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Saturday, April 22, 2017 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Sierra Vista Park (West End Parking Lot, by the  
Tennis Courts)

## BAILEY CANYON SPRING CLEAN UP APRIL 29TH!

8:00am to noon

Volunteers needed!

Please dress carefully, i.e., closed-toed shoes and  
comfortable clothing. You will also need gloves and  
garden tools.

## PLEASE REMEMBER:

- Must be Sierra Madre resident
- Bring your shovels, dolly, & containers
- Sturdy containers ( no larger than 32 gallons  
each due to safety concerns)
- No plastic bags allowed
- 30 gallon limit during first hour (no limit from  
10:00 am to Noon, while supplies last)

Bailey Canyon Wilderness Park is located at  
451 W. Carter Ave., at the top of Grove St. Bring a  
friend!This event is sponsored by the Sierra Madre  
Environmental Action Council (SMEAC).SIERRA MADRE POLICE LOCKDOWN SCHOOLS IN  
SEARCH OF BURGLARY SUSPECT

Just as school was about to be dismissed for the weekend, the Sierra Madre Police Department informed local school officials to lockdown their campuses while the department attempted to apprehend a burglary suspect. The request was sent to all the schools near the 400 block of Auburn and included Sierra Madre Elementary School, Gooden School, and Bethany Christian School. St. Rita School was on spring break and the Sierra Madre Middle School was not near the crime scene. The general public was also advised via social media, to stay away from the area. The lockdown lasted approximately 1/2 hour.

SMPD was responding to a burglary that was discovered on Auburn. A large window had been broken, the front door left open and the house had been ransacked. The homeowners were not home at the time. Efforts to catch the thief or thieves included assistance from the joint task force helicopter and the Arcadia and Pasadena Police Departments. A canine unit was also brought in to assist.

After the authorities determined that the burglar(s) was no longer in the area, the search was called off and the schools returned to their normal activities.

This incident happened around 2 pm on Friday and the investigation is ongoing. If anyone has information regarding this crime, please contact the Captain Donna Cayson at the Sierra Madre Police Department 626-355-1414. **IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!**

## JEWELRY STORE CLOSES AFTER 47 YEARS

Last week, the Mountain Views News was contacted by the owner of Charlotte's Fine Jewelry with the sad news that the establishment, which has been in existence for 47 years, was calling it quits.

According Charlotte Waddingham, she and the business are relocating to Edmunds, Washington.

The store closing may leave the city with another vacant downtown business for a while, however public records show that the building has already been purchased.



In the case of Charlotte's the relocation is unrelated to another problem commercial businesses are having in Sierra Madre, i.e., escalating rents. One business at a recently remodeled location on Sierra Madre Blvd. has already closed its doors and another is rumored to also leaving due to high rents. "Attracting new businesses to Sierra Madre has been a challenge over the past decade and having 3 or 4 empty commercial sites in downtown is certainly not desirable", said one member of the local chamber of commerce.

There was a time in Sierra Madre's history when downtown offered everything residents needed: (partial listing) a grocery store, a car dealership, a barber shop, a haberdashery, a fresh fish market, a furniture store and much more. Today, with the proliferation of Big Box stores and online retailing, the city will need to maintain and support the kind of brick and mortar businesses that are trendy and attract today's consumers.

In the meantime, according to Charlotte's Fine Jewelry social media posts, the store will only be opened Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturdays from Noon to 6 pm and Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat. 12 noon to 6 pm scheduled to officially close its doors on May 17, 2017. *Photo by D.Davis/MVNews*

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Tues:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
Wed:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
Thur:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
Fri:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

### CITY OF SIERRA MADRE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

NEXT REGULAR April 25, 2017  
6:30 pm

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

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

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

Your event must:

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

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



### SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS

Regular City Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 25, 2017,  
6:30 pm

Can't make it to the meeting, but still want to share your thoughts? You can mail or drop off a written statement to City Hall or email [cityofsierramadre.com](mailto:cityofsierramadre.com) before 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

#### Upcoming Community Events

**Sunday, April 23 – Free Compost Giveaway at Sierra Vista Basketball Courts**

City Council  
April 25, 2017 at 6:30 pm  
May 9m 2017

Planning Commission  
May 4, 2017 at 7:00 pm  
May 18, 2017 at 7:00 pm

Senior Community Commission  
May 4, 2017 at 3:00pm

- May 6 – 7 - Art Fair sponsored by Friends of SM Library at SM Memorial Park

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**EMERGING WOMEN**  
March 18 - April 26

Due to the popularity of the Emerging Women Exhibit, Creative Arts Group will extend our normal Saturday Gallery hours and remain open until 5pm on 4/1, 4/8, 4/15 and 4/22.

ALSO: Q & A on Friday, April 7 from 7 - 9pm. Maurine St. Gaudens, Joseph Morsman and Maureen Siegel Sprowles will discuss the artists presented in Emerging from the Shadows and the influential role these adventurous women played in the development of the arts culture in California. The Q & A discussion is free and no registration is necessary.

The exhibition will continue through April 26, 2017

Exhibit hours: Monday - Friday 10am-5pm & Saturday 10am-5pm

[www.creativeartsgroup.org/emergingwomen/](http://www.creativeartsgroup.org/emergingwomen/)

[www.emergingfromtheshadows.com/](http://www.emergingfromtheshadows.com/)

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**HAVE LUNCH WITH KIWANIS  
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**SPECIAL GUESTS:**

**Tuesday, April 25, 2017 12:00 Noon**  
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\*Proceeds will help fund the Creative Arts Group "Imagine Art Program" benefiting the students of Sierra Madre Elementary School and other youth activities.



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### SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

During this time period, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 2 88 day and night time calls for service.

Tuesday, April 11

A report of a suspicious person in the 400 block of Madre Lane and possible theft of package. The person reporting stated she saw a maroon Toyota van parked on the east side of the street. The witness stated that she saw a woman exit the van not carrying a package, walk up to the house and knock on the door. The woman was then seen walking away from the house carrying a package, then drive off west on Old Ranch Road. Pending more information from possible victim.

Wednesday, April 12

At about 7:42 a.m. officers were dispatched to the intersection of Grandview Ave. and Foothill Ave. regarding a traffic collision involving a deer. The driver was traveling east on Grandview Ave. when a deer jumped into the traffic lane and was struck by the vehicle causing damage to the windshield. Pasadena Humane was called to the scene.

Thursday, April 13

Officers conducted a traffic stop at about 11:55 a.m. on a motorcyclist for not wearing a helmet in the 3400 block of E. Foothill Bl. After a wants/warrant check, it was determined that the rider had an outstanding warrant for his arrest from LAPD and was in possession of a reported lost/stolen credit card. The rider was transported to Pasadena Jail for booking.

NOTE: Several citations were issued within this time period for unlicensed drivers and/or driving without a license, a few resulting in impounding of the driver's vehicle. A reminder to be aware of the expiration date of your California driver's license and vehicle registration tags.  
BE SAFE!

### 4TH OF JULY GRAND MARSHAL NOMINATIONS

The Volunteer Sierra Madre 4th of July Committee is seeking nominations for the 2017 4th of July Parade Grand Marshal. The Parade will be held as always the morning of July 4th.

Parade Grand Marshal Nominees should embody the spirit of Sierra Madre, be an active volunteer in any of the local nonprofit organizations or in some way contributed to the betterment of Sierra Madre. Nominees may be an individual or volunteers or an organization.

Nominations must be submitted in writing by Thursday, April 27th and should be sent to the 4th of July Committee, PO Box 1073 Sierra Madre CA 91025 or emailed to [4thofjulysiemradre@gmail.com](mailto:4thofjulysiemradre@gmail.com). Nominations should be no more than 1 page but at least a paragraph explaining why the honor should be given including contributions to the Sierra Madre community.

Previous Grand Marshals have included 2016 Pete Siberell and Hometown Hero Kris Lowe, 2015 Clem and Nina Bartolai, 2014 Pat & DeAlcorn & Hometown Heroes Sierra Madre Search and Rescue, 2013 VFW Post 3208 & Hometown Hero Mama Pete; 2012 Nel and Bob Soltz (Wistaria Vine owners); 2011 Gayle Bluemel & Hometown Hero John Shear; 2010 Lew Wantanabe; 2009 Midge Morash; 2008 Sierra Madre Fire Department; 2007 Ward Family (E. Waldo Ward & Sons); 2006 Judy Webb Martin & Toni Buckner & Hometown Hero Barbara Wamboldt; 2005 Police Chief Wayne Bailey; 2004 Doug Berkshire; 2003 John Grijalva; 2002 Bob Quamstrom; 2001 Ty Gaffney; 2000 Dr. Bill White; and 1999 Jim & Barbara Heasley.

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March 18 - April 26

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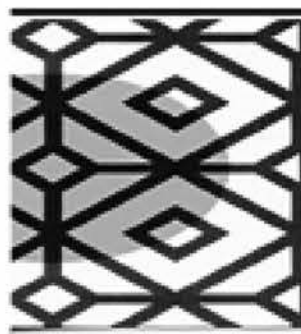








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## Local Area News Briefs

### South Pasadena Police Arrest Child Molestation Suspect

A man in Alhambra was arrested Thursday morning in connection with attempted child molestation in South Pasadena. The suspect Edwin Linares was arrested at about 7:00 a.m. by SPPD.

According to police on Wednesday at about 12:30 p.m., a female juvenile was walking eastbound on Oak Street in front of the South Pasadena Middle School. She noticed that an adult male, driving a red Toyota Corolla, was slowly pacing her. The male drove ahead of the juvenile and stopped at the intersection of Marengo Avenue and Oak Street. He asked the juvenile if she needed a ride. After she refused the ride, the male asked her again. She then pulled out her cell phone and took a picture of the suspect vehicle, which fled eastbound on Oak Street. The juvenile was subsequently able to pick the suspect out of a photographic lineup.

Linares was also wanted by the Alhambra Police Department for felony child molestation. If you have additional information call SPPD Detectives at 626-403-7280.

### Police Release New Sketch of Murder Suspect



The Pasadena police department is continuing to ask the public's help with tips or information regarding the murders of Antione Suthpen and Ormoni Duncan on Jan. 6. Information from the public has led to a new composite sketch of Suspect #2. Anyone with further information is asked to call Detective Gomez at (626) 744-7112 or anonymously at lacrimestoppers.gov.

## Pet of the Week



Blacky (A414650) has never met a head rub he didn't like. This 6-month-old, neutered male, black kitten loves being showered with affection by our volunteers, who report that he is also quite fond of petting and even belly rubs. In return, he'll show his appreciation by roaring up a purr and kneading his paws in delight. Blacky is also quite playful, and would love to spend his days alternately cuddling and chasing a ribbon toy. Meet this sweet boy in our Neely Cat Center today!

The adoption fee for cats is \$75, which includes the spay or neuter surgery, microchip, and vaccinations.

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

Call the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA at (626) 792-7151 to ask about A414650, or visit at 361 S. Raymond Ave. in Pasadena. Adoption hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

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



## First Fitness Training Program for Fire Service

Retired Pasadena Fire Department Chief Calvin Wells (pictured above) announced last week "Firefighter in Training," a the collaboration of Athletic Gaines at CATZ Pasadena, and Stephen Loy, Ph.D., former Wellness Coordinator for LA County Fire Department.

"I put in three and a half decades in the fire service and there are a number of things, that as a fire chief concerned me," wells said. "There is an alarming failure rate at a high expense for hiring someone. So we devised a program that

will help candidates meet up to the rigors of recruit training through fitness."

The Firefighter in Training programs featuring techniques and training needed to pass the CPAT and to succeed in the extremely competitive Fire Recruit Academy "Drill Tower" programs wells said.

The CPAT is the recognized standard for measuring an individual's ability to handle the physical demands of being a firefighter. The timed test measures how candidates handle eight separate events, all designed to mirror tasks on the

job. The CPAT is first physical challenge in the process of becoming a firefighter.

Fire Recruit Academy "Drill Tower" is a 16-week long, extraordinarily difficult training program equivalent to military boot camp. The physical demands of Drill Tower mirror the responsibilities of firefighting including: training in full firefighting structural gear, throwing ladders and pulling hose, wild land firefighting, live fire training, and vehicle extrication tactics.

For more information visit: [firefighterintraining.com](http://firefighterintraining.com).

## Sexual Assault Suspect at Large

Police are still looking for a suspect involved in sexual assault earlier this month at Pasadena City College. According to police, on April 5 at 12:33 p.m., Pasadena Police responded to a local area hospital in regard to an alleged sexual assault that occurred at PCC. The incident occurred as the victim retrieved personnel items left in a locker room. Detectives said the suspect description is: 21 year old male Hispanic, 5 feet 8 in, 170 lbs., brown hair, brown eyes. Suspect had a shaved head with a mullet and nose piercing. Anyone with information is asked to contact Lt. Carrillo at (626) 744-4517.

## Fire Service Day with Open Houses

Meet the dedicated men and women of the Pasadena Fire Department during Fire Service Day on Saturday, May 13th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Fire Station 33, 515 N. Lake Ave.

Firefighters will conduct several demonstrations to include: How fast they put on their firefighting equipment, how they respond to a structure fire, vehicle extrication using the Jaws of Life, rappelling down a building by the Urban Search and Rescue team and how they work with patients on a medical emergency. Fire engines, trucks and other equipment will be on display. There will be hot dogs, refreshments and opportunities to experience live fire extinguisher training and safety tips for children and parents with the public education trailer. Fire Station 33 is on the west side of Lake Avenue just north of Villa Street. Parking will be available in Lot C at Lake Avenue Church one block south of the fire station off of Villa.

All other fire stations in Pasadena will be open to the public as well to meet firefighters and showcase fire apparatus. Fire Station #31, 135 S. Fair Oaks Ave. Fire Station #32, 2424 E. Villa St. Fire Station #34, 1138 E. Del Mar Blvd. Fire Station #36, 1140 N. Fair Oaks Ave. Fire Station #37, 3430 E. Foothill Blvd. Fire Station #38, 1150 E. Linda Vista Ave. Fire Station #39, 50 Ave. 64

For more information call (626) 744-7177.

## City Council Run-off Election Too Close to Call



Phil Hosp (pictured above), a first-time council candidate, held a 20-vote lead over Councilmember Andy Wilson (pictured below) based on unofficial final election results from Tuesday run-off election for Pasadena Council District 7 seat.

City election officials said in a statement that the race was still too close to call as a mandatory re-count of ballots will occur next week and approximately 290 ballots, including about 90 provisional ballots and 200 vote-by-mail ballots, still need to be verified as eligible to be counted. In addition, an unknown number of vote-by-mail ballots could be received by the end of this week and they too need to be verified as eligible to be

## Faery Fun Time at the L.A. Arboretum

Join the faeries from A Faery Hunt up close in an interactive walkabout in the enchanted Celebration Garden at the Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden. The faeries will bring you stories of magic and flowers with dancing, singing and fun and messages of kindness, respect and ecological responsibility. The program is amusing and fun for the entire family, children ages

counted.

The election results were counted and announced in the Council Chamber by City Clerk Mark Jomsky. About 2,000 vote-by-mail ballots were received and counted along with 1,184 votes from four precincts. Hosp was ahead by 20 votes, with 1,602 votes cast for him, or 50.3 percent of the vote, and 1,582 votes cast for Wilson, or 49.6 percent of the vote.

Both the provisional and additional vote-by-mail ballots currently in the possession of the City Clerk's Office will need to be verified and, if eligible, will be added to the vote tally. Any additional vote-by-mail ballots received through the end of this week, if properly signed, post-marked and/or dated, can be eligible to be counted too, according to the City Clerk's Office.



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2-10, and the young at heart.

Tickets are \$10 per child and each adult for Arboretum and members: \$15 per child and each adult for non-members (includes admission)

The event will be held Saturday, April 29 from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Los Angeles County Arboretum & Botanic Garden 301 North Baldwin Avenue. For more information visit [arboretum.org](http://arboretum.org) or 626.821.4623.

## Free Events Roundup at the Pasadena Senior Center

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

**Citizenship Classes – Wednesdays through May 17, from 9 to 10:30 a.m.** Make your dreams come true by attending these sessions to become a U.S. citizen! The first classes cover some of the American history and U.S. government questions on the citizenship exam along with discussions about the rights and responsibilities of citizenship. The four remaining classes cover more questions on the exam as well as strategies for completing the application for citizenship and having a successful interview.

**A Toast to the Joys of Music – Tuesday, April 25, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.** Tom Campbell will play guitar and sing songs in the Senior Center Lounge. Stop by and enjoy his covers of traditional country, country rock, blues, folk, gospel and classic rock originally made famous by Willie Nelson, Merle Haggard, Vince Gill, Elvis Presley, B.B. King, Neil Young, The Grateful Dead, The Rolling Stones and many more.

**A Matter of Balance – Tuesdays and Thursdays, to May 23, from 1 to 3 p.m.** Are you concerned about falling? Learn how to reduce the fear of falling and increase balance and activity levels during this interactive workshop that combines discussion, video and exercise. Reservations are required: 626-685-6732.

**Scenic Walkers Club – Wednesday April 26, at 10 a.m.** Enjoy a series of leisurely walks in the great outdoors. Alan Colville will give you a list of items to bring, let you know what to expect, provide detailed itineraries and arrange transportation. For more information or to sign up, email [alancolville@charter.net](mailto:alancolville@charter.net) or call 626-221-3741.

**Estate Planning Basics, Part II – Thursday, April 27, at 10 a.m.** Learn how to avoid the court system and a conservatorship over yourself and your assets in the event of incapacity, discover how to use estate planning documents such as advance health care directives and durable powers of attorney, plus find out about estate taxes and probate. Presented by the Law Office of Geoffrey Chin.

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



## Open Studios Alta/Pasa/Dena Tour

An Open Studios Art Tour this June will provide an intimate view into the artist's life and studio; to be able to see where and how ideas are conceived and developed. When visiting an artist's studio, the creative process becomes apparent and is unique to each artist. It provides a personal, individualized experience, unlike the setting of a typical gallery show.

The Art Tour takes place over Saturday and Sunday, June 3, and 4, from 11 am until 5 p.m. It is a self-guided tour, allowing visitors to visit with as many artists and locations as desired. Each location offers varying artists and art styles and all offer hospitality and a chance to support local art and make new friends.

The Tour's opening gala will be held at the Altadena Library's main branch on Mariposa Street on Friday evening, June 2. The open event will include a silent auction of artist's work, live jazz, and spoken word. Food and beverage will be available from our own Altadena Wine and Ale House and Sweeter Than

Honey serving up wonderful creations.

Art and other one-of-a-kind, handmade items are available for purchase at most locations and at our retail hosts. Some locations offer food, and some offer music, and other amenities. We hope that you enjoy this Open Studios Art Tour and remember to: "Meet Neighborhood Artists, Come Curious and Leave Inspired!"

Hoopla! Emporium, an early supporting merchant and member of the Administrative Planning Team, is hosting two artists this year – Liz Crimson and Linda Brooks. McGinty's Gallery will be featuring Kate Carvellas and Alfred Haymond.

ARK Gallery and the Art Crush Gallery are also on the Tour.

Be sure to look for our flyers and Tour Guidebooks, placed in locations throughout the Pasadena/Altadena area. We invite you to visit our supporting merchants during your tour. Tour Guidebooks will be available at Hoopla! Emporium, McGinty's Gallery, Altadena Public Library, Pizza of Venice, Sidewalk Café and the Pasadena Antique Warehouse.

For more information about Hoopla go to [shopathoopla.com](http://shopathoopla.com) or call 626-797-1135.

## ALTADENA POLICE BLOTTER

### Monday, April 10th

2:00 PM – A residential burglary occurred in the 2200 block of Pinecrest Drive. Suspect(s) entered the residence via the unsecured door. Stolen: unknown.

9:30 PM – A residential burglary occurred in the 3300 block of N. Mount Curve Drive. Suspect(s) entered the residence by shattering the window. Stolen: unknown.

**Tuesday, April 11th**  
8:00 AM – A residential burglary occurred in the 2700 block of N. Porter Avenue. Suspect(s) entered the residence by shattering the window. Stolen: silver watch and gold chain watch.

10:10 AM – A vehicle was reported stolen from the 2100 block of El Molino Avenue. Vehicle described as a silver 1999 Ford F350.

1:00 PM – A vehicle burglary occurred in the 2300 block of Pinecrest Drive. Suspect(s) entered the vehicle by shattering the window. Stolen: black handbag, credit cards, and currency.

**Wednesday, April 12th**  
4:30 PM – A grand theft from a vehicle occurred in the 2200 block of Glenrose Avenue. Stolen: 2002 Honda Odyssey

catalytic converter.

5:15 PM – Oscar Espinoza, 23 years old of Altadena was arrested in the 2500 block of Fair Oaks Avenue for being under the influence of a controlled substance.

**Thursday, April 13th**  
12:50 PM – A domestic battery occurred in the 200 block of W. Mariposa Street. Suspect has been identified. Investigation is on-going.

6:02 PM – Kevin Melgar, 32 years old of Pasadena and Rogelio Bribiesca, 20 years old of Altadena were arrested in the 2100 block of N. Fair Oaks Avenue for residential burglary. Investigation is on-going.

**Friday, April 14th**  
1:40 PM – A residential burglary occurred in the 1500 block of Braeburn Avenue. Suspect(s) entered the residence by shattering the window. Stolen: jewelry box and jewelry.

2:00 PM – A vehicle burglary occurred in the 1900 block of Grand Oaks Avenue. Suspects described as (2) males. Stolen: red Honda lawn mower, orange weed cutter, and orange hedge trimmer.

8:05 PM – Terri Chisley, 48 years old of Covina was arrested in the area of Altadena Drive and Fair Oaks Avenue for possession of drug paraphernalia.



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## CITY OF ARCADIA’S LAW DAY OFFERS FREE LEGAL ADVICE AT NINETEENTH ANNUAL EVENT ON SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH

ARCADIA, Calif. --- The City of Arcadia and the Arcadia Chinese Association will offer a free Ask-a-Lawyer Program at the Arcadia Public Library, 20 West Duarte Road, on Saturday, April 29th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. as part of the nationwide Law Day celebration.

Volunteer attorneys are available to meet with the public and provide them with a free brief one-on-one consultation on general legal questions. They will provide a summary of legal rights and general advice on a “walk-up” basis, and where appropriate, will refer individuals to the proper legal or governmental organizations. Law Day attorneys are unable to accept any cases from the people they meet.

Law Day attorneys will answer questions on immigration, consumer rights, landlord-tenant issues, insurance problems, property, family law, bankruptcy, government benefits, employee rights, workers’ compensation, personal injury and other topics. Informational brochures and pamphlets are available as additional legal resources.

“For the 19th year in a row local attorneys will volunteer their time to provide assistance to members of our community with their legal problems. One on one consultation is available where legal guidance and expert legal help will be provided. This is a wonderful annual resource for our residents” said Mayor Tom Beck who is an attorney.

“The Arcadia Chinese Association (ACA) is a service and non-profit organization comprised entirely of volunteers. Its mission is to promote the learning of Chinese culture and arts, support educational and charitable activities, bridge cultural gaps, assist new immigrants to understand

American traditions and values, and provide community services in the City of Arcadia,” said Edward Wong, past- president of the Arcadia Chinese Association. “This year the ACA is celebrating its 35th anniversary providing services in Arcadia, and its members are dedicated to ensuring Arcadia continues to be a beautiful city and a “Community of Homes”.”

Participants are encouraged to bring any information pertinent to their case so the attorney or financial expert is able to give the most accurate and reliable advice. No reservations are required for this free service and everyone is welcome to attend.

Translation services will be available in Mandarin and Cantonese. Other languages may be available.

For more information, please call Arcadia City Hall at 574-5401.

About the City of Arcadia

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

## ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

*For the period of Sunday, April 9th, through Saturday, April 15th, the Police Department responded to 1,061 calls for service, of which 134 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.*

**Sunday, April 9:**

Shortly before 4:07 p.m., an officer responded to Sephora, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a theft report. Loss prevention specialists witnessed the suspect, a 15-year-old female from Duarte, select approximately \$765.00 worth of merchandise before exiting the store, failing to make payment. She was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Around 11:35 p.m., an officer conducted an enforcement stop on a vehicle in the area of Duarte Road and Second Avenue for speeding. Upon contacting the driver, the officer detected a strong odor of alcohol emitting from the driver’s breath. The driver refused the field sobriety tests but consented to a blood test. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking. A passenger was extremely intoxicated and unable to care for himself. The 25-year-old male from Pomona was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

**Monday, April 10:**

At approximately 11:06 a.m., an officer responded to Public Storage, 12340 Lower Azusa Road, regarding a burglary investigation. The officer discovered an unknown suspect entered the business through an unlocked door, pried open one of the units, and stole a large television. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

Just after 11:41 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 700 block of Southview Road regarding a vandalism report. The victim stated he found his vehicle with deep scratches that said, “food.” He believes his neighbors may be involved as a result of previous disagreements but no suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

**Tuesday, April 11:**

Around 6:19 a.m., an officer responded to the intersection of Live Oak Avenue and Longden Avenue regarding an activation of an Arcadia Police Department GPS tracker. Arcadia PD detectives had previously deployed decoy packages containing bait property and tracking devices to combat the increase in package thefts from residential areas. An investigation revealed a 26-year-old male from Baldwin Park was in possession of the stolen package, property, and tracking device while riding a bicycle. The suspect dropped the property and attempted to flee on his bike. Officers located, arrested, and transported the suspect to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Just before 8:46 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 1100 block of Fairview Avenue regarding a vehicle burglary report. The officer determined an unknown suspect smashed a rear window and stole the victim’s costume jewelry sometime during the previous night. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

**Wednesday, April 12:**

Shortly after 12:57 p.m., an officer responded the area of First Avenue and the 210 Freeway overpass regarding a subject asleep on the sidewalk. The officer contacted the

subject and discovered he was under the influence of an alcoholic beverage and was unable to care for himself. A records check revealed the 41-year-old male from Los Angeles also had two outstanding misdemeanor warrants. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

At about 8:17 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 100 block of Genoa Street regarding a fraud report. An investigation revealed an unknown suspect used the victim’s personal information to apply for several credit cards. The victim does not know the identity of the suspect or how they obtained their information.

**Thursday, April 13:**

At approximately 10:59 a.m., an officer responded to the Santa Anita Mall, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding an attempted vehicle burglary report. A witness saw a male suspect break the window of a vehicle and flee in a vehicle with a female suspect. Both were apprehended and found with burglary tools inside their vehicle. The 17-year-old male from Azusa and 43-year-old female from Covina were arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Around 9:29 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 900 block of Portola Drive regarding a burglary report. An investigation revealed unknown suspects pried open a side door and ransacked the residence. The loss is unknown at the time of this report. The investigation is ongoing.

**Friday, April 14:**

At about 9:19 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 1900 block of South First Avenue regarding a stolen vehicle report. The victim stated her 1994 Honda Accord had been stolen from her driveway sometime during the previous night. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

Just before 10:21 p.m., officers responded to a residence in the 1600 block of Highland Oaks Drive regarding an animal bite report. The officer determined two coyotes attacked two of the victim’s three small dogs while they were in his backyard. One dog was injured. The coyotes were gone by the time the officers arrived.

**Saturday, April 15:**

Shortly after 11:17 a.m., an officer responded to Tony’s Liquor, 809 West Huntington Drive, regarding an assault report. An investigation revealed the juvenile pedestrian was grazed by the suspect’s vehicle as she was trying to walk across a driveway. When the suspect parked, the altercation escalated and the suspect driver grabbed the victim by the hair, threw her to the ground, and kicked her. The suspect was located a short time later and the 26-year-old female from Los Angeles was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking. The victim sustained minor injuries.

At about 1:57 p.m., an officer responded to the parking lot of 298 East Live Oak Avenue regarding a vandalism report. The officer discovered an argument occurred between two drivers resulting in the suspect breaking the victim’s vehicle window. The 39-year-old male from Arcadia was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking



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## IT’S SEMI-OFFICIAL... PRELIMINARY ELECTION RESULTS FROM MONROVIA APRIL 11, 2017, GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED, SECOND VOTE COUNT SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON APRIL 20, 2017, AT 11:00 A.M.

Attached is a document which outlines the semi-official election results from our April 11, 2017, General Municipal Election here in Monrovia. Those preliminary semi-official results are as follows:

For Mayor	
Tom Adams –	1,941 votes
Mark Harris –	363 votes
For City Council	
Larry Spicer –	1,708 votes
Alexander Blackburn –	1,480 votes
Clifford DeCosta –	751 votes
For City Clerk	
Alice Atkins –	2,178 votes
For City Treasurer	
Steve Baker –	2,165 votes

As mentioned previously, please note that these election results are semi-official and preliminary. Several years ago, State law changed such that any ballot which the City receives by mail with a postmark of April 11, 2017 (or earlier), must be

accepted through Friday, April 14, 2017, and that those votes must be included in the final count.

Furthermore, there are still “Vote by Mail” ballots that were turned in at our precincts (110 ballots total), as well as provisional ballots (42 ballots total), which still need to be verified and processed.

Lastly, a new law enacted by the State this year requires that we notify any “Vote by Mail” voter who forgot to sign their ballot envelope of their oversight, and that we give those individuals until Wednesday, April 19, 2017 (8 days following the election) to come in and resolve the issue.

Given all of those provisions and moving parts, there are still approximately 430 ballots to count (pending verification). To that end, we have a second vote count planned for Thursday, April 20, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. at City Hall. At that time, all of the verified ballots will go into the ballot counter, and subsequently, we will publish updated election results, which will eventually be certified at the City Council meeting to be held on May 2, 2017, at 7:30 p.m.

## STAR TREK SPURS DUARTEAN TO PURSUE A CAREER IN BIOCHEMISTRY: HER SECRET REVEALED

In an inspiring story, Dr. Beth Singer, a Duarte resident, confesses the secret to her stunning career in science which emerged in an unusual way.

“Star Trek inspired me to become a scientist, convincing me at an early age that science and the advancement of human knowledge could make the world a better place. I was influenced by the unshakable moral commitment to the optimism where, in the Star Trek universe, all problems are solvable, not by some barbaric fashion, but by the ingenuity of the crew. I wanted to be part of that world where scientific knowledge was more important than military power and where the color of your skin, your gender, even whether you were human or an alien did not matter as much

what you were capable of,” she says.

An avid collector of all things Star Trek, Dr. Singer will set forth her compelling story on Friday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m. at the Duarte Historical Museum, 777 Encanto Parkway. The presentation is free. Adults, youngsters and especially students may discover a path to their own personal goals through her journey which inspired her to earn a Ph.D. in Biochemistry and help develop research in nanotechnology with applications in drug development. “Even after years of working in science and following science fiction, I still feel that Star Trek shows us a future worth dreaming about and a future worth working hard to make real.”

For more information call (626) 358-0329.

## MONROVIA POLICE BLOTTER

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

Residential Burglary April 13 at 2:28 p.m., officers were dispatched to a residence in the 600 block of W. Hillcrest regarding a burglary. The location is vacant, but staged for sale. The property owner returned to the location and saw the rear glass door had been shattered. Nothing was stolen from inside the location, but it was evident the suspects had searched through the location for items. There was graffiti inside the location as well. The investigation is continuing.

Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance – Suspect Arrested April 13 at 3:38 p.m., an officer responded to the rear of a business in the 300 block of W. Huntington regarding a homeless person camping. One female adult was located inside a make shift shelter. While speaking to her, officers determined she was under the influence of methamphetamine. She was arrested and taken into custody.

Residential Burglary April 13 at 5:01 p.m., a resident in the 400 block of N. Alta Vista called police to report their home had been burglarized. The resident had returned home and found someone had kicked in his front door. Officers responded and searched the residence, but no suspects were located. Numerous items were taken from the home. The investigation is continuing.

Vehicle Burglary April 14 at 12:08 a.m., officers were dispatched to the 200 block of W. Evergreen regarding a vehicle burglary. The victim walked outside to her vehicle and found a suspect inside rummaging through her belongings. She yelled at

the suspect and he ran away. Officers conducted an area check, but did not find the suspect. The victim believes the suspect may have taken some of her mail from the vehicle. The investigation is continuing.

Possession of a Controlled Substance – Suspects Arrested April 14 at 1:19 a.m., an officer was on patrol in the 400 block of S. Myrtle when he observed a subject that was snorting a white substance off of a metal box. The officer detained the subject and he admitted to snorting methamphetamine. The suspect was arrested for possession of a controlled substance.

Vehicle Burglary April 14 at 2:28 p.m., a vehicle burglary was reported in the 800 block of W. Duarte Road. The victim parked and locked her vehicle in the carport of her apartment complex, leaving her purse on the front seat. When she returned to the vehicle, she found a window had been smashed and her purse was missing. The investigation is continuing. Warrant – Suspect Arrested April 14 at 4:47 p.m., an officer on patrol in the 1400 block of S. Shamrock conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for a vehicle code violation. A computer check revealed the driver had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. The driver was arrested and taken into custody.

Battery / Elder Abuse – Suspect Arrested April 14 at 8:56 p.m., officers responded to a residence in the 500 block of Fano on a battery report. The 21-year-old son woke up and began arguing with his father. He then began punching his father on the head. His grandmother walked into the room to see what was going on and he turned and wrapped his arm around her neck and began choking her. An Uncle had to intervene until police arrived. The suspect was arrested for battery and elder abuse.

## DUARTE “GREEN HOME” AWARDS COMPETITION LAUNCHED DUARTE, CA, APRIL 19, 2017

The Green Home Awards Program was designed to reward homeowners who have maintained the beauty of their homes while excelling in their lawn and garden water conservation efforts, including switching to water conserving irrigation systems, and/or adding drought tolerant landscaping and gardening practices.

This year it was decided that local service groups would serve as judges, selecting the homes that they fill best fit the criteria.

Judges are assigned a zone and they are to select up to 5 homes within that zone. California American Water and Duarte Public Safety will assist in finalizing the winners. Judging of homes will take place beginning Saturday, April 1 until Sunday, April 24.

Judges have not been finalized but organizations

such as Duarte Chamber, Duarte Kiwanis, Duarte Booster Club, Duarte Education Foundation, Duarte Rotary Club, LULAC and others have been notified.

Guidelines and criteria used in the selection of winners include judging the general overall appearance of the home, confirming that the homeowner used water conserving irrigation and or drought tolerant landscaping, and ensuring that the property was in compliance with all municipal codes.

After it is determined that the selected homes have met the criteria, residents will be invited to the May 23, 2017 City Council Meeting to be recognized.

Each winner will receive a certificate signed by the mayor, a lawn sign, and a water conservation kit donated by California American Water.

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## ARCADIA HIGH STUDENTS NAMED NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP FINALISTS

ARCADIA--Arcadia High School made another exceptional showing in this year's National Merit Scholarship Program, with 25 Apaches named as National Merit Scholarship Finalists. This is the 24th consecutive year that Arcadia High School has had over 85 percent of its students advance from semifinalists to finalists in this renowned program.

Students honored each year by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) represent less than one percent of high school seniors in the United States. The 2017 National Merit Scholarship Program had approximately 1.6 million juniors from more than 22,000 high schools to consider at the onset of this year's program. From these entrants, the NMSC recognized about 50,000 academically talented high school students, with 75 AHS students making the first round of recognition.

In the next round of applicant evaluation, nearly 16,000 student scholars were selected as semifinalists. This figure was further refined to a finalist pool comprised of 15,000 students. Among these finalists are 25 Apaches who are currently in the running to receive one of about 7,500 National Merit Scholarships whose combined total reaches nearly \$33 million.

"AHS students have received recognition from the National Merit Scholarship Program each year for well over 20 years now," reflected Arcadia Unified School

District Superintendent Dr. David Vannasdall. "Most of our Arcadia High students are products of Arcadia Unified's K-8 schools. Our consistently strong showing in this program is a true testament to the unwavering dedication shown by all of our students, teachers, and staff to creating a foundation of success that will serve our students beyond high school graduation."

Merit Scholarship winners will be selected by a committee comprised of seasoned college admission officers and high school counselors. Students



Arcadia High School National Merit Scholarship Finalists: (Alphabetical order by last name)

Janine S. Chan, Simone Claire Chu, Samuel X. Cui, Daniel A. Harnanto, Cathleen Huang, Cecilia Lee, Wendy W. Lee, Yue Liang, Yi Hsuan Lin, Kimberly Lo, Donna A. Sayphraraj, Nora Sebeca Sharp, Brianna M. Sun, Yanxi Tang, Justin K. Tay, Tiffany M. Tsui, Nicholas K. Ung, William X. Wang, Charles Xu, Cathleen Yang, Isabell Yang, Pearl Yang, Keerthana Yoganathan, Stanley Yu, and Lucy Y. Zhang

selected as Merit Scholarship recipients are judged to have the most distinguished credentials and highest potential for academic success, without consideration of financial need, college choice or major and career plans. Scholarship winners will begin receiving offers this month.

## ALVERNO HEIGHTS ACADEMY'S PERFORMING ART DEPARTMENT PRESENTS HAIRSPRAY

*The show will run April 20, 21, and 22 at the Lanterman Auditorium in La Cañada*

Sierra Madre, CA (April 18, 2017) – Alverno Heights Academy is proud to present Hairspray on Thursday, April 20, Friday, April 21, and Saturday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lanterman Auditorium in La Cañada.

Hairspray is an American musical with music by Marc Shaiman, lyrics by Scot Witman and Shaiman and book by Mark O'Donnell and Thomas Meehan, based on the 1988 John Waters film Hairspray. The show, set in 1960s Baltimore, tells the story of dance-loving teen Tracy Turnblad who auditions for a spot on "The Corny Collins Show" and wins. She becomes a celebrity overnight, a trendsetter in dance, fun and fashion who sets out to topple Corny's reigning dance queen, win the guy, and bring racial integration to the show.

The main cast of Hairspray includes senior Payton Emerson as Tracy Turnblad, junior Riley Luna (St. Francis High School) as Edna Turnblad, senior Jillian Kislow as Corny Collins, senior Cassidy Castillo as Penny Pingleton, senior Arianna Muñoz as Velma Von Tussle, junior Emily Verdin as Amber Von Tussle, senior Sam Holtz (St. Francis High School) as Link Larkin, sophomore Sion Robertson (Pasadena High School) as Seaweed Stubbs, senior Moondera Rabb as Little Inez, Gabrielle Thompson (Alumna, Abilene Christian University) as Motormouth Mabelle, sophomore Julia Vallen as Wilbur Turnblad, senior Cathy Johnson as Prudy Pingleton, senior Etienne Barzallo as Mrs. Pinky, and sophomore Maritza DiRito as Matron.

Members of the ensemble cast include second grader Kennedy Baro (Holy Name of Mary); fourth grader Mia Luna (Holy Angels); eighth graders Chris Johnson (St. Rita School) and Andrew Byer (Oak Avenue Intermediate); freshmen Isabella Lara, McKenna Lindheimer, Isabel Mejia, Lily Murphy, Maddie Petersen, Madison Ramirez, and Denise Recinos; sophomores Elisia Bendy, Kathleen Cramer, Caroline Dragos, Malik Gay-Banuelos (St. Francis High School), Jason Hernandez (Pasadena High School), Amanda Hill, Claire Lewis, Precious Perlas, Beatriz Rivas, Valerie Sanchez, Reed Scardino (St. Francis High School), and Elise Tervalon; juniors Sierra Curren, Maxine Deng, Leila Moreno, Vanessa Prata, Matilda Prole, Anica Quizon, Skylar Robinson, and Nini Washington; and seniors Alexis Baro, Lisa Costantino, Dominic Daniels-

Campos (Cathedral High School), Allison Johnson, Allison Joseph, Manuel Madrigal (Cathedral High School), Nalani Moreno, Chandnee Raina, Haylee Robinson, Anna Sandoval, Rain Villanueva, and Cristina Webster.

Finally, members of the crew for Hairspray include freshmen Cassandra Lianto and Caroline Wong; sophomores Briana DeAnda, Rita Kearns, Cami Lee, Lillian Pentecost, and Sydnee Sao; juniors Sabina Arida, Sierra Curren, Ali Nolan, Nikki Oberhammer, Kaiya Reel, Natalie Scigliano, and Emily Verdin; and seniors Alexis Baro, Selma Galdamez, Cathy Johnson, Allison Joseph, Jillian Kislow, Asia Leong, Nicole Lianto, Alicia Lindheimer, McKinley Luna, Magdalena Mikuljan, Feier Mo, and Arianna Muñoz.

Alverno's production of Hairspray is being directed by Mrs. Cynthia Cales P'12 with musical direction by Ms. Mary Elker.

Presale tickets to Hairspray may be purchased from the Alverno office for \$15 and at the door at the Lanterman Auditorium.

Alverno Heights Academy is located at 200 North Michillinda Avenue in Sierra Madre and the Lanterman Auditorium is located at 4491 Cornishon Avenue in La Cañada.

About Alverno Heights Academy

Alverno Heights Academy is an all-girls, independent, progressive Catholic, college preparatory school dedicated to its mission of empowering each young woman to be exactly the person she wants to be. Located on the property of the former Barlow Estate in Sierra Madre, California, Alverno Heights Academy was founded in 1960 by the Sisters of St. Francis who sought to create an environment in the San Gabriel Valley where young women could become informed and knowledgeable persons. Later renamed Alverno High School and sponsored by the Immaculate Heart Community, Alverno's program—academic, spiritual, aesthetic, social, and physical—has been shaped by the staff, trustees, and students. As Alverno Heights Academy once again, the school remains committed to its mission by encouraging each of their young women to be who they imagine. For more information about Alverno Heights Academy, please visit [www.alvernoheightsacademy.org](http://www.alvernoheightsacademy.org).

## ARCADIA HS'S AWESOME GOVERNMENT CLASS AGAIN TRAVELS TO "WE THE PEOPLE" FINALS

By Joan Schmidt

For thirty years, there's been a very special tradition at Arcadia High School. This year, it's Megan Leahy's AP US Government Class participating in the "We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution" program. This instructional program on the principles of the US Constitution and Bill of Rights includes all school age students with the goal of promoting understanding of the principles and values on which our political institutions are based.

At the high school level, the culmination of the Program is in late April, a three-day National Competition with 1300 high school students and teachers from the fifty states, the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands participating. The first part of the competition is held on the campus of George Mason University and narrows the group down to ten. These ten advance to the finals at the US House of Representatives.

It's not an easy journey to reach the Nationals. The students have been working tirelessly since last summer. Their coaches include their teacher, Megan Leahy, Kevin Fox (also a teacher and past "We the People" course instructor), and their volunteer coaches-a special group of attorneys - Miriam Lopez, Carl Nielsen, Bob Garret, and Gary Kovacic (also Former Mayor). Every Monday night, the students were at City Chambers from 7-10 pm. They did research, gave presentations, answered questions and heeded constructive criticism. The thirty students are divided into six "units" covering specific topics.

Unit 1: History and Philosophy behind the Constitution. Members include William Wang, Eric Choi, Donna Sayphraraj, Shame Sun, Joshua Wu.

Unit 2: Framing of the Constitution: Paul Wang, Ian Yu, Silvia Zheng, Emily Wu, Joshua Hu.

Unit 3: Studies the ways in which Constitutionalism Ideals are applied today: Julia Wang, Hannah Chiu, Vivian Chan, Chelsea Lee, Cathleen Huang.

Unit 4: Studies modern government institutions and practices: Jenny Wu, Hugh Cheon, Katherine Hsu, Vivian Long, Clara Lee.

Unit 5: Studies Bill of Rights and its applications to modern legal system: Katie Nigolian, Melissa Morris, Neal Narvekat, Brandon Lu, Samantha Vuong.

Unit 6: studies challenges that face the American Constitutionalism in the 21st Century: Jake Walsh, Lucy Zhang, Emily Pham, Brianna Sun, Stanley Yu.

To reach the Nationals, the Arcadia team placed 2nd in Bakersfield in the state finals and were awarded a wildcard bid. This is the third straight year they are going to the National Finals and last year, won the Bronze. In 1993 and 2010, they came in FIRST! This weekend I will be thinking of Ms. Leahy's awesome class. All these months of hard work, total commitment and dedication are to be commended. No matter where they place in the finals, they are true champions to me.



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## A WOMAN 'ABOUT TOWN' BRINGS GUIDE DOGS TO AMERICA

Prior to the late 1920's, the idea of a dog helping a blind man navigate the layout of his own home, much less city sidewalks, was unheard of in America. There were certain dogs trained to do military and police work at that time, but training canines to assist the seeing-impaired had not yet been considered on our continent.

This would soon change after a forward-thinking Swiss woman named Dorothy Harrison Eustis introduced the concept of blind-assistant service dogs to the United States, in an article she wrote in the November 5, 1927 issue of Saturday Evening Post.

At 41-years-old, Eustis had made a name for herself in Switzerland as a skilled police dog trainer. Then one day, in early 1927 she visited a school she had heard about in Germany where canines were being trained to assist veterans who'd lost their eyesight while fighting in WWI.

Inspired and enthused, Eustis returned home from Germany smitten by the prospect of transforming the lives of countless people through the training of canines to assist the blind. Soon after, her observations from her visit at the school, in the Saturday Evening Post article.

Over the course of 4 months she'd watched trainers lead the dogs through increasingly challenging exercises in concentration, obedience, and obstacle work. Wearing a rigid harness, the dogs learned to slow and slacken to indicate a curb, stop and sit before stairs or traffic, and carefully lead past objects such as trees or trash cans. After the initial training, the school paired 15 dogs with their masters who spent the next month bonding and training together.

"The first days were difficult," wrote Eustis. "The blind man is nervous, distrustful and supercritical, as well he might be." But he listened to lectures on care, feeding and authority, as well as memorized raised maps of the city. Then one day a crop of men called for their dogs. Each ran to his master, laying his head on his hand to let him know he was there. In order to graduate, they each had to venture into the city.

"I shall never forget the change that came over one man as he turned away from that gate," she wrote. "It was as though a complete transformation had taken place before my eyes. One moment it was an uncertain blind man tapping with a cane, and the next it was an assured person with his dog firmly in hand and his head up, who walked toward us quickly and firmly, giving his orders in a low, confident voice."

Eustis asked permission to join one of the teams on their first venture out. Weaving through crowds of shoppers, avoiding bicyclists and navigating barriers, the team of two maneuvered their way through town with remarkable ease. Not once during the hour-long walk was the dog's attention distracted. They returned to the school, whereupon Eustis knew she had been converted!

## Happy Tails

by Chris Leclerc



Many of the men who arrived at the school were weak from inactivity, too ashamed to rely on family or friends to lead them, Eustis observed. "In four short weeks, they are remade; life takes on a new interest; shoulders lost their droop, back straighten up and feet forget to shuffle."

In response to her article, Eustis received a flood of mail including a letter from a gentleman who lived in Nashville, Tennessee named Morris Frank. Being blind himself, Mr. Frank offered to help Eustis start a blind-assistant canine training school in the United States, if she would be willing to teach him how to work with a trained dog of his own.

In April of 1928, Morris Frank met his first dog, a German Shepherd named Kiss which he later changed to Buddy. In fact, Frank chose the same name for all of his subsequent 6 guide dogs. In an interview, Frank stated, "As I put my hand down on Buddy, I knew she was going to be my Declaration of Independence, and give me back the freedom I so long desired to come and go as I please."

On January 29, 1929 Morris Frank kept his promise to Dorothy Harrison Eustis by joining her in co-founding The Seeing Eye, America's first guide dog training center. With such a unique specialty, no facility and a lack of trainers, the first several years proved challenging.

In 1932, having realized that Nashville's climate was too hot for sustained activity, they settled the non-profit in Whippany, New Jersey. But the Depression depleted their resources quickly. Besides Eustis' small fortune, the Seeing Eye sought support from donations, trust incomes and endowments.

In 1934, they decided to fix the price of a dog at \$150 which would include travel, training, boarding and lifetime follow-ups. Those who served in the military paid \$1. These prices have remained the same to this day and no one has ever been denied a dog due to financial inability. The Seeing Eye has ever accepted government assistance. They rely solely on contributions from their loyal supporters.

Thanks to the inspired compassion, vision and drive of one remarkable renaissance woman, countless seeing-impaired people have benefited from a unique partnership with a willing and well-trained four-legged friend! It just goes to show what a difference the life of one person can make when one chooses to follow their heart to help make a better life for those less fortunate than themselves.



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## HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

### THE JOY OF YOGA HIT THE RESET BUTTON



With life's abundance of responsibilities, downtime and FUN time are vital to happiness.

There comes a moment of saturation -- aka stress -- in living and working. A wise person builds fun and relaxation into their schedule to steer clear of reaching the point of no return and saying, "Ahh...I can't take it anymore!" It is hard to get off the hamster wheel, so here are a few tips for hitting the all-important reset button for mind, body, and perspective.

First, take time to unplug. In yoga, we could relate this to pratyahara or withdrawal of the senses. The mind cannot settle when it's pulled in multiple directions. What we see, hear, feel and taste affects us. To practice withdrawing the senses, find a quiet place to be for a while, close the eyes, and just concentrate on the breath. Consciously, hear the sound of the breath as you smooth it out.

This action alone significantly changes the inner landscape.

Next, do something for your body that will contribute to your well-being. This could be going to a yoga class, going for a walk, making a healthy meal, or visiting your local wellness professional for a service. Action will change your energy. Think of it as TLC for you. If you're in a deep rut, this could be hard. Do it anyway. Changing your prana, or vital life force energy, changes your perspective of the world. Positivity and inspiration will usually slip in.

Last, have fun! Spend time with someone you love and have a good time together with laughs included. Connecting with others nourishes us spiritually. Meet up, attend yoga, and make your next date for spending time.

Love and Namaste, see you in class!

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## THE MISSING PAGE

### Real Life Tips from Life's Instruction Manual



When you go to the market and do you fill your basket with whatever the grocer hands you? Do you go to a restaurant and accept whatever the cook is making that day? How about leaving

your home, do you just follow the road without direction? Of course, you don't! So why would you ever approach your life passively, going along with circumstances?

As we age, it's easy to trek the path of least resistance, but that is not necessarily the way to joy. Happiness is circumstance dependent; joy is infused with gratitude regardless of conditions.

Sometimes we put more effort into thinking about our grocery list than thinking about creating a life that we love. To live a vision driven life, we must be diligent with guarding our thoughts and direct our mind.

It's easy to become complacent, but the transformation is just one question away. When

we ask ourselves an empowering question, it puts us on the path of self-awareness, and that's where growth happens.

We could awaken each day asking ourselves, "Ugh, how am I ever going to get through today?" Conversely, we could train ourselves to ask, "What would I love?" Another question is "How do I want to feel?" One method you could use to expand your imagination is to ask the question from the greatest possibility such as, "If I could do anything in the world, what would I do? That is an inquiry that is likely to excite you.

As you are going through your day, notice the internal conversation you are having with yourself. Make a commitment to yourself to start having an empowering dialogue with yourself.

Lori A. Harris is a lawyer and empowerment coach that helps women that women live their best lives. You can find out more about her at [www.LoriAHarris.com](http://www.LoriAHarris.com) and download her free app the Gratitude Train in Google Play and the App Store.

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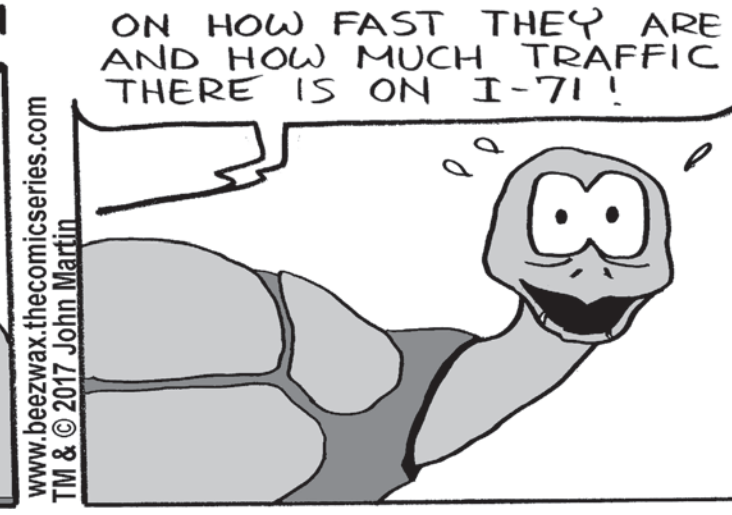
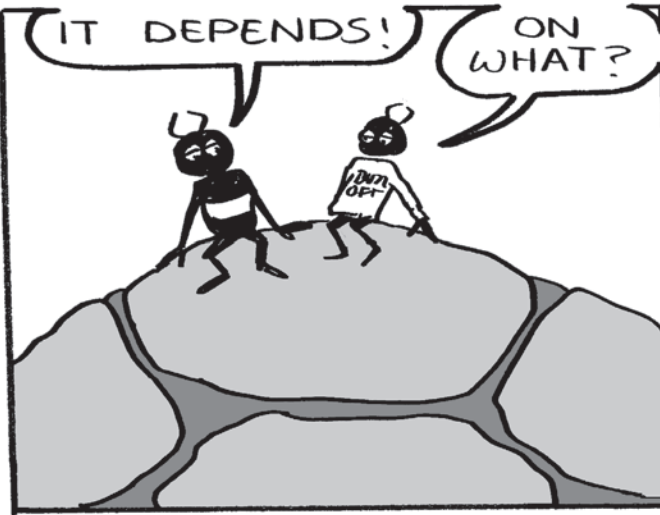
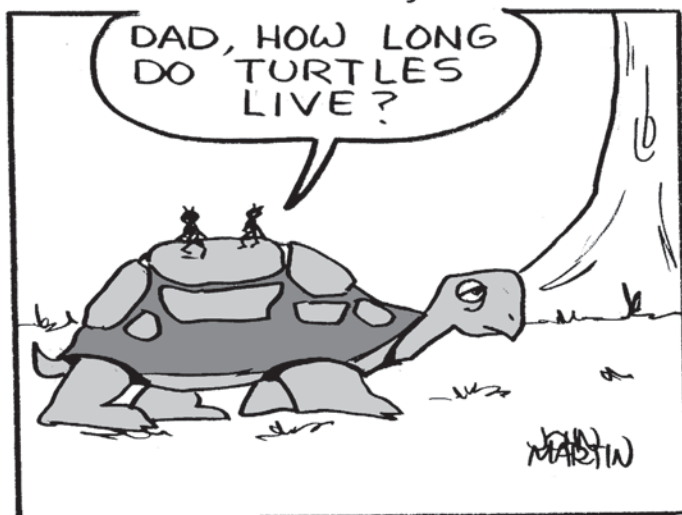
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## BEEZWAX

by John Martin





## SAY CHEESE

Cheese any one? A popular party question is: if you were stranded on a deserted island what food would you want to have with you? What wine would you drink? I hope this island has crackers, because for me it would be champagne and cheese. There have been many articles written (and I have read a ton of them) on how to select cheese to go with wine. For me, however, any food goes with champagne, but not every cheese goes well with certain wines.

Recently I hosted a wine and cheese party, always a great way to try new wines - everyone who attends has to bring a description of their cheese and why they selected it. A couple of pointers on selecting cheese and how to serve it: much like I have said "don't put your wine in the fridge until you are ready to drink it", don't cut your cheese until you are ready to serve it. Cheese should always be served at room temperature, so take it out of the fridge about 30 minutes before serving. Many French wines can be paired with cheeses from the same region, though there are many great cheeses produced stateside. My trick is to find a great local artisan cheese produced in the European style. Here are a few of my selections.

Merlots are very popular right now, and San Simeon has an award-winner that would pair great with goat and/or all aged cheese. I love Domaine Carneros' sparkling wine - it goes great with stilton, aged blues or gouda. Everyone's favorite, Wild Horse Chardonnay, pairs nicely with a creamy cheese like

**TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills**  
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a triple cream or camembert brie. How about a fruity Sangria? Bodega makes a very tasty one, and I suggest a pepper jack cheese on a Triscuit. Yes, a Triscuit cracker.

I kept the wine prices under \$20, and as far as the cheese goes you can expect to pay around \$15 to \$20 for a nice portion. San Simeon Merlot is available at Vons for about \$20. Domaine Carneros Sparkling Wine can be found at Gelsons for \$28. Bodega Sangria is available at Whole Foods for \$10. Wild Horse Chardonnay is in wide distribution, at grocery stores including Vons, for \$12.

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1/4 cup nonfat plain yogurt  
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1/8 teaspoon salt  
Pinch of cayenne pepper, or to taste  
1 orange  
2 tart-sweet red apples, diced (about 2 cups)  
1 cup chopped celery  
1/3 cup golden raisins  
1/3 cup toasted walnut pieces, coarsely chopped

### DIRECTIONS:

1. Whisk yogurt, mayonnaise, curry powder, salt and cayenne in a medium bowl. Grate 2 teaspoons zest from the orange and add to the dressing.
2. Using a sharp knife, cut off the peel and white pith from the orange. To make attractive segments, hold the orange over the bowl (to catch the juice) and slice between each segment and its surrounding membranes. Add apples, celery, raisins and walnuts; toss to combine.

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WHAT TO DO WITH CREMATED ASHES?

Dear Savvy Senior,  
When my father passed away a few months ago we had him cremated, but are now wondering what to do with his ashes. My sister and I would like to do something celebratory for his life, but aren't sure what to do. Any suggestions?

No Instructions Left

Dear No,  
If your dad didn't leave any final instructions on what to do with his cremated remains (ashes), you have a wide array of choices. They can be kept, buried or scattered in a variety of ways and in many locations. Here are some different options to help you decide.

**Keep Close By**  
For many people, keeping the ashes of their deceased love one close by provides a feeling of comfort. If you fit into this category, you could keep his ashes in an urn on the mantel or in a cabinet, or you could also scatter some of them into your lawn or garden, shake them into a backyard pond or dig a hole and bury them. Another possible option is eco-friendly urns (like UrnaBios.com or EterniTrees.com) that contain a seed that grows into a tree or plant after being buried.

**Cemetery Options**  
If you want your dad's final resting place to be at a cemetery, you have several choices depending on how much you're willing to spend. With most cemeteries, you can either bury his ashes in a plot, or place them in cremation monument, a mausoleum, or a cemetery building called a columbarium.

**Scatter Them**  
If you want to scatter his ashes, to help you chose an appropriate location, think about what your dad would have liked. For example, did he have a favorite fishing spot, camping area, golf course, beach or park that held a special meaning? These are all possibilities, but be aware to that if you choose to scatter his ashes in a public location or on private land, you'll need get permission from the management, local government or the land owner.  
National parks, for example, require you to have a permit before you scatter ashes. If you wish to dispose



of them at sea, the Environmental Protection Agency asks you be at least three miles from shore. Beach scatterings are also illegal in some states, including California, but are rarely enforced. And many public areas, like Central Park and Disneyland prohibit scattering ashes too, as do most professional and college sports stadiums.

**Untraditional Methods**  
If you want to do something truly unique with his ashes, you have many choices here too, but they can get pricy ranging from a few hundred to several thousand dollars. Here are several to consider.  
Scattering by air: This free-spirited option lets you spread your dad's ashes into the sky so the particles can be taken by the wind. To do this, you could hire a private plane, helicopter or hot air balloon service, or use a balloon scattering service like EternalAscent.com or Mesoloft.com. Or, you could even send his ashes into outer space with ElysiumSpace.com.  
Scattering by sea: If your dad loved the water, there are many businesses that offer ash scattering services at sea, especially close to coastal areas, or you could rent a boat and do it yourself. There are also companies like EternalReefs.com that offer reef memorials so your dad's ashes can rest on the ocean floor.  
Ashes to keepsakes: If you want a keepsake of your dad, you can also turn some of his ashes into a wide variety of memorabilia, such as: diamonds (see LifeGem.com or DNA2Diamonds.com); jewelry or other handcrafted glass items (ArtFromAshes.com and Memorials.com); vinyl records (Andvinly.com); gun ammunition (MyHolySmoke.com); or an hourglass urn (InTheLightUrns.com).

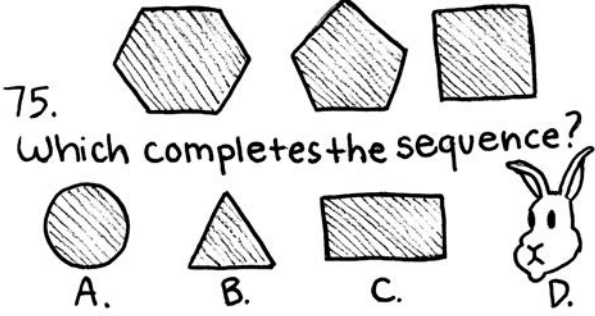
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KATIE Tse .....This and That  
TINY BUBBLES

This is an article that I wrote several years ago, before we were thrust into the brave new world of Common Core and computerized "smart" tests. I hope you enjoy this quaint look at what standardized state testing used to be like.  
Spring is here ! Blossoms perfume the air as I walk through our beautiful town. While this season is a time for celebrating nature's rebirth, it comes with the ominous raincloud of Standardized Testing! I feel sorry for high school students facing this academic adversary; it seems like the competition grows fiercer every year.  
When I was in high school I had a healthy concern about the test, but I didn't give myself an ulcer signing up for tutoring or pouring over SAT study guides (okay, I bought one, but I didn't pour over it). What did strike fear in my heart was the dreaded GRE (Graduate Record Examination) which I had to pass in order to enter grad school. If you haven't had the pleasure, the GRE is sort of like the SAT on steroids.  
I've tried to repress memories of this daunting experience, but I still recall the practice CD Rom with its algebraic equations and writing prompts such as "defend or refute the use of trade embargoes." I frantically typed while watching a red time clock tick down (because a test is always scarier if it's timed!). I wondered what any of this had to do with my future in Health and Human Services. All's well that ends well, I think that CD eventually found its way into a celebratory bonfire.  
If you have elementary school kids you've probably received newsletters alerting you to the upcoming crucial week(s) of standardized state testing. Make sure they're well rested, fed, and at school on time! When I was a student my teachers always stressed having a good breakfast on testing days, but I never felt any smarter for it. The truth is, however, that it's the teachers who

are really stressed out over these fateful booklets (Ha! Booklets! How 20th century!). One careless kid can swing the school's whole API (Academic Performance Index), which in turn can taint the district's AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) report. Next thing you know, home values drop because the neighboring city's kids did better on this one test, taken one week, targeting what is sometimes a very narrow range of skills. Since this test is of supreme importance, it used to require teachers to sign a statement testifying that they'd been trained in the handling of test booklets. Every day after school, the booklets were collected and locked in bins in a secure location (I kid you not!). Of course these days it's all online, so schools don't need to reinvent Fort Knox on their campuses. Children's work was stowed away with the same level of protection given to documents of national security.  
Considering the magnitude of this exam, it is understandable that teachers were tempted to become irate when students casually flipped over reading sections, filled in random bubbles, and turned in a seven-page exam after three minutes. While we all hope our kiddos will put their best effort into this ordeal, you can't help but understand why some kids burn out after hours of math, science, writing, and reading about gripping topics such as mural artists and memoirs of a childhood in England during the Industrial Revolution.  
One of my Mom's teacher friends is fond of telling about one of her students (nearing middle age by now) who spent a considerable amount of time on his test before turning in an answer sheet with all the "B's" bubbled in except the last item, which was blank. When she asked why he didn't fill in that one he said, "I didn't know the answer." Seriously, you can't make this stuff up! Moral of the story: sleep well, eat a good breakfast, and color in a variety of letters (or, these days, click on a variety of answers).



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SENIOR HAPPENINGS



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

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**Bingo:** Every Tuesday beginning at 1:00p.m. Cards are only \$0.25 each! Everyone is welcome to join. May be canceled if less than five people.  
**Free Blood Pressure Testing:** 2nd Tuesday of the month from 11a.m. to 12p.m. No appt. is necessary.  
**Brain Games: Thursdays,** 10:30a.m. to 11:30a.m., improve your memory and strengthen your brain. Activities facilitated by Senior Volunteers.  
**Free Legal Consultation:** Wednesdays from 10:30a.m. to Noon. Attorney Lem Makupson is available for legal consultation. He specializes in Family Law, Wills, Trusts, Estates, and Injury. Appointments are required by calling 626-355-7394.  
**Senior Club:** Meets every Saturday at the Hart Park House Senior Center. Brown Bag Lunch at 11:30a.m.  
**Tax Assistance:** Every Wednesday beginning on February 1st through April 12th from 1:00p.m. to 2:00p.m. - Don Brunner is available for income tax consultation. Appointments are required by calling 626-355-7394.  
**Chair Yoga:** Mondays and Wednesdays from 11:00 to 11:45a.m. with Paul Hagen. 3rd Monday of each month, a variety of balance exercises are practiced. All ability levels are encouraged and welcomed!  
\*A suggested donation of \$5 at one of the classes is requested, but is not required.  
**Case Management:** 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 Hart Park House Office at 626-355-7394.  
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SENIOR EXCURSIONS  
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Looking Up  
with Bob Eklund

## HABITABLE REGION WITHIN SATURN'S MOON ENCELADUS?

Scientists from Southwest Research Institute (SwRI) have discovered hydrogen gas in the plume of material erupting from Saturn's moon Enceladus. Analysis of data from NASA's Cassini spacecraft indicates that the hydrogen is likely produced through chemical reactions between the moon's rocky core and warm water from its subsurface ocean. The SwRI-led team's discovery suggests that Enceladus' ocean floor could include features analogous to hydrothermal vents on Earth, which are known to support life on the seafloor.

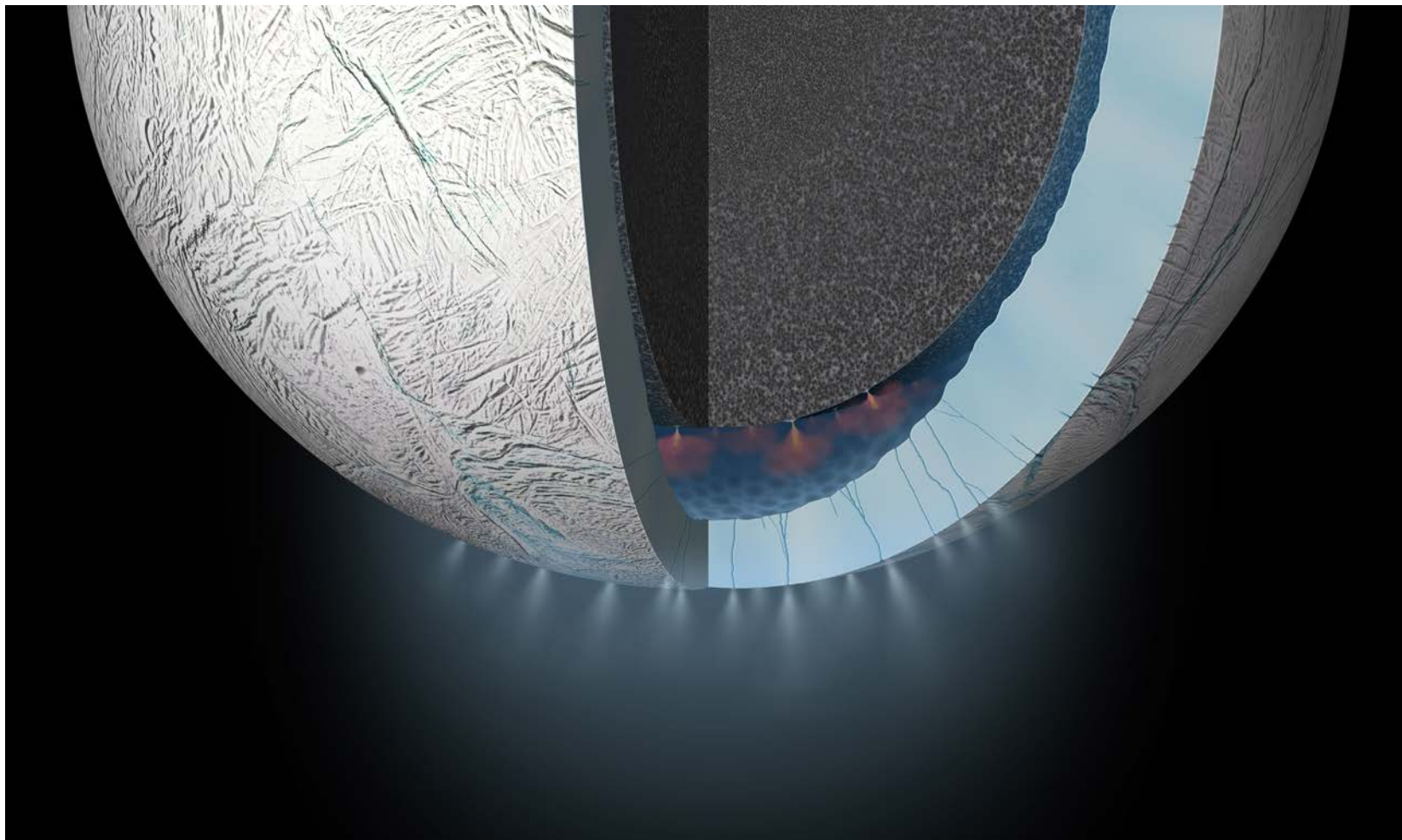
"Hydrogen is a source of chemical energy for microbes that live in the Earth's oceans near hydrothermal vents," said SwRI's Dr. Hunter Waite, principal investigator of Cassini's Ion Neutral Mass Spectrometer (INMS). "Our results indicate the same chemical energy source is present in the ocean of Enceladus. We have not found evidence of the presence of microbial life in the ocean of Enceladus, but the discovery of hydrogen gas and the evidence for ongoing hydrothermal activity offer a tantalizing suggestion that habitable conditions could exist beneath the moon's icy crust."

Waite is the lead author of "Cassini Finds Molecular Hydrogen in the Enceladus Plume: Evidence for Hydrothermal Processes" [<http://science.sciencemag.org/content/356/6334/1551>], published in the April 14, 2017, issue of the journal Science.

On the Earth's ocean floor, hydrothermal vents emit hot, mineral-laden fluid, allowing unique ecosystems teeming with unusual creatures to thrive. Microbes that convert mineral-laden fluid into metabolic energy make these ecosystems possible.

"The amount of molecular hydrogen we detected is high enough to support microbes similar to those that live near hydrothermal vents on Earth," said SwRI's Dr. Christopher Glein, a co-author on the paper and a pioneer of extraterrestrial chemical oceanography. "If similar organisms are present in Enceladus, they could 'burn' the hydrogen to obtain energy for chemosynthesis, which could conceivably serve as a foundation for a larger ecosystem."

During Cassini's close flyby of Enceladus on Oct. 28, 2015, INMS detected molecular hydrogen as the spacecraft flew through the plume of gas and ice



grains spewing from cracks on the surface. Previous flybys provided evidence for a global subsurface ocean residing above a rocky core. Molecular hydrogen in the plumes could serve as a marker for hydrothermal processes, which could provide the chemical energy necessary to support life. To search for hydrogen specifically native to Enceladus, the spacecraft flew particularly close to the surface and operated INMS in a specific mode to minimize and quantify any spurious sources.

"We developed new operations methods for

INMS for Cassini's final flight through Enceladus' plume," said SwRI's Rebecca Perryman, the INMS operations technical lead. "We conducted extensive simulations, data analyses, and laboratory tests to identify background sources of hydrogen, allowing us to quantify just how much molecular hydrogen was truly originating from Enceladus itself."

Scientists also considered other sources of hydrogen from the moon itself, such as a preexisting reservoir in the ice shell or global ocean. Analysis determined that it was unlikely that the observed

hydrogen was acquired during the formation of Enceladus or from other processes on the moon's surface or in the interior.

"Everything indicates that the hydrogen originates in the moon's rocky core," Waite said. "We considered various ways hydrogen could leach from the rock and found that the most plausible source is ongoing hydrothermal reactions of rock containing reduced minerals and organic materials."

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CHRISTOPHER Nyerges  
COLLECTING NETTLES

[Nyerges is the author of "Guide to Wild Foods" which contains a chapter on Nettles. He's also the author of "How to Survive Anywhere." Both are

available from bookstores, Amazon, or the Store at [www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com](http://www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com).]

Often during this time of the year, I get an allergic reaction when I've been under and around the trees that produces lots of pollen and cottony-fluff, like willows, and cottonwoods, and cattail, and oak. I've tried numerous remedies over the years to combat the allergy, but all with limited success. It just won't work to stay out of the woods. But finally, one of the natural remedies seemed to have good results. Nettle tea. I've long heard of the many health benefits of eating nettles and drinking the nettle tea. I've eaten the greens like spinach for decades. But once I heard about using an infusion of the nettle leaves (dried or fresh) for allergy, I've starting drinking it pretty regularly in the evenings. It has helped to relieve congestion and improve my ability to breathe. It seems to work even better than my old standby, Mormon tea.

Since I've used up my limited supply of dried nettle, and since I don't want to keep paying high prices for the tea packages at Whole Foods, I went out to collect a large bag of it. I know of a field that gets mowed down every year, so I knew that the nettle was not valued. I went there with my cloth bag and my scissors. I found it easiest to clip off the tender tops with a pair of sharp scissors, and just let the nettles drop into the bag without touching it. After a while though, I was simply cutting with scissors and putting the tops into my bag with my other hand. I got nettled a little but they don't seem to bother me that much anymore.

Nutritionally, nettles is a good source of Vitamin C and A. According to the USDA's Composition of Foods, 100 grams of nettle contains 6,500 I.U. of Vitamin A, and 76 mg. of Vitamin C.

Herbalist Michael Moore, author of Medicinal Plants of the Mountain West, describes nettles as

a diuretic and astringent, and he advises the tea for use in cases of internal bleeding.

It is probably common knowledge that nettles provided food for Europeans during WWII when normal food supplies were not there. Nettles grew everywhere and many good recipes were developed during that era.

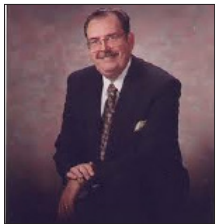
It felt good to be alone in the field where it was quiet and green and misty. But I wasn't totally alone. There were people walking by. One woman just looked at me as she and her friend walked by, and it was a very telling look. "Wow, I really pity you!" was written all over her face. Oh, well. I've heard worse.

A guy wandered over and wondered what I was doing. Collecting nettles, I told him, and maybe if David Letterman ate them, and changed his diet, he wouldn't have needed a quadruple bypass surgery. Ok, so the man, Harold, wasn't so interested in what I thought about Letterman. But he just watched a bit, perhaps amused, and then he told me a story.

He said that he's collected nettles before for food, because he liked to eat them. He didn't know they were good medicine too.

Anyway, one day while picking nettles all by himself, someone wandered over and wanted to know what he was doing. Not knowing who the man was, Harold just said, "picking nettles." And then he added, "to eat." The stranger looked closely and finally said, "You think I'm dumb, don't you? That's marijuana you're picking." Harold was a bit dumbfounded, and wanted to say "You really are far more stupid than you look," but instead, said, "of course not." The stranger just smiled a knowing look, and then hung around. Harold soon wandered off and then hid behind a tree. He saw the stranger pulling up bunches of nettle and walking off with it. Harold laughed, thinking that the man would probably go home, dry the nettle, and try to smoke it.

I finally left with my very full bag of nettle greens. Some of the tops went into our evening soup, and the rest I cleaned and set out to dry for future tea. The soup was very enjoyable and tasty, and I realized that nettle is one of the tastiest wild greens out there, and widely under-rated.



## OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

At times, it seems as if there is absolutely no justice in this world, and then something wonderful happens making up for almost everything. This past week I was fortunate enough to experience one of those rare jewels of life.

I must say not all weeks are like this. My weeks usually range from bad to worse to when will this ever stop?

A normal week for me is when I take two steps forward and get run over by a car. Or, just when I think I'm caught up, I discover I've been working on last week's to-do list.

Not that I'm complaining because complaining never gets anywhere in life. At least, no place I want to go.

A man who complains aloud is a man who is not married. Wives have a way of turning their husband's complaining into "Well, it's your own fault." It's amazing how this one phrase can cover a multitude of sins.

So, I'm not complaining, I'm just musing on my life and celebrating a great event this week.

I got home on Tuesday and the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage was not there. I made myself a cup of coffee and got comfortable in my easy chair to rest from the labors of the day. A good cup of Joe goes a long way to smooth the rough edges of any day. No sooner was I settled than the telephone rang. It was my wife. "Are you home yet?" she said in a very meek and quiet voice. From the tone of her voice, I knew something wasn't exactly right.

For a moment, I was tempted to answer her question in the negative. But then I do value my life. I knew the question was rhetorical and was not the reason for her calling. Something was up.

"Could you come over to the church right now?" she asked.

I had just settled in my easy chair and was a little reluctant to extricate myself from my comfort zone. I could, but I wondered why she wanted me to come over.

It wasn't my birthday so I knew it was not a surprise party. It wasn't our anniversary. And as far as I knew I was not in any trouble, which in itself does not rule out my being in trouble.

"Why," I queried.

"I just need you to come over here right now, please."

When my wife says "please," I know there's a very good reason for it. Namely, she is in trouble and needs my assistance. Granted, this is a rare occurrence.

"Is there something wrong? Are you all right?" I asked.

"Well," she hesitated, "I think I locked my keys in the car."

Life does not get any better than this.

Often this situation has been reversed. I cannot tell how many times when I called home the first thing she says to me is, "Did you run out of gas?" Or, "Did you lock yourself out of your car?"

It's not so much what she says as how sarcastically she says it.

Out of every 100 calls I make home I would say 95 of them fit into either one of those categories very nicely. It has come to the point where I dread calling home. Then she usually concludes the telephone conversation with, "I can't see how anybody can run out of gas or lock their keys in the car as often as you do."

Now the sock was on the other foot. My Beloved, who chides me so often about losing my keys or locking my keys in the car, has now done the same thing herself. Isn't life great?

"Let me see if I understand this," I said as sarcastically as I possibly could without bursting into hysterical laughter, "you locked your keys in the car?"

A hushed "yes," drifted through the phone line.

"Excuse me," I said rather haughtily, "I didn't quite hear you."

The responsive "yes" pierced the telephone and almost knocked me on my seat. "I locked my keys in the car ... are you happy?" she snapped.

I was.

Whether it was my imagination or not, somehow I felt her eyes bore into my soul and I knew even though it was her mistake, I was in trouble. This is just the way life is.

However, such trouble is more delicious than two scoops of raisins in every box.

It has been a long time since I have enjoyed an errand as much as I did going over to the church and unlocking my wife's car door for her.

Being the gentleman I am, I didn't say anything but I sure did smile a lot. She, being the gracious lady she is, didn't say anything but glared a lot.

I enjoyed it all.

That evening during supper, and after supper, she was rather quiet. I was sporting a snickering smile all evening.

Finally, she said, "All right, go ahead have your laugh."

And I did.

As a Christian, I have discovered not every day is what you might call a good day. God has a marvelous way of keeping tabs on all of this. The verse that brings comfort and encouragement in this area is Romans 8:28: "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

Occasionally, life gives you a moment that compensates for every other moment in your life.



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## AROUND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

### ASSEMBLYMEMBER CHRIS HOLDEN'S BILL TO EMPOWER FAMILIES WITH DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES NEEDS PASSES FIRST POLICY COMMITTEE

Sacramento, CA – Assemblymember Chris Holden's legislation to empower families in need of developmental services from regional centers, Assembly Bill 959, passed the Assembly Committee on Human Services today with a 7-0 vote.

"When families are provided clear information regarding the services provided by regional centers, they are able to make the best choices for their loved ones," said Assemblymember Chris Holden. "The need for this bill was brought to my attention by constituents with personal stories of having difficulty finding the care they needed for

their family members."

Assembly Bill 959 requires the Department of Developmental Services to expand the type of information offered by regional centers on their websites and describe the services offered in plain language for parents to understand. Regional centers will be required to include a link to the services and descriptions on their website.

"I'm proud to author this transparency measure that will make a difference for children and adults with special needs," said Holden.

### MARKET UPDATE: WILL WASHINGTON DISRUPT MOMENTUM?

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#### Caution sets in

Market momentum stalled in March after solid gains in January and February, based on the generally flat performance in the S&P 500 Index since the beginning of March. Although the S&P 500 is up roughly 10.0% since the November election, investors appear increasingly concerned about significant obstacles President Trump faces as he tries to turn his pro-growth agenda into real world policy.

House Republicans were unable to pass health care reform last month. The next priority, tax reform legislation, may be even more challenging. This only amplifies investor anxiety. During the first quarter, the U.S. dollar gave back roughly half of its peak gains since the election, with small-cap stocks (i.e. stocks of companies subject to the highest tax rates) substantially underperforming large-cap equities.

Lower oil prices during the first quarter also crimped risk appetite in March. That proved contrary to the desired outcome sought by OPEC and non-OPEC members in cutting production levels. Though the economy continues to show improvement, a recent surge in consumer and investor confidence has been slow to translate into real world economic benefits.

Combined with already elevated equity valuations and the apparent desire by the Federal Reserve to boost interest rates from historically low levels, investors grew more cautious as the quarter came to a close.

The bulls remain in charge

Bullish sentiment rebounded to 55.8%, according to a recent Investors Intelligence report with data through the week ending April 4th. This followed a decline to 49.5% the previous week, a move that coincided with the S&P 500 snapping a 109-day streak on March 21st.

The streak's tally recorded the number of days without a 1.0% or more negative move in a single day for the S&P 500, and there have only been eleven prior streaks of 100+ days going all the way back to 1928, according to Bespoke Investment Group.

However, stocks have generally performed well in the weeks and months following the end of such long stretches of price stability. Additionally, while investor confidence retreated from peak levels achieved in early March (the highest readings since 1987), bullish sentiment remains well above those seen prior to the November election.

The S&P 500 appeared to be overbought by late February, but this perspective has dissipated after the market's pullback in March. In our view, that development synchronized well with investor confidence and allowed markets to catch their collective breath after an already outsized post-election stock run. Where we go from here

A concern for investors may be the ongoing dysfunction in Washington, highlighted by the recent decision of Republican lawmakers to overhaul Senate rules in order to confirm Neil Gorsuch to the Supreme Court. However, reflationary themes such as lower taxes and increased infrastructure spending are two items that could help bridge the divide. Markets will be watching closely to see if both parties can agree on a common path forward.

Importantly, earnings season starts this month, and investors will get another update on the health of corporate America. Don't overlook the fact that stronger corporate fundamentals have also played a role in the recent equity market rally.

We anticipate that markets could be more heavily influenced in the near term by corporate earnings reports that will be released over the coming weeks. S&P 500 earnings per share (EPS) are expected to grow by roughly 9.0% year-over-year in the first quarter and analysts also expect similar earnings growth over the next two quarters.

If corporations can validate these expectations as they report earnings, it will likely be a factor in helping equities move higher in the months to come.

### LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROCLAIMS ARMENIAN GENOCIDE DAY OF REMEMBRANCE



LOS ANGELES COUNTY – Supervisor Kathryn Barger and the Board of Supervisors marked the 102nd anniversary of the Armenian Genocide by proclaiming a Day of Remembrance for one of the darkest chapters in human history.

"The month of April and the celebration of the Armenian culture culminates in our Day of Remembrance, a day where we mourn, remember, and rejoice in the rebirth of a resilient people," said

Supervisor Barger.

Earlier this month, Supervisors Barger and Hahn introduced a motion proclaiming April as "Armenian History Month" in Los Angeles County – the home to the largest population of Armenians in the United States. The Armenian community continues to enrich the region through their leadership in the fields of business, agriculture, academia, medicine, government, and the arts.

### SB 328 CLEARS FIRST LEGISLATIVE HURDLE LANDMARK SCHOOL START TIME BILL PASSES THE SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Sacramento, CA – Today, Senator Anthony J. Portantino (D – La Cañada Flintridge) presented SB 328 to the Senate Education Committee. The bill requires middle schools and high schools to start the school day no earlier than 8:30 a.m. SB 328 is based on recommendations of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Centers for Disease Control for the optimal time to start school for improved public health of teenage students. SB 328 passed the Senate Education Committee.

"This makes a big statement to the education community that the State Senate Education Committee is using sound and definitive research to put the best interests of our students first. Every school district around the country from every demographic and socioeconomic level that has moved teenage school start time later has seen a measurable, positive result for student achievement and student public health. I am very grateful to the Senate Education Committee for making its decision on this data and not rhetoric,"

expressed Portantino.

SB 328 is supported by The American Academy of Pediatrics, American Academy of Sleep Medicine, California Federation of Teachers, California Sleep Society, Children's Hospital Los Angeles, Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren, High School Parent Engagement Group, Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford, Manhattan Beach Unified School District, Stanford University School of Medicine, Seattle Children's Hospital, University of Washington – Department of Biology, and numerous individuals.

Sen. Portantino represents nearly 930,000 people in the 25th Senate District, which includes Altadena, Atwater Village, Bradbury, Burbank, Claremont, Duarte, Glendale, Glendora, La Cañada Flintridge, La Crescenta, La Verne, Los Feliz, Monrovia, Montrose, Pasadena, San Dimas, San Marino, Shadow Hills, Sierra Madre, South Pasadena, Sunland-Tujunga, and Upland

### LA COUNTY FIRE HOSTS BRUSH FIRE DRILL ABOVE DUARTE, MAY 8, 9 & 10TH

DUARTE, CA, APRIL 12, 2017 – In preparation for fire season, LA County Fire Division II will host a Brush Drill in Spinks Canyon above the Cities of Bradbury and Duarte on May 8th, 9th and 10th, from 8:30-1:30 PM daily. Each session will begin with an overview of our current structural defense tactics and unified command communications. Immediately following, fire personnel will participate in a series of drills and exercises in the general area.

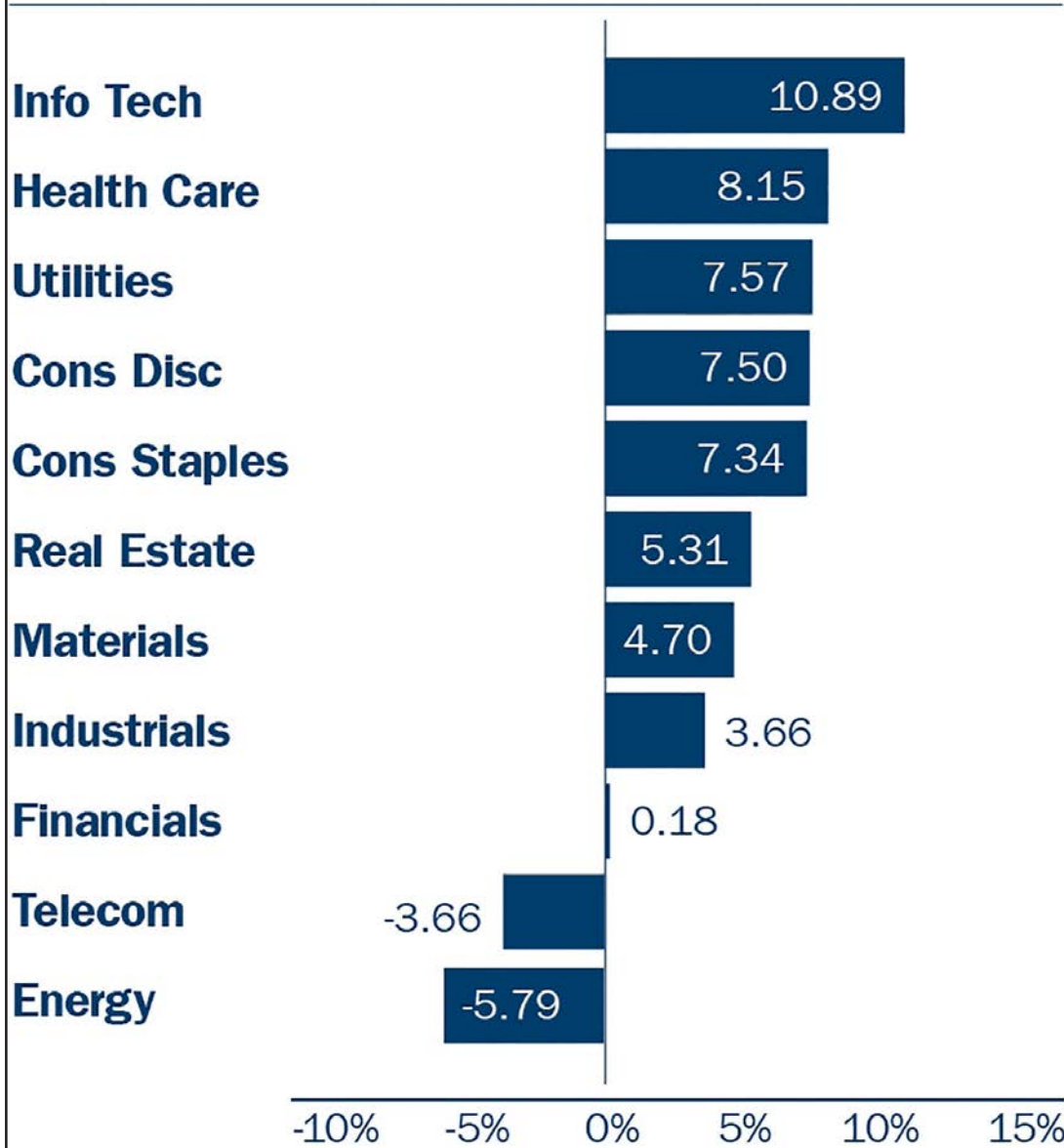
During the three-day exercise, Duarte and Bradbury residents and businesses will notice increased activity in hillside areas in addition to fire safety equipment moving through the streets in the adjoining neighborhoods.

For questions about the drill or wildfire preparedness in general, please call 626-974-8371 or visit [www.fire.lacounty.gov](http://www.fire.lacounty.gov)

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### S&P sector total year-to-date returns



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## Jeff's Book Picks

By Jeff Brown

**The Hidden Life of Trees: What They Feel, How They Communicate—Discoveries from a Secret World** by Peter Wohlleben and Tim Flannery

“A paradigm-smashing chronicle of entanglement that will make you acknowledge your own entanglement in the ancient and ever-new web of being.”—Charles Foster, author of *Being a Beast*Are trees social beings? In this international bestseller, forester and author Peter Wohlleben convincingly makes the case that, yes, the forest is a social network. He draws on groundbreaking scientific discoveries to describe how trees are like human families: tree parents live together with their children, communicate with them, support them as they grow, share nutrients with those who are sick or struggling, and even warn each other of impending dangers. Wohlleben also shares his deep love of woods and forests, explaining the amazing processes of life, death, and regeneration he has observed in his woodland. After learning about the complex life of trees, a walk in the woods will never be the same again.

**Rad Women Worldwide: Artists and Athletes, Pirates and Punks, and Other Revolutionaries Who Shaped History** by Kate Schatz (Author), Miriam Klein Stahl (Illustrator)

Educational and inspirational, this gift-worthy New York Times bestseller is a bold, illustrated collection of 40 biographical profiles showcasing extraordinary women from across the globe.It tells fresh, engaging, and amazing tales of perseverance and radical success by pairing well-researched and riveting biographies with powerful and expressive cut-paper


portraits. The book features an array of diverse figures from 430 BCE to 2016, spanning 31 countries around the world, from Hatshepsut (the great female king who ruled Egypt peacefully for two decades) and Malala Yousafzai (the youngest person to win the Nobel Peace Prize) to

Poly Styrene (legendary teenage punk and lead singer of X-Ray Spex) and Liv Arnesen and Ann Bancroft (polar explorers and the first women to cross Antarctica). An additional 250 names of international rad women are also included as a reference for readers to continue their own research.This progressive and visually arresting book is a compelling addition to women's history and belongs on the shelf of every school, library, and home. Together, these stories show the immense range of what women have done and can do. May we all have the courage to be rad!For teachers, this book is appropriate for grades 6-8 and could be used in either Social Studies or English classes, or as part of a text for a multidisciplinary unit.

**Living Realization: A Simple, Plain-English Guide to Non-Duality** by Scott Kiloby

Living Realization is a contemporary approach or method created by noted author/speaker Scott Kiloby for realizing freedom, otherwise known as 'nonduality'. More specially, it's the realization that you are already free at the core of your experience and that all separation, both


in space and time, is a belief system. Living Realization is known for its simplicity. The basic invitation invites us to: recognize awareness, let all appearances be as they are and see that all appearances are inseparable. These simple points are really all you need to recognize freedom in the midst of your life.



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## BUSINESS NEWS & TRENDS

### FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett

#### SAFEGUARDING YOUR ESTATE PLAN AGAINST THREE WORST-CASE SCENARIOS

*There is no such uncertainty as a sure thing.*  
—Robert Burns

Even with an estate plan, things can always happen that may cause confusion for the estate—or threaten the plan altogether. Below are three examples of worst-case scenarios and ways to demonstrate how a carefully crafted plan can address issues, from the predictable to the total surprise.

#### Scenario One: Family Members Battle One Another

Despite your best intentions, what happens if the people you care about most get into a knockdown, drag-out fight over your estate? Disputes over who should get what assets, how to interpret an unclear instruction from you, or how loved ones should manage your business can open old wounds.

Lawsuits between family members can drain your estate and tarnish your legacy. Family infighting can lead to less obviously dramatic problems as well. For instance, let's say you name your daughter as the executor, and she holds a deep grudge against your youngest son. Your daughter cannot do something as drastic as rewriting your will to leave him out. However, she could drag her feet with the probate court, interpret the will "poorly" (unfairly privileging herself and your other son over your youngest), or engage in other shenanigans. In all of these cases, your youngest son would have to hire a lawyer and potentially get

involved in a protracted legal battle. This is a bad outcome for everyone.

To prevent such scenarios, consider using an impartial (e.g. third party) trustee or executor. Moreover, speak with a qualified estate planning attorney to prepare for likely future conflicts among family members.

#### Scenario Two: Both Spouses Die Simultaneously

Many estate plans transfer assets to a surviving spouse, but what happens if both spouses die at or near the same time? This situation may be even more complicated if both spouses have separately owned assets or if the size of the estate is significant. In that case, asset distribution may depend on who predeceased whom, the amount of estate tax paid, and other factors. There are, however, ways to address this in an estate plan making it easier for your family to understand your intent, including:

- A simultaneous death clause that automatically names one spouse as the first to die;
- A survivorship deferral provision, delaying transfer of assets to a surviving spouse, thus preventing double probate and estate taxes; and
- A so-called "Titanic" clause that names a final beneficiary in the event all primary beneficiaries die at once.

#### Scenario Three: Passing Away Overseas

Expatriates may need particular care in estate planning. If a death occurs outside the U.S., foreign laws may conflict with provisions of an American-made estate plan. Thus a plan may need to be reviewed both for the US and other nations' laws. If you intend to live abroad for an extended period, it may be smart to draw up a second will consistent with those nations' laws, too. However, the starting point is completing your estate planning (will, trust, and other documents) here in the United States first.

If you have concerns as to whether your current estate plan is safeguarded against these three worst-case scenarios or anything else you might be worried about, we are here to help.

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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.

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: ROTATING PUBLIC ART EXHIBITION PROGRAM III

The City of Pasadena is seeking proposals from artists, artist teams and galleries for the selection or commission of artworks as a part of the citywide Rotating Public Art Exhibition Program. Loaned artworks or site specific artworks will placed for a period of 3 years at various highly visible, key locations within the City in every Council district. Honorariums range from \$6,000 (for loaned works) to \$12,000 (commissioned site specific works).

The Rotating Public Art Exhibition Program was established in 2011 to enliven neighborhoods,

engage community and expand access to public art. The deadline for submissions is Monday, May 15, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. PST. A Community Meeting will be held to review the Request for Proposal on Monday, April 17, 2017 at the Permit Center (175 N. Garfield Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101) at 6:00 p.m. Applicants need not attend the Community Meeting to apply.

For more information, please see the attached Request for Proposals or visit the Cultural Affairs Division webpage: [www.cityofpasadena.net/arts](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/arts)

## All Things

By Jeff Brown


### REIKI HEALING

Reiki is a Japanese technique for stress reduction and relaxation that also promotes healing. It is a healing technique based on the principle that the therapist (Reiki Master) can channel energy into the patient by means of touch, to activate the natural healing processes of the patient's body and restore physical and emotional well-being. It is administered by "laying on hands" and is based on the idea that an unseen "life force energy" flows through us and is what causes us to be alive. If one's "life force energy" is low, then we are more likely to get sick or feel stress, and if it is high, we are more capable of being happy and healthy. The word Reiki is made of two Japanese words - Rei which means "God's Wisdom or the Higher Power" and Ki which is "life force energy". So Reiki is actually "spiritually

guided life force energy."A treatment feels like a wonderful glowing radiance that flows through and around you. Reiki treats the whole person including body, emotions, mind and spirit creating many beneficial effects that include relaxation and feelings of peace, security and wellbeing. Many have reported miraculous results. Reiki is a simple, natural and safe method of spiritual healing and self-improvement that everyone can use. It has been effective in helping virtually every known illness and malady and always creates a beneficial effect. It also works in conjunction with all other medical or therapeutic techniques to relieve side effects and promote recovery. There is a Reiki Master at The Vibrant Living Wellness Center in Sierra Madre.

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TIRADES by DANNY TYREE



HAVE YOU TALKED TO YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT MARIJUANA?

Although I got vicarious pleasure from the American Dope Growers Union spoof on "Saturday Night Live" in 1977, my curiosity has never led me to sample marijuana, and I hope my preemptive talks with my 13-year-old son have persuaded him to confine HIS curiosity to more productive inquiries.

I bring this up because of a helpful ABC News story ("How To Talk To Your Kids About Pot") by Dr. Carolyn Certo Gnerre. The article is a timely one because one in five Americans now live in a state where marijuana is legal without a doctor's letter, a Yahoo-Marist poll reveals that half of American adults admit having used marijuana at least once in their lives and Canada is poised to become the first industrialized nation to legalize pot.

I recommend you Google the ABC story, but in the meantime I'll supply my own tips on heart-to-heart talks about recreational weed.

If you're going to take a fire-and-brimstone approach with your kids, don't be TOO "over the top." ("Marijuana leads to exposed ankles! And dancing the Charleston! And that legislation in Canada is just the first glimpse of the long-prophesied Four Mounties of the Apocalypse!")

If you prefer to take a more nuanced, open-minded approach, just be aware that your youngsters may have already assembled a pro-puffing PowerPoint presentation. Don't let your kids sway you with that stuff about being on "the right side of history." It's funny that they can cite details of which pharaohs and statesmen used marijuana but can't remember where they last left their expensive cashmere sweater.

Don't let your kids con you into believing that the dope is essential for their "spirituality." Jesus appealed to those who "hunger and thirst after righteousness," not those who "develop a case of the munchies for Funyuns and Mountain Dew."

Watch out for the argument that marijuana is NOT a gateway drug. Such high praise! Too bad other products didn't use the motto to boost their public image. ("The Ford Edsel: NOT a gateway drug!" "New Coke: NOT a gateway drug." "Samsung Note 7...")

If you're afraid to say too much because you experimented with pot in your youth and don't want to be called a hypocrite, at least being called a hypocrite is better than being called at 2 a.m. ("Dad, you'll never guess where I am and what Spider expects for a pack of cigarettes...")

If you are determined to relive your wayward youth through your children, give them a "heads up" on the focus of your talk. ("No, this isn't about your slugging the track coach. Or about texting nude selfies to all county schools. It's about a little herb that will help you shed your INHIBITIONS...")

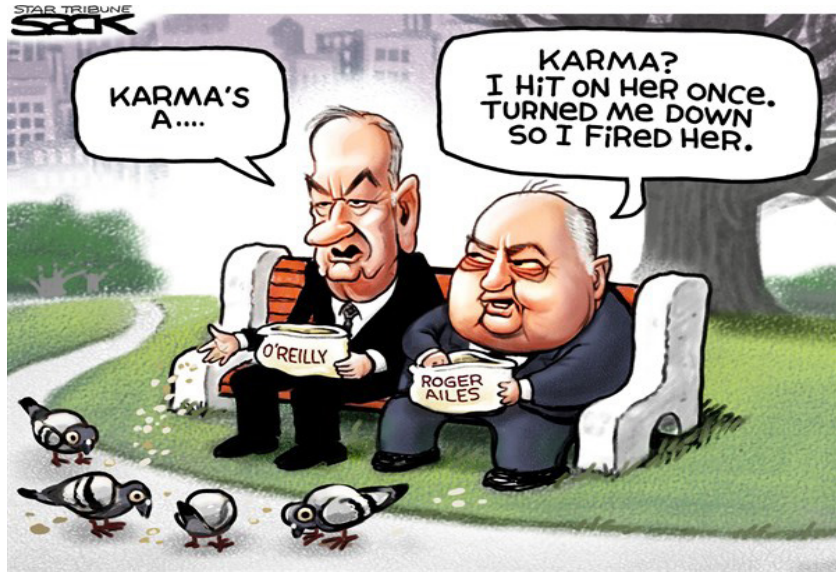
If you insist on being the "cool" parent, at least mention that marijuana is a psychoactive drug that impacts brain development and can cause abnormalities until at least the age of 21. Just stay rooted in reality as you encourage your offspring. Remember the Army recruiting slogan: "Be a marginally acceptable level of all that you can be."

And if you're a hardcore current cannabis user/advocate, at least spare your kids the tired old "turned out fine" line.

("My parents let all four of us partake of their stash and WE turned out fine. Four? No, wait -- there were five siblings. Dude, where's my baby sister What's-Her-Name???" )

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DICK POLMAN



TRUMP'S BROKEN PROMISE COULD BREAK ANOTHER PROMISE

Smoke has been billowing skyward from the Trumpster fire for nearly 100 days - I know, it feels more like 100 weeks - and his refusal to release his tax returns is only stoking the flames.

Basically, his broken campaign promise to release his tax returns (a promise he had voiced repeatedly) is now imperiling his grandiose campaign promise to overhaul a tax system that he supposedly understands "better than anyone who has ever run for president." He promised to roll out a tax reform plan by February, but two months later, his incompetent motley crew has rolled out nothing.

That's because they're not in sync with Capitol Hill because politicians - including a sizeable contingent of Republicans - are wary of passing anything that might wind up enriching Trump. They don't know what would enrich Trump because they're in the dark, just as we are, about Trump's finances. And they're in the dark because Trump refuses to come clean on his tax returns the way every non-authoritarian president has done since 1976.

More than a dozen Hill Republicans - which is a lot in this era of hyperpartisanship - are calling for Trump to release his tax returns, and even Trump loyalist Joe Walsh, an ex-House member and polarizing rabble-rouser, surfaced on MSNBC with a plea for Trump transparency: "I do think this issue will come back and bite him on the butt."

It already is. Trump's fantasy of doing a bipartisan tax reform deal is likely dead unless he releases his returns. Democrats say they won't cooperate unless or until they have solid assurances that the reform provisions won't put money in Trump's pocket. And three Republicans in the conservative House Freedom Caucus have signed onto a Democratic bill that would compel Trump to release his returns.

New presidents are usually at their peak of political influence during their first 100 days. Trump hits the 100-day mark at the end of this month, and he will have accomplished nothing (except to tweet and run his mouth). The travel ban is tied up in court. The overhaul of Obamacare crashed and burned. He needed to kill the Obamacare taxes before tackling broader tax reform. Now he says he might try to re-target Obamacare before moving on to tax reform - but that was just something he said last week, and, as we know by now, his word means nothing.

Trump on ABC News in 2011: "I'm gonna do my tax returns when Obama does his birth certificate ... I'd love to give my tax returns. I may tie my tax returns into Obama's birth certificate." (One week later, Obama released his birth certificate. In response, Trump said he'd fulfill his promise and release his returns "at the appropriate time.")

Trump on Irish TV in 2014: "If I decide to run for office, I'll produce my tax returns, absolutely, and I would love to do that."

Trump on a radio show in 2015: "I would release tax returns ... The answer is, I would do it ... I would certainly show tax returns if necessary ... I do pay tax, but I'm very proud of what I've done. I have no objection to showing any tax return."

Trump on NBC News in January 2016, signaling imminent release: "We're working on that now. I have big returns, as you know, and I have everything all approved and very beautiful and we'll be working that over in the next period of time, absolutely."

Trump on NBC in February 2016: I'll release my tax returns "probably over the next few months."

The good news is that far fewer people are buying his snake oil. According to the latest Gallup poll, 45 percent of Americans see Trump as a guy who honors his promises. Granted, 45 percent sounds high, given his long trail of broken dreams, but that share has dropped 17 points since February. I doubt that this exchange, from Monday's White House press briefing, will reverse the downward trend:

Reporter: "Is it time to just say once and for all that the president is never going to release his tax returns?"

Sean Spicer: "We'll have to get back to you on that."

Does the Trump regime really believe it can overhaul the tax system, with bipartisan support, by stonewalling a broken promise and further destroying the poseur's credibility? Even his Treasury secretary has told the Financial Times newspaper that Trump's dream of a summer signing ceremony is "not realistic at this point."

Or, to paraphrase Trump: Nobody knew that governing could be so complicated.

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MAKING SENSE by  
MICHAEL REAGAN  
A SUBJECT THE MEDIA  
SHOULD COVER



Sometime this month I hope our rabid anti-Trump media find a little time to cover a subject that has been very important to me since I was eight - child sexual abuse.

Child abuse of all kinds is an epidemic here and around the world.

In 2015 about 700,000 American children were victims of neglect or physical or sexual abuse. How many more cases were never reported to authorities is unknown. Neglect accounted for 75 percent of victims, most of whom were under a year old. About 17 percent suffered physical abuse and 8.4 percent suffered sexual abuse. Some kids were abused in multiple ways.

The long-term affects of abuse on children are well known. Abused children are more likely to end up arrested as juveniles and adults, more likely to commit violence crime and more likely to end up in prison and develop psychological disorders.

Child sexual abuse isn't something that affects just poor kids or is committed by a few "celebrity" predators like Jerry Sandusky, the convicted serial rapist, child molester and retired Penn State football coach.

American boys and girls of all ages, races, ethnicities and economic backgrounds are vulnerable. According to the experts, one of every three girls and one in five boys will be sexually abused before they reach 18.

These innocents won't be victimized by random strangers. Sixty-eight percent will be molested by a family member and 90 percent of victims know their abuser in some way.

So it's not just the parish priest, the gym teacher or the odd guy down at the end of the street we need to watch.

More than likely, it's Uncle Charlie. And whether it's in the family, in the church or in the school, it most likely will be the abuser who is believed and protected, not the child.

A child has to tell someone they've been abused seven times before the first person listens to him or her - and even then they still may not be believed.

One predator will sexually abuse 117 kids in their lifetime. That means when you see someone arrested and charged with a couple of abuses, it's usually because they didn't get caught earlier in their lives.

Predators are quick to attach themselves to vulnerable or troubled children who are looking for someone in their lives.

The guy who molested me at an after-school day camp and took naked photos of me in 1953, when I was eight, taught me how to throw a football and shoot a basketball.

He gave me the fatherly accolades and "atta-boys" I was not getting because my father and mother Jane Wyman had divorced and I was living with my mother.

Every child needs parental love, accolades and "atta-boys." If you don't give them to your child, they might be given by a predator. So be a good father, a good parent. I never told my mother I had been molested or that the guy who did it took photos of me. I didn't tell anyone until 1987 -- 34 years later, when I was in my forties.

"Why didn't you tell someone when it happened?" I've been asked. But that's the worst possible thing you can say to a kid.

For an 8 year old, it's not in their lexicon - "I went to school, threw a football and was molested today. Mom. What else do you want to know?"

What happened to me 64 years ago, still lingers today. You never outgrow it. You don't outlive it.

Sexual abuse is the worst possible thing you can do to mess up the young mind and heart of an innocent child. Unfortunately, as I know, death can become a welcome option.

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

First established by presidential proclamation by my father in 1983, it's a time for families and communities to make themselves aware of child abuse and neglect and work together to prevent it.

There's are many fine government and private social agencies and family organizations devoted to preventing child abuse or helping its victims, and there's bound to be one of them not far from your neighborhood.

Sadly, they have a lot of work to do. They could use your help.

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: P&P CONSTRUCTION CO., 9860 RUSH ST., SO EL MONTE, CA 91733. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) NOE DE JESUS PELAYO, 1731 PASS/COVINA RD., LA PUENTE, CA 91744. LUIS MARTIN PELAYO, 1731 PASS/COVINA RD., LA PUENTE, CA 91744. HIT HA HO CHONG, 9860 RUSH ST., SO EL MONTE, CA 91733. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: NOE DE JESUS PELAYO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/28/2017. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Business 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. 2017-077957  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PAULA'S GIFT SHOP, 5116 S. AVALON, L.A., CA 90011. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JOSE J. TOBON, 133 W 74<sup>th</sup> ST., L.A., CA 90003. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JOSE J TOBON. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/29/2017. 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. 2017-079519  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PRIORITY SERVICE TRANSPORT, 535 W. CRESSEY ST., COMPTON, CA 90222. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) RAS GROUP, LLC, 535 W. CRESSEY ST., COMPTON, CA 90222. This Business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Signed: REGINALD B. SIMON JR. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/30/2017. 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. 2017-079394  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: RIVERA DISTRIBUDOR, 4314 E. 52<sup>nd</sup> ST., MAYWOOD, CA 90270. Mailing address: PO BOX 452, MAYWOOD, CA 90270. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) SAUL RIVERA GUILLEN, 4314 E. 52<sup>nd</sup> ST., MAYWOOD, CA 90270. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: SAUL RIVERA GUILLEN. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/30/2017. 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. 2017-076597  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: RODEO OF LA, 6921 EMIL AVE., BELL GARDENS, CA 90201. Mailing address: 8504 RIRISTONE BLVD, #310, DOWNEY, CA 90241. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) CLARA IVETTE CALDERON SALAZAR, 6921 EMIL AVE., BELL GARDENS, CA 90201. LUIS A ARIAS, 6921 EMIL AVE., BELL GARDENS, CA 90201. This Business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE. Signed: CLARA IVETTE CALDERON SALAZAR. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/28/2017. 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. 2017-075535  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SANCTIFY FITBROS, 15607 LAKEWOOD BLVD., PARAMOUNT, CA 90273. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GUILLEMO SANCHEZ-CARDOSO, 15607 LAKEWOOD BLVD., PARAMOUNT, CA 90273. RUBEN SANCHEZ-CARDOSO, 15607 LAKEWOOD BLVD., PARAMOUNT, CA 90273. HUGO LEONEL DE LA CRUZ, 15607 LAKEWOOD BLVD., PARAMOUNT, CA 90273. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: GUILLERMO SANCHEZ-CARDOSO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/24/2017. 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. 2017-077968  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SHELTER OF PEACE, SHELTER OF PEACE LA, 5503 S. MANHATTAN PL., L.A., CA 90062. Mailing address: 6438 YORK BLVD., L.A., CA 90042. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) YEHOUDA MASJEDI, 27 SHORADEN WAY, SO PASADENA, CA 91030. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: YEHOUDA MASJEDI. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/29/2017. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2017. 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. 2017-078319  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SOMNIUM SUPPLY, 5347 OLIVE AVE., LONG BEACH, CA 90805. Mailing address: P.O. BOX 1192, DOWNEY, CA 90241. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JOVANNY QUINONEZ, 5347 OLIVE AVE., LONG BEACH, CA 90805. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JOVANNY QUINONEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/29/2017. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/2017. 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. 2017-079216  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: VISION MERCH, 620 PACIFIC AVE., LONG BEACH, CA 90804. Mailing address: 1716 W. REDONDO BEACH BLVD. UNIT D, GARDENA, CA 90247. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LATRON HUTCHINS, 1716 W. REDONDO BEACH BLVD. UNIT D, GARDENA, CA 90247. WAINER ARCHIE, 620 PACIFIC AVE., LONG BEACH, CA 90804. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: WAINER ARCHIE. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/30/2017. 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. 2017-078993  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TULIP NAILS, 3111 W. CENTRAL AVE., INGLEWOOD, CA 90303. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JESSICA NALOR, 11611 SAMUEL DR., GARDEN GROVE, CA 92840. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JESSICA NALOR. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/30/2017. 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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FILE NO. 2017-077659  
STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
The following person(s) EDGAR DANIEL MORALES ESPINOZA, 6108 HOOPER AVE., L.A., CA 90001, ZITA GLUDELMI ANDERSON SANTORAL, 6108 HOOPER AVE., L.A., CA 90001, has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: MORALES BARBER SHOP, 6108 HOOPER AVE., L.A., CA 90001. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 10/11/2016, in the county of Los Angeles. The original file number of 2016248243. The business was conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 03/29/2017. The business information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) SIGNED: EDGAR DANIEL MORALES ESPINOZA/OWNER  
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City of Sierra Madre

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

From: The City of Sierra Madre

Subject: MUNICIPAL CODE TEXT AMENDMENT 17-03 (MCTA 17-03)

Applicant: City of Sierra Madre

Project Location: Properties in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider recommending adoption of a text amendment to Chapter 17.10 of the Municipal Code to establish local control measures to regulate personal marijuana uses, and to prohibit commercial marijuana uses, whether for medical or nonmedical purposes in all zones and specific plans within the City. Following a Planning Commission recommendation for approval, the proposed text amendment will be forwarded to the City Council for their consideration.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

PLACE OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre  
Planning Commission meeting  
Thursday, May 4, 2017  
(Hearing begins at 7:00 p.m.)

City of Sierra Madre  
City Council Chambers  
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.  
Sierra Madre, CA

All interested persons may attend this meeting and the Planning Commission will hear them with respect thereto.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION The Municipal Code Text Amendment is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act review pursuant to Title 14, Section 1506(b)(3) of the California Code of Regulations.

APPEAL: A decision by the Planning Commission is subject to a 10-day appeal period to the City Council. If in the future anyone wishes to challenge the decision of the Planning Commission in court, one may be limited to raising the issues that were raised or presented in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or before, the scheduled public hearing. For further information on this subject, please contact the Planning and Community Preservation Department at (626) 355-7138.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:  
AUDREY D. ANDERSON  
CASE NO. 17STPB02496

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of AUDREY D. ANDERSON.  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DAVID L. ANDERSON in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DAVID L. ANDERSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent’s WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act with limited authority. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 04/25/17 at 8:30AM in Dept. 99 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME  
CASE NO. KS020692

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: PETITIONER RAFAEL CERVANTES HAS FILED A PETITION WITH THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT – POMONA EAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR A DECREE CHANGING NAMES AS FOLLOWS:

Present Name: RAFAEL CERVANTES

Proposed Name: Rafael Cervantes

A HEARING on the petition will be held on April 20, 2017 at 8:30 am in Department J Rm. 418, Pomona Superior Court, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, Ca. 91766.

THE COURT ORDERS that all interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME  
CASE NO. KS 020713

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: PETITIONERS HUMBERTO ROJAS and LUZ ELENA ACUNA DE ROJAS HAVE FILED A PETITION WITH THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT – POMONA EAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR A DECREE CHANGING NAMES AS FOLLOWS:

Present Name: HUMBERTO ROJAS    LUZ ELENA ACUNA DE ROJAS

Proposed Name: Humberto Rojas    Luz Elena Acuna De Rojas

A HEARING on the petition will be held on May 18, 2017 at 8:30 am in Department J, Pomona Superior Court, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, Ca. 91766.

THE COURT ORDERS that all interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

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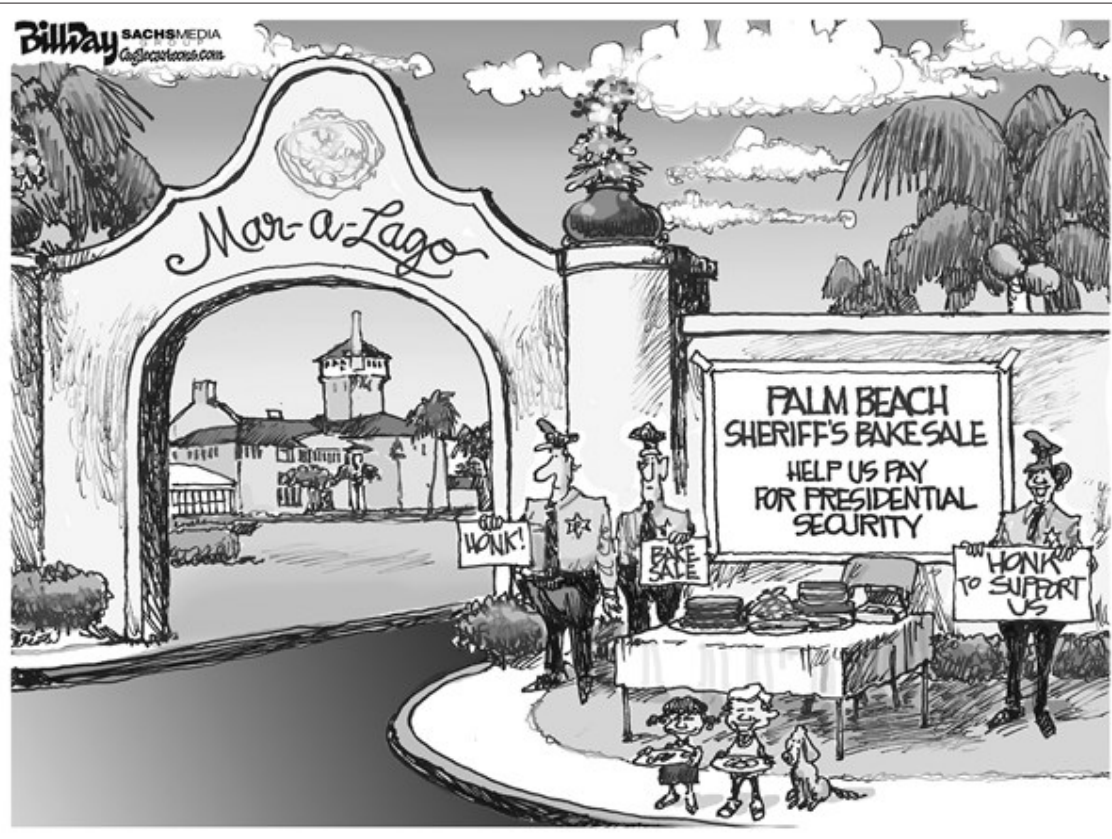
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You can be an "oceanographer" for a few minutes. Look at a flat map of the world or run your finger along a globe to see how the world's oceans join into one huge global or "world ocean." Notice how the continents (large land masses) divide the world ocean into four or five large oceans (depends upon the map or globe).

Pacific  
Arctic  
Antarctic  
Indian  
Atlantic

Please help to keep all bodies of water clean!

1. pick up and carry away  
2. do not dump  
3. guard against  
4. properly dispose of  
5. recycle  
6. walk or bike often

The oceans cover more than 70% of the earth and contain 97% of its water. **Use a globe or map to fill in the crossword:**

- Which ocean is the largest and deepest?
- This ocean lies between North America and Europe.
- Some people say that this ocean is part of the Atlantic Ocean. It is the water north of Asia, Europe and North America.
- This ocean is east of Africa and south of Asia.
- The waters of this ocean surround Antarctica. Some say it is only the southern parts of the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian Oceans.

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- as much garbage and trash as we can
- to help cut back on pollution from cars that can cause acid rain
- all trash we produce while hiking, biking, picnicking or visiting the beach
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