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DRIVER SUSPECTED OF DUI CRASHES INTO YARD/UTILITY POLE



On Monday, April 23, 2018 at approximately 4 pm, a female driver lost control of her vehicle on N. Lima near Highland in Sierra Madre. The accident happened near Sierra Madre Elementary School.

According to Detective Henry Amos of the SMPD, the driver, who is from El Monte, was in her twenties and sustained injuries that required her to be taken by ambulance to the hospital. It was at the hospital that she was cited by the police for driving under the influence. There were no other injuries.

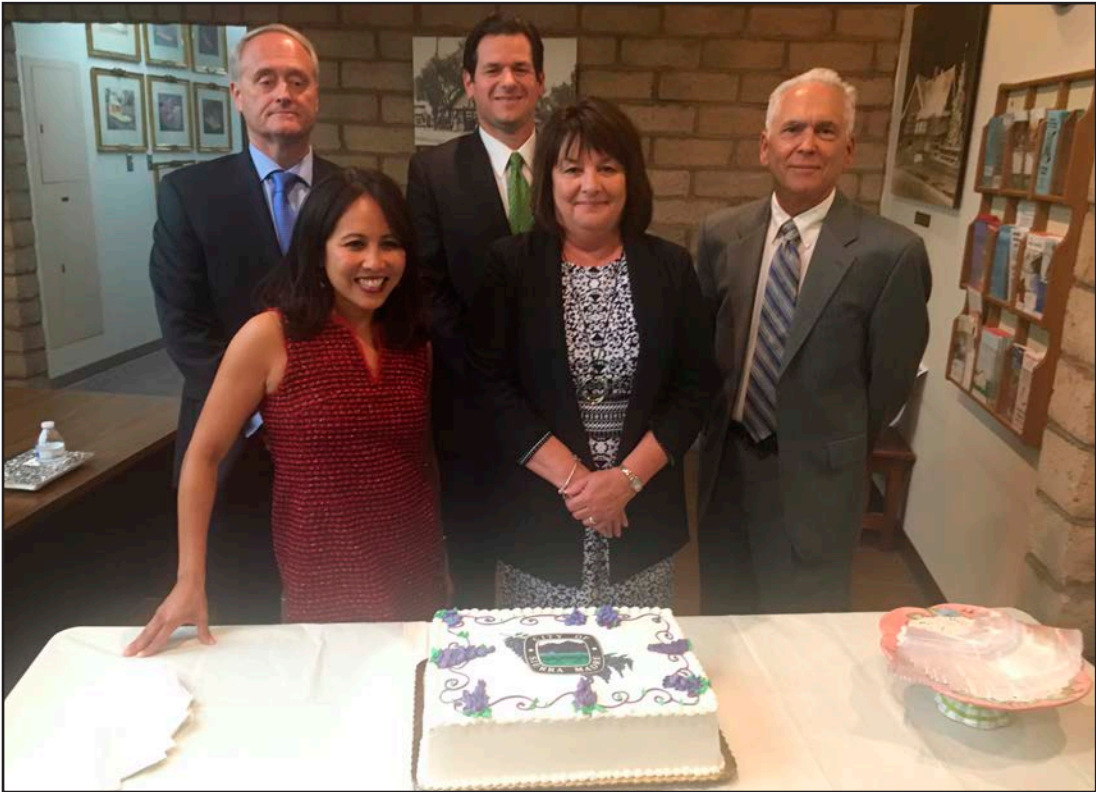
Amos discussed the increase in such accidents and referenced the SMPD Facebook post:

"Distracted driving is a public health issue that affects us all. The latest statistics show motor vehicle fatalities are up 6% from 2015. More than 40,000 people were killed on our nation's roadways last year, and distracted driving is a major contributor."

Thankfully this was not the scene of a fatal accident ... just a reminder from the Sierra Madre Police Department."

MVNews/Photo courtesy Sierra Madre Police Department

LADIES NIGHT: DENISE DELMAR ELECTED MAYOR; OUTGOING MAYOR RACHELLE ARIZMENDI HONORED



On Tuesday, April 24th, a new chapter in the history of Sierra Madre began. The City Council elected Denise Delmar as Mayor. She follows outgoing Mayor Rachelle Arizmendi and it marks the first time in the 111 year history of Sierra Madre that women have held the office of Mayor for two consecutive terms. In addition, former Mayor John Harabedian was elected as Mayor Pro Tem which will, if tradition is followed, allow him to serve two terms as Mayor within a 4 year period. Councilman and Former Mayor John Cappoccia declined the position of Mayor Pro Tem to give John that opportunity.

There were other firsts that evening. The newly appointed City Clerk, Sue Spear, administered her first Oaths of Office to the three re-elected councilpersons, Delmar, Arizmendi and Councilman Gene Goss. Spear was appointed to fill the unexpired term for the previous City Clerk in resigned earlier this year.

Mayor Delmar expressed her excitement at being

able to work together with the same colleagues again. She thanked everyone for their support of the council and their support of her re-election.

Former Mayor Rachelle Arizmendi was recognized for her achievements during her term in office by Mayor Delmar on behalf of the city. Those accomplishments included (partial listing) presiding over 23 regular and 2 special council meetings, ushering in a fiscally balanced budget and presiding over the establishment of the city's first fully paid Fire Department.

Arizmendi was also honored by the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce, and the representatives from the offices of Congresswoman Judy Chu, State Senator Anthony Portantino and State Assemblyman Chris Holden. A reception followed the the meeting with the traditional 'Sierra Madre Cake'.

The first council meeting for Mayor Delmar will be held on May 3, 2018

MVNews/Photo courtesy City of Sierra Madre

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL'S GROUP CULTURAL EXCHANGE TEAM FROM AGRA, INDIA VISITS SGV

The Rotary Young Professionals honoring the GCE Team from Agra, India is visiting the San Gabriel Valley. They have scheduled travels across the US before returning home. Rotary of Sierra Madre hosted the team at the Nano Café on Tuesday 24 April along with the family hosts and other guests. Participation of Rotary International's Group Cultural Exchange program involves arranging for each young professional to observe and interact in his or her profession with a variety of companies. District 5300 sponsored a five member Southern California team to Agra, India for three weeks to learn the cultural differences in their businesses. The incoming team from Agra consists of a Rotarian leader and four young non-Rotarian professionals; Anmol Shrivastava, Awleen Chawla, Neha Ramani. Back: Montek Singh Hura, Rtn. Ajay Agrawal Team Leader. This is their final week is in the West San Gabriel Valley where they will stay with a new set of Rotarian host families and participate in planned activities lead by President Elect, Marilyn Diaz.



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Thur:	Sunny	Hi 70s	Lows 50s
Fri:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

CITY OF SIERRA MADRE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

NEXT REGULAR May 3, 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.



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The Mt. Wilson Trail Race Training Group will be meet in Kersting Ct. every Saturday at 7:00 am beginning Saturday, February 3rd through Saturday, May 19th.

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SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS

Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, May 8, 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 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
May 8, 2018 at 6:30 pm
May 22, 2018 at 6:30 pm

Planning Commission
May 3, 2018 at 7:00 pm
May 17, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Community Service Commission
May 21, 2018 at 6:30 pm
June 18, 2018 at 6:30 pm

Senior Community Commission
May 3, 2018 at 3:00 pm CANCELLED
June 7, 2018 at 3:00 pm

Library Board of Trustees
May 23, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Energy, Environment, and Natural Resource Commission
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2. Applicants must have been active in one or more Sierra Madre Rose Float activity such as fundraising, design, construction, flowering or as a past or present float rider.

Application Forms can be downloaded from the SMRoseFloat.org website.

All forms must be postmarked or sent by E-mail to Scholarship@SMRoseFloat.org NO LATER than May 4, 2018

DO YOU HAVE A STORY TO TELL?

Do you have a Sierra Madre memory to tell? This is your chance to have it recorded on video and stored at state and local archives. You will be part of the state historical record! AND there will be a presentation here in town of all the Sierra Madre videos created.

Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society members have regaled us with all kinds of wonderful memories of their lives in town - we know you have stories to tell! If you were raised here, what experiences and adventures did you have? If you moved to Sierra Madre, what was it like then compared to now? Do you have a memory connected to a place, or to a person - maybe a leading citizen of our town, or even a local character? These are just a few ideas to get you thinking what memory you'd like to tell.

Part of this memory-gathering project, California Listens, is a free 2-day workshop to create your little video (photos or memorabilia relating to your story are a big plus!). The workshop team will work with you all the way through, and you'll end up with skills that could be useful for recording memories for your family, or doing other video projects. The California Listens Digital Storytelling Workshop is set for Friday and Saturday May 11-12, 2018 from 9 am to 5 pm at City Hall, located at 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. in Sierra Madre.

In the workshop, participants will make a short video on a computer and will learn: how to make a great video story, how to write a narration script and record it, how to prepare a visual treatment for a story, and the basics of video editing in WeVideo. Powerful and fun! Anyone can contribute regardless of experience or technical level.

The deadline to apply is April 28th. To apply, visit: storycenter.org/sierramadre or submit a paper application to the Sierra Madre Public Library. You can drop your application off at the library or mail it to them (Sierra Madre Public Library, 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, CA 91024). Or you can apply online at the website storycenter.org/sierramadre.

The workshop is free, but pre-registration is required. Those taking part must commit to preparation time, attendance during the entire two days.

Collected video stories will be shared at a presentation during the summer and will become part of state and local archives of stories about what it means to be Californian. View collected stories at californialistens.org

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SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

April 15 to April 22, 2018 - During this period, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 337 day and night time calls for service.

Tuesday, April 17

Officers were flagged down in regards to a grand theft. The victim parked his work truck with gardening equipment in the 00 block of Park Ave. The victim had a lawn mower and a hedge trimmer in the bed of his truck secured with a chain and lock. Victim went to retrieve the lawn mower and hedge trimmer and saw they were missing. The victim discovered the lock had been cut with an unknown tool. The suspect(s) left the scene in an unknown direction. Case to Detectives

Thursday, April 20

At about 9:49PM a vehicle was stopped for a vehicle code violation in the 100 block of W. Sierra Madre Bl. The driver of the vehicle provided false information to a police officer and was found to be unlicensed. Further investigation revealed that the driver also had an outstanding arrest warrant and that the license plate of the vehicle had a registration tab that belonged to another vehicle. The driver was arrested and transported to the Pasadena Jail. The passenger was the owner of the vehicle and was cited for the registration tab violation. Case to Pasadena DA's office

Saturday, April 21

A report was filed by a resident stating that she parked her vehicle in her assigned carport in the 400 block of W. Sierra Madre Bl. and left the vehicle unlocked. On April 21, 2018, at about 7:00AM she discovered her vehicle had been ransacked and property was missing. Unknown suspects(s) entered the vehicle through the unlocked door, ransacked the interior and removed victim's property. Case to Detectives

11:00AM

Between April 20 and April 21, 2018, a theft of personal items from an unsecured vehicle was reported to have occurred in the 400 block of Mariposa Ave. Case to Detectives

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FAMILY NATURE WALKS

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Wed 18 April 2PM	Sierra Madre Playhouse	Four way speech contest
**** 24 April 6 PM	Nano Cafe	Rotary Social Indian Delegation
1 May 7 AM	Hart House	Eric Duyshart Economic Development"
8 May 7 AM	Hart House	History of Mt. Lowe - Michael Manning
15 May 7 AM	Hart House	Opal Singleton, Million Kids

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WALKING SIERRA MADRE... The Social Side By Deanne Davis

"Upon the palms of my hands I have written your name." Isaiah 49:16

"The keys to happiness are in your hands."

"A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest..." Proverbs 24:33

The beautiful little hands here in the picture belong to Jessie and Emily, my Texas girls. My hope is that these little hands will never have anything happen to them that is not wonderful.

This edition of Walking Sierra Madre...The Social Side is being written on Wednesday, April 18th. You'll be reading it around April 28th when, hopefully, the writer will have recovered from having hand surgery on Friday, April 20th. Never having been a great typist at any time in her life, the writer, due to Dupuytren's Contracture, has now had to resort to the hunt and peck method to get words on the page. What on earth is Dupuytren's Contracture, you're asking?? "Over the course of time with Dupuytren's Contracture, fibrous tissue in the palm thickens and tightens. This causes one or more fingers to progressively stiffen, bend and lose flexibility." Yep, that's what's happened over the last few decades to the little finger on my left hand. Thankfully, not my right hand as that might have interfered with my ability to eat! On Friday, my hand surgeon, Dr. Shankar Lakshman, will fix this whole thing. It's day surgery, I get to go home almost immediately and, if all goes well, will be able to type again using all ten fingers!

It's been an exciting week around town as the movie people have invaded us again. I'm always delighted to see the movie folks come to town as they bring revenue with them. I realize not everybody's thrilled as there's no place to park and the sidewalk on Baldwin is jammed with people, reflector lights, more people and equipment. I don't mind having to walk a little further to get to the bank or Best Buy Drugs, because everywhere I look, movie people are walking around with coffee cups from our Starbucks, sitting in front of plates of enchiladas at Casa Del Rey, and doing a little shopping at all our shops. Revenue, friends and neighbors, they bring in revenue. Welcome them and encourage them to spend more.

A few weeks ago, they were filming an episode of Little Big Lies and transformed the former Petunia's into the Sunshine Beach Café, and this time around, Petunia's is "Antics Antiques." Foothill Tek was magically reconfigured into the cutest saloon ever. What they've been filming, by the way, is a new series for HBO entitled Camping, starring Jennifer Garner, written by Lena Dunham and Jenni Konner. It's a comedy so let's watch for it and tell everybody it was filmed right here at home!

Being unsure of when I'm going to be able to use my left hand to full capacity again...which leaves me wondering how on earth I'll be able to do anything with my hair or dress myself... I have a strange desire for muffins. One of the many things I liked to do with my husband - (Barbara Bush passed away yesterday at 92 years of age and she referred to her husband as "my hero." I like this so much that I shall incorporate that term when speaking of John, who now resides in heaven, because he really was my hero.) - was stay at Harris Ranch, which is in Coalinga, which you've never in your entire life heard of.



The Inn at Harris Ranch is beautiful, comfortable, relaxed, and it's possible to sit out by the pool and not see another person all day. For breakfast, we go to their Ranch Restaurant where they make the most astonishing biscuits. The Los Angeles Times graciously published the recipe for Harris Ranch buttermilk biscuits! But, being me, I can't leave well enough alone, so I changed the recipe slightly and made it better (easier) skipping that rolling out the dough and cutting out biscuits part and move right into muffin tins. I'm making these tomorrow to have when I get home Friday with my hand totally restored to its original shape

Preheat oven to 375 degrees and grease your 12 space muffin tin.

1 egg

1-1/3 cups buttermilk (it's been my experience that very few people just happen to have 1-1/3 cups buttermilk so I put 2 Tb. white vinegar in a measuring cup, add enough milk to make 1-1/3 cups and let it sit for a few minutes while I assemble the rest of the ingredients.

2-3/4 cups flour

2 Tb plus 2 tsp. sugar

¼ tsp. salt

1/8 tsp. baking soda

1 Tb plus 2 tsp. baking powder

Mix all these dry things together.

2/3 cup cold butter cut into 1" pieces - If you've got a pastry cutter, cut the butter into your dry ingredients mixture till it's the size of small peas. If you don't have a pastry cutter, a fork will do fine.

Very gently stir the liquid into the flour-butter mixture, stirring as little as possible (too much stirring makes for tough muffins, which we definitely don't want). It will thicken before your very eyes! Spoon your muffin mix into the muffin tin. Bake 25-30 minutes, remove, butter, pour a fresh cup of coffee, sit down somewhere pleasant, and enjoy!

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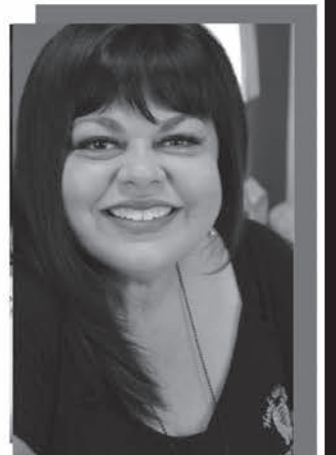
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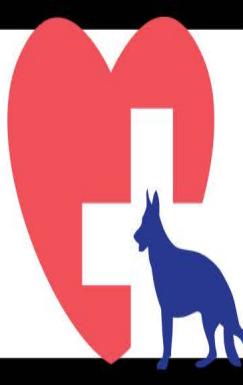
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Local Briefs

Gold Line Back on Schedule

As of press time Friday, the Metro Gold Line was running every 20 minutes and expected to be in full service by today after an overturned FedEx truck early Thursday morning led to a two day closer of the Gold Line after the truck landed on the train tracks near Lake Ave.

Metro shut down both directions of the line around 1:30 a.m. when the accident was first reported.

According to police and news reports, a hit-and-run driver stuck a FedEx big rig causing a second FedEx truck to slam into it. The first truck then hit the center divider and overturned onto the tracks. The driver of the car is still being sought.

At the time, the 210 freeway was shut down as crews cleaned up and removed the truck from the tracks.

One of the FedEx drivers was taken to a nearby hospital with minor injuries. The cash is under investigation.

Memorial Day BBQ and Dance

Memorial Day is a time to honor our nation's military heroes. A Memorial Day barbecue and dance Monday, May 28, at the Pasadena Senior Center, 85 E. Holly St., from noon to 2:30 p.m. Doors open at 11:45 a.m.

Lunch will include hamburgers and hot dogs, with vegetarian options available by request, and all the trimmings, plus apple pie.

Then kick up your heels and dance to favorites of days gone by the Great American Swing Band.

The cost is only \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members of the Pasadena Senior Center. Make reservations online or at the Welcome Desk no later than, May 25.

For more information visit pasadenaseniorcenter.org or call (626) 795-4331.

Pet of the Week



Lobo (A453205) is a beautiful brindle pit bull looking for a loving home. This two-year-old is a volunteer favorite; he greets each visitor with a wagging tail. He is super friendly and affectionate, and is generous with his face licks. He listens well to commands, knowing his "sit," "down," and "shake." He likes time in the social yard, running around and playing with a tennis ball. Come visit Lobo today at the Pasadena Humane Society.

The adoption fee for dogs is \$130. All dogs are spayed or neutered, microchipped, and vaccinated before going to their new home.

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.

View photos of adoptable pets at pasadenahumane.org. 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.

Council to Hear Homeless Count Numbers

A staff report released Thursday, by the city's Housing and Career Services Department, shows that the homelessness count rose 18 percent in Pasadena over last year with 677 people having no place to live on a given night compared to 575 during last year's count.

The city council is set Monday night to hear the full results of the 2018 count conducted the evening of January 23 and the morning of January 24.

"The sharpest Increases were seen among those living on the streets, in parks, encampments, vehicles, or other places not meant for human habitation," Housing and Career Services Director William Huang wrote. "During the 2018 Homeless Count, 462 people were living on the streets, or 68 percent of the total homeless population. That number is 33 percent higher than the number of unsheltered persons in 2017 [347]."

While this one-night count offers a snapshot of homelessness, the number of people who are homeless on any given night fluctuates throughout the year Huang said.

City staff also noted that "people living on the streets are our neighbors." Half (50 percent) of



Photo Courtesy Of Union Station Homeless Services

respondents living on the street were living in Pasadena when they most recently lost their housing, up slightly from 2016 (48 percent). "The homeless population in Pasadena is getting older." Between 2016 and 2018, there was a 65 percent increase in the number of persons over age 50 who were homeless; from 153 in 2016 to 253 in 2018.

Although the report is information only the council may discuss solutions such as; more supportive housing is needed to offset recent increases in homelessness, especially among

the elderly; supportive housing is a cost-effective intervention that offers long-term support to high-needs individuals; and these individuals are often intensive and costly users of public services, particularly health care.

The full count report will be available at pasadenapartnership.org/homeless-count-reports.

The city council meets 6:30 p.m. in the council chamber, Pasadena City Hall 100 North Garfield Avenue, Room S249.

Screening Mimis Film Club to Premiere May 1

Beginning in May, the new Screening Mimis Film Club will meet the first and third Tuesday of every month at 3 p.m. in the Scott Pavilion at the Pasadena Senior Center, 85 E. Holly St., to watch provocative films followed by lively discussions.

Classics, film noir, cult films, documentaries, shorts, foreign films, animated films and more will be selected democratically by club members. Each screening will be researched and its hidden history presented prior to each viewing. Popcorn and other refreshments will be provided.

The first film on Tuesday, May 1, will be "Ramona" (1936, NR) directed by Henry King and starring Loretta Young and Don Ameche. A young woman who is half native American and was raised by a wealthy family falls in love with a native American employee of the household, and he with her, against both families' wishes.

Anyone 50 and older is invited to join the club for only \$5 a month. You do not have to be a member of the Pasadena Senior Center to attend. For more information about the club or to join, email mmeovary@aol.com.

For more information about the programs and services of the Pasadena Senior Center, visit: pasadenaseniorcenter.org or call (626) 795-4331.

Mayor's Interfaith Prayer Breakfast

Join community members, Pasadena residents, civic, business, student and educational leaders, and the interfaith community for the 45th annual Pasadena Mayor's Interfaith Prayer Breakfast, "Mending the Hearts and Minds of Our Youth."

Hosted by Friends In Deed, the breakfast will be held Thursday, May 3 from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at the Pasadena Convention Center, 300 E. Green Street. Niki Elliott, Ph.D., Co-Director, Center for Neurodiversity, Learning and Wellness, University of La Verne will be the keynote speaker. Tickets are available at FriendsIndeedPas.org.

Hastings Gets Grant from the California State Library



Pasadena Public Library's Hastings Branch announced this week they received a Maximizing Learning Spaces aka "How to MacGyver Your Library" grant from the California State Library. This grant provided assistance from design experts to help staff evaluate the current library layout and offer suggestions for moveable furniture to create a more flexible space for various programming and event activities at the branch. A conceptual building improvement plan was created which allows library space to be adapted to events and activity use with ease.

The Hastings Branch Associates are fundraising to secure matching funds for the MacGyver grant. An ongoing raffle fundraiser is being held at the library. Raffle items include; original artwork, gift certificates, tickets to A Noise Within and the 2019 Rose Parade, an Amazon Fire HD8, admission passes to

Kidspace and the Huntington Library and Gardens, and more. A FUNdraiser for the MacGyver Grant will be held on Tuesday, May 1 from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. at California Pizza Kitchen, 99 N. Los Robles Ave., Pasadena. Twenty percent of your bill will be donated to the Hastings MacGyver matching grant fund, when you mention the FUNdraiser to your server or bring in the flyer.

Hastings Library Associates is the official support organization of the Pasadena Hastings Branch Library and are affiliated with The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library. The group raises funds to support the library. Past projects include the "cozy book" furniture in the children's area, the butterfly garden and materials for the Home School Collection. The Associates meet at 6 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Hasting Branch Library's Community Room. All are welcome to attend the meetings.

Hollywood Burbank Airport Banner PUSD Contest Winners

Three Pasadena High School students are winners of the Hollywood Burbank Airport 2018 Tower Banner Student Art Contest. Suhey Alias was awarded first place, Alyce Broughton second place, and Jasmine Preciado was awarded third place.

The contest is held annually for high school students in the Pasadena, Burbank, and Glendale school districts. Each year, first, second, and third place winners are selected from each of the three districts. This year's contest had 235 entries. Students were joined by parents and PHS art teacher Alicia Gorecki.

This is the eleventh year the Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority has sponsored the Contest. Each year, the Airport Authority

chooses a different aviation theme for the contest. This year's theme was "Takeoff to a New Beginning."

Each school district determines which submissions are its top three entries. The arts and culture commissions from each city then consider the three entries and make the final award of the first place winners from their school districts, based on the judging criteria set forth in the Airport Authority's contest rules.

The winning artwork from each school district is enlarged to a size of 16 feet by 26 feet for an approximately three-month display on the Hollywood Burbank Airport terminal tower, where it is seen by nearly a million travelers and Airport visitors as they arrive and depart.

Funds Approved for Gold Line Foothill Extension

State funds were approved for the Metro Gold line Foothill Extension and Orange/Red Line to Gold Line Bus Connector Assemblymember Chris Holden announced Thursday. Both projects are expected benefit the foothill communities and the Greater Los Angeles Area. These projects have been approved to receive grants from the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP), which receives its funding from both the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and Senate Bill 1 he said.

"When we connect communities, everyone thrives," Holden said, Chair of the Assembly Select Committee on Regional Transportation Solutions. "Increasing public transportation options will reduce global warming pollution, promote economic development, create healthier communities, and - for those riding the new bus and rails lines - an enjoyable commute. I want to thank CalTrans for their work and assistance in

continuing to move forward the goals of the region and increasing sustainable connectivity."

The Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension would extend the Gold 12.3 miles from Azusa to Montclair. The Metro Orange/Red Line to Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit Corridor is a 17.3 mile new dedicated rapid bus route that creates a key regional connection between the San Fernando Valley and San Gabriel Valley.

Assemblymember Holden played an instrumental role in bringing the Gold Line to the San Gabriel Valley and has since championed the Gold Line Extension. This legislative session, Holden has supported grant funding requests to CalTrans from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority, and the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority for both the Gold Line Bus Connectors and the Gold Line Foothill Extension.

Final Candidate Identified in PCC President Search

One of two finalists for the position of Superintendent-President of Pasadena City College has dropped out —the school announced Monday.

"Following the appointment of Dr. Byron Clift Breland as interim chancellor of the San Jose Evergreen Community College District, he has withdrawn his name from consideration for the leadership of Pasadena City College," PCC Spokesperson Alex Boeckelheide said.

The final candidate selected by the Board of Trustees is Dr. Cliff Davis, vice chancellor of the Ozark Technical Community College System in Springfield, Mo., and president of the Ozarks Technical College Table Rock campus.

Dr. Davis' previous experience includes leadership roles in advancement, student affairs, and strategic planning, and service as the executive director of the OTC Foundation. He previously worked in administration at Missouri State University.

He earned his master's and bachelor's degrees from Missouri State and holds a doctorate in instructional leadership with an emphasis in higher educational administration from Lindenwood University in St. Charles, Mo.

The Board of Trustees of the Pasadena Area Community



College District are selecting a superintendent/president to succeed Rajen Vurdien, who announced his retirement effective June 30, 2018. A decision is expected in late May.

"We had many fine candidates," Dr. Anthony Fellow, president of the PCC Board of Trustees, said. "We were particularly impressed by Dr. Davis' tremendous experience in college leadership and very stable professional record. He is also passionate about student success!"

Fellow said he especially wanted to thank the initial screening committee. "These 14 members of the PCC community have provided valuable insight on the applicants for this position, and the board," he said.

The forums will take place May 7. Further details are as follows Monday, May 7 at noon to 1 p.m. and 5 to 6 p.m. at PCC's Creveling Lounge. The forums are open to students, faculty, staff, and the general public.

For more information visit: pasadena.edu.

Free 2nd Sunday @ PAM: Celebrate Mothers

Visit USC Pacific Asia Museum with your mom, grandma or other special woman in your life and make her a gift! Enjoy free admission, an artmaking activity inspired by Chinese art in the collection, and story time for the whole family.

at 12:00pm - 4:00pm: Make a vase as a gift for mother. at 1:00pm: Storytime with Sunny - Hear stories of China and mothers in the Silk Road Gallery.

Sunday, May 13, from 11:00 a.m.

admission free all day. USC PAM is Southern California's only museum exclusively devoted to the arts of Asia and the Pacific, and the only U.S. university museum dedicated to the subject. Since 1971, the museum's mission is to further intercultural understanding through the arts of Asia and the Pacific Islands. Pacific Asia Museum is located 46 North Los Robles Ave. For more information visit: pacificasiamuseum.usc.edu.

Free Monthly Events at Pasadena Senior Center

There is something for everyone in May 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.

A Toast to the Joys of Music - Tuesdays, May 1 to 29, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tom Campbell returns to play his guitar and sing covers of traditional country, country rock, blues, folk, gospel and classic rock music made famous by The Grateful Dead, Vince Gill, Merle Haggard, B.B. King, Willie Nelson, Elvis Presley, The Rolling Stones and others.

Taxi Vouchers - Tuesday, May 1, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Qualified low-income adults who are 50 and older and live in the Pasadena area will receive two vouchers for taxi rides. Proof of income and a California ID are required. Quantities are limited.

Bus Tokens - Tuesday, May 1, at 1 p.m. Qualified low-income adults who are 50 and older and live in the Pasadena area will receive 10 bus tokens. Proof of income and a California ID are required. Quantities are limited to the first 65 people.

Scenic Walkers Club - Wednesdays, May 2 to 30, at 10 a.m. Join members of the Pasadena Senior Center's Scenic Walkers Club for walks to scenic local places to enjoy the great outdoors and get some exercise. For more information, including where to meet up each week, contact Scenic Walkers Club coordinator Alan Colville at alancolville@charter.net.

Domino Club - Thursdays, May 3 to 24, at 1 p.m. Rolling back games of chicken foot dominoes will have you laughing as the tiles cascade! This game is easy enough for beginners yet challenging enough for seasoned players. For more information call Vicki Leigh at (928) 478-4654.

Seasonal Allergies - Thursday, May 3, at 10 a.m. It's allergy season! If you or someone you

know suffers from allergies, learn more about it, including testing options. Presented by Dr. Karl von Tiehl, an allergist/immunologist.

Food Bank - Friday, May 4, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Low-income individuals 60 and older will receive one box of food, and couples will receive two boxes. Proof of income and a California ID are required. Boxes are heavy, so please bring a personal shopping cart.

Friday Movie Matinees Fridays., at 1 p.m. Everyone enjoys the experience of watching movies and the pleasures they bring. May 4: "The Shape of Water" (2017, R) starring Sally Hawkins and Michael Shannon. At a top-secret research facility during the early 1960s Cold War, a lonely janitor and her coworker discover the biggest secret of all: a highly classified experiment that involves an amphibious creature held in captivity.

FREE/SKATE - Friday, May 4, at 3:30 p.m. MUSE/IQUE guest artists will explore what happens when sublime live music and dazzling ice skating come together away from the world of sport of competition. RSVP at the Welcome Desk or by calling (626) 795-4331. All guests will receive complimentary tickets to the FREE/SKATE concert led by MUSE/IQUE artistic director Rachael Worby Sunday, May 6, at 7 p.m. at the Pasadena Ice Skating Center.

For more information visit www.pasadenaseniorcenter.org or call (626) 795-4331.

Founded in 1960, the Pasadena Senior Center is an independent nonprofit agency 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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ARCADIA: 45 DAYS UNTIL A NEW MAYOR AND MAYOR AMUNDSON’S WISE DECISION



By Joan Schmidt

Arcadia’s April 24th Special City Council Meeting DID NOT bring a new Mayor on board. Rather a 45 day extension to review charges concerning Sho Tay’s use of campaign funds, the Brown Act, and voter fraud.

After the flag salute and prayer, the audience was told that Council Member Tom Beck was in South Africa, but during a five minute recess, Beck would be contacted by phone; then Beck would be available to listen to and participate in discussion and any voting.

Mayor Amundson told the attendees that there would be order; Police Chief Guthrie was standing in the aisle on one side of the Chambers, and Fire chief Lang on the other side. There was to be NO STANDING in the aisles.

City Manager Lazzetto said there were 35 speakers’ cards. Amundson reminded the residents of a 2 minute limit; he would say “time’s up”, and the speaker should stop. Overall most did, but a few continued on. Were some cantankerous? Yes, and also rude and ugly. There were many Asians in support of Tay to be Mayor, as well as a few Anglo residents. Those who did not support Tay included Candidates Jolly Wu, Joyce Platt and former Mayor Gail Marshall. The allegations included Tay’s funds, raised for his own campaign but given to Harbicht and Chandler’s campaigns. I have no idea of the validity of this; even City Attorney Deitsch was not sure and would look into it. Another allegation said information was put out with Scott Hettrick’s name on it; supposedly it was penned by someone in Tay’s campaign. Again

these are purely conjecture; I am only relaying what occurred at the meeting.

When it became time to vote; Mayor Amundson implored the Council to have a 45 day wait; these allegations could be investigated, and it would give people a chance to calm down, to review all the facts. Unfortunately, the vote was “no”. Chandler, Verlatto and Tay voted “no”. Beck and Amundson, “yes”.

So there was going to be the reorganization. However there were two nominations: Mayor Pro tem Sho Tay and Council Member April Verlatto. The first vote was for Sho Tay. Tay and Chandler voted. “Yes”; Amundson, Beck and Verlatto, “no”, so Tay didn’t get in.

The Second vote was for Council Member Verlatto. Chandler and Tay voted “no”. Beck and Verlatto voted, “yes”. But the surprise: Amundson voted, “no”. So Verlatto was not voted in either!

It took A LOT of GUTS for Mayor Amundson to vote “no”. And perhaps he lost many supporters. But what he did was fair and I believe morally correct. Verlatto still can be voted in. But at least Sho Tay will have a chance to answer charges and I, for one, want to know if what he did with his campaign funds was wrong.

And of course after neither Tay or Verlatto got in, Chandler and Verlatto were questioning the 45 day wait. Thank goodness, it was put to a vote, and even Tay voted “yes”. At that point, the meeting was still going on, but it was time for fellow Town Council member Linda Sells and me to leave. See you all in 45 days!!!!

ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, April 15th, through Saturday, April 21st, the Police Department responded to 917 calls for service, of which 100 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, April 15:

Just after 3:00 p.m., an officer contacted a subject sitting in a parked vehicle near a closed business the area of Goldring Road and Kardashian Avenue. The subject was found to be in possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia. The 34-year-old male from El Monte was issued a citation.

At approximately 8:30 p.m., officers were dispatched to 7-Eleven, 102 East Huntington Drive, regarding a shoplifting report. The suspect entered the store and selected several food items. He then left the store without paying. He was described as a male Hispanic, approximately 20-years-old, wearing a grey sweatshirt and backpack.

Monday, April 16:

At about 4:30 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 11,000 block of Goldring Road regarding an abandoned vehicle. An investigation revealed it had been reported stolen from El Monte the day before. The suspect had removed all four tires and rims. The investigation is ongoing.

Just before 11:00 a.m., an officer responded 7-Eleven, 102 East Huntington Drive, regarding a suspect attempting to pay with a fraudulent credit card. The suspect was seen fleeing the scene in a silver vehicle. Officers conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle and contacted the occupants. An investigation revealed the driver was on parole and had two outstanding warrants for her arrest. She was also found to be in possession of methamphetamine, drug paraphernalia, ammunition and a stolen credit card. One of the passengers was discovered to be in possession of stolen driver’s licenses, blank credit cards, a check reader and drug paraphernalia. The 22-year-old female from Los Angeles and the 39-year-old male from Burbank were arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Tuesday, April 17:

At approximately 8:30 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 300 block of East Haven Avenue regarding a residential panic alarm. The unidentified suspect entered the residence by smashing a rear glass door. The victim returned home and saw the suspect, who was wearing a black hat and a dark heavy jacket, inside her home. The suspect stole a purse then ran through the house to the rear yard and over the wall. The investigation is ongoing.

At around 8:30 p.m., an officer noticed a U-Haul van without a front license plate in the parking lot of the Extended Stay Hotel, 401 East Santa Clara Street. An investigation revealed the van had been reported stolen from Long Beach in early March. The named suspect was located inside the hotel. The 41-year-old male from Long Beach was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Wednesday, April 18:

At about 8:30 p.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle without license plates in the area of Huntington Drive and Santa Clara Street. The officer contacted the occupants of the vehicle and an investigation revealed the driver was in possession of stolen passports, checks and mail and the female passenger had an outstanding warrant for her arrest. The 31-year-old male and the 32-year-old female from Pasadena were arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Thursday, April 19:

Just before noon, officers were dispatched to the 1800 block of Anita Crest Avenue regarding a possible burglary in progress. Two male Black suspects wearing hooded sweatshirts were seen exiting a vehicle and entering the rear yard of a residence. The driver of the vehicle then drove away from the location. Officers located the vehicle nearby and detained the driver. The suspects were seen jumping fences and were ultimately located and detained. Officers confirmed a burglary had been committed in the immediate area. The 19-year-old male from Palmdale, the 18-year-old female from Lancaster and the 17-year-old male from Pasadena were arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

At approximately 12:30 p.m., officers responded to the intersection of Huntington Drive and Santa Anita Avenue regarding a traffic collision involving a vehicle and a pedestrian. The pedestrian was crossing the intersection when he was struck by a vehicle making a right turn. The vehicle then overturned. All of the involved parties survived the collision.

Just after 2:30 p.m., officers responded to the 400 block of West Norman Avenue regarding an activation of an Arcadia Police Department GPS tracker. Arcadia PD detectives had previously deployed decoy packages containing bait property and tracking devices to combat the increase in package thefts from residential areas. Officers monitored and tracked the package to a vehicle parked near Baldwin Stocker Park. An investigation revealed a 38-year-old female from Pasadena had stolen the package on her way to pick up her niece from school. She was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Friday, April 20:

Just before 12:30 a.m., an officer was dispatched to a residence in the 2800 block of Winthrop Avenue regarding a burglary report. An investigation revealed an unknown suspect entered the home through an unlocked rear sliding glass door and ransacked the residence before fleeing in an unknown direction. The victim stated there was no loss due to the fact that the house was a part-time residence and no valuables were kept at that location.

At approximately 4:30 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 1900 block of Alta Oaks regarding a burglary report. The officer determined the suspect had entered the home by smashing a rear glass door. The suspect then ransacked the residence before fleeing the scene in an unknown direction. The loss was unknown due to the owners being out of town at the time of the burglary.

Saturday, April 21:

At about 9:30 a.m., officers responded to a residence in the 1100 block of Rodeo Road regarding the report of a burglary. The gardener had arrived at the location and discovered a shattered rear window. The time of the burglary was unknown since the owner stated she had not been at the location since April 4th. The owner stated there was no loss.

At around 10:30 a.m., an officer responded to the parking lot of the Arcadia Police Department to contact a victim of an auto burglary. The victim stated she had parked her car on the first floor of the parking structure at 24 Hour Fitness, 125 North First Avenue around 9:00 a.m. She left her purse on the back seat under a jacket and locked all the doors and armed the car alarm. She returned around 10:00 a.m. to find the rear driver side window had been smashed and her jacket and purse were missing. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

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SCAG RECOGNIZES OUTSTANDING PROJECTS IN THE REGION WITH 2018 SUSTAINABILITY AWARDS

San Gabriel Valley Cities Recognized For Collaborative Partnership

Seven exemplary and innovative planning projects will be honored in a ceremony on Thursday, May 3 as winners of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2018 Sustainability Awards.

Recipients of the 11th annual awards include municipalities, agencies, non-profit organizations and developers throughout the six-county SCAG region. The SCAG Sustainability Awards are the region’s highest honors for projects that promote and improve mobility, livability, prosperity and sustainability in Southern California. These plans and projects are integral to carrying out the goals and policies of SCAG’s 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/ Sustainable Communities Strategy, and promote a cleaner, healthier and happier Southern California.

“We’re honored to present these awards, which recognize the best of the best when it comes to improving the quality of life of our communities and the region,” said Margaret Finlay, City Council member for Duarte and President of SCAG. “When we talk about sustainability, it encompasses so much, but we want to especially recognize cities that integrate land use and transportation to improve our lives. As these projects illustrate, there is a tremendous amount of innovative and meaningful work being done across our region.”

The highest honor, for Outstanding Achievement in Sustainability, will be awarded to the City of Long Beach for a combination of three projects that demonstrate a holistic approach to sustainable planning. “Long Beach is honored to be recognized for outstanding sustainability efforts amongst municipalities, agencies and organizations throughout Southern California,” said Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia. “This award is a testament to our commitment to promoting mobility and livability throughout our City.”

The Sustainability Awards winners will be formally honored at SCAG’s 53rd annual Regional Conference and General Assembly, taking place at The Renaissance Indian Wells Resort & Spa in Indian Wells. Over 850 civic, business and non-profit agency leaders will be in attendance.

The 2018 honorees by category are:

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN SUSTAINABILITY City of Long Beach | 2017 Bicycle Master Plan, Communities of Excellence in Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity Prevention (CX3) & Willow Springs Wetland Restoration Project This year’s award for Outstanding Achievement in Sustainability recognizes the City of Long Beach for their overall excellence in two distinct plans and one project. Combined, these three efforts demonstrate the City of Long Beach’s holistic approach to sustainability that includes improvements in mobility, public health and natural lands restoration.

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP Cities of Arcadia, Azusa, Duarte, Irwindale, Monrovia, San Marino, South Pasadena and La Metro | 626 Golden Streets Modeled after the thousands of “ciclovía” events that have been staged in cities around the world, 626 Golden Streets temporarily closed off stretches of roadway from South Pasadena to Azusa for people to walk, jog, skate, bike, run and play. Over 18 miles of streets, linking 6 Metro Gold Line

stations, were made car-free on March 5, 2017. Eight San Gabriel Valley communities participated in the event which was held on the one-year anniversary of the Foothill Gold Line Phase 2A Azusa extension opening.

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION City of Cathedral City & SCRAP Gallery | Cycle Cathedral City Bicycle Outreach and Education Program The purpose of Cycle Cathedral City is to educate and empower while promoting bicycle use. By providing a year-round series of projects and events, the program encourages residents to use more active transportation for their health and environment. Goals set for the program are to encourage biking, provide opportunities for students and residents to get more exercise, recycle donated and salvaged bikes and encourage community and student leaders to make sustainability a priority. **AGAINST ALL ODDS** City of San Fernando | Corridors Specific Plan The Corridors Specific Plan fosters sustainable development patterns, encourages public transit and walking and biking within the downtown area and the surrounding neighborhood. San Fernando overcame multiple challenges in reaching successful adoption of the Plan including community push-back, budgetary constraints, a staffing shortage, regulatory constraints and difficulties that come with being an economically-disadvantaged community.

GREEN REGION City of Rancho Cucamonga Rancho Cucamonga Sustainable Community Action Plan The Sustainable Community Action Plan is a unique triple-bottom line approach to drive comprehensive sustainable change across not only Rancho Cucamonga’s environment but also its economy and community health and equity. Five key areas that the plan targets include energy and water efficiency, land use and open space, transportation and mobility, community health and environmental equity. **HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITIES** City of Perris | Live Well Perris Adopted in concurrence with the General Plan Healthy Community Element, Live Well Perris is a campaign to provide opportunities and create initiatives that provide citizens a platform to live a healthier, active lifestyle. Activities have included urban farming, free workout sessions, sports clinics for children, city-wide health fairs, hikes, yoga and a farmers market. **INTEGRATED PLANNING** City of Hermosa Beach | PLAN Hermosa A combination of the city’s two key planning documents, the General Plan and the Local Coastal Program, PLAN Hermosa raises the bar for General Plan updates in Southern California by addressing new and critical topics like climate change and sea level rise. Using diverse outreach methods, PLAN Hermosa thoughtfully engaged the community and set a consistent graphic style and tone that contributes to the long-term utility of the document. More details on SCAG’s sustainability programs and the 2018 awards are available at <http://sustain.scag.ca.gov/Pages/Awards.aspx>. SCAG’s annual Regional Conference & General Assembly convenes on May 3 and 4 and will address key issues impacting the region. For more details on the event, “Southern California at a Crossroads,” visit the event website here: <http://scag.ca.gov/ga2018>.

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During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 462 service events, resulting in 80 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, Instagram or Nextdoor.

Injury Traffic Collision April 19 at 7:34 a.m., a bicyclist in the 400 block of W. Duarte was riding along the north sidewalk, when a motorist exited a business parking lot and struck the bike. The bicyclist fell to the ground and sustained no visible injuries, only minor pain.

Shoplifting – Suspect Arrested April 19 at 7:51 p.m., a male subject entered a store in the 1600 block of S. Mountain and removed items from a shelf. The subject ran out of the store without paying for the merchandise. He was stopped by store security and the police were called. Officers arrived and took custody of the subject.

Warrant – Suspects Arrested April 19 at 9:18 p.m., an officer was patrolling the 1800 block of S. Mayflower when he saw a vehicle in front of him commit a violation. He conducted a traffic stop and contacted the occupants. A computer check revealed two of the occupants had warrants and they were arrested and taken into custody.

Under the Influence of Narcotics – Suspect Arrested April 20 at 1:20 a.m., an officer was patrolling the 1600 block of S. Myrtle when he saw a male subject in Station Square Park after closing hours. He contacted the subject and found the subject to be under the influence of narcotics; he was arrested and taken into custody.

Warrant – Suspect Arrested April 20 at 3:21 a.m., officers were extra patrolling the 500 block of S. Myrtle when they saw a suspicious female subject. They stopped the subject, and a computer check revealed she had a warrant. She was arrested and taken into custody.

Residential Burglary April 20 at 7:27 a.m., a resident in the 1200 block of Sherman reported that her brother had just forced his way into her home and had taken money. Officers responded and located the male subject outside the home. After an investigation was conducted, he was arrested for burglary.

Battery Against a Peace Officer – Suspect Arrested

April 20 at 9:43 a.m., an employee of a business in the 200 block of E. Duarte reported a male subject trespassing. Officers arrived and located the

subject inhaling intoxicants. They approached the subject, who swung his fist and hit one of the officers in the face, causing an injury. The subject was arrested.

Residential Burglary April 20 at 11:31 a.m., a resident in the 400 block of Highland returned home and found her front door had been forced open. She entered her home and discovered it was ransacked and her safe had been stolen. Officers responded and searched for suspects, but were unable to locate any. This investigation is continuing.

Shoplifting April 20 at 9:42 p.m., a male subject entered a store in the 100 block of W. Foothill. He removed several bottles of alcohol from a shelf, then fled the store without paying for the merchandise. Officers responded and searched for the suspect, but were unable to locate him. This investigation is continuing.

Warrant – Suspect Arrested April 20 at 11:26 p.m., an officer was patrolling the 400 block S. Alta Vista when he saw a bicyclist commit a riding violation. The officer stopped the bicyclist and a computer check revealed the subject had a warrant for his arrest; he was arrested and taken into custody.

Vehicle Burglary April 21 at 9:00 a.m., a resident in the 900 block of W. Foothill went to her car and discovered someone had shattered her car window. She found the suspect had entered her vehicle and stole her wallet, checkbook and ID. This investigation is continuing.

Drug Activity – Suspect Cited April 21 at 6:59 p.m., Special Enforcement Team officers stopped a vehicle in the 2600 block of S. California for a driving violation. A probation search of the vehicle revealed the occupants were in possession of narcotics. The occupants were issued citations.

Warrant – Suspect Arrested April 21 at 7:08 p.m., an officer was patrolling the 3300 block of S. Peck when he saw a female subject lying across the sidewalk. The officer stopped to see if she needed medical assistance, but found she was only sleeping. A computer check revealed she had a warrant for her arrest, so she was arrested and taken into custody.

Grand Theft April 21 at 11:34 p.m., a female subject was sitting on a bench with her friends in the 100 block of E. Colorado with her purse on the bench next to her. A male subject approached the bench and grabbed her purse, then fled the area. Officers were called, but they were unable to locate the suspect. This investigation is continuing.

A VISIT FROM NANA

The first time I realized that dogs come in a wide variety of packages (aka: breeds) and they each have their own unique personality that may or may not match the package they came in, was when I was 5 years old and my paternal grandmother, whom we affectionately called Nana, came to visit from Florida.

It was Spring of 1968, and Nana drove her spit-shine Chevy Impala from Mount Dora to our house in Huntsville, Alabama all in a single day. She drove it alone, excepting the company of her dog, Terry-D. I remember my parents being worried sick about her making that drive by herself, but if you'd known my Nana you'd agree there was no talking her out of doing something she'd set her mind to doing.

My grandmother was one strong-willed woman. Endearingly so, I think. When she was a young lady, she was featured in a local Boston newspaper as being the first female in the state of Massachusetts to own and operate a used car lot. I'd be willing to bet she may have even been the first in the country to do so. Yes, Marie was a piece of work, greatly respected and admired by all who knew her.

I remember looking very much forward to her arrival that Spring day. She would always come bearing gifts for us kids, which was no small feat considering there were seven in our brood, the youngest of which was me. I'll never forget what my gift was that visit. She brought me a neat little leather miniature bowling bag stuffed full of shiny new pennies. There were 100. I thought I was the richest kid in town.

And then, of course there was the anticipation of knowing that when Nana arrived, she would have with her that precocious Pomeranian. That's right, Terry-D was a pouty, pampered, pedigree Pom-Pom, all full of pep and vim as my dear ole dad used to say.

And, as if being the perfect specimen of a Pomeranian didn't make him cute enough, Terry-D also happened to have been of the petite Pom persuasion. Yep, under all that stick-straight strawberry-blond hair, were cankles (short for canine ankles) as tiny as toothpicks. Although I don't think anyone ever bothered to tell Terry-D that. It seemed he deemed himself quite large, strutting his puffy stuff all about with a swagger that'd put John Wayne to shame.

Now, at the time of Nana's visit, our own family dog was a "mystery-mutt" we'd rescued from the local shelter. His name was Rex and he was my first love. By that I mean he was the first dog I ever had a meaningful connection with. He'd follow me everywhere I went, but if he ever got distracted from tracking my trail, I'd go find him and follow him everywhere he went.

Rex was the sweetest, most loving pup you could ever hope to meet, but he wasn't exactly what you'd call well-mannered.

Happy Tails

by Chris Leclerc



He was friendly enough, but he was a mischievous rascal, no doubt about it. Yes, my friend Rex was very much in touch with his inner wolf. Like they say, you can take the dog out of the wild, but you can't always take the wild out of the dog. One thing's for sure though, Rex lived life to it's fullest. Among his favorite activities, the top two were rolling in the dirt after a bath and chasing the chickens in the back yard.

Needless to say, when rambunctious Rex met nose-to-nose, up-close and personal with tiny Terry D for the first time, it was - as young folks today like to say - "ON"! Around and around they both ran, Terry D tearing first through the house, then out the back porch screen door and down the concrete stairs into the yard, around the rabbit cages and through the chicken coops with that raucous Rex hot on his tail the entire way.

It was quite a scene, seeing that itty bitty blowfish of a dog, Terry D with legs spinning like wheels on their axes, eyes as wide as saucers, peering over his frail, furry shoulders at Rex's enormous shiny black nose closing in fast on his fancy fur-pants. Rex gave it his best bolt, mouth fully agape and tongue flopping alongside his cheek, dripping with saliva from all the excitement.

Without skipping a beat, my sister and I hopped to our feet and took chase behind Rex, hoping against hope to catch him before he caught up with Terry-D. I learned that day that Pomeranians can run pretty fast! Certainly faster than that cute (albeit clumsy) canine we called Rex. Good thing, too, because while Rex was a sweet dog, we weren't too sure what might happen if he did catch up with teeny tiny Terry-D.

Thankfully, Rex ran himself ragged and relaxed on the kitchen floor before he ever caught up with that poor Pomeranian, and by the end of Nana's visit the two had become fast, forever friends. I've since seen similar scenarios, between I've owned over the years as well as those belonging to my clients, but none can compare to the race between Rex and Terry D and the amazement it brought to my young eyes that Spring day when my Nana came to visit our humble home in Huntsville, Alabama.

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HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

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meditation this way, it is TOUGH. My body and mind want to do the exact opposite of being quiet and getting clear. My thoughts aren't easy to turn off. So, I watch my thoughts and, boy, are there a lot of thoughts. Getting comfortable is also problematic in this approach. Some part of me always needs adjusting--my feet or knees or clothing. After about three minutes, I'm exhausted by the process. My body may feel a little calmer just from sitting still, but afterward, I don't feel like my head settles down and I don't notice a sense of quietness inside. This was the way I tried meditation for a long time. It was an earnest spiritual effort on my part since I was taking time to try it, but it didn't produce the sense of transformation that I had heard from others. My experience changed when I applied technique to my approach. There are many methods and styles of meditation which do work well. However, it was the approach of the ancient tradition of Tantra that changed everything for me. Let's define Tantra as

ancient teachings that use and weave all the tools of yoga to create an experience of joy and transformation. There is no impure nature to this practice. There's a focus on shaping each individual's energy. The ancient sages of this method were so smart, they said let's not resist the mind. Let's give the mind jobs to do and keep it active. There's breath practice, cleansing techniques, visualization of specific images, and use of sound, or mantra. This is a different approach from many styles. While doing these "jobs," the mind becomes trained and focused. It actually reaches a deeper state of stillness and absorption. After meditating in this systematic way, the experience of stillness is profound. When I began meditation with a Tantric approach, my experience during the meditations was transformational. I also was able to establish a consistent practice. My mind felt calm, my body relaxed and I felt a deep internal connection. My awareness of breath and energy shifted. I highly recommend a structured approach such as this one. At the very least, apply a basic breath practice prior to meditation. Use the sound of the breath as a focal point.

Please contact me if you'd like to learn more and find some consistency in your own practice: keely@keelytotten.com or find me at www.keelytotten.com. Namaste, happy breathing, and sitting. Keely TottenE-RYT 500, Local Yoga & Meditation Teacher, Grateful Meditator

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TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills thechefknows@yahoo.com

CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION REVIEW AND PREVIEW

Just this past week I had the opportunity to sit down with one of the most determined and dedicated restaurant owners that we have in Pasadena area, Blair Salisbury owner of the El Cholo Café. Though, his restaurant is well known, Blair still looks after his baby with the greatest of care.

Self described as “nuts and crazy,” Blair’s lineage is that of a restaurateur. The Borquez family launched the Sonora Café in 1923 in a small storefront on Broadway and Santa Barbara Ave. After a patron doodled a picture of a man and called him El Cholo (the name commonly known for a field hand at the time), Alejandro Borquez loved the picture of the man so much that he changed the name of Senora Café to El Cholo in 1925. The following year, George Salisbury meets Aurelia Borquez and they fall in love and decide to open their own El Cholo. Racing ahead to the year 2000, Blair, the grandson of George opens El Cholo Cafe in Pasadena, on Fair Oaks. For those of you old enough to remember, it was once the John Bull English Pub. I found out that Blair was determined to open in Pasadena, he was a moment away from Old Town Pasadena, but the Cheesecake Factory beat him to Colorado and Fair Oaks location.

Blair still desired to move into the heart of Old Town and his hopes were realized with the opening of the restaurant at the Paseo. Blair said, “It feels as though it has been here all along. It just felt like the staff and surroundings didn’t miss a beat” Truly Pasadena feels like home to El Cholo Café, and Blair wouldn’t have it any other way!!!

The restaurant is expansive, with a patio that overlooks Colorado Blvd. and the snow capped San Gabriel Mountains. They offer two different bars, one as you walk in, akin to a service bar, and a great place to wait for a table and enjoy a “Killer” Margarita, and a back bar just next to the Patio. Offering large screen TV’s and perfect for slumbering and enjoying the show as they make your Guacamole tableside.

The menu is full of different combinations, Blair believes that the more selections there are.... the better, and he tries to give a little bit of selection



for everyone. I descended upon the PLATO DE CARNITAS, roasted pork, served with fresh avocado relish, Pico de Gallo, Nopales, rice and beans. When I go to a Mexican Restaurant I always try the pork. It was stunningly tender and fresh, and may be the best that I have ever tasted. My dinner companion gave two thumbs up to the Shrimp Sizzling Fajitas I was just about stuffed when Blair brought out the Blue Corn Chicken Enchilada for us to try. It is item that made El Cholo famous. A must try for anyone eating at the restaurant. Of course I had a Margarita. A Single Margarita that seemed to have the power to bust a piñata. If you love Mexican Food like I do, or just want to spend a sleepy Sunday at the bar with guacamole and chips. Save a seat for me. El Cholo Paseo Pasadena.

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PUSD DEALS WITH BUDGET CRISIS; BUT REMAINS HOPEFUL

With enrollments down and county officials breathing down their necks, the Pasadena Unified School Board took the first big steps toward financial recovery by voting 5-1 on hefty budget cuts back in February 2018, and by March identified a whopping \$14.3 million in potential slashes for the 2018-19 school year.

The district's initial approach was to grab the bull by the horns and assemble a committee to tackle the arduous, enigmatic task of finding ways to save money without upsetting the balance of bringing excellent educational resources to the many students from Pasadena, Altadena and Sierra Madre.

In March, the District approved Resolution 2444, allowing for the cuts of over 100 certified positions, but hope to save some positions now by offering attractive early retirement options to long-term teachers.

The theme for the Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) for 2018 and beyond will be refocusing on the "instructional core," or the important interactions between students and teachers, the quality content being consumed, policies leading to improvement and implementing applicable ways to fund it all.

In addition to a decline in enrollment, benefits and health care costs for staff has gone up to add to an already \$5.7 million deficit PUSD schools found themselves with to start the 2017-2018 school year. Though cuts have already been announced, and parents and teachers alike have raised many fears and concerns in what seems to be a grim situation, hope blooms as educators, administrators and the community are doing their part to keep schools thriving.

Lawrence Torres is a long-time educator and current vice president of District 6 in PUSD. He represents that area that includes Sierra Madre. Torres has confidence in the school board, teachers, students, volunteers and the Pasadena community as a whole to come together and make it work. But right now, he knows there is a tough, uphill road ahead. "California is 47th in education. I can't stress that enough," Torres directly points out. "Back in the 60s, and 70s, we were number one."

Unlike most states, California and Hawaii rely on their state capitals to pay for schools, while the rest of the country receives funding from local property taxes. Torres, who will become school board president of his District in May, says Pasadena's predicament came as a result of a "triple whammy" which includes declined enrollment, pension obligations, which has climbed from 12% just eight years ago to 20% this year, and lastly, how special education is funded.

"Certain kids cost more to educate because you need more resources," Torres noted singling out programs such as dual-language and special education. "The state changed the way they fund these programs and PUSD ended up losing money because they use to pay

per student and now [the state] assumes you have so many students [in these programs] and they'll provide them so much money, when we actually have more students than the assumed amount," according to Torres.

The "triple whammy," Torres describes, in the long run just can't be sustained. The District, as a result has to take a good look at how it does business, and be ready to change. "The real frustration is that every school district is doing the best it can, with the money they are given, but we're making choices between librarians and special Ed aides," Torres said. "And it's not like we can do without either...we need it all and more."

Cuts in staff leave the District with even more dilemmas to deal with, for example what to do when spikes in enrollment occur in classes such as kindergarten, or adding additional responsibilities on the shoulders of current teachers to make up for cuts in aides and librarians. And we haven't mentioned that these teachers need raises too.

This year, PUSD let go over 50 special education aides, gave layoff notices to over 65 teachers, and cut programs such as ETK (Early Transitional Kindergarten), and culinary arts, and career and technical education in some schools. Eighty percent of school budgets are people and PUSD will be left with less people to do the task of teaching area students. Furthermore, there were cuts in transportation availability (buses) and even talks earlier in the year of closing schools, which Torres hopes can be avoided. "I've spoken to several board members and I think we need to really look at it and come up with a master strategy...it's an agonizing decision," Torres stresses.

Torres hopes to see an improvement in school financing in years to come and praises the public for pushing through various school funding measures. He also praises the school workforce. "They have been doing a spectacular job. The Sierra Madre schools have been doing a wonderful job with the resources we've been able to give them. We are just trying to be the best stewards of the public's money that we can be," Torres said. In fact, parents in Sierra Madre have come together to create a popular Math club for afterschool for students excelling in math. Kids are preparing for high school by tackling algebra, geometry and, yes, even calculus by 8th grade. Luckily, PUSD was able to get a grant to keep this program going. So there are bright spots in this story.

The District hopes that facing this fiscal challenge will allow the PUSD team to work together, address the 'root causes' of pending issues and make fundamental changes that will benefit all.

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BBQ BASH 4 THE BOYS

Family-friendly event to raise funds for foster youth

(Altadena, Calif., April 25, 2018) — Hathaway-Sycamores' El Nido Residential Campus in Altadena will be the site of the 2nd Annual BBQ Bash 4 the Boys event on Friday, May 18, 2018 from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. Local band, Mid-City Ramblers will provide the music at the casual twilight affair while guests enjoy tasty local BBQ, craft beer, outdoor games, face painting, a silent auction and raffle prizes.

In addition to the great food and fun, guests will have the opportunity to tour the El Nido campus, nestled in the foothills of Altadena, and learn more about the programs for the foster youth who live there. Bring the kids to this fun family-friendly event. Tickets are just \$75 for adults and \$50 for children. 100% of the proceeds from the event will be used to enhance the living environment for the 50 foster youth living on campus.

Adjacent to JPL, Hathaway-Sycamores' El Nido

residential campus is home to some 50 boys from 6 to 18 years old at any given time. The programs on campus include Foster Care and Adoption Services, Shelter Care and out-of-home care for boys with severe challenges that prevent them from living safely at home. The youth who come to El Nido are at a critical crisis point in their lives, many have suffered from trauma, abuse or neglect in the past. The caring staff at El Nido is dedicated to helping the youth turn the situation around to create more promising futures. The boys live in cottages on a 5-acre campus, where relatives, clinicians and case workers work together to reunite them with family.

Event sponsors include Craft Beer Cellar Eagle Rock, Nestle USA, Inc. and Wells Fargo Bank. To purchase BBQ Bash 4 the Boys tickets, or to be a corporate sponsor, visit www.hathaway-sycamores.org or contact Jeff Catania at (626) 395-7100 ext. 7205 or email jcatania@hscfs.org.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR SUCCESS PROGRAM LAUNCHED BY ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF PASADENA



(left to right): Stella Francoallen (Eliot Arts Magnet Academy), Michelle Chino (Assistance League of Pasadena), Lorraine Schield (Assistance League of Pasadena), Maricela Borough (Washington STEAM Magnet Academy) School Supplies for Success Program Launched by Assistance League of Pasadena

Assistance League of Pasadena further extends its partnership with the Pasadena Unified School District with the Operation School Bell: School Supplies for Success Program. After meeting with middle school representatives, it became clear that there is great need to provide school supplies to financially underserved students during the second semester.

To that end, Assistance League of Pasadena delivered school supply kits to two Pasadena Unified Middle Schools

this spring -- Washington STEAM Magnet Academy and Eliot Arts Magnet Academy. Both of these schools were determined by the district to have students with the greatest need. Each school supply kit contained over \$20 worth of needed school supplies for a middle school student.

To learn more about Operation School Bell, please visit <http://www.assistanceleague.org/pasadena>

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Love to Travel

Dear Love,
If you're looking to do more on your next vacation than relax in the sun or go sightseeing, volunteer vacations – also known as voluntourism – which combine travel and volunteer work, are a great alternative and a growing trend among retirees.

Volunteer Vacations

There are many organizations today that offer short-term volunteer vacation projects in the U.S. and abroad, lasting anywhere from a few days to a few weeks.

Common program themes include teaching English, working with children and teens, building and repairing homes and schools, and assisting with community or environmental projects.

In addition, volunteer vacations also give travelers the opportunity to experience the culture more fully and connect with the local people – much different than your run-of-the-mill sightseeing vacation.

Most volunteer vacation groups accept singles, couples and families and you don't need to speak a foreign language. Costs usually range from around \$1,000 to \$3,000 per week, not including transportation to the country your site is in. Fees typically cover pre-trip orientation information, room and board, on-site training, ground transportation once you get there, the services of a project leader, and a contribution to the local community that covers material and services related to the project. And, if the organization running your trip is a nonprofit, the cost of your trip, including airfare, is probably tax-deductible.

Where to Look

While there are many organizations that offer volunteer vacations, here are some good ones that attract a lot of retirees.

Global Volunteers (GlobalVolunteers.org): A pioneer in global travel, this group tackles hunger, poverty and educational needs. It offers a variety of one, two and three-week service programs in 17 countries, including the U.S.

Earthwatch Institute (Earthwatch.org): With an



emphasis in environmental conservation and research, they offer dozens of one and two-week expeditions in countries all over the world.

Cross-Cultural Solutions

(CrossCulturalSolutions.org): Based in New Rochelle, NY, they focus on health, education, and economic volunteer opportunities in Central and South America, Europe, Asia and Africa.

Biosphere Expeditions (Biosphere-expeditions.org): Offers wildlife conservation expeditions in 13 countries.

Habitat for Humanity (Habitat.org): Offers international house-building trips through its Global Village Program in more than 40 countries.

Sierra Club (Sierraclub.org): This venerable environmental group sponsors dozens of service trips in the U.S. each year, with more projects offered through local chapters.

How to Choose

With so many different volunteer vacations to choose from, selecting one can be difficult. To help you decide, you need to think specifically about what you want. For example: Where you want to go and for how long? What types of work are you interested in doing? What kind of living situation and accommodations do you want? Do you want to volunteer alone or with a group? Do you want a rural or urban placement? Also consider your age and health. Are you up to the task, or do you have any special needs that will need to be met?

Once you figure out what you want and spot a few volunteer vacations that interest you, ask the organization to send you information that describes the accommodations, the fees and what they cover including their refund policy, the work schedule and work details, and anything else you have questions about. Also, get a list of previous volunteers and call them.

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

SENIOR HAPPENINGS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ...APRIL Birthdays*

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

Hawaiian & Polynesian Dance Class: Every Tuesday morning from 10a.m. to 11a.m. Join the class with 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: Join us on Thursday, April 19th at 10:30a.m. to 11:30a.m. for Scattergories, a creative thinking game by naming objects within a set of categories; or Jenga, a block-building challenge that keeps you stacking and balancing your tower. Everyone is welcome, and no experience is needed. What a great way to strengthen your brain and make new friends. Games facilitated by Senior Volunteers.

Free Legal Consultation: Wednesday, April 18th from 10:30am to Noon. Attorney Lem Makupson is available for legal consultation. Specializing in Family Law, Wills, Trusts, Estates, and Injury. Please call Hart Park House for an appointment, 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!

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 training and body conditioning. Class equipment is provided.

Tax Assistance: Every Wednesday beginning on February 7th through April 11th from 1:00p.m. to 2:00p.m. ...Don Brunner is available for income tax consultation...

** Appointments are required by calling the Hart Park House Office 626-355-7394**

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WHO:	Family caregivers of a loved one with a chronic condition
WHAT:	Four-week education series about stress management
WHEN:	April 17th - "Stress, Coping, & Gratitude" April 24th - "Exploring Family Dynamics" May 1st - "Making Family Decisions" May 8th - "Embracing Positivity"
TIME:	2:00-4:00 PM
WHERE:	The Kensington Sierra Madre 245 W Sierra Madre Blvd, Sierra Madre, CA 91024
FEE:	Generously sponsored by The Kensington Sierra Madre
REGISTER:	Please call the Yvonne Kuo 213-821-6919 or Jenny Peterson 213-821-6908 at the USC Family Caregiver Support Center for more information or to register.

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Looking Up
with Bob Eklund



WHAT DO URANUS’ CLOUD TOPS HAVE IN COMMON

Even after decades of observations, and a visit by the Voyager 2 spacecraft, Uranus held on to one critical secret, the composition of its clouds. Now, one of the key components of the planet’s clouds has finally been verified.

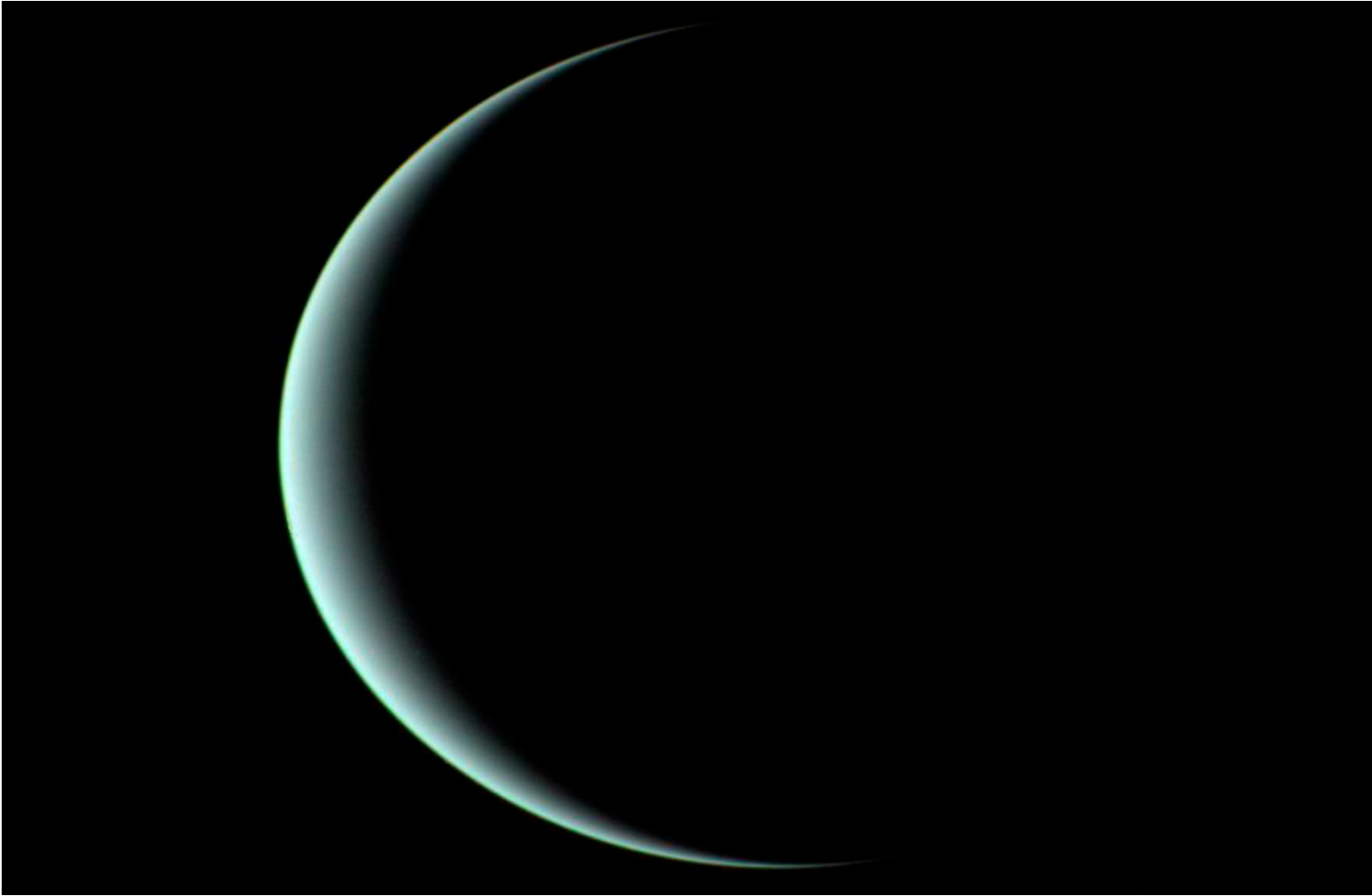
Patrick Irwin from the University of Oxford, UK, and global collaborators spectroscopically dissected the infrared light from Uranus captured by the 8-meter Gemini North telescope on Hawaii’s Mauna kea. They found hydrogen sulfide, the odiferous gas that most people avoid, in Uranus’s cloud tops..

The Gemini data, obtained with the Near-Infrared Integral Field Spectrometer (NIFS), sampled reflected sunlight from a region immediately above the main visible cloud layer in Uranus’s atmosphere. “While the lines we were trying to detect were just barely there, we were able to detect them unambiguously thanks to the sensitivity of NIFS on Gemini, combined with the exquisite conditions on Mauna kea,” said Irwin. “Although we knew these lines would be at the edge of detection, I decided to have a crack at looking for them in the Gemini data we had acquired.”

“This work is a strikingly innovative use of an instrument originally designed to study the explosive environments around huge black holes at the centers of distant galaxies,” said Chris Davis of the United State’s National Science Foundation, a leading funder of the Gemini telescope. “To use NIFS to solve a longstanding mystery in our own solar system is a powerful extension of its use.” Davis adds.

Astronomers have long debated the composition of Uranus’s clouds and whether hydrogen sulfide or ammonia dominates the cloud deck, but lacked definitive evidence either way. “Now, thanks to improved hydrogen sulfide absorption-line data and the wonderful Gemini spectra, we have the fingerprint which caught the culprit,” says Irwin. The spectroscopic absorption lines (where the gas absorbs some of the infrared light from reflected sunlight) are especially weak and challenging to detect according to Irwin.

The detection of hydrogen sulfide high in Uranus’s cloud deck (and presumably Neptune’s) contrasts sharply with the inner gas giant planets, Jupiter and Saturn, where no hydrogen sulfide is



seen above the clouds, but instead ammonia is observed. The bulk of Jupiter and Saturn’s upper clouds are comprised of ammonia ice, but it seems this is not the case for Uranus. These differences in atmospheric composition shed light on questions about the planets’ formation and history.

Another factor in the early formation of Uranus is the strong evidence that our solar system’s giant planets likely migrated from where they initially

formed. Therefore, confirming this composition information is invaluable in understanding Uranus’ birthplace and evolution, and refining models of planetary migrations.

While the results set a lower limit to the amount of hydrogen sulfide around Uranus, it is interesting to speculate what the effects would be on humans even at these concentrations. “If an unfortunate human were ever to descend through Uranus’s

clouds, they would be met with very unpleasant and odiferous conditions.” But the foul stench wouldn’t be the worst of it, according to Irwin. “Suffocation and exposure in the negative 200 degrees Celsius atmosphere made of mostly hydrogen, helium, and methane would take its toll long before the smell,” he concludes.

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CHRISTOPHER Nyerges
GETTING TO KNOW THE
LOQUATLOQUAT
(ERIOBOTRYA JAPONICA)

[Nyerges is the author of “Nuts and Berries of California,” “Foraging California,” and other books. He also leads regular field trips to learn about the uses of wild plants. He can be reached at www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com.] The loquat, also sometimes known as the Japanese medlar, is one of those fruits that seems to be everywhere, and most of it just gets eaten by birds or falls to the

large seeds are removed, the flesh is sweet and tender and can be readily made into jams or pie fillings. Just use a recipe that you already know and life for some other fruit, like peaches, and substitute loquats for the peaches. You’ll find that these make an excellent jam or jelly. Sometimes you’ll see loquat jam or jelly at local stores or farmers’ markets. Mary Sue Eller, who is a professional cook who sells loquat jelly at the Highland Park and other farmers markets, shared



ground and rots. This smallish tree – perhaps up to 15 feet tall -- produces some of the earliest fruit each spring. The plant is somewhat common in California, and fortunately, more and more people are getting to know it, and more importantly, more and more people are beginning to value this sweet fruit. Loquat’s native home is China, Japan, and North India, this evergreen’s leaves are broad, and pointed at the end, averaging about 8 inches in length. Each leaf is darker green on the upper surface, and the under surface is lighter green, with a characteristic wooly surface. The tree produces white flowers in the late autumn, and its golden-yellow fruits are often abundant on the trees. The small oblong fruits can be about two inches long, give or take. The flesh is sweet and free of fibre, and each fruit contains a few large brown seeds. The flavor is sweet, but with a slight sour tang. They’re a bit addicting once you get used to them. If the tree is cultivated in your yard, you can produce some bigger fruits by simply irrigating and fertilizing. If the trees are just allowed to go wild, the fruits tend to get smaller each year, though still delicious. Sometimes in our local wild areas, you can see where someone stopped to have lunch and then spit out the brown seeds, which readily sprout. I think loquats are great simply chilled and eaten fresh. You can remove the seeds, and serve a bunch of the fruit with some ice cream. If you’re on the trail and you happen upon some loquat trees in fruit at the time, just stop and enjoy a few! They make a great refreshing trail snack. Once the

with me her recipes, which is printed in my “Nuts and Berries of California” book. It’s pretty easy to grow new loquat trees, and they will produce fruit in a few years. Though they’re drought tolerant, they will still produce better fruit if they are watered somewhat regularly and fertilized with some regularity. The leaves of the loquat are used in Chinese medicine to make cough syrup.



OUT TO PASTOR
A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder
I ENJOY A MESS, ESPECIALLY MINE

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and I were in a little bit of a tussle this past

week. Normally (whoever said I was normal) I stay away from such activity in our very humble domicile. Sometimes it is completely unavoidable. This was one of those times.

I was in the study area of our home doing some kind of work when my wife came in, looked around with both hands on her hips and said, “What is all of this mess about?”

At first, I didn’t quite understand what she was talking about. In fact, I usually don’t understand what she’s talking about first off. Experience has taught me that if I just nod in the affirmative and smile the problem will go away. This time it didn’t go away.

“I’m referring to,” she said rather sarcastically, “all of this mess in this room!”

The problem I was having at the time was her definition of “mess.” I have found throughout my married life that we differ on definitions.

It is true, we use the same words, but those words have different meanings to her then to me. My wife has the habit of finely defining her words to the letter. I, on the other hand, just generalize.

If you ask her how much money she had in her purse, she would say, “I have \$21.19.”

If you asked me the same question (eliminate the purse) I would say, “I have around \$20.” She is precise whereas I don’t care about the exact numbers.

When she said, “All of this mess in the room,” it had a different meaning than what I understood it to mean.

If, for example, one book is slightly out of line with the rest of the books, the room is a mess.

I look at my room as “my room,” and I should be able to have it, as I wanted to be. If I want it to be messy, then I’m going to let it be messy. My idea of messy is having my things surrounding me. Nothing is more cozy than being surrounded by what my wife calls my “mess.”

Continuing her conversation, she said, “What are we going to do about this mess?”

When she said the word “we” I was confused. I knew I wasn’t going to do anything about what she called the mess in my room and I didn’t know if she had somebody that was going to help her do something about the mess in my room. She just looked at me as though she was expecting a response from me. I’m assuming a positive response.

Stuttering for a few moments as I was trying to collect my thoughts and when thoughts wander

as much as mine do, it is very difficult to get them lined up in order.

I looked at her, then I looked around my room, then I look back at her, then I look back at my room. For the life of me, I could not see any mess. I had no idea what she was talking about. If there were a legitimate mess in my room, I would’ve spotted it. I did not know what she was talking about.

Staring at her and she staring back, she finally said, “We need to clean up this room!”

I suppose everybody has a different way of ordering their life. I like to order my life by having everything spread out in front of me. And, for any reason, if I can’t find something, it simply means I don’t really need that something.

I have known my wife to search all day for one thing, then when she found it, it was too late to do anything about it.

Life is rather easy for me along this line. If I don’t have it, I don’t need it. I only need what is right in front of me and what I can access right away.

Looking down at the floor, I said rather softly, “I don’t think we need to clean up this room at all.”

“What did you say?”

At that point, I knew I was in some kind of trouble, although what, I wasn’t sure. So I repeated what I had to say.

“I don’t think we need to clean up this room at all. In fact,” I said as slowly as possible, “I like it the way it is.”

I know my wife was trying to help me get my room organized so I could find whatever I needed when I needed it. That’s just not the way my clock ticks. I’m grateful that my clock ticks at all for that matter. I don’t go with that pattern that she lives and dies by. Everything has to be in its proper place, according to her.

Me, on the other hand, I just have to be in the right place.

Then a light bulb clicked on the top of my head. I looked at her and said, “Let’s clean up this room and then I will help you clean up the mess in your room.”

As she turned her back and left my room, I couldn’t help but think of a verse of Scripture, “And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise” (Luke 6:31).

You may not like my mess but I certainly enjoy it.

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This Week *in Sierra Madre*

The median list price is \$1,248,000

Inventory has been lightening lately and the Market Action Index has been trending up. Though days-on-market is increasing, these are mildly positive indications for the market.

Supply and Demand

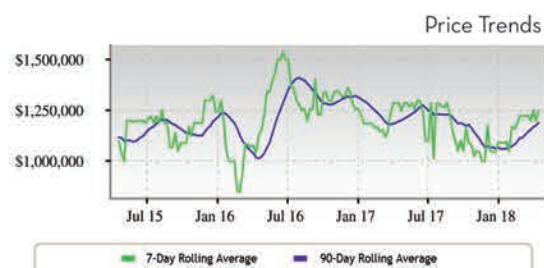
The market continues to get hotter. More sales demand and fewer homes listed have contributed to a relatively long run of increasing prices. Current supply and demand levels show no sign of prices changing from their current trend.



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

Price

Prices continue their climb again this week. We're a long way from the market's price high-point so watch the Market Action Index as an indicator of how long this trend will last.



Real-Time Market Profile

		Trend
Median List Price	\$1,248,000	▲▲
Asking Price Per Square Foot	\$604	▲
Average Days on Market (DOM)	92	▲
% with Price Decrease	22%	
% Relisted (reset DOM)	9%	
% Flip (price increased)	4%	
Median House Size (sq. ft.)	2,118	
Median Lot Size	0.25-.050 acres	
Median # of Bedrooms	3.0	
Median # of Bathrooms	3.0	
Market Action Index - Seller's Advantage	39.3	▲▲

Quartiles

Characteristics per Quartile

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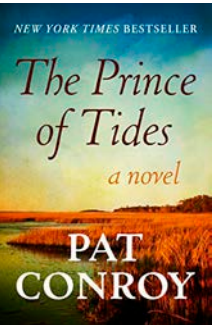
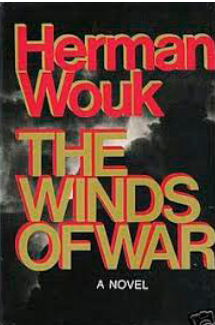
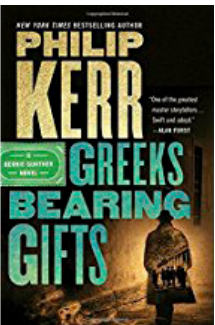
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Jeff's Book Pics

By Jeff Brown

Greeks Bearing Gifts (A Bernie Gunther Novel) by Philip Kerr
A murder puts Bernie Gunther on the trail of World War 2 criminals in Greece in this riveting historical thriller in Philip Kerr's New York Times bestselling series. Munich, 1956. Bernie Gunther has a new name, a chip on his shoulder, and a dead-end career when an old friend arrives to repay a debt and encourages "Christoph Ganz" to take a job as a claims adjuster in a major German insurance company with a client in Athens, Greece. Under the cover of his new identity, Bernie begins to investigate a claim by Siegfried Witzel, a brutish former Wehrmacht soldier who served in Greece during the war. Witzel's claimed losses are large, and, even worse, they may be the stolen spoils of Greek Jews deported to Auschwitz. But when Bernie tries to confront Witzel, he finds that someone else has gotten to him first, leaving a corpse in his place. Enter Lieutenant Leventis, who recognizes in this case the highly grotesque style of a killer he investigated during the height of the war. Back then, a young Leventis suspected an S.S. officer whose connection to the German government made him untouchable. He's kept that man's name in his memory all these years, waiting for his second chance at justice... Working together, Leventis and Bernie hope to put their cases--new and old--to bed. But there's a much more sinister truth to acknowledge: A killer has returned to Athens...



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All Things

By Jeff Brown

FACIAL RECOGNITION SYSTEM HELPS TRACE 3000 MISSING CHILDREN IN 4 DAYS

Thanks to an innovative new facial recognition system (FRS) missing children have been identified by city police and efforts are under way to reunite them with their families. The FRS was employed by the Delhi police department on a trial basis to scan the faces of 45,000 children living in children's homes. During its testing phase between April 6 and April 10, 2,930 kids were recognized as missing children. The technology uses a massive database of photographs and profiles to match the facial features of any child to that of a "missing person". If city police are given free use of the

tech, it could track down thousands more children so they can be reunited with their families. According to NDTV, children's rights organization Bachpan Bachao Andolan is working on a proposal that will allow the Delhi police department to use the software free of charge. The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) is also campaigning for the software's utilization. "If such a type of software helps trace missing children and reunite them with their families, nothing can be better than this," said Yashwant Jain, a member of NCPCR.

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FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett



ESTATE PLANNING MISTAKES SENIORS (INCLUDING YOU OR YOUR PARENTS) CAN'T AFFORD TO MAKE

Estate planning really should become a priority as soon as you acquire your first asset, have a child, or step into adulthood in any other truly meaningful way. And yet many of us put it off for far too long, leaving ourselves and our families at risk of getting stuck in the court system in the event of an unexpected accident, illness, or injury. I get it, planning for your incapacity and death can be scary. But it's even more frightening to think of the potential tragedies that can arise if you and your family don't have the right planning in place. At the senior stage of life, effective estate planning is urgent, both for you and the people you love. And if you aren't a senior yet yourself but have senior parents, getting your own planning handled can serve as a model to help get your parents moving on their plan. Here are a few of the most common errors seniors make when it comes to estate planning and how to fix them:

Relying on a will as your plan
Many people, particularly older folks, believe that a will is the only estate planning tool they need. While wills are one key aspect of estate planning, they come with serious limitations:

- Wills require your family to go through probate, which is time consuming, open to the public, and expensive.
- Wills don't offer any protection if you become incapacitated and unable to make your own legal, health, and financial decisions.
- Wills don't shield assets from your creditors or those of your heirs.

- Wills don't provide protections or guidance for when and how your heirs take control of their inheritance. If you're relying solely on a will for estate planning, you're missing out on many valuable safeguards for your assets, and you're guaranteeing your family will have to go to court when you die.

Not funding your plan properly
When it comes to a trust, it's not enough to simply list the assets you want it to cover. You must transfer the legal title of certain assets—real estate, bank accounts, securities, brokerage accounts—to the trust (known as "funding" the trust) to avoid probate. While most lawyers will create a trust for you, few will ensure your assets are properly funded. But we've got processes in place to keep track of our clients' assets throughout life, making sure none are lost to the state's Department of Unclaimed Property, and ensuring their families aren't inadvertently forced into court at the most inopportune time.

Not keeping your plan current
Far too often people prepare a will or trust, put it into a drawer, and forget about it. But your estate plan will likely be worthless if you don't regularly update it when your assets, family situation, and/or the laws change. We recommend you review your plan at least every three years to make sure it's up to date and immediately amend it following important life events like divorce, deaths, births, and inheritances. If you aren't sure what you need, begin by coming in for a Family Estate Planning Session. It will be custom-designed to your assets, your family, your wishes, and to educate you on the best ways to reach your objectives. We don't just draft documents; we ensure you make informed and empowered decisions about life and death, for yourself and the people you love. Call us today if you'd like more information (and mention this article to get a complimentary consultation). Dedicated to empowering your family, building your wealth and defining your legacy,

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BUSINESS TODAY

The latest on Business News, Trends and Techniques

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BASIC BUSINESS MARKETING TOOL KIT

Success happens when preparation meets opportunity. Developing a marketing kit is one of the things that every entrepreneur needs to complete. It will be used to support the successful launch and promotion of a business and should include the following items:

Logos & Taglines
McDonald's golden arches and the Nike swish are two of the most familiar corporate logos around the world. Each one is simple, with very little detail, which makes it easy to recognize no matter its size. A logo should be designed so that it is still easily recognizable when it is reduced to a size small enough to fit onto a business card. A tagline, also referred to as a slogan, should be succinct and memorable like the Nike "Just Do It" tagline that launched a marketing campaign that is remembered to this day. Many companies have several designs of their logo, including some layouts that include the company name or tagline.

Internet Presence
Every entrepreneur needs to determine which combination of digital media will best meet the needs of the company. Websites are no longer the only centerpiece of an online presence now that an increasing number of social media services can be customized with features to display and sell products, support customer dialogue and

include links that allow visitors to choose the social media tool of their liking.

Business Cards
Traditional business cards are still in demand as they remain one of the most inexpensive, tangible business tools that can be distributed to potential customers. Like the logo, the design should be simple and the style and size of the font should be easy to read. Too much information will make it look crowded and difficult to read. The main purpose of a business card is to provide contact information and where to find your company online or on social media.

Brochures, Flyers or Postcards
Businesses that cater to those in the Baby Boomers generation and older will still find it necessary to include printed marketing materials in the tool kit. These collateral materials should convey professionalism and be designed to convey the image and message that will encourage people to visit your website, join you on Facebook®, Twitter®, Instagram®, Pinterest® or other digital media. Younger people are inclined to use smart phones, tablets and computers to view information from businesses attempting to bring them in as customers. Once completed, each tool in the marketing kit can be used to build the company's brand.

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THE ALTERNATE STATES OF AMERICA

We, in America, have been living in alternate states of reality for quite some time. They are neither red or blue. They are states of consciousness and perception.

New borders and boundaries have been erected to divide us.

They're often alphanumeric in construction; rising and falling with every stroke of a keyboard, button-push of a remote control, or swipe of a touchscreen. They open the gates to awareness, while simultaneously shutting the door on reason.

How we perceive our world is increasingly defined by the cable channels we view, the radio stations we listen to, the websites we surf, and to a lesser extent - sadly - the newspapers we read.

For as long as the printing press has existed, journalists have expressed differing points-of-view. In their earliest incarnations, books, pamphlets, and newspapers were put out by individuals who voiced their opinions in hopes of moving their readers; to convince them to take a similar stance even more than they factually covered events. The "news" was an extension of those who had the means to publish.

Newspapers historically followed this pattern in cities and towns, large and small. People "took" papers that reflected their personal values and worldview. In many communities, multiple print news outlets existed, whose coverage and advertising targeted those with similar sensibilities. Broadsheets appealed to traditional conservatives, some to more progressive audiences. Tabloids often spoke to the working-class and, sometimes, to immigrants or the radical fringe.

Reporters who wrote for those publications covered the same stories, fought for the same scoops, and spun their coverage based primarily upon those owners and publishers hoped to influence. The papers were run by upstanding citizens and civic leaders. They wielded considerable power but were not demagogues. Most sought to open readers' eyes to new realities and societal changes. Few propagated lies and deception. If only this were true today.

Demagoguery does exist, and it is motivated by both profit and perspective, no matter how distorted the prospect may be. Major media conglomerates, whose leaders have included families with names like Murdoch, Sinclair, and Breitbart, often host those who are not beyond expressing outright lies. They also accuse other mainstream outlets of purveying "fake news," no matter how well-substantiated the facts may be.

Brakes are rarely applied to the editorial ramblings of many of these news outlets. It's even worse online where bloggers, creators of what are truly "fake news" sites, as well as some that are more legitimate, preach to choirs comprised of the angry and disaffected; giving voice to extremist positions. And let's not forget those sites under the control of outside influencers whose sole intent is to foster discord among us.

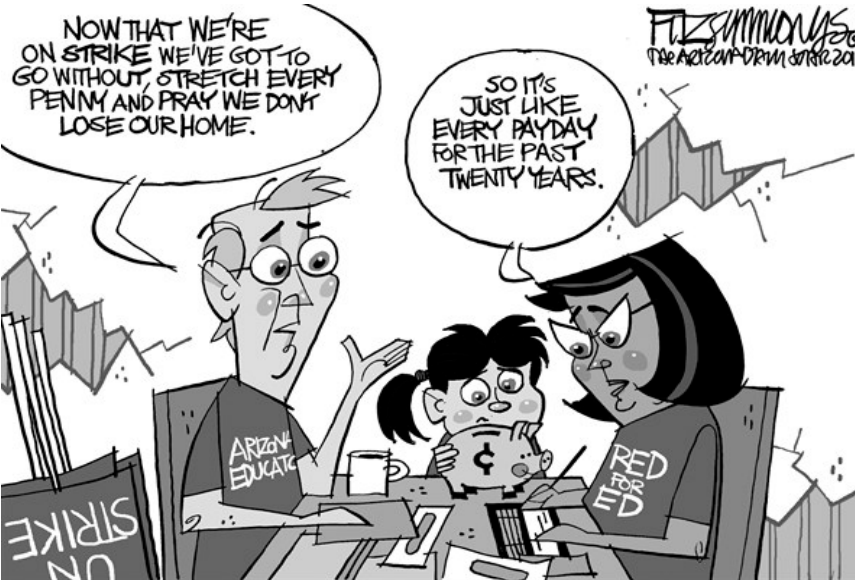
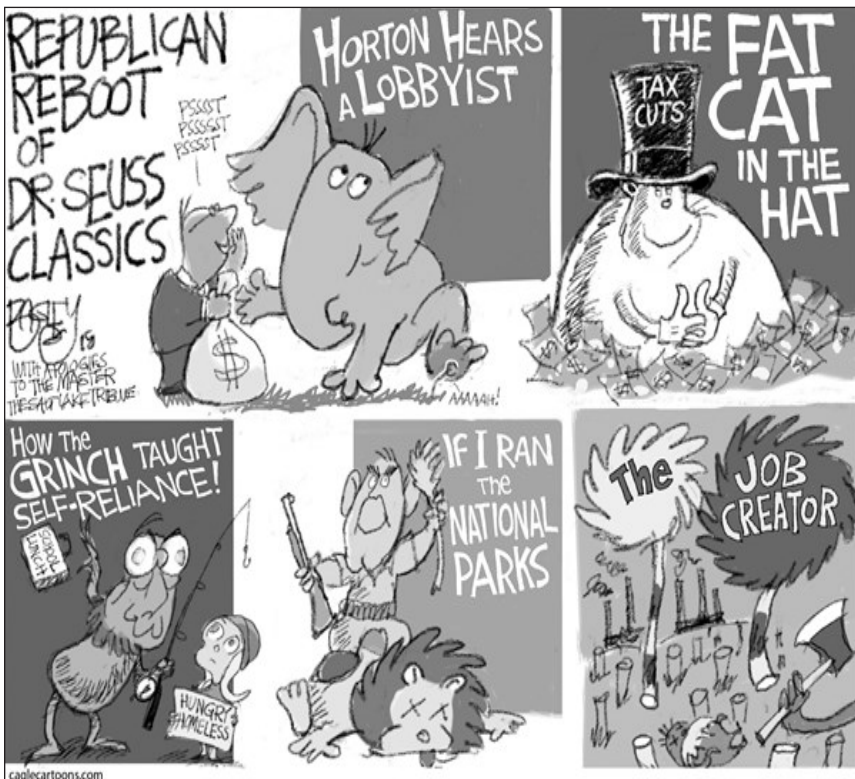
It would be disingenuous to avoid examining the voices of other cable networks, those whose ownership is associated with corporate logos more so than surnames; the usual suspects, like MSNBC and CNN, that are targeted by right-leaning ranters. Sorry to disillusion their critics, but what is seen interspersed with opinion on those channels is news; based on hard, well-documented facts. And when mistakes or errors in judgment occur (and they sometimes do), those responsible are subjected to intense scrutiny; with public apologies, corrections, or retractions being made.

While some mainstream conservatives may cringe when extremist or ignorant sentiments are expressed by friends and colleagues, by the president, or on the channels and sites that serve as their platforms, they are loathe to publicly denounce them. Self-preservation and careerism is clearly more important than veracity.

Ongoing cries of "fake news" and the constant repetition of lies and half-truths only strengthen the borders and boundaries that divide us. Those on both sides oftentimes remain cloistered, living in separate states of reality to the detriment of us all.

In the days before cable news and online websites ran amok, legendary journalist Walter Cronkite ended his television broadcast each weekday evening with the phrase "And that's they way it is..." And we believed him. These days, many of us don't really know who or what to believe. That's just the way it is.

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SWAMP DRAINED? HOW, EXACTLY?

U.S. Rep. Lou Barletta, a Republican who hails from northeastern Pennsylvania's coal country, likes to brag about the fact he was one of his state's earliest supporters of President Donald Trump.

Insofar as he rewards displays of loyalty, Trump is backing Barletta's bid to unseat U.S. Sen. Bob Casey, D-Pa., this fall in one of the country's more closely watched U.S. Senate contests.

So it was entirely unsurprising that, in a recent interview, Barletta, who's running in a two-way primary for the GOP nomination this spring, toed the Trump party line.

He fulsomely praised the president's successes and papered over his failures, both foreign and domestic, even as he wondered aloud about "what there is to be unhappy with" under the 45th president's chaotic reign.

It was about as thorough a display of sycophancy as you were likely to see from a card-carrying member of a Republican Party whose principles and convictions have been left to scar horribly on a portrait hidden in the attic, even as GOP lawmakers try to present a sunny, tax-cutting, and unlined face to the rest of the nation.

But on the day that the nomination of White House physician Ronny Jackson's nomination to run the Department of Veterans Affairs went up in a mushroom cloud, Barletta was still maintaining, with a toothy grin that verged on rictus, that Trump had done an effective job of draining Washington's swamp.

"People want the swamp drained," Barletta said. "I know it's nice cliché, but we're at interesting time in history. People want change in Washington." Which depends, one supposes, on how one defines "change."

Jackson, in case you've forgotten, is the Navy vice admiral whose nomination to run the VA was put on seemingly indefinite hold amid questions about his dispersal of medication; the fostering of a hostile work environment and possible drunkenness on duty that date to his time in the former Obama administration, The Washington Post reported.

That comes on top of revelations about Environmental Protection Administrator Scott Pruitt's and HUD Secretary Ben Carson's pricey redecorating habits; Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke's flying the friendly skies with industry lobbyists; former Health & Human Services Secretary Tom Price's similar proclivity for pricey flying; ditto for Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin; and, of course, who can forget former VA boss David Shulkin, who got bounced after his own ethics scandal?

And never mind Special Counsel Robert Mueller's ongoing probe of Russian meddling and the indictments and guilty pleas left in its wake. Nor the scandal surrounding Trump's personal attorney Michael Cohen, or the ongoing media mastery by the adult film actress Stormy Daniels.

Swamp drained? How, exactly? Let's not forget that Trump also engineered the firing of former Secretary of State Rex Tillerson, and ushered former National Security Advisor H.R. McMaster out the door. Former Chief of Staff Reince Priebus was also among those who headed for the exits.

In the vacuum created by their departures, Trump has surrounded himself with a Team of the Like Minded, in the form of new National Security Advisor John Bolton, Secretary of State nominee Mike Pompeo and economic advisor Larry Kudlow.

Current chief of Staff John Kelly, who was supposed to serve as a check against Trump's worst excesses, has proven spectacularly unable to accomplish that basic task. The former Marine general even walked in his boss' footsteps when he engaged in an own ill-chosen war of words with a Florida congresswoman.

The reshaping of Trump's inner circle that puts personality above party and principle is reflected by a wave of GOP retirements on Capitol Hill. Republicans running nationwide this primary season, meanwhile, are embracing the Trump mantle, loudly proclaiming their loyalty to the White House.

That approach might work in the primaries. And Trump may be cheered by a GOP remade in his own image. But the White House and Congressional Republicans could pay dearly for it in a season that is expected to favor Democrats.

So Barletta and his ilk can go on whistling merrily past the graveyard that holds the remains of the Ed Gillespie and Roy Moore campaigns. But they may yet wonder what kind of deal they've struck.

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THE SAD STATE OF MY CALIFORNIA

MAKING SENSE by MICHAEL REAGAN

PRESIDENTIAL MORALS



The Trump Haters in Washington are desperate. They can't find a way to bring down the president, so they're carpet bombing everyone around him.

Their latest victim is Ronny Jackson - the White House doctor the president chose to become the new secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Dr. Jackson - a Navy rear admiral - has decided not to pursue the job. Some people thought he didn't have the experience to run the VA, which last I saw took care of 9 million vets with almost 400,000 bureaucrats.

But his administrative skills weren't what sunk him. It was the slimy attack on his moral character by Trump-hating Democrats and their pals in the liberal media. Until about half an hour ago everyone loved the good doctor.

He was a great guy, a good man. He had worked for both President Obama and President George W. Bush.

Then came the unsubstantiated and anonymous attacks. Suddenly, Dr. Jackson was Public Enemy Number One.

He was basically accused in the media of being a drug dealer, an alcoholic and, worst of all these days, being a boss who created a toxic workplace environment.

Rather than be trashed in public, he withdrew his name.

The attack on Dr. Jackson's morals reminds me of the cheap remark made about President Trump by James Comey, the former FBI director, admitted leaker and professional truth-stretcher. Comey has famously said he doesn't think Donald Trump has the moral qualifications to be president.

During his triumphant book tour I've been waiting for one of Comey's friendly interviewers to ask if he thought Hillary was morally qualified to be president in 2016.

Or if he thought lying about Benghazi, erasing emails, destroying hard drives, attacking the women who accused her husband of rape, etc., etc., did not disqualify her?

And what about her husband Bill, who would have been her co-president? Did Mr. Comey think Bill has the moral qualifications to be trusted with the keys to the White House again - and left alone with the interns?

While we're asking, does Comey think JFK was morally qualified in 1960. Or do serial philandering and adultery not count?

JFK was not morally qualified to be Prez - even by today's standards. But he stared down the Soviets in Cuba, pushed for lower taxes and built a strong military.

So do I really care who Jack was diddling in his spare time? Not really. Comey's remark about Donald Trump's morals was not just another of his cheap shots. It was also a dumb thing to say.

Jimmy Carter was probably the most morally qualified human on the planet ever to be president. What did he accomplish?

He gave Iran to the mullahs and he gave the rest of us gas lines, a dead economy and a sky-high "Misery Index" (the rate of inflation plus the rate of unemployment).

Carter proved there's no connection between a president's good or bad private morals and his ability to be a good or bad president.

Trump's doing the same thing. Despite his less-than-saintly morals and his other faults, so far he's given us tax cuts, a strong economy and historically low black and Latino unemployment rates.

Plus he looks like he's on the verge of solving the North Korean nukes problem after three decades.

Of course it won't matter what President Trump accomplishes. Democrats and the liberal media will never give him credit for anything.

They hate him more than ever, but now they're beginning to realize they can't bring him down for collusion or anything else.

That's why they've begun attacking the moral qualifications of people who want to work for President Trump like Dr. Jackson.

More than 200 of Trump's appointments are being held up. Good luck to them if they've ever had a speeding ticket.

The way things are going now, Trump's enemies would not support Jesus Christ for secretary of anything because he was pro-life, was seen talking to prostitutes and turned water into wine without a permit.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018077454 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WEDDING-EVENT TECH 14120 HAMLIN ST., #12, VAN NUYS, CA 91401. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ELISSA ANN WILSON, 14120 HAMLIN ST., #12, VAN NUYS, CA 91401. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ELISSA ANN WILSON, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/30/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Business Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018078289 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LEGACY MARKETING GROUP 605 EAST WINDSOR ROAD, APT. 103, GLENDALE, CA 91205. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ARAM ASATRYAN 605 EAST WINDSOR ROAD, APT. 103, GLENDALE, CA. 91205. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ARAM ASATRYAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/30/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018078022 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: COCO WHOLESALE 2607 BELLEVUE, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90026. Full name of the registrant(s) is (are) EDWIN GONZALEZ VASQUEZ 2607 BELLEVUE, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90026. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: EDWIN GONZALEZ VASQUEZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/30/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018078022 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GO CATERING 6214 MATILIA AVE., VAN NUYS, CA. 91401. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) OGANES GRIGORYAN 6214 MATILIA AVE., VAN NUYS, CA. 91401. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: OGANES GRIGORYAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/29/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/2008. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018080036 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ARM. PRO. HANDYMAN 5666 SEPULVEDA BLVD., VAN NUYS, CA. 91411. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DAVIT HAKOBYAN 6666 SEPULVEDA BLVD. 220, VAN NUYS, CA. 91411. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: DAVIT HAKOBYAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/03/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018080585 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: INKASATOR FREIGHT 21225 ROSCOE BLVD., APT. 20, CANOGA PARK, CA. 91304. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ROMAN KHOLOVTAEV 21225 ROSCOE BLVD., APT. 20, CANOGA PARK, CA. 91304. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ROMAN KHOLOVTAEV, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/03/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018080010 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ON TOP BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT 6816 VALMONT ST., UNIT E, TUJUNGA, CA. 91042. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ROSARIO LUCRECIO ROSARIO 6816 VALMONT ST., UNIT E, TUJUNGA, CA. 91042. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ROSARIO LUCRECIO ROSARIO, OWNER. This statement

was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/03/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018080886 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: KNB HANDYMAN SERVICES 14155 FOOTHILL BLVD., APT. 217, SYLMAR, CA. 91342. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) EDGAR EDUARDO J. HERNANDEZ 14155 FOOTHILL BLVD., APT. 217, SYLMAR, CA. 91342. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: EDGAR EDUARDO J. HERNANDEZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/03/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018080012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BLACK DIAMOND AUTO GROUP 8700 RESEDA BLVD., UNIT 201A, NORTHDRIDGE, CA. 91324. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) BLACK DIAMOND INT'L LLC 8700 RESEDA BLVD., UNIT 201A, NORTHDRIDGE, CA. 91324. This Business is conducted by: LLC. Signed: BLACK DIAMOND INT'L LLC, ADEL SAMIR METRY, MANAGER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/03/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/2016. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018071918 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MATADOR AUTO WORKS 11864 SHELDON ST. UNIT G, SUN VALLEY, CA. 91352. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ARMAN MATEVOSEYAN 11864 SHELDON ST. UNIT G, SUN VALLEY, CA. 91352. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ARMAN MATEVOSEYAN, WNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/23/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/2012. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018082883 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: F & D TRUCKING 14622 VENTURA BLVD., SUITE 483, SHERMAN OAKS, CA. 91403. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) FARRUKH ALIER 14622 VENTURA BLVD., SUITE 483, SHERMAN OAKS, CA. 91403. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: FARRUKH ALIER, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/05/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018082762 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ARCLIGHT CONSTRUCTION 24030 VIA ARANDA, VALENCIA, CA. 91355. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GABINO DIAZ 24030 VIA ARANDA, VALENCIA, CA. 91355. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: GABINO DIAZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/04/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018082760 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ZARA'S EVENTS 12309 VENTURA BLVD., NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91606. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ZARUI HAKOBYAN 12309 OXNARD ST., UNIT 1, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91606. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ZARUI HAKOBYAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/05/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/2007. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018083132 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE THIRSTY MERCHANT 15005 VENTURA BLVD., SHERMAN OAKS, CA. 91403. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) VALLEY VILLAGE 1, LP. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/04/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018081618 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: FIT RITE 25866 ESPINOZA, SANTA CLARITA, CA. 91355. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) RONNIE LEE MARTIN, JR. 25866 ESPINOZA, SANTA CLARITA, CA. 91355. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: RONNIE LEE MARTIN, JR, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/20/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018082976 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THAI BODY RELAX AND SKIN CARE 22323 SHERMAN WAY, SUITE, CANOGA PARK, CA. 91303. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) THAI BODY RELAX AND SKIN CARE 22323 SHERMAN WAY, SUITE, CANOGA PARK, CA. 91303. This Business is conducted by: LLC. Signed: THAI BODY RELAX AND SKIN CARE, PARTNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/05/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018078954 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TOP SHELF TRANSPORTATION 6250 HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD PENTHOUSE 14B, HOLLYWOOD, CA. 90028. TOP SHELF TRANSPORTATION PO BOX 4683, CULVER CITY, CA. 90231. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) TOP SHELF VIP TRANSPORTATION, INC. 6250 HOLLYWOOD BLVD. PENTHOUSE 14B, HOLLYWOOD, CA. 90028. This Business is conducted by: CORPORATION. Signed: TOP SHELF VIP TRANSPORTATION, PATRICK SKIFFINGTON. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/02/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018080008 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: JOE'S MOBILE CAR WASH 21011 ROSCOE BLVD., APT. 10, CANOGA PARK, CA. 91304. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JOEL ESTUARDO GUZMAN GABRIEL 21011 ROSCOE BLVD., APT. 10, CANOGA PARK, CA. 91304. This Business is conducted by: GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: JOEL ESTUARDO GUZMAN GABRIEL, GENERAL PARTNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/03/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018076862 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: QUALITY DENTAL CLINIC 6650 WINNETKA AVE., WINNETKA, CA. 91306. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ALEXANDRA IZAGUIRRE 6650 WINNETKA AVE., WINNETKA, CA. 91306; MIGUEL FERNANDO RIVAS CARRILLO 6650 WINNETKA AVE., WINNETKA, CA. 91306; WINSTON FERNANDO RIVAS IZAGUIRRE 6650 WINNETKA AVE., WINNETKA, CA. 91306; MIGUEL ALEXANDER RIVAS IZAGUIRRE 6650 WINNETKA AVE., WINNETKA, CA. 91306. This Business is conducted by: GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: ALEXANDRA IZAGUIRRE, PARTNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/29/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018081639 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LA CABINETS 8710 ETTIWANDA AVE., NORTHDRIDGE, CA. 91325. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MHER AVEITYAN 18981 GAULT ST., RESEDA, CA. 91335. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MHER AVEITYAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/04/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018084787 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: A TO Z PRO BUILDERS 117 E. COLORADO BLVD., #600, PASADENA, CA. 91105. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) HAYK AVETISYAN 316 N. MARLAND AVE. APT. 210, GLENDALE, CA. 91206. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: HAYK AVETISYAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/06/2018. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/2011. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2018081478 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MEGA MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION 12643 SHERMAN WAY, UNIT 2, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91605. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ARTUR KHACHATRYAN 13130 AETNA STREET, VAN NUYS, CA. 91401. This Business is conducted by: LLC. Signed: ARTUR KHACHATRYAN, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/04/2018. 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: ES Mountain Views News April 7,14, 21, 28, 2018

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File

No. 2018-074012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MISSION BARBER SHOP 309 S. MISSION DR. SAN GABRIEL, CA. 91776. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MARITZA VACA 309 S. MISSION DR. SAN GABRIEL, CA. 91776. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MARITZA VACA, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/27/2018. 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: MBP Mountain Views News Dates Pub: APRIL 07, 14, 21, 28, 2018

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