

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2016

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HALLOWEEN WINDOW PAINTING CONTEST RESULTS



Above, 9-10 Year Old 1st Place Winner Celia Goff and Mahenna Morrisey with Mayor Gene Goss and Civic Club President Karma Bell. Far right---Stay Puft by Emma Allen and Adriana Tovalin

As you stroll through downtown Sierra Madre in the next few days, you'll be treated to some very creative Halloween window decorations courtesy of the youthful artists who participated in the Halloween Window Painting Contest sponsored and underwritten by the Sierra Madre Civic Club. Over two hundred painters aged 9-17 formed groups to decorate seventy-four windows. Their artistry and creativity made our two sets of three judges work very hard to determine the contest winners. Participants attend Sierra Madre Elementary School, Gooden School, St Rita School, Sierra Madre Middle School, First Avenue Middle School, Marshall Middle School, Alverno Heights Academy, and Pasadena High School

Using cleanliness, creativity, Halloween theme, and use of color as criteria, the judges awarded the following groups winning certificates:

9 - 10 Year Olds - 1st Place: Window 8 Casa Del Rey; Celia Goff and Mahenna Morrisey 2nd Place: Window 4 Beantown Coffee and Bakery; Jonah Breton and Shane Vandeveld, 3rd Place: Window 17 Sierra Fitness: Emily Parry, Isabella Paz, and Erin Kale. 11 - 12 Year Olds - 1st Place: Window 49 The Kensington: Helena Locatelly, Charlie Hardy, Angelina Cao, Isabella Cao, 2nd Place: Window 61The Kensington: Grace Villalobos, and Fizzy Panza, 3rd Place: Window 56 The Kensington: Julia Pevsner, Emma Hopkins, and Emma Watson. 13 - 14 Year Olds - 1st Place: Window 67 Pantorium Cleaners: Grace Lim, Isabel Eisenberg, Malia Wilson, 2nd Place: Window 66 Poppy Cake Baking Company: Cassabdra Kuo, Grace Miller, Liv Bjorgum, and Chloe Brandon, 3rd Place: Window 69 Arnolds Frontier Hardware: Mareli Moreno, Jasmine Keoroghlian, and Sarah Corder. 15 - 17 Year Olds - 1st Place: Window 74 Haynes and Oakley Architects: Melody Wu, Laura Chen, and Vanessa Prata, 2nd Place: Window 72 Haynes and Oakley Architects: Emma Allen and Adriana Tovalin, 3rd Place: Window 73 Haynes and Oakley Architects: Devin Gaughan, Isaiah Raya, Owen Vandeveld, and Sean Miller.



RISE OF THE ROCKET GIRLS CHOSEN AS ONE BOOK ONE CITY SELECTION

It's official! Rise of the Rocket Girls: The Women Who Propelled Us, from Missiles to the Moon to Mars by Nathalia Holt is this year's choice for the One Book One City Program sponsored by the Sierra Madre Public Library.

Bestselling Rise of the Rocket Girls is the true story of the women who helped launch America into space. In the 1940s and 1950s, when the new Jet Propulsion Laboratory needed mathematicians, they recruited a group of young women who transformed rocket design, helped bring about the first American satellites, and made the exploration of the solar system possible.

Nathalia Holt, Ph.D. is a science writer and author of Cured: The People who Defeated HIV. Her work has appeared in The New York Times, The Los Angeles Times, The Atlantic, Slate, Popular Science, and Time Magazine.

Meet Holt on Saturday, Feb. 25, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Sierra Madre Elementary School auditorium when she talks about her book. Her talk is the grand finale of the annual One Book One City (OBOC) program.

Other events include:

- Thursday, Feb. 2, All Day - Walk-In Craft. Build a rocket and launch it outside the Library!
- Saturday, Feb. 4 at 3:00 pm Saturday Afternoon

Movie - Iron Giant

- Thursday, Feb. 16, 11:00 am - Third Thursday Book Club - Rise of the Rocket Girls  
- Thursday, Feb. 16, 4:00-5:00 pm - STEAM Club. Enter the Discovery Dome Planetarium for Children. Spend an hour learning about space. Registration is required and space is limited. Space is limited, and registrations begins February 1.

- Thursday, Feb. 16, 5:00-6:00 pm - Discovery Dome Planetarium for Adults! Take a journey to Mars and back during this hour-long presentation. Registration is required and space is limited. Space is limited, and registrations begins February 1.

- Saturday, Feb. 18 at 3:00 pm Saturday Afternoon Movie - October Sky,  
- Saturday, Feb. 25, at 7:00 pm Nathalia Holt, in the Sierra Madre Elementary School auditorium.

One Book One City is a community reading program that invites everyone in Sierra Madre to read and discuss the same book during a month of exciting free programs.

Read, Discover, Connect @ Sierra Madre Public Library, 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024, 626-355-7186, Text 626-662-1254, www.cityofsierramadre.com/services/library

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5:30PM MEMORIAL PARK

- All contestants must fill out a waiver form in Kersting Court from 4:00 - 5:00 pm - late contestants can fill one out in Memorial Park
- Categories: Group (All ages - Must include 1 youth under 17), 2 and under, 3 to 4 years old, 5 to 7 years old, and 8 to 13 years old
- Prizes will be given to the top 3 group and age category contestants.
- Strong efforts are being made to keep the contest to under an hour. Please arrive for a prompt start of 5:30pm

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Fri:	Sunny	Hi 70s	Lows 50s

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, November 8, 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.

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### SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS

Regular City Council Meeting  
Tuesday, November 21, 2016 6:30

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](mailto: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

Wednesday, October 26, 2016, 7:00PM  
Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Thursday, November 3, 2016 3:00PM  
Senior Community Commission Meeting

Thursday, November 3, 2016 7:00PM  
Planning Commission Meeting

Wednesday, November 9, 2016 7:00PM  
EENRC Meeting

## REMEMBRANCE BENJIE FREIBERGER

Benjie Freiburger, 57, died peacefully on Wednesday Oct 26th surrounded by his family at his home in Sierra Madre CA after a very sudden and brief battle with cancer.



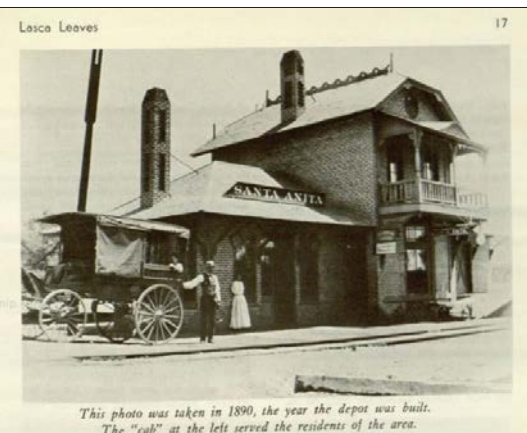
Ben was born in Encino to Fred and Shirley Freiburger. He attended Denver University and Cal State Northridge. He married the love of his life, Leslie Lindenblatt, in 1990. Benjie was president and CEO of TalentproBDS, A Breakdown Services Company. He created, developed and oversaw the innovative program which is the number one talent representative software application.

Benjie will be remembered as an extremely devoted husband, father, brother, uncle, cousin and friend to many who adored him. He was a respected and prominent member of the Sierra Madre community. He was the founder and coordinator of the The Sierra Madre Golf Tournament to benefit the Sierra Madre Elementary and Middle Schools.

Starting in the mail room at CAA, Ben worked for years as a talent agent and manager, including stints at Harris/Goldberg (Innovative Artists), Catalina Productions, The Harry Gold Agency (Talent Works), and his own company, Freiburger Management.

Ben is survived by his wife Leslie, his three children Jack (20), 12-year old twins Sam & Lindsey, sister Lisa and niece, Lacey.

## DALE CARTER TO SPEAK TO SIERRA MADRE KIWANIS CLUB



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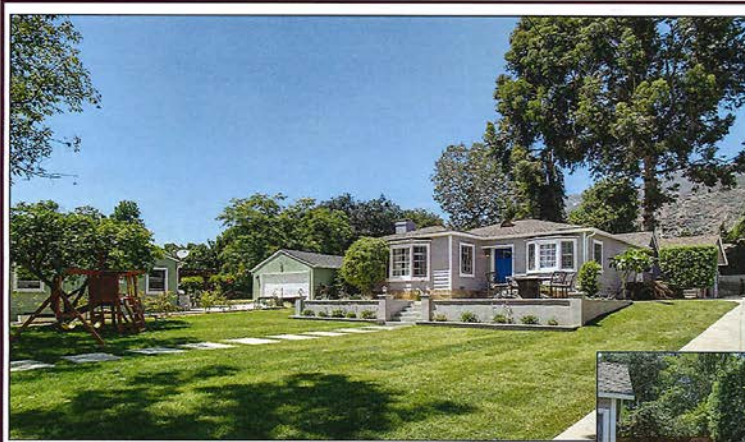
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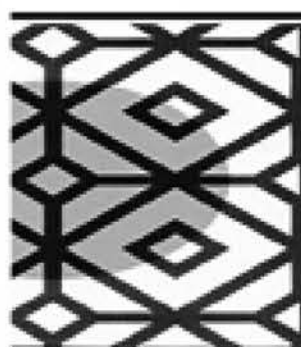








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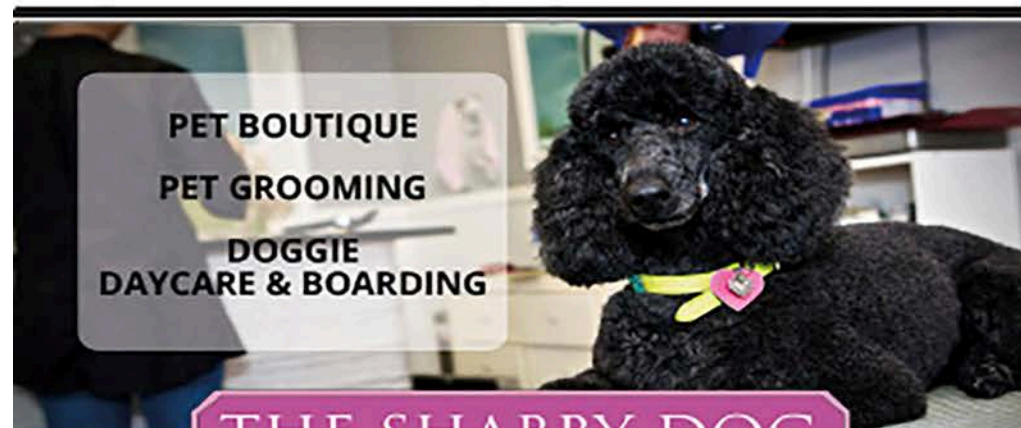
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# Pasadena Altadena

News From Your Community For Your Community

## Pasadena Fire Appoints Deputy Chief



Pasadena Fire Chief Bertral Washington recently named Bryan Frieders as Deputy Chief and Fire Marshal of the Fire Prevention Division. Frieders started Monday.

Frieders served as an Operations Division Chief for the Verdugo Cities which covers the cities of San Gabriel, San Marino and South Pasadena. Frieders also held the role of Emergency Manager for the City of San Gabriel. Prior to becoming Division Chief, he worked as a Battalion Chief for the City of San Gabriel; a Fire Captain/Paramedic, supervising 18 Firefighters and 15 Paramedics. He started his career as a Firefighter/Paramedic in the City of South San Francisco in 1998.

"Bryan has a very well-rounded background covering all aspects of the fire service. He has worked with and developed great relationships with our personnel, and has supported several of our incidents over the years," Fire Chief Bertral Washington said.

"I am honored to have been selected to work with some of the best firefighters in the world, and to join a team of fire service professionals that have a strong desire and commitment to provide excellent service to the citizens of Pasadena. I am incredibly grateful and humbled by the outpouring of kindness and support shown by all of the city staff, elected officials, and members of the community who have welcomed me with open arms," Frieders said.

## Pet of the Week



Scooby (A406408) is a real sweetheart! This one-year-old, neutered male, grey and white greyhound mix loves attention. Spend a few minutes petting him and he'll reward you with tons of affection! He adores meeting new people of all ages, impressing them by showing off his sit command. He walks well on a leash and enjoys being out and about. Scooby came to PHS with another dog and has enjoyed the company of some other dogs while out on our Mobile Unit. He would do well as the only dog in his new forever family, but he could also be a good second dog in the right home.

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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](http://pasadenahumane.org).

## Community Gets First Look at Bikeshare Program

By Dean Lee

Although the turnout was low for a public workshop on a new Metro bikeshare program set to launch this July, those that were there gave some input on the proposed plan that would bring 400 bikes utilizing 34 docking bike stations concentrated in the downtown area.

The bikes would all be available for the public to use, with a 30 minute restriction on time.

Metro Principal Transportation Planner Jenny Cristales-Cevallos said docking station locations were based on population density. Most of the proposed stations are concentrated along Colorado Blvd. There are no proposed stations in East Pasadena District 4 held by Vice Mayor Gene Masuda and only one in North West Pasadena District 1 held by Councilmember Tyrone Hampton. The only District 1 station is on Washington Blvd. west of Lake Ave.

Cevallos said the bikes would be accessible for all riders of all income brackets.



The payment method was complex with three separate plans; a monthly pass starts at \$20 a for unlimited 30 minute rides. Each additional 30 minutes would cost \$1.75. The second yearly pass option cost \$40, with each 30 minutes \$1.75 and no unlimited rides. The walkup rate would be \$3.50 each 30 minutes.

The use of the Metro Tap card was also confusing, in that no money needs to be stored on the Tap card, users are required to sign up online with a credit card and then the Tap card identifies the user. Funds are deducted from the credit card.

Cevallos said a downloadable mobile app from Metro allows a user to track the time the bike is used, location of the docking stations and when the bike is returned. The app cannot be

used to make payments she said. Cevallos also said the bikes do not have GPS to locate them.

City staff said the bikes will be available as part of a two-year test program. The costs of the program ranged wildly from a low of \$200,000 per year to \$700,000 a year, "as a worst case scenario," staff said.

The program, including the docking station locations, has to have city council approval. The issue is set for their Dec. 5 meeting.

## Halloween Safety Tips and Reminders

The City offers the following suggested safety tips and reminders.

Be careful when using candles. Consider instead using flashlights or battery-operated candles in Jack o' Lanterns. If you do use real candles: use caution and keep watch on lit candles at all times; keep children away from open flames; use long, fireplace-style matches or utility lighters and keep all combustible material well away from trick-or-treaters, other decorations, doorsteps and walkways.

Choose costumes wisely. Avoid billowing or long, trailing fabric that can catch fire or get caught in a door or be tripped over. Make sure masks have eyeholes large enough to see out. Provide children with flashlights or glow sticks as part of their costumes.

Be sure children know how to stop, drop and roll if their clothing does catch fire.

Decorate wisely, keep all items away from open flames and heat sources, including light bulbs and heaters. Remember to keep exits clear of decorations so nothing blocks escape routes.

Make sure children go trick-or-treating in a group with at least one responsible adult who has a fully charged cell phone.

Make sure children know how to safely cross the street by looking left, right and left again.

Remember, no eating of treats until all is brought home and inspected by an adult.

Don't forget about your animal companions! Provide them with a quiet place indoors.

Celebrate responsibly; always designated a driver.

For life-threatening emergencies always call 9-1-1. If you see something suspicious, say something by calling police at (626) 744-4241. For more safety information, call the Pasadena Fire Department at (626) 744-7177.

## Poetry Fest! At Pasadena Senior Center

Anyone who enjoys writing, reciting, reading or listening to poetry is invited to Poetry Fest! Sunday, Nov. 20, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Pasadena Senior Center, 85 E. Holly St.

Evidence-based research shows poetry and other forms of cultural expression offer myriad benefits for older adults, including improving memory and decreasing stress.

Mira Mataric, who has taught the Creative Writing course at the Pasadena Senior Center since 1998, is organizing Poetry Fest! Poets, writers and musicians are encouraged to participate. Send an email to [mira016@hotmail.com](mailto:mira016@hotmail.com) or call 626-578-0470 to express your interest.

The event is free to all. Refreshments will be served.

## One City, One Story Pick 'The Sympathizer'

The book selection for Pasadena Public Library's 2017 One City, One Story community reading celebration is The Sympathizer by author Viet Thanh Nguyen. Now in its 15th year, One City, One Story is designed to broaden and deepen an appreciation of reading and literature by recommending a compelling book that sparks a community conversation on important issues.

The winner of the 2016 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, as well as five other awards, The Sympathizer is the breakthrough novel of the year. With the pace and suspense of a thriller and prose that has been compared to Graham Greene and Saul Bellow, The Sympathizer is a sweeping story of love and betrayal. The narrator, a communist double agent, is a "man of two minds," a half-French, half-Vietnamese army captain who arranges to come to America after the Fall of Saigon. While building a new life with other Vietnamese refugees in Los Angeles, he is secretly reporting back to his communist superiors in Vietnam. The Sympathizer



Pasadena Mayor Terry Tornek (left) and Interim Library Director Robert Karatsu (right) unveil the selection Photo D. Lee MVNews

is a blistering exploration of identity and America, a gripping espionage novel, and a powerful story of love and friendship.

Nguyen was born in Vietnam and raised in America. He teaches English and American Studies at the University of Southern California and lives in Los Angeles.

One City, One Story community programs will be held throughout March, beginning with a conversation with the author on Thursday evening, March 2, 2017. Event details will be announced in the near future.

## Community Orchestra with Violinist Aubree Oliverson

Violinist Aubree Oliverson will again join Pasadena Community Orchestra, On Friday, November 11, at 8:00 p.m., this time in Wieniawski's fiery Violin Concerto No. 2. Under Music Director Bethany Pflueger, the orchestra performs three more works bursting with joy and exuberance: Prokofiev's jaunty Lieutenant Kijé Suite, the flashy Overture to Russlan and Ludmilla by Glinka, and Mozart's great Overture to Così Fan Tutte.

Oliverson's career has skyrocketed since her Young Artist appearance with PCO. This past summer, she was one of 20 graduating high school students nation-wide (and one of only two musicians) to receive the prestigious "United States Presidential Scholar for the Arts" award, performing at the Kennedy Center. Oliverson also performed – to packed houses and often standing ovations – at the famed Aspen and Innsbrook Music Festivals. In addition, she made her fifth appearance on National Public Radio's From the Top. And in September, she earned first prize in the 2016 Hennings-Fischer Young Artist Competition.

The popular Overture to Russlan and Ludmilla, by the "father of Russian music," Mikhail Glinka, is full of unadulterated nationalistic pride. Filled with wild energy, the Overture's irresistible melodies display a uniquely Russian combination of earthy exuberance and heroic feeling.

One of Prokofiev's most popular works (along with Peter and the Wolf and the Classical Symphony), the Lieutenant Kijé Suite showcases the composer's



Oliverson

great wit, melodic gifts, and programmatic skills. Audience members will feel the sleigh moving in the lively Troika, and they'll recognize the wry humor in the crisp marches, lush romance and wedding music, and the mournful Kijé "theme" and funeral music.

Mozart's Così Fan Tutte is one of the greatest comic operas of all time. The title is usually translated as "Women are like that," and the opera deals (often hilariously) with the vicissitudes of the male/female relationship. Like the opera, the Overture is light-hearted and ebullient, with bright, sparkling sounds and melodies that exude good humor and exuberance. PCO has been bringing fine classical music to the community for 33 years. Admission is free (donations are welcome at the door), and no reservations are needed. First Church of the Nazarene is located at 3700 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., one block west of Michillinda Ave. Parking is free and wheelchair accessible. Immediately following the concert, audience members will have the opportunity to meet the Music Director, soloist and other musicians at a reception.

## Free Events Roundup at the Pasadena Senior Center

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

**Smart Phones, Tablets and Computers – Any Questions? – Tuesdays and Thursdays, Nov. 1 to 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! Please note there will be no session Thursday, Nov. 24.

**FluShot Clinic – Wednesday, Nov. 2, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** Seniors are at greater risk of serious complications from flu than younger adults. Flu shots will be provided at no cost by the Pasadena Public Health Department for anyone older than 6 months. Visit the Welcome Desk for a required appointment card. For more information call 626-795-4331.

**Child Gifting – Thursday, Nov. 3, at 10 a.m.** A strong financial foundation never goes out of style. Learn how to give financial gifts to your children and grandchildren so

they'll have a head start toward financial security.

**Friday Movie Matinees – Fridays, Nov. 4 and 18.** Everyone enjoys movies and the pleasures they bring. Nov. 4 at 1 p.m.: "Café Society" (2016, PG-13) starring Jesse Eisenberg and Kristen Stewart. A young Bronx native moves to Hollywood in the 1930s and falls in love with the secretary of his powerful uncle, an agent to the stars, then returns to New York where he gets swept up in the vibrant world of high society. Nov. 18 at 2:30 p.m.: "Willie Wonka & the Chocolate Factory" (1971, G) starring Gene Wilder and Peter Ostrum. Young Charlie seeks the priceless golden ticket that will win him a lifetime supply of sweets and a tour of a mysterious candy man's chocolate factory.

**Cardmaking Workshop – Monday, Nov. 7, from noon to 2 p.m.** Surprise a special someone with a personalized, handmade greeting card. Whether it's happy birthday, happy holidays, thank you, thinking of you or other sentiment, you'll create a decorative card in your own unique style and have fun discovering your creativity while workshop leaders help you bring your ideas to life. All materials will be provided.







## FROSTIG STUDENTS, FAMILIES CELEBRATE THE SEASON

Pasadena, CA.—Costume contests, haunted hallways, face painting and dancing were all part of the fun at Frostig School's Fall Festival.

Students posed for pictures at the photo booth, decorated pumpkins and ate their fill of pizza during the evening's festivities. Shrieks of delight were occasionally heard coming from the haunted hallways.

Frostig School enrolls 125 students in grades 1-12 who have learning challenges, such as dyslexia and ADHD. For additional information about Frostig, call (626) 791-1255 or visit [www.frostigschool.org](http://www.frostigschool.org).



Two Families—Michael Costello and his son Jonathan Costello (left) and Ed Leibowitz and his son Isaac Leibowitz (right)

## APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED

*Assemblymember Chris Holden's 2017 Young Legislators Program Leadership Program for High School Seniors in the 41st Assembly District*

Pasadena, CA – Assemblymember Chris Holden (AD – 41) today announced the deadline extension for the 2017 Young Legislators Program to November 15 at 5 p.m.

"I'm thrilled to launch the second annual Young Legislators Program for the 41st Assembly District," said Assemblymember Chris Holden. "We've put together a program that will have a lasting impact on participating students and maybe even inspire them to run for office one day."

The Young Legislators Program is a six-month, no-cost program that provides selected students from the 41st Assembly District an opportunity to learn about the legislative process, services provided to constituents by elected leaders, and the relationship between local and state governments. Students will meet at selected sites in the 41st District for the first five sessions, and conclude with a two-day session in Northern California.

Last year's final session involved a tour of the Facebook

headquarters in Menlo Park, followed by a panel discussion with members of Facebook's government affairs team. Day two brought the students to the California State Capitol where they toured the building, met Assemblymember Holden and sat in on a Senate Education Committee hearing.

"The Young Legislators Program allowed me to experience state government, make useful connections, and discover new, interesting options for my future," said Darcy Stone, 2016 Young Legislator and now a freshman at the University of California, Berkeley. "It was a wonderful program and was glad to participate."

The 2017 Young Legislators Program is open to high school seniors living in the 41st Assembly District. Applicants must commit to monthly Saturday meetings starting in January 2017 and submit applications by November 15, 2016. Program details and application are available online at <http://asmdc.org/members/a41/other-resources/young-legislators-program>

## CUPCAKE WARS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

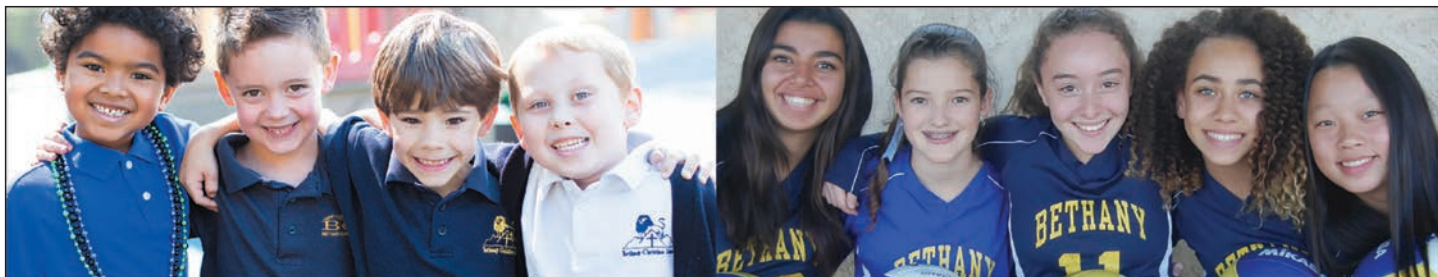
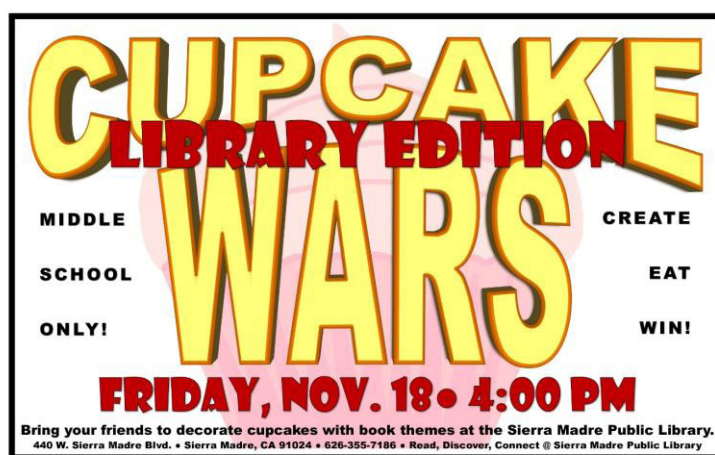
Do you have the skills to win the Cupcake Wars – Library Edition?

Find out when you help create, judge and eat literary-themed cupcakes on Friday, November 18 at 4:00 pm in the Sierra Madre Public Library!

Middle school students in grades 6 through 8 will create edible masterpieces using hundreds of cupcakes donated by the Friends of the Library

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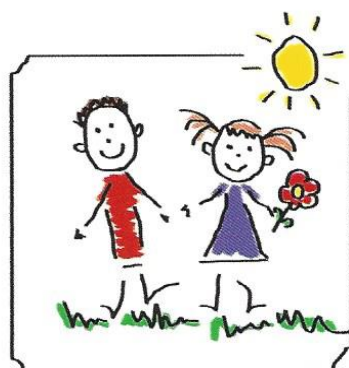
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**TABLE FOR TWO** by Peter Dills  
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If you have followed my adventures throughout Southern California you know I love three things: wine, great food, and horse racing. Just a few miles east of my home in Pasadena is my home away from home, the "Great Race Place" Santa Anita Racetrack. Established many years ago by horse breeder Lucky Baldwin, it burned down in 1912, and was resurrected in 1933 Charles Strub and a few friends who re-opened Santa Anita in 1934. Over the years, it has attracted many movie stars and been the background to many Hollywood movies. It's where the Marx Brothers spent a day at the races. Fast forward to present day, Santa Anita will host the Superbowl of horse racing on November 5th and 6th.

The Breeders Cup has planned a few events to lead up to this great day in Santa Anita racing history. Zenyatta, arguably the greatest Santa Anita racehorse of all time, has an event named after her on November 3rd. The event is at a few blocks from the race track on N. First Ave. between Huntington Drive starts at 7 PM, and is free of charge.

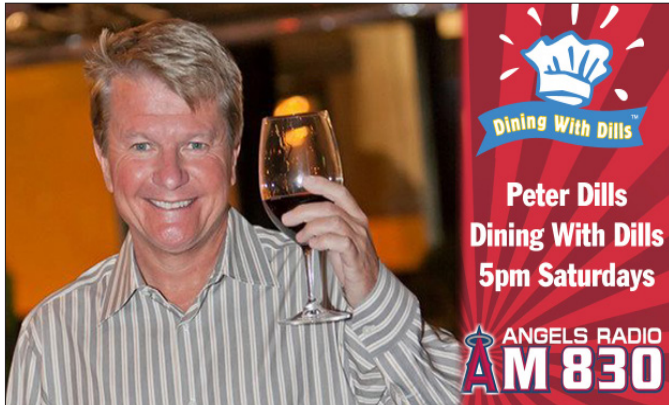
On November 5th Pasadena Fan Fest takes place at the Pasadena Civic. The event is open to the public, with a \$45 admission fee. One of my favorite 80's cover bands, the Spazmatics, will be live. The event also includes food trucks, cash bars, and is limited to 1000 attendees. I'll be there!

Nov 2nd An evening with California Chrome is being held at a favorite local restaurant Matt Denny's Alehouse on Huntington Drive. You can talk to owners Perry Martin and Frank Taylor, trainer Art Sherman, and jockey Victor Espinoza.

Tickets are \$100 and include hors d'oeuvres\ Breeders Cup is a day-long event and features top horses from all parts of the world. Tickets range from \$10 to \$400. Santa Anita Racetrack features many dining choices, or you can just have a drink while you are betting the horses. I recommend getting advance seats - it is the biggest party of the year!!! Call (626) 574-race for more details Here are a few of my local choices for dining in the San Gabriel Valley

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## FOOD AND DRINK

## Julie's favorite family Recipes

## ZUCCHINI PIZZA CASSEROLE RECIPE

**Ingredients**

4 cups shredded unpeeled zucchini  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
2 large eggs  
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese  
2 cups (8 ounces) shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese, divided  
1 cup (4 ounces) shredded cheddar cheese, divided  
1 pound ground beef  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
1 can (15 ounces) Italian tomato sauce  
1 medium sweet red pepper, chopped

**Directions**

Preheat oven to 400°. Place zucchini in colander; sprinkle with salt. Let stand 10 minutes, then squeeze out moisture.

Combine zucchini with eggs, Parmesan and half of mozzarella and cheddar cheeses. Press into a greased 13x9-in. or 3-qt. baking dish. Bake 20 minutes.

Meanwhile, in a large saucepan, cook beef and onion over medium heat, crumbling beef, until meat is no longer pink; drain. Add tomato sauce; spoon over zucchini mixture. Sprinkle with remaining cheeses; add red pepper. Bake until heated through, about 20 minutes longer.

Freeze option: Cool baked casserole; cover and freeze. To use, partially thaw in refrigerator overnight. Remove from refrigerator 30 minutes before baking. Preheat oven to 350°. Unwrap casserole; reheat on a lower oven rack until heated through and a thermometer inserted in center reads 165°. Yield: 8 servings.

## HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

## THE JOY OF YOGA

## ARE YOGA TEACHER TRAININGS FOR EVERYONE?



In the past 10 years, yoga teacher trainings have become ever popular. This

trend reflects the increasing number of people practicing yoga. According to the 2016 Yoga in America study conducted by Yoga Journal and Yoga Alliance, over 36 million Americans are yoga practitioners. It's finally sinking in that individuals (and the world as a whole) need a holistic approach to health and wellness. On the surface, the physical practice of yoga is a great start. However, it's through the wisdom the deeper teachings of yoga and advanced practices of pranayama and meditation that transformation takes place. By integrating practices for wellness and spiritual health into everyday life, we are able to make an impact on long-term health and happiness.

It's in the foundational teacher training, that the deeper teachings of yoga are introduced. Yogic Philosophy, Meditation, Subtle Body Energetics, Ayurveda and Anatomy are just a few of the rich topics explored in teacher training. Therefore, it's the perfect setting to satisfy your curiosity and deepen your yoga practice. It makes sense, even though, these trainings are called 'teacher' trainings, and they are not just for students who want to teach.

The experience serves as an in-road to awareness, knowledge and ancient wisdom.

The process of learning to teach provides the student with multiple benefits and unexpected growth opportunities. One of which, is knowing how to create a personal yoga sequence. This is essential for bringing yoga home and weaving it into your personal routine. Of course, learning to teach a group asana class is paramount in a yoga teacher training. However, in my opinion, the real nuggets are in overcoming fear while learning how to teach. Also, learning how to handle a room of people with grace and authority is instrumental and incredibly empowering. All explored in a safe, nurturing environment. These skills translate into real life, at home and at work.

Not all teacher trainings are the same or created equal. I am proud to say that Yoga Madre offers the best teacher training in town (and out of town). The next foundational training begins January 27, 2017 and takes place one weekend per month for 10 months total. Consider it if your curiosity and love for yoga has grown. It's where you will learn to bring ancient wisdom into everyday life.

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## HOW TO FIND AND HIRE A GOOD HANDYMAN OR CONTRACTOR

*Dear Savvy Senior,*  
*What's the best way to find a good handyman or tradesman to do some work around the house? I've have had some bad luck lately with unprofessional workers who do shoddy work and charge too much. Frustrated Senior*

Dear Frustrated,  
 Hiring a good home repair handyman can be a bit of a crapshoot. How do you find someone who will return your calls, show up on time, do the job right and finish it, all at a fair price? Here are some tips that can help.

### Who to Call

While it may seem obvious, whom you call on for help will depend on what you need done. If, for example, you have a small home repair or improvement project that doesn't require a lot of technical expertise, a handyman may be all you need. But if you have a job that involves electricity, plumbing, or heating or cooling systems, you're better off going with a licensed tradesman. Bigger jobs like home renovations or remodeling may require a general contractor.

Whatever type of work you need, the best way to find it is through referrals from people you trust. If your friends or family don't have any recommendations turn to professionals in the field like local hardware or home improvement stores, or even real estate agents.

The Internet can also help. Websites like HomeAdvisor.com can put you in touch with prescreened, customer-rated service professionals in your area for free. Or try AngiesList.com, a membership service that will connect you with contractors and service companies with various types of expertise for free. They provide ratings and reviews of local professionals who've done work for other members in your area, plus details about the type of work they've done, prices, professionalism and timeliness. They also offer an upgraded silver or gold membership for \$25 or \$100 per year, which offers discounts, a magazine, complaint resolutions and more.

Another option for finding handyman services is through a local or national service company



like MrHandyman.com, HouseDoctors.com or HandymanConnection.com. You'll probably pay more going through a company than you would with an independent handyman, but service companies typically promise professional workers who are screened, licensed, bonded and insured.

To find local handyman services in your community check your yellow pages or go to any Internet search engine and type in "handyman" plus your city and state.

### Things to Know

Once you've located a few candidates, your next step is to get written estimates that list the materials, costs and details of the project. It's a good idea to get at least three estimates from different sources to be sure you're getting a fair deal.

Before hiring someone, check out his or her work history with your state consumer protection agency (go to usa.gov/state-consumer for a list) and the Better Business Bureau (bbb.org/council). You can also search the Web using the company or individual's name and such words as "reviews" and "complaints."

You also need to find out if your candidates have an approved contractor or tradesman license. Using an unlicensed worker in a state that requires a license is dangerous – you'll have little legal recourse if the job goes bad. (To see which states license contractors, visit contractors-license.org.) Contractorcheck.com is another good resource for researching local contractors.

Also, ask to see their proof of insurance, which covers any damages they may cause while working on your home, and ask for several references from past jobs and check them.

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



## KATIE Tse.....This and That SPIKED!

Pets are kind of like grandchildren, in that you never think those belonging to other people are as cute as your own. That being said, please indulge me just this once, with an article about the CUTEST pet, my parent's four month old bulbul!

What on earth is a bulbul? I'm glad you asked! A bulbul is a songbird native to Asia, particularly India and the Philippines. A number of years ago bulbuls were introduced to this area and have thrived here ever since. They have a distinctive call that you can listen to on the Internet. Red Whiskered bulbuls have a crest on the top of their heads which resembles a spike, hence my parents' pet's name "Spike."

Despite his diminutive stature at 27 grams (that's less than one ounce, and yes, they actually managed to weigh him), Spike lives up to all the spunk and defiance his name implies. One of his favorite past times is stealing food. We've come to realize his fascination with our food has nothing to do with taste – it's all about the forbidden aspect of it. Case in point, when we have salads with tomatoes, Spike is all over them. But when my Dad puts the exact same tomato slices in his food bowl, he couldn't care less.

Over time, Spike has become more and more audacious when it comes to his food theft escapades. At first he just sneaked a crumb or two that were left from my Dad's sandwich, but now he's perched on his wrist, wrangling bits of cheese from between the bread! Not to mention the fact that he can be very territorial, bordering on violent. Sometimes if I'm eating something he wants he'll peck my arm repeatedly. Good thing he's as small as he is. If he were a wood pecker I'd think we'd be in trouble!

It's hard to get mad at Spike though, because he's so tiny and somewhat feather-challenged.



Although we still think he's adorable, his tail is hideous, and he's a little bald around his face. For the last three months we never saw a hint of red whiskers, but now the slightest bits of red are protruding under his eyes. It makes him look like he's been out drinking all night.

We first got Spike back in June around the insanely hot day when the big fire broke out. My parents' neighbor found him and brought him over because he knows my parents are "bird people" (which is also code for "nuts."). Like most new birds, Spike wouldn't open his beak for liquid food from an eye dropper. But after we pried his lips apart and he tried it he lustily chirped for it all the time. One of the problems with keeping wild birds is the transition

from baby to adult food, especially is adult food is live. You pretty much have to be retired to care for baby birds or bring them to work with you (Which I've actually done before! The kids at school got a big kick out of it.). Feeding birds live worms can be done, but it's the sort of thing that requires some supervision if you don't want escaped worms crawling around your house. Luckily for us we found dehydrated insects online! They even have a wide variety of dried bugs available for human consumption, which we're not going to try in the near future, but it was interesting

to see. Bulbuls can be prone to scurvy, since their bodies don't manufacture vitamin C on their own. That's why it's important to make sure bulbuls have their diet supplemented with fruits that contain vitamin C. Good thing for us that Spike's not a picky eater.

Well, I could say more about my parents' most recent addition, but I see that I've written more than two pages already, and I know how it is hearing about other people's pets... So have a wonderful week and keep an eye out for bulbuls!

## SENIOR HAPPENINGS



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ....October Birthdays

Janda Ferris, Darlene Traxler, Margit Johnson, Sole Krieg, George Maurer, Dick Anderson, Barbara Cline, Eva Poet, Mary Jane Baker, Dixie Coutant, Cathleen Cremins, Alma Mays, Adie Marshall, Darlene Crook, Susan Gallagher, Maggie Ellis, Gloria Giersbach, Elva Johnson, Ellen O'Leary, Jenny Piangenti, Gail Ann Skiles, Anita Thompson, Linda Boehm and Angela Stella.

\* 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.

### LUNCH AND LEARN

Thursday, October 27th, 11:00am - 1:30pm

Medicare Annual Election Period is here. If you have any questions on your health plans, please come to the Medicare Resource Table at the Hart Park House on October 27th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A licensed representative will be available to answer questions as well as gather information. No appointment necessary.

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## LATIN AMERICA'S FIRST SANCTUARY FOR ELEPHANTS

A couple of years ago, an article I'd written about The Elephant Sanctuary in Hohenwald, Tennessee was featured in this weekly column. It was a real heart-string-tugger about an Asian elephant who'd lost her mate to an untimely death and for a period of time following her loss had become very depressed.

The happy ending to that tale was that the elephant was able to find a new forever friend in the form of a kind canine residing alongside the elephants at the sanctuary. It is my understanding that today the previously depressed elephant and the dog are still best buds and are rarely seen, one without the other.

I mention that article in this week's column because last week my husband brought to my attention an Associated Press piece he saw printed in the LA Times. The piece was about Elephant Sanctuary Brazil, a new refuge facility co-founded by Scott Blais, the same gentleman who founded the sanctuary in Tennessee.

The Brazilian sanctuary is Latin America's first. Located in rural Mato Grosso, it will provide the most appropriate and picture-perfect setting for elephants (with the exception of having been left alone to roam in their own natural surroundings to start with, of course) to live out the rest of their lives doing what they were intended to do...simply roam free.

Asian Elephants are familial creatures, meaning they maintain a monogamous partnership with a life-long mate until death do they part. They work together as a team to raise their young, and they share the tasks of foraging and "housekeeping", with their common number one priority being the welfare of the family as a whole. They form bonds much like we do, and they grieve the same, if not more intensely. When an elephant loses their mate, he or she will eventually seek out a new friend, mainly to avoid being alone.

Historically, most of the innate behavioral characteristics of the Asian elephant have gone either unnoticed or totally disregarded and disrespected by those humans in our society who've exploited them for financial gains. This is a very unfortunate fact for the elephant and for the human as well. It is certainly not a fact that makes me proud to be human. However, according to Blais, things are starting to change for the better.

In his own words, Blais states, "Societies around the world are starting to become more aware of the trauma we have caused these animals." And to that I say, "It's about damn time!" I'm not sure who was first to decide it would be a good idea to cage and train an elephant for entertainment or for any other purpose, but I think it is the most cruel thing one could possibly do to such an innocent and wild gentle giant.

But again, on a more positive note, Blais points out that things are getting better. Finally, people are beginning to recognize their own personal responsibilities to act as stewards on behalf of the elephants, and more-and-more folks are getting on board with the quest to make reconciliation for the damage that has been done. "We need to build solutions. It's not enough to simply

say they need a different life," says Blais.

Scott Blais and his wife are among the solution-oriented with regard to righting past wrongs. They've dedicated their lives to rescuing and protecting retired working elephants and providing them with a healing, nurturing, natural room-free environment in which to live out the remainder of their lives.

I imagine the Blais's probably work tirelessly on a regular basis, leaving them exhausted at the end of any given day. But I also have to assume they sleep soundly at night knowing their efforts have made a difference, not only for the elephants but for the greater good of our planet in general.

After years of planning and drawing on his experience as founder and CEO of US-based Global Sanctuary for Elephants, Blais moved to Brazil about two years ago to begin the process of preparing the 2,800 acres of rural undeveloped property as a retirement refuge for overworked, exploited and mistreated captive elephants. So far, two elephants, "Maia" and "Guida" have been transported to the property with many more to join them in the future.

There are an estimated 50 other elephants in South America that are in similar situations to that of Maia and Guida and sanctuary officials hope to eventually bring them all to the refuge where they can reclaim at least some semblance of their natural-born freedom and be kept safe from the hands of those who had the audacity to take that freedom from them.

Few worthwhile things in this life can be bought with money, in my opinion. And what can be purchased should be limited only to things inanimate and replaceable. One thing that most certainly cannot be replaced is the beauty of an age-old wildlife species being left alone to thrive in its own natural environment.

For countless Asian elephants, this reality will never be. But at least now there is a chance that many of them will have the opportunity to enjoy the remainder of their lives in a place where the shackles are removed and they can, at long last, rest their weary bones.

No financial gains will ever compare to the inherent dignity of a free-roaming Asian elephant, and very foolish is the man whose need for monetary gains would cause the pain of God's wondrous creatures. I encourage my fellow humans to take up hobbies and pursuits in life that do not involve the exploitation of animals or the environment. There are so many alternatives. Love and let live.



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His wish is for a bed next to a window to watch the world go by. His play style is slow and go. Valentino is a smart guy and knows he can't catch the laser red dot, so he usually doesn't bother to chase it. He likes to have a toy or feather fly by for him to swing at.

Valentino will do fine in a multi-cat family, or love to be your sole companion. If you're looking for a calm, loving guy, then Valentino is the Bachelor you should choose! Please come in to meet him. His adoption fee is \$99, which includes neuter surgery, a microchip, first vaccinations and a free wellness check-up at a participating veterinarian.



His adoption fee is \$99, which includes neuter surgery, a microchip, first vaccinations and a free wellness check-up at a participating veterinarian. Feel free to call us at (626) 286-1159 for more information on Valentino. ID#12117. She currently resides at the San Gabriel Valley Humane Society located at

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### Cautious Costumes

Most of us can't resist a four-legged vampire, a tail-wagging superhero, or a fluffy princess. In fact, pet parents spend an average of \$350 million on pet costumes each Halloween. So, if you and your fur baby's Halloween plans include dressing up for a costume contest, parade, or trick-or-treating, there are a few things to keep in mind. Choose your pet's costume with care; make sure that it fits well and doesn't restrict his breathing, movement, eye sight, barking, or meowing. Be mindful of any dangling pieces of fabric or buttons that can be chewed off and swallowed. Costumes can be stressful for some pets, so no matter how adorable your cat looks dressed up as a pirate or your dog as Darth Vader, if he seems distressed, it's best to avoid the costume.



### Stash The Goodies

What's Halloween without a bounty of candy? Whether it's a bowl of candy ready for little ghosts and goblins, or the loot brought home from a night of trick-or-treating, it should be kept far out of reach of Fido and Fluffy. Chocolate, especially dark or baking chocolate, is dangerous for pets, and Xylitol, an artificial sweetener found in sugar-free candies and most types of gum, can also cause very serious medical problems for your pets. If you think your pet has eaten something toxic, please call us or the ASPCA Poison Control Center at 888-426-4435 immediately.



### Prevent Spooked Pets

Seeing excited trick-or-treaters dressed up and having fun may be one of your favorite parts of Halloween, but it may also be a scary and stressful time for your pet. To reduce anxiety and prevent your precious pet from fleeing, most pets do best when kept in a separate room, away from the front door while trick-or-treaters are out and about. Remember, the best dressed pets this Halloween are wearing a collar with an I.D. tag and a microchip! Proper identification is the best chance of you becoming reunited with your pet should he become lost.



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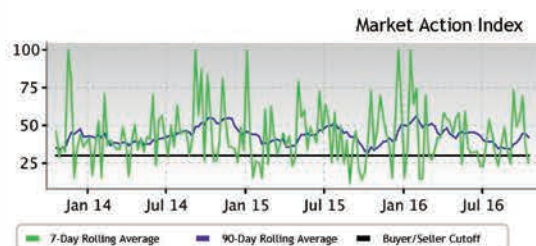
### This Week

The median list price in SIERRA MADRE, CA this week is \$1,296,750.

The Market Action Index has been trending down recently, but as days-on-market decreases also, there are not strong signals for the direction of the market.

### Supply and Demand

Home sales continue to outstrip supply and the Market Action Index has been moving higher for several weeks. This is a Seller's market so watch for upward pricing pressure in the near future if the trend continues.



The Market Action Index answers the question "How's the Market?" by measuring the current rate of sale versus the amount of the inventory. Index above 30 implies Seller's Market conditions. Below 30, conditions favor the buyer.

### Quartiles

Quartile	Median Price	Sq. Ft.	Lot Size	Beds	Baths	Age	Inventory	New	Absorbed	DOM	
Top/First	\$2,048,995	3538	0.50 - 1.0 acre	4.0	3.5	71	6	0	0	72	Most expensive 25% of properties
Upper/Second	\$1,449,000	2392	0.25 - 0.50 acre	3.0	2.8	54	6	1	0	46	Upper-middle 25% of properties
Lower/Third	\$1,124,450	2264	0.001 - 10,000 sqft	3.0	2.0	68	6	0	1	88	Lower-middle 25% of properties
Bottom/Fourth	\$904,500	1772	0.001 - 0.01 acre	3.0	1.5	62	6	3	0	40	Least expensive 25% of properties

#### Real-Time Market Profile

		Trend
Median List Price	\$1,296,750	↔↔
Asking Price Per Square Foot	\$521	↔↔
Average Days on Market (DOM)	61	↔↔
Percent of Properties with Price Decrease	42%	↔↔
Percent Relisted (reset DOM)	4%	↔↔
Percent Flip (price increased)	4%	↔↔
Median House Size (sq ft)	2352	↔↔
Median Lot Size	8,001 - 10,000 sqft	↔↔
Median Number of Bedrooms	3.0	↔↔
Median Number of Bathrooms	2.5	↔↔
Market Action Index	Seller's Advantage	42.1 ↔↔

↔↔ No change    ↗↗ Strong upward trend    ↘↘ Strong downward trend  
↗ Slight upward trend    ↘ Slight downward trend

### Price

The market seems to have paused around this plateau. The Market Action Index is a good leading indicator for the durability of this trend.



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- NO ON 54** LEGISLATURE. LEGISLATION AND PROCEEDINGS. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.
- YES ON 55** TAX EXTENSION TO FUND EDUCATION AND HEALTHCARE. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.
- YES ON 56** CIGARETTE TAX TO FUND HEALTHCARE, TOBACCO USE PREVENTION, RESEARCH, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.
- YES ON 57** CRIMINAL SENTENCES. PAROLE. JUVENILE CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS AND SENTENCING. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.
- YES ON 58** ENGLISH PROFICIENCY. MULTILINGUAL EDUCATION. INITIATIVE STATUTE.
- YES ON 59** CORPORATIONS. POLITICAL SPENDING. FEDERAL CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTIONS. LEGISLATIVE ADVISORY QUESTION.
- YES ON 60** ADULT FILMS. CONDOMS. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.
- NO ON 61** 61 STATE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PURCHASES. PRICING STANDARDS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.
- YES ON 62** DEATH PENALTY. INITIATIVE STATUTE.
- YES ON 63** FIREARMS. AMMUNITION SALES. INITIATIVE STATUTE.
- NO ON 64** MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION. INITIATIVE STATUTE.
- NO ON 65** CARRYOUT BAGS. CHARGES. INITIATIVE STATUTE.
- NO ON 66** DEATH PENALTY. PROCEDURES. INITIATIVE STATUTE.
- YES ON 67** BAN ON SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAGS. REFERENDUM.

##### COUNTYWIDE MEASURES – (2)

##### A REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

*Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space, Beaches, Rivers Protection, and Water Conservation Measure. To replace expiring local funding for safe, clean neighborhood/ city/ county parks; increase safe playgrounds, reduce gang activity; keep neighborhood recreation/ senior centers, drinking water safe; protect beaches, rivers, water resources, remaining natural areas/ open space; shall 1.5 cents be levied annually per square foot of improved property in Los Angeles County, with bond authority, requiring citizen oversight, independent audits, and funds used locally? YES*

##### M METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan. To improve freeway traffic flow/safety; repair potholes/sidewalks; repave local streets; earthquake retrofit bridges; synchronize signals; keep senior/disabled/student fares affordable; expand rail/subway/bus systems; improve job/school/airport connections; and create jobs; shall voters authorize a Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan through a ½ ¢ sales tax and continue the existing ½ ¢ traffic relief tax until voters decide to end it, with independent audits/oversight and funds controlled locally? YES

### REPORT SAYS GOLD LINE IS CATALYST FOR BILLIONS IN ECONOMIC IMPACT



Monrovia, CA – Today, the Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority released two reports that detail the amount of transit oriented development (TOD) that has been built or is underway within a half-mile radius of a current and future Gold Line station, including the economic impact the development is bringing to the region. The reports, commissioned by the Construction Authority and prepared by The Maxima Group and Beacon Economics, quantify the number of housing units, hotel rooms and square feet of commercial space built along the corridor since the Gold Line's first segment opened for passenger service in 2003 and planning began for the extension from Pasadena to Montclair. The reports also highlight the private investment made from the developments and the resulting overall economic impact the TOD projects have had on the regional economy.

In a report by real estate and business consulting firm, The Maxima Group, that studied the existing and potential economic impact of TOD projects along the Foothill Gold Line from Los Angeles to Montclair, entitled, "Foothill Gold Line Transit Oriented Development Update," findings revealed that existing and underway TOD projects near the 18 Gold Line stations from Chinatown to Montclair have resulted in \$6.7 billion in private investment along the corridor since 2003. More than 12,500 new housing units, 3.6 million square feet of commercial space, and 1,400 hotel rooms have been built within a half-mile radius of a Gold Line station. These investments have resulted in the creation of nearly 50,000 direct and indirect jobs during construction, 20,000 on-going jobs for Los Angeles County workers, and \$50 million in annual tax revenues to the county.

The Maxima Group report also measured the potential TOD that could take place along the Phase 2 corridor from Arcadia to Montclair looking forward, and found that a full buildout of all the potential TOD projects would add 17,000 more housing units, 10 million additional square feet of commercial space, and

250 more hotel rooms to this transportation corridor in the future; generating \$100 million more in annual tax revenues to Los Angeles County and creating tens of thousands of temporary jobs during construction and tens of thousands of more jobs from on-going operation of the developments.

"Roughly speaking, you can think of all three segments of the Gold Line from Los Angeles to Montclair as costing \$3 billion to complete," stated Habib F. Balian, CEO of the Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority. "And what these studies found is that nearly \$7 billion of private investment has already come online along this corridor, with about \$9 billion more private investment potential still available for future growth."

In a separate report conducted by economic research firm Beacon Economics that focused on the growth that has taken place near the six Pasadena stations, entitled, "Economic and Fiscal Impacts of Transit Oriented Development at Gold Line Foothill Extension Pasadena Stations," findings revealed that projects built or underway within a half mile of the six Pasadena Gold Line stations alone amount to \$3.3 billion in economic output, roughly 20,700 jobs, \$1.1 billion in labor income, and \$66.3 million in tax revenues. Meanwhile, the businesses operating at these TOD properties support nearly 11,200 jobs and generate \$1.2 billion in economic output and \$707 million in labor income.

"It is important to note that the growth these studies reveal occurred during the worst economic downturn our county and our nation has seen since the Great Depression," added Balian. "This is a corridor in the county that is ripe for growth, and the investment the county is making to build the transit infrastructure is paying off with development that allows us as a county to grow along a major transit line that connects people to jobs, universities, the Los Angeles County Fairplex and much more."

The two TOD reports, along with a video can be viewed online at <http://www.foothillgoldline.org/news/media-resources/>.

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On the Marquee:

Notes from the Sierra MadrePlayhouse

“GROUCHO” IS THE NOT-SO SECRET WORD

**By Artistic Director, Christian Lebano**  
On his very popular show You Bet Your Life Groucho Marx always had a “secret” word of the day. If that day’s contestants said the word, a bird would drop down and they would win a prize. Well, if our patrons say “Groucho” they will get a wonderful experience on Sunday, December 4, 2017 and SMP will get a fabulous prize.  
Frank Ferrante (a Sierra Madre native) who has traveled the world with his show An Evening with Groucho – he is in Australia now playing to sold-out houses – has very generously donated a performance to SMP. We are using this wonderful donation of Frank’s considerable talents as the centerpiece of a Gala Fundraiser for our Playhouse. For \$100 (Center section reserved seating) or \$85 (Side seating or rear row Center section) our patrons will have a chance to see Frank’s amazing performance AND support the Playhouse. Each ticket will be deductible after the first \$30 and will include a champagne reception in our lobby afterwards. Frank will happily sign photos and talk about his love of Groucho. Tickets are on sale now.  
The last time he did his show in our area it was at the Pasadena Playhouse last January and he is scheduled to perform at the La Mirada Center for the Performing Arts next March. Ferrante was handpicked by Arthur Marx to carry on his father’s legacy. The New York Times described him as “the greatest living interpreter



of Groucho Marx’s material.” Morrie Ryskind, co-author of the classic Animal Crackers and A Night at the Opera, has said that he is “the only actor aside from Groucho who delivered my lines as they were intended.” Frank’s generosity follows on the heels of Fritz Coleman’s two sold-out performances last Sunday of his one-man show Defying Gravity. Fritz also, very generously, donated the entire box office to SMP. This was such a wonderful gesture on his part and will make such a difference to us as we plan our upcoming season. Frank’s show could likewise make a huge difference in allowing us to move forward with our ambitious plans for the rest of this season.  
We are now reaching out to our supporters and donors to make commitments of support for the next year. You each should be receiving your solicitation letters soon and when you do, I hope you will consider making a generous gift to SMP. I’ve spoken of some of our dreams and plans, to make them a reality we will need the help of our friends, old and new, in our Marquee Giving Circle. Please help us keep SMP as a vital and treasured part of this community. And, I hope to see you at our Groucho Gala! – it’s going to be a fantastic evening.  
As always we do it for you – our SMP family. Your support and loyalty mean so much to us. For tickets please call Mary in the box office at 626.355.4318. Hope to see you soon!



SEAN’S SHAMELESS REVIEWS:

By Sean Kayden

RA RA RIOT – LIVE REVIEW  
AT THE GREEK THEATRE

Syracuse-born musical chameleons Ra Ra Riot set the stage on fire on Friday night in Los Angeles, CA as the opening act to Young The Giant. As far as openers go, Ra Ra Riot could have easily been the headliner as their 2016 record, Need Your Light, was their liveliest and most enthused material to date. While the initial carnation of Ra Ra Riot has seen some line-up changes over the course of ten years ago, Wes Miles (vocals), Mathieu Santos (bass), Milo Bonacci (guitar), Rebecca Zeller (violin), and Kenny Bernard (drums) were all in perfect sync on a somewhat warm October night in Los Angeles. It was clearly evident Ra Ra Riot was arguably having the most fun on stage in their entire lifespan. With four albums to work from, all of which are considerably different from one to the next, Ra Ra Riot performed a glorious assortment of tracks, six coming off their latest endeavor. The combination of string based instruments and a heavy amount of synthesized provided a great deal of balance for the band’s wonderful and praiseworthy opening set.  
The band kicked the night off with “Too Too Too Fast,” a terrific track off their 2008 debut record, The Rhumb Line. Miles’ angelic voice soared over this hidden baroque gem. Given that it’s an older track, the song surprisingly resembles the band’s present sound. “Binary Mind” was a solid follow-up track. It has a great chorus and an utterly buoyant offering for the enthusiastic LA crowd. While most of the audience might have been there for Young The Giant, they did however let out a spirited cheer for “Too Dramatic,” a fan favorite of many years off the sophomore record, The Orchard. The high orchestra endeavor alongside the infectious chorus line, “I don’t understand it/ You’re too too dramatic,” sounded better and crisper than ever. It’s definitely a song that hits you hard if you haven’t heard it in quite some time. “Foreign Lovers” is a sharp two-plus minute gem. The simple, yet effective offering showcases great violin work into the mix of frenzy synths. Eponymous track from their third record, “Beta Love,” was one of the true highlights of the night. A killer falsetto from Miles boosted the mellifluous track. While it appears off

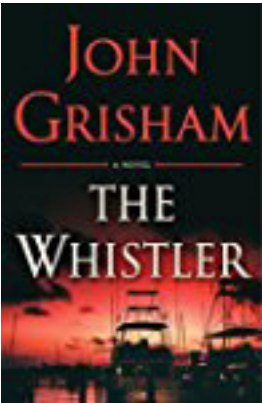
the band’s seemingly less popular record, it still was well received by their keen fans.  
“Each Year,” another one off The Rhumb Line, turned down the synths and headed back to strings and percussion. The lyrics, a nod to Harper Lee’s To Kill A Mockingbird is band’s most complex tracks offering an even deeper side to the many talents of Ra Ra Riot. To get things rolling on a high note again, Ra Ra Riot broke into “Dance With Me,” a splendidly rousing track that had the crowd dancing in no time flat. Unquestionably addicting and beautiful harmonies to share, this foot-tapping endeavor displayed a band having a blast on stage performing together. The subsequent “Absolutely” was an ebullient tune to say the least. A snythpop whirlwind, it’s as addicting as anything these original indie-poppers have ever produced. The exuberant Miles takes mundane situations and adds much needed energy to them as he does here with “Absolutely.” He even makes a shout out to “Los Angeles” and that of course livened up the crowd even more so with an animated roar. “Boy” came up next, another classic from the camp. The lively jam doesn’t feel dated in the slightest bit. Miles’ whimsical vocals were clear and chipper over the song’s zooming bass and high-energy drums. He once again engaged the crowd to clap their hands in synchronize fashion.  
“Water,” a very Vampire Weekend-esque track, which comes as no surprise since Rostam Batmanglij, formerly of Vampire Weekend, helped produced the brand new record. Miles’ falsetto vocals, original as they come by in indie pop, floats on cloud nine here. The single is greatly satisfying and melodiously all-around as it was performed. The final song of the night came in the form of “I Need Your Light.” Miles asked for the crowd to stand up and turn on their cellphone light. Perhaps the finest song off their latest endeavor, this one turned out to be entirely incandescent. It was exquisitely executed with numerous layers that allowed it to feel like something quite distinctive. With the crowd shining down the “light” that was asked by Miles, he returned the favor in another way. Undoubtedly, Ra Ra Riot left the stage on a high note and these multitallented veterans assuredly enchanted the audience under their hallucinogenic spell.

Jeff’s Book Pics

By Jeff Brown

Wonders of Spiritual Unfoldment

by John Butler  
A personal account of searching for spiritual understanding initially outside Christian teaching, this book takes the position that there are as many ways to God as there are paths up a mountain. Interpreting his own spiritual breakthroughs, the author describes them as “windows of realization” and likens them to the sensation of being made whole. The book describes his journey from Eastern mantra-style meditation to the Orthodox “prayer of the heart” and details how a love of nature and a desire to do good played an important part in his spiritual unfoldment.



Mafia financed the casino and is now helping itself to a sizable skim of each month’s cash. The judge is getting a cut and looking the other way. It’s a sweet deal: Everyone is making money. But now Greg wants to put a stop to it. His only client is a person who knows the truth and wants to blow the whistle and collect millions under Florida law. Greg files a complaint with the Board on Judicial Conduct, and the case is assigned to Lacy Stoltz, who immediately suspects that this one could be dangerous.

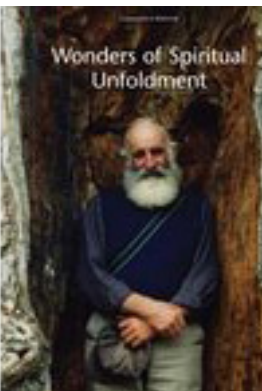
The Whistler by John Grisham

We expect our judges to be honest and wise. Their integrity and impartiality are the bedrock of the entire judicial system. We trust them to ensure fair trials, to protect the rights of all litigants, to punish those who do wrong, and to oversee the orderly and efficient flow of justice. But what happens when a judge bends the law or takes a bribe? It’s rare, but it happens. Lacy Stoltz is an investigator for the Florida Board on Judicial Conduct. She is a lawyer, not a cop, and it is her job to respond to complaints dealing with judicial misconduct. After nine years with the Board, she knows that most problems are caused by incompetence, not corruption. But a corruption case eventually crosses her desk. A previously disbarred lawyer is back in business with a new identity. He now goes by the name Greg Myers, and he claims to know of a Florida judge who has stolen more money than all other crooked judges combined. And not just crooked judges in Florida. All judges, from all states, and throughout U.S. history. What’s the source of the ill-gotten gains? It seems the judge was secretly involved with the construction of a large casino on Native American land. The Coast



The Wrong Side of Goodbye (A Harry Bosch Novel) by Michael Connelly

Harry Bosch is California’s newest private investigator. He doesn’t advertise, he doesn’t have an office, and he’s picky about who he works for, but it doesn’t matter. His chops from thirty years with the LAPD speak for themselves.  
Soon one of Southern California’s biggest moguls comes calling. The reclusive billionaire is nearing the end of his life and is haunted by one regret. When he was young, he had a relationship with a Mexican girl, his great love. But soon after becoming pregnant, she disappeared. Did she have the baby? And if so, what happened to it? Desperate to know whether he has an heir, the dying magnate hires Bosch, the only person he can trust. With such a vast fortune at stake, Harry realizes that his mission could be risky not only for himself but for the one he’s seeking. But as he begins to uncover the haunting story—and finds uncanny links to his own past—he knows he cannot rest until he finds the truth. At the same time, unable to leave cop work behind completely, he volunteers as an investigator for a tiny cash-strapped police department and finds himself tracking a serial rapist who is one of the most baffling and dangerous foes he has ever faced.



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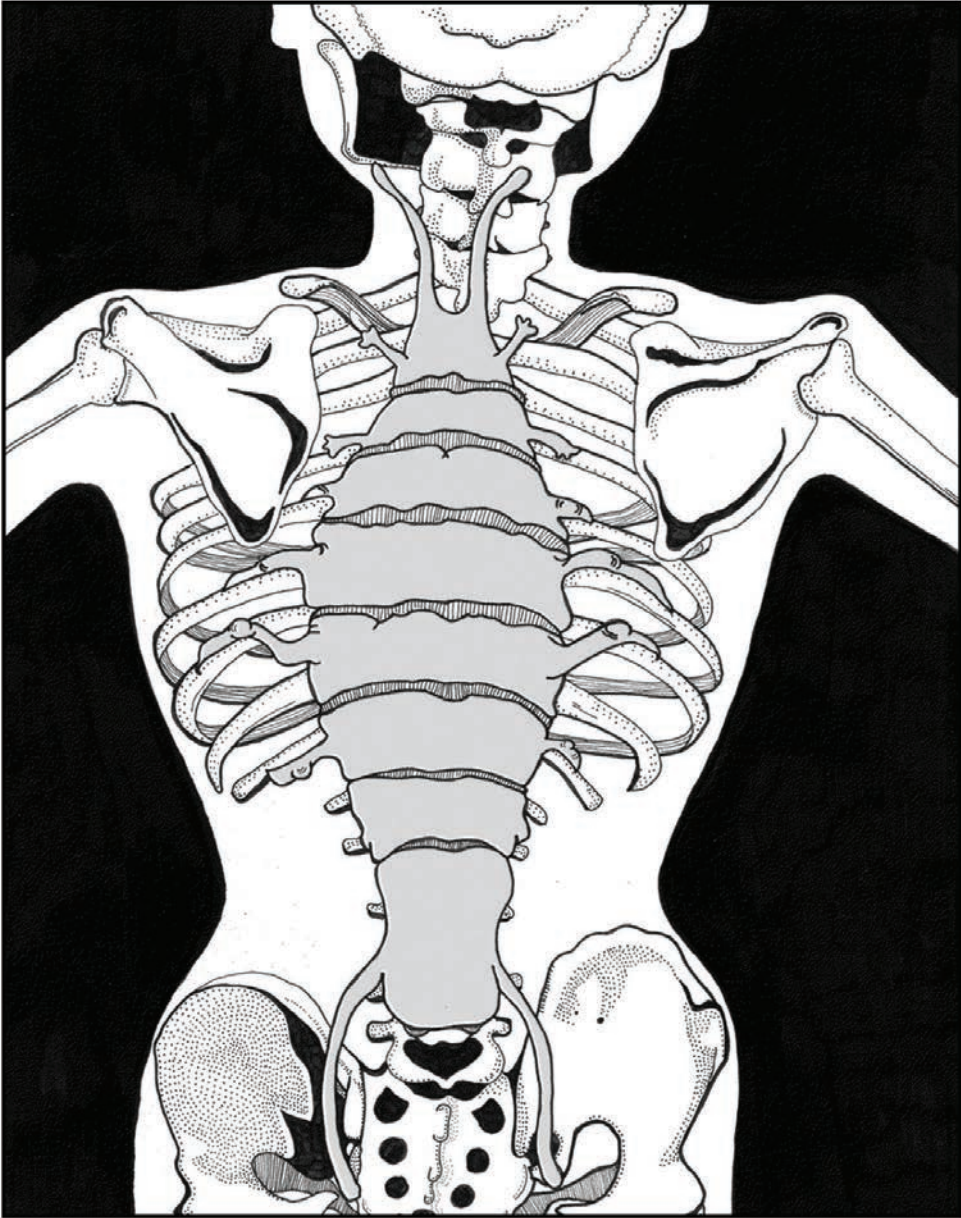
By Jeff Brown

HILLARY CLINTON AS SENATOR

Just months before 9/11, Hillary Clinton became a U.S. senator in New York. She served for eight years in the city and was a key architect of the \$21 billion federal aid bill that helped rebuild the city after her term started with the worst tragedy New York had ever seen. But perhaps what she is most remembered for is fighting for the health bill that served first responders in the first 48 hours after the attack. Clinton fought the Environmental Protection Agency to admit the air wasn’t safe to breathe. That’s why Clinton has the support of so many 9/11 first responders. That wasn’t the first time Clinton had advocated for a strong health care bill, though. In 1994, a universal health care bill that Hillary Clinton pushed for had failed as the Clinton administration came into office. Then Democrats lost the House and then lost the Senate for the first time in 40 years. Democrats had essentially given up on health care reform, until First Lady Clinton helped the State Children’s

Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Hillary Clinton has negotiated ceasefires in Israel, put the Lilly Ledbetter Pay Equity Act into law, authored the Pediatric Research Equity Act (which helped re-label drugs to keep millions of children safe) She negotiated ceasefires in Israel, put the Lilly Ledbetter Pay Equity Act into law, authored the Pediatric Research Equity Act (which helped re-label drugs to keep millions of children safe). As First Lady of the United States, Clinton led the unsuccessful effort to enact the Clinton health care plan of 1993. In 1997 and 1999, she helped create the State Children’s Health Insurance Program. She also tackled the problems of adoption and family safety and foster care. At the 1995 UN conference on women, held in Beijing, Clinton stated in a then controversial and influential speech, that “human rights are women’s rights and women’s rights are human rights”.

“RETURN OF THE TINGLER” AT THE PLAYHOUSE -  
TIME MACHINE RIDES AND RODDY ROBOT



In conjunction with Sierra Madre’s Halloween festivities which occur on Monday the 31<sup>st</sup>. The Symbiotic Society will present “Return of the Tinger”. This free show is a parody of the 1959 hit film, “The Tinger” starring the legendary Vincent Price. Audience interaction will be featured, along with activities outside the Playhouse. Free shows will run every half hour from 6:30 to 9:30 pm, HALLOWEEN NIGHT ONLY. Returning from last year will be the TIME MACHINE; plus a new attraction, RODDY ROBOT. These vintage attractions are part of our retreat to the 50-60’s.

THE PLAYHOUSE HALLOWEEN PRESENTATION – “Return of the Tinger”, is loosely based on the film by William Castle who was famous for low budget B-Movie thrillers. Many films featured gimmicks to attract audiences. Our presentation will offer our own contrivance collection in his honor.

THE TIME MACHINE – It is a full size replica of the time machine featured in the 1960 movie, The Time Machine. The movie is based on the famous H.G. Wells book of the same name, starring Rod Taylor and Yvette Mimieux. It differs from the original in having fun lights controllable by the rider. Those wishing to return to their younger years can ride the Time Machine before or after the shows.

RODDY ROBOT – He invokes memories of the 50-60’s era anthropomorphic robots featured in many sci-fi B-movies. He joins the Time Machine as a great photo opportunity. A professional photographer will take photos free of charge. ABOUT THE SYMBIOTIC SOCIETY – this deranged group of volunteer individuals, formerly known as the Zombie Players Association, creates an annual event at the Sierra Madre Playhouse during Halloween. Since the group is primarily senior in nature with signs of dementia, the presentations are nutty and over-the-top. The whole purpose is to provide free fun entertainment, primarily for kids and those wishing to be

kids again. The Halloween activity is a drastic switch, maybe its cathartic in nature, from the Society’s primary goal of promoting the Human and Tinger alliance. To find out more visit [www.yourtingler.com](http://www.yourtingler.com) Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram @yourtingler. #TeamTinger

RETURN OF THE TINGLER

SIERRA MADRE PLAYHOUSE – HALLOWEEN

**HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2016

**FREE EVENT**

**TRICK OR TREATING**

**3:30-5:00PM DOWNTOWN SIERRA MADRE**

- Downtown Sierra Madre businesses will be handing out treats!
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**COSTUME PARADE**

**5:00PM KERSTING COURT**

- Follow the Sierra Madre Fire Department Engine down Sierra Madre Blvd.
- Parade should only last 15 minutes. Starts at Kersting Court and ends at Hermosa Ave.
- Costume parade is open to all ages and registration is not required to participate

**COSTUME CONTEST**

**5:30PM MEMORIAL PARK**

- All contestants must fill out a waiver form in Kersting Court from 4:00 - 5:00 pm - late contestants can fill one out in Memorial Park
- Categories: Group (All ages - Must include 1 youth under 17), 2 and under, 3 to 4 years old, 5 to 7 years old, and 8 to 13 years old
- Prizes will be given to the top 3 group and age category contestants.
- Strong efforts are being made to keep the contest to under an hour. Please arrive for a prompt start of 5:30pm

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FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett



WHAT HAPPENS TO YOUR BUSINESS FACEBOOK PAGE IF YOU DIE?

If you're on Facebook, you may remember that they initiated a "legacy contact" program a few years ago. Legacy contacts allow people with personal Facebook accounts to designate someone to manage their account after they pass away. But Facebook also offers business pages. So what happens to those pages if you pass away? It's an important question because you probably don't want your business page to expire with you.

Let's start with the basics. How did you initially set up your account? In all likelihood, you simply connected your business page to your personal page. Facebook has a strong preference for connecting business pages to personal pages, even though the two appear as separate on Facebook. But if you don't have a personal account, Facebook allows you to create a free standing business page.

Personal Facebook accounts holders can decide how they want their pages to be handled when they die from among three options: memorialized accounts, legacy contacts, and account deletion.

Memorialized accounts place the word

"remembering" next to the person's name on their profile page. This allows friends and family to continue to share memories, and the page remains visible to its audience. A memorialized account may be used alone or maybe combined with a legacy contact.

The legacy contact must be named by the account holder before death. The account holder sets the legacy contact's authority, including things such as dealing with and making posts, reading messages, and responding to friend requests.

The third option is account deletion. Again, this option must be chosen by the account holder before death.

If, on the other hand, you have created a freestanding business page, you were initially prompted to choose additional account administrators. However, most people do not use this option for two big reasons. First, Facebook does not allow someone with a personal account to create a freestanding business account. And second, freestanding business accounts are much more limited in their customizability.

There are so many things to think about when it comes to passing away that it is easy to become overwhelmed. Even if you have already dealt with your personal estate planning, it's critical - if you are an entrepreneur - to also make provisions for your business. Facebook has become a nearly indispensable tool for small business marketing. Continuing to serve your customers (or notifying them properly in the event of your death) could mean the difference between your company surviving or failing shortly thereafter, as many companies do.

If you have any questions or comments about ensuring your business lives on as part of your legacy after you are gone, please reach out and let me know.

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A local attorney and father, Marc Garlett is on a mission to help parents protect what they love most. His office is located at 49 S. Baldwin Ave., Ste. G, Sierra Madre, CA 91024. Schedule an appointment to sit down and talk about ensuring a legacy of love and financial security for your family by calling 626.587.3058 or visit [www.GarlettLaw.com](http://www.GarlettLaw.com) for more information.

RETIRED TEACHERS' WEEK TO BE CELEBRATED NOVEMBER 6-12, 2016

\*CalRTA Members Donate \$55 Million Worth of Time to Local Communities\*



Newly retired teachers, husband and wife, Randy Tiffany (Glendale schools) and Kerry Tiffany (Durfee School) were welcomed to CalRTA #71 by President Rosemarie Hernandez (L) and Secretary Robin Graney (R) at a reception for new retirees at SGV Airport, El Monte.

The California Retired Teachers' Association (CalRTA) has good reason to celebrate Retired Teachers' Week November 6-12. This organization has been going strong for over 86 years! CalRTA was founded in 1929 (CRTA then) through the efforts of Laura Settle, a "little old lady from Pasadena" who demonstrated the power of one by taking action with five or six fellow teachers to organize teacher retirees. Now the state organization numbers over 42,000 members!

Although retired from teaching, members of CalRTA never stop caring about California's education and its teachers. They volunteer in the classroom to help the students. They mentor new classroom teachers. According to information from the state CalRTA, this past year CalRTA members contributed more than 2 million hours of volunteer service to schools and communities with only 17 percent of the membership reporting their hours. That number translates to \$55 million! Besides that, retired teachers, such as local CalRTA #71 (SGV), donate classroom teacher grants and

also award scholarships to prospective teachers.

Of equal importance is that CalRTA members, like other public employees in California, give back to their communities, to the state, and to the country economically through pension spending. Expenditures stemming from state and local pensions supported more than 375,000 jobs and \$10.9 billion in federal, state, and local tax revenues!

Membership in the local California Retired Teachers' Association #71 (SGV) totals nearly 500 members from Arcadia, Sierra Madre, Monrovia, Duarte, El Monte, Temple City, and other valley cities. CalRTA #71 (SGV) recently welcomed new retirees at a cordial reception at the SGV Airport, El Monte. Membership is open to all retired educators, as well as to any others interested in joining this active group. CalRTA's motto is "Your Partner in Pension Protection."

For more information, please call Marietta Watkins at (323) 258-9615 or Patricia Dietrich at (626) 446-8437.

Mountain Views News Saturday, October 29, 2016

City of Sierra Madre

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## SALLY KOHN

### A LETTER TO MY DAUGHTER REGARDING TRUMP

*Sally Kohn is an activist, columnist and television commentator. Follow her on Twitter: @sallykohn. The opinions expressed in this commentary are hers.*

(CNN) I am so sorry that the world I've brought you into is one in which not only is Donald Trump possible, but possibly the next President of the United States. I had hoped that by this point in history, we would be better than this. Apparently, we're not.

You know some of what Donald Trump has said and done in this campaign. You hear it on the news, kids talk about it at school. "I hate Donald Trump," you said the other day during breakfast. Please don't. Don't hate one sad man with a lot of power and little self-restraint. And don't hate the people who are enthusiastically supporting him. Donald Trump is running a campaign of hate, and hate cannot be solved by hate but by empathy and understanding.

It is important for you to understand what Donald Trump represents. He is a mirror reflecting a dark and dangerous part of our history that, whether we like it or not, is in all of us. So I want you to understand the part we've all played, whether we meant to or not, in giving rise to Donald Trump.

Our nation was born of genocide. Before there was even a glimmer of anything called America, there were millions of native peoples living all across this land. But to make way for our white forebears, the native people were slaughtered. Ever since, the idea of who "we" are as white Americans has been defined in perpetual opposition to some threatening, non-belonging "them." This is not new. It is our national DNA.

But white Americans rationalized the slaughter of native people who they saw as lesser -- as "savages" not quite as human as the colonizers themselves. This same "logic" was applied to rationalize slavery -- that people from Africa were somehow inherently less than the white European Americans and, therefore, it made perfect sense for the one to subjugate and oppress the other. Even after the abolition of slavery, the persistent belief in the inferiority of black Americans led to decades of enforced segregation and violent oppression -- as it still leads to injustice today.

When you look back on this horrid history, it's important you understand that slave holders and segregationists and those who defended inequality did not think they were doing anything uniquely wrong. In fact, for the most part they believed their actions to be just. The same is true of those supporting intolerance and inequality today. Mass injustice doesn't result from a "few bad apples," but from the mass of people willfully supporting injustice.

There was a time in our history when sexual assault was not even a concept, let alone a crime. So too, the lynching of black men and women was often ignored or even actively encouraged by our leaders and their laws. There is no doubt that we have made progress since then, but not nearly enough. I remain desperate to protect you from a society that quietly but habitually tells you that as a girl, you're not equal to boys -- that you're more valued for your body than your brains, that you don't deserve the same opportunities let alone the same basic respect. And the truth is, black men and women are still treated vastly differently under our laws and in our communities. As you grow up, it will be easier for you to get into college and get a job and buy a home than it will be for your black friends. That's not because you will have earned it more or deserve it more, but because our society thinks less of people who aren't white. At the same time, you will be less likely to be harassed in stores or stopped by police, let alone shot and killed based on nothing but the suspicion that we unconsciously attach to dark skin. This isn't something for you to feel guilty about. This is something for you to help change.

Still, even in the face of this imperfect history, I was under the illusion that we had all progressed further than it turns out we

have. As the arc of our history has bent, however haltingly, toward justice, most Americans grew to actively reject overt sexism and racism and other kinds of discrimination, and at least aspire to fight against the unconscious biases that still haunt our lives.

Despite this, a not insignificant fraction of Americans, even today, see the equal treatment of women and people of color as a bad thing. They believe that if others get more opportunity, they will get less. These Americans see themselves as history's rightful owners of opportunity. When they talk about wanting to "Make America Great Again," the "better times" they evoke may have seemed better for white Americans, but they were eras of torment and torture for people of color and, often, women as well. Always be wary of anyone who promises a better future by going backwards. The future by definition aspires toward progress.

Our progress as a nation is something you can be proud of. As you grow up, it's important you understand more and more about the dark parts of America's history, but also the bright moments where we moved forward. Once upon a time in our nation, black people were the legal property of white people and only white men could vote. We changed all that. Our history has progressed imperfectly, but make no mistake about it, it has progressed -- and that simple but glorious fact should always give you hope. Do not let those fighting against this progress convince you that they are the only ones who love their country. Fighting to make our nation more inclusive and more just is one of the highest forms of patriotism I can imagine. If you always fight for fairness and justice, you will make me proud and you will make our country proud. You will be a bright light in our nation's still-unfolding story.

All of this may be too hard for you to understand right now. After all, you're only eight years old. But I know you understand the difference between right from wrong. And I know that you know the things Donald Trump has said about Mexicans and veterans and Muslims and women are wrong. More importantly, you know that what he stands for is wrong -- a narrow vision of America that promises opportunity for some through the oppression of others. That "logic" shaped the mistakes of our nation's past. I pray every night it will not shape our future.

You've said that if Donald Trump wins, you want to move to India. I'm afraid to tell you that the current prime minister of India isn't much better than Trump. But more importantly, no matter what happens on Election Day, we will stay and fight for justice. If Trump wins and does the things he has promised, we will not only march in the streets, but we will use our bodies to stop his forces from entering mosques or raiding homes of immigrants. And if Trump does not win, we will still need to fight -- against the strains of intolerance and hate that still course consciously and unconsciously through each of our minds and our entire nation. If Trump is defeated, there is much work to be done to ensure that another Trump does not rise.

On November 8, I will take you with me to vote. And together we will vote to elect Hillary Clinton the first woman president in the 227-year history of the U.S. presidency. And with that choice we will also vote to uplift the best of America's values. With every fiber of our beings, we will continue to vote and speak and write and march and do whatever we can to uphold and uplift justice and inclusion and fairness and kindness and equal opportunity for all.

I cannot promise you that these values will always govern every moment of our nation's future, just as they clearly failed at times in our past. But I can promise you that I will fight for a world and a country that is, at its core, as loving and generous and beautiful as you are. I will fight for the world that you and all children deserve. Electing Hillary Clinton and defeating Donald Trump is just one step. Onward.

# OPINION

## RON PAUL

### OBAMA'S PIVOT TO ASIA HITS A ROADBLOCK IN THE PHILIPPINES



While the mainstream media continues its obsessive reporting on the mud-slinging campaign for the White House, a dramatic development in China last week brought President Obama's "pivot to Asia" to a sudden halt. Philippine president Rodrigo Duterte, while in Beijing, announced his country's "separation" from the United States. He told his Chinese audience, "Your honors, in this venue, I announce my separation from the United States ... both in military, but also economics."

The State Department was stunned and asked for a clarification. The Philippines has been a virtual US protectorate since 1898, when it became U.S. property after the Spanish-American war. Even after gaining independence after World War II it remained a close Cold War ally, hosting U.S. military bases until 1992. Just this spring, as U.S. tensions with China were heating up over a Chinese reclamation project in the South China Sea, the U.S. signed a deal to open five military bases on Philippine territory. The deal was considered of major importance in an increasingly confrontational U.S. approach to the region.

Suddenly it appeared the deal was off. Was the Philippines about to sever diplomatic relations with the United States?

Shortly after making the statement, the Philippine president walked back slightly from what appeared a break with the United States. He did not mean total separation, he said, but rather a desire to loosen his country from the firm grip of U.S. foreign policy. But the point had been made. The Philippines was not happy in its current relationship with Washington.

President Obama's "pivot to Asia" has turned out not to mean improved trade and diplomatic ties with the region, but an aggressive stance toward China over, among other issues, the South China Sea. The U.S. has concluded military agreements with Vietnam and the Philippines, and maintains strong military ties with Japan and South Korea.

The Philippines has been used as a U.S. cat's paw in South China Sea dispute and Duterte's surprise statement signaled that he felt the relationship was too one-sided.

But the tension has been rising and the mood souring for some time. The U.S. State Department has been critical of President Duterte's admittedly brutal crackdown on illegal drugs, which has cost perhaps 2,000 or more lives. In August, Secretary of State John Kerry conveyed the U.S. government's concerns. As elsewhere, such condemnation by the U.S. likely seemed hypocritical to the Philippine president, as the U.S. leads the world in prison population with a large percentage serving long terms for non-violent drug crimes.

Last week a large protest was held in front of the U.S. embassy in Manila in support of the president's move toward a foreign policy independent from Washington. Demonstrators burned American flags and demanded the departure of US troops from their country.

Will U.S.-Philippine relations continue to spiral downward? Or will Washington begin to see that its aggressive foreign policy, in Asia and elsewhere, is beginning to alienate allies? Or perhaps the next US administration will decide that a CIA "regime change" is in order for the independent-minded Philippine president. A U.S. pivot away from confrontation with China would go a long way toward repairing strained relations with the Philippines and beyond. Let's hope that's Washington's next move.

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# LEFT TURN/RIGHT TURN

## DICK Polman



### WAIT, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT UTAH?!

Mike Pence hit the stump in Utah on Wednesday. Yes, Utah.

The Trumpster fire is so out of control that it has now become necessary to waste precious time shoring up a state that has gone overwhelmingly red in every election since 1968. All because of a guy we'd never heard of two months ago.

Put your hands together for Evan McMullin, who, in addition to becoming the first shaved-head presidential candidate, is a serious threat to deprive the Trump-Pence ticket of six electoral votes that it can ill afford to lose. An ex-CIA counterterrorism officer, ex-House policy aide, and investment banker with a conservative "small government" platform, and a spot on the ballot in 11 states, McMullin is giving his fellow Utah Mormons a potential home on Election Day.

Unlike the spineless Republican leaders in Washington, McMullin is merciless about Trump -- and that's a big reason why he's on top in a new Utah poll (at 31 percent; Trump, 27; Hillary Clinton, 24). Stats like that in Utah, on the eve of an election, are unprecedented. Utah's top elected Republicans have all bailed on Trump, essentially signaling to Republican voters that it's OK to back McMullin. Which boosts the odds that he could become the first independent to win a state since segregationist George Wallace scored in the South 48 years ago.

Actually, Trump was in trouble in Utah long before he was outed on tape boasting about sexual assault; long before he was hit with 11 sexual assault accusers. Lest we forget, he lost the state's Republican primary by 55 points. Sixty percent of Utah's voters are Mormon, and they take seriously the church's doctrinal opposition to "any type of unclean or vulgar language and behavior." They're also, on average, highly educated, and we know from crunching the numbers all year that Trump does worst with people who are educated. And as heirs to a persecuted faith, they've long been cool to Trump's attacks on Muslims.

McMullin has no money -- reportedly, he had \$4,300 in the campaign kitty at September's end -- but he does have a message.

"Right now you have a Republican Party that turns away people of different races, turns away people of different religions," he said last Sunday on ABC News, critical of the party's support of Trump. "The vast majority of Republican leaders are putting party ahead of principle and putting party ahead of the interests of their own country."

McMullin is the kind of conventional conservative who has been sidelined this year. He shares a few Trump priorities -- repeal Obamacare, buttress the military -- but he's pro-path to citizenship and pro-free trade. He appears to be in sync with Trump on cutting regulations and lowering taxes, but, like many other conservatives, he suspects that Trump is a closet liberal who doesn't believe what he espouses. And he's clearly drawing Utah conservatives who view Trump's repugnant racism and sexism as a deal-breaker.

In the end, McMullin himself may be nothing more than a footnote, but his current warnings about the GOP may prove prescient. As the ashes of defeat are sifted, it's quite conceivable that the white nationalist Trumpkin wing and the establishment pro-outreach wing could be incompatible.

"It's unlikely that the Republican Party will be able to make the kinds of changes it needs to make after the election. These are generational problems...but the reality is, the conservative movement doesn't have time for that," McMullin said on Sunday. "If the Republican party can't make the changes, as it wasn't able to do after 2012, the conservative movement will need a new political vehicle ... It may mean a new conservative party."

That GOP crackup could happen regardless of the outcome in Utah. But for now, the state's conservative voters are potentially the point of the spear. Even Trump seems to realize it. At a recent rally he declared "We're leading in North Carolina! (Lie.) We're leading all over the place! (Lie.) Having a tremendous problem in Utah!" Bingo. Even a stopped clock is right twice a day.

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## PETER Funt

### 10 THINGS THAT SHOULD END WITH THIS ELECTION



Just a few more weeks and we'll be free of the epic discomfiture that has been the 2016 presidential campaign. Here are ten things we should hope to never hear or see again:

10) "Move the needle." The worn out phrase is employed when commentators tell us that debates, speeches and news developments mean basically nothing. It's punditry's favorite cop out, only used when things don't move the needle.

9) "I take full responsibility." Political-speak for "I will not take responsibility."

8) Paul Begala. Taking over the title of Most Annoying Paid Advocate, previously held by the husband-wife team of James Carville and Mary Matalin, Begala's appearances on CNN underscore why having surrogates share the stage with bonafide news reporters is a terrible idea. And CNN has a raft of such hangers-on including Trump apologists Jeffery Lord and Kayleigh McEnany.

7) "Pivot." It's a useful word on the basketball court and the dance floor. In politics it's time for analysts to pivot to another term.

6) "Hit." Trump gets the blame for promoting the notion that campaigning is a martial art: "When I'm hit I hit back harder." Alas, throughout the '16 campaign, commentators and candidates embraced the expression, tossing politics to the mat.

5) Sean Hannity. No one in media soiled himself as badly with Trump's campaign as the Fox host, who unabashedly gave over his entire nightly show to promoting a single candidate. Sadly, it came at a time when outstanding journalists Megyn Kelly and Chris Wallace were making enormous progress toward removing the stench from the Fox brand.

4) Instant polls. Even after Trump took advantage of online polls that are easily manipulated by campaign staff and supporters, many reputable news organizations continued to conduct them. Legitimate polls have become tedious enough, fake polls are a misleading waste.

3) "Prosecute." Funny, isn't it, how pundits on competing networks latch on to each other's lingo? Even a perfectly reasonable word like prosecute, fine when used in a court of law, quickly becomes overused and grating in the political world. "She didn't really prosecute the case against him on the tax issue." Blah, blah.

2) Old Glory. Trump set some kind of record for the number of American flags squeezed into a single TV shot. Even Michelle Obama gave a stump speech in front of a flag that seemed as huge as the ones that require 100 guys to unfurl on a football field. Patriotism isn't measured by the size or number of flags.

1) Countdown clocks! Nothing, not Trump's sniffing or Clinton's cackling, was as annoying as the cable-TV countdown clocks. And remember, there are only 2.1 million minutes until the 2020 election.

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: R.A.G.S., 8117 W MANCHESTER AVE UNIT 1085, PLAYA DEL REY, CA 90293. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JAMIE MICHELLE JONES, 8117 W MANCHESTER AVE UNIT 1085, PLAYA DEL REY, CA 90293. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JAMIE MICHELLE JONES. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/03/2016. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/2016. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2016-223866  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: R.F. TRUCKING, 653 S 3rd ST., MONTEBELLO, CA 90640. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ANTHONY BRYAN RAMOS, 653 S 3rd ST., MONTEBELLO, CA 90640. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ANTHONY BRYAN RAMOS. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/09/2016. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/2016. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2016-243178  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: RENATA'S FANTASY FLOWERS, 9081 IMPERIAL HWY., DOWNEY, CA 90242. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) RENATA MACIAS RODRIGUEZ, 9081 IMPERIAL HWY., DOWNEY, CA 90242. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: RENATA MACIAS RODRIGUEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/04/2016. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/2006. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2016-242736  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SALAZARS KMG TRANSPORTATION, 324 E 21 ST APT 5, LONG BEACH, CA 90806. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JUAN LUIS SALAZAR ARANA, 324 E 21st APT #5, LONG BEACH, CA 90806. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JUAN LUIS SALAZAR ARANA. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/03/2016. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2016-244799  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SERVPRO OF NORWALK, 21520 YORBA LINDA BLVD. #G524, YORBA LINDA, CA 92887. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) SPYB, INC., 21520 YORBA LINDA BLVD. #G524, YORBA LINDA, CA 92887. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: EDGAR GEORGE ARCIA HERNANDEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/05/2016. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/2016. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2016-245144  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SKATER USA, 375 E 2nd ST. #409, L.A., CA 90012. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) YUJII IKEJIRI, 375 E 2nd ST. #409, L.A., CA 90012. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: YUJII IKEJIRI. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/05/2016. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2016-232073  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE PREMIER CLEANING SERVICES, 164 W 82nd ST., L.A., CA 90003. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ADOLFO RUBEN RAMOS LOPEZ, 164 W 82nd ST., L.A., CA 90003. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ADOLFO RUBEN RAMOS LOPEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/20/2016. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2013. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2016-243978  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TORTAS Y JUGOS JIQUIPAN, 22221 NORWALK BLVD., HAWAIIAN GARDENS, CA 90716. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ALCÁZAR ENTERPRISES, LLC, 22221 NORWALK BLVD., HAWAIIAN GARDENS, CA 90716. This Business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Signed: VERONICA MONIAZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/04/2016. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/2013. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2016-243445  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WUT-A-PICKLE, 129 E 68th ST., LONG BEACH, CA 90805. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) SHONTAY LAVON BURKS, 129 E. 68th ST., LONG BEACH, CA 90805. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: SHONTAY LAVON BURKS. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/04/2016. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2016-245108  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: XCHANGE SOFTWARE CO., 2656 DUFFEE AVE., EL MONTE, CA 91732. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) XCHANGE USA, INC., 2656 DUFFEE AVE., EL MONTE, CA 91732. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: JIANGHAN XU. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/05/2016. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2016-223979  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: YOUR BEAR CLAWS, BHETTY'S NAIL'S, 3284 MINNESOTA AVE., SOUTH GATE, CA 90280. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) BEATRIZ ANDRADE, 3284 MINNESOTA AVE., SOUTH GATE, CA 90280. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: BEATRIZ ANDRADE. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/09/2016. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News  
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