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were so gallantly streaming?
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HOLIDAY WISHES FROM
SIERRA MADRE MAYOR
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In Sierra Madre's 113 years of incorporation, the year of 2020 will go down in history.

When I first started campaigning for City Council in 2014- I understood that I was a Sierra Madre neophyte. I didn't have grandparents that volunteered for city events, nor did I enjoy the childhood memories of Sierra Madre summers.

However, what I soon embraced, aside from the LOVE our City- was the feel, smell, taste, and essence of the 4th of July.

We can all list the things that we are NOT doing right now.

I am not sitting in a dunk tank to help raise money for Sierra Madre Community Foundation. Slices of pizza are not being sold on the "sidewalk side" for the Kiwanis and food trucks are not lining the street. The kiddos aren't crossing the finish line for the Fire Cracker Run. Moms aren't running over to the Civic Club's table to make sure they can buy at last 5 crates of confetti eggs that will be smashed in 5 minutes. Camping chairs aren't set out by dads in front of the band shell on the night of July 2nd to commandeer their spot for the latest "Brown-Eyed Girl" remake. Those of us that look over 35 years old aren't being carded for the Friends of Little League's beer garden. Blankets and chairs are not being roped off on the Boulevard and the breakfast buffets with Bloody Marys or Mimosas will not be set up. The Women's Club isn't preparing mini scones and coffee to welcome parade entrants- nor is Michelle or James of the 4th of July Committee instructing start positions or "go" times on the corner of Sunnyside. We won't find roses sold by the VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars) being run to the parade participants and the Buccaneer Lounge's famous chili isn't sitting out back in the big 10-gallon pot. Bubble wrap is not lining the Memorial Park grounds for the Sierra Madre "Fireworks" show nor are we gathering at Sierra Vista Park for the Community Picnic and the end of the parade route.

And where is our sneak peak for the Sierra Madre Float for the upcoming Tournament of Roses Parade? I don't see Katrella the belly-dancer waving her scarf either or the Bottle Shop's annual flatbed. Our Girl and Boy Scout troops are not on the route nor is the Community Nursing School. The Sierra Madre City College Turkey band's kazoos and brown bags are all just collecting dust.

At least I'm comforted to know that Taylor's meats are still grilling in our backyards. I am also reassured that houses and city streets will still be adorned with the red, white, and blue- because when there's a contest, we all come out to play.

This year's Grand Marshalls: Mike & Natasha Comer and Tom & Dawn Dennison- who are well deserved for all they've done to support local businesses during the pandemic through Sierra Madre Thrives- will be leading on the 4th. But yes, the "parade" will look very differently this year.

Despite what we are NOT doing- what we ARE doing this year, is showing the characteristics of an amazing City strengthened by history, community, and relationships.

As I expressed during our last City Council meeting- if there is a place and a time I would want to be "safer-at-home"... it is here. Here, in our lovely Village of the Foothills. I am thankful for the dedication of our local organizations, the commitment of our city staff and public safety teams, the perseverance of our local businesses, the unwavering loyalty of my fellow City Council colleagues, and the resilience of our City residents.

So let us proudly waive our flag of patriotism this year by appreciating our 4th of July traditions and at the same time, planning the revival of our next Independence Day celebration.

Happy Fourth of July to each and every one of you! Stay safe and keep healthy!

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!
SIERRA MADRE FIRE DEPARTMENT
ACCEPTED INTO
UNIFIED RESPONSE IN THE VERDUGO FIRE SYSTEM



On July 1, 2020 the City of Sierra Madre Fire Department was accepted as a participating member for Unified Response in the Verdugo Fire system. The Verdugo Fire system is comprised of 13 fire departments that operate under a single automatic aid agreement. When an emergency call is received at the Verdugo dispatch center, the closest available fire apparatus responds to the incident, regardless of jurisdiction.

"Congratulations to Interim Chief Bartlett and the entire Sierra Madre Fire Department for this historic achievement!" said Mayor John Capocchia. "I'm very proud of their hard work and dedication to prove to the members of the Verdugo agency that we were up to the task. Sierra Madre residents should also be very proud and secure knowing that we've achieved this long-time goal."

Sierra Madre has been a member of the Verdugo system since 1999, but has not been included in automatic aid and unified response due to its status as a volunteer agency. The Sierra Madre City Council established a goal in 2017 to transition from a volunteer fire department to a career department in order to be accepted into unified response.

"Sierra Madre is safer, as are Sierra Madre's neighbors, due to our acceptance into borderless response," said City Manager Gabriel Engeland. "I would like to thank our Interim Fire Chief Brent Bartlett, and the men and women of the Sierra Madre Fire Department, as well as our past Chief Kurt Norwood and Chief Steve Heydorff. Without their commitment and hard work, we would not have achieved the City Council goal of being accepted into automatic aid with our peer agencies."

Retired Fire Chief Heydorff offered his sincerest congratulations to City Manager, Gabe Engeland, the Fire Department and especially, to the residents of Sierra Madre. Said retired Fire Chief Stephen Heydorff, "inclusion into Unified Response has been a goal of the Fire Department since Sierra Madre joined the Verdugo Dispatch System in 1999. Every decision made on the direction of the Department was made to complete that goal. Thank you, to all of the past and present members for their hard work, personal sacrifices and hours of training."

The Sierra Madre Fire Department has a proud and storied history extending back to 1921, and the infamous "Sierra Madre Bakery Fire". After the fire, Sierra Madre residents saw the need for a local department and the Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Department was established. The Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Department was the last volunteer department in operation in Los Angeles County when the transition to a career department was completed.

"I am so proud of our Fire Department, and so grateful for all the support we have received. The inclusion in to Unified Response with in the Verdugo System is going to greatly enhance the level of service afforded to our community. The members of your Sierra Madre Fire Department vow to continuously provide quality service through the utmost professionalism," said Interim Chief Bartlett



Photo courtesy SMFD

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News From Your Community For Your Community



Pasadena Transit Again Suspends Fare Collection



In light of the recent rise in COVID-19 cases, fare payment will continue to be suspended on both Pasadena Transit and Pasadena Dial-A-Ride. When the Safer at Home order was issued in mid-March, Pasadena Transit and Dial-A-Ride instituted a number of protocols to provide the safest environment possible for customers and bus operators, including suspending fare collection. After a trial day of resuming fare payment on July 1, fare collection will continue to be temporarily suspended to avoid customers being in close proximity to drivers. Customer boarding will also continue to be from the rear doors of buses wherever possible.

In addition to the temporary suspension of fares, other actions that have been in place on Pasadena Transit and Pasadena Dial-A-Ride since mid-March, include:

- Limiting the number of passengers per bus;
- Increased frequency of buses on the most heavily used routes;
- Disinfecting high-touch surfaces on buses frequently throughout the day;
- Enhanced nightly disinfecting of every bus surface from floor to ceiling;
- Blocked off select seating on buses to encourage physical distancing; and
- Allowing only rear-door boarding where possible.

Also, in accordance with the City of Pasadena health order, passengers must wear clean cloth face coverings over their noses and mouths while on board a Pasadena Transit or Dial-A-Ride vehicle. Drivers are wearing face coverings, and we ask that you also help keep your fellow transit riders and bus operators safe by wearing one too.

Pasadena Transit operates six local bus routes within the City of Pasadena, as well as portions of the unincorporated community of Altadena, serving nearly 400 bus stops and six Metro L Line (Gold) stations. Route, fare and schedule information is available at www.pasadenatransit.net or by calling (626) 744-7311.

PHS Wiggle Waggle Walk Goes Virtual

Pasadena Humane's 22nd annual Wiggle Waggle Walk is set to go virtual for 2020, and you're invited to join thousands of fellow animal lovers on Sunday, September 27 for a walk around YOUR BLOCK to raise funds for animals in need! In addition to the walk, there will be a roster of fun-filled activities—including live streaming, Virtual Vendor Fair, contests, and prizes. Officials said full event details will be posted Monday on their website: pasadenahumane.org.



Firefighters Apply Phos-Chek to Hillsides

Officials also warn about illegal fireworks and attending Fourth of July parties or gatherings.

By Dean Lee

Sending a mixed message Wednesday, Pasadena Police Chief John Perez (pictured) invited people, looking for something to do this Independence Day, after the traditional AmericaFest fireworks show at the Rose Bowl had been cancelled, down to the stadium to see movies at a temporary drive-in theater in the parking lot.

"As we all know, there will be no fireworks show this year, however, there is a Tribeca Drive-In experience from July 2 to July 26," he said. "We're hoping everyone gets a chance to experience that."

Perez later said that he should have been more specific explaining that the entire Arroyo around the Rose Bowl, including the walking, biking loop and Brookside parks will be closed today from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and the only people let in the area will be people that have tickets to the drive-in.

Both Perez and interim Pasadena Fire Chief Bryan Frieders said they will be monitoring the Rose Bowl for anyone with fireworks. Frieders said the Drive-In expects around 500 vehicles.

Perez said they are seeing not just an increase in fireworks this year but extremely dangerous ones, "the M-60 the M-80s, the message today, absolutely no fireworks... we will be enforcing our own ordinance. The

ordinance has up to six months in jail and a \$1,000 fine."

He also said there could be charges for other things like endangering children and the ability to hold property owners accountable, "also know that in Pasadena we have seen an increase [in calls related to fireworks] of over 700 percent."

Perez said, so far, they have issued 25 citations and confiscated 300 ponds of fireworks.

Pasadena Director of Public Health Dr. Ying-Ying Goh said there has been dramatic increase in COVID-19 cases in Pasadena. She said that unless there is an immediate change in the way people are conducting business and socializing, local hospitals will be overwhelmed in the coming weeks.

"Our data show that the increase in Pasadena is largely due to people venturing out with other households, having social gatherings or not being able to quarantine or isolate. We are seeing more transmission among younger people," she said adding that those with no or mild symptoms can transmit COVID-19 without knowing it. She said the state requires that people do not get together with others, family or friends, especially today the Fourth of July. She also said face covering are required in public.

Frieders said they were spying eight tons of Phos-Chek to the brush areas surrounding the Rose Bowl for fire safety. The Phos-Chek helps keep trees and grassland from catching fire if exposed to an igniter. Fire retardant is one of the main tools firefighters use to contain growing fires. It is not harmful to pets, he said.

Pasadena to Offers Aquatics Programs Starting on July 6

The City of Pasadena Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department will offer aquatics programming at Pasadena High School, Robinson Park Recreation Center, and Villa-Parke Community Center pools from Monday, July 6 through Friday, August 7.

Swimming lessons will be offered in weekly sessions for ages five to twelve. Each session runs Monday through Thursday, and lessons are available from 10 a.m. through 5 p.m. Fees are \$50 per week for residents, and \$65 per week for non-residents. Lessons at Robinson Park and Villa-Parke will have a limit of three children per group, and Pasadena High School will have a maximum of five children per group. Private lessons will be offered on Saturdays at Pasadena High School every half hour from 9:00 a.m. through 10:30 a.m., and are \$50 per session for residents, and \$65 per session for non-residents. Adult

shallow water aerobics will be offered at Robinson Park Recreation Center on Mondays and Wednesdays, and at Villa-Parke Community Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. for ages 18 and over. Fees are \$8 per week for adults, and \$4 per week for older adults age 50 and over.

COVID-19 protocols based on guidance from the Pasadena Public Health Department will be in place, and will include screening for symptoms, limited group lesson sizes, and social distancing. Parent/Guardians are encouraged to be in the pool for introductory level lessons to assist participants that are usually held by the instructor. Lockers will not be available, and patrons will be required to come fully dressed in the appropriate swim attire.

For more information, and to register, visit: cityofpasadena.net/parks-and-rec/ or call (626) 744-7330 Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"The goal is to try to minimize the exposure, not only to COVID-19, but also these catastrophic wildfires. For the past several years, we've seen the devastation, we've seen the death."

Some people on social media have questioned why the city did not have a dive-in fireworks show at Rose Bowl instead of dive-in movies, such as being done in San Juan Capistrano, the city of Dana Point and the "Fourth of July Drive-In Fireworks Extravaganza" in San Bernardino.

Pasadena Film Office Reopens

Now Accepting Permit Applications

The City of Pasadena Film Office reopened Tuesday and began accepting permit applications for commercial production filming and still shoots within Pasadena city limits.

Film Office guidelines have been updated to adhere to public health protocol and reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission. All proposed film and photography permit applications must abide by the City's Public Health Reopening Protocol for Music, TV and Film Production, as well as these special conditions:

The production/applicant must comply with all federal, state and local public health requirements, including the appointment and identification of a COVID-19 compliance manager.

The number of persons allowed to gather on site must conform to physical distancing requirements outlined in the Health Officer Order.

Filming in residential areas is to occur between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. This includes set-up and breakdown.

Filming in commercial areas is to occur between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. This includes set-up and breakdown. Parking is only allowed on property and directly in front of a location with a minimum street width of 35 feet.

City personnel is required for all shoots.

Payment must be rendered before permit is issued.

For more information, visit the Film Office website or call (626) 744-3964.

Pasadena Playhouse Receives CARES Aid



Pasadena Playhouse has been approved for a \$50,000 award as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Pasadena Playhouse is one of 855 organizations located in every state, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico selected for this grant. The National Endowment for the Arts received more than 3,100 eligible applications requesting \$157 million for the \$45 million available in direct assistance. Pasadena Playhouse, along with the other awardees, represents the diverse nature of arts organizations around the country. Overall funding was divided nearly evenly between small, medium, and large arts organizations.

This grant will be used to support Pasadena Playhouse's digital programming personnel in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Producing Artistic Director Danny Feldman said, "At the

start of the current crisis, we began an aggressive fundraising campaign to sustain the Playhouse through this uncertain time while continuing to serve our community. This grant bolsters that effort, helping us reach our goal of employing as many artists and staff as possible while our curtain is down. We thank the National Endowment for the Arts for their support."

National Endowment for the Arts says that Arts and culture are a key component of the U.S. economy that contribute \$877.8 billion, or 4.5 percent, to the nation's gross domestic product in 2017 and employ over 5 million wage-and-salary workers who collectively earned \$405 billion. This funding will help support those jobs and those nonprofit organizations during this time of great need so that arts and culture will persevere as a significant contributor to the American economy.

John Leano Chosen Chair of the Chamber Board

John Leano of BRYAN'S Cleaners and Laundry was chosen as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce and Civic Association for 2020-21. Because of the current pandemic, Mr. Leano will serve as Chair of the Board from July 1, 2020, to December 31, 2021.

John Leano was elected to the Chamber Board in 2015 and has served the past three years as a member of the Executive Committee and Chair of the Member Services Committee of the Chamber. Mr. Leano has been associated with BRYAN'S Cleaners for nearly four decades. He has been involved with the Pasadena Chamber for nearly 30 years. BRYAN'S Cleaners has been a member of the Chamber for more than 80 years.

In addition to his duties at BRYAN'S Cleaners & Laundry, Mr. Leano serves on the board for Pasadena Chamber member Judson International School, is a contributing writer and correspondent for an international publication, is a registered financial professional, and active in church ministry at New Life Assembly of God.

John Leano was born at Saint Luke's Hospital and raised in Northwest Pasadena. He attended PUSD schools, is an alumnus of Marshall Fundamental School, and

earned his Bachelor of Arts in Music at JSBC in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. An avid sports fan, Mr. Leano's rooting interests are inclined primarily toward the Lakers, Dodgers, UCLA Basketball and USC Football. His greatest joys come from being a dad, husband, brother, and living with his family in Pasadena.

Mr. Leano will be the first Filipino-American to lead the Board of the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce.

"It is an honor and a privilege to be chosen at Chair of the Board for 2020-21," Mr. Leano said. "The Pasadena Chamber is a vital and important institution that focuses its energy on supporting the success of its members and helping create a thriving economy in the greater Pasadena area. I am happy to support that effort."

"John Leano has always been an active and contributing member of the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce. He has faithfully attended networking events, fundraising activities and supported the Chamber throughout his tenure at BRYAN'S," said Chamber President and CEO Paul Little. "As a Board member he has been focused on the prosperity of the members, especially our small business members, and the success of the Chamber. I look forward to working with him for the next 18 months."



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Sierra Madre Public Library 2020 Bookmark Contest

The theme for the 2020 Sierra Madre Public Library bookmark contest could not have been more appropriately selected: Sierra Madre Heroes. What better time than 2020 to highlight the heroes among us. Entries were thoughtful, topical, and beautifully drawn... and showed how heroes come in many shapes and sizes.

The winners were selected by age groups by our sponsors: The Friends of the Sierra Madre Library, the Mountain Views News, the Sierra Madre Community Foundation, Sierra Madre Firefighters Association, and the Sierra Madre Woman's Club... and here are the winners!

Grades K-1, Ellen Thomas – 1st place and Zina Chou – 2nd Place; Grade 2, Autumn Noh – 1st Place and Sage Alva – 2nd Place; Grade 3, Anne Garrett – 1st Place and Arcadia Shula – 2nd Place; Grade 4-5, Emma Noel Abajian – 1st Place and Juliet Kirages – 2nd Place; Grade 6, Kaiya Masuda – 1st Place and Amy Hu – 2nd Place; Grade 7-8, Chloe Tubbs – 1st Place and Peyton Thomas – 2nd Place.

In addition to winning in their grade, four of these fabulous winning entries (depicted in the photo) have been selected by the Mayor, City Manager, Friends of the Library President and Library Trustee Chair to be printed. Those winners are Emma Noel Abajian, Ellen Thomas, Anne Garrett, and Chloe Tubbs. Bookmarks will be printed and available soon with your checked out materials and don't forget to stop by the Library this month to view the bookmarks outside of the Library. Congratulations to all of the inspiring artists.

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

WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

"Those who won our independence valued liberty as an end and as a means. They believed Liberty to be the secret of happiness, and courage to be the secret of Liberty."

Louis D. Brandeis

"Freedom has its life in the hearts, the actions, the spirit of men (and women) and so it must be daily earned and refreshed else like a flower cut from its life-giving roots, it will wither and die."

Dwight D. Eisenhower

Yep, today is the 4th of July and normally, we'd all be downtown lined up for the parade and gearing up for all the festivities in the park but this year we're going to concentrate on decorating homes and businesses and hoping to win one of the prizes the Sierra Madre 4th of July Committee has planned. I know my friend, Celia, has done up her house like the rest of us wish we could, but she's a decorator so...no wonder.

If you haven't bought the really terrific July 4th t-shirt yet, you need to. It was designed by local resident, Matt Moran, who was a Sierra Madrean even before he arrived on the planet and, obviously, loves our town. Matt attended Sierra Madre Community Nursery School, and Gooden School before moving on to Flintridge Prep and Claremont McKenna College. He has been a member of the Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Department and an EMT here in town. Matt was the founder of the Sierra Madre Youth Activity Center and ran it successfully for several years. In short, Matt loves Sierra Madre and the design of his t-shirt definitely reflects that love. Just look at all the special Sierra Madre treasures he's managed to get on that one shirt! Our fire engine, the bell tower in Kersting Court, the monastery, a few bears, our own personal mountains and even a witch or two...we do love Halloween. All that and so much more and you can wear it all summer, not just this weekend. (Photo by Robert Gjerde)

You can pick up your shirt at Arnold's hardware, The Bottle Shop or Leonora Moss for just \$10.00 and all proceeds go to the 4th of July Committee. You'll look stunning in this shirt...trust me!

Seeing as how you're going to be home more the next few days that you usually are, how would you like to learn how to make Bread & Butter Pickles? First, a little story...

When I was a young bride, my sister-in-law, Gloria, and her husband, John's brother, lived in Agoura, which wasn't all that close to Sierra Madre, but she was a lot of fun, and our kids and their kids were very close cousins and we always had a great time out there. They had horses, a buffalo, goats, dogs, and assorted other wildlife and we could count on at least one kid needing band-aids sometime during the course of the day.

She taught me to make these pickles, my first canning experience, by the way. They're easy to make, just a little time consuming, but they are incredibly delicious and if you give someone a jar of them, they will be grateful forever and beg you for more.

15 cucumbers, sliced about 1/4" thick or thinner, cut them the way you like them. (No, don't peel them!)

4 onions, sliced, fairly thin (yes, agony on the eyes)

1 or 2 green peppers, chopped in strips (or a red one, or a yellow one – makes for great color)

1 clove garlic

1/3 cup salt

2 cups sugar

1 tsp. turmeric

1 tsp. celery seed

2 cups white vinegar

Put cucumbers, onions, peppers, garlic and salt into a large bowl. Cover with ice. Let stand 3 hours. Drain.

Combine remaining ingredients and add to the cucumber mixture. Heat just to boiling.

Seal in sterilized jars. Be sure the brine covers all the pickles in the jar. Process in boiling water bath about 10 minutes. Makes 9 pints. These look fabulous and taste better than anything you can buy in the market. Many of you, including my son-in-law, Chuck, are doing more gardening than ever before and if you've grown cucumbers, here's something neat you can do with them, which will make them all the more delightful.

Take care of yourself this week, dear friends and neighbors. Wear that mask joyfully and be kind. Just be kind.

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Where you'll find "Sunrises and Sunflowers Speak Hope"
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Addresses east of Baldwin will receive two bills in July.

- One bill for the regular cycle from April 14th to June 9th
- One for June 9th - 29th

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- May 12th - June 28th

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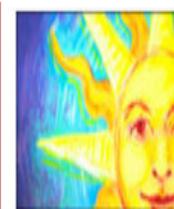
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ROAD TO CHANTRY FLATS CLOSED

Executive Order No. 2020-01

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ENROLLMENT FOR OUR SUMMER 2020 SESSION IS NOW OPEN! CLASSES BEGIN THE WEEK OF JULY 6TH

Welcome to our first ever Hybrid Summer Session where we will continue to offer Online classes and once again welcome students back into our classroom studios.

For those of you who would like to return in person, we have restructured our studios and updated our safety policies. (We especially look forward to sharing with you our new inside-outside ceramics studio!) Some things will certainly be different, but we are optimistic that our art practices will see us through. Enroll in Summer 2020 today!

For those of you who would like to remain online or for those who are out of the area, you can enjoy many of your favorite classes and a number of new course offerings in our virtual Zoom classrooms! (It is so nice to see so many friends who have moved out of the area able to join us through our online classes.)

Membership has its benefits...

You can become a member of Creative Arts Group by purchasing an annual membership. Members are offered discounts on classes and workshops throughout the year and receive advanced notification when class enrollment is available at the beginning of each session. More than anything, members help support Creative Arts and ensure that we are able to continue offering high quality art classes year round.

Please note that if you purchase a membership online, you must first complete the membership purchase transaction and wait to receive your discount code via email. Once you receive your discount code, you can then purchase classes using the discount code. If you order a membership and classes in the same transaction, you will not receive the discounted rate.

If we can help you, don't hesitate to reach out to us. We have still have limited staff in the office, but if you leave a message (626-355-8350), we will get back to you as soon as we can. Thank you! **CAG Staff**

Weather Wise

6-Day Forecast Sierra Madre, Ca.

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SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS

As part of the City of Sierra Madre's COVID-19 transmission mitigation efforts, all City Council, Commission and Board meetings with be conducted virtually until further notice. The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting. Public comment may be made by e-mail to PublicComment@cityofsierramadre.com by 6:00PM. on the day of the meeting. Emails will be acknowledged at the Council meeting and filed into public record.

Any member of the public may also call into the meeting to provide their comments. To provide public comment by telephone, please call in when your topic of interest is being discussed by the City Council and provide your name and the agenda item number. You will be placed in the cue until the Mayor opens up the topic for public comment.

To participate in public comment, please call:

Phone Number: (669) 900-9128

Meeting ID: 626-232-0232

Password: 232242

The meeting will be streamed live on the City's website at www.cityofsierramadre.com and broadcasted on Government Access Channel 3 (Spectrum).

For more information, please contact Assistant City Clerk, Laura Aguilar in the City Clerk's Office via email at LAguilar@cityofsierramadre.com or by telephone at (626) 355-7135.

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THE SIERRA MADRE PUBLIC LIBRARY BEGINS NEW CHECK-OUT SYSTEM IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 CLOSURE.

In an effort to continue supporting our patrons during this difficult time, the Sierra Madre Public Library will offer a single, over the phone check-out per patron. To the extent to which we can, a Library Staff Member will take patron requests for materials over the phone, and materials will be checked out to the member's card and prepared for pick up. Upon arriving at the Library, patrons will call from a designated waiting area outside of the building, and a staff member will check their identification and transfer materials to them, in keeping with social distancing standards.

We at the Sierra Madre Public Library believe that everyone has the right to access materials and information; however, this opportunity will be revoked out of a greater concern for the Sierra Madre Community and City Staff, should the need arise.

Thank you for your patience as we continue to work together in service of our community.



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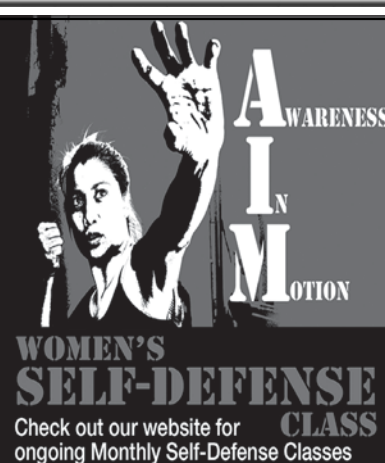


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PUBLIC NOTICE

From: The City of Sierra Madre
Subject: NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Municipal Election will be held in the City of Sierra Madre on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 for the following Officers and Measure:

For (2) Members of the City Council	Full term of four years
For (1) Member of the City Council	Short term of two years
For a City Clerk	Full term of four years
For a City Treasurer	Full term of four years
Ballot Measure	

Shall the office of the City Clerk be appointive?	YES
	NO

The nomination period for these offices begins on Monday, July 13, 2020 and closes on August 6, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Interested parties may contact Assistant City Clerk Laura Aguilar in the City Clerk's Office for an appointment to pick up nomination forms.

If no one or only one person is nominated for an elective office, appointment to the elective office may be made as prescribed by §10229, Elections Code of the State of California.

The polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 am and 8:00 pm.

Posted July 2, 2020

By:

Laura Aguilar
Assistant City Clerk
Elections Official

TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills thechefknows@yahoo.com

HOT DOGS AND THE SPIRIT OF 4TH OF JULY

With the restaurants closed or here in Sierra Madre offering al fresco dining I know we'll be eating a ton of hot dogs, how many?

Over seven billion hot dogs will be eaten by Americans between Memorial Day and Labor Day. During the July 4th weekend alone (the biggest hot-dog holiday of the year), 155 million will be downed.

Every year, Americans eat an average of 60 hot dogs each. They are clearly one of the country's most loved, but most misunderstood, comfort foods.

Like most great events in History, there are varying accounts of how it all began and who started it. The history of the Hot Dog is no different. You will find many references throughout history to the origins of a Hot Dog-like thing called a sausage. Here are some stories of how the Hot Dog was born.

The invention of the Hot Dog, is often attributed to the 1904 Louisiana Purchase Exposition. However, similar sausages were made and consumed in Europe, particularly in Germany, as early as 1864, and the earliest example of a hot dog bun dates to New York City in the 1860s. German immigrants appear to have sold hot dogs, along with milk rolls and sauerkraut, from pushcarts in New York City's Bowery during the 1860s. The Hot Dog's association with baseball also predates the 1904 World's Fair. Chris von der Ahe, owner of the St Louis Browns, sold Hot Dogs at his ballpark in the 1880s.



Who's Served the First Hot Dog? Also in doubt is who first served the first Hot Dog. Wieners and frankfurters don't become Hot Dogs until someone puts them in a roll or a bun. There are several stories or legends as to how this first happened. Specific people were have been credited for supposedly inventing the Hot Dog. Charles Feltman and Antonoine Feuchtwanger were among the few.

What's in a name? Another story that riles serious hot dog historians is how term "Hot Dog" came about. Some say the word was coined in 1901 at the New York Polo Grounds on a cold April day. Vendors were hawking hot dogs from portable hot water tanks shouting "They're red hot! Get your dachshund sausages while they're red hot!" A New York Journal sports cartoonist, Tad Dorgan, observed the scene and hastily drew a cartoon of barking dachshund sausages nestled warmly in rolls. Not sure how to spell "dachshund" he simply wrote "hot dog!" The cartoon is said to have been a sensation, thus coining the term "hot dog." However, historians have been unable to find this cartoon, despite Dorgan's enormous body of work and his popularity.

1893 - The 1893 Chicago World's Fair, also called the Columbian Exposition, brought thousands of visitors who consumed large quantities of sausage sold by vendors. People liked this food that was easy to eat, convenient, and inexpensive.

Historians, to this day, have not found any research to back up the claim that hot dogs were sold at Sportsman's Park.

Truly, "Necessity is the Mother of invention." = hot dog bun

The popularity of the hot dog and baseball – I know this may be very difficult for some Dodger fans but the love of the hotdog and baseball did not start with the Dodgers.

Program Note This Sunday Radio Show will be at 8 AM on Go Country 105

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Library Board of Trustees - 2 vacancies

Community Services Commission - 1 vacancy

Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Commission - 2

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ARCADIA PD ARREST SUSPECT IN SEXUAL ASSAULT CASE

On June 30, 2020, at approximately 2:00PM, Arcadia Police Detectives arrested Mr. Dylan Chan, of Arcadia, as part of their ongoing investigation into allegations of sexual assault and exploitation involving past and present Arcadia High School students. Mr. Chan's arrest followed a search warrant Arcadia Police Detectives served at his house on Wednesday, June 24, 2020. Evidence obtained from that search warrant, along with other investigative measures and information, led to Mr. Chan's arrest.

BOOKING INFORMATION:

Chan, Dylan
18-years-old

L.A. County Booking #5963498

Charges: PC 311.11(a) - Possession or Control of Child Pornography, PC 311.2(d) - Distribution or Possession of Child Pornography, PC 311.4(c) - Using Minor for Sex Acts, and PC 311.3(a) - Sexual exploitation of a Child.

Mr. Chan is currently being held and booked at the Arcadia City Jail.

As this is an ongoing investigation, anyone with information related to this case or other related cases at Arcadia High School is encouraged to contact the Arcadia Police Detective Bureau at (626) 574-5160. If you prefer to provide information anonymously, you may call "Crime Stoppers" by dialing (800) 222-TIPS (8477), use your smartphone by downloading the "P3 Tips" Mobile APP on Google play or the Apple App Store, or by using the website <http://lacrimestoppers.org>.

The Arcadia Police Department supports sexual assault victims, and provides sexual assault survivors with information, assistance and options that we hope empowers a sexual assault victim throughout the investigative process. We remain committed to investigating sexual assault crimes, and apprehending perpetrators of those crimes whenever possible.

Robert T. Guthrie, Chief of Police

CITY OF DUARTE DRIVE-THRU FOOD DISTRIBUTION ON JULY 8

The City of Duarte, in collaboration with Labor Community Services Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank, the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, the Miguel Contreras Foundation, and UFCW Local 1428, is hosting a drive-thru food distribution on Wednesday, July 8 at Encanto Park. This drive-thru food pantry will begin at 9 a.m. and is expected to last until 12 p.m., or until supplies last.

"More Duarte families and seniors are experiencing food insecurity as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic," said Duarte Mayor Pro Tem Bryan Urias. "Councilmembers and city staff continue to seek opportunities that keep our residents safe, housed, in business, and with food on the table during these tough times. Through great partnerships with non-profits and regional unions, I'm proud that we are able to support our residents and neighbors."

Volunteers from the sponsoring organizations and city staff will be on hand to distribute pantry boxes provided by the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank. You do not have to pre-register for this event to receive food distribution services.

With hundreds of cars anticipated to be at the distribution, traffic should enter Encanto Parkway from Huntington Drive and queue along the east curb line of Encanto Parkway. Los Angeles County Sheriff's deputies, Duarte Public Safety staff, and volunteers will assist with traffic flow. Cars will be directed to enter Encanto Park at the northern park driveway and exit out the southern driveway.

AN EXCITING SANTA ANITA MEET ENDS MINUS SPECTATORS

By Joan Schmidt



Santa Anita Park IS the GREAT RACE PLACE: The Stonach Group, Aiden Butler and everyone connected to it, went above and beyond to bring racing back. We couldn't attend in person, but watched on TV and jumped up and down as young Heriberto Figueroa won a STAKES RACE on Grinning Tigre! OMG! A 92-1 longshot! His mom, Wanda and family in Puerto Rico were BEYOND thrilled!

How was racing able to come? Jockeys were quarantined in trailers in the parking lot. Various owners/trainers supplied a much appreciated weekly special meal. (Aaron Gryder shared photos, and Thank you also to Benoit Photography)

The Final Jockey Standings: Flavien Pratt: 90; Abel Cedillo: 61; Umberto Rispoli: 50; Joel Rosario: 38; and Drayden Van Dyke: 33. Top Trainers: Peter Miller: 35; Bob Baffert: 33; Richard Baltas: 31; Mark Glatt: 24; Doug O'Neill: 18.

lavien won the most races-90. How? Four wins on February 16, three wins on both March 8 and June 5, and SIX wins on June 20! (One short of Lafitt Pincay, Jr.'s record!) On February 1, aboard Thousand Words, Flavien gave Bob Baffert his 3000 career win. Flavien won the "Virgenes Stakes" aboard Venetian Harbor and the "San Marcos Stakes" on United. Lastly, Flavien rode Ward'n Jerry to runaway victory in the "San Luis Rey Stakes".

Among Abel's many (61) wins: The "Zenzatta Stakes" on Paradise Woods, "Gamely Stakes" aboard Keeper Of the Stakes, and Fighting Mad in the "San Maria Stakes".

Unberto Rispoli (50 wins), a successful Italian jockey, raced around the world, lastly in China. He came to Santa Anita and promptly won his first Santa Anita stakes race on February 29 on Hariboux in the "Pasadena Stakes".

Joel Rosario had gone back East for a year. Among his 38 wins, was on Raging Bull in the "Shoemaker Mile", his first day back!

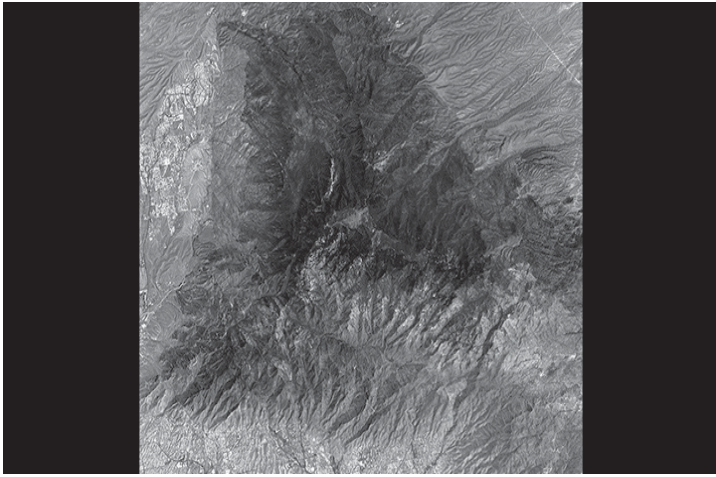
Drayden Van Dyke (33 wins) most memorable ride was a landmark victory for Improbable in the "Hollywood Gold Cup Stakes". He rode Authentic to victory in The "San Felipe Stakes" and had an impressive victory on Charlatan.

Lastly, Congrats to Jorge Velez, riding Warren's Showtime in the "Melaire Stakes" and Ruben Fuentes for his win on Big Runner in the "Sire Lure Stakes".

Currently, the Jockeys are participating in a 7 race day meet at Los Alamitos. Del Mar opens next week. Wishing all a safe, successful Meet.

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NASA's ASTER Sees Arizona's Bighorn Fire Burn Scar From Space



On the night of June 5, a lightning strike started the Bighorn Fire in the Santa Catalina Mountains north of Tucson, Arizona. Extremely dry vegetation and windy conditions caused the fire to spread quickly. By June 30, the multi-agency incident information system, InciWeb, reported that it had ballooned to more than 114,000 acres and that it was about 45% contained.

NASA's Advanced Spaceborne Thermal Emission and Reflection Radiometer (ASTER) instrument aboard the Terra satellite imaged some of the burned area on June 29. In this image, vegetation is shown in red and burned areas appear dark gray. It covers an area 20 by 30 miles (33 by 48 kilometers).

Efforts to contain the fire continue with 21 hand crews, 10 helicopters and dozens of fire engines deployed to the area. Smoke impacts to surrounding communities are being carefully monitored.

With its 14 spectral bands from the visible to the thermal infrared wavelength region and its high spatial resolution of about 50 to 300 feet (15 to 91 meters), ASTER images Earth to map and monitor the changing surface of our planet. It is one of five Earth-observing instruments launched Dec. 18, 1999, on Terra. The instrument was built by Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. A joint U.S./Japan science team is responsible for validation and calibration of the instrument and data products.

The broad spectral coverage and high spectral resolution of ASTER provides scientists in numerous disciplines with critical information for surface mapping and monitoring of dynamic conditions and temporal change. Example applications are monitoring glacial advances and retreats; monitoring potentially active volcanoes; identifying crop stress; determining cloud morphology and physical properties; wetlands evaluation; thermal pollution monitoring; coral reef degradation; surface temperature mapping of soils and geology; and measuring surface heat balance.

The U.S. science team is located at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Southern California. The Terra mission is part of NASA's Science Mission Directorate, Washington.

Visit: jpl.nasa.gov to view the image in color.

Limited Reopening of South Pas Government Facilities

On Monday the City of South Pasadena will reopen facilities on a limited basis in accordance with public health guidelines. Visitors will be allowed by appointment only and face coverings and social distancing will be required.

The City has implemented all possible steps to ensure a safe environment for both our employees and visitors. We encourage the public to continue to conduct business as much as possible via phone or online.

For a list of city departments and contact information visit: southpasadenaca.gov.

South Pas Digital Exhibit Published: 'City of Trees'

In a new Local History digital exhibit, curated and published by the South Pasadena Public Library, site visitors can take an in-depth look at the history of our "City of Trees".

The City of South Pasadena and its citizens have advocated on behalf of the need for a distinct urban tree canopy for over 130 years. The Library is working extensively to maintain a virtual presence in the lives of our patrons and residents as the Library building remains closed to the public. One element of our effort to maintain a virtual presence has been to create a series of online exhibits based around local history. The second of this online exhibit series, titled "City of Trees", is available to anyone

with an internet connection.

The purpose of this exhibit is to provide site visitors with the history and development of the urban tree canopy in South Pasadena. Topics of this project include the San Gabriel Orange Grove Association, the first Beautification Campaign, and historic trees in South Pasadena.

This exhibit is the second of a series of digital exhibits that will be available online in the coming months. The first digital exhibit, titled "Summers in SoPas" is currently available online.

Questions regarding the "City of Trees" digital exhibit may be directed to Olivia Shea, Local History Librarian, at localhistory@southpasadenaca.gov.

Pasadena Summer Day Camp Returns

The City of Pasadena Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department will offer summer day camp for Pasadena residents and Pasadena Unified School District students at seven parks throughout the city from Monday, July 6, through Friday, August 7.

Camp will be offered Monday through Friday at Robinson Park, Victory Park, and Villa-Parke centers from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. for children ages 5 to 12. Half-day camps will be offered at Central, McDonald, and Washington Parks from noon until 5 p.m., and at La Pintoresca Park from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. for children ages 7 to 12. The La Pintoresca Teen Education Center will offer teen-specific programming Monday through Friday from noon until 5 p.m. for children ages 12 to 17.

COVID-19 protocols based on guidance from the Pasadena Public Health Department will be in place. These include screening for symptoms, limited group sizes, physical distancing, and the

use of face coverings. To the extent possible, siblings will be assigned to the same group. Programming will include sports and fitness activities, arts and crafts, dance, enrichment activities, and more.

Fees for camp 2020 have been reduced to \$25 per week for camps taking place at recreation centers, and a one-time \$25 fee for outdoor camps at parks. Camps will enroll between 30 and 40 children per week, and scholarships are available. Registration is being done through a lottery system, which opens on Thursday, June 18, and closes on Wednesday, June 23. Register on the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department website to participate in the lottery, or call (626) 744-6500 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"We're thrilled to be able to offer summer day camp this summer," says Brenda Harvey-Williams, director of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department. "After distance learning and the cancellation of sports and recreation programming, we know our local kids are ready to get back to play."

For more information visit: cityofpasadena.net.

South Pasadena Library Summer Reading Program

The South Pasadena Public Library's Summer Reading Program—Dig Deeper! Read, Investigate, Discover—through Saturday, August 1. All programs and activities will be presented online, and kids, teens and adults are encouraged to read and participate in other activities for fun and prizes. Progress will be tracked using the Beanstack app, which will be familiar to readers who participated in last year's Summer Reading Program (SRP) or the recent Safer at Home Reading Challenges. Visit the Summer Reading Program landing page on the City's website to get started: southpasadenaca.gov/SRPinfo. The Summer Reading Program is generously supported by the non-profit Friends of the South Pasadena Public Library.

Research has shown that students who read at least 20 minutes daily have a clear literacy advantage over children and teens that read

less or don't read at all. SRP stops the summer learning slide and strengthens children and teens' literacy advantage. The 2020 Summer Reading Program will feature recorded storytimes with our librarians and engaging craft programs that can be done from home. Wonderful Wednesday performers have transitioned from in-person programming to creating streaming content, which will allow patrons to view performances from the safety of their homes. All pre-recorded programs will be available to view on the Library's website: www.southpasadenaca.gov/SRPprograms. Summer Reading Program prizes will be available for pick-up at the end of the program, starting the last week in July.

The South Pasadena Public Library building is currently closed to the public. Library staff can be reached at library@southpasadenaca.gov and 626-403-7330.

AROUND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

AIR QUALITY ADVISORY

Air Quality is Unhealthy for Sensitive Individuals in Parts of Los Angeles County

LOS ANGELES – According to the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) forecast, air quality will be unhealthy for sensitive individuals tomorrow, Saturday, July 4 in the following areas:

East San Fernando Valley
East San Gabriel Valley
Santa Clarita Valley
San Gabriel Mountains

Los Angeles County Health Officer, Muntu Davis, MD, MPH, advises people living or working in these areas with heart disease, asthma or other respiratory diseases to minimize outdoor activities.

Children who have sensitive conditions, including heart disease, asthma, and other chronic respiratory diseases, should not participate in outdoor physical activity and should stay indoors as much as possible.

For current air quality maps and forecast, visit the AQMD website at www.aqmd.gov/home/air-quality.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE 7/03/2020

COVID-19 Deaths and Hospitalizations Increase: Residents Urged to Avoid Unnecessary Public Contact

“We mourn with all the families that have lost loved ones to COVID-19. You are in our thoughts and prayers every day,” said Barbara Ferrer, PhD, MPH, MEd, Director of Public Health. “Unfortunately, we continue to see negative trends in the data and we urgently need to make a change in the trajectory. We must make sure we are not unnecessarily spending time outside with others and use this opportunity as a countywide reset. We need everyone’s help. Please avoid contact with other people who are not part of your household, wear your face covering when out and about and wash your hands frequently.”

As we head into the 4th of July weekend, Public Health reminds everyone that all events and gatherings unless specifically allowed by the Health Officer Order remain prohibited. Please enjoy your weekend with your household only. If you do go out, Public Health urges everyone to avoid the Three C’s: Crowded places, Confined spaces and Close contact with others not in your household. Everyone should always wear a face covering securely over your nose and mouth and keep six feet apart from others not in your household when out in public. Businesses must continue to follow Public Health directives.

Public Health updated the gym and fitness center protocol in the Health Officer Order issued yesterday to require patrons to wear a mask and gloves at all times at fitness centers. Fitness center patrons are warned to not extend themselves to a point where they can’t breathe comfortably while wearing a face covering over both their nose and mouth at all times.

The Order requires the closure of:

*Indoor, in-person dining at restaurants
Indoor museums, indoor children’s museums, and indoor operations at zoos and aquariums
Cardrooms and satellite wagering facilities*

Bars remain closed, however retail operations for breweries, brew pubs, and wineries may remain open.

The Health Officer Order also requires businesses with three or more known cases of COVID-19 within the workplace over the span of 14 days, to report the outbreak to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health). Employers who have one known case within the workplace must have a protocol that requires that person to self-isolate at home and anyone exposed to self-quarantine.

LA County beaches are closed from July 3 through July 6 at 5:00 a.m. to prevent crowded situations that could result in more spread of COVID-19. All public beaches, piers, public beach parking lots, beach bike paths that traverse that sanded portion of the beach, and beach access points will be temporarily closed to the public. Fireworks displays are also prohibited.

Of the 55 new deaths, 40 people who died were over the age of 65 years old, 11 people who died were between the ages of 41 and 65 years old, and one person who died was between the ages of 18 and 40 years old. Forty-five people had underlying health conditions including 36 people over the age of 65 years old, eight people between the ages of 41 to 65 years old, and one person between the ages of 18 to 40 years old. One death was reported by the City of Long Beach and two deaths were reported by the City of Pasadena.

To date, Public Health has identified 107,667 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of LA County, and a total of 3,454 deaths. Ninety-three percent of people who died had underlying health conditions and 7% did not. Of those who died, information about race and ethnicity is available for 3,209 people (99 percent of the cases reported by Public Health); 43% of deaths occurred among Latino/Latinx residents, 27% among White residents, 16% among Asian residents, 11% among African American/Black residents, less than 1% among Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander residents and 1% among residents identifying with other races. Upon further investigation, 44 cases and three deaths reported earlier were not LA County residents. Testing results are available for over 1,133,000 individuals, with 9% of people testing positive.

The Reopening Protocols, COVID-19 Surveillance Interactive Dashboard, Roadmap to Recovery, Recovery Dashboard, and additional things you can do to protect yourself, your family and your community are on the Public Health website, www.publichealth.lacounty.gov.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER COVID-19 UPDATE 7/03/2020 3:30pm

LOS ANGELES COUNTY	07/03/20	6/26/20	6/19/20
Total Cases	107,667	93,232	79,609
Deaths	3,454	3,267	3,063

STATS BY CITY	Population	Cases	Deaths
<i>(last week's stats in parenthesis)</i>			
Pasadena	14,1371	1341 (1213)	93 (89)
Uninc- East Pasadena	6,403	6 (4)	1 (0)
City of Arcadia	57,754	177 (147)	9 (8)
Uninc. - Arcadia	7,981	27 (20)	0 (0)
City of Bradbury	1,069	6 (6)	0 (0)
City of Duarte	22,016	204 (177)	19 (18)
Uninc.- Duarte	4,428	38 (32)	1 (1)
City of Monrovia	38,800	304 (264)	28 (28)
Uninc - Monrovia	3,881	38 (30)	0 (0)
City of Sierra Madre	10,989	31 (28)	3 (2)
City of So.Pasadena	26,053	166 (153)	21 (21)
Uninc.- Altadena	43,260	248 (214)	7 (7)

For updated information go to: http://dashboard.publichealth.lacounty.gov/covid19-surveillance_dashboard/

2020 Census Operational Adjustments Due to COVID-19

The 2020 Census is underway, and more than half of the households across America have responded and more are responding every day. Online, phone, and mailed self-responses will continue throughout the data collection process. In light of the COVID-19 outbreak, the U.S. Census Bureau has adjusted 2020 Census operations in order to:

- Protect the health and safety of the American public and Census Bureau employees.
- Implement guidance from federal, state, and local authorities regarding COVID-19.
- Ensure a complete and accurate count of all communities.

The Office of Management and Budget and the Office of Personnel Management have provided federal agencies with guidelines for resuming operations on an epidemiologically sound, data-driven basis, adhering to the latest federal, state, and local guidance. The Census Bureau

continues to monitor the changing conditions at the state and local level, and in consultation with the appropriate officials, update its planned start dates for selected operations in selected states.

The information the Census Bureau receives daily from FEMA and state and local authorities guides Census Bureau decisions on timing. As a result, selected field operations will resume on a phased schedule on a geographic basis.

Under the adjusted 2020 Census operational plan, the Census Bureau is conducting a series of preparatory activities so we are fully ready to resume field activities as we continue to advance the mission of the 2020 Census to ensure a complete and accurate count. In-person activities, including enumeration, office work, and processing activities, will always incorporate the most current guidance from authorities to ensure the health and safety of the public and Census Bureau employees.

Activity/Operation	Original Schedule	New Schedule
Self-Response Phase (online, phone, mail)	March 12–July 31	March 12–October 31
Group Quarters (e-Response and Paper Enumeration)	April 2–June 5	April 2–September 3
Update Leave—Stateside	March 15–April 17	Selected Area Census Offices starting May 4
Update Leave—Puerto Rico	March 15–April 17	Needs further review and coordination with outside partners and stakeholders.
Update Enumerate	March 16–April 30	June 14–July 29
In-Person Group Quarters Enumeration	April 2–June 5	July 1–September 3
Mobile Questionnaire Assistance	March 30–July 31	Needs further review and coordination with outside partners and stakeholders.

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St. Rita School in Sierra Madre is welcoming a veteran educator as its new principal. On July 1, Adela Solis takes the reigns of a top-performing school known for its strong community, and its academic and athletic achievements.

After spending nine years as a principal in Santa Ana with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Orange, her hiring at an Archdiocese of Los Angeles school is a homecoming of sorts. Solis is a proud product of Catholic education in LA, attending schools as a child and working 25 years previously as a teacher and principal at various schools across the LA diocese.

“When I was a principal with the Archdiocese of L.A., St. Rita was known as ‘the school.’ I had always heard great things about St. Rita. When I saw the position listed, it just called out to me,” Solis said. “I put everything in God’s hands. This was His plan for me.”

“Father Tom (Baker) and I share the same vision for St. Rita. We will work together in uniting the parish and school

as one Catholic community.”

Working with the Department of Catholic Schools, Father Tom Baker met with a principal search committee of faculty, school parents and parishioners and ultimately decided on Solis.

“Mrs. Solis comes with a great resume of teaching and leadership experience, all in Catholic Schools,” said Father Tom Baker, Pastor of St. Rita Church since 2018. “She will be a great addition to our parish community. She is committed to Catholic education and her strong faith will greatly bless our community.”

Solis will lead the St. Rita School community as it enters its 99th year. Accredited by the Western Catholic Educational Association and WASC, St. Rita students consistently deliver top Math scores across the diocese. The school is home to several CYO championships in various sports and has the highest ranking for a single grade school.

Solis hopes to build upon the school’s success by collaborating with school families and faculty. Following diocese and local health guidelines, Solis will work this summer to prepare for a September 1 reopening.

Solis and her two siblings were the first members of their family to earn a high school diploma and all three pursued careers in education. She has a B.A. in English from San Francisco State University and a M.S. in Educational Leadership from Mount St. Mary’s College. Solis is married to Mike, her husband of 36 years, and they have two sons, Nicholas and Michael. Both also attended Catholic schools. While principal at St. Madeleine School in Pomona, Solis helped the archdiocese establish and implement a new model for Catholic education in the Pomona Valley.

“As a Catholic school administrator, I have come to realize that there is nothing more rewarding than to see students grow and flourish in their relationship with Jesus,” Solis added. “I am very excited to start the new school year and work with the teachers, staff, and students as well as in partnership with the parents.”

“To me, it is a true blessing to be at St. Rita.”

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Glendora, Calif. Local taxpayers are estimated to save over \$7.7 million after the Citrus Community College District Board of Trustees recently approved a plan to re-finance outstanding voter-approved general obligation bonds.

Earlier this month, board members voted to take advantage of the nation’s current low interest rate environment by refinancing portions of the district’s Measure G bonds. These bonds, which were originally issued when interest rates were higher, will now be refinanced at current market rates. As a result, the remaining repayment period of the refinanced bonds will now be reduced by five years and property tax assessments will be lower over the long term.

“When voters approved Measure G in 2004, it was a pivotal moment for Citrus College. We want to assure community members that their investment has been a wise one, and that the district has taken great care to prudently manage resources,” said Dr. Geraldine M. Perri, superintendent/president of Citrus College. “While the bond refinancing does not directly impact the college’s own finances, it will be beneficial to those residents who have continuously supported our mission of providing quality educational experiences that lead to college completion and student success.”

This will be the third time that Citrus College has refinanced Measure G bonds, with previous refinancing taking place in 2013 and 2015. As a result, the cumulative combined estimated savings to taxpayers is nearly \$15 million.

“With interest rates currently near an all-time low, this is a great opportunity to save money for our taxpayers,” explained Claudette Dain, vice president of finance and administrative services at Citrus College. “We always strive to be good stewards of district and community resources.”

Nearly 16 years ago, local residents invested in the future of Citrus College students when they voted to support the \$121 million Measure G general obligation bond. Since that time, many capital improvements have been made on the Citrus College campus. Completed construction projects include the Campus Safety Building, Mathematics/Sciences Building, Center for Innovation, Technician Development Center, Student Services Building and Visual Arts Building. The remaining Measure G funds are earmarked for the Educational Development Center modernization project.

“As the college prepares to begin work on the final Measure G project, the board of trustees and the college community continue to be grateful to our partners and neighbors who supported this bond, thus allowing Citrus College to complete a number of capital improvement projects,” said Dr. Patricia A. Rasmussen, president of the Citrus Community College District Board of Trustees. “I am happy that this refinancing enables us to give back to our community.”

ABOUT CITRUS COLLEGE

Proudly serving the San Gabriel Valley for over 100 years, Citrus College educates approximately 20,000 students annually. The college offers associate degrees, associate degrees for transfer (ADTs) and career/technical certificates in more than 125 programs of study; prepares students for transfer to four-year colleges and universities; and provides workforce training. Located in Glendora, California, Citrus College is the oldest community college in Los Angeles County. Its 104-acre campus includes eight outdoor athletic facilities. A leader in higher education, Citrus College has received numerous accolades, including being named a Champion of Higher Education for awarding a high number of ADTs by the Campaign for College Opportunity. The college was also voted the San Gabriel Valley’s best community college by the audiences of Beacon Media News and the Southern California News Group. Citrus College is designated a Military Friendly® school. For more information, visit www.citruscollege.edu and follow the college on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



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I come from a family of ancestors who traveled across the Atlantic Ocean from northwestern Europe a couple of centuries ago. They came here to find freedom and opportunity. There were countless obstacles and much to work through, to establish a new place to live. My ancestors were among hundreds who traveled across the sea. Pioneers in hopes of finding a better life.

Time went by (as it has a tendency to do) and as the newly arrived European folks dispersed into their resting and nesting places - primarily on the northeastern coast of this continent - battles were fought and much blood was shed in an effort to take the land from those who'd lived here for god-knows-how-long before the newcomers' arrival.

Native people and their existing cultures were ripped and torn apart, and the technology of the time (forged metal - aka guns) took its toll on those less aggressive and less prepared to defend themselves and protect their territories. New settlements were settled, boundaries put into place, people suffered and died while others flourished. Animals suffered and died and I suppose a few may have flourished as well.

Let's face it folks, much of this country's past is no less than pure madness and mayhem. History took its course, as it were. But ultimately, America earned its reputation as a desirable destination to be sought after. Otherwise, none of us would still be here today, continuing to hash out our differences and defend our positions. The land of the free and the brave.

I do celebrate our country's historical landmark events, not the least of which is the 4th of July, Independence Day. I won't go into the specifics of how it came into play (Google it), but as most of us know, it is the set-aside day when Americans come together to appreciate the birth of our nation and the freedom we enjoy here. It IS indeed, a memorable moment in history, worth celebrating by those of us who reap the benefits of those before us who worked hard to bring it about.

So there's that...the national holiday - the 4th of July, aptly called Independence Day. For most modern folks, it means not going to work (which was totally awesome before the COVID-19 Safer-at-Home mandates), and spending special time with family and close friends - jumping in the pool, grilling burgers on the barbecue and making amazing memories.

Then there are the fireworks. Ahh...those (apparently) beloved fireworks. Lady fingers, M-80's, black cats, roman candles, you name it, they got it. Loved enough by some, it seems, to be lit and shot-off every single night, as early as a month prior to and continuing a full month following the actual holiday itself. Those hearty handfuls of stinky bomb-poppers, tightly-packed & wrapped in thick paper, brightly & rustically inked with festive designs. Specimens of contra ban that somehow continue to be part of the celebration, much to my personal mystification. Illegal or not, folks (apparently & simply) cannot resist!

I have learned through life experiences that there are many things I'll never understand or relate to, most of which I cannot change. While I do have control over my own thoughts, choices and behaviors, I can't control what my "fellow" humans might decide to do. I MUST let it go, I know this is true. But I still needed to write this appeal to those humans, those different from myself. Those who cannot resist the urge to light a tight bundle of potentially lethal gun powder and shoot off a rocket loud enough to scare the bejesus out of their neighbors, and (more importantly) their neighbors' pets.

I'm appealing to you lovers of loudness. Lovers of chaos. Lovers of illegal fireworks. You know who you are. You're bored. You've been told to stay home. You've been told not to go to work, not to go to the store, not to go to the bars or the beach. You've been told you can't do those things you typically do. And here it is, the 4th of July, Independence Day (Google it). And from what I hear nearly every night, you can't even wait until the appropriate date. And here we are. It's the 4th of July. Oh my.

Please stop. If you can't care about your fellow humans, do it for the precious, innocent animals.

Animals abhor fireworks. It scares them to the core of their being. You don't even have to be an animal-lover or a dog-walker/pet sitter such as myself, to know that is so. It's plain ole common sense. They absolutely despise fireworks. And the potential hazard of a forest fire will never be worth your (beyond me) personal desire to hear that obnoxious noise. No words can express how animals - both domestic and wild - hate fireworks and I echo their sentiment. PLEASE, stop the nonsense. Love and let live.

CHRISTOPHER Nyerges



SEEKING THE FRAGILE BALANCE:

The Meaning of Life vs. Virus Protection

[Nyerges is the author of "How to Survive Anywhere," "Self-Sufficient Home," and others. His latest book, "An Urban Survival Guide," will be released later in 2020. More information and his schedule of classes, is at www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com.]

Tony Brown (of Tony Brown's Journal on public TV) once stated that "if it seems that I'm placing a high priority on the need to have money, it's because I consider it as valuable as oxygen." His discussion program was all about the need especially for black families to do whatever it takes to increase their cash flow in order to elevate their overall quality of life.

He was encouraging his audience to start their own businesses, and buy their own homes.

Tony Brown made me think deeply about money. I grew up in a lower middle class neighborhood in a big family. Whenever I, or any of my brothers, asked my mother if we could do something, she'd nearly always say, "Yes, just go out and earn the money so you can do it." We learned all the legal ways to hustle and earn money to buy a bicycle, or go on a trip. Our basic needs were always met by two working parents, and I've learned to live frugally life-long. But I have never been desperate due to low income, or no income, or social discrimination that would inhibit my ability to work and be a part of my society.

Tony Brown pointed out that he was not just talking "economically." When we have a job and work for income, we turn our time, our life, into a medium of exchange (i.e., "money") which we then use to create a meaningful life. The life that money can provide gives families the means to have a home around which the family can gather, the means to live a healthy life, and the means to get an education that allows one to create the job and career that gives life meaning.

In other words, the ability to earn income in our society relates to the ability to live a quality life, and all that that entails.

Thus, more to my point, it is a false argument when people say that we should not "re-open" our economy, but we should keep most things closed for the presumed health reasons. One such proponent for the "stay closed" scenario is Bill Gates, who is openly pushing for everyone to get vaccinated. (Hey, is it true that Gates is heavily-invested in vaccines?)

"You care more about money than people," one old-time friend challenged me.

"You're wrong," I told him emphatically. I told him that I care deeply about the total health of people: mental, spiritual, physical, and psychological health. I think it is a false idea that you must choose one over the other.

A man or woman who works at a job they love tend to have a good immune system to fight disease. They wake up looking forward to something, hopeful for the future. It's not just a job where they earn something for their labor. For most people in western societies, it is the idea that their life serves a purpose, while interacting with others and keeping busy.

Such a mental and psychological posture impacts the health of the body. Someone who is happy, who laughs, who has hope, who strives to get up in the morning, has a better immune system than someone who is gloomy, fearful, desperate, worrying, forlorn, wondering when their government check will arrive because the government won't allow them to work.

Yes, I know that various surveys have shown that so many Americans hate their jobs, but they would still rather work than not work, and have the ability to find another job that suits them better.

I have so, so many questions about the reasoning behind why some businesses were told to close, and others allowed to stay open. I wonder, for example, why golf courses were told to close. Don't the spaced-out conditions of the golf course seem like the least-likely place to spread a virus? And you can't sell clothes, but if you have a dry cleaner, you can stay open and clean clothes. Churches, temples and mosques are forbidden, but liquor stores are considered "essential." Really?

My preference is that government entities stick to governing, and medical authorities stay out of politics, and rather than constantly talking about vaccines that may or may not work once they get developed, if they get developed, they should talk loudly about doing all the things that improve our immune system! That's right! Rather than discuss the drug of the week, what about getting into the sun, exercising, taking vitamins, sleeping well, finding ways to feel happy and uplifted, and improving our diets so that our food helps our immune systems? Isn't that the sort of thing that medical authorities should be telling us at this time?

With suicide rates up in the last two months and mental depression at a high, don't world leaders grasp that this is not about money vs. health? The issue is about protecting the life we want to live, from a virus that will get some sick, and kill some. In the U.S., according to math, about 1/300th of the population has gotten infected with Covid 19. Of those infected, 0.5% (approximately) will die. Maybe more, probably less.

Can't life go on, obviously modified for a bit, so that the vast majority can continue with their livelihood, yet still find a way to protect the sick?

Once, many years ago, a fire inspector was inspecting a one acre wildlife preserve where I was one of the caretakers. The inspector wanted the plants radically cut down. "You'd be happy if we cemented everything over," I said cynically. "Yes, I would," he replied, fully honest.

You see, to the fire inspector, the whole world is about fire safety, and everything else is subservient to that goal. Things such as wildlife homes, oxygen production, aroma, beauty, vibrant gardens, permaculture, et al, are less than meaningful concepts. Everything is about fire-safety.

I fear that in the zeal to protect people from the novel Covid virus, our "leaders" have become that fire inspector, with the belief that everything is suddenly subservient to the goal of virus protection and reduction, even those things that strengthen our immune systems and give us reasons to live. I fear that our "leaders" have become like the medieval doctors, who giddily declared, "The surgery was a success, but the patient died."

Pet of the Week

Little Falafel came to us as a scared stray, but with some patience and love he has gone from hiding in the back of his kennel to snuggling in laps! This five-year-old dog is known for his "zoomies" around the play yard and taking dips in our doggie pools. Because Falafel may need some time to get to know new people, he would do best in a home with adults and older kids. A quiet, calm, and stable environment will bring out the loving, playful cutie pie that is Falafel!



The adoption fee for dogs is \$140. All dog adoptions include spay or neuter, microchip, and age-appropriate vaccines.

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4th of July PET SAFETY TIPS

Did you know that the 4th of July is generally the busiest day of the year for animal shelters in the US? Fireworks can scare pets and cause them to run away.

BE PREPARED

- Make sure your pet has an updated ID tag worn on a secure collar.
- Get your pet microchipped before the 4th of July holiday.
- If your pet is already chipped, check to make sure the contact information is up to date.

ON THE 4TH

- Try to tire your pet out during the day (with play or walks), and provide them with chew toys or other comforting distractions during the evening.
- **Do not** bring your dog to a fireworks display. Keep all pets indoors with windows and doors closed.
- Turn on fans, music or TV to help cover the noise.
- Use a Thundershirt (if your dog has not used one before, try it on them a few days in advance, so they can acclimate).
- Use calming spray or oils (Rescue Remedy, Calming Chews, Lavender Calming Spray).

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VIDEO CALLING SOLUTIONS FOR TECH-CHALLENGED SENIORS

Dear Savvy Senior:

Can you recommend some simple devices that can help tech-challenged seniors with video calls? My 80-year-old mother has been isolating herself for months now in fear of the coronavirus and I haven't been able to see her face-to-face in quite a while. (Carol Dwyer)

Dear Concerned:

Video chatting is a great way to stay connected and keep tabs on an elder parent when you can't be there, but it's even more important now during this pandemic as many isolated seniors are also suffering from chronic loneliness.

To help connect you and your mom virtually, there are various products on the market that offer simple video calling for seniors who have limited ability or experience with technology. Here are four devices to consider.

GrandPad: This is a top option for simple video calling, and much more. The GrandPad is an 8-inch tablet specifically designed for seniors, ages 75 and older. It comes with a stylus, a charging cradle and 4G LTE built-in so it works anywhere within the Consumer Cellular network – home Wi-Fi is not required.

Ready to go right out of the box, GrandPad provides a simplified menu of big icons and large text for only essential features, providing clutter-free, one-touch access to make and receive video calls, send voice emails, view photos and videos, listen to personalized music, check the weather, play games, browse the Internet and more.

A GrandPad tablet costs \$250 plus \$40 monthly service fee and is sold through Consumer Cellular at GrandPad.net or call 888-545-1425.

Amazon's Echo Show: With its built-in camera and screen, the voice-command Echo Show also provides a simple way to have face-to-face chats with your mom, but she'll need home Wi-Fi installed.

Echo Shows, which come in three screen sizes – 5-inch (\$90), 8-inch (\$130) and 10-inch (\$230) – will let your mom make and receive video calls to those who have their own device, or who have the Alexa app installed on their smartphone or tablet.

Once you set up her contacts, to make a call your mom could simply say, "Alexa, call my daughter" And when you call her, she would ask Alexa to answer the call (or ignore it). There's also a feature called "drop-in" that would let you video call your mom's device anytime without her having to answer it.

Available at Amazon.com, the Echo Show also offers thousands of other features your mom would enjoy like voice-activated access to news, weather, her favorite music and much more.

If you decide to order an Echo Show device for mom, be sure your ask Amazon to mark it as a gift so it doesn't get tied to your Amazon account. For instructions to help your mom set it up, or if she doesn't have a smartphone, go to Amazon.com/gp/help/customer/display.html, and type in "Help Loved Ones Set Up Their Echo Show Remotely" in the "find more solutions" bar.

ViewClix: This is a smart picture frame specifically designed for elderly seniors that lets family members make video calls, send photos and post virtual sticky notes with messages to their loved ones ViewClix from their smartphone, tablet or computer. Seniors, however, cannot initiate video calls from their ViewClix. Home Wi-Fi is also required.

Available in two sizes – 10-inch for \$199, and 15-inch for \$299 – you can learn more about this product at ViewClix.com.

Facebook Portal: If your mom is a Facebook user, a voice-command Facebook portal (see portal.facebook.com) is another simple way to stay connected – home Wi-Fi is needed.

Portals, which come in three sizes – the original 10-inch Portal (\$179), the 8-inch Mini (\$129) and the massive 15-and-a-half-inch Portal Plus (\$279) – are like Echo Shows, except they connect through Facebook. With a Portal, your mom can video call your smartphone or tablet (and vice versa) using Facebook Messenger or WhatsApp.

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.

FAMILY MATTERS By Marc Garlett



YOUR "BLENDED" FAMILY IS LIKELY HEADED TO COURT UNLESS YOU DO THIS

If you have a blended family and do not plan for what happens to your assets in the event of your incapacity or death, you are almost certainly guaranteeing hurt feelings, conflict, and maybe even a long, drawn out court battle.

So let's start with clarity around what a blended family is and whether you have one. If you have stepchildren, or children from a prior marriage, or other people you consider "kin" who are not considered legal relatives in the eyes of the law, you've got a blended family.

Bottom line: if you have a blended family, you need an estate plan, and not just a will you created for yourself online, or a trust that isn't specifically and intentionally designed to keep your family out of court and out of conflict. Period. End of story. Unless you are okay with setting your loved ones up for unnecessary heartache, confusion, and pain when something happens to you.

What Will the Law Do?

"Blended Families, once considered "non-traditional" families are swiftly becoming the norm. Currently 52% of married couples (or unmarried couples who live together) have a stepkin relationship of some kind, and 4 in 10 new marriages involve remarriage. So, clearly, this is no longer "non-traditional" but quite traditional, though our laws about what happens if you become incapacitated or die are still very much based on tradition.

Every state has different provisions for what happens when you become incapacitated or die, and the laws of California may not necessarily match your wishes.

For example, in California, all community property assets would go to your surviving spouse, and separate property assets would be distributed partially to a surviving spouse and partially to children, if living, in amounts depending on the number of surviving children.

This may not result in the outcome you want for your loved ones, especially if you have a blended family situation. If you have something different in mind as to how you would want things to go, there is good news. The state of California allows you to circumvent those laws, but only if you have an alternate plan in place BEFORE your incapacity or death.

Even within "traditional" families, I want to emphasize that having a full plan is the best way to provide for your loved ones. However, with "blended" families, carefully considered estate plans are often even more vital to avoid massive misunderstanding and conflict, and having your assets tied up in court instead of going to the people you want to receive them.

Disputes Between Spouse and Children from Previous Marriage

One of the most common problems that arises in a blended family is that the deceased's children from a prior marriage and the surviving spouse end up in conflict. The courts are filled with these kinds of cases. But it doesn't have to be that way.

When you're considering all of this for the people you love, it's important to have a trusted advisor who can help you look at the reality of what will happen if you become incapacitated or when you die. With the complexities of modern families, it's far better to know and plan than to leave it up to the law or a court to decide. That way, not only do the people you love get the assets that you want them to receive, but you will also be saving them from years of potential legal conflict.

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

SIERRA MADRE SENIOR COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

The City of Sierra Madre is following these procedures to provide current communication in light of COVID-19 and keep the Senior Community and families informed of essential information and resources. City staff are monitoring email communication daily, and although employees are minimizing direct engagement and practicing social distancing in the community, please note that voice messages, emails, and social media responses are being addressed in the most efficient and timely manner. If at any moment additional information is needed, please contact City Hall Administrative Services at (626) 355-7135, Monday-Thursday from 7:30a – 5:30p, as they are taking messages and e-mailing the appropriate person.

For messages that may trickle in otherwise, please note our team is remotely checking voicemail daily at the Community Services Department, (626) 355-5278 x702.

Community Services Department will continue email communication with Senior residents and aging community members.

If you know of family members or neighbors who may benefit from accessing information electronically, and to receive the department's Seniors Newsletter via email but may not otherwise have been included on an email group list, please send your request with email address to the following team members:

Lawren Heinz Lheinz@cityofsierramadre.com and Clarissa Lowe Clowe@cityofsierramadre.com.

Community Services Department will continue Electronic Seniors Newsletter on a weekly-basis distribution.

Community Services Department will continue with mail drop-off of newsletters at the Sierra Madre U.S. Post Office Box (unless otherwise advised).

City Social Media will continue via Facebook as well as Instagram, and information sharing will include updates as details becomes available.

Mater Dolorosa - Sierra Madre Meal Pick-Up Program provides seal-packaged frozen meals, 5-person every Thursday, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. at Hart Park House Senior Center 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Donations are accepted. Call (626) 355-5278; x702 or 704.

YWCA Intervale Meal Program - Effective Wednesday, April 1, 2020

YWCA has transitioned their distribution of take home meals at the Sierra Madre Hart Park House Senior Center to a home-delivery meal program. Participants previously reserved for meal pick-up as of Wednesday, 3/25/20 were informed that they would begin to have their meals delivered to their homes, beginning Wednesday, April 1, 2020 until further notice.

For any additional participants calling in that are at a high risk and need meals delivered to, please provide us their name, date of birth (they must be 60+), address and phone number and Community Services Department will for-ward this information to our County Contact.

Food Banks Support: Seniors & Families:

If someone is outside of our local area and in need of a food bank, they can find one nearest them by going to www.lafoodbank.org and typing in their zip code; or call from the list here:

First Church of the Nazarene-Pasadena 3700 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. 626-351-9631
Wednesday 10:30 am-12 pm

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Foothill Unity Center 415 W. Chestnut Ave. Monrovia 626-358-3486 Monday 1 pm-3:30 pm,
Wednesday & Friday 9 am-11:30 am

Lifeline Community Services & Economic Development 2556 N. Lake Ave Altadena
626-797-3585 2nd and 4th Wednesday 12 pm-2 pm & 8:15 pm-9 pm

Morning Star Outreach Ministry 1416 N. Mentor Ave Pasadena 626-794-4875
2nd & 4th Saturday 11 am-1

OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder



A FAMILY STARE OFF COMPETITION

During the last several months, the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and I have spent some quality time together. I'm assuming this is quality time, but I will have to get second opinion evidence about that.

Overall, we have been enjoying our time together without any interruptions, as usually is the case. My idea is to take advantage of the situation at hand, and taking advantage of this, we have ~~been enjoying~~

In the beginning of our marital relationship, I thought I was the master at taking advantage of situations. I was happy about that because that's what a husband is supposed to do. I was soon to find out that this was not necessarily the case. I don't know how long this has been going on, but I discovered something in our relationship that I didn't know.

We had just settled down to watch a movie together, and at the commercial, I got up to go to the bathroom. As I was getting up, my wife said, "While you're up, could you get me a cup of coffee?"

Without thinking, which is my modus operandi, I said, "Sure. I'll be right back."

I went to the bathroom, then to the kitchen, got her a cup of coffee, and took it in to her.

"Thank you," she said with her beautiful smile, "this will just hit the spot."

I then made my coffee, settled down, and got back to the movie. I'm not sure what the movie was, all the Hallmark movies are the same as far as I'm concerned. As long as my wife enjoys them, I enjoy them too. I try to follow the plot, but I sometimes get it confused and have to ask questions.

"Aren't you watching?" she said after one of my questions. "It's the lady in the blue dress that did it. Pay attention."

Then another commercial came. As I was getting up to do something my wife said, "While you're up, could you get me a refill on my coffee, please?"

Following my MO, I picked up her coffee cup, went into the kitchen, refilled it, did what I planned to do, and then brought it back to her.

With the most infectious smile, she said, "Thank You, I really appreciate this."

At this point, I did not really know what was behind that smile.

The commercial was over, the movie resumed, and we were watching it together. I tried to follow the plot as best I could, but after all, it's one of those woman movies, and a man has a hard time following along. At least this man does.

The next commercial came, and my wife said, "While you're up, could you bring me some cookies from the kitchen?"

I got up, went to the kitchen, found the cookies, brought them back to her, and she said, "Thank

you, I appreciate this so much."

As I was walking to my chair, I tried to remember what I got up to do. For the life of me, I could not figure out what I went into the kitchen to do or get. I sat down and thought about it for a moment. The movie came on, and I got engaged in it.

At the next commercial, my wife said, "While you're up, could you bring me some more cookies from the kitchen? They were delicious."

Again, I got up, went to the kitchen, got some more cookies, and brought them back to her. Again she said, "Thank you, I appreciate this so much."

When I sat down in my chair, I tried to figure out once more why I got up and went to the kitchen. I know I got her some cookies, but why did I want to go there in the first place?

I don't often have brilliant ideas that strike me. But suddenly, I had such an euphoric experience. My wife was playing me, and I did not know it. She was trying to see how much she could get me to do for her without knowing what I was doing. I kept my thoughts to myself and thought about how I could catch her. Obviously she's been about this for a long time.

When the next commercial came, she got up to go to the bathroom, and I said to her, "While you're up, could you get me some more coffee?"

She stopped in her tracks, turned around and stared at me as I've never been stared at before.

"What did you say?"

At moments like this, it is very difficult for me not to break out in hilarious laughter. I held my cool and said, "While you're up..."

She interrupted my conversation and said, "You figured me out, didn't you?"

We had a little staring contest for a moment, and then simultaneously, we broke out into laughter.

She went to the bathroom and then to the kitchen and brought me back a fresh cup of coffee. Then she said, "Let's call a truce and just enjoy the rest of the evening together."

It's rare that I catch on to her schemes, but I try to enjoy it when I do.

I thought of what Solomon wrote, "Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a stone, it will return upon him" (Proverbs 26:27) Whatever you do to others has a way of coming back on you.

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STUART TOLCHIN



The White House Press Secretary has uttered a very inadvertent truth. At a briefing she explained to reporters that the President was the most informed person on Planet Earth about threats to the United States. Consider this statement in connection with the President's assertion that he was completely unaware of intelligence reports linking his "friend" Vladimir Putin's payment to Taliban fighters as bounties to kill U.S. troops. White House insiders have repeated said that the President has no earthly idea what's going on. He rarely, if ever, reads the briefings and is generally totally in the dark and without question is the greatest threat to American National Security. This is the great threat to American interests and the President is in the position to know best.

As I thought about the press secretary's utterance the term "inadvertent truth" brought to mind the Oscar Winning Documentary "Inconvenient Truth" featuring former Presidential Candidate Al Gore in which he explains how humans have messed up the planet. If you recall, the 2000 election between Gore and George W. Bush was effectively decided not by a thorough accounting of votes (Gore won the popular vote) but by a highly questionable Supreme Court 5-4 vote and presto Bush became President. We good Americans sat idly by as we learned that a military campaign against Middle Eastern

AN INADVERTENT AND INCONVENIENT TRUTH

terrorists based on completely false assertions that the Iraqis possessed was begun. Millions of lives were lost, economic instability ensued, and millions were forced to emigrate to new countries. The forced resettling is the reason for many of the immigration problems that face the world today. None of this would have occurred if Gore had been allowed to serve as President.

My whole point here is that Americans should have been in the street demanding a reconsideration of the Bush election or appointment based on the decision of one Supreme Court Justice. We should have been in the street as soon as we learned that there was, in fact, no factual justification for our invasion of Iraq which helped to create ISIS. More recently we should have been in the street demanding Trump's resignation three years ago. Instead we were all satisfied to follow accepted procedures by appointing a staunch Republican as Special Prosecutor who would be sure to find the truth and make it known and protect our interests. Next we relied on our 78 year old establishment oriented Speaker of the House to properly navigate the impeachment and removal of the President. Nothing against Nancy, but they both failed, and Trump is still there doing harm to American interest every day. This is the INCONVENIENT TRUTH for which all Americans must be held responsible. The video- taped execution of George Floyd brought many of us into the streets demanding change and justice. We need this same energy to be continually present as a safeguard against the illegal and duplicitous behavior of American office-holders. This may be inconvenient but it is the truth.



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City of Sierra Madre

PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY NOTICE

From: The City of Sierra Madre
Subject: AFFORDABLE HOUSING ORDINANCE 1428
Project Location: City of Sierra Madre
Properties in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider Ordinance 1428 adopting Municipal Code Text Amendment 20-02 amending Chapter 17.34 (Affordable Housing), Title 17 (Zoning) of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code. The amendment to the City's affordable housing ordinance is to conform to recent changes to State Density Bonus Law.

The state regulations mandating the granting of a density bonus for eligible projects are found in Government Code Section 65915 et seq. The latest amendments to this law are designed to make it easier for a developer to build affordable housing by attempting to streamline the process of reviewing a density bonus application, expanding the housing options that may take advantage of a density bonus (including adding a new housing category that includes units for "transitional foster youth," disabled veterans, or homeless persons), and by lowering the standards to qualify for housing incentives and concessions. Additionally, the amended Chapter 17.34 proposes the following new provisions: (1) Section 17.34.060 regarding waivers or reductions of development standards and required findings; (2) Section 17.34.070 regarding parking ratios and required findings; (3) Section 17.34.090 regarding the density bonus calculation methodology for childcare facilities; (4) Section 17.34.100 regarding the density bonus calculation methodology for the donation of land; and (5) Section 17.34.110 regarding the density bonus calculation methodology for a condominium conversion.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre City Council meeting: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 (Hearing begins at 6:30 p.m.)

PLACE OF HEARING

This meeting will be conducted utilizing teleconference communications and will be recorded for live streaming. In accordance with the State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, all City of Sierra Madre public meetings will be solely available via live streaming and made available on the City's official website.

- Watch the meeting on Channel 3 (Government Access Channel) or live on the City's website at www.cityofsierramadre.com
- Email public comments to: publiccomment@cityofsierramadre.com by 6:00 PM on the day of the meeting.
- Requests for verbal public comment must include name, phone number, and agenda item number and must be e-mailed to above email address by 6 PM on the day of the meeting. City staff will call the phone number provided at the appropriate public comment time.
- To participate in public comment please call: (669) 900-9128; Meeting I.D.: 626-232-0232; Password: 232242

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The adoption of this amendment is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15301, Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations and is also exempt from review because it does not meet the definition of a project under CEQA Guidelines sections 15061, subdivision (b)(3), and section 15378, subdivision (a) and subdivision (b)(5). The proposed changes to Chapter 17.34, as authorized and required by state law, have no potential for resulting in physical changes to the environment because they consist of changes in the standards governing issuance of permits for density bonus projects and do not directly or indirectly approve any applications for particular projects. Any particular proposed project will be required to undergo the City's entitlement process and appropriate review under CEQA.

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

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: ROLAND JOHN TCHENG AKA ROLAND J. TCHENG AKA ROLAND JOHN TCHENG YUK KAY CASE NO. 20STPB04439

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of ROLAND JOHN TCHENG AKA ROLAND J. TCHENG AKA ROLAND JOHN TCHENG YUK KAY. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JEAN M. PEAFFINGER in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JEAN M. PEAFFINGER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 10/30/20 at 8:30AM in Dept. 9 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

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

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

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

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

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2020078436

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LENDING PLACE 5010 N PARKWAY CALABASAS SUITE 201 CALABASAS, CA 91302; LENDINGPLACE 5010 N PARKWAY CALABASAS SUITE 201 CALABASAS, CA 91302; LENDINGPLACE 5010 N PARKWAY CALABASAS SUITE 201 CALABASAS, CA 91302. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PACIFIC CAPITAL FUNDING CORP 9010 N PARKWAY CALABASAS SUITE 201 CALABASAS, CA 91302. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION Signed: CAPITAL FUNDING CORP LEON ORANSKY, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/08/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/20/2020. 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 Dates Pub: JUNE 13, 20, 27, JULY 4, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2020088468

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CONNECTOR TEST INTERNATIONAL 1808 E ALTADENA DR ALTADENA, CA 91001; CONNECTOR TEST INTERNATIONAL 80 W SIERRA MADRE BLVD #201, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) SKIP HUNTING 1808 E ALTADENA DR ALTADENA, CA 91001; This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL Signed: SKIP HUNTING, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/26/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/20/2020. 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: JUNE 13, 20, 27, JULY 4, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2020100328

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ALL STAR TRUCKS 525 S ATLANTIC BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90022. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ALL STAR TRUCKS 525 S ATLANTIC BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90022. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION Signed: ALL STAR TRUCKS, INC., SUSAN LYNN CLARK, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 06/30/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/20/2020. 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 Dates Pub: JULY 4, 11, 18, 25, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2020084182

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: YNW GENERAL HOME SERVICES 12439 MAGNOLIA BLVD, VALLEY VILLAGE, CA 91607; YNW GENERAL HOME SERVICES 1120 ISLETON PLACE APT 4, OXNARD, CA 90030. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) YEHUDA WAITZMAN 1120 ISLETON PLACE APT 4, OXNARD, CA 90030. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL Signed: YEHUDA WAITZMAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/19/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/20/2020. 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 Dates Pub: JUNE 13, 20, 27, JULY 4, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2020081321

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MELROSE WASH AND FOLD 4671 MELROSE AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90029; MELROSE WASH AND FOLD 3651 S. LA BREA AVE #706 LOS ANGELES, CA 90016. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GIA MARKOFF 3651 S. LA BREA AVE #706 LOS ANGELES, CA 90016. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL Signed: GIA MARKOFF, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/13/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/20/2020. 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: ED Mountain Views News Dates Pub: JUNE 13, 20, 27, JULY 4, 2020

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File No. 2020098663

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: JILA TUTORING 21704 PARTHENIA ST., CANOGA PARK, 91304. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JILA SHAHBAZI MIANDOAB 21704 PARTHENIA ST., CANOGA PARK, 91304. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL Signed: JILA SHAHBAZI MIANDOAB, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 06/25/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/2017. NOTICE - This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: JULY 4, 11, 18, 25, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2020096081

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: RIM PASTE 6209 ALAMO AVENUE, BELL, CA 90201; MICHE BOYZ 6209 ALAMO AVENUE, BELL, CA 90201. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LIME DROP BAR LLC 6209 ALAMO AVENUE, BELL, CA 90201. This Business is conducted by: A LLC. Signed: LIME DROP BAR LLC, GABRIEL GUTIERREZ, MANAGING MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 06/17/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/20/2020. 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 Dates Pub: JULY 4, 11, 18, 25, 2020

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2020086111

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PUFF LA 6113 S HARVARD BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90047; PUFF LA DELIVERY 6113 S HARVARD BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90047; PUFF LA CULTIVATION 6113 S HARVARD BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90047. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) AOL ENTERPRISE, INC. 6113 S HARVARD BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90047. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION Signed: AOL ENTERPRISE, INC., ANIBAL OSWALDO LINARES, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/21/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/20/2020. 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 Dates Pub: JULY 4, 11, 18, 25, 2020



We hope that you and your families are healthy. It is in times like these that demand that we practice self-care when it comes to our mental health, stress, and anxiety levels. Our habits of mind are so very important. We live in an age of “critical thinking,” a centerpiece of reason which is vital to human progress and intellectual life.

However, through this almost-relentless consideration of what is ‘wrong’ and needs improvement, the constructive impulse this may marshal can easily fall over into complaint and despair. We do this to ourselves, perhaps, most frequently of all.

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SATURDAY, JULY 4, 2020

SECTION B

IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America,

When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation. — We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, — That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government; and to provide new Guards for their future security. — Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world. — He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good. — He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them. — He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only. — He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their Public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures. — He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people. — He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within. — He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Law for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands. — He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers. — He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries. — He has created a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harass our people, and eat out their substance. — He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our Legislatures. — He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil power. — He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation: — For quartering large bodies of armed troops among us: — For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States: — For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world: — For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent: — For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by jury: — For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences: — For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies: — For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments: — For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever. — He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us. — He has plundered our seas, ravaged our coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people. — He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to complete the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of cruelty, perfidy, and insupportable barbarity, in the most barbarous age, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation. — He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands. — He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the Inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions. In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered by repeated injury. A Prince, whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people. Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our British brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their Legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends. — We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be, Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. — And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes and our sacred Honor.

Boston Gwinnett
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Geo Walton.

John Hooper
Joseph Hewes
John Penn

Edward Rutledge

Thos Heyward Jr.
Thomas Lynch Jr.
Arthur Middleton

Samuel Chase
Wm Paro
Thos Stone
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Rich. Stockton
Jos. Witherspoon
Tra. Hopkinson
John Ross
Abra Clark

Josiah Bartlett
M. Weynple
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Elbridge Gerry
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Editor's Note: It's the 4th of July, a time, even in the midst of crisis, when we celebrate our nation's 'birthday', even in the midst of a Pandemic and while a recognition that the creation of a "more perfect union" is still a work in progress. So while we are busy with the 4th of July festivities, let us not forget that the founding father's not only deprived slaves of their right to participate in the most important activity that would shape the future, the also did not allow women to vote as well. In fact, it was 58 years AFTER former slaves were allowed to vote that Women were 'granted' the right to vote. Below is an excerpt of the history of the fight for voting equality for women.

Although the Declaration of Independence specifies that "all men are created equal," its publication sowed the seeds for the women's suffrage movement in the United States. The movement took root at an 1840 conference in London, when two determined women met for the first time. Even though they were delegates to the World Anti-Slavery Congress, **Lucretia Mott and Elizabeth Cady Stanton** could not participate in the convention because they were female. This snub inspired them to work together to guarantee rights for women.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Daughter, Harriot
In 1848, Mott and Stanton hosted the Seneca Falls Convention, the first women's rights convention in the United States. The convention published a Declaration of Sentiments, based on the Declaration of Independence, that called for voting rights for women and other reforms.

Some key grievances included in the Declaration of Sentiments were:

He has never permitted her to exercise her inalienable right to the elective franchise.

He has compelled her to submit to laws, in the formation of which she had no voice.

Having deprived her of this first right of a citizen, the elective franchise, thereby leaving her without representation in the halls of legislation, he has oppressed her on all sides.

Women's rights conventions were held regularly thereafter. In 1853, Frances Gage presided over the National Women's Rights Convention in Cleveland, Ohio. She commented on the prevailing opinion that women belonged at home, not at the polling place:

I was asked a few days ago . . . "are you not afraid that woman will run into excesses, that homes will be deserted, that men will lack wives in this country?" I have but one reply to make to that question. Society grants to every man in the United States, every free "white male citizen," ... the privilege of voting, and of being voted for; of being President of the United States; of sitting upon the bench; of filling the jury box, of going to Congress; ... and we don't believe woman will get very far out of her place, if society should yield her the same rights.

Susan B. Anthony
Unlike African Americans, who were enfranchised by the Constitution but denied the vote by individual states, women found no help in the Constitution. In fact, the Fourteenth Amendment (1868) defined citizens and voters as "male" - a setback for suffragists. Conflict over how to win the vote in light of Amendments Fourteen and Fifteen split the women's rights movement.

Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton formed the more radical National Woman Suffrage Association (NWSA) that tried to win suffrage at the Constitutional level. NWSA argued that the Fifteenth Amendment, which enfranchised blacks, should be abandoned in favor of a universal suffrage amendment. Anthony herself was arrested in 1872 for trying to vote for Ulysses S. Grant for president.



Lucy Stone, her husband Henry Blackwell, and Julia Ward Howe founded the more moderate American Woman's Suffrage Association (AWSA). They fought for suffrage on a state by state level. AWSA supported the Fifteenth Amendment and succeeded in winning suffrage for women in several individual states.

"Mr. President, What Will You Do For Woman Suffrage?"

In 1890, the two organizations reconciled and became the National American Woman Suffrage Association. By then, women had the right to vote in Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, Colorado and Washington. Armed with strategies from both founding groups, and joined by organizations including the National Association of Colored Women, the National Women's Party and the National Federation of Women's Clubs, NAWSA became an influential national force. As a mark of their influence, Theodore Roosevelt's Bull Moose/Progressive party adopted women's suffrage as party plank in 1912.

Alice Paul, leader of the National Women's Party, brought attention-grabbing protest tactics from British suffragists to the United States. In 1917, ten suffragists picketing the White House were arrested while picketing the White House, and charged with obstructing sidewalk traffic.



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AUGUST 26, 2020

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He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people.
He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within.
He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.
He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers.
He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries.
He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harrass our people, and eat out their substance.
He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our legislatures.
He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil power.
He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

For Quartering large bodies of armed troops among us:
For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:
For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world:
For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:
For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury:
For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences
For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies:
For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:
For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.
He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.
He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people.
He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty & perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation.
He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.
He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions.

In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people.

Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our Brittish brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.

We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.

Note: The 56 signatures on the Declaration appear in the positions indicated.

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6
Georgia: Button Gwinnett Lyman Hall George Walton	North Carolina: William Hooper Joseph Hewes John Penn South Carolina: Edward Rutledge Thomas Heyward, Jr. Thomas Lynch, Jr. Arthur Middleton	Massachusetts: John Hancock Maryland: Samuel Chase William Paca Thomas Stone Charles Carroll of Carrollton Virginia: George Wythe Richard Henry Lee Thomas Jefferson Benjamin Harrison Thomas Nelson, Jr. Francis Lightfoot Lee Carter Braxton	Pennsylvania: Robert Morris Benjamin Rush Benjamin Franklin John Morton George Clymer James Smith George Taylor James Wilson George Ross Delaware: Caesar Rodney George Read Thomas McKean	New York: William Floyd Philip Livingston Francis Lewis Lewis Morris New Jersey: Richard Stockton John Witherspoon Francis Hopkinson John Hart Abraham Clark	New Hampshire: Josiah Bartlett William Whipple Massachusetts: Samuel Adams John Adams Robert Treat Paine Elbridge Gerry Rhode Island: Stephen Hopkins William Ellery Connecticut: Roger Sherman Samuel Huntington William Williams Oliver Wolcott New Hampshire: Matthew Thornton



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ANOTHER UNHAPPY BIRTHDAY

Nothing's Changed.....A Reprint from last year.
“We the People”that’s how our Consitution begins. It serves as a reminder that this government belongs to us, we, the people. Those words, along with those contained in the Declaration of Independence should be embraced and remembered every day, not just on the nation’s birthday. Unfortunately, most of us never seriously think about them until the 4th of July.

On the day this nation was ‘born’ Americans embrace the ‘birthday’ that we all share in common. Probelm is, it shouldn’t be a one day, celebration. We need to cherish this nation every single day and accept our responsibility to all work on making this a ‘more perfect union’. My dad taught me that birthdays are our own ‘personal’ holidays! That being said, as a nation, our own personal holiday - July 4, 2019 should be a great cause of celebration. After all we will be 243 years old and formerly the beacon of a free and democratic society to the world. Instead, regardless of which side of the argument you are on, this ‘birthday’ is one where we are divided by hate, fear, intolerance, alienation and ignorance. WQe have been so derelict in our duties that we have turned over our precious nation to the hands of the self serving, hateful and spineless whose interest is not in the well being of the nation as a whole, but rather their interest is in their own personal power and wealth.

On this birthday we are being scorned and ridiculed around the world. We have withdrawn from just about every effort to be a part of the world community. We are portraying ourselves as the victims of everything and everybody by an administration that needs to read and reread our great Constitution. If they would just read the preamble, perhaps with a tutor, they might get a clue.

“We the People”.....not just this administration and their business associates.
“..form a more perfect union:....” Most of us recognize that our country and its laws are not perfect and we need to strive to improve, not focus on destruction.

“establish justice”.....and that means for everyone regardless or race, religion, creed or national origin.

“Insure Domestic Tranquility”.....not poke the bear (my apologies to bears worldwide), not stir the pot of divisiveness and hate.

“provide for the common defence” - defense of all, not some.

“Promote the general welfare”.....this country was not founded on the ‘Friends and Family’ plan. The rest of us matter also

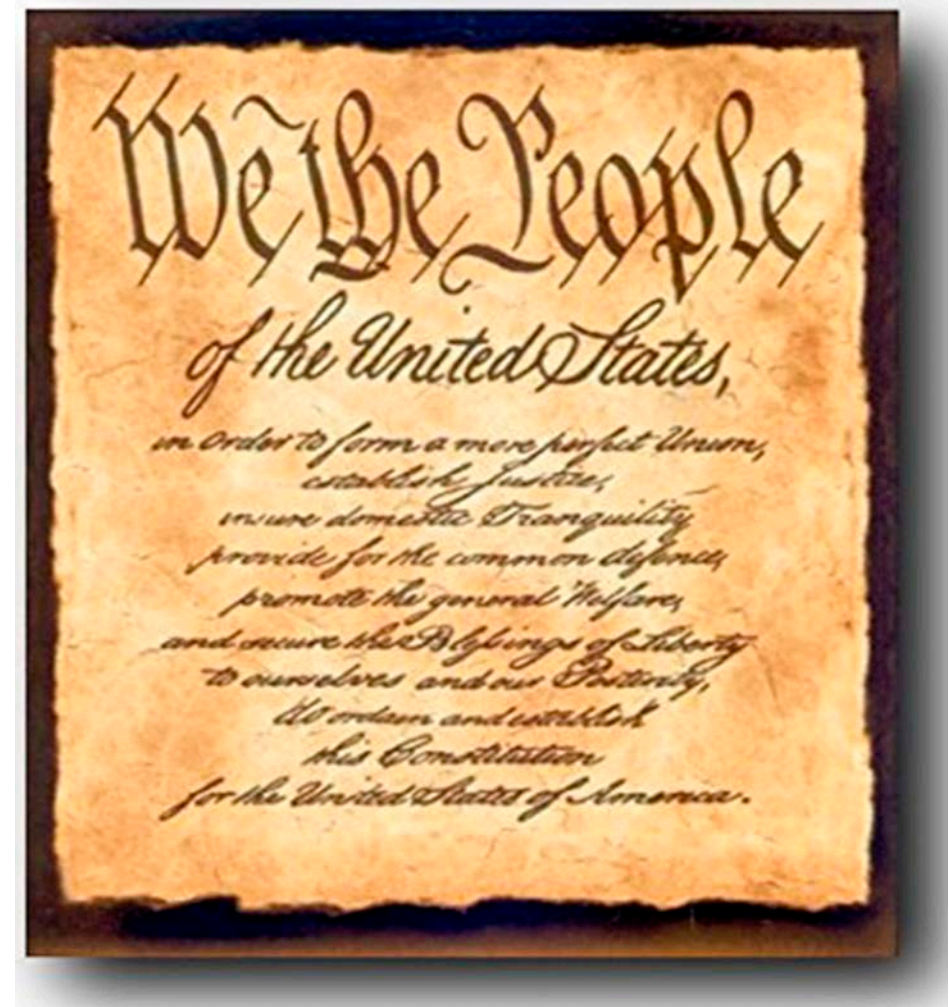
“Secure the blessings of Liberty for ourselves and our Posterity”.... i.e., life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness now and for future generations.

Just this morning I heard Donald J. Trump say, “My Government...” and therein lies a major part of the problem. It isn’t his government, it is OUR GOVERNMENT and we need to start acting like it. Right or Left, Independent or Green, it is OURS.....not one side or the other.

I used to be a proud American. I am not now. Nor would my father and grandfather, WWII and WWI Veterans respectively be, if they were alive today. Both risked their lives for a country that did not even respect them as men, yet they fought regardless in an effort to make things better for all. That is what we are all supposed to do, fight to make things better for all, together!

Our country has gone from a beacon of freedom and liberty to a cesspool of selfish and inhumane actions, and we have done so in just 890 days. Ironic isn’t it that this destructive administration has a leader who touts the slogan, “Make America Great Again”. Clearly what he refers to as great, based upon his 890 days of action, is something we have never been before.

So as we prepare to pay homage to OUR COUNTRY on July 4th, let’s all, left and right, demand of all elected officials that they focus on upholding the tenets of the Constitution and restoring America back to being a true democracy, a system of government by the whole population. If we do that, then maybe our 244th birthday will truly be a joyous one.



FYI: WHO SIGNED THE U.S. CONSTITUTION?

The 38 signers of the U.S. Constitution were delegates from the original states who gathered several times and in several places, first drafting the Declaration of Independence, and then, after the colonists defeated the British army and won independence, writing the U.S. Constitution. The signers of the two documents have some overlap — Benjamin Franklin signed both, but John Hancock wrote large only on the Declaration of Independence. The delegates are here grouped by the states they represented:

- Connecticut:* William Samuel Johnson, Roger Sherman
- Delaware:* George Read, Gunning Bedford Jr., John Dickinson, Richard Bassett, Jacob Broom
- Georgia:* William Few, Abraham Baldwin
- Maryland:* James McHenry, Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Daniel Carroll
- Massachusetts:* Nathaniel Gorham, Rufus King
- New Hampshire:* John Langdon, Nicholas Gilman
- New Jersey:* William Livingston, David Brearley, William Paterson, Jonathan Dayton
- New York:* Alexander Hamilton
- North Carolina:* William Blount, Richard Dobbs Spaight, Hugh Williamson
- Pennsylvania:* Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Mifflin, Robert Morris, George Clymer, Thomas FitzSimons, Jared Ingersoll, James Wilson, Gouverneur Morris
- South Carolina:* John Rutledge, Charles Cotesworth Pinckney, Pierce Butler
- Virginia:* George Washington (President and deputy), John Blair, James Madison Jr.

WE THE PEOPLE!

We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Editor’s Note: Just to refresh your memory here is a synopsis of what is in the U.S. Constitution. At the end of this list you will find a website where you can read the entire document.)

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THE PREAMBLE
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ARTICLE I
Section 1
All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

Section 2
The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members chosen every second Year by the People of the several States, and the Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.

No Person shall be a Representative who shall not have attained to the Age of twenty five Years, and been seven Years a Citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an Inhabitant of that State in which he shall be chosen.

Representatives and direct Taxes shall be apportioned among the several States which may be included within this Union, according to their respective Numbers, which shall be determined by adding to the whole Number of free Persons, including those bound to Service for a Term of Years, and excluding Indians not taxed, three fifths of all other Persons. The actual Enumeration shall be made within three Years after the first Meeting of the Congress of the United States, and within every subsequent Term of ten Years, in such Manner as they shall by Law direct. The Number of Representatives shall not exceed one for every thirty Thousand, but each State shall have at Least one Representative; and until such enumeration shall be made, the State of New Hampshire shall be entitled to chuse three, Massachusetts eight, Rhode Island and Providence Plantations one, Connecticut five, New-York six, New Jersey four, Pennsylvania eight, Delaware one, Maryland six, Virginia ten, North Carolina five, South Carolina five, and Georgia three.

When vacancies happen in the Representation from any State, the Executive Authority thereof shall issue Writs of Election to fill such Vacancies.
The House of Representatives shall chuse their Speaker and other Officers; and shall have the sole Power of Impeachment.

Section 3
The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, chosen by the Legislature thereof, for six Years; and each Senator shall have one Vote.

Immediately after they shall be assembled in Consequence of the first Election, they shall be divided as equally as may be into three classes. The Seats of the Senators of the first Class shall be vacated at the Expiration of the second Year, of the second Class at the Expiration of the fourth Year, and of the third Class at the Expiration of the sixth Year, so that one third may be chosen every second Year; and if Vacancies happen by Resignation or otherwise, during the Recess of the Legislature of any State, the Executive thereof may make temporary Appointments until the next Meeting of the Legislature, which shall then fill such Vacancies.

No Person shall be a Senator who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty Years, and been nine Years a Citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an Inhabitant of that State for which he shall be chosen.

The Vice President of the United States shall be President of the Senate, but shall have no Vote, unless they be equally divided.

The Senate shall chuse their other Officers, and also a President pro tempore, in the Absence of the Vice President, or when he shall exercise the Office of President of the United States.

The Senate shall have the sole Power to try all Impeachments. When sitting for that Purpose, they shall be on Oath or Affirmation. When the President of the United States is tried, the Chief Justice shall preside: And no Person shall be convicted without the Concurrence of two thirds of the Members present.

Judgment in Cases of Impeachment shall not extend further than to removal from Office, and disqualification to hold and enjoy any Office of honor, Trust or Profit under the United States: but the Party convicted shall nevertheless be liable and subject to Indictment, Trial, Judgment and Punishment, according to Law.

Section 4
The Times, Places and Manner of holding Elections for Senators and Representatives, shall be prescribed in each State by the Legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by Law make or alter such Regulations, except as to the Places of chusing Senators.

The Congress shall assemble at least once in every Year, and such Meeting shall be on the first Monday in December, unless they shall by Law appoint a different Day.

Section 5
Each House shall be the Judge of the Elections, Returns and Qualifications of its own Members, and a Majority of each shall constitute a Quorum to do Business; but a smaller Number may adjourn from day to day, and may be authorized to compel the Attendance of absent Members, in such Manner, and under such Penalties as each House may provide.

Each House may determine the Rules of its Proceedings, punish its Members for disorderly Behaviour, and, with the Concurrence of two thirds, expel a Member.

Each House shall keep a Journal of its Proceedings and

from time to time publish the same, excepting such Parts as may in their Judgment require Secrecy; and the Yeas and Nays of the Members of either House on any question shall, at the Desire of one fifth of those Present, be entered on the Journal.

Neither House, during the Session of Congress, shall, without the Consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days, nor to any other Place than that in which the two Houses shall be sitting.

Section 6
The Senators and Representatives shall receive a Compensation for their Services, to be ascertained by Law, and paid out of the Treasury of the United States. They shall in all Cases, except Treason, Felony and Breach of the Peace, be privileged from Arrest during their Attendance at the Session of their respective Houses and in going to and returning from the same; and for any Speech or Debate in either House, they shall not be questioned in any other Place.

No Senator or Representative shall, during the Time for which he was elected, be appointed to any civil Office under the Authority of the United States, which shall have been created, or the Emoluments whereof shall have been encreased during such time; and no Person holding any Office under the United States, shall be a Member of either House during his Continuance in Office.

Section 7
All Bills for raising Revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives; but the Senate may propose or concur with Amendments as on other Bills.

Every Bill which shall have passed the House of Representatives and the Senate, shall, before it become a Law, be presented to the President of the United States; If he approve he shall sign it, but if not he shall return it, with his Objections to that House in which it shall have originated, who shall enter the Objections at large on their Journal, and proceed to reconsider it. If after such Reconsideration two thirds of that House shall agree to pass the Bill, it shall be sent, together with the Objections, to the other House, by which it shall likewise be reconsidered, and if approved by two thirds of that House, it shall become a Law. But in all such Cases the Votes of both Houses shall be determined by yeas and Nays, and the Names of the Persons voting for and against the Bill shall be entered on the Journal of each House respectively. If any Bill shall not be returned by the President within ten Days (Sundays excepted) after it shall have been presented to him, the Same shall be a Law, in like Manner as if he had signed it, unless the Congress by their Adjournment prevent its Return, in which Case it shall not be a Law.

Every Order, Resolution, or Vote to which the Concurrence of the Senate and House of Representatives may be necessary (except on a question of Adjournment) shall be presented to the President of the United States; and before the Same shall take Effect, shall be approved by him, or being disapproved by him, shall be repassed by two thirds of the Senate and House of Representatives, according to the Rules and Limitation prescribed in the Case of a Bill.

Section 8
The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;

To borrow Money on the credit of the United States;

To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes;

To establish an uniform Rule of Naturalization, and uniform Laws on the subject of Bankruptcies throughout the United States;

To coin Money, regulate the Value thereof, and of foreign Coin, and fix the Standard of Weights and Measures;

To provide for the Punishment of counterfeiting the Securities and current Coin of the United States;

To establish Post Offices and post Roads;

To promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Right to their respective Writings and Discoveries;

To constitute Tribunals inferior to the supreme Court;

To define and punish Piracies and Felonies committed on the high Seas, and Offences against the Law of Nations;

To declare War, grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal, and make Rules concerning Captures on Land and Water;

To raise and support Armies, but no Appropriation of Money to that Use shall be for a longer Term than two Years;

To provide and maintain a Navy;

To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces;

To provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the Laws of the Union, suppress Insurrections and repel Invasions;

To provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining, the Militia, and for governing such Part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States, reserving to the States respectively, the Appointment of the Officers, and the Authority of training the Militia according to the discipline prescribed by Congress;

To exercise exclusive Legislation in all Cases whatsoever, over such District (not exceeding ten Miles square) as may, by Cession of particular States, and the Acceptance of Congress, become the Seat of Government of the

United States, and to exercise like Authority over all Places purchased by the Consent of the Legislature of the State in which the Same shall be, for the Erection of Forts, Magazines, Arsenals, dock-Yards, and other needful Buildings;—And

To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

Section 9
The Migration or Importation of such Persons as any of the States now existing shall think proper to admit, shall not be prohibited by the Congress prior to the Year one thousand eight hundred and eight, but a Tax or duty may be imposed on such Importation, not exceeding ten dollars for each Person.

The Privilege of the Writ of Habeas Corpus shall not be suspended, unless when in Cases of Rebellion or Invasion the public Safety may require it.

No Bill of Attainder or ex post facto Law shall be passed.

No Capitation, or other direct, Tax shall be laid, unless in Proportion to the Census or enumeration herein before directed to be taken.

No Tax or Duty shall be laid on Articles exported from any State.

No Preference shall be given by any Regulation of Commerce or Revenue to the Ports of one State over those of another: nor shall Vessels bound to, or from, one State, be obliged to enter, clear, or pay duties in another.

No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law; and a regular Statement and Account of the Receipts and Expenditures of all public Money shall be published from time to time.

No Title of Nobility shall be granted by the United States: And no Person holding any Office of Profit or Trust under them, shall, without the Consent of the Congress accept of any present, Emolument, Office, or Title, of any kind whatever, from any King, Prince, or foreign State.

Section 10
No State shall enter into any Treaty, Alliance, or Confederation; grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal; coin Money; emit Bills of Credit; make any Thing but gold and silver Coin a Tender in Payment of Debts; pass any Bill of Attainder, ex post facto Law, or Law impairing the Obligation of Contracts, or grant any Title of Nobility.

No State shall, without the Consent of the Congress, lay any Imposts or Duties on Imports or Exports, except what may be absolutely necessary for executing it’s inspection Laws: and the net Produce of all Duties and Imposts, laid by any State on Imports or Exports, shall be for the Use of the Treasury of the United States; and all such Laws shall be subject to the Revision and Controul of the Congress.

No State shall, without the Consent of Congress, lay any Duty of Tonnage, keep Troops, or Ships of War in time of Peace, enter into any Agreement or Compact with another State, or with a foreign Power, or engage in War, unless actually invaded, or in such imminent Danger as will not admit of delay.

ARTICLE II
Section 1
The executive Power shall be vested in a President of the United States of America. He shall hold his Office during the Term of four Years, and, together with the Vice President, chosen for the same Term, be elected, as follows

Each State shall appoint, in such Manner as the Legislature thereof may direct, a Number of Electors, equal to the whole Number of Senators and Representatives to which the State may be entitled in the Congress: but no Senator or Representative, or Person holding an Office of Trust or Profit under the United States, shall be appointed an Elector.

The Electors shall meet in their respective States, and vote by Ballot for two Persons, of whom one at least shall not be an Inhabitant of the same State with themselves. And they shall make a List of all the Persons voted for, and of the Number of Votes for each; which List they shall sign and certify, and transmit sealed to the Seat of the Government of the United States, directed to the President of the Senate. The President of the Senate shall, in the presence of the Senate and House of Representatives, open all the Certificates, and the Votes shall then be counted. The Person having the greatest Number of Votes shall be the President, if such Number be a Majority of the whole Number of Electors appointed; and if there be more than one who have such Majority, and have an equal Number of Votes, then the House of Representatives shall immediately chuse by Ballot one of them for President; and if no Person have a Majority, then from the five highest on the List the said House shall in like manner chuse the President. But in chusing the President, the Votes shall be taken by States, the Representation from each State having one Vote; A quorum for this Purpose shall consist of a Member or Members from two thirds of the States, and a Majority of all the States shall be necessary to a Choice. In every Case, after the Choice of the President, the Person having the greatest Number of Votes of the Electors shall be the Vice President. But if there should remain two or more who have equal Votes, the Senate shall chuse from them by Ballot the Vice President.

The Congress may determine the Time of chusing the Electors, and the Day on which they shall give their Votes; which Day shall be the same throughout the United States.

No Person except a natural born Citizen, or a Citizen of the United States, at the time of the Adoption of this Constitution, shall be eligible to the Office of President; neither shall any Person be eligible to that Office who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty five Years, and been fourteen Years a Resident within the United States.

In Case of the Removal of the President from Office, or of his Death, Resignation, or Inability to discharge the Powers and Duties of the said Office, the Same shall devolve on the Vice President, and the Congress may by law provide for the Case of Removal, Death, Resignation or Inability, both of the President and Vice President, declaring what Officer shall then act as President, and such Officer shall act accordingly, until the Disability be removed, or a President shall be elected.

The President shall, at stated Times, receive for his Services, a Compensation, which shall neither be encreased nor diminished during the Period for which he shall have been elected, and he shall not receive within that Period any other Emolument from the United States, or any of them.

Before he enter on the Execution of his Office, he shall take the following Oath or Affirmation:– I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully excute the Office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my Ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States.

Section 2

The President shall be Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy of the United States, and of the Militia of the several States, when called into the actual Service of the United States; he may require the Opinion, in writing, of the principal Officer in each of the executive Departments, upon any Subject relating to the Duties of their respective Offices, and he shall have Power to grant Reprieves and Pardons for Offences against the United States, except in Cases of Impeachment.

He shall have Power, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate, to make Treaties, provided two thirds of the Senators present concur; and he shall nominate, and by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate, shall appoint Ambassadors, other public Ministers and Consuls, Judges of the supreme Court, and all other Officers of the United States, whose Appointments are not herein otherwise provided for, and which shall be established by Law: but the Congress may by Law vest the Appointment of such inferior Officers, as they think proper, in the President alone, in the Courts of Law, or in the Heads of Departments.

The President shall have Power to fill up all Vacancies that may happen during the Recess of the Senate, by granting Commissions which shall expire at the End of their next Session.

Section 3

He shall from time to time give to the Congress Information of the State of the Union, and recommend to their Consideration such Measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient; he may, on extraordinary Occasions, convene both Houses, or either of them, and in Case of Disagreement between them, with Respect to the Time of Adjournment, he may adjourn them to such Time as he shall think proper; he shall receive Ambassadors and other public Ministers; he shall take Care that the Laws be faithfully executed, and shall Commission all the Officers of the United States.

Section 4

The President, Vice President and all civil Officers of the United States, shall be removed from Office on Impeachment for, and Conviction of, Treason, Bribery, or other high Crimes and Misdemeanors.

ARTICLE III

Section 1

The judicial Power of the United States, shall be vested in one supreme Court, and in such inferior Courts as the Congress may from time to time ordain and establish. The Judges, both of the supreme and inferior Courts, shall hold their Offices during good Behaviour, and shall, at stated Times, receive for their Services, a Compensation, which shall not be diminished during their Continuance in Office.

Section 2

The Judicial Power shall extend to all Cases, in Law and Equity, arising under this Constitution, the Laws of the United States, and Treaties made, or which shall be made, under their Authority;--to all Cases affecting Ambassadors, other public Ministers and Consuls;--to all Cases of admiralty and maritime Jurisdiction;--to Controversies to which the United States shall be a Party;--to Controversies between two or more States;--between a State and Citizens of another State;---between Citizens of different States,---between Citizens of the same State claiming Lands under Grants of different States, and between a State, or the Citizens thereof, and foreign States, Citizens or Subjects.

In all Cases affecting Ambassadors, other public Ministers and Consuls, and those in which a State shall be a Party, the supreme Court shall have original Jurisdiction. In all the other Cases before mentioned, the Supreme Court shall have appellate Jurisdiction, both as to Law and Fact, with such Exceptions, and under such Regulations as the Congress shall make.

The Trial of all Crimes, except in Cases of Impeachment, shall be by Jury; and such Trial shall be held in the State where the said Crimes shall have been committed; but when not committed within any State, the Trial shall be at such Place or Places as the Congress may by Law have directed.

Section 3

Treason against the United States, shall consist only in levying War against them, or in adhering to their Enemies, giving them Aid and Comfort. No Person shall be convicted of Treason unless on the testimony of two Witnesses to the same overt Act, or on Confession in open court.

The Congress shall have Power to declare the Punishment of Treason, but no Attainder of Treason shall work Corruption of Blood, or Forfeiture except during the Life of the Person attained.

ARTICLE IV

Section 1

Full Faith and Credit shall be given in each State to the

public Acts, Records, and judicial Proceedings of every other State. And the Congress may by general Laws prescribe the Manner in which such Acts, Records and Proceedings shall be proved, and the Effect thereof.

Section 2

The Citizens of each State shall be entitled to all Privileges and Immunities of Citizens in the several States.

A Person charged in any State with Treason, Felony, or other Crime, who shall flee from Justice, and be found in another State, shall on Demand of the executive Authority of the State from which he fled, be delivered up, to be removed to the State having Jurisdiction of the Crime.

No Person held to Service or Labour in one State, under the Laws thereof, escaping into another, shall, in Consequence of any Law or Regulation therein, be discharged from such Service or Labour, but shall be delivered up on Claim of the Party to whom such Service or Labour may be due.

Section 3

New States may be admitted by the Congress into this Union; but no new State shall be formed or erected within the Jurisdiction of any other State; nor any State be formed by the Junction of two or more States, or Parts of States, without the Consent of the Legislatures of the States concerned as well as of the Congress.

The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States; and nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to Prejudice any Claims of the United States, or of any particular State.

Section 4

The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government, and shall protect each of them against Invasion; and on Application of the Legislature, or of the Executive (when the Legislature cannot be convened) against domestic Violence.

ARTICLE V

The Congress, whenever two thirds of both Houses shall deem it necessary, shall propose Amendments to this Constitution, or, on the Application of the Legislatures of two thirds of the several States, shall call a Convention for proposing Amendments, which, in either Case, shall be valid to all Intents and Purposes, as Part of this Constitution, when ratified by the Legislatures of three fourths of the several States, or by Conventions in three fourths thereof, as the one or the other Mode of Ratification may be proposed by the Congress; Provided that no Amendment which may be made prior to the Year One thousand eight hundred and eight shall in any Manner affect the first and fourth Clauses in the Ninth Section of the first Article; and that no State, without its Consent, shall be deprived of its equal Suffrage in the Senate.

ARTICLE VI

All Debts contracted and Engagements entered into, before the Adoption of this Constitution, shall be as valid against the United States under this Constitution, as under the Confederation.

This Constitution, and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in Pursuance thereof; and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the Authority of the United States, shall be the supreme Law of the Land; and the Judges in every State shall be bound thereby, any Thing in the Constitution or Laws of any State to the Contrary notwithstanding.

The Senators and Representatives before mentioned, and the Members of the several State Legislatures, and all executive and judicial Officers, both of the United States and of the several States, shall be bound by Oath or Affirmation, to support this Constitution; but no religious Test shall ever be required as a Qualification to any Office or public Trust under the United States.

Article VII

The Ratification of the Conventions of nine States, shall be sufficient for the Establishment of this Constitution between the States so ratifying the Same.

First Amendment

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Second Amendment

A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Third Amendment

No Soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the Owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

Fourth Amendment

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

Fifth Amendment

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

Sixth Amendment

In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the

right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the Assistance of Counsel for his defence.

Seventh Amendment

In Suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury, shall be otherwise re-examined in any Court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law.

Eighth Amendment

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

Ninth Amendment

The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

Tenth Amendment

The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

Eleventh Amendment

The Judicial power of the United States shall not be construed to extend to any suit in law or equity, commenced or prosecuted against one of the United States by Citizens of another State, or by Citizens or Subjects of any Foreign State.

Twelfth Amendment

The Electors shall meet in their respective states, and vote by ballot for President and Vice-President, one of whom, at least, shall not be an inhabitant of the same state with themselves; they shall name in their ballots the person voted for as President, and in distinct ballots the person voted for as Vice-President, and they shall make distinct lists of all persons voted for as President, and of all persons voted for as Vice-President, and of the number of votes for each, which lists they shall sign and certify, and transmit sealed to the seat of the government of the United States, directed to the President of the Senate;--The President of the Senate shall, in the presence of the Senate and House of Representatives, open all the certificates and the votes shall then be counted;--The person having the greatest number of votes for President, shall be the President, if such number be a majority of the whole number of Electors appointed; and if no person have such majority, then from the persons having the highest numbers not exceeding three on the list of those voted for as President, the House of Representatives shall choose immediately, by ballot, the President. But in choosing the President, the votes shall be taken by states, the representation from each state having one vote; a quorum for this purpose shall consist of a member or members from two-thirds of the states, and a majority of all the states shall be necessary to a choice. [And if the House of Representatives shall not choose a President whenever the right of choice shall devolve upon them, before the fourth day of March next following, then the Vice-President shall act as President, as in the case of the death or other constitutional disability of the President.]--The person having the greatest number of votes as Vice-President, shall be the Vice-President, if such number be a majority of the whole number of Electors appointed, and if no person have a majority, then from the two highest numbers on the list, the Senate shall choose the Vice-President; a quorum for the purpose shall consist of two-thirds of the whole number of Senators, and a majority of the whole number shall be necessary to a choice. But no person constitutionally ineligible to the office of President shall be eligible to that of Vice-President of the United States.

Thirteenth Amendment

Section 1

Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction.

Section 2

Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Fourteenth Amendment

Section 1

All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

Section 2

Representatives shall be apportioned among the several States according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each State, excluding Indians not taxed. But when the right to vote at any election for the choice of electors for President and Vice-President of the United States, Representatives in Congress, the Executive and Judicial officers of a State, or the members of the Legislature thereof, is denied to any of the male inhabitants of such State, being twenty-one years of age, and citizens of the United States, or in any way abridged, except for participation in rebellion, or other crime, the basis of representation therein shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such male citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens twenty-one years of age in such State.

Section 3

No Person shall be a Senator or Representative in Congress, or elector of President and Vice-President, or hold any office, civil or military, under the United States, or under any State, who, having previously taken an oath, as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, editor@mtnviewsnews.com Website: www.mtnviewsnews.com

or as a member of any State legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any State, to support the Constitution of the United States, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or comfort to the enemies thereof. But Congress may by a vote of two-thirds of each House, remove such disability.

Section 4
The validity of the public debt of the United States, authorized by law, including debts incurred for payment of pensions and bounties for services in suppressing insurrection or rebellion, shall not be questioned. But neither the United States nor any State shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or any claim for the loss or emancipation of any slave; but all such debts, obligations and claims shall be held illegal and void.

Section 5
The Congress shall have the power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article.

Fifteenth Amendment
Section 1
The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude—

Section 2
The Congress shall have the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Sixteenth Amendment
The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several States, and without regard to any census or enumeration.

Seventeenth Amendment
The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, elected by the people thereof, for six years; and each Senator shall have one vote. The electors in each State shall have the qualifications requisite for electors of the most numerous branch of the State legislatures.

When vacancies happen in the representation of any State in the Senate, the executive authority of such State shall issue writs of election to fill such vacancies: Provided, That the legislature of any State may empower the executive thereof to make temporary appointments until the people fill the vacancies by election as the legislature may direct.

This amendment shall not be so construed as to affect the election or term of any Senator chosen before it becomes valid as part of the Constitution.

Eighteenth Amendment
Section 1
After one year from the ratification of this article the manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation thereof into, or the exportation thereof from the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes is hereby prohibited.

Section 2
The Congress and the several States shall have concurrent power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Section 3
This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of the several States, as provided in the Constitution, within seven years from the date of the submission hereof to the States by the Congress.

Nineteenth Amendment
Section 1
The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.

Section 2
Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Twentieth Amendment
Section 1
The terms of the President and Vice President shall end at noon on the 20th day of January, and the terms of Senators and Representatives at noon on the 3d day of January, of the years in which such terms would have ended if this article had not been ratified; and the terms of their successors shall then begin.

Section 2
The Congress shall assemble at least once in every year, and such meeting shall begin at noon on the 3d day of January, unless they shall by law appoint a different day.

Section 3
If, at the time fixed for the beginning of the term of the President, the President elect shall have died, the Vice President elect shall become President. If a President shall not have been chosen before the time fixed for the beginning of his term, or if the President elect shall have failed to qualify, then the Vice President elect shall act as President until a President shall have qualified; and the Congress may by law provide for the case wherein neither a President elect nor a Vice President elect shall have qualified, declaring who shall then act as President, or the manner in which one who is to act shall be selected, and such person shall act accordingly until a President or Vice President shall have qualified.

Section 4
The Congress may by law provide for the case of the death of any of the persons from whom the House of Representatives may choose a President whenever the right of choice shall have devolved upon them, and for the case of the death of any of the persons from whom the Senate may choose a Vice President whenever the right of choice shall have devolved upon them.

Section 5
Sections 1 and 2 shall take effect on the 15th day of October following the ratification of this article.

Section 6
This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States within seven years from the date of its submission.

Twenty-First Amendment
Section 1
The eighteenth article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States is hereby repealed.

Section 2
The transportation or importation into any State, Territory, or possession of the United States for delivery or use therein of intoxicating liquors, in violation of the laws thereof, is hereby prohibited.

Section 3
This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by conventions in the several States, as provided in the Constitution, within seven years from the date of the submission hereof to the States by the Congress.

Twenty-Second Amendment
Section 1
No person shall be elected to the office of the President more than twice, and no person who has held the office of President, or acted as President, for more than two years of a term to which some other person was elected President shall be elected to the office of the President more than once. But this Article shall not apply to any person holding the office of President when this Article was proposed by the Congress, and shall not prevent any person who may be holding the office of President, or acting as President, during the term within which this Article becomes operative from holding the office of President or acting as President during the remainder of such term.

Section 2
This Article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States within seven years from the date of its submission to the States by the Congress.

Twenty-Third Amendment
Section 1
The District constituting the seat of Government of the United States shall appoint in such manner as the Congress may direct:

A number of electors of President and Vice President equal to the whole number of Senators and Representatives in Congress to which the District would be entitled if it were a State, but in no event more than the least populous State; they shall be in addition to those appointed by the States, but they shall be considered, for the purposes of the election of President and Vice President, to be electors appointed by a State; and they shall meet in the District and perform such duties as provided by the twelfth article of amendment.

Section 2
The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Twenty-Fourth Amendment
Section 1
The right of citizens of the United States to vote in any primary or other election for President or Vice President, for electors for President or Vice President, or for Senator or Representative in Congress, shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or any State by reason of failure to pay any poll tax or other tax.

Section 2
The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Twenty-Fifth Amendment
Section 1
In case of the removal of the President from office or of his death or resignation, the Vice President shall become President.

Section 2
Whenever there is a vacancy in the office of the Vice President, the President shall nominate a Vice President who shall take office upon confirmation by a majority vote of both Houses of Congress.

Section 3
Whenever the President transmits to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives his written declaration that he is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, and until he transmits to them a written declaration to the contrary, such powers and duties shall be discharged by the Vice President as Acting President.

Section 4
Whenever the Vice President and a majority of either the principal officers of the executive departments or of such other body as Congress may by law provide, transmit to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, the Vice President shall immediately assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting President.

Thereafter, when the President transmits to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives his written declaration that no inability exists, he shall resume the powers and duties of his office unless the Vice President and a majority of either the principal officers of the executive department or of such other body as Congress may by law provide, transmit within four days to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration

that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office. Thereupon Congress shall decide the issue, assembling within forty-eight hours for that purpose if not in session. If the Congress within twenty-one days after receipt of the latter written declaration, or, if Congress is not in session, within twenty-one days after Congress is required to assemble, determines by two-thirds vote of both Houses that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, the Vice President shall continue to discharge the same as Acting President; otherwise, the President shall resume the powers and duties of his office.

Twenty-Sixth Amendment
Section 1
The right of citizens of the United States, who are eighteen years of age or older, to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of age.

Section 2
The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Twenty-Seventh Amendment
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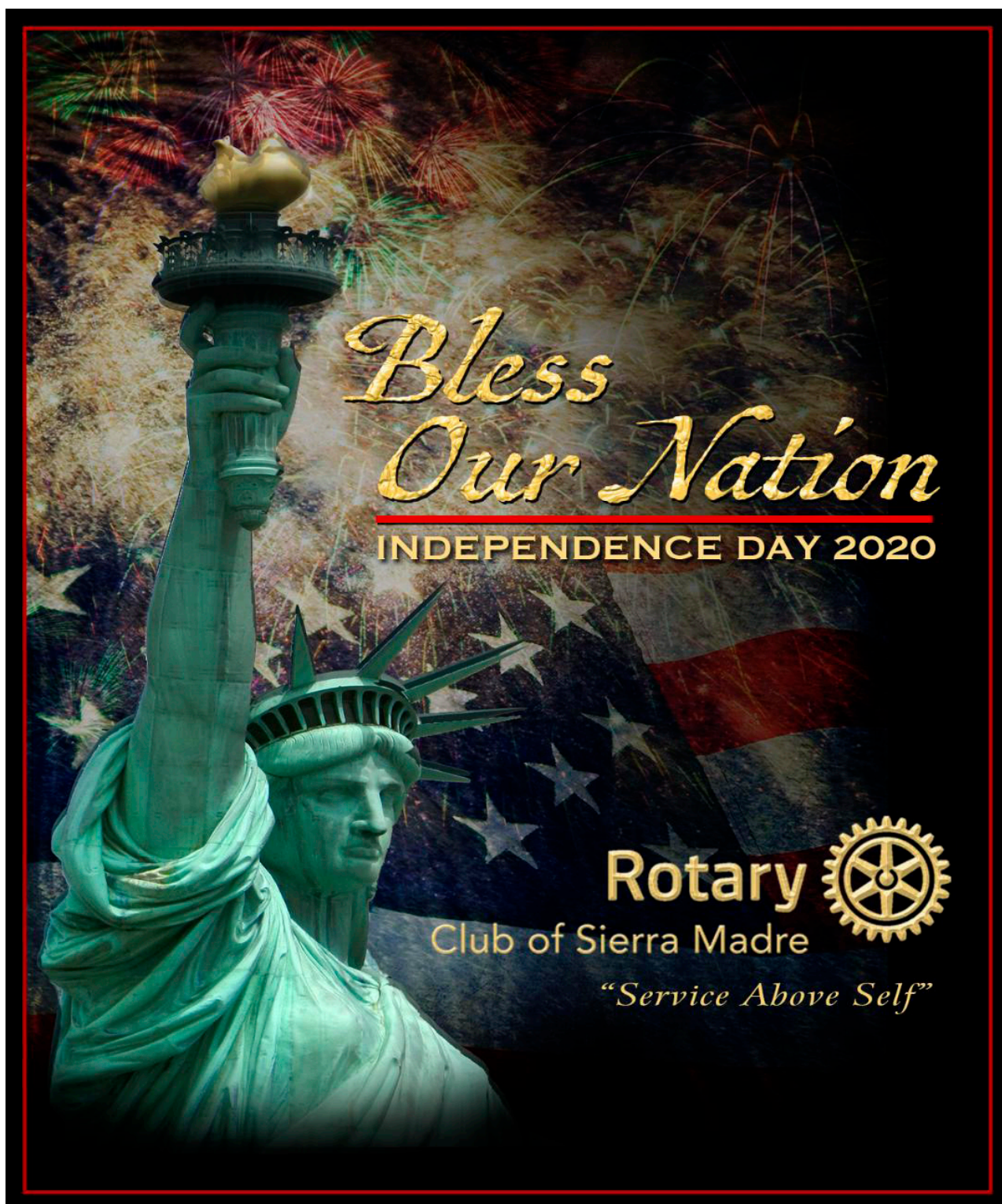
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