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FORMER MOUNTAIN VIEWS CONTRIBUTOR AND MONROVIA ICON PAT OSTRYE PASSES AWAY

Last week, Monrovia lost one of its icons. Pat Ostrye – former Mayor, City Council Member, City Clerk, and City Treasurer – passed away on January 13, 2018, at the age of 94. Pat served as an instrumental individual in helping to develop Monrovia into the premier community that we know today. Funeral services for Pat have been scheduled to take place on January 27, 2018, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Monrovia at 10:00 a.m.

Mary Patricia "Pat" Ostrye died peacefully on January 13, 2018. Pat was born January 12, 1924 in Minneapolis the oldest of five children born to William and Cecelia O'Brien. After high school, Pat worked at Butler Bros in Minneapolis and attended Beck School for Radio at night. She subsequently landed a radio show on KYSM in Mankato, Minnesota.

In 1944, she joined the Navy (WAVES) and was ultimately stationed at Naval District Headquarters Air Control in San Diego where she served as a Telegrapher, 3rd Class. In early 1945, while visiting her aunt in Monrovia, California, she met Peter Ostrye in the choir of Immaculate Conception Church. They married later that year.

Between 1946 and 1959, they had eight children. In 1974 Pat successfully ran for Monrovia City Council on a slate that included Robert Bartlett and Eric Faith. She was the first woman to serve on the City Council and, in 1978, the first elected Mayor of the City. Prior to that election, Mayors were selected by and among the Council members. With the help of talented City staff and dedicated members of the community, she was able to fulfill her campaign promises to bring to Monrovia Meals-on-Wheels, Dial-a-Ride, home library, and a federally-funded senior lunch program (SNAP).

In 1980, at the end of her mayoral term she was elected City Clerk and held that position until retiring in 1986. In 1992, she ran unopposed for the part-time position of City Treasurer, thus having served in all four of the City's then elective offices. In the 1990's she was active



in Quota International serving for a time as Governor of the 25th District. For more than 20 years she wrote human interest columns for various community newspapers and publications including the Mountain Views News, formerly the Mountain Views Observer.

Pat was preceded in death by her husband Peter, her daughter Mary Cecelia who died in infancy, son Michael and grandson Azja. She is survived by her children Colette, Anne Macdonald (Bruce), Madonna Tyler (Carl), Joseph (Louise), Maureen, and Martin (Gail); grandchildren Erin, Elise, Sarah, James, Soleil and Ian; her sister Rita Smith and brother Roger; and multiple nieces and nephews.

Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, January 27 at 10:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 740 S. Shamrock Avenue, Monrovia. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in honor of Pat to the Foothill Unity Center, (626) 358-3486.

MAKING LIFE A LITTLE SAFER ON THE TRAILS
Teen creates Sign-In Stations for Hikers



Sierra Madread Diego Martinez is Senior at La Salle High School and completed his Eagle Scout Project in October. He raised close to \$2000.00 to assist with designing, building, and installing two hiker sign-in stations at the Mount Wilson Trail Head in

Sierra Madre as well as another one located at Bailey Canyon.

Young Mr. Martinez was inspired to do this project in order to keep hikers safe. After losing a local resident at Jones Peak last year,(cont. on pg 7)

RESIDENTS SHARE CONCERNS AT SPECIAL LIBRARY FORUM



Sierra Madre Resident Helen Stapenhorst was one of many who shared their views on the proposed library changes. Photo by D. Lee/MVNews

On Wednesday, at a special joint meeting of the Sierra Madre Library Board of Trustees and the Sierra Madre Community Services Commission was held in the Sierra Madre Room at the Recreation Center. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the city's current dilemma on what to do about the Sierra Madre Library's physical condition.

The Forum was actually the second of its kind and was requested by the community after City Manager Gabe Engeland introduced the options the city has for dealing with the aging and out of compliance current Library facility. This was the first meeting

with the commissioners present.

A survey is in the process of being mailed to all 91024 residents to get their opinion on which option they feel is best for the city.

The options under consideration are:

1. Move the Library from its current location to the Sierra Madre Recreation Center at 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. and co-locate with the Community Services Department. This would require expanding the Recreation Center building and will allow for the enhancement of all Library and Community Services programs. Funding for the move would be provided by the sale of the cur-

rent Library properties for development. (No tax increase)

2. Keep the Library at its current location, move some Library programs to other city locations in order to maintain current service levels, and fund repairs by selling the back lot for development. (No tax increase)

3. Enhance and expand the Library at its existing location, expand Library services and programming, and fund expansion with a property tax increase. (Tax increase, do not sell any city-owned property)
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City of Sierra Madre

ORDINANCE NO. 1398

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE, CALIFORNIA, REAUTHORIZING THE CITY'S PUBLIC, EDUCATIONAL, AND GOVERNMENTAL (PEG) ACCESS SUPPORT FEE.

WHEREAS, Section 5870(n) of the Public Utilities Code, which was enacted as part of the Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006, authorized the City adopt an ordinance establishing a fee on state-franchised video service providers to support public, educational, and governmental access channel facilities; and WHEREAS, under DIVCA, the City may continue to collect a franchise fee from State Franchise holders equal to five percent (5%) of their gross revenue, and the City also may collect a fee from State Franchise holders equal to two percent (2%) of their gross revenues provided the City imposes such a fee to support PEG access channel facilities by ordinance; and WHEREAS, Section 5870(n) of the Public Utilities Code states that such an ordinance shall expire, and may be reauthorized, upon the expiration of a state franchise. WHEREAS, a final Implementation Plan will be submitted for review and adoption by the Board of Directors of the LACCE Authority as soon after the formation to the Authority is reasonably practicable; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS: SECTION 1. The City Council hereby reauthorizes the fee on state-franchised video service providers to support public, educational, and governmental channel facilities and which fee shall remain unchanged and in full effect as to all state-franchised video service providers.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED On this 23rd day of January, 2018.
AYES: Mayor Rachelle Arizmendi, Mayor Pro Tem Denise Delmar, Council Members John Capoccia, Gene Goss, and John Harabedian

NOES: None

HOOPS UP!!



Santa Anita jockeys Kent Desormeaux, Drayden Van Dyke, Tiago Pereira, Santiago Gonzalez, Matt Garcia, Stewart Elliott and Cesar Franco welcome a group of Holy Angels Middle School cagers on Thursday as both squads ready for their 51st annual tip off on Feb. 1 at La Salle High School in Pasadena.

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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 February 13, 2018
6:30 pm

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

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

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

Your event must:

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

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



SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS

Regular City Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 13, 2018
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 city@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

City Council

February 13, 2018 at 6:30 pm

February 27, 2018 at 6:30 pm

Planning Commission

February 1, 2018 at 7:00 pm

February 15, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Community Service Commission

February 26, 2018 at 6:30 pm

Senior Community Commission

February 1, 2018 at 3:00 pm

Library Board of Trustees

February 28, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Energy, Environment, and Natural Resource Commission

February 21, 2018 at 7:00 pm

SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

During this time period, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 374 day and night time calls for service.

Tuesday, January 9

A non-injury traffic collision occurred in the 300 Blk. of Sturtevant Dr. During the investigation the driver was found to be unlicensed. The vehicle was towed per the owner's request, and the driver was cited for an unlicensed driver and released.

Thursday, January 11

At about 12:22 p.m., an officer reported to the station's lobby for a report from a resident regarding possible vandalism to her vehicle in the 300 block of Grove St. Case to Detectives

Sunday, January 14

Officers responded to a suspected drunk driver in the 00 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd. at about 6:11 p.m. The officers conducted an investigation and arrested the man for a DUI violation, he was then transported to the Pasadena Police jail. Case to the DA's office

Unlicensed/Suspended License

During this time period citations were issued to 5 individuals that were operating their vehicles without a license or driving with a suspended license. Their vehicles were impounded or turned over to someone with a valid driver's license. Always be aware of the status of your license.

City of Sierra Madre

ORDINANCE NO. 1395

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE, CALIFORNIA ADDING CHAPTER 15.62 (ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS) TO TITLE 15 (BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION)

WHEREAS, the State of California adopted Assembly Bill (AB) 1236, which requires local governments to adopt an ordinance that creates an expedited and streamlined permitting process for electric vehicle charging stations; and, WHEREAS, the City seeks to adopt an ordinance that complies with AB 1236 (Chapter 598, Statutes 2015, Cal. Gov't Code § 65850.7) while protecting public health and safety. NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Sierra Madre hereby ordains as follows:

Section 1. Amend Title 15 of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code, adding Chapter 15.62 – Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, to read as follows: Chapter 15.62 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS

Sections:

15.62.005 Short Title.
15.62.010 Purpose and Intent.

15.62.020 Definitions.

15.62.030 Applicability.

15.62.040 Electric Vehicle Charging Station Requirements.

15.62.050 Application Requirements.

15.62.060 Permit Compliance Review.

15.62.070 Fees.

15.62.005 Short Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Electric Vehicle Charging Station Ordinance".

15.62.010 Purpose and Intent. The purpose of the City of Sierra Madre Electric Vehicle Charging Station requirement is: To adopt an ordinance in compliance with Assembly Bill 1236 (Chapter 598, Statutes 2015, Cal. Gov't Code § 65850.7) while protecting public health and safety.

15.62.020 Definitions.

"Director" means the Planning Director or her or his designee; "Electric vehicle charging station(s)" or "charging stations(s)" means any level of electric vehicle supply equipment station that is designed and built in compliance with Article 625 of the California Electrical Code, as it reads on the effective date of this Chapter or as it may be amended and/or renumbered thereafter, and delivers electricity from a source outside an electric vehicle into a plug-in electric vehicle. "Electronic Submittal" means the utilization of one or more of the following: 1. Email; 2. The internet; and/or 3. Facsimile.

"Specific, Adverse Impact" means a significant, quantifiable, direct, and unavoidable impact, based on objective, identified, and written public health or safety standards, policies, or conditions as they existed on the date the application was deemed complete.

15.62.030 Applicability.

A. This Chapter applies to the permitting of all electric vehicle charging

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4. Significantly reduce Library services and limit public access to areas of the Library building until alternative funding for ADA compliance can be secured. (No tax increase, do not sell any city-owned property)

With few specifying exactly what they did want, those in attendance were more vocal about what they definitely did not want. As a surprise to no one, a parcel tax as an option for funding was not popular, although some, like longtime Sierra Madre resident Bill Patzert reminded everyone that the city needs a library that meets the needs of 21st century children and also must serve the needs of Seniors and a parcel tax might be the answer.

Former Mayor Mary Ann MacGillivray reminded City Staff and Commissioners that should there be a sale of any real estate, developers must comply with the General Plan. The General Plan was revised to protect Sierra Madre against overdevelopment and/or development that is not compatible with the village character of the city.

Several other residents were concerned about the proposed relocation of the Library from the center of town. One resident said that there is a need to separate the 'recreational' atmosphere that currently exists at the Recreation Center from the 'intellectual' atmosphere of the Library's current location.

Engeland stressed the importance of resident reviewing the information in the survey and the information on the city's website. "I want everyone to make informed decisions", Engeland said. "There are no wrong answers".

S. Henderson/MVNews



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REMEMBRANCE



JERRY THEW

Jerry Thew passed away January 17, 2018 at the age of 60. He was born January 27, 1957 and is survived by his brother David Thew, sisters Tammy Clark and Melissa Thew. A son, Jacob Carr and niece Gabriella Clark.

A gathering will be held at the Sierra Madre Women's Club, 550 W Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024 on Saturday February 3, 2018 from 1:30-5PM with the service from 2-4:30PM

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stations in the city. B. All electric vehicle charging stations shall require a permit issued in accordance with this Chapter. It shall be unlawful for any person to install, operate, or maintain an electric vehicle charging station without such a permit. C. Electric vehicle charging stations legally established or permitted prior to the effective date of this Chapter are not subject to the requirements of this Chapter unless physical modifications or alterations are undertaken that materially change the size, type, capacity, or components of a charging station. Routine operation and maintenance or like-kind replacements shall not require a permit.

15.62.040 Electric Vehicle Charging Station Requirements.

A. All electric vehicle charging stations shall meet applicable federal, state, and city health and safety standards and requirements. B. All electric vehicle charging stations shall meet all applicable safety and performance standards established by the California Electrical Code, the Society of Automotive Engineers, the National Electrical Manufacturers Association, and accredited testing laboratories such as Underwriters Laboratories and, where applicable, rules of the Public Utilities Commission regarding safety and reliability.

15.62.050 Application Requirements.

A. The Director shall adopt a checklist of all requirements with which the electric vehicle charging stations shall comply to be eligible for expedited review. B. Every application to the Director for the installation, alteration and replacement of an electric vehicle charging station shall be in the form provided by the Director, in writing, and contain the information set forth in the checklist and such other information as the Director may reasonably require to carry out the purpose of this Chapter. The permit application, checklist, and required permitting documentation shall be available on the city's website. C. The applicant may submit the permit application and associated documentation by personal, mailed, or electronic submittal. The Director shall adopt requirements for the submittal of the permit application, associated application documentation, and fees. Personal, mailed, or electronic submittal of the permit application, associated application documentation, and fees shall conform to the requirements adopted by the Director. In the case of electronic submittal, the electronic signature of the applicant on all forms, applications and other documentation may be used in lieu of a wet signature. In connection with each permit application, an applicant shall:

1. Verify to the Director's reasonable satisfaction through the use of standard engineering evaluation techniques that the support structure for the electric vehicle charging station is stable and adequate to transfer all wind, seismic, and dead and live loads associated with the system to the ground; and 2. At the applicant's cost, verify to the Director's reasonable satisfaction using standard electrical inspection techniques that the existing electrical system including existing line, load, ground and bonding wiring as well as main panel and subpanel sizes are adequately sized, based on the existing electrical system's current use, to carry all new electrical loads. D. If the Director determines an application for an electric vehicle charging station satisfies the requirements of this Chapter, the Director will deem the application complete. If the Director receives an incomplete application, the Director will issue a written correction notice to the applicant detailing all deficiencies in the application and any additional information required to be eligible for expedited permit issuance. After the Director determines an application for an electric vehicle charging station is complete, the application will be processed in accordance with this Chapter. E. An application for an electric vehicle charging station that is not accompanied by the applicable fees shall be considered incomplete.

15.62.060 Permit Compliance Review.

A. The Director shall adopt an administrative, nondiscretionary review process to expedite approval of permit applications for electric vehicle charging stations. B. Where an application meets local, State, and Federal health and safety requirements, the requirements of the checklist, and there are no specific, adverse impacts upon public health or safety — the building official shall

complete the nondiscretionary permit approval process. C. The building official may require an applicant to apply for an electric vehicle charging station use permit if the building official finds, based on the initial application submittal, that the electric vehicle charging station could have a specific, adverse impact upon the public health or safety. The building official's decision may be appealed to the planning commission in accordance with Chapter 17.60. D. If an electric vehicle charging station use permit is required, the building official may only deny an application for the electric vehicle charging station use permit if the building official makes written findings based upon substantial evidence in the record that the proposed installation would have a specific, adverse impact upon public health or safety and there is no feasible method to satisfactorily mitigate or avoid the adverse impact. The findings shall include the basis for the rejection of the potential feasible alternative for preventing the adverse impact. The building official's decision may be appealed to the planning commission in accordance with Chapter 17.60. E. If the building official issues an electric vehicle charging station use permit, the permit may include conditions designed to mitigate the specific, adverse impact upon health and safety at the lowest possible cost. A feasible method to satisfactorily mitigate or avoid the specific, adverse impact includes, but is not limited to, any cost-effective method, condition, or mitigation imposed by the city on another similarly situated application in a prior successful application for a permit.

15.62.070 Fees.

The city council shall establish by resolution the fees charged for applications and permits under this Chapter. Section 2. CEQA. The City Council has considered all of the evidence in the record, including the staff reports, the testimony received during the meeting on the matter held by the City Council, and hereby determines that the adoption of this Ordinance will not have a significant effect on the environment. This Ordinance is therefore exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Title 14, Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Code of Regulations. City Council further finds that in accordance with CEQA Guidelines section 15268, 15308, and 15378, the adoption of this amendment to the Municipal Code is exempt from CEQA provisions because such actions are administrative in nature. Section 3. Severability. Continuation of Provisions. If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases of this Ordinance. The City Council of the City of Sierra Madre hereby declares that it would have adopted each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases hereof be declared invalid or unenforceable. To the extent the provisions of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code as amended by this Ordinance are substantially the same as the provisions of that Code as they read immediately prior to the adoption of this Ordinance, then those provisions shall be construed as continuations of the earlier provisions and not as new enactments. Section 4. Inconsistencies. Any provision of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code or appendices thereto inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, to the extent of such inconsistencies and no further, is hereby repealed or modified to the extent necessary to implement the provisions of this Ordinance. Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty days after final adoption. Section 6. Certification. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause the same to be published according to law.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this 23rd day of January, 2018.

AYES: Mayor Rachelle Arizmendi, Mayor Pro Tem Denise Delmar,

Council Members John Capoccia, Gene Goss, and John Harabedian

NOES: None

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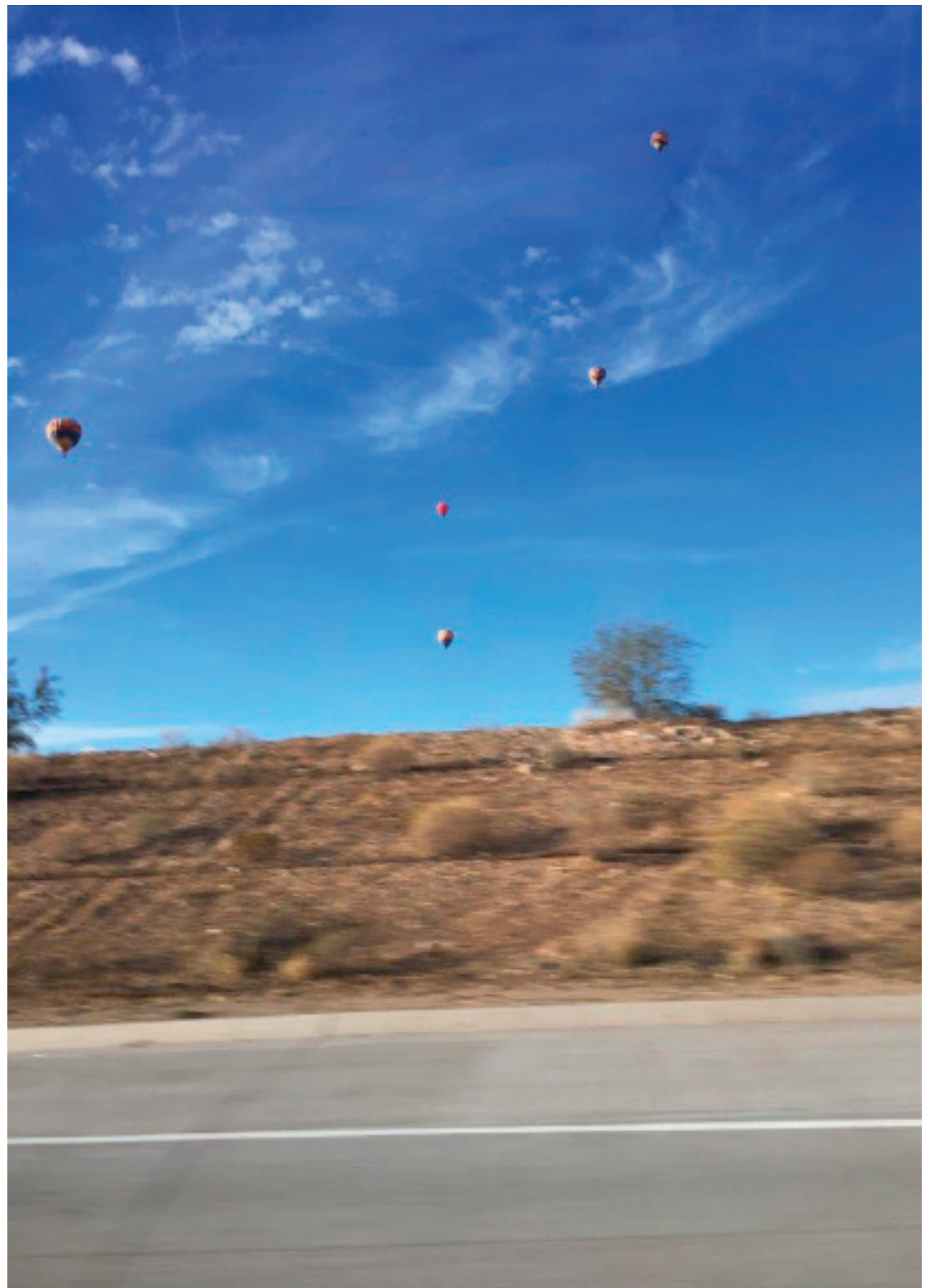
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Walking Sierra Madre...The Social Side

by Deanne Davis



Walking Sierra Madre.....The Social Side
Deanne Davis
January 8, 2018

"Hope is the thing with feathers,
That perches in the soul,
And sings the tune without the words,
And never stops at all,
And sweetest in the gale is heard,
And sore must be the storm,
That could abash the little bird,
That kept so many warm." Emily
Dickinson, 1830-1886

This is it, friends and neighbors...the last, the very last
word on resolutions for this new year.

There's a concept going around, brought to my
attention by Michelle Griep, successful author and
blogger. Look her up, check out all her books and be
amazed. Anyway, the concept is to pick one word to be
your New Year's resolution or mission statement for the
year. There was even a book a few years back: My One
Word: Change Your Life With Just One Word by Mike
Ashcraft and Rachel Olsen. This is so cool as you can
immediately dump those high-minded and probably
impossible resolutions like reading all the great books
in one year. Seriously? Have you ever looked at the list
of Greatest Books? Here's the first few:

- 1 . Don Quixote by Miguel de Cervantes.
- 2 . In Search of Lost Time by Marcel Proust.
- 3 . Ulysses by James Joyce.
- 4 . The Odyssey by Homer.
- 5 . War and Peace by Leo Tolstoy.
- 6 . Moby Dick by Herman Melville.
- 7 . The Divine Comedy by Dante Alighieri.
- 8 . Hamlet by William Shakespeare.

I repeat, Seriously?? There are some of you out there
who have read these, but most of us are happy with
a new Stuart Woods or James Patterson thriller, or
maybe a new John Grisham or a Danielle Steel, Nora
Roberts or an Amy Tan. Lots of us like to just pull out
an old Agatha Christie. Speaking of Agatha, the new
movie version of "Murder on the Orient Express" was
terrific! Here's one I'd really like to read: "Girl, Wash
Your Face: Stop Believing the Lies About Who You Are
So You Can Become Who You Were Meant To Be," by
Rachel Hollis.

The word I picked last year is: HOPE!

And I'm going to pick it again this year. I'm going to
lean heavily on HOPE to help me make wise decisions
about my future. I'm HOPING for a number of children
I know who have medical problems: Brooklyn, Caleb,
Jake and our own Jessie. I'm HOPING that this year
will bring what they all need in the way of healing.

So much has been written about HOPE:

"HOPE is the little voice you hear whisper "maybe"
when it seems the entire world is shouting "no!"
"H.O.P.E. - Hold On, Pain Ends"
"The only difference between those who threw in the
towel and quit and those who used their energy to
rebuild and kept it going is found in the word...HOPE."
"Once you choose HOPE, anything is possible."
Christopher Reeves
"Where there is HOPE, there is faith. Where there is
faith, miracles happen."
"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement.
Nothing can be done without HOPE and confidence."
Helen Keller

This picture is of hot air balloons floating over the
Arizona desert that the Texas family and I saw just a
few weeks ago. There is such HOPE in seeing these
gaily colored balloons lifting up and up and up.

So that's my word again for the year, HOPE. I'm hoping
you'll pick one that will work for you. My beloved John,
now seeing so many dear friends and family who have
gone before us, and most especially his Lord, would
like this.... HOPE!

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the
LORD, plans for good and not for evil, to give you a
future and a HOPE." Jer. 29:11

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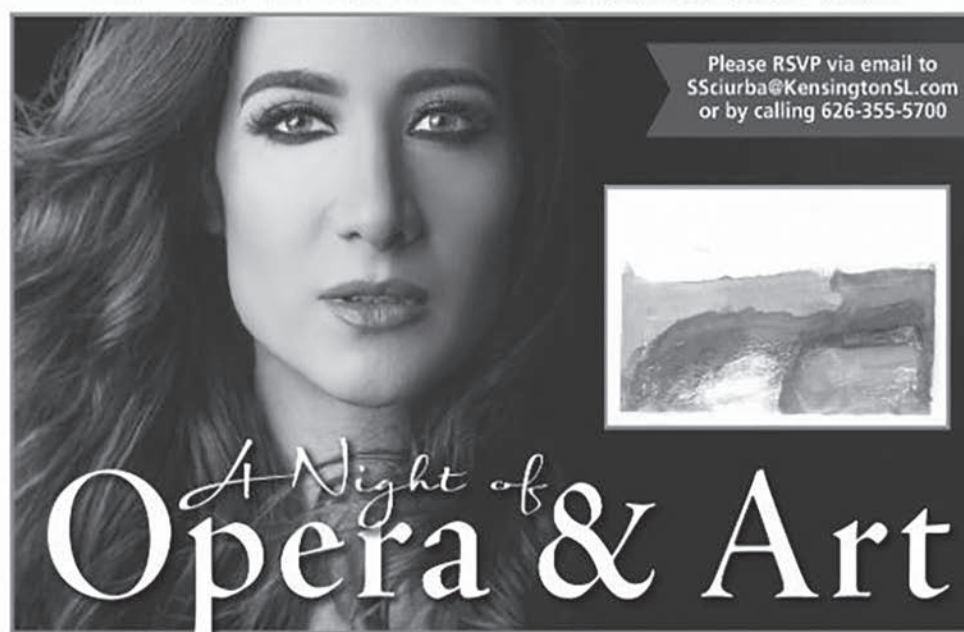
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Local Area News Briefs

Man Steals Items from Rose Bowl

Pasadena Police officers responded to a commercial burglary on January 17, in the 1000 block of Rose Bowl Drive. Officers learned that at about 3:28 p.m., security agents saw a male enter the fenced concourse area of the Rose Bowl. The agents confronted the subject; however, they disengaged their approach when he (the suspect) became aggressive. The suspect left the Rose Bowl with a bag of stolen items. On arrival, PPD officers talked with the security agents. Other officers checked the immediate area and located the suspect, who was arrested without incident. The suspect was taken to the Pasadena jail and booked for burglary.

Man with Fake Beard Robs Business

Pasadena Police investigated an armed robbery on January 17, in the 100 block of West California Boulevard. At about 5:28 p.m., officers talked with a clerk who said he saw the suspect walk into the business. The suspect immediately attempted to disguise his face with a fake beard while quickly walking toward the clerk. The suspect displayed a gun and ordered the clerk to lie on the floor. Fearing for his safety, the clerk complied with the suspect's orders. The suspect then took cash from the drawer and fled the location. Despite a comprehensive search, PPD officers were not able to locate the suspect. He was described as Hispanic, 5 foot 10 inches and 230-250 pounds, fake beard, light blue shirt, and jeans. Anyone with information should call Pasadena police at (626) 744-4241.

Pet of the Week



Jimmy (A449213) is a lovable Chihuahua mix who wants nothing more than to be by your side. This 5-year-old boy loves to sit in laps and is quite the snuggler. Jimmy also has an active side and enjoys going for walks in the park. He's looking for a warm new home with lots of tasty dog treats. At five years old, Jimmy qualifies for our Seniors for Seniors program, so his adoption fee is free for adopters age 60 and up.

The adoption fee for dogs is \$130. All dogs are spayed or neutered, microchipped, and vaccinated before going to their new home. At five years old, Jimmy qualifies for our Seniors for Seniors program, so his adoption fee is free for adopters age 60 and up.

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 A449213 or visit at 361 S. Raymond Ave. in Pasadena. Adoption hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

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

Council to Discuss Possible Tax Measure

The city council is set Monday night to discuss putting a 0.75 percent sales tax increase before the voters on the November ballot as Pasadena Mayor Terry Tornek outlined during his State of the City Speech earlier this month.

"It is expected that as part of next year's budget, every department—including Police, Fire, Human Services and Recreation, will have to reduce services," Tornek said January 16. "Even more worrisome is that given current projections, the city will be forced to make even more drastic cuts over the next few years which will directly impact the services our community relies on."

He continued "In addition to operating budget cuts, we won't have funds to address our many capital needs. Pasadena's infrastructure is aging and needs significant re-investment. Repairs that are delayed often cost far more to repair when they fail. We currently spend \$32 million on non-utility



capital improvements, but it's not enough. We spend over \$1million a year to fix damaged sidewalks, but there is \$20 million worth of work to do. We simply aren't paving enough miles of streets, replacing enough failing street lights, or rebuilding enough sewers to keep up. While we have managed to rebuild one fire station and seismically retrofit another, we don't have the money to make necessary upgrades to the remaining six."

Tornek said the tax would generate \$21 million annually.

City staff said if the council votes in favor, the three-quarter percent District Transactions and Use Tax would be utilized to support on-going city services, including but not

Tornek during the State of the City limited to police, fire, public works, recreation, and after school programs. In addition, it is envisioned that a portion of the funds would support capital investments in city facilities and infrastructure such as fire stations, community centers, and libraries as well as repair damaged and broken city sidewalks.

The council meets Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Pasadena City Hall 100 North Garfield Ave.

Over 50 Cats Rescued from Home



The Pasadena Humane Society rescued 54 cats from a home after a concerned neighbor called into the organization's tip line. Officers had made repeated attempts to gain access to the house and were finally granted access on Tuesday. The owner surrendered the cats to the Pasadena Humane Society on her own volition.

The cats have been taken back to the Pasadena Humane Society where they will undergo thorough medical and behavioral evaluations before being made available for adoption.

"I can't imagine the horrors these 54 cats have seen," said Julie Bank, President & CEO of the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA. "Thankfully the cats are now back at the shelter, where they are being cared for by staff. We anticipate many of them will need further medical treatment based on their living conditions."

The Pasadena Humane Society has set up an online donation page for community members looking to help. In-kind donations such as cat food, towels, and cat litter are also needed. Donations towards their care can be made at pasadenahumane.org/miracle.

Officials also said the cats could be up for adoption in the near future. For more information visit: pasadenahumane.org or call 626.792.7151.

Valentine's Lunch and Dance

Friendship and romance will fill the Scott Pavilion at the Pasadena Senior Center, 85 E. Holly St., for the annual Valentine's Day Lunch and Dance Saturday, Feb. 10, from 11:45 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tables will be decorated beautifully and the room will be adorned with red and white ornamentalations as everyone enjoys a scrumptious buffet and makes their way to the dance floor.

The Great American Swing Band will perform music that is sure to bring back memories as dancers sway cheek to cheek to some music and kick up their heels to the rhythms of other tunes.

Registration is only \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members. Pre-paid reservations are required and must be received at the Welcome Desk no later than Friday, Feb. 10. For more information visit: pasadenaseniorcenter.org or call 626-795-4331.

Arson Suspect Arrested for Pasadena, Arcadia Fires

A man, wanted in connection with a string of fires in the Pasadena area, was arrested Sunday after an ongoing investigation by members of the Verdugo Fire Investigation Task Force serving the San Gabriel Valley region.

After a "wanted" flyer was distributed to local law enforcement agencies, Nigel Letren was arrested in the City of San Marino at 3 a.m. by the San Marino Police Department.

According to officials, on the evening of January 13, the cities of Pasadena and Arcadia experienced a spree of outdoor fires along the Foothill Boulevard Corridor, between Sierra Madre Villa Avenue and the Los Angeles Arboretum. Firefighters from both cities responded and quickly extinguished the fires. Investigation into the causes of the fires determined that they were intentionally set.

Letren was arraigned in the Pasadena Branch of Los Angeles County Superior Court Wednesday on five counts of arson related to the January 13 fires, and one count of arson related to the December 9, wildland fire in the city of Monrovia. Letren is being held on \$425,000 bail and is



Letren

scheduled to return to court on February 15.

The Verdugo Fire Investigation Task Force is a regional group of investigators from the cities of Burbank, Glendale, Pasadena, South Pasadena, Sierra Madre, Arcadia, Monrovia, San Marino, San Gabriel, Alhambra, Monterey Park and Montebello.

"This arrest is a great example of exceptional cooperation between multiple agencies with proven results from our regional Verdugo Fire Investigation Task Force," Pasadena Fire Chief Bertral Washington said. "The Regional Fire Chiefs and I are thankful for their relentless work on behalf of the communities we protect and serve."

Celebrate Black History Month

Members and non-members of the Pasadena Senior Center, 85 E. Holly St., are invited to a Black History Month celebration Monday, Feb. 19, from noon to 2:30 p.m.

The celebration will include a soul food luncheon, jazz music and more, representing the pride, dignity, grace and inspiration of African

American heritage. The event is sponsored by the Pasadena Senior Center Ebony Ladies of Distinction.

Registration is only \$6 for members and \$8 for non-members.

For more information about the Pasadena Senior Center visit www.pasadenaseniorcenter.org or call 626-795-4331.

Free February Events at 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 as noted.

Keep Your Heart Healthy – Thursday, Feb. 1, at 10 a.m. Come learn at least five habits for incorporating into your lifestyle to keep your heart health the best it can be. Presented by Huntington Hospital.

Tax Time – Wednesdays and Fridays, Feb. 2 to Apr. 13, from 9 to 11 a.m. Representatives from the AARP Foundation's Tax-Aide program will assist low- to middle-income filers in preparing their federal income tax returns. There is no age limit. Appointments are required: 626-795-4331.

Tech It Up! The Basics and Benefits of Technology – Mondays, Feb. 5 to 26, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. (the Feb. 19 will be canceled due to the holiday). Learn the basics and advantages of technology you can use in your everyday life. Each class will have a specific focus on a common application of technology, its benefits, disadvantages, basic setup and instructions along with other helpful hints. Feb. 5: What are apps? Feb. 12: Twitter; Feb. 26: Amazon. Presented by Jade Myer, a Pasadena community Gold Award Girl Scout candidate.

A Toast to the Joys of Music – Tuesdays, Feb. 6 to 27, 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.

Savvy Caregivers – Tuesdays, Feb. 6 to March 13, from 1 to 3 p.m. Caregivers will learn basic knowledge and skills needed to care for family members who have been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. Presented by Alzheimer's Greater Los Angeles. Registration is required: 626-685-6730.

Scenic Walkers Club – Wednesdays, Feb. 7 to 28, at 10 a.m. Join this new group for a series of leisurely walks to enjoy the great outdoors and get some exercise. 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.

Pasadena Home Improvement Program – Thursday, Feb. 8, at 1 p.m. Staff from Pasadena Water and Power will be on hand to explain no-cost home installation services that can help Pasadena residents with City of Pasadena electricity accounts save water, electricity and money for a limited time by replacing light bulbs and insulation, installing efficient toilets, getting their central air conditioners tuned up and more.

Diabetes Workshop – Fridays, Feb. 9 to March 16, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Whether you or someone you care about is diabetic or pre-diabetic, this series will encourage you to make lifestyle changes while learning more about your diabetes and how it affects your health. Workshop topics include diet, exercise, medication issues, managing complications and the impact of diabetes on eyes, teeth and feet. Reservations are required: 626-685-6732.

Friday Movie Matinees – Fridays at 1 p.m. Everyone enjoys movies and the pleasures they bring. Feb. 2: "Viceroy's House" (2017, NR) starring Hugh Bonneville and Gillian Anderson. The final Viceroy of India, Lord Mountbatten, is tasked with overseeing the transition of British India to independence but meets with conflict as different sides clash in the face of monumental change. Feb. 9: "Into the Wild" (2007, R) starring Emile Hirsch and Vince Vaughn. After graduating from Emory University, top student and athlete Christopher McCandless abandons his possessions, gives his entire \$24,000 savings account to charity and hitchhikes to Alaska to live in the wilderness, encountering a series of characters along the way who shape his life.

A Pain in the Neck! – Thursday, Feb. 8, at 10 a.m. Do you have neck pain? Learn easy and comfortable exercises to reduce cervical pain and make your neck feel better. Presented by Vincent Physical Therapy.

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. Services are also provided for frail, low-income and homebound seniors.

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CITY COUNCIL APPOINTS SHO TAY TO ANOTHER TERM - CANCELS APRIL ELECTION.

At a special meeting of the Arcadia City Council, a unanimous decision was made to cancel the scheduled April 10, 2018 General Municipal Election.

As of the close of the nomination period on Friday, January 12, 2018, only one person had filed nomination papers to fill the City Council seat for Electoral District No. 3. Therefore, because there are not more candidates than offices to be elected the council canceled the election and exercised one of the two options available under the law.

Section 10229 of the Elections Code allows the City Council to take one of the following courses of action:

1. Appoint to the office the person(s) who has/ have been nominated.
2. Appoint to the office any eligible voter if no one has been nominated.
3. Hold the election if either no one or only one person has been nominated.

Current city councilmember Sho Tay was the only candidate for the office and was appointed by the council at Thursday's meeting. There was only one person speaking during the public comment period, an unidentified journalist who encouraged the council to do what they felt was right. MVNews

City of Arcadia Announces Use of WeChat

SOCIAL MEDIA FOR CHINESE-SPEAKING USERS

January 24, 2018 – The City of Arcadia is adding WeChat to the Arcadia Connect social media program in an ongoing effort to improve outreach to the City's Chinese community. WeChat is a mobile text and voice messaging communication service for Chinese speaking users and is one of the world's largest messaging apps.

The WeChat app can be downloaded for free from the app store for Android and iPhone mobile devices. To add the City of Arcadia, search for the user ID: DiscoverArcadia.

The launch of WeChat will enable the City of Arcadia to provide Chinese speaking residents with important

City news and information. "Through our use of WeChat we hope to increase our engagement and trust with the Chinese community," said Mayor Amundson. "City staff will use WeChat to disseminate much of the same information they send out via social media: traffic alerts, crime prevention tips, and news about community events," he added.

WeChat currently has 980 million active monthly users with 70 million outside of China. For additional information, please contact Arcadia City hall at 574-5401.

NEWCOMERS AND FRIENDS OF SAN GABRIEL VALLEY INVITES LOCAL RESIDENTS TO FEBRUARY EVENTS

Arcadia and Pasadena, California. Are you interested in meeting new people, making new friends, exploring well-known landmarks, and enjoying new activities? Newcomers and Friends of San Gabriel Valley, a social club, invites local women to attend their February meeting. On February 7, at 10:00 am, Newcomers and Friends of SGV's "meet-and-greet" coffee will be held at the Fireside Room, Santa Anita Church, 226 West Colorado Blvd., in Arcadia. FREE tickets are available from Eventbrite, <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/womens-social-club-meet-and-greet-coffee-and-meeting-in-san-gabriel-valley-tickets-42375059945> This general

meeting is a great way to meet the members of Newcomers and Friends and learn about the club's wide variety of daytime, weekday, fun activities. Anyone interested in joining is welcome to attend. Additional Newcomers and Friends' mostly-daytime, weekday activities include a Book Club, Bridge, Crafters, Games (Bunco, Rummikub, etc.), Hiking, Happy Hour, Day Trips, Lunch Bunch, Mah Jongg, Meditation, Movies, Golf, and Wine Tasting. To learn more about Newcomers and Friends of San Gabriel Valley, contact them via email atsgvnewcomers@gmail.com or visit them online at <http://www.sgvnewcomers.com>

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DUARTE USD TO HOLD DISTRICT SHOWCASE DAY ON FEBRUARY 3, 2018

The community is invited to learn about DUSD's signature offerings and to visit Open Houses taking place at every campus.

(Duarte, CA) - Duarte Unified School District (DUSD) is hosting a District Showcase Day on Saturday, February 3, 2018, starting at 9:30 a.m. at the Duarte Performing Arts Center (1401 Highland Avenue, Duarte, 91010) to share the specialty programs and initiatives only found in DUSD for students in preschool through 12th grade who enroll for 2018-19.

This opportunity is open to all current DUSD families as well as parents and community members from across the San Gabriel Valley wanting to see why DUSD is quickly rising as the destination district in this region. Register online at www.come2duarteusd.com or call 626-599-5019 to reserve a spot. For more information, email communications@duarteusd.org.

"We listened to the needs and desires of all stakeholders in the local community as well as the calls for game changing education initiatives desired by parents from areas near and far," said Superintendent, Dr. Allan Mucerino. "As a result, we have created one-of-a-kind educational opportunities that can only be found here in our district."

At the District Showcase Day, attendees will get an overview of the resulting innovative solutions and exciting new initiatives that only DUSD is delivering that will mark education in the years to come. The event will begin with a Keynote Address by Superintendent Mucerino at 10:00 a.m. that includes must-see performances by DUSD/CSArts-SGV students followed by Open Houses taking place at every campus from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

"Creating an environment where students and teachers thrive is not only our commitment, but it is our responsibility," said Dr. Mucerino. "So many exciting things are happening in DUSD that it's important we showcase them for families at a time when they are considering educational options for their children for the 2018-19 school year."

Showcase Day will include information about DUSD's unparalleled partnership with the California School of the Arts-San Gabriel Valley, launched by the renowned Orange County School of the Arts, which offers a college preparatory experience in conjunction with

pre-professional arts conservatory training perfect for students with a passion for the arts and sciences in grades 7-12.

Also, featured will be DUSD's degree-bearing 4 Year Early College Program, the only one of its kind to be offered in the San Gabriel Valley, as well as City of Hope STEM partnership programs and more innovative initiatives that include Project Lead the Way, Artful Learning, Mindfulness, Dual Language Immersion, STEAM, International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, Career Pathways from welding to culinary arts, award winning Visual and Performing Arts at every school, and much more. We really do have something special for every child!

Be sure to meet all of our principals and explore our new K-8 academies to see for yourself DUSD's modernized Gen7 campuses that have received national recognition as models for progressive 21st Century learning environments. And, if you have children who will be 3-4 years old, come to Showcase Day to visit our three Duarte Preschool campuses acclaimed as early learning models by Child360.

Plus, there will be must see performances by the Duarte Choir, DHS Band and CSArts-Elements Dance Space-DUSD dancers. And, demos, activities, music, tours, presentations, giveaways, food and fun to be had at all of the campuses including CSArts-SGV. We can't wait for everyone to experience first-hand why students from 85 cities are making DUSD their destination for education.

"We're proud of the changes we are making to give Duarte students the best possible 21st

Century education and we're looking forward to sharing with you and your family all about it. Come and see what the future holds at our schools" said Superintendent Mucerino.

For more information, and to reserve your seats at the DUSD District Showcase Day, go to www.come2duarteusd.com or call 626-599-5019. Please plan to arrive by 9:30 a.m. at the Performing Arts Center to register prior to the start of the Kick-Off at 10:00 a.m.



ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, January 14th, through Saturday, January 20th, the Police Department responded to 835 calls for service, of which 96 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, January 14:

At approximately 2:12 a.m., officers responded to a hit and run traffic collision that occurred in the parking lot of Drinker's Hall of Fame, 151 East Huntington Drive. The suspect driver was seen backing into a parked vehicle and fleeing the scene. Sierra Madre Police Officers assisted in locating and detaining the suspect. Officers detected a strong odor of alcohol emitting from the suspect. Through a series of tests, the 46-year-old male from Arcadia was determined to have been driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

At about 9:06 p.m., officers responded to the 99 Cents Only Store, 140 East Duarte Road, regarding a theft report. An investigation revealed a juvenile male suspect entered the store and attempted to open several unmanned cash registers, after being unsuccessful, he went into the employees' area of the store and stole cash from an employee's purse before fleeing the scene. The investigation is ongoing.

Monday, January 15:

Around 9:48 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 300 block of Le Roy Avenue regarding a burglary report. A gardener discovered a rear glass door had been shattered. An investigation revealed the residence had been ransacked sometime while the residents were out of the country. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located. The investigation is ongoing.

Just after 10:28 p.m., officers responded to the 1400 block of Carmelita Place regarding a residential burglary report. The victims returned from a vacation out of the country to find their home had been ransacked. An investigation revealed the suspects entered the house by smashing a second story window. The investigation is ongoing.

Tuesday, January 16:

At approximately 2:19 a.m., an officer patrolling the area near Bonita Park, 100 South Second Avenue, contacted a subject lying on the grass on park grounds after hours. A consensual search of the subject led to the discovery of methamphetamine. The 28-year-old male from Arcadia was issued a citation for being in possession of the illegal drug.

Just before 9:52 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the area near Tokyo Wako, 401 East Huntington Drive, regarding the report of a suspicious person. The officer observed the subject jump over a wall into private property. Upon contacting the subject, it was discovered that he was in possession of drug paraphernalia. The 27-year-old male from Monrovia was issued a citation and released at the scene.

Wednesday, January 17:

At about 11:21 a.m., officers responded to the parking lot of the Arcadia City Hall, 240 West Huntington Drive, regarding a subject sitting in her car yelling profanities at people. The officers contacted the subject, a 47-year-old female from Los Angeles, and discovered that she was in possession of drug paraphernalia. She was issued a citation and released at the

scene.

At approximately, 10:56 p.m., an officer was dispatched to Arcadia Methodist Hospital regarding a subject causing a disturbance. Upon contacting the 43-year-old male from Los Angeles, the officer noticed symptoms of alcohol intoxication and determined the suspect was unable to care for himself. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Thursday, January 18:

Around 6:32 p.m., an officer responded to the 300 block of Genoa Street regarding a residential burglary. The victim returned from out of town to discover his home had been burglarized. The unknown suspect(s) gained entry to his home through the doggy door. Further investigation revealed the suspect(s) left behind drug paraphernalia at the scene. The investigation is ongoing.

At approximately 8:59 p.m., officers responded to a residence on the 300 block of Fairview Avenue regarding a burglary in progress. An investigation revealed unknown suspect(s) smashed the glass sliding door to a garage living space and stole unknown property. The suspect(s) also pried open a bedroom window and entered the main residence. The suspects were ransacking the bedroom when the resident returned home. The suspects fled with and unknown amount of stolen property in an unknown direction.

Friday, January 19:

Just after 7:19 a.m., an officer responded to Solar Unlimited Inc., 170 West Live oak Avenue, regarding a commercial burglary report. An investigation revealed unknown suspect(s) gained entry to the rear yard of the business. Once inside, they stole several rolls of copper wire from an unlocked shed and other property from an unlocked company vehicle and an employee's personal vehicle. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located. The investigation is ongoing.

Just before 2:00 p.m., officers responded to the 1000 block of Rodeo Road regarding the report of an audible burglary alarm and three suspicious subjects seen fleeing the scene. An investigation revealed two male suspects attempted to commit a residential burglary by breaking a window of a home. Officers located the burglary tool they used inside the vehicle driven by the third suspect. The 20-year-old male from Los Angeles, 19-year-old male from Victorville and 20-year-old female from Long Beach were arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Saturday, January 20:

At approximately 10:49 a.m., Officers were dispatched to The Noodle House, 600 East Live Oak Avenue, regarding the report of a commercial burglary. An investigation revealed the suspect gained entry to the business by smashing the front window. The suspect then attempted to steal money from the empty cash register. The suspect fled the scene in an unknown direction.

Just before midnight, officers responded to a burglary in progress at a residence located on the 1000 block of West Huntington Drive. The victim had received an alarm notification on his phone indicating that there was motion inside his home. The victim heard suspects attempting to pry open his window so he grabbed his gun and called out, scaring the suspects away. Officers conducted an area check but did not locate any suspects.

MONROVIA POLICE BLOTTER

During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 406 service events, resulting in 88 investigations. To see a complete listing of crimes reported, go to <http://www.crimemapping.com/map/ca/monrovia> for crime mapping. For Police Department news and information, visit our website and follow us on Twitter.

Grand Theft Motorcycle January 18 at 6:39 a.m., a motorcycle was reported stolen from the 400 block of S. Fifth Avenue. The victim reported that his motorcycle was taken sometime during the night from the rear of his apartment complex. The investigation is continuing. Grand Theft Auto January 18 at 8:42 a.m., a vehicle was reported stolen from the 300 block of W. Walnut Avenue. The victim reported her gray, 1995 Honda Civic was parked on the street and was taken sometime between January 17 at 3:00 p.m. to January 18 at 8:30 a.m. All keys were accounted for and the investigation is continuing.

Battery – Suspect Arrested January 19 at 11:30 a.m., officers responded to a business in the 1100 block of S. Mountain regarding an employee who had been fired and was at the business causing a disturbance. Officers arrived and detained the subject. Further investigation revealed the subject had pushed one of the other employees. The suspect was arrested for battery and taken into custody.

Vandalism January 19 at 11:39 p.m., a vandalism incident was reported in the 300 block of E. Palm. The victim reported that three tires were slashed on her vehicle. The investigation is continuing. Residential Burglary January 19 at 4:28 p.m., a residential burglary was reported in the 300 block of N. Grand. The resident came home and discovered that her front door was broken into sometime between 10:15 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. Unknown suspects entered the home, ransacked the house, and took a laptop computer. The investigation is continuing.

Grand Theft – Suspect Arrested January 19 at 7:39 p.m., a theft was reported at a business in the 900 block of W. Foothill. The suspect entered the location, selected merchandise and left the store without paying. Police were notified and the suspect was located by officers a short distance away. He was arrested and the merchandise

was recovered and returned to the business.

Utility Problem / Marijuana Grow Discovered January 19 at 9:19 p.m., officers responded along with the Fire Department on the report of a utility problem at a building in the 100 block of E. Chestnut. When they arrived, they could see smoke and electrical arc flashing going on inside the building. They made entry and discovered a large marijuana grow inside. The arc flash was caused by the electrical system that was being used to maintain the marijuana grow. Detectives were called in and responded to the incident along with the Special Enforcement Team. Over 800 marijuana plants were impounded from the building. The investigation is continuing.

Grand Theft Auto / Fraud January 20 at 8:47 a.m., a vehicle was reported stolen from the 500 block of W. Duarte Road. The victim had been out of the country since November and returned to find his vehicle had been stolen. The victim had also left his credit card inside the vehicle and the credit card had been used to make purchases. A computer check revealed the vehicle had been impounded by Monterey Park Police Department. They had pursued a suspect on foot who had fled from the vehicle, however, the suspect was not detained or identified. The investigation is continuing.

Hit and Run Traffic Collision January 20 at 10:30 a.m., a hit and run traffic collision was reported at the intersection of Peck and Longden. The suspect driver was traveling west on Longden at a high rate of speed and turned north on Peck, colliding into a vehicle that was stopped at the stop sign, facing south on Peck. The suspect continued north on Peck, without stopping. The suspect vehicle was described as a black, Chevrolet pickup truck. The investigation is continuing.

Fraud Report January 20 at 2:22 p.m., a resident in the 300 block of N. Encinitas reported that he was the victim of fraud. The suspect obtained a loan from a bank using the victim's information. The suspect then opened a bank account under the victim's name, cashed the check for the loan and closed the account. The victim was notified of the delinquent loan by a collections agency. The investigation is continuing.

SAVE THE DATE - MONROVIA'S STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS SET TO TAKE PLACE ON MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 2018, AT STUDIO MOVIE GRILL AT 7 P.M.

We wanted to let everyone know that our annual State of the City Address is scheduled to take place on Monday, January 29, 2018, at Studio Movie Grill in Old Town, at 7:00 p.m. Additional details will be provided in the coming weeks, but we did want to let everyone know about the event in hopes that you will save the date and join us as we take a look back at 2017 in Monrovia!

COMMUNITY MEETING TO REVIEW & DISCUSS THE PROPOSED AVALONBAY HOUSING PROJECT (825 SOUTH MYRTLE AVENUE) WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 1, 2018, AT 6 P.M., AT THE LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM

This past week, the City finalized plans with AvalonBay regarding a planned community meeting to discuss their proposed mixed-use housing project located at 825 South Myrtle Avenue. The meeting is scheduled to take place on Thursday, February 1, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., at the Library Community Room, and will provide the public with an opportunity to discuss the overall housing project, which includes 154 units, 2,900 square feet of retail space, and a 286-space parking structure. A copy of the meeting flyer is included for your review!

GOLDENWORDS: DR. DAN'S COLLEGE CORNER

WHAT'S YOUR "INTERCULTURAL IQ"?

High Schoolers and College Students from greater Los Angeles come out of what's probably America's most culturally and ethnically diverse environment. Our region hosts both long-time and recently arrived populations from almost every corner of the globe, and it's a heady mix that students can use to grow their "Intercultural IQ" their social/cultural intelligence about all our multicultural dimensions. Our ethnic heritages and cultural histories are inseparable from our ideas of ourselves and, importantly, our ideas about "them," people who don't share our specific backgrounds.

To become a truly multicultural person, knowledgeable and accepting of the ways and values of others, we find ourselves taking two journeys, one inward into our own roots, and one among others who have both subtle and vast differences in ethnicity, religious practice and family structures and expectations. How to take that second journey without stereotyping the "other?" How to discern qualities and values in the lives of others that are eminently worth emulating or adopting? How to learn that "different" means just that, "different," not better or worse than the way we do things or think?

In a followup column I'll focus on the "Who am I, anyway?" question, or how your own personal cultural signature plays a role in your life choices and self-concept.

For now, let's assume you can make the most of the richness of the LA ethnic mosaic if you harness your research and communication skills as an amateur field anthropologist. Look around at your school and begin to inventory the discernible cultural heritages of those around you.

How much do we know of the history of how our classmates came to the US, and to Los Angeles in particular? Where do they live? How long have they been here? What seems important to them in terms of friendships or family bonds, religious practice? Even on a modest but useful level, what do they like to eat?

Let's explore some of the intercultural elements especially pertinent to the LA area's ethnic mosaic. Consider the Filipino subculture this time as our first convenient case study:

Filipino-Americans represent over 600,000 residents in greater Los Angeles, and many are descended from immigrant ancestors who came here nearly 100 years ago. What do you know about our "Pinoy" neighbors and classmates?

If you do your historical homework about their ancestral islands, you begin, for instance, to understand some of their Tagalog language roots (Como estas? in Spanish, Kamusta ka in Tagalog, for instance) and you decode their culinary traditions, too. When you eat Filipino food specialties, you're eating the history of Asian, Spanish and US colonial presences--lumpia are their egg rolls, lechon harkens to Spanish whole roast pig, the use of hot dogs and Spam reflect adaptations of American meat products that provide protein and long shelf life.

Been to your doctor or the hospital lately? Have you noticed the prevalence of Filipino-American staffers at all levels of the medical delivery system? Why is this the case? Having stable employment that's respected by the larger society is important to many immigrant groups, and when you connect this job motivation to a Filipino culture that values family solidarity and caring

for others, especially the elderly, you begin to understand why so many of your caregivers may well be of Filipino heritage. Since very few non-Filipinos know of or speak Tagalog, perhaps you should master a few phrases? You'll surprise that doctor or nurse, who'll ask you (in Tagalog, so be careful!) how you came to speak the language. You're just trying to be polite and want to learn more about their cultural traditions. If you are going to have a 'cheat sheet' for speaking exotic (to you) languages, I suggest you include the phrase, "I am just learning your language" in that particular language!

It turns out that learning about the lives of others, their histories and cultural expectations means making fewer embarrassing or hurtful boo-boos. Watch more, ask politely, learn more, avoid having to find yourself apologizing for inadvertent ethnic blunders.

Study the history of cultural groups in LA with care, and you discover how and why populations have ended up here, and what kinds of trailing issues or values they retain in their ethnic sensibility. Their histories are often linked by flight from economic, political and religious oppression, both relatively recent and far in the distant past, all the way to those arriving on the Mayflower and the Arabella.

So, with the right cultural homework and observational and listening skills, you can ask important questions of yourself and others. Example?

Why is that other student refusing to eat my great home-made chocolate chip cookies? Could they be following the constraints of their cultural dietary traditions? Or maybe they have medical dietary restrictions? Could it be Ramadan, a month when Muslims abstain from all food and drink during daylight hours? Hmm...maybe I'd better learn about Ramadan in the context of the Muslim faith.

When one of my own high school students had learned more about Islam and Ramadan, she began to surreptitiously spot for her Muslim soccer teammates during late day gym training and workouts, since she knew that hydration and blood sugar levels for these young women were going to be pretty low at that time of day. She applied her intercultural learning to protect the lives and welfare of others. How about that!

Watch for Part II of this topic, where we'll help you figure out your relationship with your own roots and continue to decode the cultural mosaic of greater Los Angeles. These entwined activities are key to becoming truly a multicultural citizen of our country and the world.

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TRAILS

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whether or not someone is on the trails. In addition, with fires a constant threat, and hikers often traveling alone without cell reception, this idea was deemed to be valuable and approved by the City of Sierra Madre.

Diego is the son of Sue Martinez, a long time resident of Sierra Madre, and an avid hiker in our mountains. Thank you Diego

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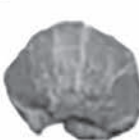
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FALCONS FOR FILM

I have to assume it is no news that Sierra Madre became the backdrop for the filming of a major movie last week. Yes, the Hollywood hubbub crept it's way into our days starting with set preps on Monday and ending with an intermediate wrap late Friday afternoon. It was kind of fun to watch it come and go, although I'm sure I'm not the only one who found it a bit inconvenient, navigating detours to complete those 'mundane' daily tasks we all have to perform.

I used to be quite star struck with all the smoke and mirrors of the movie industry. That was before I worked as a caterer to feature films back in the nineties. Don't get me wrong, it's not that I don't appreciate meeting a famous actor, if I happen to be in the right place at the right time. I just don't feel the need to get up close to all the action.

However, I will admit there is one craft in the industry that still gets me pretty giddy. It's the trained animal talent in a film that excites me. I find it amazing that a dog (or any animal for that matter) can and will behave in a way that is desirable and conducive to fulfill the commitment of playing a part in a movie.

With people running to take their places in time for the director's call to action, all the loud noises of setting up for a shoot along with the chaotic action of the shoot itself, the annoying glare of bright lights and countless cameras clicking and clacking, I imagine it can get pretty hectic. Yet the canine remains calm and focused on the trainer's requests to play the part perfectly. Remarkable!

That's why my interest was piqued when I saw a (very well behaved) German Short Hair sitting on the tailgate of a truck parked on the south side of Memorial Park last Thursday, while the filming was going. The truck and it's occupants were obviously part of the production crew. With the park so full of equipment and all the activity I wouldn't have noticed the truck or the dog had I not been forced to park way over on Mariposa when I took Molly to the Dog Wash for her grooming appointment.

That beautiful German Short Hair caught my attention because, well, first of all I always notice dogs...of any kind. But this dog in particular was so handsome (I don't see that breed very often), and he was sitting as still as a statue on that tail gate while Molly and I walked by. Although he whined ever-so-slightly as we passed, he didn't bark or jump down off the truck. He didn't cross that transparent boundary his owner had apparently set for him.

I decided not to approach the truck with the dog right then, knowing my Molly (nowhere near as obedient) might get overly-excited and begin jumping and barking, so I waited until after I dropped her off at the groomer's to go over. I saw who I assumed was the pup's owner or trainer, possibly both, sitting in the driver seat so I waved and said hello. I really wanted a chance to meet that darling dog.

The gentleman, who turned out to be very kind and approachable, introduced himself as Scott Timmons. When I asked if he was a trainer for the animals in the film, he told me that was not at all the case. He proceeded to get out of his truck and guided me to the rear where his dog was still sitting on the tail gate. The pup greeted me with a friendly wiggle waggle and held out a paw to shake my hand. What a cutie pie! (the dog, I mean)

As Scott began to tell me about the part he played in the production project, I looked into the covered bed of his truck and much to my surprise I saw two large birds inside, sitting on a perch next to his dog's crate, looking very comfortable and relaxed with little hoods over their heads. Scott explained that they were

his falcons and they all work together to assist in the production of the film.

Now, I am somewhat familiar with falconry, mainly from having viewed documentaries about the sport and from having met an enthusiast or two over the years, but I stood rather confused as to how and why it was that Scott and his falcons were of value to a film crew on a movie set, so I waited for him to clarify.

Scott explained that the high-end audio equipment used to make movies is extremely sensitive, and although today's technology can help accommodate successful sound recordings in the most challenging of outdoor conditions, they have yet to find a way to block out the sound (wait for it...we locals are all too familiar with it) that comes from a low-flying flock of screeching wild parrots.

Ah-ha! So that's why a falconer and his birds come in handy on a film set. Indeed, Scott and his two amazing Aves were there, on location, awaiting their cue to do one very specific and unique job that none other but he and his falcons could do; chase away those pesky screeching parrots so the show could go on!

Unfortunately I didn't get to witness Scott and his falcons in action as there were no parrots overhead during our short visit, but I think it would have been pretty cool to watch him and his birds do their thing. I imagine it wouldn't take long before the parrots recognized they had an uninvited guest in their midst and take it upon themselves to disperse.

I guess perhaps I may be an easily impressed type of person, but you have to admit, that is pretty impressive. The idea that a guy could actually make a living using his falconry skills to keep the local parrots at bay, all to facilitate the making of a Hollywood movie. Only in LA, that's all I can say!

During the remainder of our conversation, Scott told me he has a small business that operates out of the Buellton area called Aerial Solutions and that he and his birds offer their unique skills to assist clientele in a wide range of environments, not just the entertainment industry.

In addition to film production, Aerial Solutions provides 'pest bird control' services to agricultural settings, resorts, landfills and even race tracks. Apparently these are places where you're sure to find an overwhelming number of crows trying to feed on crops or sea gulls foraging for food (aka cleaning up our messy leftovers), all basically getting in the way of daily operations.

And so it is that I learned yet another interesting fact about my beloved animal friends, right here in our little town. Wild animals never cease to amaze me. They have the capacity to survive and thrive on this planet, having nary a moment's contact with the human being. Yet, given the opportunity they are willing to coordinate with a guy to learn a craft and provide a service to help a cast satisfy their desire to artfully express themselves (not to mention, build their monetary empires). Viva la falcon!

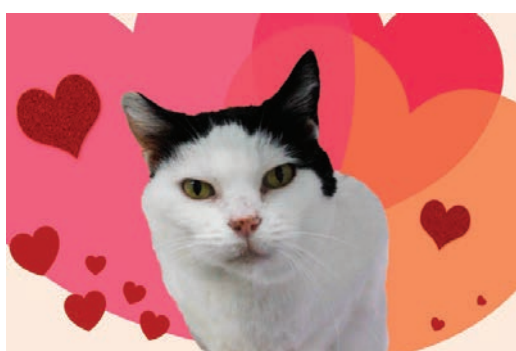


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Katnip News!



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Necessary to studentship is a teacher who is experienced in technique and knowledge and has the awareness to identify where the student is in their practice and level of understanding. Every great teacher who inspires meaningful awareness and awakening continues their own path as a dedicated

student. Along with a devoted practice, being a student is the source of a teacher's inspiration.

Diving deeper into the teachings of yoga shifts perspective and brings self-realization. Think of it as stepping into the right shoes. It lifts veils of illusion and generates authenticity. Many ancient universal spiritual principles are within what we learn. I believe this is why we are drawn to learn and develop even more through a yoga practice. Also, in many cases, what we learn in yoga aligns well with an existing spiritual way of life.

I encourage you to get practicing and study if you are drawn to learn more about Yoga, Meditation, and Philosophy. It's a vast sea and your journey could begin by reading one page in one ancient text or experiencing one sublime meditation. Please don't hesitate to contact me to learn more: keely@keelytotten.com.

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THE MISSING PAGE

Real Life Tips from Life's Instruction Manual

When an opportunity comes your way, what's your first reaction? Stop and ponder the question. The first time you see or hear about something that you would absolutely love to do, be, or have how do you react? Do you allow yourself to think, "I would love that, or that seems fun, that's beautiful, or that's intriguing?" When you have an idea, do you play with it in your mind? Do you explore the different possibilities? Do you let your ideas simmer or marinate?

The life we are living is a direct result of how we respond to our opportunities, desires, and ideas.

It is also a consequence of the quality of questions we are asking.

Many of us know that Edmund Hillary was the first to reach the summit of Mount Everest. However, he made several attempts before he achieved success. As he built his teams, he invited a former prisoner of war W. H. Murray, a skilled climber. Hillary asked Murray three times, and twice, Murray responded, "how much does it cost?" He let money stifle his dream. The last time he formed a new question. "How much is the deposit?" Knowing that if he paid the deposit, he would pay the remainder to avoid losing his money. That decision lead him to his famous

couplet:

"Whatever you can do or dream you can, begin it.

Boldness has genius, power and magic in it!"

What are you doing to make 2018 a year of growth and expansion? What are you doing to express more life? I'm taking a surfing lesson in Senegal. I refuse to be the woman standing on the sidelines. Is this the year you learn to paint, golf or ski? Is this the year that you add more people to your circle, or learn to cook. Maybe you should learn to salsa or read a new book a week. Ask yourself what would help me feel alive? Who do you want to be?

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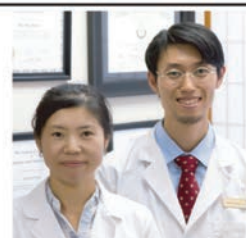


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TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills thechefknows@yahoo.com

WACKY WINE NAMES

With Valentine's Day Fast approaching, I take a pause this week to find the most wacky and bizarre wine names on the market today. Have you ever pondered how the heck some of these names actually made it onto a wine label and then onto a store shelf? I pride my work here on wines that are always available on your favorite wine retailers shelves, although this week I make no guarantees. I wonder whether as much consideration has gone into the label as coming up with the perfect blend, or is it that the wine just isn't that good and with a bizarre name maybe someone will buy it. I've been told that getting your wine on a shelf is very difficult, especially for small boutique wines.

Most wines are named for their grape variety or for the place where the grapes grew. That information, plus the name of the producer, becomes the shorthand name often used when talking about the wine. For example, Lucas Lewellen of Solvang (yes, there is a Lew at the Lucas Lewellen Winery), and Wild Horse Winery which was started by two college students at San Luis Obispo who noticed wild horses roaming the fields above the college. Here are a few more

Toasted Head Chardonnay - The ends of the barrels, or "heads", are and can be ordered "toasted" for additional flavor if preferred.

Prisoner Blend - David Phinney started working at the Robert Mondavi Winery as a temporary harvest worker. He loved the job but figured if he was going to work that hard it might as well be for himself. So in 1998, he founded Orin Swift Cellars, named in honor of his parents; Orin is his father's middle name and Swift is his mother's maiden name. And the name Prisoner? When Phinney was looking for a label for his latest zinfandel blended wine, he used a painting by Spanish artist **Francisco Jose de Goya** (1746-1828), given to him by his parents when he was 12 years old. Years later in 2000, it became the inspiration for the label of his award winning wine, The Prisoner...named after Goya's etching, La Petite Prisonier.

Mad House Wife Chardonnay - Not mad at all, just a few ladies who wanted wine that is a value and a little free time away from the kids.

Hey Mambo - It wasn't the label that caught my attention; it was the name. Makes me want to mambo, I guess that's the point.



Plungerhead Wine - Eddie..was employed by a local winery, and according to local legend, after giving the creative department a bit of grief during a wine brand creative process, a mysterious bottle of wine bearing a label that was eerily familiar and quite uncanny made its way to Eddie's desk. The character on the label had his face, his signature facial hair and was wearing his favorite purple blazer. However, on the label he was also wearing a red toilet plunger hat, wine barrels for trousers and holding a sign that simply said, "Plungerhead."

Rex Goliath - The name might not be that obscure, but the story sure is, this wine being named after a 47-pound fictional rooster.

Screaming Eagle - (I haven't been there but they tell me it's nice) Don Henley Hotel California, one of the most sought after California wines. Bottles can go for as high as \$2500 to \$3000. Getting someone on the phone at the winery was like finding Howard Hughes, but once that happened I was told that founder Jean Phillips named many of her early pet projects Screaming Eagles. The name was a tribute to the Fighting Screaming Eagle Squadrons of WWII.

You have a few favorites? Visit my website peterdills.com and listen to Dining with Dills on KRLA AM 870 on Saturdays at 4:30 PM



BE A FLOAT DESIGNER WINNER - CONTRIBUTE A DESIGN FOR THE 2019 SIERRA MADRE ROSE FLOAT

Sierra Madre Rose Float Association 2019 Float Design Contest:

This year's design contest will be held until Friday, February 9th 2018. The 2019 theme, as announced by TOR Chair Gerald Freeny, "The 2019 theme celebrates music - the universal language. "Music has the power to not only bring us together but take us back to memories and moments as nothing else can. Music is woven into the fabric of our lives - community, family, friendship and love. Music heals us, defines us, reminds us, and inspires us to be our greater selves. Rhythm, melody, harmony and color all come together to create the soundtrack that defines our lives." The Melody of Life, celebrates music, the universal language,"

Design Guidelines:

1. Designs must be received no later than Friday, February 9th 2018, by 5 PM at P.O. Box 603, Sierra Madre, CA 91025.
2. Design submissions need to take into consideration the Pasadena Tournament of Roses 2019 theme as outlined above. (Continued on page 2)

ROSE FLOAT (cont. from page 1)

3. Designers should consider the appropriate use of float riders, Sierra Madre Rose Princesses/Escorts (2-4) and animation. Float designs should represent a float no longer than 55 feet and 18 feet wide.
4. The design contest is open to all ages (need not be a Sierra Madre resident nor a Sierra Madre Rose Float Association member). Designs developed by Groups, Art Classes or other organizations are gladly received. Designers are encouraged also to submit more than one design.
5. Please provide a title to the float design. Submission should include a written description (no more than 100 words) of the concept and possible animations.
6. While only a very simple sketch is required to illustrate the concept, more detail can help in the selection process.

Design Rules:

1. Designs must be submitted on an 8 1/2 X 11 "Theme Draft Form" in black & white pencil. No color drawings or oversized drawings will be accepted. Do not include the title of the float within the design drawing.
2. Designs submitted to the Sierra Madre Rose Float Association will become the property of the Association and may be modified by the Association to achieve construction and floral requirements.
3. Designers will be required to sign a Design Release form certifying the originality of their design and assigning those design rights to the Sierra Madre Rose Float Association.
4. The designer(s) may be asked for consultation.
5. The designer understands that he/she will receive no compensation, monetary or otherwise, for the use of the design and that the Sierra Madre Rose Float Association, City of Sierra Madre and/or the Pasadena Tournament of Roses have no obligation of any kind towards designer(s).
6. Submitted designs are not returnable.
7. Mail all designs to: Sierra Madre Rose Float Association
P.O. Box 603 Sierra Madre, California 91025

Submission forms available at www.smrosefloat.org

Julie's Favorite Family Recipes BUTTERY NUT TOFFEE

1 can mixed nuts

Spread on cookie sheet

4 small Hershey bars broken into small pieces -set aside

2 sticks of butter

1 cup sugar

Boil butter and sugar together until the color is of a brown paper bag. Pour this mixture over the nuts and immediately place the chocolate pieces onto the hot mixture and allow them to melt a little before spreading the chocolate over the toffee. Put the pan in the frig to allow it to chill before breaking it into pieces

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THREE WAYS TO CUT HEARING AID COSTS

Dear Savvy Senior,
I've heard that hearing aids will soon be available over-the-counter and will be much cheaper than they currently are. What can you tell me about this? My husband desperately needs hearing aids but we simply can't afford them.

Searching Spouse

Dear Searching,
Unfortunately, for many years the high cost of hearing aids has kept millions of Americans with hearing loss from getting hearing aids because they can't afford them.

Hearing aids – typically sold through audiologists' offices – are expensive, usually ranging between \$1,000 and \$4,000 per ear, and are not typically covered by private insurance or traditional Medicare.

But there's good news on the horizon. Last summer President Trump signed the Over-the-Counter Hearing Aid Act of 2017 into law. This will allow people with mild to moderate hearing loss to buy hearing aids without consulting an audiologist, and the devices could sell for between \$250 and \$300 at drugstores and other retailers.

The only problem is that it will be a couple more years before these OTC hearing aids are available to consumers. So in the meantime, here are some tips that can help you find some affordable options.

Check Your Insurance

While most private health insurance companies do not cover hearing aids, there are some that do. For example, Aetna members can purchase aids at a discount through certain suppliers, and United Healthcare offers hearing aids to their beneficiaries through HealthInnovations for \$799 to \$999 each.

You should also know that some federal workers, as well as residents of Arkansas, Connecticut, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island can get their hearing aids covered by health insurance, as can eligible veterans through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Or, if your husband is a Medicare recipient, about half of all Medicare Advantage plans offer at least partial coverage or discounts on hearing exams and devices. So, be sure you check your husband's



insurance coverage to see if it offers any type of hearing aid benefit.

Shop Around

To help you save money, consider shopping at Costco, which offers no-cost screenings at certain locations, as well as very competitive prices. Hearing aids there range between \$500 and \$1,500 each. You can also shop online at websites like EmbraceHearing.com and Audicus.com, which can save you up to \$2,000 per pair. Then visit a local specialist to make any necessary adjustments.

Another option worth a look is over-the-counter personal sound amplification products (or PSAPs). Unlike hearing aids, the Food and Drug Administration does not regulate PSAPs. And PSAP manufacturers are not allowed to call these products hearing aids or claim that they help hearing. But these devices are very effective for people with mild to moderate hearing impairment, and typically cost between \$350 and \$450 each. To find a wide variety of PSAPs see assistive listening sites like Harris Communications (HarrisComm.com, or call 866-476-9579).

Look For Assistance

If your income is low, there is a number of national, state and independent groups that can help you pay for hearing aids or offer discounts. To find them, visit the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association website at ASHA.org/public/coverage/audfundingresources. Or, call the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders at 800-241-1044, and ask them to mail you their list of financial resources for hearing aids.

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

KATIE TseThis and That

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If you're anything like me, you're guilty of wasting a shameful amount of time scrolling through the news. Years ago, when Yahoo was my home page, I'd often find myself drawn to the revolving headlines. They were so formulaic. A handful of newsworthy current events were cushioned between fluffy commentary about "Which Celebrity

Wore this Iridescent Ines di Santo Gown Best?" and "5 Foods to Make You Sleep Better!" Although I could usually guess at least two of the foods, I still click on it in vain hope of discovering something new and fascinating.

Their attraction was similar to TV news programs that bait viewers with teasers like, "Recent studies prove that chocolate cures chronic diseases!" You waded through 45 minutes of banal chatter before they come to the anticlimactic revelation that chocolate contains antioxidants which, in moderate (tiny) amounts, help reduce free radicals, therefore lessening the aging process by a very small degree. Wooty Doo!

Yes, a sizable portion of those Yahoo articles were lame. (Of course I can't be too rough on them, seeing as a lot of my stuff isn't exactly Hemingway quality either.) Despite their lameness, I was always amazed at the total irrelevancy of the photos accompanying them! I speak of the "stock images" that appeared on the Yahoo headline loop. You know what I'm talking about. There's a photo of a silver haired, healthy looking couple smiling into the camera. The article

that goes with this picture could easily be anything from "Avoid Common Retirement Mistakes" to "Finding Love After 50."

Seriously, it's a kick to just look at the pictures and try to guess the topic, or to come up with alternate titles. As I wrote this (originally close to a decade ago) I was looking at a photo of a man with his flip flopped feet propped up on a desk, getting ready to launch a paper airplane. Just by looking at it, I guessed the story might have been about "Retiring by 45" or "Scoring the Day Job You've Always Dreamed Of." The article's actual topic is "10 Reasons Your Co-Workers Hate You." Hmm... I suppose I might have seen that one coming? Maybe some scowling co-workers would've better tied this picture to its article, but then it couldn't be used for articles about retiring at 45, etc.

It must be a hard task to purposely create photos broad enough to relate to a wide variety of topics. You have to wonder what the photo shoots are like for these images. Does the camera man instruct the models to look worried, as if they could be suspecting their spouse of infidelity while equally suggesting the anxiety one experiences with an upcoming

colonoscopy? (I didn't intend to use that pun, but it kind of works!) I could go on, but I think I've contributed more than enough fluff for this week! (Bonus challenge! Look at the rabbit and try to come up with a few likely titles. I actually couldn't find the picture I originally used with this article, but I figured this one would provoke some interesting responses!)



BEWARE OF SOCIAL SECURITY SCAMS

by Ari Lazarus
Consumer Education Specialist, FTC

Your Social Security number is an important key for an identity thief. Scammers want it, and they think of all sorts of ways to trick you into giving it away.

Here at the Federal Trade Commission, we're getting reports about calls from scammers claiming to be from the Social Security Administration. They say there's been a computer problem, and they need to confirm your Social Security number.

Other people have told us that they have come across spoof websites that look like the place where you would apply for a new Social Security card – but these websites are actually a setup to steal your personal information.

If you get a phone call or are directed to a website other than ssa.gov that is claiming to be associated with the Social Security Administration, don't respond. It's most likely a scam.

Here's some tips to deal with these government

imposters:

- Don't give the caller your information. Never give out or confirm sensitive information – like your bank account, credit card, or Social Security number – unless you know who you're dealing with. If someone has contacted you, you can't be sure who they are.
- Don't trust a name or number. Con artists use official-sounding names to make you trust them. To make their call seem legitimate, scammers use internet technology to spoof their area code – so although it may seem they are calling from Washington, DC, they could be calling from anywhere in the world.
- Check with the Social Security Administration. The SSA has a warning about these scams and suggests you contact them directly at 1-800-772-1213 to verify the reason for the contact and the person's identity prior to providing any information to the caller. If you come across one of these scams, please report it to the Social Security Administration's Fraud Hotline at 1-800-269-0271/1-866-501-2101(TTY) and then tell the FTC about it.

SENIOR HAPPENINGS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ...January Birthdays*

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



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

Hawaiian & Polynesian Dance Class: Every Tuesday morning from 10a.m. to 11a.m. Join instructor Barbara Dempsey as she leads you in the art of Hula.

Bingo Time: Every Tuesday beginning at 1:00p.m. Cards are only \$0.25 each! Everyone is welcome to join. Activity may be canceled if less than five people.

Free Blood Pressure Testing: 2nd Tuesdays of the month from 11a.m. to 12p.m. No appt. is necessary.

Brain Games - *New Activity*: Join us on Thursday November 16th, at 10:30a.m. to 11:30a.m. for

Scattergories. A creative thinking game by naming objects within a set of categories. Everyone is welcome, and no experience is needed. What a great way to strengthen your brain and make new friends. Activities are facilitated by Senior Volunteers.

Free Legal Consultation: Wednesday, November 15th from 10:30a.m. to Noon. Attorney Lem Makupson is available for legal consultation. Specializing 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.

Chair Yoga: Mondays & Wednesdays from 11:00a.m. to 11:45a.m. with Paul Hagen. Classes

include yoga and balance exercises. All ability levels are encouraged and welcomed!* A voluntary donation of \$5.00 per week is suggested but not required.

Birthday Celebrations: Every 2nd Thursday monthly at the Hart Park House, share some free birthday cake provided by the Sierra Madre Civic Club.

Game Day: Every Thursday starting at 12:00p.m. Come join this group of Seniors in their poker game. Other games are offered to all.

Free Strength Training Class: Fridays from 12:45p.m. to 1:30p.m. with Lisa Brandley. This energetic class utilizes light weights, low impact resistance and training conditioning. Class equipment is provided.



UPCOMING EXCURSIONS:

Whale Watching Tour (Long Beach)

Date: Friday, February 16, 2018
Time: 10:30a.m. – 4:00p.m.

Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center Cost: \$30 (Does not include lunch)
Join Harbor Breeze Cruises on an exciting California Whale watching journey to view some of the largest mammals on the planet! The experienced Long Beach crew and knowledgeable Aquarium of the Pacific educators will guide onboard guests and spectators as they search all types of awe-inspiring marine life. Participants can bring their own lunch to enjoy on the boat or purchase snack items on board. Level of Walking: Low/ Medium Registration for Sierra Madre Residents starts now through Monday, February 5th. Non-resident registration starts online or in person on Tuesday, February 6, 2018.

SENIOR CINEMA - 1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAY



February 7th at 1:00 p.m.
Lion (2016)

A traumatizing true story of a five year old, Saroo gets lost on a train which takes him thousands of miles across India, away from home and family. Saroo must learn to survive alone in Kolkata, before being adopted by his Australian Parents. Twenty-five years later, with his unwavering determination and a revolutionary technology, Google Earth, he sets out to find his lost family. Rated PG-13. Run Time: 2h.

February 21st at 1:00 p.m.
Hell or High Water (2016)

Toby is a divorced father who's trying to make a better life for his son. His brother Tanner is an ex-convict with a short temper and a loose trigger finger. Together, they plan a series of heists against the bank that's about to foreclose on their family ranch. This film received four nominated Academy Awards, including Best Picture and Best Supporting Actor for Jeff Bridges. Rated R. Run Time: 1h 42m.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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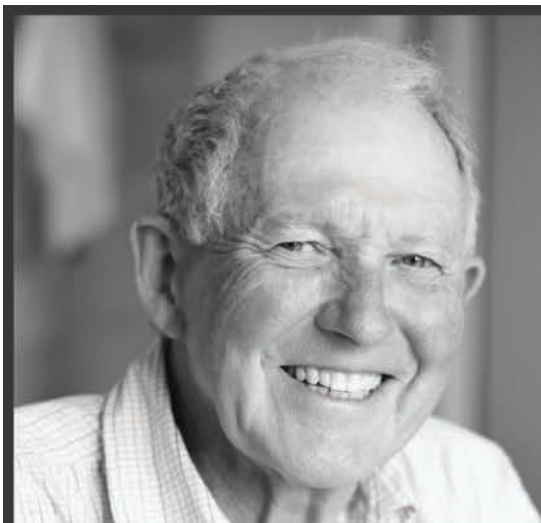
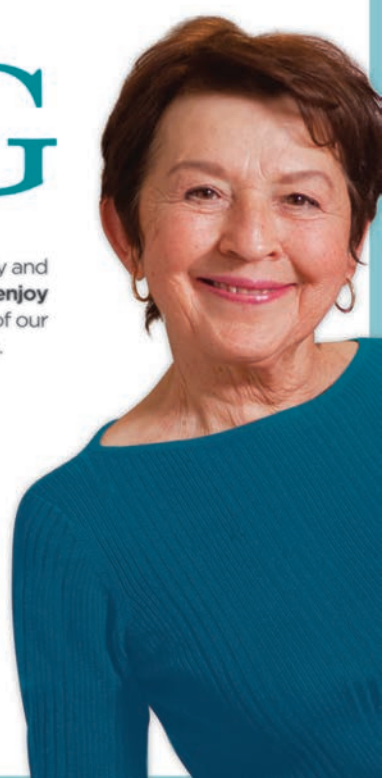
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Looking Up
with Bob Eklund

A STARDUST MEMORY: METEORITIC STARDUST UNLOCKS TIMING OF SUPERNOVA DUST FORMATION

Dust is everywhere—not just in your attic or under your bed, but also in outer space. To astronomers, dust can be a nuisance by blocking the light of distant stars, or it can be a tool to study the history of our universe, galaxy, and solar system.

For example, astronomers have been trying to explain why some recently discovered distant, but young, galaxies contain massive amounts of dust. These observations indicate that Type II supernovae—explosions of stars more than ten times as massive as the Sun—produce copious amounts of dust, but how and when they do so is not well understood.

New work from a team of Carnegie cosmochemists published by Science Advances reports analyses of carbon-rich dust grains extracted from meteorites that show that these grains formed in the outflows from one or more Type II supernovae more than two years after the progenitor stars exploded. This dust was then blown into space to be eventually incorporated into new stellar systems, including in this case, our own.

The researchers—led by postdoctoral researcher Nan Liu, along with Larry Nittler, Conel Alexander, and Jianhua Wang of Carnegie's Department of Terrestrial Magnetism—came to their conclusion not by studying supernovae with telescopes. Rather, they analyzed microscopic silicon carbide, SiC, dust grains that formed in supernovae more than 4.6 billion years ago and were trapped in meteorites as our solar system formed from the ashes of the galaxy's previous generations of stars.

Some meteorites have been known for decades to contain a record of the original building blocks of the solar system, including stardust grains that formed in prior generations of stars.

"Because these presolar grains are literally stardust that can be studied in

detail in the laboratory," explained Nittler, "they are excellent probes of a range of astrophysical processes."

For this study, the team set out to investigate the timing of supernova dust formation by measuring isotopes—versions of elements with the same number of protons but different numbers of neutrons—in rare presolar silicon carbide grains with compositions indicating that they formed in Type II supernovae.

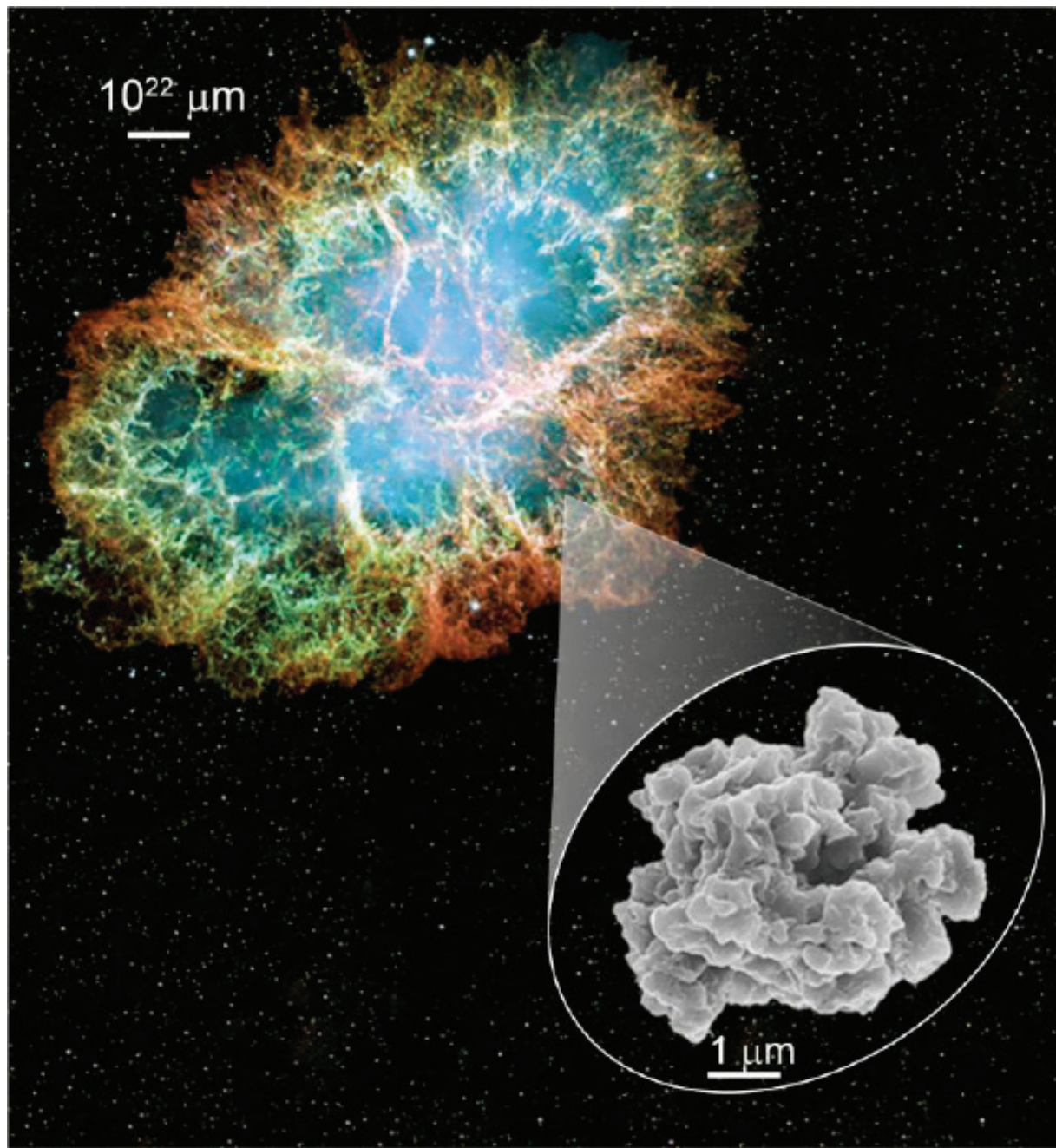
Certain isotopes enable scientists to establish a time frame for cosmic events because they are radioactive. In these instances, the number of neutrons present in the isotope make it unstable. To gain stability, it releases energetic particles in a way that alters the number of protons and neutrons, transmuting it into a different element.

The Carnegie team focused on a rare isotope of titanium, titanium-49, because this isotope is the product of radioactive decay of vanadium-49 which is produced during supernova explosions and transmutes into titanium-49 with a half-life of 330 days. How much titanium-49 gets incorporated into a supernova dust grain thus depends on when the grain forms after the explosion.

Using a state-of-the-art mass spectrometer to measure the titanium isotopes in supernova SiC grains with much better precision than could be accomplished by previous studies, the team found that the grains must have formed at least two years after their massive parent stars exploded.

"This dust-formation process can occur continuously for years, with the dust slowly building up over time, which aligns with astronomer's observations of varying amounts of dust surrounding the sites of stellar explosions," added lead author Liu.

You can contact Bob Eklund at: b.eklund@MtnViewsNews.com.



CHRISTOPHER Nyerges

ARRIVAL

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I love a good movie that has a good story, and makes you think deeply about life. Unfortunately, these are few and far between. When I recently viewed the movie "Arrival," the mysterious mood and jumping through time kept me glued to my seat. I already knew it was about some sort of alien space ships that came to earth, because they told us that in the trailers. And in general, though I find space alien movies to be entertaining, they typically are about some other place and time and have no relevance to me. "Arrival" was different. "Arrival" made us talk and debate about what we'd just seen, and how it presented a solution to the major problems facing the people of our planet. The space ships arrive, and they are not your ordinary space ships. These are more like elongated rocks, standing about 150 yards tall, with no visible technological lights or moving parts. Are they friend or foe? Government scientists record the sounds from the space ship and linguists are brought in to translate, all to no avail. The star of the show, linguist Louise Banks, decides to attempt communication by writing (rather than by speaking) to the aliens. With some sort of clear border between the humans and the aliens, Banks manages to elicit visual responses from the aliens. The aliens project round images onto the clear screen, which Banks eventually proves to be a form of language. In the meantime, no one knows what these aliens are doing, hovering over 12 spots on the earth. After all, we are told by one of the military men on the scene, all foreign invaders on the earth always did bad things to the peoples they invaded, mentioning many examples, such as the Spanish invasion into the Americas. Most of the world leaders are preparing for aggression,

and how to be both defensive and offensive to the alien presence. But our linguist, Louise Banks, believes that she has made a connection with the alien beings, and understands their mission. The round images, determines Banks, is a universal language. When one learns to understand and to think in this language, one can escape from the bounds of time. Banks believes that the aliens brought this language to earth because it is needed for humanity's evolution, to escape time, and to understand our unity. Banks believes that the aliens are actually mankind's saviors. But not everyone agrees with this interpretation, as many are getting ready for a major assault on humanity. As the plot unfolds, our female linguist masters the language, and sees in her future that she will teach and spread this new visual language from the aliens. The huge obelisk ships eventually just fade away to the mists from which they've come, and mankind goes back to its business as usual. It is a profound, well-told story that moves along well. Our post-movie conversation was intense.

What is language, after all? Why don't we all speak the same tongue? Why did Chinese develop a written system based on modified pictures, and others developed letters to represent each part of the spoken word? How could so many diverse languages have developed on earth? Doesn't it take a very long time to develop a language? We discussed the many languages and how so many translations are merely approximations. We brought up S.I Hayakawa's book, "Language in Thought and Action," who pointed out how the words we think, and speak, affect our reality. In "Arrival," Banks translated one pictorial image as "tool," but others translated it as "weapon." The world was worried. Both translations were actually correct, but in the context of the message, "tool" would have been a better choice because no hostile intent was involved. Even now, basked in the profoundness of the "Arrival" experience, trying to use words to describe what I just experienced seems futile. See the movie!

OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder



THE ONLY EXERCISE I GET IS SHIVERING IN THE COLD

I am not one to complain, at least when anybody is listening. The greatest blessing I have in life is that nobody really listens to me. Therefore, I can say whatever I want to say and nobody will hear me.

Well, I used to believe that. Certain things have happened that has caused me to upgrade this aspect of my life. Believe me when I say that upgrading any aspect of your life has a price tag to it. Oftentimes that price tag is rather extreme.

Recently, we have been experiencing some rather cold weather in our area. Every morning the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage reminds me of how cold it is outside. As if I did not know it was cold outside.

As I'm preparing to leave the house, she will always say, "Make sure you wear a coat and keep warm."

I often chuckle, to myself of course, when she makes remarks something like this. Often she will say when I'm ready to leave, "Make sure you drive carefully." To which I always respond, "Rats, I was planning to drive recklessly today and now I have to drive carefully."

For some reason she never laughs at me, but just stares one of those stares every husband has come to recognize. Why she thinks she needs to tell me to drive carefully is beyond my pay level, I am sure. Maybe, and this is just a guess on my part, she has ridden with me while I was driving. If that is the case I solved that a number of years ago. Whenever we go anywhere, I always allow her to drive and we use her vehicle. Now, do not let this get back to her, but I would rather use her vehicle and her gas than my vehicle and my gas. When we go anywhere, she is the one who drives and I just sit back and enjoy the ride. So where she gets this idea that I drive carelessly, I'm not quite sure.

However, getting back to the cold weather she sometimes tells me to put on a coat before I go outside because it is "shivering cold out there." Of course, if I put my coat on I am not going to shiver. At least that's what I think.

I don't mind one day when it's cold, but when there are several days in a row, I am quite unprepared for that. After all, I live in Florida and I expect the weather to be warm if not hot. All of this cold weather has brought me to the idea that I want to gather together a class action suit against the governor of Florida because the motto of Florida is "The Sunshine State." If he cannot provide the sunshine and the warmth, then why in the world is he Governor?

However, shivering is becoming a daily

practice with me. At first, I really did not like it because my shivering was out of my control. As soon as I step outside my body begins to shiver uncontrollably. For a person my age and size that is a little humiliating. I do not want any part of my body working without my permission.

Once I got over the humiliation of my body shivering beyond my control, I began to see the positive side of it. If you look hard enough, you can see the positive side in everything. It took me a while, but I finally got to where I began to appreciate the positive side of shivering in the cold.

My wife is always suggesting that I try to lose a little bit of weight and maybe exercising a little bit will help. But I am not as young as I used to be. I think I have earned the time to goof off and do nothing. In fact, I have become quite the expert at doing nothing. If anybody can do nothing, it is me and I do it quite well.

At my age, exercise is a little more than I can handle. I have put myself on a 12-step program when it comes to exercise. Six steps from my chair to the refrigerator, and six steps back to my chair. That is the kind of exercise that I can really deal with.

Then the shivering idea came into my lackadaisical head. I do not often get a chance to pull one over on my wife, and I thought I had a wonderful plan at this point. I practiced for several days so that I could get it right.

Then an opportunity presented itself.

"Maybe," my wife said as seriously as she has ever been, "you should do a little bit of exercise."

"I get plenty of exercise," I said rather smugly.

"Oh yeah," she said with both hands firmly placed on her hips. "Where are you getting any exercise?"

"I get all the exercise I need," I said, "by shivering out in the cold."

She looked at me for a moment and finally said, "You know that you're a mess!"

Paul said it best when he said, "For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come" (1 Timothy 4:8).

The best exercise, of course is spiritual. Exercising my faith in God is the most important thing in my life.

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BARGER PUSHES FOR LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE LIFESAVING MEDICAL CARE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

Department of Mental Health-sponsored Amendment to State Law Would Add Medical Treatment to Grave Disability Criteria

LOS ANGELES COUNTY - At their next regular meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 30, the Board of Supervisors will consider a motion by Supervisors Kathryn Barger and Mark Ridley-Thomas to sponsor state legislation enabling the county to provide critical medical care for the mentally ill.

"More than 830 homeless people died on the streets of L.A. County last year. Many of these deaths were preventable with proper medical attention," Barger said. "It's time for California to join 37 other states who consider medical treatment a basic human need for those suffering from a mental illness."

The legislation would amend the state's definition of gravely disabled pursuant to the recommendation by the Department of Mental Health (DMH), to read, "a condition in which a person, as a result of a mental health disorder, is unable to provide for his or her basic personal needs for food, clothing, shelter, or medical treatment where the lack or failure of such treatment results in substantial physical harm or death." This proposed addition (in the underlined section above) is similar to the criteria used in 37 states nationwide.

"It's important to realize that individuals with co-occurring mental illness and homelessness, arguably the county's most vulnerable populations, may account disproportionately for the increased death rates," said Dr. Jonathan Sherin, director of Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health.

"We can advance our mission by operationalizing

our work with the most vulnerable and critically ill by acknowledging that signs of physical harm due to self-neglect as a result of serious mental conditions are a rational and objective means for detecting grave disability," Sherin added.

On October 31, 2017 the Board of Supervisors approved a motion by Barger that directed DMH to work with county agencies, mental health advocacy groups, civil rights organizations and other stakeholders to develop legislative recommendations. Numerous mental health professionals and advocates voiced support for Barger's motion including Dr. Susan Patrovi, Medical Director of Homeless Healthcare LA, Brittney Weissman, Executive Director of NAMI Los Angeles County Council and Los Angeles City Councilmember David Ryu.

DMH and its partners engaged stakeholders from various statewide and local organizations and received overwhelmingly positive feedback on modifying the current grave disability standard.

"Current state law is a one-size-fits-all approach to mental illness, which makes it nearly impossible to adequately address the needs of the growing number of the mentally ill among the homeless population," Barger said. "Allowing the most vulnerable to languish on our streets without a lifeline is inhumane, and we cannot accept this as a viable option."

"Together, we can find an effective approach to this crisis that will help deliver lifesaving treatment and care for those desperately in need," she added.

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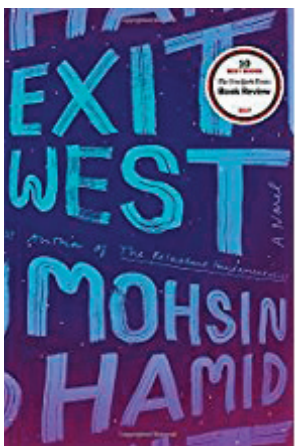
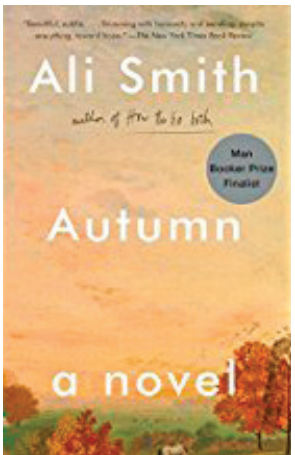
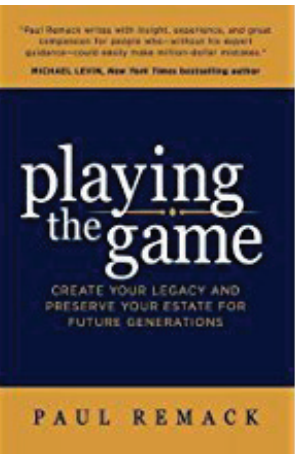
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All Things

By Jeff Brown

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FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett



WHY YOUR ESTATE PLANNER NEEDS TO KNOW IF YOU'VE LENT MONEY TO FAMILY

More and more, children and grandchildren are skipping the traditional bank and obtaining loans from parents or grandparents. Unfortunately, we have all heard stories of families torn apart because of disagreements over money. So, what can you do to make sure your intra-family loans help — rather than hurt — your family?
As far as estate planning is concerned, money you lend to others is legally an asset. If you have lent money to a family member, the presence of these assets in your estate can be problematic for your surviving family members. This is because your executor and successor trustee are under a legal requirement, known as fiduciary care, to collect the outstanding obligation, even if the other party is a family member.
If the amount of money that you have lent out is significant -- and "significant" can be relative -- it is important to document it as you plan your estate. For example, if you wish to forgive the debt there are special terms that must be included in your trust or will for this to happen. On the other hand, you may want the debt to be paid out of the inheritance the borrower is otherwise receiving. In that case, the payment of the debt from the inheritance must be addressed in your estate planning documents.

A Brief Loan Primer
A loan is a legal and financial arrangement where money is borrowed and is expected to be paid back with interest. Generally, a loan involves a promissory note, which is a signed document by the borrower containing a written promise to repay a stated sum of money to the lender in accordance with a schedule, at a specified date, or on

demand. In some cases collateral, like real estate or other property, is used to secure the loan. Collateral is something pledged as security for repayment of the loan. If the borrower quits making payments, then the collateral can be taken by the lender.

Lending as an Estate Planning Tool
When properly structured and well documented, loans can be a smart estate planning tool for many families. This is because lenders (usually grandparents or parents) can essentially give access to an inheritance without any immediate gift or estate tax problems, generate a better return on their cash than they could with bank deposits, and borrowers (usually children or grandchildren) can take out loans at interest rates lower than commercial rates and with better terms. In fact, the Internal Revenue Service allows borrowers who are related to one another to pay very low rates on intra-family loans. Furthermore, the total interest paid on these types of transactions over the life of the loan stays within the family. If structured and documented properly, intra-family loans may effectively transfer money within the family, for the purchase of a home, the financing of a business, or any other purpose.
Sometimes loans can be used in sophisticated estate tax planning strategies as a way to shift assets into special estate-tax saving trusts. One variant of this technique is sometimes called an installment sale to a grantor trust. Although this sophisticated strategy and others like it are usually only appropriate for those with a net worth of at least several million dollars, other types of intra-family loans, perhaps for home improvement, an automobile purchase, or a business, can help families across the wealth spectrum.
There are a few important points to keep in mind regarding these types of loans: the loan must be well-documented, lenders should usually ask for collateral, the lender should make sure the borrower can repay the loan, and the income and estate tax implications should be examined thoroughly.

Deciding What You Want
While you were kind enough to help a member of your family by lending him or her money, do not let this become a legal dilemma in the event of your incapacity or after your death. Instead, use your estate plan to specifically express what you want to have happen regarding these assets. Before lending money, it is important to carefully consider how the loan should be structured, documented, and repaid. If you or someone you know has lent money and has questions about how this affects your estate plan, let us know and we'll help you find the answers.

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BUSINESS TODAY

The latest on Business News, Trends and Techniques

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MIND YOUR BUSINESS

Establishing and maintaining a successful business begins and ends with an entrepreneur's state of mind. “The Little Engine That Could” is one of the most famous children's stories, extolling the benefits of what is possible when someone simply dares to believe they can accomplish something that may seem out of reach.
Everyone who has any inkling of entrepreneurial aspiration must seize the moment at some point and take action in order to create the product or business they envision. The mind is defined as the part of a person that can think, reason, feel and remember. It is commonly thought of as the activity of the brain, which is an appropriate springboard to emphasize that activity or action aligned with aspiration is what distinguishes doers from mere dreamers.
Mind your business is used here as an expression to emphasize the importance of how entrepreneurs can use their own thought process to forge ahead toward achieving goals. The following mnemonic can be used as a guide to move forward and keep going in the direction of your business interests.
Make Up Your Mind
The first step is to get clarity about your vision, your dream to start a business. Do you want to earn extra income or build your idea into your primary livelihood? Do you want a small, easy-to-manage business or are you thinking of building a thriving enterprise? Either one will need to generate revenue and be profitable. It is important to determine the income goal as a certain amount per month, year or other timeframe. Finally, it is imperative to

commit to a date by which you expect certain goals to be attained.

Invest Your Time & Resources
Everyone on the planet is granted with 24 hours in a day, and those who have relished in the success of building a profitable understand that time is a commodity more valuable than money. Both should be used wisely, but unlike money, time wasted can never be recaptured. Take time to layout the gameplan, the roadmap as you understand it, to reach your goal.


Never Give Up
Follow the example of The Little Engine That Could and press forward, even when going uphill makes it a little more difficult.

Distinguish Yourself With Discipline
Executing your plan will build the bridge between your goal and your vision. Consistency fosters discipline, which results in a mastery of knowledge and skills that fuels the type of confidence that can help an entrepreneur to keep going when times get challenging.
Move beyond thinking about starting a business, or if you're already in business, move beyond simply thinking about what you can do to expand and move to the next phase you envision. Make up our mind to have the level of success you desire as a business owner and go for it.

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POTPOURRI

Potpourri (n): *A mixture of things*

ATTACK OF THE INVISIBLE VOTER APATHY MONSTER:

Last week I mentioned that more than 157 million Americans who were eligible to vote did not vote for Trump. Of those, 65 million+ voted for Hillary Clinton and another 8 million+ voters cast their ballots as Libertarians, Green Party Members, Independents, Write Ins or Others. (Please note: we do not have a two party system, just not enough people participating in other parties.) Anyway, when you deduct those voters, that leaves us 83,562,525 eligible voters who DID NOT VOTE for either lack of interest, lack of enthusiasm, or a general lack of concern. If you are one of those please take serious note, your voice is needed. Neither major party candidate received 80 million votes. What a difference you could have made!

AND THE APATHY CRIPPLES IN OTHER WAYS TOO!

Not only are citizens not voting, they are not stepping up to the plate to lead. Getting good candidates to run for office is next to impossible. In Arcadia, an open City Council seat drew 1 candidate. To the surprise of no one, the city canceled the election and just appointed the candidate to the vacant seat. (See story on page 5).

In Sierra Madre, there is a vacancy for the office of City Clerk waiting to be filled. At press time there has been only 1 candidate to date, (there is still time to apply). The City Clerk vacancy doesn't even require that you go through the election process for the next two years.

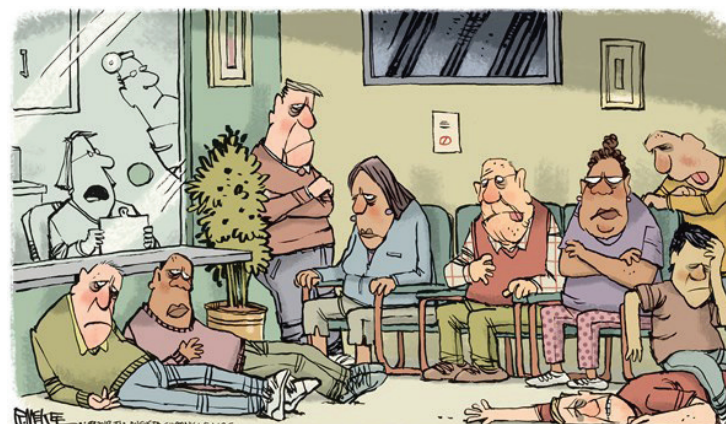
And Yet.....everybody wants to whine and complain about what is going on.

BY THE WAY - MOSES WAS A LUCKY MAN!

Timing is everything! It is a good thing that Moses, who was floated down the river WITHOUT PAPERS, didn't live during the reign of Donald Trump. Whether you are Christian, Jewish, Islamic, or an atheist, you probably know the story. Truth is, Moses was an undocumented migrant for all intents and purposes when he was rescued from the river. No one knew who he was or where he came from. When Pharaoh's sister rescued him he was spared from certain death based on a decree from Pharaoh that all Hebrew boys be killed. Unbeknownst to her, the baby was in fact a Hebrew but her ignorance of that fact saved his life. In fact, Moses grew up to be a great prophet and historical figure whose legacy has lasted thousands of years and helped millions. Lot to learn from Moses' story. One thing it brings to light in view of what is going on in this country regarding the children who were brought into this country illegally by their parents, is how ridiculous and inhumane it is to hold a child accountable for the actions of their parents. (His mother turned him into a migrant by sending him adrift with no ID in case you didn't get it). Imagine kicking baby Moses out of the country because he didn't have documentation! Would Trump and Company have put the baby back in the basket to drift on down the stream? And, take a look at what happens when a person isn't judged based upon who people think they are or how they think they will act. Moses grew up to do great things. Could someone send this as a reminder to the President and those in Congress who want to deport approximately 700,000 children (some who are now adults), to where?, a country they have never known. Disgraceful.

And last but certainly not least - Trump's New Immigration Offer (at least as of Friday. It is subject to be totally different by Saturday morning!): He's making an offer. Save 1.8 million Dreamers he won't deport. The number of Dreamers has been 700,00 since the day he was sworn in. What did Trump do, count the undocumented workers on his various Trump resort and other business payrolls?

People, this is our country from top to bottom and we have to get serious and take an interest in our futures. To quote my favorite teacher, Mrs. Hamilton, "Now you think about that"!



LEFT TURN/RIGHT TURN

TYRADES BY DANNY TYREE



STOP MISREPRESENTING THE STATUE OF LIBERTY!

They'll do it every time.

Whenever Joe Sixpack (or Joe's congressman) gingerly raises the subject of hiring extra border guards, tweaking our broken system of monitoring work visas or fine-tuning our vetting of refugees from terrorist-infested countries, the cliché knee-jerk responses are swift.

Copycat editorial cartoonists, sanctimonious talk-show hosts and professional agitators bombard us with caricatures of an immigrant-loathing Statue of Liberty and parodies of Emma Lazarus's 1883 sonnet "The New Colossus" ("Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses...").

Joe and his ilk are savagely branded as haters and xenophobes and violators of sacred promises.

But "The New Colossus" is not a covenant Moses brought down from Mount Sinai. It is not an amendment to the U.S. Constitution, a landmark Supreme Court ruling, an executive order, a treaty, a trade pact or even a local zoning ordinance.

It is a poem. It is an inspirational poem that has stood the test of time (although most people remember only about 13 words of it), but it is still just a poem. It is not a contract that leaves Joe legally and morally bound to suffer public shaming at the whim of elitists living in gated communities.

"The New Colossus" no more obligates Joe to accept wide-open borders than Woody Guthrie's "This Land Is Your Land" means I must surrender my 10 acres of private property to vagrants or "Take Me Out To The Ball Game" mandates that someone owes me peanuts and Crackerjacks.

The "Dreamers" rightly assert that they had no choice in being brought into the U.S. illegally by their parents. Similarly, no one living today had any input into Emma Lazarus's stanzas. No one living had veto power over the War Department bureaucrat who accepted the plaque of "The New Colossus" in 1903. No one has ever gotten to vote in a referendum about the values expressed in the poem.

Let's use the trendy "living document" theory on Lazarus's poem. She wrote with no idea that we would amass a national debt in the trillions, that gangs would fight with machine guns, that greedy employers would abuse H-1B visas, that some immigrants would refuse assimilation in the American "melting pot," that some new arrivals would try to retain their own legal system, that intoxicated undocumented immigrants would kill pedestrians with a "car," that terrorists could walk across the border just as easily as refugees genuinely fleeing poverty or political torture.

Let's use some common sense where hospitality is concerned. Even if you are sincere when you tell a friend "Drop by for a visit when you're in town" or "Let me know if there's any way I can help in your time of grief," your friend should bargain in good faith and not abuse your generosity. Likewise, let us assume there's an implicit "Reasonable restrictions apply" clause in Lazarus's invitation.

Citizens advocating a careful, sensible approach to immigration are being vilified as the moral equivalent of the politicians who shamelessly broke treaties with Native Americans.

But if we Americans are bullied into sacrificing our security, our economic stability, our rule of law and our best traditions, immigrants will be arriving in an America far worse than the one they dreamed of. We will be perpetuating a shameful bait-and-switch scam.

And in the process, people already living in America will become the tired, the poor, the huddled masses.

- Danny welcomes email responses at tyreetyrades@aol.com and visits to his Facebook fan page "Tyree's Tyrades."

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THE FALSE CHOICE BETWEEN THE DREAMERS AND THE MILITARY

While it is a pleasant surprise that last weekend's shutdown was resolved so quickly, there is hardly time for a sigh of relief. In just a few short weeks, the latest continuing resolution will run out - leaving the government without funds once more.

Before that happens, it's critical to establish that Republicans presented a fundamentally false choice in last weekend's battle: that between the DREAMers and our military.

The DREAMers are Americans in all but name. The term comes from the DREAM Act, a years-old legislative effort to protect a group of people who were brought to the United States as children - that is, not by their choice. Thanks to an Obama-era program called DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals), DREAMers were able to apply for a sort of temporary citizenship contingent on high standards of academic and career achievement as well as law-abiding behavior.

These 800,000 men and women are woven into communities across the nation, many of them now having children who are Americans. Hundreds of DREAMers serve in our military, and still more work in local government, philanthropy, public safety, and every other profession. They represent no economic or security threat to our nation - in fact, they benefit us all in both ways and more.

Unfortunately, they are now at risk because last September, Attorney General Jeff Sessions rescinded DACA, their only legal protection. DACA is set to phase out officially by March, and with President Trump's draconian Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) chomping at the bit to expel more people from the country, their futures are in a terrifying legal limbo.

This is part of the reason for last week's shutdown: Democrats refused to authorize funding without a permanent fix for the DREAMers. The Republican Party, which controls both chambers of Congress and the White House, could not pass a bill alone due to a split between immigration hardliners and moderates. Naturally then, the Democrats argued that any bipartisan budget deal must take into account both parties' priorities, including protection for the DREAMers.

The Republicans - most loudly President Trump and Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, whose ending of DACA and inability to control his own members, respectively, precipitated the crisis in the first place - chose a less honest portrayal of the problem. Time and again, they accused Senate Democrats of 'playing politics' with funding for our military and, by extension, our national security.

This is partly spurious because the Department of Defense does not completely shut down even when the government does. Worldwide U.S. military operations continue, and many (though not all) employees are deemed 'essential' and protected from furlough. There are however consequences for military and DoD civilian pay - namely that it stops during the shutdown and only arrives later as backpay, a burden for those living paycheck to paycheck.

So the meat of the Republican attack was not just that Democrats were leaving the nation vulnerable, but that they were willing to hose the troops for a bunch of illegal immigrants too. Except that it was actually the Republican Party who kept the troops from being paid in the first place.

After the funding clock ran out last Friday night, Missouri's Democratic Senator Claire McCaskill put forth a bill to ensure that military members would keep getting paid. Such legislation was proposed and passed with flying, bipartisan colors during the last shutdown in 2013. Nevertheless, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (a Republican, of Kentucky) refused to even allow a vote on the measure.

There is publicly available video from the Senate floor of the Republican Party refusing to ensure pay for our military members - yet they still had the gall to attack Democrats for days afterwards as hostile to national security. And what's more, based on President Trump's recent tweets lumping in the word "military" with discussions of immigration and border security, it will likely be the same attack line next time around.

Thankfully, the American people know better than to believe this lie. And with support for DACA and the DREAMers at an all-time high, they also know better than to fund the deportation of good people who have known no country but the one we share for their whole lives. If the government heads for shutdown once more, the Democratic Party must stand firm against these bad-faith arguments by the very people who are creating the problem - and that means soundly rejecting the Republicans' false choice between the DREAMers and the military.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: JEANETTE ELIZABETH PARSON CASE NO. 18STPB00270

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of JEANETTE ELIZABETH PARSON.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CHRISTOPHER J. PARSON & CATHERINE M. PARSON in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CHRISTOPHER J. PARSON & CATHERINE M. PARSON 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. (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: 02/14/18 at 8:30AM in Dept. 67 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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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ROGER E. GARCIA LOPEZ, 407 LOMA DR, LOS ANGELES, CA 90017. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ROGER E. GARCIA LOPEZ, 407 LOMA DR, LOS ANGELES, CA 90017. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ROGER E. GARCIA LOPEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/17/2018. 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. 2018-014957
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SOUNDQUAKE AUTO SOUND, 1153 E. 11TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90021. MAILING ADDRESS: 1654 1/2 W. 12TH PL, LOS ANGELES, CA 90015. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) OLWAYS A. FLORES, 1654 1/2 W. 12TH PL, LOS ANGELES, CA 90015. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: OLWAYS A. FLORES. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/18/2018. 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. 2018-011173
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE HAPPY BEES COMPANY, 1728 W 109TH STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90047. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ZEON GRAY, 1728 W 109TH STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90047. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ZEON GRAY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/12/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/2018. 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. 2018-010963
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE NAIL SPA CE, 11455 SOUTH STREET, CERRITOS, CA 90703. MAILING ADDRESS: 2335 PENNY STREET, WEST COVINA, CA 91792. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) THANH PHU TRUONG, 2335 PENNY STREET, WEST COVINA, CA 91792. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: THANH PHU TRUONG. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/12/2018. 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. 2018-013986
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE THOMAS FIRM, 4017 LONG BEACH BLVD, LONG BEACH, CA 90807. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) EMANUEL THOMAS II, 4017 LONG BEACH BLVD, LONG BEACH, CA 90807. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: EMANUEL THOMAS II. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/17/2018. 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. 2018-011242
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TIJUANA BAKERY CAFE, TIJUANA BAKERY CAFE, INC., 11626 S. ATLANTIC BLVD, LYNWOOD, CA 90262. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) TIJUANA BAKERY CAFE, INC., 11626 S. ATLANTIC BLVD, LYNWOOD, CA 90262. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: FRANCISCO ESPINOZA. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/12/2018. 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. 2018-012309
STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person(s) SERGIO ANGEL RODRIGUEZ RODRIGUEZ, 23523 CATSKILL AVE, CARSON, CA 90745; PATRICIA SUAREZ, 24419 MARINE AVE, CARSON, CA 90745, has/ have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: LEON METAL STAMPING 2, 136 W GARDENA BLVD, GARDENA, CA 90248. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 06/30/2015, in the county of Los Angeles. The original file number is 2015172229. The business was conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 01/16/2018. 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.) PATRICIA SUAREZ
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FILE NO. 2018-011279
STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person(s) FRANCISCO ESPINOZA, 4276 LAYMAN AVE, LYNWOOD, CA 90262, has/ have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: TIJUANA BAKERY CAFE, 11626 S. ATLANTIC BLVD, LYNWOOD, CA 90262. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 10/14/2014, in the county of Los Angeles. The original file number of 2014293441. The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 01/12/2018. 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.) FRANCISCO ESPINOZA
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