016 from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm they are partnering with the City of Arcadia as well as Santa Anita Park to commemorate the unveiling of Zenyatta's "Walk of Champions" plaque.

Being such a large and impressive event, which in Los Angeles is only outdone by the Rose Bowl, has gained the attention of many renown celebrities such as Pierce Brosnan and Kate Upton. In the past notable entertainment for Breeder's Cup has included performances by Maroon 5, Toby Keith, Richie Sambora and Kristin Chenoweth.

Peter Siberell illustrated the tremendous effort from many different sources that is involved



when it comes to the undertaking of hosting an amazing Breeder's Cup. In order to raise awareness the City of Arcadia has installed a Breeder's Cup Countdown Clock on Huntington Dr. and Holly Ave., as well as set up street banners along Huntington Dr. In addition to this the City has been helping to support Breeder's Cup by offering free shuttles to and from local hotels and the Arcadia Metro station. The police, fire and public works department are offering their services for the two days. Santa Anita Park is on track to recruit 350 volunteers to the event, people who well aid in helping as greeters, drivers, ticket assistance, photography assistants, and information sources. For more information on becoming a volunteer to the Breeder's Cup please contact the Santa Anita Park's volunteer coordinator Kaitlyn Lavo, at Kaitlyn.Lavo@santaanita.com.

ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, August 28th, through Saturday, September 3rd, the Police Department responded to 1,022 calls for service of which 166 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, August 28:
Just after 7:36 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 700 block of West Lemon Avenue regarding a package theft report. The officer discovered an unknown suspect stole the victim's package from her porch sometime between August 25th and the 26th. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

Around 10:22 p.m., officers responded to a residence in the 2500 block of Greenfield Avenue regarding a disturbance report. Officers determined three unknown suspects threatened the victim via text message before arriving at the victim's house. The suspects were gone upon the officers' arrival. The investigation is ongoing.

Monday, August 29:
At about 1:37 a.m., officers responded to a residence in the 700 block of Sunset Boulevard regarding a vandalism report. An investigation revealed a 30-year-old male from Arcadia smashed the windows of three vehicles after engaging in a physical altercation with his girlfriend. The suspect was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Just before 8:30 a.m., an officer responded to the 900 block of Kingsley Drive regarding a vehicle burglary report. The officer discovered an unknown suspect stole the victim's third row seat from their 2014 Chevrolet Suburban sometime during the previous night. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

At approximately 3:13 a.m., officers responded to Go Gadget Repairs, 918 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a burglary in progress. Surveillance footage revealed two male suspects smashed the front window, stole an unknown amount of property, and fled in an unknown direction. The investigation is ongoing.

Suspect #1 is described as a dark skinned male, possibly Pacific Islander, approximately 6'3", thin build, and wearing a hooded sweatshirt. The second suspect is described as a black male, 5'9", 20 to 25-years-old, with a large build.

Tuesday, August 30:
Around 9:09 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 1300 block of Glencoe Drive regarding a fraud report. The victim's husband received text message alerts that fraudulent transactions had occurred on his credit card by an unknown suspect in Florida. The victim does not know who the suspect is. The investigation is ongoing.

Just after 8:42 p.m., officers responded to a residence in the 800 block of West Duarte Road regarding a disturbance report. Officers discovered an adult son grabbed his mother during an argument. The 31-year-old male from Arcadia was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Wednesday, August 31:

Shortly after 11:27 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 1100 block of Volante Drive regarding a mail theft/tampering report. An investigation revealed an unknown suspect damaged the mail box lock and possibly stole the victim's mail. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

At about 6:02 p.m., an officer responded to Savers, 16 East Live Oak Avenue, regarding a robbery report. The officer determined a male suspect reached through an open window of the victim's vehicle and grabbed her purse. The victim held onto her purse but the suspect overpowered her and fled with her property.

The suspect is described as a Hispanic male; approximately 6' tall, small build, driving a gray Mazda. The investigation is ongoing.

Thursday, September 1:
At approximately 4:54 p.m., an officer responded to Burlington Coat Factory, 1201 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a burglary report. A loss prevention specialist witnessed two suspects conceal numerous items in a shopping bag before exiting the store, failing to make payment. The suspects then locked the items in a Nissan Altima and fled on foot. A records check of the vehicle revealed it had been stolen out of La Verne. The suspects are believed to be a 33-year-old male from Ontario who is on probation for narcotics and on parole for assault with a firearm and a 22-year-old male from Rancho Cucamonga. The investigation is ongoing and the suspects are outstanding at the time of this report.

Around 8:32 p.m., officers responded to a residence in the 1000 block of South First Avenue regarding a burglary report. Officers discovered unknown suspects broke a rear window, ransacked the location, and fled undetected. It is unknown if any property was stolen. The investigation is ongoing.

Friday, September 2:
At about 6:24 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 2200 block of South Fifth Avenue regarding a robbery report. The victim stated she encountered an unknown Hispanic male in her house who proceeded to punch her three times in the face before stealing her purse and fleeing on foot.

The suspect is described as a Hispanic male, approximately 5'7", with a medium build. The investigation is ongoing.

Just after 3:45 p.m., an officer responded to the Arcadia Police Department front counter regarding a grand theft report from Sephora, 400 South Baldwin Avenue. Surveillance footage revealed two male suspects stole nearly 26 bottles of perfume, a loss valued at \$2,936.00. The investigation is ongoing.

Saturday, September 3:
Just after 8:14 a.m., an officer responded to Arcadia Supermarket, 645 West Duarte Road, regarding a commercial burglary report. Surveillance footage revealed two male suspects smashed the front glass door of the business and stole \$300 from a secure cabinet. The investigation is ongoing.

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RESIDENTIAL MULCH & COMPOST GIVEAWAY EVENT SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2016, FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M. ON CHESTNUT AVENUE (BETWEEN IVY AVENUE AND MYRTLE AVENUE)

As part of the City's current agreement with Athens Services, we have developed an overall Closed Loop Organics Recycling Program to comply with a variety of State of California regulatory requirements driven primarily by AB 1826 and AB 1594. As part of the program that has been developed, organic waste and green waste collected here in Monrovia will be converted into mulch and compost and redistributed to our residents several times a year.

We are happy to be able to share that the first compost and mulch give-away event has been scheduled to take place later this month on September 24, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on Chestnut Avenue, between Ivy Avenue and Myrtle Avenue. The self-serve event will allow any resident of Monrovia to come out

and collect compost and mulch for their use.

In an effort to publicize the event, as well as provide additional information regarding the overall Closed Loop Organics Recycling Program that has been developed here in Monrovia, the event flyer attached to this email will be distributed to all Monrovia residents with their next quarterly Athens Services bill, which should be hitting everyone's mailbox in the next week or two. Please note that the backside of the flyer includes a letter from the City which outlines details related to the new recycling program, and also articulates the reasons why it was necessary for us to develop the new initiative.

We hope to see you all at our first compost and mulch give-away event on September 24, 2016!

SMOKING PROHIBITED IN MONROVIA PARKS EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 2, 2016, VIOLATIONS CAN BE REPORTED TO THE CITY VIA PHONE OR TEXT AT (626) 255-6799

As you may recall, the City recently adopted a new regulations that prohibit smoking in City parks. The new rules took effect last week on September 2, 2016, and during the next few months, City staff will be working to educate the community about the prohibition against smoking in any City park.

To assist with that education process, staff has developed new park signs which outline the rule, and in addition, the City has established a new and easy to use procedure for individuals who would like to report smoking in a park. Simply call or text our new City Park Smoking Ban Hotline at (626)

255-6799.

Once the City receives a report at the number, we will dispatch a Park Ranger to provide information on our new prohibition against smoking in City parks. It should be noted, however, that following an initial education period that will last for a few months, the City will eventually be issuing citations when appropriate.

Additionally, the new park signs that the City has developed and will be installing at all parks list our hours of operation and other park regulations (dogs must be on leashes, no alcohol use, and no portable BBQs).

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.

Grand Theft Auto
September 1 at 6:45 a.m., a vehicle was reported stolen from the 800 block of Genoa Avenue. The victim reported his 1992 Honda was stolen from in front of his home sometime during the early morning hours. The investigation is continuing.

Public Intoxication – Suspect Arrested
September 1 at 12:44 p.m., a suspicious subject was reported under the 210 Freeway at Mayflower. Officers arrived and determined the subject was extremely intoxicated and could not care for himself. The subject was arrested and held for a sobering period.

Grand Theft Auto
September 1 at 10:42 p.m., a vehicle was reported stolen from the 500 block of W. Huntington. The vehicle is a green, 1998 Honda Civic. The investigation is continuing.

Public Intoxication – Suspect Arrested
September 2 at 5:23 a.m., officers were dispatched on the report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of Linwood and Alta Vista. The officers located and contacted the driver, who worked for a transportation company. The female passenger was intoxicated and did not know where she was or where she was going. She was determined to be too intoxicated to care for her own safety. The subject was arrested and held for a sobering period.

Warrant – Suspect Arrested
September 2 at 6:49 a.m., a domestic dispute was reported at a parking lot in the 1500 block of S. Myrtle. Officers arrived and contacted a female subject who was involved in the dispute. The investigation determined that no crime had occurred, but the female subject was discovered to have an outstanding warrant for her arrest. She was taken into custody and held pending her court appearance.

Grand Theft
September 2 at 11:45 a.m., a grand theft was reported in the 900 block of S. Fifth Avenue. The victim parked and locked her vehicle in a hotel parking lot. When she returned to the vehicle, she found the third row seats had been stolen. Forced entry was made through a rear window. The investigation is continuing.

Warrant / Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Suspect Arrested
September 3 at 4:19 a.m., an officer on patrol stopped a bicyclist riding at night without the proper lighting equipment. A computer check revealed the subject had multiple warrants for his arrest. The subject was arrested and taken into custody. During a search of his property, the officer located drug paraphernalia, which was added to his charges.

Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol – Suspect Arrested

September 3 at 9:39 a.m., an officer on patrol in the 700 block of W. Duarte Road stopped a vehicle for a vehicle code violation. The investigation determined the subject was driving under the influence of alcohol. He was arrested and held for a sobering period.

Public Intoxication – Suspect Arrested
September 3 at 4:09 p.m., police responded to the report of a subject lying on the sidewalk near a business in the 300 block of W. Huntington. Officers were dispatched and contacted the subject, who was determined to be too intoxicated to care for himself. The subject was arrested and held for a sobering period.

Driving Under the Influence – Suspect Arrested
September 5 at 9:56 p.m., a resident in the 200 block of E. Cypress called police to report that his neighbor lost control of his vehicle, hitting his fence and colliding into his tree. Officers arrived, contacted the subject and observed symptoms of intoxication. The investigation determined the subject was driving under the influence of alcohol and he was arrested and held for a sobering period.

Driving Under the Influence – Suspect Arrested
September 4 at 9:22 a.m., a vehicle was reported at a gas station at Huntington and Shamrock with a driver that appeared intoxicated. As officers arrived, the vehicle left the gas station and failed to stop for a stop sign. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was determined to be driving under the influence of alcohol. He was arrested and held for a sobering period.

Robbery / Assault with a Deadly Weapon
September 4 at 5:31 p.m., staff from a local hospital called police to report an assault victim that came into the emergency room for treatment. Officers responded to investigate and determined the victim had been assaulted and robbed. The victim sustained lacerations and contusions to the face. The weapon used was the suspect's foot. The suspect is known to the victim and the investigation is continuing.

Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance – Suspect Arrested
September 5 at 9:56 p.m., officers responded to the 700 block of W. Huntington regarding a male subject running in and out of traffic and acting strange. When officers arrived, the subject tried running in and out of traffic to avoid contact. Officers detained the subject and determined he was under the influence of a controlled substance. The suspect was arrested and taken into custody.

Vandalism / Possession of a Controlled Substance – Suspects Arrested
September 5 at 1:59 p.m., graffiti vandalism in progress was reported in the 100 block of W. Maple Avenue. When officers arrived in the area, four male juveniles were located that matched the description of the suspects. One of the juveniles admitted to tagging graffiti nearby, one had marijuana on his person, and one had prescription medication, marijuana and a scale on his person. Three of the subjects were arrested and the investigation is continuing. detained and arrested.

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PASADENA UNIFIED ESTABLISHES FOSTER YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Pasadena, CA – At its meeting on August 25, 2016, the Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) Board of Education approved the establishment of the Foster Youth Guardians/Parents and Advocates Council (FYGPAC) to assist in the academic success of foster students in the district. The purpose of the council is to improve the overall functioning of students and to facilitate their educational experience by addressing their academic, emotional, and behavioral needs.

“The Council brings together the internal and external resources of our community to support children at the most vulnerable times in their lives,” said Eric Sahakian, Executive Director of Child Welfare, Attendance and Safety, who is leading the district’s foster youth services. “With strong collaboration between partners and service agencies, we are better equipped to support foster youth through this time in their lives and to prepare them to be successful.” During the 2015-2016 academic year, there were over 640 foster care youth enrolled in PUSD, with an average of 400 foster students enrolled at any point in time.

Services available for foster youth in 2015-2016 included:

Project YES (Youth Educational Supports), an academic and social/emotional program at Eliot Middle School and Wilson Middle School

Foster youth sensitivity training for district employees on trauma endured by foster youth

Foster youth community liaison position added to assess foster youth students for academic, attendance, and behavioral needs via an Individualized Success Plan

Two pilot Resource Centers for foster youth added at Eliot Middle School and John Muir High School in partnership with PCC and All Saint’s Church Foster Care Project

Two Intervention Specialists added to launch the Mentors for L.I.F.E. program for middle school students, including foster youth, and provide individual support for attendance and behavioral challenges

The Council, which consists of guardians/parents, students, community advocates, professionals affiliated with foster youth group homes, district staff, and Pasadena City College staff, has a developed a five-point work plan for improvement, ranging from trauma-informed care for delivery of mental health services; improving the transition from special education to mainstream; training of staff; and improved information about and access to district services and programs.

The Council will meet monthly at Pasadena City College and serve as a resource for guardians and parents of foster youth to get involved and to obtain information about district services for foster youth. FYGPAC meets on the third Thursday of every month from 12 – 1:30 p.m. in Bungalow 5 on the Foothill Campus of Pasadena City College (formerly known as CEC), 3035 E. Foothill Blvd., Pasadena. FYGPAC is supported by the PUSD Office of Child Welfare, Attendance and Safety. For more information, visit gopusd.com/cwas

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THE PASADENA EDUCATION NETWORK ANNOUNCES FREE PARENT PROGRAMS

Programs Connect Parents with Each Other & Pasadena Unified Public School Options

Selecting a school is one of the most important decisions a parent will make, yet myth and misperception often cloud conversations about public schools. As more families consider Pasadena Unified public schools, the Pasadena Education Network (PEN), a network of nearly 1,200 parents who send their children to and support the Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD), presents a series of free programs to help parents understand their public school options in Pasadena, Altadena, and Sierra Madre.

PEN’s series of programs offers an overview of PUSD options from kindergarten through high school, including tools for evaluating educational options and an opportunity to meet parents of students who attend schools across the district. The fall parent programs kick-off with “Choosing the Right Elementary School” on Tuesday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m. at All Saints Church, Sweetland Hall, 132 No. Euclid Avenue, Pasadena. Dr. Mikala Rahn, the president of Public Works, a non-profit organization that evaluates schools throughout the state, provides parents of pre-school aged children with valuable information about what to look for when evaluating an elementary school for their children. Parents whose children

attend schools throughout PUSD will be on hand during a reception following the presentation.

PEN’s other programs include “Myth vs. Reality: Middle School Parent Panel” on September 28 at Norma Coombs School and “High School Options” on October 18 at McKinley School. The series concludes on November 29 at the Pasadena Central Library with a program devoted to understanding the district’s open enrollment process whereby families can apply to attend a school other than their assigned neighborhood school. Complete program information and times, school information, and school tour schedules are available at www.penfamilies.org.

All programs are free. Spanish translation is available upon request. Please contact info@penfamilies.org.

The Pasadena Education Network (PEN) is an independent, grassroots nonprofit organization that promotes family participation in public education to ensure a quality education for all students in Pasadena, Altadena and Sierra Madre. PEN provides services to help parents explore, evaluate, and engage with our community’s public schools. For more information visit www.penfamilies.org.

GREAT GEAR AND TOOLS TO MOTIVATE STUDENTS THIS BACK-TO-SCHOOL SEASON

(StatePoint) While some students are eager to return to the classroom, others may need a little motivation and inspiration.

Add a bit of excitement to the new school year by gearing up with the latest and greatest educational tools and school accessories.

A New Set of Wheels

Make getting out the door more appealing by giving students a way to get to school and other activities in style. A new set of wheels -- bicycle wheels that is -- encourages exercise and fosters independence. Just be sure you opt for a model that has the latest safety and durability features.

Any great bike is not complete without a helmet. With so many cool designs and styles available today, finding one that fits properly and looks great should not be a challenge.

Innovative Music Equipment

Help inspire young musicians with space-saving equipment that doesn’t compromise sound or quality. For example, the latest addition to Casio’s well-known Privia line of digital pianos, the PX-160, features the sound of a 9-foot concert grand with speakers that project towards both the player and audience. It provides split and layer capability allowing students to play bass with the left hand and have two layered tones for the right.

A great feature for the student learning to play is duet mode, which allows the keyboard to be split into two equal ranges, so the student and teacher can play simultaneously. The model also features left and right 1/4” audio outputs, making it easy for musicians to connect to other devices for external amplification or recording purposes, as well as simulated ebony and ivory-textured keys for a realistic piano touch. More information can be found at CasioMusicGear.com.

Study Aid

Ease the pain of cramming for an exam with a high-quality music system that allows users to stream their favorite tracks via Bluetooth from a computer or mobile device and is paired with an excellent set of speakers. There are many set-ups that are perfect for portability and small rooms -- ideal for high schoolers, college students and others on-the-go.

Send your student to school in style. Great new tools and accessories can give the new school year a bit of extra appeal, while encouraging students to get active, get creative and hit the books.

EYE EXAMS AND CLEAR VISION EMPOWER STUDENTS TO LEARN MORE

Every child deserves the opportunity to excel in the classroom, and clear vision empowers students to perform up to twice as well in school, according to research from the Rural Education Action Program. In fact, experts at The Vision Council confirm that 80 percent of children’s learning occurs through visual processing.

Unfortunately, many kids are missing out by not getting proper eye care. Thirty-five percent of children have never seen a vision care professional, according to The Vision Care Institute. And of those that do take and fail a vision screening, a large portion don’t receive follow-up from an eye care professional.

“An eye exam should be part of every family’s back-to-school check list to help ensure children reach their full potential in the classroom,” says Lisa Curcuruto, Focus on Sight program manager at OneSight, an independent nonprofit that provides underserved students and communities worldwide with comprehensive eye exams and glasses. “Through the OneSight Focus on Sight program, we are committed to helping students in need and their families have access to vision care and glasses. We believe every child deserves the opportunity to excel.”

Throughout the school year, parents should also periodically check in with children to ask how school is going and if they are having any trouble seeing the board. Many kids don’t share their vision struggles with parents or teachers and lose interest in the classroom.

Families can also help all students see better and succeed in school by providing eye care to children in need. OneSight works with local communities to provide vision care to students during their school day. Consider making a donation to OneSight, which works with school-based health centers to integrate vision care into their healthcare offerings. The OneSight school-based vision centers provide students in need and their families access to comprehensive eye exams, quality glasses and repair of glasses. In addition, the vision centers can provide referrals to ophthalmologists for complicated eye issues and education on the importance of eye health and wellness. To learn more, visit onesight.org.

The importance of clear vision can’t be overstated. Help kids make the most of school by ensuring they are headed back to the classroom with the vision care they need to succeed.

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TAILGATING BEER

Seems summer doesn't want to leave us quite yet. I turned my attention just this week away from wine and to concentrate on beer. Though there are some fine wines to sip on a hot day. This will go well with your tailgating plans. I left out our regular domestic beers and the new 'craze' of craft beers, to introduce or reintroduce you to three beers that have been around for a while. That are my favorites on a blistering day that I call "beer drinking weather beer".

First we visit the Czech Republic, for Pilsner Urquell-Czech for "original pilsner" was first brewed in the 1840's this is a clean, light beer with a relatively low alcohol rate of 4.4%, this the perfect beer for a tailgate party on a hot summer day, when I see Pilsner Urquell on a menu it is my first choice, probably my favorite beer in the Pilsner class, a little bit of that skunky smell, though not as noticeable as Heineken. 4 ½ stars !!! Available by the six pack at most grocery stores and is on tap at the Yard House.

Off we go to Japan for Sapporo Beer also a Pilsner with a German Style, this beer has serious drinkability, and can stand alone without a food pairing, though Mexican and spicy Thai food would indeed complete this refreshing beer. Alcohol content is 4.7%. 4 out of five stars

For my last beer I travel south of the border for Negra Modelo, sure Corona gets the notoriety but Modelo for me is the best of the best as far as Mexican Beer, go to any restaurant were patriots are drinking beer and nine times out of ten it's Modelo they are drinking. The Negra Modela reminds me of a German Dunkel style, makes sense since many German beer makers made their homes in parts of Mexico. This a dark beer, goes well with tailgating foods such as bratwurst, potato salad and of course fried chicken.

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With hundreds of beers I might have missed your favorite. Email me at thechefknows@yahoo.com. Listen live Sunday 5 pm to Dining with Dills on AM 830 KLAA twitter kingofcuisine

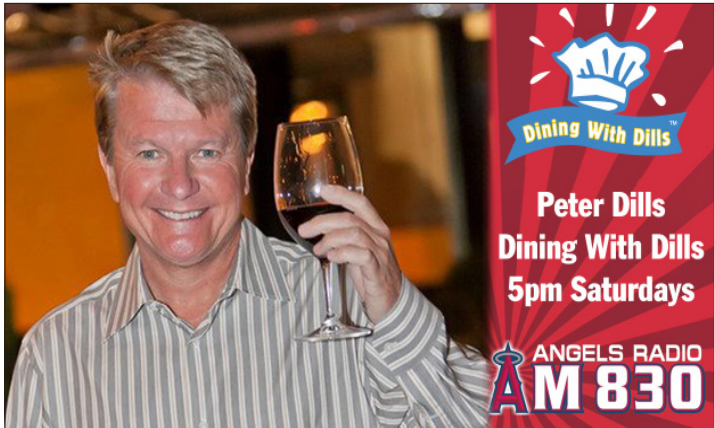


TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills
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Julie's favorite Family Recipes
BANANA BREAD

INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 4 over ripe bananas, finely crushed
- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- Optional 1/2 cup nuts or chocolate chips

DIRECTIONS
Cream together butter and sugar.
Add eggs and crushed bananas.
Combine well.
Sift together flour, soda and salt. Add to creamed mixture. Add vanilla.
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CHEAP CELLPHONE PLANS FOR SELDOM CALLING SENIORS

Dear Savvy Senior,
What are the cheapest cellphone options available to seniors today who only want one for emergency purposes or occasional calls? I have a cellphone now that cost me \$30 per month, but I hate paying for something I hardly ever use.

Infrequent Caller

Dear Infrequent,
For seniors who don't use their cellphone very often but still want one for emergencies or occasional use, there are a many super-cheap plans available, or depending on your income level you may qualify for a free cellphone. Here's where to find some of the best deals.

Super Cheap Plans

For seniors who are light/infrequent cellphone users, "prepaid" or "pay as you go" plans are the way to go if you want to save money. With these services, you buy a certain amount of minutes (for talk or text) that must be used within a specified period of time.

While many cellphone providers still offer these lower cost plans, the very best/cheapest deal available today is through T-Mobile's pay as you go plan (T-Mobile.com, 800-501-0952).

For just \$3 per month, this plan provides any combination of 30 minutes of talk or 30 text messages. If you want more, you can pay an additional 10 cents per minute/message when you sign up, or you can make adjustments later. You also don't have to worry about overage charges with this plan, because once you reach your talk/text limit for the month, the phone stops working. And, if you have a compatible device, you won't need to purchase a new cell phone.

If you're looking for a little more talk time or text messages, another low-cost option is Pure Talk USA (PureTalkUSA.com, 877-820-7873), which offers a Senior AddVantage 80 Plan. This plan provides any combination of 80 minutes of talk or 240 text messages for only \$5 per month. Pure Talk also accepts unlocked phones and they don't have overage fees.

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Free Cellphones

If your income is low enough, you may qualify for a free cellphone through the Lifeline Assistance Program. This is a government-sponsored program that subsidizes wireless (and landline) companies who in turn provide free cellphones and usually between 250 and 1,000 minutes of free monthly talk time and texts to low-income Americans. (Some programs in some states charge a small monthly fee.)

The free phones and minutes are provided by a number of big prepaid wireless companies like Safelink, Assurance Wireless and Budget Mobile, along with a host of other regional carriers throughout the country.

Most states have several wireless companies that provide the free phones and minutes. If you are eligible, the free cell phone you'll receive is a basic phone that also offers text messaging, voice mail, call waiting and caller ID.

To qualify, you'll need to show that you're receiving certain types of government benefits, such as Medicaid, Food Stamps, SSI, home energy assistance or public housing assistance. Or, that your household income is at or below 135 or 150 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines – it varies by state. To find out if you're eligible, or to locate the wireless companies that provide Lifeline government cell phones in your state, visit LifelineSupport.org.

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

SENIOR HAPPENINGS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ...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 but you must be over 60.

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



YWCA San Gabriel Valley - Intervale Senior Cafe

Seniors 60 years of age and up can participate in the YWCA Intervale daily lunch program held at the Hart Park House Senior Center. Meals are served Monday through Friday at 12:00 pm and participants are encouraged to arrive by 11:45 am. Meals are a suggested donation of \$3.00 for seniors 60 and over or \$5.00 for non-senior guests. Daily reservations are necessary, space is limited. Please reserve your lunch by calling 626-355-0256.

Tech Talk: Will resume in the fall.

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

Bingo: Every Tuesday beginning at 1:00 pm. Cards are only \$0.25 each! Everyone is welcome to join. May be cancelled if less than 5 people.

Free Blood Pressure Testing: 2nd Tuesday of the month from 11:00am - 12:00 pm. No appt. necessary.

Chair Yoga: Mondays and Wednesdays from 11:00 - 11:45am. A suggested donation of \$5 at one of the classes is requested, but is not required.

Case Management: Meets the second 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 12:00 pm. (Please note the time change.) A regular group of seniors play poker. Other games available for use.

Free Strength Training Class: Every Friday from 12:45 - 1:30 pm 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.

SENIOR EXCURSION -

THE GETTY CENTER (WEST LOS ANGELES)

September 16, 2016

Time: 9:00am to 4:00 pm

Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center

Cost: \$ 10.00 (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. Choose 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. Level of walking: High. Please call the Hart Park House 626-355-7394.

HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

THE JOY OF YOGA EMOTIONAL CHECKPOINTS



In my opinion, one of the most admirable and attractive qualities of a yogi is this calm, collected, non-reactive manner. Both this mental stability and emotional balance drew me to yoga, wishing I had the ability to be (or at least appear to be) calm and let troubles roll off my back.

After a good stint of practice, this DID take place for me. I was instantly calmer and more balanced emotionally, just from improving and nourishing my physical and mental well-being. After that initial settling, I needed some additional tools of self-study, or svadhyaya, to continue to check my reactions and responses.

The first step was to measure the reaction or energy given to an event (or comment or accident, or...) using a scale of 1-10. Where does my reaction fall on this scale? Did I break a nail and rate the reaction an '8'? Or was the event more serious, like a car accident? Was I able to regulate my reaction and lessen the amount of energy I gave the situation? Did I use the scale?

Using the breath in a conscious way in a high reaction moment can help reel us in from the brink. Once there is energy awareness, the next step is noticing how we feel at the beginning of the day. If I know that I'm low on energy or overwhelmed in some way, I can pre-plan to take care of myself. Taking care of myself means popping into a yoga class to engage all the good, nurturing physical practice learned so far, establishing even-smooth breath, eating well, and paying attention to my environment.

Between these tools of measuring my reaction and cultivating personal energy awareness, I calmly – one day at a time – can slow down quick reactions. Deliberately, I can respond to people, places and events in a thoughtful way that stays true to who I am and where I am in any given day. This is living authentically and freely. There are always choices and options available.

Hope to see you in class and get balanced and free!

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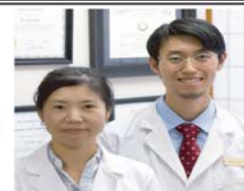
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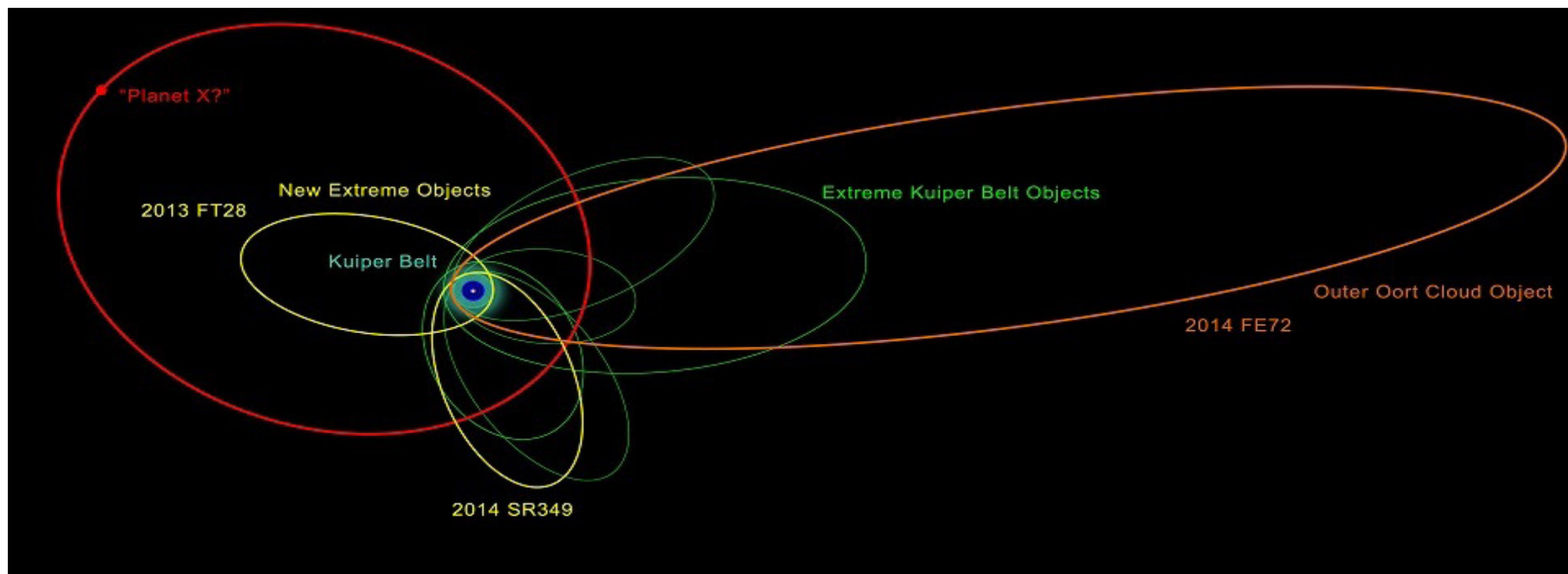
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SEEKING PLANET NINE



In the race to discover a proposed ninth planet in our solar system, Scott Sheppard of Carnegie Institution for Science and Chadwick Trujillo of Northern Arizona University have observed several never-before-seen objects at extreme distances from the Sun in our solar system. Sheppard and Trujillo have now submitted their latest discoveries to the International Astronomical Union's Minor Planet Center for official designations. A paper about the discoveries has also been accepted to The Astronomical Journal.

The more objects that are found at extreme distances, the better the chance of constraining the location of the ninth planet that Sheppard and Trujillo first predicted to exist far beyond Pluto (itself no longer classified as a planet) in 2014. The placement and orbits of small, so-called extreme

trans-Neptunian objects can help narrow down the size and distance from the Sun of the predicted ninth planet, because that planet's gravity influences the movements of the smaller objects that are far beyond Neptune. The objects are called trans-Neptunian because their orbits around the Sun are greater than Neptune's.

In 2014, Sheppard and Trujillo announced the discovery of 2012 VP113, which has the most-distant known orbit in our solar system. At this time, Sheppard and Trujillo also noticed that the handful of known extreme trans-Neptunian objects all cluster with similar orbital angles. This led them to predict that there is a planet at more than 200 times our distance from the Sun. Its mass, ranging in possibility from several Earths to a Neptune equivalent, is shepherding these smaller

objects into similar types of orbits.

Some have called this Planet X or Planet 9. Further work since 2014 showed that this massive ninth planet likely exists by further constraining its possible properties. Analysis of "neighboring" small body orbits suggest that it is several times more massive than the Earth, possibly as much as 15 times more so, and at the closest point of its extremely stretched, oblong orbit it is at least 200 times farther away from the Sun than Earth. (This is over 5 times more distant than Pluto.)

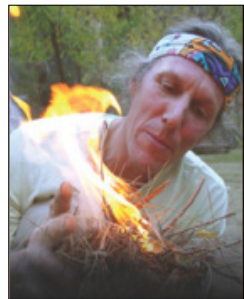
"Objects found far beyond Neptune hold the key to unlocking our solar system's origins and evolution," Sheppard explained. "Though we believe there are thousands of these small objects, we haven't found very many of them yet, because they are so far away. The smaller objects can lead

us to the much bigger planet we think exists out there. The more we discover, the better we will be able to understand what is going on in the outer solar system."

"Right now we are dealing with very low-number statistics, so we don't really understand what is happening in the outer solar system," Sheppard said. "Greater numbers of extreme trans-Neptunian objects must be found to fully determine the structure of our outer solar system."

According to Sheppard, "We are now in a similar situation as in the mid-19th century when Alexis Bouvard noticed Uranus' orbital motion was peculiar, which eventually led to the discovery of Neptune."

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LEARNING TO GARDEN

In the very beginning, back when I was still living with my parents in suburban Pasadena, I began to learn how to garden, and learn (by doing) what works and what doesn't.

I already had the paranoid mindset that a comet could hit us any day, and any day the world (well, at least our city) could devolve into urban anarchy and mobs would be rushing in to my garden to steal all my swiss chard and tomatoes.

Well, that never happened, and I like to think that it was because it was really hard to tell that my garden patch was a food garden at all. There were no neat rows, barely any paths, and it was mostly a random hodge-podge of wild and domestic plants, though it all looked very wild and abandoned.

I grew amaranth for seed and greens, and found it very easy to grow. I grew tomatoes, a very easy crop to grow. I grew potatoes by burying kitchen potatoes that had sprouted, and I was amazed how easy it was to produce a crop of potatoes. I planted Swiss chard, and had year-round greens, because I let the plants go wild and reseed themselves.

I also learned that all manner of bugs like the plants you grow in your garden, and my first attempts at pest control involved making a mix of garlic and hot peppers which I sprayed onto the offending bugs – mostly aphids and earwhigs. My corn was a disaster, and the bugs seemed to love the corn.

Through study (mostly through organic farming books, and reading Acres USA), and conversations

with older farmers and gardeners, I learned that there was one traditional, tried and true way to always grow good crops that were not only bug resistant, but also drought resistant, and cold resistant. The solution was to build the soil. I began to make my own compost, which adds nutrients to the soil, but the biggest noticeable effect on my garden was when I began to layer the entire surface of the garden with mulch, in my case, grass clippings. Many substances can be used as a mulch, and wood chips are very popular today. Wood chips are great because they help to keep in the moisture and you won't need to water too much, and it does give your yard a very natural, almost "wild" look so your food producing yard can be as inconspicuous as possible.

[I recorded a lot of these lessons in my "Extreme Simplicity" and "Self-Sufficient Home" books, both of which are readily available from Amazon.]

A SQUATTER'S GARDEN

I was also a squatter for a year and a half in a ruralish part of Los Angeles. While living there, I had a local tree pruner dump a full truckload of wood chips in a fenced area of my yard. I watered that wood chip patch, and in time I had rich soil ready for planting. In that patch, I grew the traditional "three sisters" garden popular with indigenous people of the American Southwest.

I first planted blue corn, which eventually produced stalks about 6 feet tall that looked like a scruffy grass from a distance. I planted beans at the base of each corn, and let them twirl up onto the corn stalks, while their roots "fixed" nitrogen in the soil, meaning, the beans were natural fertilizer for the corn. I also planted a native gourd, which sprawled all over the place producing a ground cover that kept water loss to a minimum. Eventually, I got some ducks, who loved to go into the corn patch and eat all the bugs, all the while also fertilizing that garden.

[I wrote a Kindle book called "Squatter in Los Angeles" where I describe my experiences, for those of you who wish to read more.]



OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

PARDON MY FRENCH, S'IL VOUS PLAÎT
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When I was young, a saying went around, "Sticks and stones may break my bones but words/names will never hurt me." Supposedly it was to make me ignore people saying nasty things about me.

For the most part, I am not too impressed by the words/names people throw my direction, but I do duck when they throw sticks and stones at me. I ducked most of them. It is not the sticks and stones that I duck that I worry about; it is the ones that I don't duck.

I know we live in a PC culture and it is a culture that I cannot keep up with. I am not sure anybody really keeps up with this kind of thing. Every day there is a new word you are not allowed to use or you might offend somebody. I try my best not to offend anybody but I must confess that it is almost impossible.

Some people just do not have anything bouncing between their ears. Like last week, for example, I was minding my own business and I am not quite sure what started the whole situation and I do not know who was responsible for it. If it was me, I really did not know what I did.

Suddenly, the man next to me started to scream all kinds of foul language. Believe me; I think foul language is for the birds. When this man realized what he had done, he said the inevitable, "Pardon my French." And he smiled a greasy, slinky smile.

I was not very much impressed with this turkey's gobbling. If I had an egg or two on me, I would have thrown it at him with all the strength I had.

I was supposed to forget all that foul language he used because he said the magic phrase, "Pardon my French."

In high school, we had to take a foreign language and so I took three years of first year French. I must say I flunked each year, but that is beside the point. Even though I was not very good at French, I knew that what this man was saying was not in any French dictionary I had ever looked at.

I was tempted to look up my French teacher and ask her what these "French words" meant. But, I'm not a turkey.

If I was French, and I am not, I certainly would have been offended by him referring to this foul language that he used as part of the French language. It's people like this that I would like to give them a little bit of their own medicine.

Here is how I would do it. I'm not French, but I am Pennsylvania Dutch. Therefore, I would like to go up to this "French-speaking" person and slap him soundly on the right cheek and then say, "Pardon my Pennsylvania Dutch."

I am not too sure I could get away with it, but there have been many incidences when I certainly was tempted to try it.

I must confess I lean towards being offended

when people around me use coarse and foul language. However, in our culture it is okay to use foul language whenever you want to. Just as long as you do not use other very sensitive and offensive words.

Every day this word list grows longer and I am not sure who is in charge of policing politically incorrect words. I found some I thought were a little bit silly.

The word "Alive" for example is, "temporarily metabolically abled." I do not know who came up with that but I am still trying to process that definition.

Then there is one word I am a little concerned about and that is "Bald," which, according to the dictionary here means, "follicularly challenged." And I thought I was just losing hair!

Then there is a list of other words. "Body Odor" is "non discretionary fragrance." How many fragrances are there?

"Criminal" is "behaviorally challenged." Of course I think you would have to get a good definition of the word "behaviorally" because I have no idea what that means.

Here is one that really grabbed me. "Dead" which is simply "living impaired." Seriously?

I did like the word "Dishonest," which is defined as "ethically disoriented." Somebody is disoriented, that's for sure.

Then the one that really from my point of view makes no sense at all. "Drunk," which is defined, "chemically inconvenienced."

Whoever can keep up with this list of words is simply "willy-nilly challenged." Do not ask me what that means because I have no idea.

Talking to some people, it is like talking in a foreign language of some sort. You have to be careful what word you use or you do not use. For all of these I would like to say, "Pardon my politically correct challenged brain."

Whoever says that words cannot hurt you is certainly not "temporarily metabolically abled."

One of my passions is to find the right word for what I am trying to say. Just when I get it down, someone comes along and changes the whole meaning of it to the point where I have no idea what I am saying.

King David understood the importance of words when he wrote, "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee" (Psalms 119:11).

Having the right word and understanding it is the glory of living.

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HOME ALONE

I have a darling dog named Molly who has, over the years, learned to be happy when she's home alone. But it hasn't always been that way with Molly. In fact, back in the day when we first got her, she would literally loose it when we tried to leave her alone, even for a short period of time.

I adopted Molly 4 years ago when her original owner passed away rather suddenly. I had never before had a pet that was fearful of being left home alone, so at first I assumed I was among a limited few who've had to deal with such a scenario. However, I later learned that canine separation anxiety is actually a pretty common problem.

Typical signs of the canine condition known as pet separation anxiety include constant under-the-fence dirt-digging or scratching at doors, windows and walls, incessant whining or howling, destructive chewing, urinating or defecating indoors by a house-trained dog, and effusive frantic greeting upon the return of the pet's people. Molly displayed every one of these behavioral traits from the day I adopted her, so it was quite clear that she suffered from a chronic case of canine separation anxiety.

What causes a typically easy-going, confident canine companion to suddenly become over-the-top anxious and frantically fearful when left alone? There are numerous theories as to why domestic pets fret in the absence of their humans. Among the most agreed upon causes is that the affected animal may have experienced some sort of trauma in the past, leaving an imprinted memory of abandonment resulting in a lack of trust in the humans' promise to return. Another potential reason is that the dog was indeed abandoned as a puppy and left to fend for itself, even coming close to the point of starvation before finally being rescued and loved by a forever friend.

One example of obvious post traumatic separation anxiety was seen in an adult dog who lived in a comfortable home with his loving owner for many years. The dog had access to the house and yard all his life with no history of stress, abuse or neglect. Then one day the owner suddenly passed away in the house and the dog was trapped inside. A week went by before a neighbor became concerned that there had been no activity next door, and decided to investigate.

The neighbor knocked on the door and received no response but he could hear the dog crying inside so he contacted the family. They came immediately, rescued the dog and dealt with all that went along with the tragic loss of their son. One can only imagine what that poor dog went through during that week, but he panicked any time the family attempted to leave him in their home alone. No doubt, the fear of abandonment was deeply imprinted in his mind.

What can be done to help heal the rooted reasons for a pet's destructive



behavior resulting from separation anxiety? I learned a lot in my quest to do what I could to help my Molly get past her fear of being left alone. First of all, it is important to tend to the animal's emotional needs. Paying lots of undivided attention to a fretful pet is most definitely in order.

Positive reinforcement techniques should include tons of tender-loving care and plenty of pampering and petting. Special treats for good behavior always helps as well. Up-lifting verbiage that dogs understand such as "I love you", "You are so precious," and "I am so proud of you." should also be included in a regimen of healing the heart of a fearful four-footed friend.

Animal psychology research has proven that there are certain spoken terms of endearment that can have a very positive impact on domestic animal behavior. Even if you are pessimistic about whether talking to your dog will do any good, do it anyway. It might help lift your own spirits to speak words of encouragement, even if no one else hears or understands you.

In addition to common-sense therapeutic relationship remedies for comforting pets dealing with 'lonesome alone syndrome', there are products on the market that can be purchased to help lower the level of anxiety. I bought a natural stress-relief product for Molly called Rescue Remedy and it really seemed to help. I heard about it from a client who used it occasionally to help calm her dogs while she was away at work.

Another purchasable product designed to help minimize pet separation anxiety is a calming collar. There are a few different brands and a variety of types out there, so be sure to shop for the right one that works best for your pet. I never pursued this means of resolving the problem with Molly, but I've heard good things from others who have.

I wish all the best to anyone whose dog is afraid of being left home alone, and I am more than willing to share what I've learned if it will be of benefit to another person and their pet. If there is one thing I have learned over the years, it's that when it comes to caring for our pets, a little information can go a long way. To keep it, sometimes you've got to share it! Love and let live.



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HEARTWORM TESTING: WHAT EVERY DOG OWNER NEEDS TO KNOW

(StatePoint) Your dog is your best friend, and you take good care of him, making sure he gets quality food and exercise, immunizations and heartworm medication. Why, then, does your veterinarian also insist on a yearly heartworm test?

Chances are, your veterinarian is following the advice of the American Heartworm Society (AHS), whose mission it is to lead the veterinary profession and the public in the understanding of heartworm disease.

"The AHS recommends annual testing for all dogs," explains veterinary parasitologist and AHS board member Dr. Patricia Payne. "Heartworm is a devastating disease. It is preventable and can be treated in dogs, but early detection is essential."

Unprotected Dogs are at Risk

Along with testing, the AHS recommends year-round administration of heartworm preventives. Unfortunately, says Dr. Payne, far too many dogs do not receive this measure of care.

Almost two-thirds of dogs in the U.S. that are seen by veterinarians are given no preventives at all, according to studies conducted by heartworm medication manufacturers.

Among those on prevention medication, far too many are only given medication in spring, summer and fall, when the mosquitoes that transmit heartworm larvae are active. Because weather is unpredictable and hardy mosquitoes can survive indoors as well as outdoors in protected areas, so-called "seasonal" usage creates ample opportunity for animals to unintentionally become infected.

Mistakes Can Happen

Another factor is human -- and animal -- error. "Pet owners who give heartworm medications year-round and on time are to be commended," says Dr. Payne. "Even so, it is still possible for heartworm infection to occur."

The following are three scenarios that make heartworm testing a necessity for all dogs:

- Even the most diligent owner can forget a dose now and then. "If you have medication left when your veterinarian reminds you that it's time to purchase more preventive, it's a pretty clear sign that you missed a dose or two," says Dr. Payne.
- Not all pills are swallowed, and not all topical medications are properly applied. If your dog vomits or spits out a pill when you aren't looking -- or if a topical medication isn't absorbed completely -- a pet may be less protected than you think.
- Heartworm resistance is rare

but real. "Owners can be reassured that heartworm medications are highly effective, but a few cases of heartworm strains that are resistant to common preventives have been documented," explains Dr. Payne, adding that the issue is being studied by the AHS.

Test Annually

The good news for owners is that heartworm testing is simple and inexpensive. "Your veterinarian can easily conduct this simple blood test during a dog's annual or semiannual wellness visit," assures Dr. Payne. "If your dog tests positive, treatment can begin. With a negative test result, an owner has the peace of mind of knowing that his or her pet has been protected for another year."



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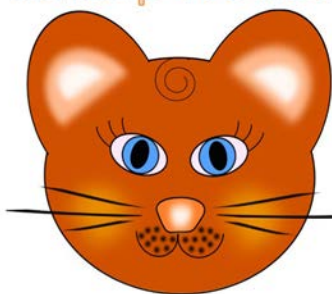
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Notes from the Sierra MadrePlayhouse

MISSING YOU

By Artistic Director, Christian Lebano

I find myself at loose ends without a play on stage at the Playhouse. I’ve lost my momentum a bit. There are still so many things to do as we prepare for the rehearsals of A Little House Christmas, but having stepped off the production merry-go-round since the rehearsals of Putnam County I find I’m having a hard time jumping back on.

This time “off” has given me a chance to reflect on how hard the SMP team has worked the last few years to build up our theater – and, how much we’ve accomplished. This is a powerful moment in the history of our theater – so much hinges on the AEA court case which I’ve written about in a couple of essays. Our future hangs in the balance. Because though our reputation has grown (I just got word from an actor friend that the casting people in a recent audition were full of praise for the “new” SMP) we haven’t grown enough financially to be able to pay even the minimum wage requirements that Actors Equity is proposing. I still feel so strongly about the potential for the growth of SMP into a dynamic thriving theater but we are still finding our footing as we negotiate that growth.

I miss being in the lobby and speaking with our patrons - I so enjoy the relationships I’ve built with our regulars. I miss the anticipation before a show. I even miss doing the curtain speech. I hope this break has made you miss us as well.

We had to change the director for Little House – Artistic Associate Alison Kalmus will now be directing the show. We have a wonderful design

team and will be casting the show in the next weeks (Christmas already!) It was such a pleasure to share this show with you in 2014 that I look forward to having it back at SMP. This year we are starting the run earlier by a week. This will take it out of the Thanksgiving madness (giving all involved a saner Turkey Day) and will allow us to have more performances of a show that sold out last time. I do hope you will make your plans to see it. We open Friday, November 18. Tickets will be on sale soon.

After a hiccough last month, our reading series will be back on Monday, September 25 with The Quality of Life by Jane Anderson. This is a mesmerizing and completely fascinating look at what keeps couples together. It will be directed by Gary Reed.

Fritz Coleman (popular local weatherman and friend to the Playhouse) will be doing a special matinee on October 23 of his show Defying Gravity. Tickets are on sale now. Please don’t miss it. AND Fritz is donating all proceeds to SMP! We have a few other special announcements to make soon!

I look forward to reuniting with all our friends at these events. I’ll say it again – I’ve missed you! As always we do it for you – our SMP family – whose support and loyalty mean so much to us and for whom we hope we bring pleasure and joy and moving experiences in the theater. Please let me know how you think we are doing. Reach me at ArtisticDirector@SierraMadrePlayhouse.org For tickets please call Mary in the box office at 626.355.4318

Jeff’s Book Pics

By Jeff Brown

A Tablespoon of Love, A Tablespoon of Laughter: Cookies & Casseroles, Prayers & Praises, Soups & Stories, & Joy ... All the Way by Deanne Davis

Deanne is a local resident and writes in the Mountain Views News. A Tablespoon of Love, A Tablespoon of Laughter is a collection of short stories, favorite recipes, psalms, prayers and a dash of humor. Oh dear friends, what is a book without humor! Tablespoon will make you smile, with every turn of the page, and frequently cause you to laugh right out loud. Enjoy our family pictures which will remind you, in the gentlest way, of your own family; or maybe the family you plan to have. This is one woman’s journey through many wonderful years with the same sweet man, and the children who grew up and had children of their own; proving that the parents’ curse does work and nothing is funnier than watching your children produce children that are just like them! Each of the recipes in Tablespoon is a favorite and, hopefully, will become one of your favorites too. But, like the book says: ”This is not really a cookbook, or maybe it’s not merely a cookbook. It’s a lot about life too. Life really is like a potluck supper. The best part is what others bring to the table. And I always like to bring a Tablespoon of Love and a Tablespoon of Laughter. Bon Appetit!”

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Operation Mincemeat: How a Dead Man and a Bizarre Plan Fooled the Nazis and Assured an Allied Victory by Ben Macintyre

In Operation Mincemeat he tells an extraordinary story that will delight his legions of fans. In 1943, from a windowless basement office in London, two brilliant intelligence officers conceived a plan that was both simple and complicated— Operation Mincemeat. The purpose? To deceive the Nazis into thinking that Allied forces were planning to attack southern Europe by way of Greece or Sardinia, rather than Sicily, as the Nazis had assumed, and the Allies ultimately chose. Charles Cholmondeley of M15 and the British naval intelligence officer Ewen Montagu could not have been more different. Cholmondeley was a dreamer seeking adventure. Montagu was an aristocratic, detail-oriented barrister. But together they were the perfect team and created an ingenious plan: Get a corpse, equip it with secret (but false and misleading) papers concerning the invasion, then drop it off the coast of Spain where German spies would, they hoped, take the bait. The idea was approved by British intelligence officials, including Ian Fleming (creator of James Bond). Winston Churchill believed it might ring true to the Axis and help bring victory to the Allies. Filled with spies, double agents, rogues, fearless heroes, and one very important corpse, the story of Operation Mincemeat reads like an international thriller.

Unveiling never-before-released material, Ben Macintyre brings the reader right into the minds of intelligence officers, their moles and spies, and the German Abwehr agents who suffered the “twin frailties of wishfulness and yesmanship.” He weaves together the eccentric personalities of Cholmondeley and Montagu and their near-impossible feats into a riveting adventure that not only saved thousands of lives but paved the way for a pivotal battle in Sicily and, ultimately, Allied success in the war.

All Things Considered

By Jeff Brown

HEART ATTACKS

Understanding your risk could lead to prevention and action to lower the risk. According to research from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, every year 720,000 Americans have heart attacks. It’s costly: Coronary heart disease alone costs the United States \$108.9 billion each year. Prevention and early action are key. The four key indicators to check are your total cholesterol (mg/dL), HDL cholesterol (mg/dL), blood pressure (mmHg), smoking (cigarettes per week) When most people think of heart attacks, they picture sudden and traumatic chest pain. But heart attack symptoms can be mild and have different symptoms. The signs may also be different between men and women. The Society for Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions notes that not all heart attacks are preceded by chest pain. Men or

women could have chest discomfort, shortness of breath, nausea or vomiting, breaking out in cold sweat, and dizziness. Positive MD highlights the seven warning signs of heart attacks in women, which includes sudden weakness; discomfort in the back, chest, arm, neck, or jaw—without chest pain; and trouble sleeping. Unfortunately, these symptoms are also common for a host of other medical conditions. If you have symptoms like these, have your doctor check you out. Don’t delay, because that could cause additional heart damage or even be fatal. If you suspect a heart attack and you know the person (over the age of 16) isn’t allergic to aspirin, a tablet of aspirin chewed could be a life saver, which the Mayo Clinic says could reduce damage to the heart. Check with your doctor about this.



SEAN’S SHAMELESS REVIEWS:

By Sean Kayden

LOCAL NATIVES – “SUNLIT YOUTH”

It only took 9 months, but here it is, the best album of 2016 by far. “Sunlit Youth” is the third record from once indie rock aficionados, Local Natives. The long awaited release (well over 3 years since their previous effort, “Hummingbird”) finds the five-piece Silver Lake act showcasing their raw skills and evolving musical talents over the course of twelve gorgeous tracks. Over the span of third albums, all of which display a poignant impression in their own distinguishing way, the band keeps things fresh yet again. The transition from debut record “Gorilla Manor” to “Hummingbird” was a monumental change in direction, but Local Natives still crafted music they seemingly wanted to make. The epicly beautiful “Hummingbird” was released in 2013 with delicate arrangements, spiritual undertones, and a melancholy sound. It never felt forced or strained, only completely organic and entirely sincere. Local Natives positioned themselves into the category of elite rock bands within their generation with a defining sound they can easily call their very own. With “Sunlit Youth” you still have that overwhelming expressive one-two emotional punch from them yet the band expands their sound palette even further. While the previous record felt as if track was deeply connected and rooted with one another by the overall sound, “Sunlit Youth” has the band taking huge risks track by track and reaping significant rewards by doing just that.

“Villainy” kicks off the album with tight synths, slick productions, and terrific vocals. From the first few seconds, you notice the discernible shift from their previous composition. However, starting off with a renewed approach was the right course of action. The bouncy, sprawling tune is undoubtedly a strong opener to get things headed in a seemingly right direction. The subsequent track materialized several months ago and it was the awakening of Local Natives since it had been so long since we last heard from them. At first listen, this could be deemed as an immense return since “Past Lives” has this driving force behind it that would play exceptionally well on a live stage in front of a large crowd. Lyrically, the song is what we’ve come to expect and love from Local Natives. It’s reflective, emotionally driven, thought provoking, and features the vocal harmonies from Taylor Rice and Kelcey Ayer. “Dark Days” is another highlight as we get into the third track. This subtle, more subdued offering is smooth and gentle. With beautiful arrangements and irresistible guitar hooks, Local Natives hit their stride convincingly here.

The band makes good use of electronics without going overboard on the record. I really enjoy the mixture and balance of guitars and electronics, but the real draw are the warm vocals and the vulnerable lyrics. “Ellie Alice” originates with the strumming of an acoustic guitar and tender vocals. As one of two tracks here less than three minutes, it’s a brief outing but wildly gorgeous from beginning to end. It comes in like waves, subtle at first and before you know, there’s a big tide. It may very well be their finest effort here, but that’s a tough argument as the record is bountiful with mesmerizing tracks. The one track here that is the anthemic driven showcase of

Local Natives – “Sunlit Youth”

Artist: Local Natives

Album: Sunlit Youth

Label:

Release Date: September 9th, 2016

“Sunlit Youth” is “Everything All At Once.” It features a choral arrangement, bold guitars, and purging vocals. It’s stirring with wondrous sounds that can’t be ignored, as the listener will be instantly drawn to the magnificent piece that reaches the highest of heights. Saying it is absolutely stunning would not be nearly enough to describe the places this track can take you. And guess what? There’s more as the closing track “Sea of Years” keeps that same feeling going. While most albums this year I’ve noticed tail off as you approach the end, Local Natives do the opposite. They lift you back up and draw you in closer than ever presumable. “Sea of Years” is outstanding as it fully expands into areas untouched before. This sort of questioning, dig-deeper-than-ever-before song is grand and unequivocally incredible as it sonically changes at every chance it gets during the five minutes and thirteen seconds running time. In the end, “Sunlit Youth” offers everything you could ever want in a full-length rock record. It’s bold, daring, distinctive, cohesive, and wildly original as well as being collectively amazing every step of the way. Local Natives deeply touch upon youth culture here and effortlessly capture the zeitgeist of this year. Without question, you won’t find another record this year quite as enthralling, immersive, or emotionally rewarding as what you’ll receive with “Sunlit Youth.”

Grade: 9.8 out of 10
Key Tracks: “Past Lives,” “Ellie Alice,” “Everything All At Once,” “Sea Of Years”

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By Marc Garlett



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The Khan Academy: that's what. The Khan Academy is a free, non-profit, online educational resource with the mission to "provide a world-class education for anyone, anywhere." A lofty goal to be sure, but what it easily does is provide is readily available online help to students, parents, and even teachers.

The Academy offers video-based tutorials coupled with machine-graded assessments and comment threads. This allows students to select a subject, watch the video, and take a test to see what they learned. The comment thread allows students to make observations or clarifications that are helpful to other users. Subjects mirror the traditional fields of study in the school systems and can even be set up for Spanish-, French-, and Portuguese-speaking students. It also has components which help students prepare for college entrance exams.

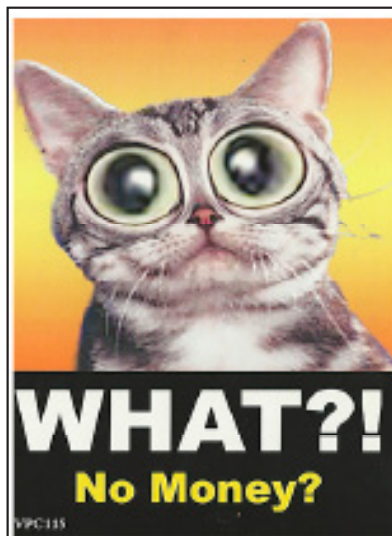
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The Khan Academy is a great resource to meet the remedial or supplementary educational needs of students (and parents). There are far too many able children who get left behind scholastically in today's world. But that doesn't have to be the case with your children. There are many resources available for parents, like the Khan Academy, and they are getting easier to access all the time.

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TEACHING THE YOUNG HOW TO VOTE

"Son, you're 18 now. As an American citizen that means you'll vote for the first time in the upcoming election."

"Gee, dad, I can't wait to do my civic duty. How do you suggest I prepare?"

"Well, son, a good place to start is to re-read the American

Constitution to understand the basic principles upon which our country was founded."

"It's been a while since I read it in school, dad."

"Son, the Constitution is the highest law of the land. All new laws in our country originate from it or should. However, not all politicians buy into the Constitution. Some think it is old and outmoded."

"Outmoded, dad?"

"The Constitution establishes a framework for how our government functions. It establishes a system of checks and balances, so that none of our three branches of government — the legislative, executive and judicial — can become too powerful. Some politicians hate having such limitations placed upon them, however. They want to do as they please with the taxpayers' money or impose laws on citizens without following the constitutional process. So you'll want to know their position on the Constitution before you vote."

"OK, dad, I'll re-read the Constitution and be sure to research what each candidate thinks about it. What else should I do before I vote?"

"You'll also want to study the Bill of Rights, son. The bill represents 10 amendments to the Constitution designed to protect the civil liberties of individuals. For instance, the First Amendment protects the freedom of speech, religion, assembly, the right to petition the government and freedom of the press."

"I remember learning in civics class that a free, objective press is essential to the survival of our republic."

"Which is a worrisome thing, son, when you see how in the tank the major media are for one presidential candidate over the other. You'll also want to read the 17 other amendments. The 16th Amendment, for instance, was passed into law in 1913. It created the federal income tax."

"I'm already very familiar with that painful amendment, dad. What else can I do?"

"Well, son, it's important to study the issues. There's lots of disagreement in America and how to move the country forward. Some people think our government is too big and isn't following the limited-government spirit of our Constitution. However, other people think the government should double down and spend lots more."

"More, dad?"

"Yes, some people think 'the rich' aren't paying their fair share. They think we can impose massive tax increases on them and redistribute the money to others who don't have as much. But others think that would create a huge negative economic backlash that would end up hurting everyone, in particular the poorest among us."

"So you want me to study the political promises each candidate makes and then vote for the best person, dad?"

"Yes, son, but that takes time and effort and too few voters are willing to do any due diligence on the candidates. Since many people get their information from the mass media, candidates who raise the most money to pay for the most negative advertising are often able to sway poorly informed voters."

"That's disturbing, dad."

"It surely is, son. A thoughtful, well-informed public is the heart and soul of a thriving republic. In my opinion, the candidates who best embrace our country's founding principles will be best able to tackle the incredible challenges we face — debt, spending, government bureaucracy, a flat economy. Regrettably, however, few people think as I do."

"Maybe so, dad, but you offer sound advice. I promise to be as well-informed as I can before I pull a voting lever on Election Day."

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HOW TO SOLVE THE ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION PROBLEM

Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump's recent speech on immigration really missed the point. I understand Trump's frustration over the U.S. government's inability to control the U.S. borders and keep out those who would come to this country illegally. Trump was right that the media ignore legitimate questions we have on our immigration policy and he is right that special interests have a great interest in maintaining the status quo.

However when it comes to really solving the immigration problem he gets it all wrong. And instead of making us more free and prosperous, his solutions will accelerate our downward slide toward authoritarianism.

First let's consider his idea of building a big wall between the U.S. and Mexico. It is said that all one needs to get over an eight foot fence is a nine foot ladder. Or perhaps a shovel. So walls are never very good at keeping people out. But they are very good at keeping people in. Just ask the East Germans. The communist government claimed in 1961 that it had to build a wall around the portion of Berlin it controlled to keep the population safe from the evil capitalist wreckers and saboteurs. It didn't take long for the world to realize that the real threat to the East German leaders was that the people trapped in East Berlin would try to get out. We have all seen the horrific videos of East German civilians risking — and losing — their lives to escape that prison of razor wire and cinder block.

Is this really what we want for our own future?

What a wild conspiracy theory, some may claim. The wall would never be meant to keep us from leaving. Well ask the IRS. Under a tax enforcement provision passed in 2015, the US government claimed the right to cancel any American citizen's passport if Washington claims it is owed money.

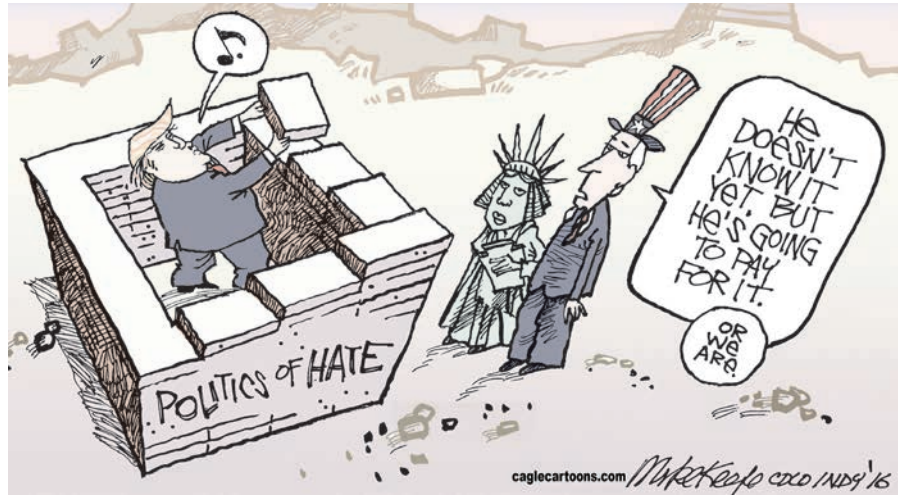
Trump also made E-Verify the center of his immigration speech. He said, "We will ensure that E-Verify is used to the fullest extent possible under existing law, and we will work with Congress to strengthen and expand its use across the country."

While preventing those here illegally from being able to gain employment may appeal to many who would like to protect American jobs, E-Verify is the worst possible solution. It is a police state non-solution, as it would require the rest of us legal American citizens to carry a biometric national ID card connected to a government database to prove that the government allows us to work. A false positive would result in financial disaster for millions of American families, as one would be forced to fight a faceless government bureaucracy to correct the mistake. Want to put TSA in charge of deciding if you are eligible to work?

The battle against illegal immigration is a ploy to gain more control over our lives. We are supposed to be terrified of the hordes of Mexicans streaming into our country and thus grant the government new authority over the rest of us. But in fact a Pew study found that between 2009 and 2014 there was a net loss of 140,000 Mexican immigrants from the United States. Yes, this is a government "solution" in search of a real problem.

How to tackle the real immigration problem? Eliminate incentives for those who would come here to live off the rest of us, and make it easier and more rational for those who wish to come here legally to contribute to our economy. No walls, no government databases, no biometric national ID cards. But not a penny in welfare for immigrants. It's really that simple.

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TRUMP'S REAL PAY-TO-PAY SCANDAL IGNORED BY THE MEDIA

How refreshing it is, after weeks and months of faux Clinton Foundation "scandals," after all the fatuous media talk about "optics" and "perceptions," to finally have a real Foundation scandal to chew on. An actual example of pay-to-play, of money given and a favor granted. And it comes to us courtesy of Donald Trump.

The Washington Post has done most of the spadework, but most of the so-called "liberal" media has inexplicably ignored it. Fortunately, Trump himself pumped some oxygen into the story when he denied any and all wrongdoing.

Three years ago, the Donald J. Trump Foundation, the family's nonprofit charity, gave a \$25,000 campaign contribution to a group that flacked for Florida attorney general Pam Bondi. That donation was illegal, because nonprofits are barred by the IRS from giving money to political campaigns. And at the time the illegal donation was made, Bondi was deciding whether to go to bat for all the Floridians who had been allegedly bilked by the phony Trump University. Should she join the State of New York's class action lawsuit, or not?

Trump's foundation sent the money to Bondi. A month later, Bondi decided not to prosecute Trump University. She claimed that her office had received only one complaint. That was a lie. More than 60 aggrieved Floridians had sought her help, hoping to recoup their money from the scam school.

The donation, followed by the decision not to prosecute... what timing! By the way, you may remember Bondi's gig at the Republican convention in Cleveland. She was the one who spoke in rapt terms about championing the rule of law.

It gets worse. After The Post and a citizens watchdog group raised hell earlier this year, the Trump Foundation paid a fine to the IRS — right there, we have a proof of guilt, far beyond any of the Clinton "optics" and "perceptions" — but the Foundation still insisted that it had merely made what it called an "honest mistake." Supposedly, it had intended to send the money to a charitable group in Kansas that had roughly the same name as Bondi's political committee, but gee, somehow the money went to Bondi's committee, not to Kansas.

It gets even worse. Under IRS rules, the Trump Foundation is supposed to withdraw its illegal donation. Bondi's political group has tried to give it back; as the group's treasurer told The Post, "I wrote a check, sent it via FedEx." But what happened next? "I received a call from the Trump Foundation, saying that they had declined to accept the refund."

Which brings us to Trump's remarks. He denied that he had ever tried to buy Bondi for \$25,000 in the hopes that she'd leave Trump University alone. "I never spoke to her, first of all. She's a fine person beyond reproach," Trump said. "I never even spoke to her about it at all. She's a fine person. Never spoke to her about it. Never."

Well, that was interesting. Because, just three months ago, Bondi political consultant Marc Reichelderfer told the Associated Press that Bondi and Trump had spoken — personally, one on one — about a possible Trump donation. The AP quoted Reichelderfer on that, and referenced it in the opening paragraph of its June story, and neither Bondi or Trump denied it.

So was Trump lying yesterday when he said that he and Bondi "never" spoke about a donation that turned out to be illegal? An illegal donation that landed in Bondi's political account shortly before she decided to leave aggrieved Floridians high and dry — a decision that benefited Trump as well?

That's how the game works — according to Trump himself. You give money to pols, you get political favors. In the summer of 2015, he told The Wall Street Journal: "As a businessman and a very substantial donor to very important people, when you give, they do whatever the hell you want them to do."

When he was asked about that statement during a debate last winter, he replied, "You'd better believe it." And he said this, at a rally in Iowa: "When I want something, I get it. When I call, they kiss my ass."

Now let's try a little test. Reread all the aforementioned info, and replace Trump's name with Hillary Clinton's. If she had ever concocted a fake school that allegedly defrauded consumers, and if she had made an illegal political donation to an attorney general who then opted not to prosecute fraud, and if she had tried to cover it up by insisting that the money was supposed to go to Kansas, and if she had ever denied speaking with that AG despite recent statements from an AG ally that she in fact had spoken about a donation ... Well. The mainstream media would be banging on this 24/7.

You know, for the sake of "balance." And that's more disgraceful than Trump's actual scandal.

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TRUMP'S IMMIGRATION SPEECH SOUNDS GOOD, BUT RINGS HOLLOW



As an immigration lawyer, I approached Donald Trump's speech Wednesday night with anticipation, hope and trepidation.

I was willing to keep an open mind about a topic that, next to abortion rights and religious freedom, is the most important issue for me in this campaign. I was prepared to praise the man if he came out with an honest, workable, non-tweetable attempt to address the extremely complicated factors that go into the whole concept of "illegal immigration."

To say I was disappointed is an understatement along the level of "Houston, we have a problem."

I listened politely as the Republican presidential nominee spoke about building his wall, and understood that this was an appealing concept to many - including myself - who are troubled by the fluidity of our borders. As he discussed the modalities that would be used to build that wall, evoking technologies apparently not yet in existence, I realized that his use of this concept was much more symbolic than anything else. "Build a wall" has been an effective slogan over the years for many conservative opponents of immigration, and it doesn't require much cerebral heavy lifting.

Trump sounded more poetic than Maya Angelou: "On Day 1, we will begin working on an impenetrable, physical, tall, powerful, beautiful Southern border wall." He talked about "above- and below-ground sensors" which other people call "tunnels." He talked about aerial surveillance, towers and additional manpower.

He also said Mexico would pay for the wall, even though the Mexican president whom he'd met only hours before made it clear that Mexico "no paga." So the estimated \$8 billion to \$12 billion needed to build this "beautiful Southern border wall" will have to come from somewhere.

Beyond the wall, and the absolute lack of detail on the methodologies by which it would both be built and financed, Trump talked about how he would increase the border patrol force by about 25 percent. I think that is a fantastic idea, but I'd like to know where that money is coming from, too, especially after we build those walls.

Then Trump announced the revolutionary concept that he would change enforcement priorities by "removing criminals, gang members, security threats, visa overstays, (and) public charges." I stood up and gave him a standing ovation when I heard that. But I gave President Obama that same standing ovation when he announced those same priorities in November 2014. Yawn.

Trump then talked about screening refugees, and no one who has seen the brutality wreaked by ISIS and other Islamic terror groups should object to that. But, as experts have noted, refugees generally undergo the most rigorous and time-consuming process of any category of immigrants who enter the U.S. Sometimes the process can take up to 18 months, or more. So again, nothing new.

And he talked about jobs, which is a big part of his appeal, the great job creator. Good for him. I agree something must be done to bring workers out of the shadows, provide them with work authorization, give them identification cards and continue to allow them to work legally in our restaurant kitchens, mowing our backyards and cleaning our bathrooms. Oh, yeah, and winning Olympic medals for us when they become naturalized U.S. citizens.

But the thing that finally made me realize this was not a serious speech was the last part, when Trump brought the mothers of slain citizens on stage to say "Vote for me." In this powerful, hardly subliminal attack on so-called "sanctuary cities," Trump did what the Democratic National Convention was justifiably criticized for doing when it trotted the mothers of Michael Brown and other so-called victims of police brutality on stage. I was appalled then that we would use mothers' grief to advance an agenda, and I was appalled when Trump did the same thing.

The suggestion that illegal aliens must be kept out of the country because they have an innate tendency to be more violent and homicidal than the average native-born American is wrong. Debatable, but still wrong. Statistics consistently show that immigrants commit violent crimes at a significantly lower rate than the native-born. It's an argument we can have; I'm fine with that.

My problem is using death to make your partisan point.

"My boy was shot by a cop. They're bigoted monsters."

"My boy was killed by an illegal. They're homicidal maniacs."

Same tune, different verses.

And if you don't think it's the same tune, that's because your ears are registered with a different party, and you think some mothers are less entitled to grieve than others.

As for me, I'm thinking Helen Keller was lucky.

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