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*Hart Park House To Serve as Cooling Center Saturday
and Sunday from 12pm to 6pm*

Police Department Lobby Also Available

Temperatures over the weekend are expected to reach more than 100 degrees in some areas. In response to the anticipated heat, the City has made the decision to open the Hart Park House and Sierra Madre Police Department lobby to be used as cooling centers for our residents.

Both locations require masks and social distancing.

The City recommends limiting your time in direct sun. Keep yourself and your pets cool by staying indoors or in well-shaded areas outdoors. Take extra precaution when exercising. Limit your exercise to early morning or evening hours and remember to stay hydrated. Please call 9-1-1 if you are experiencing a medical emergency.

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SIERRA MADRE POLICE ASSIST EL MONTE IN ARREST OF RESIDENT ON CHARGES RELATED TO POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

In a press release issued on Thursday, the El Monte Police Department distributed the following press release regarding the arrest of Robert Nesler, 67:



Robert Nesler, Courtesy EMPD

"On Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at approximately 0700 hours, members of the Sierra Madre Police Department and the El Monte Police Department Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Detectives served a search warrant at Nesler's residence (100 block of Sunny-side Ave.) in the city of Sierra Madre."

Nesler is currently out of custody and scheduled to appear in court for arraignment on December 1, 2020.

"EMPD ICAC Detectives learned through investigative resources that Nesler was distributing and in possession of child pornography."

The EMPD ICAC Task Force is a member of the Los Angeles Regional Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force who works cooperatively with a vast network of local, state, and federal partners to pursue those who violate crimes of child exploitation, according to the EMPD release.

According to research cited by the FBI, 82% of offenders who view child pornography either have been or will be in the future, offenders of physical sexual assault on minors.

For more information visit: www.icactaskforce.org.

S. Henderson/MVNews

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SIERRA MADRE TO HOLD 1ST 'IN-PERSON' COUNCIL MEETING SINCE MARCH



For the first time since the mass closures caused by COVID-19, the city council is offering residents the ability to attend the next meeting in person.

On Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 6:30 pm at the Bandshell in Memorial Park.

SOCIAL DISTANCING AND MASKS ARE REQUIRED!

The meeting will also be streamed live on the City's website at www.cityofsierramadre.com,

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

YOUR VOTE 2020

SAVE THE DATES...

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2020

Sierra Madre City Council Candidate Forums sponsored by the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club and The Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce, respectively will be held on those dates.
Details on safe venues will be announced in the near future.

INSIDE MOUNTAIN VIEWS NEWS THIS WEEK

YOUR VOTE 2020

Special Pre-Election Coverage that will run weekly on all Statewide Measures, County and City Races and Issues and the PUSD 2, 4 and 6 Races.
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FREE EVENT! VIRTUAL CAST REUNION OF SIERRA MADRE PLAYHOUSE'S HIT SHOW THE JOY LUCK CLUB ON SEPTEMBER 12

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This event takes place via Zoom on your computer, tablet or smartphone. It's free, but space is limited, so please reserve early. The virtual cast reunion will happen on Sat-urday, September 12, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. PDT.



Nancy Ma (l.), Sharline Lu, Gloria Tsai, Grace Shen, April Lam, Lee Chen, Debbie Fan, Peggy Lu in the 2019 production of "The Joy Luck Club." Photo credit: Gina Long.]

Reservations can be made at : <https://ci.ovationtix.com/35040/production/1031552?performancelid=10567484>

Although this event is free, these are challenging times for theatres and non-profit arts organizations, so donations are accepted and appreciated. If you wish to donate, you can do so at: <https://ci.ovationtix.com/35040/store/donations/34388>



SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

August 23, to August 29, 2020
During this period the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to 258 calls for service.

Theft from a Vehicle On 8/25/20 at 4:20PM a gardener working in the 1900 block of N. Santa Anita Ave. had personal items stolen from the cab of his truck while he worked in the backyard of the residence. NOTE: There has been a rash of items stolen from trucks lately, particularly the tools and personal items from gardeners working in Sierra Madre and in the City of Arcadia. You can help gardeners as they work at your homes by keeping an eye on their vehicles whenever you are able to. Case to Detectives

Missing Person Located Officers conducted a traffic stop in the 00 block of E. Sierra Madre Blvd. on 8/27/20 at 2:17AM. The driver stated that she was lost. A check of her driver's license showed that she was an at risk missing person from a nearby city. The LA County Sheriff's Department was notified that the driver had been located in Sierra Madre. The driver was returned to her home by our officer.

Graffiti A resident reported on 8/28/20 that unknown person(s) had painted the sidewalk in the 100 block of N. Hermosa Ave. using red spray paint. Public works was notified for removal of the paint. Case to Detectives

WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

This story is the last printable one of the stories sent to me by my Dad. These tales of California in the early days of our father's and his father's lives are one of the best things our Dad left my sister and me and I am so happy to have shared them with you. Like I said last week, these stories would turn up in the mail every now and then and I, fecklessly, just set them in a pile. But I kept them! I kept them all.



“The Horses & The End of The Owl”
“Some twenty miles from Mexicali, and three miles from Holtville was the Weed Ranch, the one we lived on. When I was seven, in the spring of 1928, three beautiful, well-groomed, obviously pampered horses were found grazing in our pasture. My father figured that they belonged to none other than the third gangster owner of The Owl, the one who raised horses, so down he sat and wrote the man a letter, spelling out the details.

Three days later, a big olive-colored touring car with black fenders and a white canvas top, (to my best recollection, it was a Marmon) drove down our long eucalyptus-lined driveway and parked in front of the house. Four well-dressed men, all smoking cigars, with snap-brim fedoras got out. My mother wanted nothing to do with them so she locked the front door and sent me out the back to find my father, who was down by the haystack. One of the men was, indeed, the race-horse raising, third Owl owner. The other three were his bodyguards. My mother stayed in the house and the men most definitely were not invited in. Instead, they sat on some benches in the oval garden in front of our house and talked with my father. I interrupted only once to show them my Angora guinea pig. One of the bodyguards told me that if I held him up by his tail his eyes would fall out. When I responded that I had heard that before, he reached up to my ear, pulled out a nickel and gave it to me. The man who did most of the talking said that he had already seen the horses in the pasture and that they were, indeed, his. Furthermore, that if my father would bring them back to his ranch south of Mexicali, he would show his appreciation. Hands were shaken, each helped himself to a drink of artesian water from a barrel nearby, climbed back into the long automobile and drove away.

Early next morning, Solon (my father's dad) saddled and bridled our biggest saddle horse, General Sheridan; ran down, cornered and roped each of the racehorses then, while my mother, sister and I watched from the bank of a high ditch, he cantered down the old Calexico road on his way to Mexicali, all three racehorses in tow. Had my brother not been in high school that day, he would probably have gone with my father on another horse to help him out. My father carried a fair-sized whip to discourage any independence on the part of the high-spirited, skittish animals and I noticed, too, that he had his old silver-plated, pearl-handled six-shooter holstered on his belt, a weapon he almost never carried. I must admit that I was proud of that old white-haired Westerner as we watched him ride off.

It was well past midnight when we heard General Sheridan's hooves come pounding down the drive, lathered up from a long hard trip. My mother got up, lit a lantern and waited outside while Dad took off the General's bridle and saddle and sent the old boy out for a drink and a pitchfork of alfalfa hay. I was up by then as were my brother, Harold, and my sister, Peggy, but we waited in the kitchen. My father came through the screen door, smiling, then showed us his reward, two twenty-dollar gold pieces. One he gave to my mother, and the other to my brother, who was instructed to give me half of it. Peggy got a Mexican doll and a bag full of beads strung in long loops.

Eventually, my brother visited the bank and exchanged the twenty-dollar gold piece for two ten-dollar gold pieces, one of which he gave to me. What happened to the twenty my mother had been given, I shall never know. With his, Harold bought a brass trumpet which, years later, I inherited and learned to play after a fashion. I was advised by all to put my gold piece in a safe place and keep it there. That way, when I saw something I really wanted to buy, I would have the money. Instead, I carried it around in the pocket of my overalls, taking it out now and then to examine it, or show it to anyone who would have a look. After a couple of weeks I lost it, much to everyone's utter disgust.

As for The Owl, it was, for a time, a continuous uproarious happening. In a mighty conflagration around 1930, it burned to the ground, never to be rebuilt, as the Great Depression was just beginning and, soon after, Mexico passed a law forbidding public gambling.

I doubt if there is much to be read about the old Owl. After all, the patrons and owners weren't exactly the types to leave monographs or memoirs, but it was there, all right, with that big picture of an owl outlined in light bulbs that could be seen for many miles on any night. Somehow, I felt a part of it by once having had some of its ill-gotten gains in my pocket, and it helped me gain status by talking about the place with other kids when my mother finally got around to sending me to school.”

In a letter to me not long after Dad went to live in Ajijic, Jalisco, Mexico, around 1984, he talked of his love for Mexico:

“My whole life has been connected in one way or another with Mexico. My father spent many years there and I was born in Holtville, California, a small town about twenty miles from the border. During my adult life I visited Mexico many times, and lived there three times, always in the high Lake Chapala area of Jalisco. Why I love Mexico, I can't tell you, but now that I am old, I shall remain here to enjoy what is left of my life. Although there are many differences between our cultures, I feel completely at home and will stay here the rest of my days.”

And he did. He passed away May 14, 2013 at the age of 92 and his ashes have been scattered over Lake Chapala. He left us wonderful memories of good times with him, lunching at Posada Ajijic overlooking the lake, or just sitting with him in his garden, where flowers of every tropical hue bloomed, a drawing was in process on his drafting table, Koi flourished among water lilies in his fishpond and a glass of something nice was always available. He was happy there.

My book page: Amazon.com: Deanne Davis
My Dad's Adventures are in:
“A Treasure Map, A Drunken Owl, and 47 Rattlers in a Bag”
You can follow me on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/@playwrightdd>

TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills
thechefknows@yahoo.com

THE ORIGIN OF THE BLOODY MARY

If you are just waking up, then this recipe is for you! I was hoping to get few restaurant reviews in, but I think we are still a few months away!!

I'm giving away a \$100 gift card to the BOA Steakhouse this Sunday morning on my radio show at 8AM, thats FM 105. So, here's the background on the Bloody Mary.

The Fernand Petiot Story
It was back in the 1920s when Fernand Petiot, an American bartender at Harry's New York Bar in Paris, mixed up equal parts of tomato juice and vodka. He had no idea that his concoction would become world famous when he agreed with the guy in the bar who suggested he call the drink "Bloody Mary." The patron said it reminded him of the Bucket of Blood Club in Chicago, and a girl he knew there named Mary.

In 1934, Petiot moved to the King Cole Bar at the St. Regis Hotel in New York City, and brought the recipe with him. The hotel managers tried to change the name to Red Snapper, but it didn't stick.

Sophisticated New Yorkers weren't too impressed at first. They said the drink tasted a bit bland, and they asked Petiot to spice it up. He added black pepper, cayenne pepper, Worcestershire sauce, lemon and--for those who wanted more spirit--a generous splash of TABASCO pepper sauce. And that's how an American classic was born. In 1976, McIlhenny Company introduced TABASCO Bloody Mary Mix. It wasn't the first mix on grocery store shelves, but it was one true to Petiot's original. A spicier version was added a few years later.

Quick and easy recipe using Beluga Vodka

Beluga Noble Vodka — 2 shots
•Celery stalk
•Lemon juice — 1 part
•Grapefruit juice 2 parts
•Tomato juice — 3 parts
•Green and black olives, cherry tomato, Mash a celery stalk in a shaker. Squeeze the juice out of 1/2 lemon and 1/2 grapefruit. Add celery salt and freshly ground pepper. Pour 2 shots of Beluga. Add ice. Pour 4 oz of a thick tomato juice. Prepare the cocktail by pouring it several times from one shaker part into the other. Pour the cocktail into a highball glass on ice.



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Thur	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
Fri	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

City Council Meeting

September 8th, 2020 at 6:30PM

The next city council meeting will be held outdoors at the bandshell at Memorial Park! Social distancing and masks are required.

City of Sierra Madre

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

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

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

Your event must:

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

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



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THE 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.

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News From Your Community For Your Community

Labor Day Closures, Reminders

Pasadena residents and businesses are reminded that City Hall and many City services will be closed on Monday, September 7, in observance of Labor Day.

City Council will not meet on Monday, Sept. 7. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 14.

The Pasadena Fire and Police Departments will continue to be staffed for all patrol, jail, fire, paramedic and other emergency services. For life-threatening emergencies, always call 9-1-1. If you see something, say something; report suspicious activity to Pasadena Police at (626) 744-4241.

For power emergencies, call (626) 744-4673. For water-related emergencies, call (626) 744-4138. Pasadena Water and Power's Customer Service Call Center will be closed for the holiday, but customers can still access their accounts and make payments by phone at (626) 744-4005 or online at www.PWPweb.com. The Municipal Services Payment Center at City Hall and the Citizen Service Center will be closed on Monday, Sept. 7. Normal operations will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 8.

There will be no City collection of trash, recycling and yard waste on Monday, Sept. 7. Collection will have a one-day delay. Monday pickup will be on Tuesday; Tuesday pickup on Wednesday; Wednesday pickup on Thursday; Thursday pickup on Friday, and Friday pickup on Saturday.

All Pasadena public libraries and library curbside pickup service will also be closed on Monday, Sept. 7. Curbside pickup service will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 8.

Pasadena Transit and Dial-A-Ride buses will not operate on Monday, Sept. 7, but will resume normal service on Tuesday, Sept. 8.

The Permit Center and Parking Office will be closed on Labor Day. All parking meters will be free and parking time limits will not be enforced.

The City wants all residents to enjoy Labor Day and celebrate responsibly. After recent holidays, including Memorial Day and the Fourth of July, Pasadena experienced significant increases in local laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19. Keep yourself and the community safe by avoiding large gatherings and only celebrating with the people you live with. If you choose to venture out this holiday weekend, remember to wear a face covering, keep at least 6 feet away from others, and wash or sanitize your hands after touching any surfaces.



Wiggle Waggle Walk Goes Virtual Sept. 27

Grab your walking shoes and a leash for the upcoming 22nd Annual Wiggle Waggle Walk. Organizers said, to ensure the safety of participants during the COVID-19 pandemic, Pasadena Humane's fundraiser is set to go virtual on Sunday, September 27.

The Wiggle Waggle Walk is Pasadena Humane's biggest fundraiser of the year, with proceeds providing food, shelter, veterinary care and other services to more than 11,000 animals that come to Pasadena Humane every year, they said.

Participants can join by registering online, and can walk anywhere to support Pasadena Humane with or without their dog, for as long or as short as they like. Thousands of people are expected to take part in the virtual walk, saving animals one step at a time.

"Wiggle Waggle Walk has become an iconic tradition in Pasadena and the greater Los Angeles region for the past 22 years," said Dia DuVernet, president and CEO of Pasadena Humane. "We went virtual this year to ensure that everyone could still enjoy the event while

staying safe and socially distant."

In addition to the Walk, there will be a roster of fun-filled activities including, a Virtual Vendor Fair, online Photo Contest, and prizes participants can enjoy. Some prizes include a tile on the Wiggle Waggle Walk of Fame, a branded black unisex fleece full-zip hoodie, a branded insulated lunchbox, and many more treats participants can enjoy. People can also compete to be Pasadena Humane's Top Donor, Top Fundraiser, Most Team Members, or Top Fundraising Team.

Register online at wigglewagglewalk.org. From now through Labor Day, participants can take \$10 off registration by using the promo code LABORDAY. The offer will expire at midnight on Monday.

Pasadena Humane is a donor-supported, non-profit organization that provides animal care and services for homeless and owned animals in the Greater Los Angeles Area. The organization is dedicated to promoting humane treatment and compassionate care for all animals. The animals in its

care come from 11 animal control contract areas, as well as partner shelters across the Los Angeles-area and beyond. The Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA also offers lifesaving programs and services to the community that support the human-animal bond and keep pets in homes. To learn more, visit: pasadenahumane.org.

City to Open Cooling Center



Center will have strict COVID-19 Restrictions

Temperatures in Pasadena are expected to reach over 100 degrees this Labor Day weekend. Vulnerable populations, such as the elderly who do not live in air-conditioned homes, may need relief from the heat. To meet this need, the City is opening Robinson Park Recreation Center, located at 1081 N. Fair Oaks Ave., as an emergency cooling center through Monday, Sept. 7, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

The center can accommodate up to 50 people, and visitors are required to bring a face covering to wear at all times. Staff and visitors will also be required to maintain a distance of at least six feet between one another; exceptions will be made for individuals living in the same household. The center will not be open for recreational activity.

Stay connected to the City of Pasadena! Visit us online at: cityofpasadena.net; follow them on Twitter at @PasadenaGov, and Instagram and Facebook at @CityOfPasadena; or call the Citizen Service Center, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday at (626) 744-7311.

Pasadena Police Release Sketch of Murder Suspect

Pasadena police are asking for the public's help after releasing a new sketch Wednesday of a suspect wanted in connection to the shooting death of one man and attempted murder of another man in late May.

According to investigators, Pasadena Police responded to the 1500 block of North Lake Avenue, on Saturday May 23 at approximately 4:10 p.m. regarding a shooting that resulted in the murder of Victim Ray Magee Jr. and the attempted murder of a 23 year old Male. Pasadena Police Homicide Detectives have been working diligently, following up on all leads and on July 24 released a photo from surveillance video of the actual suspect vehicle. The vehicle was described as a 2017 Dodge Charger with tinted windows and the last two numbers of the license plate are "...50." The suspects responsible for the murder and attempted murder of the victims were last seen fleeing southbound on Lake Avenue. Since the shooting, Homicide Detectives have developed detailed information on the possible identity of the suspects, which resulted in



a composite sketch of one suspect (pictured).

One of the murder suspects has been described as a Black male who is approximately 25 to 30 years old. He was further described as having a light complexion, weighing 170 to 180 lbs. and approximately 5'6" to 5'8" tall.

Detectives are asking persons who may have information regarding this murder and attempted murder, or the composite sketch, to call the Pasadena Police 24/7 at (626) 744-4241. Tips may also be reported anonymously by calling "Crime Stoppers" by dialing (800) 222-TIPS (8477)

City Calls for Responsible Recreation Over Weekend

"Remember the three 'Ws' when celebrating: Wash your hands, Wear your face coverings and Watch your distance."

Heading into Labor Day weekend, the Pasadena Public Health Department urges the public to celebrate responsibly to help reduce the spread of COVID-19.

After recent holidays, including Memorial Day, Father's Day, and the Fourth of July, Pasadena experienced significant increases in local laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19. Contact tracers were able to attribute the majority of new cases to parties, get-togethers, and gatherings. The most impactful change the community can make to slow the spread of COVID-19 during the upcoming holiday weekend is to not gather with people who do not live in your household.

Pasadena residents are still subject to statewide and local stay-at-home orders. Public health officials are reminding everyone about the importance of staying close to home and continuing with physical distancing, use face covering, hand washing, and disinfecting measures.

"We continue to see the

consequences of parties and social gatherings during our case interviews. The best way to honor the spirit of workers on Labor Day, especially essential workers, is to stay home and only gather with people in your own household," says Dr. Matthew Feaster, Epidemiologist.

"Now that the County and State are seeing a reduction in new cases, our concern is people may interpret these reductions as a sign that the virus is gone," said Dr. Ying-Ying Goh, Health Officer and Director of the Public Health Department. "It's never been more important that we continue to take public health actions like physical distancing and covering your face to stop the spread of COVID-19."

The public is urged to modify traditional Labor Day outdoor celebrations by wearing face covering and only celebrating with the people you live with. Stay close to home and stay safe by avoiding large gatherings with friends and family.

Active recreation (walking, running, biking, and other activities) is encouraged for health and well-being as long as physical distancing is maintained.

Remember the three "Ws" when celebrating: Wash your hands, Wear your face coverings and Watch your distance.

Pasadena launches New Second Unit ADU Program

The City of Pasadena's housing department is launching a new affordable housing initiative that incentivizes homeowners to create an affordable rental unit on their property. The Second Unit ADU program provides very low-cost loans to homeowners who want to create a new ADU (the unit will need to be leased out to Section 8 tenants for the first seven years) and those who want to bring an existing unpermitted ADU up to code (no Section 8 requirement).

"New second units can be an important source of affordable housing for the community and can also provide needed income to homeowners. In addition, when existing unpermitted second units are made code compliant, they can provide legal and safe housing for the people who reside in them, often extended family members of the homeowner who would otherwise not be able to afford to live in Pasadena," said William



Huang, director of housing.

Two informational Zoom webinars are scheduled for September 16 at noon, and September 17 at 5:30 p.m. Applications will be accepted from Thursday, October 1, to Friday, October 30, 2020 only. The application will be available on the Second Unit ADU Program webpage starting September 15.

Each application will be scored and ranked based on household data submitted in their application. The highest-ranking applications will be contacted after the application window closes.

Eligibility requirements are available in the Second Unit ADU Program Handbook.

For more information visit: cityofpasadena.net.

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ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, August 23rd, through Saturday, August 29th, the Police Department responded to 854 calls for service, of which 87 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of some of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, August 23:

1. At 8:37 a.m., an officer contacted a male subject loitering near a closed business at 440 East Huntington Drive. Through a consensual search, the officer discovered the subject was in possession of multiple stolen credit cards and a stolen driver's license. Further investigation revealed the subject lied to officers about his identity. The 32-year-old male from Pasadena was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.
2. At 6:02 p.m., an officer responded to Macy's, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a shoplifting report. The suspect concealed clothing, jewelry, and candy in a shopping bag and attempted to leave the store without paying for the items. The 65-year-old female from San Gabriel was issued a citation and released at the scene.
3. At 9:05 p.m. officers responded to Arcadia Methodist Hospital, 300 West Huntington Drive, regarding a subject causing a disturbance and refusing to leave. An investigation revealed the subject had verbally and physically assaulted hospital employees. The 35-year-old male from Duarte was issued a citation and released.

Monday, August 24:

4. At 1:24 p.m., an officer responded to a traffic collision that had just occurred. An investigation revealed the driver collided with two parked cars. Upon contacting the driver, the officer detected a strong odor of alcohol emitting from the driver. Through a series of tests, the officer determined the 61-year-old male from Lynwood was driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage. The suspect was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.
5. At 8:42 p.m., an officer patrolling the area of South Baldwin Avenue and West Duarte Road conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for expired registration. Further investigation revealed the driver was driving with an expired driver's license and he was in possession of personal identifying and credit account information. The 41-year-old male from Alhambra was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Tuesday, August 25:

6. At 1:36 p.m., an officer responded to JC Penny, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a grand theft report. An investigation revealed a female suspect concealed over \$1,000 worth of make up inside a black bag and fled the scene. The investigation is ongoing.
7. At 2:24 p.m., an officer responded to Macy's, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a grand theft report. Two female suspects made separate purchases using the same credit card. One suspect asked for 3 large bags. They then walked around the store concealing over \$1400 worth of merchandise in the bags

before leaving the store without paying. The investigation is ongoing.

8. At 11:33 p.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for making an illegal turn near the intersection of West Duarte Road and El Monte Avenue. An investigation revealed the driver was driving without a driver's license. The 31-year-old male from Tulare was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.
9. At 6:09 a.m., an officer responded to the intersection of Duarte Road and East Golden West Avenue regarding a traffic collision. Two drivers collided when one driver exited a driveway and entered the roadway. The second driver was pushed into a light pole. Neither of the drivers were not injured.
10. At 8:44 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 200 block of Oakhurst Lane regarding a fraud report. The victim attempted to purchase a puppy online. She sent \$400 to the seller who then asked for additional money. The seller never sent the puppy and failed to refund the money. The investigation is ongoing.

Wednesday, August 26:

11. At 9:08 a.m., an officer responded to Arcadia Methodist Hospital regarding the report of a possible assault with a deadly weapon. An investigation revealed the victim was walking when he was approached by four suspects who exited a vehicle. Two of the suspects attacked him. One of the suspects used a knife to cut his left forearm. The victim managed to escape and stated that he was not desirous of prosecution.

Thursday, August 27:

12. At 1:29 p.m., an officer responded to the area of Huntington Drive and First Avenue regarding the report of a robbery that had just occurred. The suspect, known to the victim, approached her and made advances which she refused. The suspect flowed the victim and held her bike to keep her from leaving. The victim released her bike in fear for her safety and the suspect fled the scene on her bike. The 25-year-old male was located, arrested, and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Friday, August 28:

13. At 12:10 a.m., an officer responded to the area of First Avenue and Bonita Street regarding a suspicious person seen looking into businesses. The officer located two subjects inside a vehicle. An investigation revealed the driver had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. He was also found to be in possession of a crowbar, stolen property, and drug paraphernalia. The 26-year-old male from Rosemead was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Saturday, August 29:

14. At 7:51 p.m., an officer responded to El Pollo Loco, 1 West Duarte Road, regarding a battery that had just occurred. The victim stated he met with business associates at the location and they had a disagreement over money. The victim was claimed that he was hit with sticks by six to eight people. The investigation is ongoing.

ARCADIA RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES
DEPARTMENT
VIRTUAL CLASSES

Stay active, stay enriched, and learn new things all from the comfort of your own home this Fall by joining a virtual class. Classes are available for all ages and interests including Zumba, soccer, video game design, piano, art, and more! To browse and register for virtual classes, please visit arcadiaca.gov/recreation. Fall online registration for Arcadia residents begins Monday, August 17 and non-resident registration begins Monday, August 24. For more information, please call the Recreation Office at 626.574.5113.

About Arcadia

Nestled along the rolling foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains and Angeles National Forest, Arcadia is a charming, family-oriented community with a population of just over 57,000. Located only 13 miles east from downtown Los Angeles, regional transportation networks like the Metro Gold Line connect Arcadia as a premier residential, shopping, and entertainment destination in the San Gabriel Valley. Arcadia is known for its top-rated schools, iconic landmarks, and serene neighborhoods. Arcadia is an award-winning community having been twice named as the Best City in California in which to Raise Kids and the 2017 Most Business Friendly City in Los Angeles County. With the conveniences and amenities of a full-service, mid-size city, Arcadia's "Community of Homes" provides a quality of life that will go Above & Beyond your expectations.

For more information, please visit ArcadiaCA.gov or follow us on Twitter by texting DISCOVER to 33222:

MONROVIA CANYON PARK & HWP CLOSED
DUE TO EXCESSIVE HEAT

The National Weather Service issued an excessive heat warning in the San Gabriel Valley from Fri-day, September 4 through Monday, September 7. Over the weekend, the region can expect dangerously hot conditions with high temperatures between 100 and 115 degrees. There will only be modest relief overnight as temperatures will remain in the 70s to 80s.

Due to the excessive heat, Monrovia Canyon Park and the Hillside Wilderness Preserve will be closed September 4 through September 7. The closure may be extended if weather conditions do not improve. If there are any changes, the community will be notified at that time. Additionally, through this period, you may see an increased presence of the fire department in the foothill neighborhoods as patrol is increased.

MONROVIA FAN LOAN PROGRAM

The Monrovia Community Center has fans available for residents to borrow. Those interested in a fan or would like additional information are encouraged to call (626) 256-8246.

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON EQUITY AND INCLUSION

The Monrovia Ad Hoc Committee on Equity and Inclusion is a five-member committee established by the City Council. The Committee's sole function is to review with the community to determine whether any policies, practices, and procedures of the City of Monrovia are unjust or unfair; create structural barriers to diversity, equity and inclusion in City governance, employment or enforcement; or perpetuate systemic racism in City government and provide a report back to the City Council with any recommendations for change the Committee deems advisable for consideration. The next meeting will take place on Thursday, September 10, at 6 p.m., through Zoom.

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Rose Parade Theme, Floats
and Bands Rollover to 2022

Current Pasadena Tournament of Roses President Bob Miller continues to serve for 2022

In light of last month's decision by the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association that it would be unsafe to host the 2021 Rose Parade, the organization recently announced that many of the parade's components and entrees will role over to 2022.

According to a press statement, in celebration of the next Rose Parade, scheduled for Saturday, January 1, 2022, the event will feature elements that were planned for 2021, including the theme "Dream. Believe. Achieve." Bands that were selected to march in 2021 have been invited to participate in the 2022 Rose Parade and Bandfest. Floats that intended to roll down Colorado Blvd. this upcoming January 1 have been invited to participate in 2022. Equestrian units that were in the application process and other interested groups can apply next year.

Also, the Board of Directors of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association approved amendments to the bylaws that will allow for the rollover of the Executive Committee, which includes

President Bob Miller, who will remain the association's President for another year and will preside over the 2022 Rose Parade. All other members of the Executive Committee, including officers and at-large members, will maintain their current positions for the upcoming year and then resume their usual rotations in 2022 -2023 parade year, they said.

Plans are underway for a re-imagined America's New Year Celebration in 2021. Officials are working in conjunction with there broadcast partners and sponsors and will announce a celebration with safe ways for those across the country and around the world to celebrate.

"After thoughtful consideration and with state restrictions and guidelines in place as a result of COVID-19, we are unable to host the 2021 Rose Parade," organizers said last month.

Decisions regarding the Royal Court and Rose Queen are to be determined.


The Tournament of Roses is a volunteer organization that hosts America's New Year Celebration with the Rose Parade and the Rose Bowl Game and a variety of accompanying events. 935 volunteer members of the association drive the success of these annual events. For more information, visit: tournamentofroses.com.

SOUTH PASADENA TO
HOLD SELECT VIRTUAL
CITY MEETINGS

The City of South Pasadena (City) will transition to virtual City Council and select Commission meetings beginning next week in response to the COVID-19 crisis. During these meetings, the Council, Commission and City staff will participate remotely. The City Council Chambers will not be open to the public in order to stop the spread of the virus. The virtual meetings will adhere to the updated Brown Act provisions for public meetings set forth by the legislature in response t...o the COVID-19 crisis. "We are looking forward to continuing our Council and Commission meetings

virtually during this unprecedented pandemic," said City of South Pasadena City Manager Stephanie DeWolfe. "We thank our community in advance for their patience as we adapt to new technology and procedures for our meetings during this time." The Council meetings will begin at 6 p.m. for closed session and the regular session will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday September 16. The Regular Meeting of the Public Safety Commission will begin at 8:30 a.m. on September 14. For more go to: southpasadenaca.gov.

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Free Monthly Events at
Pasadena Senior Center

Events at Pasadena Senior Center will be virtual due to COVID-19 pandemic

During the COVID-19 crisis, the Pasadena Senior Center, 85 E. Holly St. has been deemed by the city of Pasadena to be a vital community resource, so it is open on a limited basis on weekdays.

Many free activities for adults 50 and older are offered online until mandates for isolation and social distancing have been lifted.

You do not have to be a member of the Pasadena Senior Center to participate. Please note that many activities require online registration in advance. Everyone who registers for Zoom events will receive email instructions for joining the activities online.

LA Opera: Music to Remember - Ongoing, Tuesdays at 2 p.m. Members of the LA Opera repertory company will perform each week online via Zoom. This program will continue throughout the pandemic isolation period. For more information and to register, call 626-795-4331.

Arthritis Exercise Class - Ongoing, any time. This series of fitness videos is designed to help maintain mobility and physical fitness through range of motion, balance and weight-bearing exercises, stretching and a short aerobic portion. Use your own one-pound weights and wear comfortable clothes and sneakers. Some exercises are done while sitting in chairs and others while standing. To participate, visit www.pasadenaseniorcenter.org and click on Online Classes, then Arthritis Exercise Classes.

Meditation - Ongoing, any time. Relax, breathe and make the most of 20 audio recordings that provide guided meditation during these challenging times when so many older adults feel isolated, lonely, anxious and depressed. The meditation sessions are led by Avry

Budka. To participate, visit www.pasadenaseniorcenter.org and click on Online Classes, then Meditation.

Weekly Blog - Written by Events Director Annie Laskey, the blog consistently includes creative and inspiring ideas for staying safe, sane and engaged during isolation. It can be accessed from the Pasadena Senior Center homepage (www.pasadenaseniorcenter.org).

Feeling Challenged by Technology? Help is Available! - Through a collaboration with Pasadena Public Library, get solutions to technology issues, learn how to use Zoom and much more. Email ask@cityofpasadena.net/libanswers.com, call 626-744-4066, option 6 (leave a message and your call will be returned) or live chat Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at www.cityofpasadena.net/library/live-chat.

Telephone Reassurance - Pasadena Senior Center volunteers call older adults in isolation who have signed up for this important program that provides caring connections to help them make it through isolation and loneliness. To be added to the list, call 626-685-6732.

For more information about Pasadena Senior Center programs and services, including more online options for classes, events and activities during the COVID-19 crisis, visit: pasadenaseniorcenter.org or call 626-795-4331.

The center is an independent, donor-supported nonprofit that has been deemed an essential service provider for older adults, so its doors remain open five days a week for social services and other assistance to older adults in need. Hours during this period are Mondays through Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Pasadena Parking Enforcement to Resume

At Monday's city council meeting, the council voted to resume enforcement of the overnight parking ordinance, daytime street sweeping as well as the development of a other parking programs as listed below.

- Overnight enforcement to resumed Tuesday. Warnings to be issued for two weeks, with citations to resume September 1st.
- Sale of emergency COVID-19 overnight parking permits that would allow vehicles not otherwise qualified per section 10.44.20 the Pasadena Municipal Code to park on street. Permits will be valid for 90 day increments, and can be renewed until the end of the City's safer at home order. The fee for this permit will be tied to General Fee Schedule Fee 804 - Thirty Day Parking Permit, and will sell for \$73.38 per 90 day period. Per Section 10.42.060(C) of the Pasadena Municipal Code, a two permit limit per address would remain in place.

- Creation of a low income fee waiver program for overnight parking permits. Individuals may qualify by meeting criteria set forth in subdivision (b) of Section 68632 of the California Government Code, which includes individuals receiving public benefits under certain programs. Individuals determined to be eligible for the low income fee waiver program will receive a 50 percent discount on Annual Overnight and Temporary 90-Day Overnight permits.
- Enforcement of daytime street sweeping restrictions resumed Tuesday. Warnings to be issued for two weeks, with citations to resume September 1st.
- Resumption of non-critical vehicle impounds and booting, including for vehicles with five or more past due parking citations, and for vehicles with expired registrations, effective November.

For more information visit: cityofpasadena.net.

AROUND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

EXTREME HEAT WARNING HIGH TEMPERATURES FORECAST FOR PARTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

LOS ANGELES – The Los Angeles County Health Officer has extended an Extreme Heat Warning as high temperatures have been forecast for the following areas:

- West San Fernando Valley – through Tuesday, September 8
- Santa Clarita Valley – through Tuesday, September 8
- Antelope Valley – through Tuesday, September 8
- East San Fernando Valley – through Tuesday, September 8
- East San Gabriel Valley – through Tuesday, September 8
- West San Gabriel Valley – through Tuesday, September 8

Additionally, a Heat Alert has been extended for:

- Los Angeles Basin – Saturday, September 5 through Monday, September 7

Public Health reminds everyone to take precautions to avoid heat-related illness, especially older adults, young children, outdoor workers, athletes, and people with a chronic medical condition who are especially sensitive to negative health impacts from extreme heat. Public Health offers the follow-ing recommendations during high temperature days:

- Drink plenty of water and keep hydrated throughout the day.
- If you must go out, plan your day to avoid going out during the hottest hours, and wear sunscreen. Wear lightweight, light-colored clothes, and bring a hat or umbrella with you.
- Cars get very hot. Never leave children or pets in cars and call 911 if you see a child or pet in a car alone.
- Beware of heat-related illness, like heat stroke and call 911 if you see these symptoms: high body temperature, vomiting, and pale and clammy skin.
- Check on those at risk, like those who are sick, older adults, pregnant women, and children, and those who live alone.
- Avoid strenuous work outs wearing face coverings or masks not intended for athletic purpos-es; this means avoiding contact with others while you work out.
- Visit your power company's website or contact them by phone to determine if you are sched-uled for a rolling power outage.

“While it is very important that everyone take special care of themselves, it is equally important that we reach out and check on others, in particular those who are especially vulnerable to the harmful effects of high temperatures, including children, the elderly, and their pets,” said Muntu Davis, MD, MPH, Los Angeles County Health Officer. “High temperatures are not just an inconvenience, they can be dangerous and even deadly. But we can protect ourselves, our families, and our neighbors if we take steps to remain cool and hydrated. It is critically important to never leave children, elderly peo-ple, or pets unattended in homes with no air conditioning and particularly in vehicles, even if the win-dows are ‘cracked’ or open, as temperatures inside can quickly rise to life-threatening levels. If you have an elderly or infirm neighbor who is without air conditioning, check on them throughout the day.”

As Health Officer Orders remain in effect, Public Health, City and County partners have planned ways to safely operate cooling centers during times of high heat. Cooling centers will be open to provide the public relief from the heat. Residents who do not have access to air conditioning are encouraged to take advantage of these free cooling centers. To find a location near you, vis-it <https://ready.lacounty.gov/heat/> or call 211.

SOUTH COAST AQMD ISSUES OZONE ADVISORY DUE TO HEAT WAVE

**Valid: Friday, September 4, 2020 through
Monday, September 07, 2020**

This advisory is in effect through Monday evening. South Coast AQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

Poor air quality is expected throughout the South Coast Air Basin for Friday through Monday. Air quality will be impacted by elevated ozone levels due to a heat wave.

High temperatures are expected to persist through Monday throughout the South Coast Air Basin, increasing the likelihood of elevated ground-level ozone (smog) levels in many areas.

The National Weather Service (NWS) is predicting the continuation of a heat wave over Southern California that will last through at least Monday. The NWS has is-sued excessive heat warnings for most of the South Coast Air Basin. For information regarding the NWS warnings and the most current weather information, visit the NWS’ Los Angeles (<https://www.weather.gov/lox/>) and San Diego (<https://www.weather.gov/sgx/>) websites. Elevated temperatures, which enhance ozone formation rates, coupled with predicted atmospheric inversions that trap pol-lution near the surface are expected to cause unusually high and persistent levels of ozone pollution.

Friday through Monday, AQI levels may reach the Unhealthy to Very Unhealthy AQI categories in the afternoon and early evening in the Santa Clarita Valley, the San Fernando Valley, the San Gabriel Mountains, the San Gabriel Valley, the In-land Empire, and the San Bernardino Mountains. Hourly AQI forecasts are availa-ble at www.aqmd.gov/forecast and can be used to plan activities when the air qual-ity is best.

When air quality is Unhealthy and reaches an air quality index (AQI) range of 151 to 200, everyone may begin to experience some adverse health effects, and resi-dents with higher sensitivity to air pollution may experience more serious effects. When air quality is Very Unhealthy with an AQI range of 201 to 300, everyone in the region may experience more serious health effects.

Ozone air pollution can cause respiratory health problems, including trouble breathing, asthma attacks, and lung damage. Research also indicates that ozone exposure can increase the risk of pre-mature death. Children, older adults, and peo-ple with asthma or COPD may be more sensitive to the health effects of ozone.

Areas of direct impacts and poor air quality may include portions of:

Los Angeles County: Central Los Angeles (Area 1), Northwest Coastal LA County (Area 2), West San Fernando Valley (Area 6), East San Fernando Valley (Area 7), West San Gabriel Valley (Area 8), East San Gabriel Valley (Area 9), Pomona-Walnut Valley (Area 10), South San Gabriel Valley (Area 11), Santa Clarita Valley (Area 13), San Gabriel Mountains (Area 15)

LOS ANGELES COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE 9/4/2020

**09/04/2020 3:30pm
(Compared to 8/28/2020)**

LOS ANGELES COUNTY*		08/28/20	
Total Cases		246,407	
Deaths		5977	
STATS BY CITY	Population	Cases	Deaths
<i>(last week's stats in parenthesis)</i>			
09/04/20			
Pasadena	14,1371	2411 (2331)	117 (111)
Uninc- East Pasadena	6,403	74 (68)	1 (1)
08/28/20			
City of Arcadia	57,754	450 (437)	31 (30)
Uninc. - Arcadia	7,981	83 (81)	3 (2)
09/04/20			
City of Bradbury	1,069	14 (13)	0 (0)
City of Duarte	22,016	511 (466)	25 (25)
Uninc.- Duarte	4,428	130 (116)	4 (4)
08/28/20			
City of Monrovia	38,800	700 (677)	37 (36)
Uninc - Monrovia	3,881	78 (74)	0 (0)
09/04/20			
City of Sierra Madre	10,989	68 (67)	3 (3)
08/28/20			
City of So.Pasadena	26,053	256 (249)	26 (26)
09/04/20			
Uninc.- Altadena	43,260	644 (661)	11 (13)

La County Testing as of 08/28/20: 2,331,616 (2,257,457)
Positivity Rate (No. of persons positive out of total persons tested) as 09/04/20: 10.2%
Nationally recommended Positivity Level: 5%

For updated information go to: http://dashboard.publichealth.lacounty.gov/covid19_surveillance_dashboard/

As COVID-19 hospitalizations continues to decline, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) reports three additional cases of multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C). This brings the total cases of MIS-C in L.A. County to 31 children.

All of the 31 children with MIS-C in L.A. County were hospitalized and nearly half of the children treated in the ICU. Twenty-six percent of these cases were between the ages of 0 and 5 years old, 39% were between the ages of 6 and 12 years old, and 35% were between the ages of 13 and 20 years old. Latino/Latinx children continue to make up the majority of cases accounting for 71% of all cases. There continues to be no reported deaths in children with MIS-C in LA County.

Parents and guardians are urged to contact their child's primary care provider if they believe their child is displaying MIS-C symptoms, - inflamed body parts, including the heart, lungs, kidneys, brain, skin, eyes, or gastrointestinal organs. If they do not have a primary care provider, dial 2-1-1 and L.A. County will help connect them to one.

The County continues to see significant reductions in the number of people positive for COVID-19 that are hospitalized. Currently, there are 992 people who are confirmed cases currently hospitalized and 30% of these people are in the ICU. This is more than a 50% decrease from the over 2,000 COVID-19 patients hospitalized in early August.

Today, Public Health confirms 47 new deaths and 1,493 new cases of COVID-19. To date, Public Health has identified 246,407 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of L.A. County, and a total of 5,977 deaths.

"Every day we think of all the many families experiencing the profound loss of losing a loved one to COVID-19 and send our deepest sympathies," said Barbara Ferrer, PhD, MPH, MEd, Director of Public Health. "We have an opportunity this holiday weekend to change the trajectory of the virus in L.A. County. Our last two summer holidays both led to increases in cases, hospitalizations and deaths. I believe it is possible to celebrate Labor Day without repeating our last failures if everyone understands how much depends on individual actions we each will take. Please have fun without exposing others or yourself to COVID-19. This is not the time or the place for parties or gatherings. We will all win if we each do our part."

Of the 47 new deaths reported today, 14 people that passed away (excluding Long Beach and Pasadena) were over the age of 80 years old, 16 people who died were between the ages of 65 and 79 years old, 11 people who died were between the ages of 50 and 64 years old, and four people who died were between the ages of 30 and 49 years old. Twenty-nine people had underlying health conditions including nine people over the age of 80 years old, 10 people between the ages of 65 and 79 years old, six people between the ages of 50 and 64 years old, and four people between the ages of 30 and 49 years old. One death was reported by the City of Long Beach and one death was reported by the City of Pasadena.

Ninety-two percent of the people who died from COVID-19 had underlying health conditions. Of those who died, information about race and ethnicity is available for 5,622 people (99 percent of the cases reported by Public Health); 51% of deaths occurred among Latino/Latinx residents, 24% among White residents, 15% among Asian residents, 10% 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, 85 cases and two deaths reported earlier were not LA County residents.

Testing results are available for more than 2,347,000 individuals with 10% of all people testing positive. The Reopening Protocols, COVID-19 Data Dashboard, Recovery Metrics, 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.

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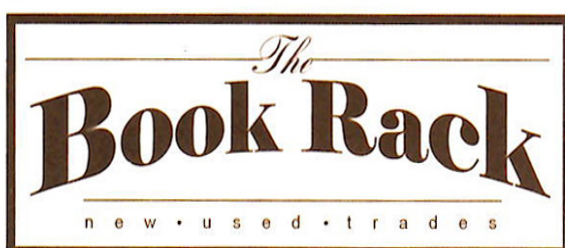
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GAP YEAR OR GOAL YEAR? DELAYED COLLEGE ENROLLMENT MEANS DELAYED DREAMS

By Dr. Edward C. Ortell, Citrus College Governing Board Member

As colleges and universities across the nation announce suspension of in-person classes for fall 2020, 40 percent of incoming freshmen at four-year institutions say it is likely or very likely they will not attend college this fall.

This decision amounts to a “gap year” without any of the perks. A practice that has long been popular in Europe, a gap year is a time for students to take a break between high school and college for the purpose of travel, work experience or volunteerism. The practice has grown in awareness and popularity in the U.S. in the past decade. For many students, a gap year has become a valuable time for personal growth and an opportunity to deepen professional awareness and explore career interests.

Covid-19 has changed all that. The pandemic has rendered travel nearly impossible, and job and volunteer opportunities are few and far between. At the same time, the increased danger of attending classes on a college campus has prompted many of the nation's most prestigious institutions, such as Notre Dame, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Michigan State, to switch to primarily online instruction for incoming freshmen.

This has left many students and their parents questioning exorbitant tuition rates, when the same high quality of instruction, with fully transferable courses, is available online from a community college at a fraction of the cost.

Recently, students at Rutgers launched a petition calling for a tuition cut, and it has received more than 30,000 signatures. Princeton has offered its students a 10 percent discount on remote education. The majority of California's four-year colleges and universities are also limiting instruction to primarily online offerings, but at a cost much higher than the same courses at a California community college.

Rather than deferring the start of a college education that could change the course of your future and help you achieve your dreams, why not give your goals a shot? Enroll at a local community college—and do it now—and make your gap year a goal year instead.



CHRISTOPHER Nyerges



THE CALIFORNIA PEPPER TREE

[Nyerges is the author of “Foraging California,” “Guide to Wild Foods,” “How to Survive Anywhere,” and other books. He can be reached at www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com, or Box 41834, Eagle Rock, CA 90041]

The California pepper tree (Schinus molle) is widespread in Southern California and Arizona, and some surrounding states. It is a large, stately tree with feathery, fern-like leaves that droop from the large limbs, giving it a very graceful appearance. It is somewhat misnamed since it is not from California – it comes originally from the arid regions of northern South America -- and it is not the plant where we normally get pepper (as in “salt and pepper”). Otherwise, it is perfectly named!

I have always liked the appearance of this tree – it has a quality that I would call “Southern.” You can easily imagine one of these large trees next to some old Southern estate, along side a weeping willow tree.

Eventually, people want to know if the little pink “peppers” from this tree are edible. Though not botanically related to the usual peppers we use as a dinner spice, you actually can take these little seeds and use them as condiments in the same way you’d use regular peppercorns.

The California pepper tree seeds are small, like the size of a BB. There is a pink papery outer shell, and within there is a hard seed. The flavor is delicate and enjoyable, but these are much more potent than ordinary peppers. These seeds must be first ground, and then added sparingly into soups, bread, stews, and other foods. Go moderate at first until you experience how much of the pepper you can tolerate.

When we were first experimenting with this seed, we once added a bit too much to some soup, and they were not finely ground. One guest, author Dave Hereford, went into a short choking fit, laughing and choking at the same time. Everyone was very concerned, but Dave told us not to worry, that he really enjoyed the flavor of the soup and the peppers.

Ground fine and used sparingly, these peppers add a delicate flavor to bread when added to the batter. We’ve had it ground fine and added to soups and stews many times, and enjoy it more than regular pepper. But be sure to grind the seeds.

For best results, we’ve found that we should pick the pink seeds off the ground or off the tree. Then we set them in an uncovered bowl for a few weeks for them to dry and season. The pinkness will eventually fade and this is the better time to use the seeds for seasoning. You should remove all the stems before grinding, but you don’t need to remove the pink outing shell of the seed.

It’s hard to believe that a spice can be surrounded with any controversy, but there has been a lot of talk about this seed. Julia Child once tried some and said that she found them bland and didn’t recommend them. Also, some people get an allergic reaction to these seeds. In fact, Schinus molle is in a botanical family which has other members which cause skin and other reactions when touched or eaten. Because of this, there once

was a voluntary FDA ban on stores selling these seeds, but the FDA chose to not force the labeling of this product as unsafe because it didn’t meet their guidelines for such labeling.

I spoke with Dr. James Adams, USC pharmacologist, and author of “Healing with Medicinal Plants of the West.” For nearly 20 years, Dr. Adams studied with Cecilia Garcia, noted Chumash medicine woman.

Dr. Adams sparingly uses the Californnia pepper seeds in his cooking, and likes them. He points out that approximately one in every thousand people are allergic to the seeds of California. In contrast, about one in every four people are allergic to poison oak oil.

According to the University of California, the seeds and leaves of both the CA pepper (Schinus molle) and the Brazilian pepper (Schinus terebinthifolius) can cause allergic reactions. They list both as minor toxic garden plants. Interestingly, when the seeds from S. molle are grown in Spain, there is not the same level of allergic reaction as the seeds grown in California. The reason is currently unknown, but likely the result of different soil types and weather, which might produce more or less of the active chemicals in the tree.

This is an easy-to-grow tree that tolerates drought, making it a desirable landscape tree. On the other hand, just as many gardeners dislike the fact that the limbs get so large that they occasionally drop, and that the leaves and small red seeds constantly drop.

Sometimes woodworkers will make beautiful bowls and cups from the wood of this tree. And since the tree gets so large and might require periodic prunings, the wood can be available even if it is not cut down.

This is a great tree to know if you happen to live in its zone. It is a fairly widespread tree, and is also easily grown. I have even seen these pink peppers in some specialty stores, either mixed with regular pepper or alone.

If you don’t have any near where you live and would like to try some, one package of the seeds (with postage) is just \$8 from WTI (seed division), 5835 Burwood Ave., Highland Park, CA 90042. If you live in the Los Angeles area, you can get packages of these seeds every Tuesday at the Highland Park Farmers Market, at Avenue 58 and Figueroa, at “Julie’s” booth. Just try a little at first, and grind the seeds well, and see how you like it.



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PUSD SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE CRYSTAL CZUBERNAT ANNOUNCES ENDORSEMENTS

Sierra Madre, California, September 1, 2020 –

PUSD parent and Distance Learning expert Crystal Czubernat announced today that she has been endorsed by Sierra Madre City Council Members Rachelle Arizmendi and Gene Goss and Sierra Madre Mayor John Capoccia as well as Sierra Madre's Pasadena City College Trustee Jim Osterling.

Crystal Czubernat also announced she has been endorsed by Sierra Madre's current PUSD Board Member Larry Torres and former PUSD Board Member and Sierra Madre resident Mikala Rahn.

Crystal stated “I am the only Sierra Madre resident and Sierra Madre Elementary parent on the ballot. I am the best choice to help guide not only Sierra Madre but East Pasadena through the big changes in teaching practices and the use of tech-nology the PUSD now faces.”

Crystal Czubernat has spent nearly twenty years working in education, both as a credentialed teacher and then as a School Enrollment and Distance Learning Ex-pert.

Crystal has a Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education, two Master's Degrees (Curriculum and Instruction and Counseling) and is completing requirements for a Ph.d in Organizational Leadership.

Crystal Czubernat is the mother of twins, who attend PUSD's Sierra Madre Elementary.



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DOG IS THEIR COPILOT

Every now and then, a unique concept comes down the pike, expressed by an individual who had an original thought, and I just have to slap my forehead and say, “Why didn’t I think of that?” For example, I spend lots of time trying to come up with creative ways to help resolve our clear-and-present pet over-population problem. I’ve held adoption fairs, I’ve been on board with animal advocacy groups, foster & rescue organizations and animal welfare campaigns, and I donate to those I deem legitimate and worthy. I’ve shared strong sentiments in this column, about the importance of spaying and neutering, and I soap-box on topics such as adopting not shopping, fostering and volunteering. I encourage others to appreciate and protect all creatures, wild and domestic. But there’s nothing new there. It’s what most folks do to make a difference for the better. How cool would it be to come up with a fresh idea that could bring about change on a larger scale?

Happy Tails

by Chris Leclerc



That’s why, when I saw a segment on CBS News Sunday Morning a couple of weeks ago, about a guy who’s implementing an innovative means of helping place otherwise euthanized pets into loving homes, I was absolutely over-the-moon! This creative concept was made manifest by way of a non-profit called Dog is My CoPilot, a remarkable rescue group out of Jackson, Wyoming who make it their mission to collect and relocate dogs-at-risk, via air travel, to various places in the US where they will be accepted with open arms and adopted into forever loving homes.

Dr. Peter Rork (or just plain Peter, as he prefers to

be called), founder of Dog is My CoPilot, is a retired orthopedic surgeon with tons of talent and a warm, welcoming willingness to share those talents for the greater good. Most importantly (to me), he’s an avid animal lover. That being said, he also has a great sense of humor, he’s super friendly and in my opinion, a total down-to-earth. Oh, by the way, did I say he’s an acclaimed pilot with a Cessna Caravan that COULD seat 14 humans, but he’d rather use it to transport 150 would-be forgotten death-row dogs to areas where they will be loved and cared for forever?

Thanks to the assistance of Kara Pollard, feet-first philanthropist and 4-year Executive Director of Dog is My CoPilot, I was able to catch up with Dr. Rork on the phone last week, and he was kind enough to afford me the opportunity to get to know him, just a smidgen. He’d just landed in Loredo, TX where he was scheduled to pick up 90 dogs from partnering shelters the next morning, and deliver the precious pups to their respective drop-off-spots in Colorado, Utah, Idaho and Wyoming where they will be received by volunteers who’ll ensure their care and welfare until they make their way to their final destinations - forever loving homes. I get a lump in my throat every time I think about it.

I felt honored that Peter was willing to take time out of his very busy day to talk to this humble, local column-contributor, but I know he did it because we both share a common concern; doing whatever we can, to help give otherwise euthanized animals a second chance at life. I’ll never cease to be amazed at how those fabulous four-leggers bring us humans together! I was most interested in what prompted Peter to take on the mission of flying state-to-state, saving at-risk animals. I mean, to me it’s a no-brainer that a guy would choose to apply his outstanding flying skills to assist in one of the most noble causes we face in society today, but that’s just me. I wanted to know what drove him to do it, and I hoped he’d allow me to share his story with my readers because I believe we can all learn from another person’s inspiration to do the right thing.

In his open, kind way of conversing, Peter Rork told me that several years ago, his wife passed away unexpectedly, and he was having a real tough time with the loss. One day a friend stopped by and encouraged him to get out and get busy doing something he loves. Well, Peter’s true passion is flying. He recounted that his first childhood book was “How to Fly A Plane”, and he chased that dream until he became an aviator with a perfect 50-year record and even became a teacher of aspiring student pilots in his region! Whatever Peter’s friend said that day, it inspired him to pursue a meaningful new mission - saving the lives of thousands of animals. But if you ask Peter, he’ll tell you, it’s the animals that saved his life. During our conversation, Peter repeatedly emphasized the theme that drives his mission: An urgent need to turn things around for the sake of the millions of animals being euthanized in our country, annually. It’s hard to fathom, in an ‘advanced’ society such as ours, that so many innocent animals would be put to death each year, but it is so.

Here in Sierra Madre, we have all our needs met and we are able to take good care of our pets. Other areas in our country don’t have it so good. That’s why Peter, Kara, their other 3 other pilots, their board members, numerous partners and volunteers offer their assistance to facilitate this amazing, life-saving mission. They go where the animals need love the most, and they relocate them to where they will be loved the most!

We all have unique talents we can offer to help make a difference for the better. First and foremost, please adopt and don’t shop! Be sure to spay/neuter your pets, and get involved. If you can’t take part personally, make a donation to help Dog is My CoPilot continue taking meaningful action. Missions such as theirs cost money. Visit their website at dogcopilot.org to learn more about this awesome organization, and give to a cause that is not only legitimate and worthy, but uniquely innovative in making a massive difference for the better on behalf of our beloved animals! Love and let live.



Katnip News!



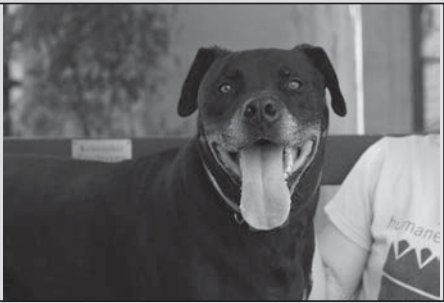
Sweet SIMBA
Friendly cutie, SIMBA, male orange tabby, born 2018. Simba has been in a loving home, but since the family moved in with a relative, that relative became very allergic. They say that Simba is just the sweetest boy! They’ve never heard him hiss and he doesn’t bite or scratch people or other pets. Please apply to adopt this little cutie. He’ll make you a wonderful pet. See more pictures, adoption information and application on our website at the More Cats page at www.lifelineforpets.org. Good news: Clay and his brother, Houdini, have been adopted!



Pet of the Week

Toby is a handsome guy with a grin that can lift anyone’s spirits. Just look at that sweet face! Toby is also an excellent cuddle bug. If you’ve had one of those days/weeks/years and need someone to boost your mood, Toby is ready to help. At eight years old, he’s pretty cool and calm, but he’d love to be your buddy for walks around the neighborhood (and not to brag, but he walks great on a leash). He even looks great in a bandana, so get ready to be that person who wears coordinating outfits with their dog when you go for your walks!

The adoption fee for dogs is \$140. All dog adoptions include spay or neuter, microchip, and age-appropriate vaccines. New adopters will receive a complimentary health-and-wellness



exam from VCA Animal Hospitals, as well as a goody bag filled with information about how to care for your pet.

View photos of adoptable pets at pasadenahumane.org and fill out an online adoption application. Adoptions are by appointment only.

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SHOULD SENIORS CONSIDER A REVERSE MORTGAGE NOW?

Dear Savvy Senior:

What can you tell me about reverse mortgages? The coronavirus damage to my retirement account has me considering it but want to make sure I know what I'm getting into. Cash-Strapped Senior

Dear Cash-Strapped:

Massive job losses, a volatile stock market and low interest rates caused by the coronavirus pandemic has caused many cash-strapped retirees to consider a reverse mortgage. But there's a lot to consider to be sure it's a good option for you now.

Let's start with the basics.

A reverse mortgage is a unique type of loan that allows older homeowners to borrow money against the equity in their house (or condo) that doesn't have to be repaid until the homeowner dies, sells the house or moves out for at least 12 months. At that point, you or your heirs will have to pay back the loan plus accrued interest and fees, but you will never owe more than the value of your home.

It's also important to understand that with a reverse mortgage, you, not the bank, own the house, so you're still required to pay your property taxes and homeowners insurance. Not paying them can result in foreclosure.

To be eligible, you must be 62 years of age or older, own your own home (or owe only a small balance) and currently be living there.

You will also need to undergo a financial assessment to determine whether you can afford to continue paying your property taxes and insurance. Depending on your financial situation, you may be required to put part of your loan into an escrow account to pay future bills. If the financial assessment finds that you cannot pay your insurance and taxes and have enough cash left to live on, you'll be denied.

Loan Details

Around 95 percent of all reverse mortgages offered are Home Equity Conversion Mortgages (HECM), which are FHA insured and offered through private mortgage lenders and banks. HECM's also have home value limits that vary by county but cannot exceed \$765,600.

How much you can actually get through a reverse mortgage depends on your age (the older you are



the more you can get), your home's value and the prevailing interest rates. Generally, most people can borrow somewhere between 50 and 60 percent of the home's value. To estimate how much you can borrow, use the reverse mortgage calculator at ReverseMortgage.org.

To receive your money, you can opt for a lump sum, a line of credit, regular monthly checks or a combination of these.

But be aware the reverse mortgages aren't cheap. HECM loans require a 2 percent upfront mortgage insurance payment, plus an additional 0.5 percent annual charge, on top of origination costs and lenders' fees. Any amount you borrow, including these fees and insurance, accrues interest, which means your debt grows over time.

To learn more, read the National Council on Aging's online booklet "Use Your Home to Stay at Home" at NCOA.org/home-equity.

Also note that because reverse mortgages are complex loans, all borrowers are required to get counseling through a HUD approved independent counseling agency before taking one out. Most agencies charge between \$125 and \$250. To locate one near you, visit Go.usa.gov/v2H, or call 800-569-4287.

Other Options

If you have a short-term need for cash, there are other options you should look into. For example, many low-income seniors don't realize they qualify for the earned income tax credit, a refundable tax break that can put cash in your pocket. You also could use BenefitsCheckUp.org to search for financial assistant programs you may be eligible for.

Another possibility is a regular home equity loan or line of credit. This type of borrowing requires you to make payments, and lenders can freeze or lower limits on lines of credit, but the borrowing costs are much lower.

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

SENIOR HAPPENINGS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ...September Birthdays*



Clem Bartolai, Pat Hall, Donna Anderson, Teresa Chauré, Cathy Gunther, Esther Macias, Sheila Pierce, Nancy Sue Shollenberger, Patti O'Meara, Judie Cimino, Mary Steinberg, Geri Wright, Parvin Dabiri, Denise Reistetter and Nehama Warner.

* 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 Lhein@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-per 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 forward 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

Pasadena Senior Center 85 E. Holly St. Pasadena 626-685-6732

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

IF ONLY MY FISHING ROD COULD TALK



It has been a busy week, more so than any other week. Just when I thought I was caught up, something else presented itself without my permission.

That seems to be what life is all about. I remember my father telling me when I complained to him how busy my life was and how my employer wanted me to do a lot of work, "Son, that's life. To be sure, he was right. My father has been right many times, and if only I would have listened to him, I would not have experienced some of the problems that I did. Just don't let him know I said that.

In the middle of trying to sort out my mess this week, I sat back in my chair, took a deep sigh, and then noticed my old fishing rod in my office corner.

It has been there ever since we moved into this house. I forgot that it was there, and as I looked at it, I remembered some of the times I had with that old fishing rod.

I smiled and thought to myself, "If only that fishing rod could talk," what stories could the fishing rod tell?

As a young person, I spent a lot of time fishing. My grandfather taught me the art of fishing. He was a great fisherman and had many great stories about his fishing adventures.

I remember one day I spent fishing with him. That night around the kitchen table, he began telling about his fishing exploits. I sat there listening in awe. The stories he told had nothing to do with the day we spent together fishing.

He would look at me in the middle of the story and say, "Ain't that so?" Of course, I am never going to contradict my grandfather. I know that I will be in his shoes one day, and I want to make sure I have earned the right to wear them. Enthusiastically nodding my head, I would say, "It sure is, grandpa." He would smile and go on with the story.

Looking back, I wished I had taken notes of all his stories. It would have been a fascinating book to read, I am sure.

It is not that fishermen tell lies; they rearrange the truth. What good is the truth unless you can embellish it to the entertainment of those listening? My grandfather certainly entertained people with his stories. I never knew if people believed his stories or not; nobody ever contradicted him. They listened, laughed, and enjoyed every story he told.

One time, after one of his storytelling episodes, we were out in the garage working on some of his fishing equipment. We were alone, so I thought it might be a good time to get the scoop on what he

was doing, "Grandpa," I said thoughtfully, "where do you get all of those stories about fishing that you tell us?" He looked at me, laughed most heartily, and said, "I get all those fishing stories from going out to the creek and fishing."

Then he looked at me, winked, and said, "Just remember. There is some truth in every story I tell. It's up to the listener to figure out what is true and what is not." Then he let a burst of hearty laughter.

With a solemn look on his face, he continued, "The thing about fishing is not simply catching fish, but entertaining your family and friends with what you could've done if it went your way." As I was sitting in my office looking at my fishing rod, I begin to understand for the first time what my grandpa was trying to say.

I spent a little time reflecting on some of grandpa's stories, and even now, I was chuckling. His stories never get old, and my laughter never goes away.

One of the things I learned from my grandfather in connection with fishing is that you have to make the most out of everything you do.

I remember a friend who went fishing and came back grouchy and complained that he did not catch anything. He wasn't fun to be around, to be sure. All he could think about was what he did not do.

My grandpa was quite different.

"Did I tell you," grandpa would begin a story, "about the fish that got away?" He never waited for a response but went directly into the story, and every time he told that story, the fish got just a little bit bigger.

Everybody would laugh and enjoy the story almost as much as grandpa did telling it.

The fish that got away was more important to my grandpa than the fish he caught and brought home. Once you bring the fish home, cook it and eat it, that is its end. But the fish that got away is a story that goes on and on.

I never could figure out if my grandpa was lying or just exaggerating. Being my grandfather, I gave him the benefit of the doubt and just reminisced about his stories.

Thinking about my grandpa's stories, I remembered something that Jesus said. "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32).

My grandpa could exaggerate his fishing stories for the enjoyment of everybody listening. When it comes to real truth, the only truth that matters is Jesus Christ. Only His truth can really set us free.

FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett



THE NEED FOR A GO-BAG IS EVEN MORE IMPORTANT DURING A PANDEMIC

In response to a series of wildfires that ravaged Southern California in 2017, I wrote a previous article explaining why your family should have a "go-bag" ready in the

event a natural disaster or other emergency strikes your home. Go-bags originated with the US military, which requires its personnel to always keep one on-hand packed with the essential items needed to survive for at least three days following a disaster.

When you have just minutes to evacuate, you won't have time to think about what you should pack to survive the days—or weeks—to come, so the time to prepare for your family's safety is now.

In 2020, we're not only dealing with deadly wildfires again in California, we're still in the middle of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has already killed more than 180,000 Americans and seems unlikely to disappear anytime soon.

In light of the increased dangers posed by the pandemic, I decided to update my previous go-bag article. Although most of the items you should have in your go-bag remain the same, here we'll cover the supplies and documents you should pack to deal with COVID-19. Whether you are forced to temporarily relocate somewhere other than your home, require hospitalization, or are subject to quarantine, the pandemic comes with unique risks that call for additional preparation.

The go-bag revisited

Before we discuss the estate planning and other key documents you should include in your go bag, we need to mention some general supplies to include to help protect your family from contracting COVID-19. Along with the personal sanitary items listed in the previous article, you should add the following items:

Face masks and/or face coverings
Hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol
Lysol or other disinfectant sprays
Disinfecting wipes
Disposable gloves

Now, when it comes to your estate plan, even if you have all of the necessary planning documents in place and updated, they won't do you any good if your loved ones don't know about them or can't quickly locate them during an emergency. Without immediate access to your plan, if you become seriously ill or injured, medical and financial decisions can be dangerously delayed or be made by someone other than the people you would want.

And the need for your plan to be easily accessible is particularly urgent during the pandemic. Due

to the highly contagious nature of COVID, there's a good chance your family members will not be allowed to accompany you if you are hospitalized or forced to quarantine. For these reasons, adding your estate plan and other important documents to your go-bag is a must.

While all of your estate planning documents should be included in your go-bag, be sure to include your up-to-date medical power of attorney and living will along with copies of your health insurance or Medicare card and a summary of your medical history. In your medical history, you'll want to mention any chronic underlying medical conditions and illnesses, as well as list all prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications, and/or supplements you are currently taking—and don't forget to list any known allergies.

Make sure your loved ones know about your go-bag, and where to find it. To make it as portable as possible, download your plan and other essential documents to a thumb drive you can carry in your go-bag and upload additional copies to the cloud.

Safeguard your belongings—and memories While protecting your family's health, safety, and well-being is the primary purpose of packing a go-bag, you should also take steps to prevent the financial devastation that can result from having your home and other property destroyed in a disaster. Obviously, having the appropriate levels of insurance coverage in place is your first task.

But to make sure the insurance companies fully reimburse you for what you stand to lose, you should also take video and photos of all your belongings. Such visual documentation can not only ensure you are able to replace your assets, but that your insurance claim is processed as quickly and smoothly as possible.

Finally, if you own your home, it should be titled in your living trust and your living trust MUST be identified as an "additional named insured" on your homeowner's policy. Pull out your policy and check for that now. This often-overlooked detail can cause big problems in the event a claim must be made.

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STUART TOLCHIN



IS THERE STILL TIME?

The day before yesterday, it might have been Thursday, but I'm never very sure anymore. It really doesn't matter because all the days are the same except when my wife and I are allowed to spend time with our granddaughter. If there was a set schedule there would be a point to keeping track. We take care of the baby two or three times a week. So after getting the baby my wife drives up the winding road, goes up the hill and there's a detour sign which she ignores based on my foolish advice.

We go around the next curve and now are able to see our house. Unfortunately, in front of the house is not one, but two huge trucks that completely block the road. They block our driveway and three-quarters of the street. It is impossible to drive around them and my wife realizes that she is going to have to turn around. Just then, the giant trash truck pulls up behind us which proves it is in fact Thursday. There is no backing up now and there is no going forward and now the baby begins to cry. Normally when I am in the back seat and the baby starts to cry I am slightly pleased because I can demonstrate to myself that I still have some purpose as I am quite skilled at quieting the baby through facial expressions and gentle touching and by finding her pacifier. I am so enamored by our granddaughter that I sometimes imagine that she cries only to give me the opportunity to prove my worth by quieting her and calming her down. Of course, it is also true that she is teething and that may be the actual reason for her distress. I want to stay in the back seat with her but the giant truck behind us is honking and the two trucks in front of us are not moving. It is actually over one hundred degrees outside of the car—so do you get the picture—we can't go forward, we can't go backward, and I have to leave the car with the baby crying and my wife glaring at me for giving such poor advice. A perfect picture of my life as I now often see it—I'm still around but do nothing but make things more difficult.

Eventually, I leave the car, go out into the heat, explain to the hard-working sweating men that they are blocking our driveway and that it is impossible for us to back up and that there is a crying baby in our car. One of the men actually walks back to the car, looks at the baby, says something to my wife, nods his head and says something to the truck in front of his truck. Soon they both move and we now we're home. I try to get the baby out of the car seat, fumble with the straps and my wife comes back and removes the baby. I want to at least carry her into the house and up the stairs and place her in her high chair. I know I will have trouble adjusting the restraints. At least I want to carry the baby up the stairs because I know my wife's back is hurting. Without me telling you, you can probably guess that my wife, especially when she's already angry, doesn't trust me to carry the baby up the stairs and she carries the baby up the stairs which requires me to try and hook her into the high chair which I do not do very well.

I think I am having some problems with self-esteem which has never been my long suit. I know as an older person I should have acquired some wisdom along the line but that also seems like something else I forgot to do. I hope there is still time. What is today, anyway?

TOM PURCELL



CENSUS 2020: ACCURATE COUNT ESSENTIAL

I hope we get it right.

Data collection for the 2020 U.S. Census ends soon. This census, the 22nd in U.S. history, has faced its share of challenges and controversies. The goal of the census has remained the same throughout its 230-year history: to count every person living in the United States.

The Constitution requires the federal government to do so every 10 years. The population count determines the number of U.S. House seats each state will have – which can become highly political. When a state gains or loses seats, the party in power sometimes redraws congressional districts in hopes of making it impossible for the other party to win. That's why census results are so important to politicians. The census also determines how much federal funding your neighborhood will receive. The more people counted in a region, the more money that region will receive for roads, bridges and other government programs.

From the start, this census has faced no small number of controversies and challenges.

"From cybersecurity issues to administrative problems to a legal drama over a possible citizenship question, there are plenty of reasons to worry about the decennial head count," noted The Atlantic in July 2018. Cybersecurity certainly is a concern. This is the very first census that allows answering questions online – which may put respondents and their data at risk of cyberattack, particularly amid COVID-19, which has brought thousands of scammers out of the woodwork. Wired reported in 2019 that "experts fear the (census) bureau is opening itself up to a range of new risks, from basic functionality and connectivity failures to cybersecurity threats and disinformation campaigns."

Disinformation in the era of social media? I'm shocked. To stay secure, remember that the Census Bureau will never ask for your full Social Security number, or your bank account or credit card numbers, or for money or donations – but scammers pretending to be from the bureau will.

Ten questions ask about respondents' name, sex, age, race, telephone number and whether they own or rent. There are no questions about religion, whether one is a legal resident or whether one has a Social Security number.

When the Trump administration proposed adding a citizenship question, opponents cried foul. They said the question would intimidate noncitizens into not responding, which would result in undercounts in districts with many noncitizens. The administration eventually dropped that idea.

Here's the latest battle, according to Roll Call: "Under pressure from the Trump administration to end the count early, the (Census) agency will conclude all enumeration efforts on Sept. 30, and then comb through data before wrapping up the whole process by Dec. 31 – half the time the agency originally anticipated after delaying its initial schedule because of the pandemic."

Trump opponents say this could cause undercounting in minority communities. The administration says modern technologies and efficiencies enable an accurate count and meeting its statutory deadline of Dec. 31, 2020.

In an era when everything is hopelessly political and political opponents loathe and distrust each other, one thing really matters. It's essential that we get our census data right.

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DONALD TRUMP AND REPUBLICANS, IN THEIR OWN WORDS

If you're looking for the biggest difference between Donald Trump's acceptance speeches in 2016 and last week, it helps to channel your inner real estate developer. It's all about location, location, location.

In 2016, Trump delivered a darkly tedious and overlong speech from the frigidly air-conditioned Quicken Loans Arena in Cleveland. At least it had the virtue of being on private

property.

In 2020, he delivered a darkly tedious and overlong speech from the White House's South Lawn, blasting through the traditional and legal prohibitions against using federal property and resources for electioneering.

In 2016, Trump insisted that he alone could solve the nation's problems, warning that "the attacks on our police, and the terrorism in our cities, threaten our very way of life. Any politician who does not grasp this danger is not fit to lead our country."

In Washington last week, Trump complained that Democratic nominee "Joe Biden and his supporters remained completely silent about the rioters and criminals spreading mayhem in Democrat-run cities. They never even mentioned it during their entire convention. Never once mentioned."

Even as Trump blasted what he said was "left-wing anarchy and mayhem in Minneapolis, Chicago and other cities," he also honored police officers – a recurring theme of convention week. But he remained utterly silent on the reason those same demonstrators were taking to the streets: To protest the killings of unarmed Black civilians at the hands of law enforcement, and the decades of institutionalized racism that has resulted in a legal system weighted against people of color.

Elsewhere, White House Press Secretary Kayleigh McEnany laughably claimed that Trump "stands by Americans with pre-existing conditions." In fact, Trump and his Republican allies are in court fighting to overturn the Affordable Care Act, which provides legal protection for 130 million Americans with pre-existing conditions, the Guardian also noted.

And if you needed a reminder that the Grand Old Party, which left its convention week without an actual platform, is now really the Party of Trump, you didn't need to look any further than Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell.

Four years ago, in a joint appearance with then-House Speaker Paul Ryan, McConnell took to the stage looking like he was starring in a hostage video while undergoing a root canal. McConnell's antipathy to Trump at the time was well-documented.

But with control of the Senate on the line this year, McConnell, in recorded remarks, spoke of "my friend, Donald Trump," even as he inveighed against Democrats and cynically warned that granting statehood to Washington D.C. would result "in two more liberal senators," making it impossible for Republicans to "undo the damage they've [Democrats] have done."

In a July analysis for Inside Elections, Jacob Rubashkin blew up that narrative, noting that "history reveals that two additional Democratic senators would rarely have made a difference in control of the Senate over the last half century."

The Senate Republican resistance to D.C. statehood has always been rooted as much in fear of a dilution of political power as it has been in a racism that has trained them to view the overwhelmingly Black city as little more than a personal plaything. I covered Congress in 1997, during another push for D.C. statehood, and saw the same scenario unfold at the time.

Even the language that McConnell used Thursday was couched in racism. Democrats, he complained, wanted to cement their agenda by "making the swamp itself, Washington, D.C., America's 51st state." But it wasn't a message for "Chocolate City," as the increasingly diverse D.C. was once called. It was a scare tactic and dog whistle for middle America.

McConnell, like other Republicans who flushed the GOP's legacy this week, was simply following the lead of their Dear Leader. In Cleveland four years ago, Trump trafficked in racism and fear, warning of "illegal immigrants with criminal records" who were "roaming free to threaten peaceful citizens."

In Washington last week, Trump bleated that if "the left gains power they will demolish the suburbs, confiscate your guns and appoint justices who will wipe away your Second Amendment and other constitutional freedoms."

During both conventions, Republicans claimed they had a bold, new vision for America. They don't. They're members of a party bereft of ideas that can only do one thing: Peddle division and fear.

It's right there. In their own words.

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File No. 2020116233
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BATEMAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/23/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/20/2020. 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)
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File No. 2020111278
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE FINEZZT MASTER FLOORING MAINTENANCE 9361 NOBLE AVENUE, NORTH HILLS, CA. 91343. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) SALVADOR SALINAS 9361 NOBLE AVENUE, NORTH HILLS, CA. 91343. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: SALVADOR SALINAS, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/23/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/20/2020. 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)
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SOUL LUNA 12661 BYRON AVE GRANADA HILLS, CA. 91344. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) NICOLE MARIE VALLEZ 12661 BYRON AVE. GRANADA HILLS, CA. 91344. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: NICOLE MARIE VALLEZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/23/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/20/2020. 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)
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File No. 2020115134
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: NORTH HILLS PHYSICAL THERAPY 16220 COMMUNITY COURT SUITE 8, NORTH HILLS, CA. 91343. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ANAHIT MEHRABYAN 700 SOUTH ST GLENDALE, CA. 91202. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ANAHIT MEHRABYAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/30/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/20/2020. 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)
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TAX CLEANER 18634 STRATHERN ST RESEDA, CA. 91335. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JUANA PETRONA GUINEA CHUC 18634 STRATHERN ST RESEDA, CA. 91335. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JUANA PETRONA GUINEA CHUC, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/29/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/20/2020. 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)
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ARENA FOOTINGS WEST 4044 COTTONWOOD GROVE TRAIL CALABASAS, CA. 91301. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) FOOTINGS UNLIMITED WEST, INC. 4044 COTTONWOOD GROVE TRAIL CALABASAS, CA. 91301. This Business is conducted by: CORPORATION. Signed: FOOTINGS UNLIMITED WEST, INC.,

EDITH SALVADORA BAIRES MARROQUIN, SECRETARY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/01/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/20/2020. 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)
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Well, we've made it to another Birthday! Since 2006, I have been publishing a weekly newspaper in the San Gabriel Valley specifically covering the cities of Sierra Madre, Arcadia, Monrovia, Duarte, Pasadena, and also South Pasadena, Altadena and San Marino. It was August 4, 2007 however, when the first edition of the Mountain Views Observer (now know as the Mountain Views News) was published! My how time flies! That is a total of 698 CONSECUTIVE weeks; approximately 12,564 pages; more than 7 million print readership! Our website traffic exceeded 4 million page reads in 2019 alone! I am pretty proud of what we have accomplished over the last 14 years, despite huge economic challenges, such as the 40% tariff on newsprint that comes from China and has adversely impacted print media in the United States or California's AB5 which is another threat to newspapers statewide, we survived.

And then.....2020 and COVID-19 happened! To date, we are still alive and moving forward. We are proceeding cautiously and are committed to continue providing you with accurate information about your community.

In March, when we reached out to you for help we expected that by May at the very least the

with us. As indicated in the beginning, the Mountain Views News has survived primarily on the paper's ability to publish legal notices and the support of our advertisers many of whom are also impacted by the COVID19 virus. However, that has all changed. We were informed mid-March that the County of Los Angeles closed all public access to buildings that process legal notices. Such action, while absolutely necessary means that the income generated from the publication of the Fictitious Business Notices came to an abrupt halt and that has not changed. Without the ability to publish those legal notices, continued publication of the Mountain Views News remains in jeopardy.

With your help, however, we can continue to sustain the only

Emergency would be over. We could not have imagined in our wildest dreams that in August the crisis would still be

paper where your community news comes first while we work on alternatives to the current legal notice processing is found or LA County Buildings allow public access again.

Remember, print media is the only source of information that CANNOT BE HACKED! What you read in the Mountain Views News is accurate and as publisher, I stand behind every word. Our sources are reliable and dependable. Our Opinions share both sides of the argument. Community events and local organization activities are also an integral part of what we provide each week. And, while we do have an online presence, each week thousands of print copies are distributed.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SAYRA ONG DANG
CASE NO. 20NWCP00185

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner **SAYRA ONG DANG**

FILED A PETITION WITH THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT – NORWALK COURTHOUSE SOUTH EAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

FOR A DECREE CHANGING NAMES AS FOLLOWS:

Present Name:
SAYRA ONG DANG
Proposed Name:
SAYRA ONG

A HEARING on the petition will be held on 10/02/20 at 10:30 AM in Dept. C Room 312 located at 12720 Norwalk Blvd, Norwalk, Ca 90650

THE COURT ORDERS that all interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated above to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Petitioner Appearing Pro Per
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2. mend our
3. cook our
4. bandage our
5. read bedtime

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Editor:

Congratulations to Sierra Madre for going 100% Renewable.*
 Let's do the same, Altadena. Actually, we have been enrolled in the Clean Power Alliance for the past two years, so our home is also 100% on renewable energy.
 However, we do question just how Sierra Madre will achieve its goals of 100% renewables by 2022 if it is based on all home owners making their individual decision to convert. Sincerely, Altadena, CA 91001
 *This refers to the article printed in the August 22, 2020 Edition. Go to: <http://mtnviewsnews.com/v14/htm/n34/index.htm>
 DEAR READER:

Thank you for your feedback. Cities that belong to the Clean Power Alliance choose a default renewable energy percentage for all their residents. Residents can then elect to stay at the default level or change it to a lower level of renewables. What makes the Clean Power Alliance unique is that it is creating new renewable energy projects and jobs in Southern California. The Voyager Wind project near Mojave, CA came online last year and generates electricity to power more than 11,00 Southern California homes and created an estimated 205 construction jobs and 16 new permanent jobs.

In addition to Sierra Madre's efforts with the Clean Power Alliance, the City is investing in its own local renewable energy projects. Working closely with the City, I led the development of a solar plus storage project that will come online in 2021 and generate nearly 1 million kWh of clean, local, renewable energy. Not only will it generate renewable electricity, it will save the City money within its first year of operation.

Robert Parkhurst, Candidate for Sierra Madre City Council

FRED THOMAS SHARING WHAT I POSTED ON FACEBOOK



Believe it or not, I appreciate all of the comments and thoughts on my posts. People in my friends' group are there for a reason and I know they have good hearts.

I am learning a lot about how deeply entrenched we are in our versions of what's happening in our country. So I am smart enough to verify news reports from multiple sources because we all know about sensationalism in journalism (it's about as shocking to me as it was to learn that there was a casting couch in Hollywood). So I wanted to know the racial breakdown of suspects that killed our officers this year by gunfire.

Since there was no statistical report that I could find with this information, I spent this morning looking it up myself. I started by going to the "Officer Down Memorial Page" odmp.org and looked up every officer that died by gunfire (that wasn't accidental). Then I looked up all of the cases online to get the suspect's name and if an image wasn't available, I kept digging online until I found one.

Like it or not, agree or not, these are my findings. I encourage all of you to look beyond the political and news reporting rhetoric and actually look for yourselves. 16 police officers were shot and killed by Caucasian suspects, 8 by African Americans, and 8 by Latino suspects. Our officers on the line are twice as likely to be killed by Caucasians than any single minority group.

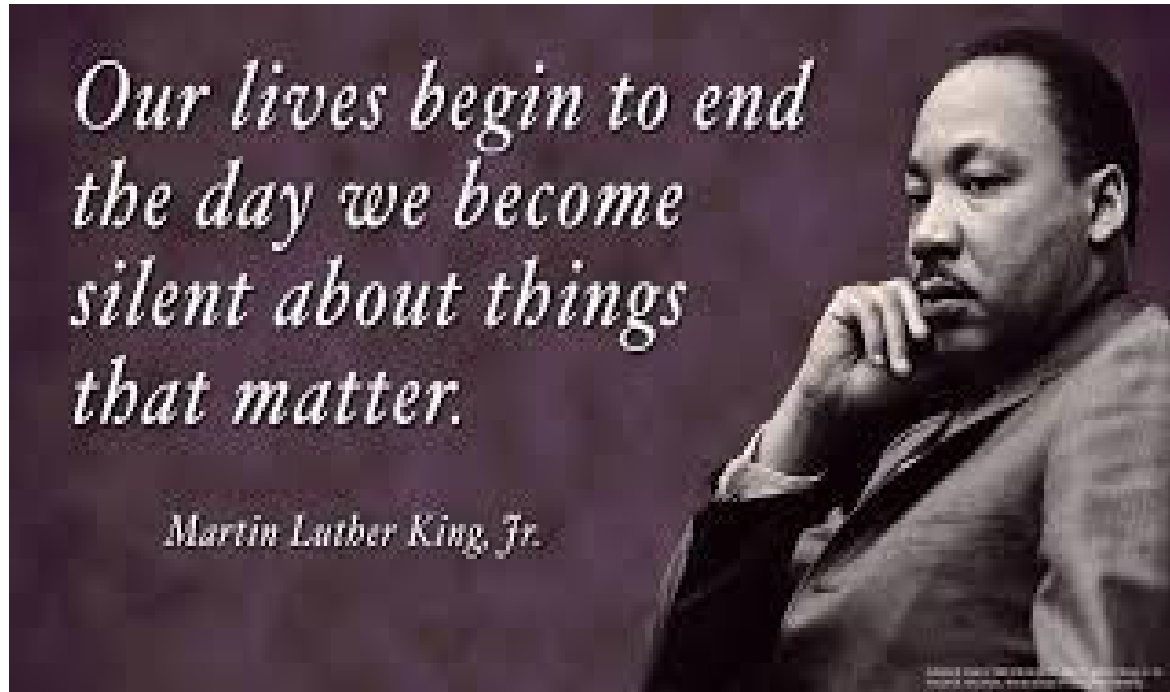
Whats more shocking than the 32 brave men and women who died in the line, according to the same data 101 yes *101 police officers died this year from COVID-19 related illnesses.*

These officers are daily American heroes, and we owe it to them to tell the truth about how they died and stop regurgitating half information we glean from whatever "news Fix" we choose to get high on.

If Blue Lives Matter (And I wholeheartedly believe they do), then let us be real were the dangers are coming from. Twice as likely to be killed by a white suspect, 10 times more likely to die at the hands of COVID-19.

Please wear a mask. You're killing the very people you claim to love and support so much. Stop all violence, violence against police, violence against citizens, and verbal violence aimed at each other. And to all of the looters stop destroying the livelihood of people that are trying to live their best life. My guess is the looters have never owned a business that they had to rely on to support their families.

To my friends in Blue, there is an inherent danger in what you do, and its why you are needed. Just please remember where the threat is highest. I think Its time we all grow up, learn some humility, and save our country... together. God... and yes I do mean God. Please bless and save America, from ourselves.



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PORTRAITS OF OUR NEIGHBORS

By Stuart Tolchin

DR. KEVIN MORRIS PH.D



This is the first of a series of interviews with individuals living near us in Sierra Madre. It is my hope that these articles will help to ease the isolation resulting from the restrictions imposed by the Covid 19 virus.

Dr. Kevin V. Morris is the Associate Director of the Center for Gene Therapy at the City of Hope in Duarte California. His Ph.D. thesis involved the study of the creation of vaccines and he is described as one of the brightest lights in RNA research and was the first to recognize the unique properties of RNA. His credentials are staggering in that he has published over 150 articles, is a Fellow at Oxford University, and has led research laboratories at the renowned Scripps Research Institute in La Jolla, California as well as at the University of New South Wales, Australia.

Of equal importance to us, he is our neighbor living with his wife and eleven year old daughter in the lower canyon of Sierra Madre. The deceased father of Dr. Morris was a Psychology Professor at the University of Central Michigan for over twenty years but the main influence upon Dr. Morris was his mother Judy. When faced with a difficult decision Dr. Morris asks himself the question WWJD (what would Judy do?) and her basic answer would be “if you want to do it, give it a try”. With her encouragement he avoided College and came to Hollywood to pursue his ambition of becoming a rock and roll drummer. He formed several bands but, like so many others, was unable to reach that goal. He did utilize that time to develop a love of surfing, skiing, mountain biking, and golf. Notwithstanding his present prestigious position he states that his favorite all-time job was being a motor-scooter messenger driving around Beverly Hills and Bel Air. He is an unusual person who “works hard and plays hard”. It was explained to me that this is not an atypical way of life for successful scientists.

Eventually, in need of money he followed a friend's advice and entered LA City College where he received a grant of some sort. Much to his surprise, his intellectual interests kicked in, and he became fascinated by biology and found the future direction of his life. He went on to UC Davis where he earned a Ph.D.. He has now lectured and lived all over the world. How has this amazing man coped with the virus? He explained that his eleven year old daughter needed to be in a place where she could interact with her cousins safely in a remote safe place. Consequently he and his wife decided it was best for their family to fly back to Michigan to be with extended family. He showed me pictures of the cousins frolicking about in the water and further cited all sorts of figures to demonstrate that repeated air flights were not the danger I believe them to be. Anyway, he shrugged and said we're all going to die at some point anyway so we might as well enjoy life while we can.

He attempted to explain to me that the virus much like the continuing deterioration of the planet, is an existential problems facing humanity that is not going to go away. Climate warming is the greater problem that will require the most significant adaptations. One of the undiscussed benefits resulting from the virus is that all of us will begin to take Science more seriously and will have learned that it is necessary to modify the way we live in order to adjust to changing conditions. A silver lining perhaps, but I doubt that our own Judy would be making flight reservations at this time.

My suggestion is to keep wearing our masks and maintain social distancing. In future articles I will discuss how other neighbors are coping.

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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LOCAL ELECTION COVERAGE

On November 3, 2020 voters across the country will either cast ballots by mail or physically go to the polls in some have already dubbed, "the most important election of our lives". That may be very true especially on the National level. However, the election of capable individuals locally is equally as important.

In the State of California alone, there are more than a dozen ballot measures for citizens to vote on. In the city of Sierra Madre residents will go to the polls and select three people from a field of eight to sit on our city council, vote on whether or not to elect or appoint our City Clerk, vote for our City Treasurer and select the representative to sit on the Pasadena Unified School Board.

The Mountain Views News will do our best to provide our readers with good, reliable, objective information on all. For the ballot measures we will provide you with the Pros and Cons of each measure.

In addition, each week, as we have done in the past, we will profile the candidates and give each of the candidates the opportunity to introduce themselves to our readers by answering the following questions:

1. Why are you running for City Council (or the PUSD Board)?
2. What are you going to do for Sierra Madre?
3. How do you plan on accomplishing your goals?

All candidates are being asked to answer the same questions and their answers will be published unedited.

The schedule for the candidates responses will be as follows:

Saturday, September 12, 2020	PUSD District 6 Candidates
Saturday, September 19, 2020	SM City Council Candidates 2 Year Seat
Saturday, September 26, 2020	SM City Council Candidates 4 Year Seat
Saturday, October 3, 2020	California Ballot Propositions

. A separate letter has been sent to each candidate asking them to participate.
In addition to the candidate spotlights, we will attempt to cover the various forums sponsored by local organizations.

Our reporting on this election will be as fair and objective as possible. However, please keep in mind that our columnists are always free to share their opinions. Their opinions are their opinions and may or may not reflect the position of the paper.

This is true in all things, not just this election.

Finally, we will also provide for you the calendar of important dates regarding the election. It is our goal to do whatever we can to help you make an informed decision on November 3, 2020.


Susan Henderson, Publisher and Editor


Returning Your VBM Ballot


Voters are advised that they are responsible for how their Vote by Mail (VBM) ballots are returned and with whom they entrust their ballots. The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk recommends returning a ballot to either a mailbox, official drop box, or ballot box.


Voters who cannot return their VBM ballot can designate any person to return their ballot as long as there is no compensation involved for that individual, group or organization returning the ballot.


There are several recommended options for returning a Vote by Mail ballot during any election:


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List of drop-off locations available at [LAvote.net](https://www.lavote.net) prior to each election.
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Drop-off at any Vote Center leading up to and on Election Day.
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Signature Verification
Voters must sign the eligibility oath and date the VBM return envelope before submitting their ballot. Every signature is verified before the ballot is cleared for counting. If a signature is missing or if the signature does not match the one on file, the County will notify the impacted voter to allow the voter an opportunity to provide a valid signature.
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