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With so many red hot real estate markets across the country, DIY-minded sellers might get ahead of themselves and decide they can sell their own home.

With low inventory levels and sky-high prices, it might be tempting to stick a sign in the ground and see what they can get (without paying that pesky agent commission, of course).

It'll practically sell itself, right? Not so fast.

When the buyers don't come running after putting the house up for sale, for-sale-by-owners (FSBOs) are left scratching their heads, perplexed about what's happening. After all, they don't know what they don't know.

Here are six reasons that FSBOs typically find selling much harder than they imagined.

- Your safety is a priority a real estate professional will have the proper protocols in place to protect your belongings and family's health and well-being.
- A powerful online strategy is a must to attract a buyer recent studies from NAR have shown that, the first step 44% of all buyers took when looking for a home was to search online. Throughout the process, that number jumps to 93%.
- As part of their training, agents are taught how to negotiate every aspect of the real estate transaction and how to mediate the emotions felt by buyers looking to make what is probably the largest purchase of their lives.
- Having a buyer who wants to purchase your house is the first step. Making sure they can afford to buy it is just as important. As a FSBO, it's almost impossible to be involved in the mortgage process of your buyer.
- FSBOing has become more difficult from a legal standpoint. In an increasingly litigious society, the agent acts as a third-party to help the seller avoid legal jeopardy. This is one of the major reasons why the percentage of people FSBOing has dropped from 19% to 8% over the last 20+ years.
- A study by collateral analytics revealed that FSBOs don't actually save anything by forgoing the help of an agent. In some cases, the seller may even net less money from the sale. The study found the difference in price between a FSBO and an agent-listed home was an average of 6%.

Listing on your own leaves you to manage the entire transaction by yourself. Why do that when you can hire an agent and still net the same amount of money? Before you decide to take on the challenge of selling your house alone, reach out to one of us to discuss your options.

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SIERRA MADRE BUSINESSES NEED YOU!

By Audrey Swanson

This year, our town's businesses have been severely affected by the global coronavirus pandemic. Luckily, most of our local businesses have found creative ways to adapt to the changes they've experienced over and keep their doors open. Through takeout, outdoor dining, appointment based services, and more, they've been able to stay in business, and for some, even to expand their reach due to increased visibility.

To help you keep up with these necessary changes, we have provided a list detailing the hours and precautions taken by local stores to keep you safe and healthy during this time. Remember, mask wearing and social distancing must be observed at all locations and be sure to stay home if you're feeling any symptoms. Otherwise, keep supporting our local businesses!



Outdoor dining has saved most restaurants. Below, former site of KOI - Permanently Closed



(Partial listing subject to change)

- ARIA NAILS SPA: Outdoor and socially distanced salon services available by appointment only
ATTITUDE: Open
BALDWIN JEWELERS: Open
BANK OF THE WEST: Open with reduced hours: Mon-Fri. 9:30am-4pm, Sat. 9am-12:pm, Closed Sunday
BEAN TOWN: Temporarily Closed Under Construction
BEST BUY DRUGS: Open
THE BOTTLE SHOP: Open Sun-Thurs from 9am-9pm and Fri & Sat from 9am-10pm.
BROWN'S CLASSIC INTERIORS: Open Tuesday-Saturday from 11am-5pm, evening appointments available.

THE BUCCANEER: Temporarily Closed By County Order
CAPELLI COURT SALON: Open for appointments only

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COFFEE.JPG: Open for takeout

CORFU: Open for takeout

DOG WASH AMERICA: Open with reduced hours for appointment

LEMON ZEST CAFE: Open for takeout, outdoor patio seating

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LUCKY CLOVER SPA: Open by appointment only

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MAESTRO CUSTOM TAILOR: Open

MONSIEUR CRÊPE: Open for takeout with reduced hours: 8am-2pm from Tues-Sunday

MOTHER MOO CREAMERY: Open for takeout, online orders also

THE ONLY PLACE IN TOWN: Open for outdoor dining and takeout

PAMPERED NAILS SPA: Open for appointments only

POPPYCAKE: Open for takeout

RAFAEL'S INTERIORS: Permanently Closed

RUIZ SHOE REPAIR: Open, large selection of cool face masks available for purchase!

SAVOR THE FLAVOR: Open

SHABBY DOG by appointment only

SIERRA FITNESS outdoor gym; online classes

SIERRA FUSION: Open for takeout and outdoor dining

SIERRA MADRE DANCE CENTER: Open, offering both online and socially distanced dance classes for children and teenagers.

SIERRA MADRE PIZZA COMPANY: Open for takeout

SOCAL KENPO KARATE: Open, offering online and outside classes

STARBUCKS: Open for takeout, outdoor seating available

SUBWAY: Open for takeout with reduced hours: mobile order and curbside pickup also available

SYNDICATE COFFEE: Open for takeout, outdoor seating available

TACOS ENSENADA: Open for takeout

TAYLOR'S OL' FASHIONED MARKET: Open daily except Sunday

TROPICAL NAIL SPA: Open for appointments with limited hours:

VILLAGGIO PIZZERIA: Open for takeout

WISTARIA RESTAURANT AND BAR: Open with reduced hours and outdoor patio seating from 5pm-9:30pm Wednesday-Sunday

YOGURT AND MORE: Permanently Closed

REMEMBERING
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SIERRA MADRE HISTORIAN EMERITUS
A WALKING MEMORIAL TRIBUTE

SIERRA MADRE WOMEN'S CLUB GROUNDS

Sunday, October 18, 2020

1:00—4:00 pm

Masks are required.

Please maintain Social Distancing.

Elect
ANDY BENCOSME
for City Council
• DOWNTOWN BUSINESS OPERATOR •
• COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSIONER •
• COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER •
• NEIGHBOR •

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-John Capocchia
Sierra Madre Mayor
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-John Capoccia
Sierra Madre Mayor



"I am pleased to endorse Andy Bencosme for Sierra Madre City Council. Andy's leadership experience in business and community affairs makes him an ideal Council Candidate."

-Gene Goss
Council Member and
Former Mayor



"I am very happy to endorse my friend Andy for the Sierra Madre City Council. I have known Andy for years and have found him to be a dedicated person who deeply cares about his community."

-Anthony Portantino
California State Senator

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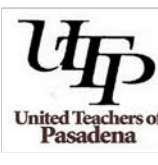
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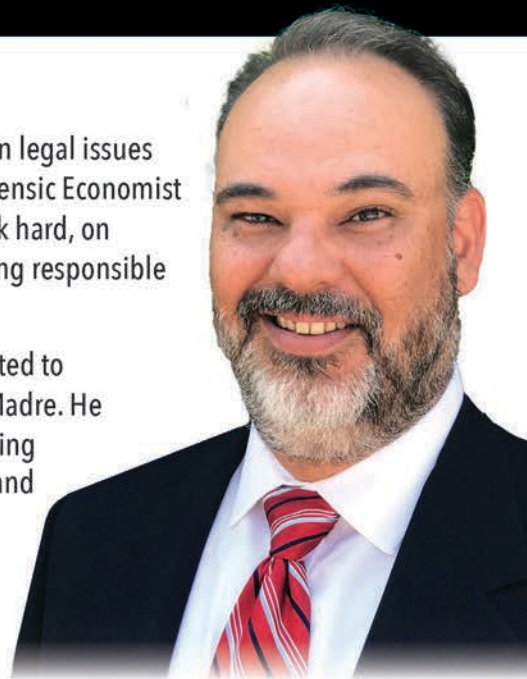
EDWARD GARCIA for SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL

Ed will bring his experience in working on legal issues concerning Economics and Statistics as a Forensic Economist to the Sierra Madre City Council. He will work hard, on your behalf, to make certain the City is making responsible decisions with the budget.

As a father of three children, Ed is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life here in Sierra Madre. He sees the importance of public safety, improving infrastructure, supporting local businesses, and community services to reach that goal.

Ed's community involvement includes:

- Sierra Madre Community Foundation, President (Previously Treasurer and Secretary)
- City of Sierra Madre UUT Oversight Committee, Member, 2015
- City of Sierra Madre Special Revenue Committee, Chair, 2015
- Yes on Measure UUT Committee Chair, 2016
- No on Measure D Committee Chair, 2018
- St. Rita, Cub Scout Pack 110 Cubmaster, Fall 2017 through Spring 2019
- St. Rita, BSA Troop 100, Troop Committee Member, 2020 (current)
- Sierra Madre Little League, Managed or Coached the past seven seasons



Proven Commitment to the Community!

Ed is the only candidate who is unanimously endorsed by the current Sierra Madre City Council and by the Sierra Madre Professional Firefighters Association



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Oct. 18-24, 2020



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Please join Friends of the Sierra Madre to help supplement the fantastic programs for youth, adults, and the community. An individual membership costs \$20/year, family membership is \$35/year as well as various levels of Partners who supplement large projects for the library.

Go to: sierramadrelibraryfriends.org, and select "Be A Friend/Become a Member".

Friends of the Sierra Madre Library organizes the Annual Art Festival in the park the first weekend in May, the Wine and Cuisine Tasting at the Historic Italian Villa at Alverno in the Fall, and the Best Used Book Sale every other month at the library.

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SIERRA MADRE PLAYHOUSE MARQUEE RE-LIGHTING

The SMP marquee has long been a fixture on the Boulevard and a landmark for the



City of Sierra Madre. While SMP has been closed during the pandemic, the marquee has been bearing weekly messages of inspiration and thanks. But as many may have noticed, the marquee has been showing its age – with broken neon, dimmed lights, and broken acrylic backing.

But recently, you may have noticed quite a bit of activity around the marquee. In the spring, SMP's Board of Directors launched a campaign to renovate the iconic sign as proof that, Covid-19 notwithstanding, the Playhouse stands strong and will continue as the cultural center of our part of the San Gabriel Valley. Built in 1910 and transformed into a movie theater in 1924, the marquee was added to the building sometime after that and has been badly in need of a facelift. A grant from the Sierra Madre City Council, along with earmarked donations from private Sierra Madre residents, has allowed SMP to hire the premier restorer of theater marquees, Yesco, to restore ours to its original brilliance.

The Playhouse will host a ceremonial relighting of the Boulevard landmark at 6 pm, Friday, October 23rd. The Playhouse looks forward to having our community join them in celebrating this long-anticipated moment by watching a live stream of the event on their social media – go to their website SierraMadrePlayhouse.org for links to the event. Local and community leaders will be on hand to participate in the dedication ceremony; social distancing protocols will be in place. The event will be recorded and posted on the SMP website following the event.

WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

“You will have much to give thanks for in life.”
“Strong and bitter words indicate a weak cause.”
“Be indifferent to snide remarks.”
“Adversity reveals genius. Prosperity conceals it.”
“A dream is just a dream. A goal is a dream with a plan and a deadline.”

Wow, you're thinking...what a lot of great, pithy thoughts. Yes, friends and neighbors, they are. And where did I get all this deep wisdom? Fortune cookies. I've been collecting them for a while now and the first one is the one I opened last Monday when daughter, Crissy, and I went to P F Chang's for lunch to celebrate the return of her daughters, Jessie and Emily, to school. In the school building. Wearing masks, working on Chrome books, distanced in the gym, but out of the house and back with many of their peers. The picture isn't the girls as they were too giddy to photograph.



What a delight to see George Maurer's picture on the front page of last week's Mountain Views News, celebrating his 98th birthday. I have to say he looks great. I'm sure all of you have a George Maurer story and I've told this one before, but in honor of his 98th birthday, I'm going to tell it again. In 1974, John and I and our family were living there on Alegria and our youngest daughter, Crissy, (yes, that same one mentioned above) was four years old. John and I had gone to one of the Museum buildings in Exposition Park to record a concert for the jazz station which is now KKGO – Go Country. John worked for Mt. Wilson Broadcasting most of his adult life and did a lot of that sort of thing. As the evening progressed, he got a page from our own Nancy Shollenberger, who at that time was the owner of the local answering service company. As paging was brand new at that time, it's a wonder she got him at all but she was determined and, if you know Nancy, that's a good description of her. Her news was not good. Crissy had been hit by a car, running across the street to the ice cream truck. She was horribly injured and as it was hot mid-July, was wearing a bathing suit so being dragged along the pavement was awful. Here's where George Maurer comes in. Sierra Madre had a station wagon which was fitted out with paramedic supplies but not at all equipped as an ambulance. George and the dear man who was with him that day took a look at our little girl, scooped her up and drove her to Methodist Hospital where they saved her life. But if George had waited for an ambulance, we're not so sure she would have made it.

In our eyes he achieved sainthood that day and his service to the community and great man he has continued to be to this day have done nothing to change our minds. Happy birthday, George, and thank you again for what you did that hot July day so long ago.

“Halloween is a lifestyle...not a holiday!”
“Keep calm and carry garlic!”
“When witches go riding and black cats are seen, the moon laughs and whispers... 'tis near Halloween.”

Halloween is going to be different this year and the eggs filled with goodies to be hidden all around town – somewhat reminiscent of Willy Wonka & The Chocolate Factory – with golden ticket prizes hidden in just five of the eggs sounds like fun. But just between us, I shall miss Halloween days of yore...

ALL HALLOWS EVE...BE AFRAID...BE VERY AFRAID!

All Hallows Eve.... is coming,
A deadly.... dreadly night.....
When ghouls and ghosts and creepies,
And other awful blights,
Are free to roam and wander,
Anywhere they might.

Creating scary terror everywhere they can,
And scream inducing, faint-producing,
hair-raising, bone-melting,
What's that right there behind me...
Quivery, shivery...Fright!!

They creep out of their crypts and graves,
These creatures of the night.
They haunt the roads and byways,
Run rampant through the park.
They hide between the bushes,
And everywhere it's dark.

Up and down the streets of town,
They race in search of plunder,
These ghouls and ghosts and monsters,
About three feet tall or under!
They shriek for treats and threaten tricks,
But are satisfied with candy.
These creatures rule the darkness,
As long as Mom and Dad are handy.

Beware...take care,
Who knows what's waiting,
Just around the bend.
Could be Jack the Ripper, come to call again,
Or Dracula or Frankenstein, the undead walk tonight.
Maybe just stay safe inside...and turn off that porch light.

However you celebrate Halloween, in costume or out, with candy corn or without, have fun, laugh a lot and do everything you can to stay well.

My book page: [Amazon.com: Deanne Davis](https://www.amazon.com/Deanne-Davis/e/B000APR004)
Where you'll find "Sunrises and Sunflowers Speak Hope"
And "A Tablespoon of Love, A Tablespoon of Laughter"
Both of these books are stuffed with hope and a good recipe or two.
All five of the Emma Gainsworth adventures are available on Amazon.com
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You can follow me on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/playwrightdd>



SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

October 4, to October 10, 2020

During this period the Sierra Madre Police Depals for service.

Drug Paraphernalia

On 10/4/20 at 2:23PM officers on patrol in the 600 block of W. Highland Ave., contacted the driver of a vehicle for a parking violation. During the field interview, the driver stated that he was on parole. Drug paraphernalia was discovered in the vehicle. The driver was cited and released in the field. Case to DA's office

Theft of signs

A female RP called to report a theft of several political campaign signs. The signs were taken from various locations within the city limits, by unknown suspect(s). The thefts occurred on various dates and times from 9/5/20 to 10/5/20. Officers checked the area but were unable to find the suspect(s). Case to Detectives

Phone Scam

10/5/20 at 10:50AM in the 400 block of W. Sierra Madre Bl.

A resident in the 600 block of W. Sierra Madre Bl. was befriended by a suspect via text messages. The suspect sent checks to the resident and convinced him to cash them. The resident deposited the checks and sent the cash to suspect via gift cards. The checks bounced and the resident was at a loss for a large sum of money. The resident has received additional checks but has not cashed them. Case to Detectives

Theft from a vehicle

On 10/10/20, Officers responded to the 1000 block of Vista Ave in regards to a grand theft from vehicle report. The resident's vehicle was parked in the driveway of the residence. The resident discovered her vehicle was ransacked with several personal items stolen on Friday, October 09, 2020. Case to Detectives

Weather Wise

6-Day Forecast Sierra Madre, Ca.

Sun	Sunny	Hi	80s	Lows 60s
Mon:	Sunny	Hi	80s	Lows 60s
Tues:	Sunny	Hi	80s	Lows 60s
Wed:	Sunny	Hi	80s	Lows 60s
Thur:	Sunny	Hi	90s	Lows 60s
Fri:	Sunny	Hi	90s	Lows 60s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS

As part of the City of Sierra Madre's COVID-19 transmission mitigation efforts, all City Council, Commission and Board meetings will be conducted virtually until further notice. The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting.

Public comment may be made by e-mail to PublicComment@cityofsierramadre.com by 6:00PM. on the day of the meeting. Emails will be acknowledged at the Council meeting and filed into public record.

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

To participate in public comment, please call:
Phone Number: (669) 900-9128
Meeting ID: 626-232-0232
Password: 232242

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

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

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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Wed, 10/21 6:30 pm Evening Zoom w/ Cynthia Martin and "Mind Empowerment" #3/3
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Sierra Madre Woman's Club

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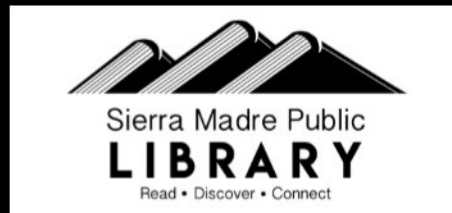
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October 19—24

Monday

Storytime to Go—View online; kits available outside the Library after 9:00am

Story Adventure at Memorial Park—A new story will be available all week!

Tuesday

Try It Tuesday Craft—View online; kits available outside the Library after 4:00pm

Wednesday

Grab & Go Activity Kit—Available outside the Library after 10:00am

Snackchat 2nd & 3rd Grades—Online at 4:00pm. Pick up a pack at the Library prior to the meeting

Pajama Storytime—Online at 7:00pm

Friday

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City Issues Halloween Safety Guidance

City Officials remind everyone that COVID-19 continues to impact families and traditions as we move into the fall season. It is another difficult milestone to think of Halloween without the block parties, gatherings and the door to door "trick or treat" that we all look forward to every year. We recognize that these are "high risk" activities that can spread this disease. There are protocols from the state and county and local health departments which continue to limit our activities and which provide guidance for celebrating safely, including safer alternatives that still promote as festive an environment as is possible amid the pandemic.

Under existing state, county and local orders, community members may participate in the following activities as long as they adhere to the City's Safer at Home Order and related protocols:

Online parties and contests (e.g., costume or pumpkin carving); Car parades that comply with public health guidance for car line celebrations; Halloween movie nights at drive-in theaters (must comply with the drive-in movie theater protocol); Halloween-themed meals at outdoor restaurants (must comply with the restaurant protocol); Halloween-themed art installations at an outdoor museum (must comply with the museum and galleries protocol); and Dressing up homes and yards with Halloween-themed decorations.

Halloween activities NOT permitted include:

Door to door trick or treating
Indoor and outdoor gatherings/parties with non-household members; Carnivals, festivals, live entertainment, rides, petting zoos, and haunted house attractions; "Trunk-or-treating" events where children go from car-to-car instead of door-to-door to receive treats; and in the setting of a gathering or party;

Halloween activities NOT recommended include:

Door-to-door or car-to-car trick-or-treating because proper social distancing is difficult to maintain and sharing food is risky.

The City reminds residents of Halloween fire safety tips, including using battery-operated candles or glow sticks in jack-o-lanterns and keeping exits and escape routes clear of decorations. It is also a good time to make sure that all smoke alarms in your home are working. During the holiday season, it is especially important to avoid driving under the influence. Remember that "DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze." If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI. The City also urges drivers to plan routes in advance and avoid texting or otherwise using a cell phone while driving. For more information visit: cityofpasadena.net.

Fans Mourn Eddie Van Halen's Death



Eddie Van Halen

By Dean Lee

A steady stream of fans showed respect, with two memorials in Pasadena this week, for the legendary guitarist Eddie Van Halen. He was the co-founder of the 70s rock band Van Halen along with his brother Alex. He died Tuesday at 65. Eddie Van Halen had been a longtime Pasadena resident going to

Hamilton Elementary School, Pasadena High School and then attending Pasadena City College.

Many fans left flowers, photos, candles, concert tickets and even empty beer cans at both his childhood home in East Pasadena and where, as a teenager, Van Halen had allegedly carved his name in wet cement in front of a now gone a liquor store on Allan Ave. One fan even left a Fender guitar, a similar instrument to the

"Frankenstrat" Van Halen was known for playing.

Van Halen died at Saint John's Health Center in Santa Monica after battling throat cancer for years.

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Free South Pasadena Costume Contest

In an effort to get people excited about the holidays, the City of South Pasadena will be hosting an online costume contest. To participate, submit a photo of yourself, your pet or your group in full costume to recreation@southpasadenaca.gov by Monday, October 26, 2020. Please make sure all costumes are family friendly. For contest rules or for more information, please visit: southpasadenaca.gov/ or contact the Recreation Division at (626) 403-7380.

Pasadena Fire Strike Teams Safely Return



Over the past three months, California experienced its worst fire season in history. Pasadena Fire Department responded to several incidents as part of their commitment to statewide mutual aid.

"We thank our community and city management for allowing us the opportunity to support other counties and neighboring cities affected by these unprecedented wildland fires. We know that if fires of this magnitude occur in our foothills we would have the support of our fire department partners throughout the state. It is also important to recognize those firefighters who came in on their days off to cover those who were deployed to these incidents. This is yet another shining example of their firm commitment to the fire service and to our community," states Interim Fire Chief Bryan Frieders.

The fire department had resources out a total of 218 days over an approximate three-month period including fire engines, water tender, Rapid Extraction Module Support (REMS) teams, fire line emergency medical technicians and strike team leaders. The total personnel for all deployments combined was 79, which includes some who went on multiple deployments.

Pasadena Humane Mourns the Passing of Board Chair

After many years valiantly fighting cancer, the Pasadena Humane Board of Directors announced Monday the passing of Steve Johnson (pictured), Chair of the Board. Johnson was 61 years old.

"A lifelong animal lover, Steve joined the Pasadena Humane Board of Directors in 2013 and served as Board Chair since 2018," they said. "Steve became involved with Pasadena Humane after moving to the area in 2002. He adopted his beloved cat Winston from the shelter in 2003. In addition to his volunteer board service, he participated annually in Pasadena Humane's signature fundraising events, the Wiggle Waggle Walk and the Doglegs, Birdies and Eagles golf tournament."

Under his leadership, the Board ushered in a new era of more progressive sheltering. Steve led approval of an ambitious three year strategic plan in December of last year and the adoption of Socially Conscious Sheltering as the organization's guiding philosophy.

With Johnson's passing, Beverly Marksburly has been appointed interim Board Chair. Beverly has served on the Board of Directors since 2013, as Vice Chair since 2015, and is currently Co-Chair of the Development Committee



and a member of the Golf Tournament Committee. In addition to a professional career in the Federal and Los Angeles Superior Courts, Beverly has been active with many community organizations including the Tournament of Roses, The Pasadena Showcase House and The Colburn School. She is also guardian to three adopted cats, Charlie, Duncan, and Sam.

"I am confident that Beverly will continue to provide the same dedicated visionary leadership for our organization and the same commitment to compassion and care for all animals," said Dia DuVernet, President and CEO of Pasadena Humane. "We send our deepest condolences to the Johnson family and all of Steve's loved ones. We are so thankful for everything Steve did to save the lives of animals in our community, and we will miss him deeply. He will live in our hearts forever."

South Pasadena Homeless Outreach Continues 24/7

Even during the pandemic, the South Pasadena Police Department's Homeless Outreach Program for Education, (HOPE) Team deploys 24/7, conducting outreach day and night while out on patrol to assist the homeless and educate them about COVID-19, the importance on social distancing as well as providing available resources, including emergency shelters in the area.

A resident recently brought to our attention a few homeless encampments that were believed to be located on the West side of the Nature Park along the Arroyo Trail. The Homeless Outreach team canvassed the area and located two medium encampments and

one small encampment in the park. Two unhoused neighbors were contacted and informed they needed to relocate themselves and personal belongings to a different location. The unhoused residents were extremely cooperative and asked if our team could help them clean up and relocate their property. The team spent a short time providing our pick-up truck's services, and the unhoused neighbors cleaned up the sites and disposed of some trash. In the end, our team help relocate some of their personal belongings and learned that our unhoused neighbors had a place to stay in Highland Park. As we parted ways, resources and food were provided to our visitors.

Pasadena Set to Celebrate National Coming Out Day



Pasadena's Public Health Department, Pasadena Public Library and Pasadena PFLAG will host Pasadena's 5th annual Coming Out Day Celebration virtually on Zoom and Instagram Live from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday. This year's event is free, virtual and open to all. Sign up to attend. Free swag bag of goodies given to the first 200 registrants.

The keynote presentation, "Consider Me Booked!", features a one-on-one interview with Ross Mathews author of Man Up!: Tales of My Delusional Self-Confidence and The Really Good Celebrity Stories I Usually Only Tell at Happy Hour. He is best known as "Ross the Intern" from The Tonight Show with Jay Leno and RuPaul's Drag Race judge. Tia Wanna (Te Jay McGrath) will serve as moderator.

Councilmember Margaret McAustin will kick off this year's celebration. Panelists will offer advice, strategies and successes on LGBTQ Experiencing Homelessness: Addressing Barriers and Trauma and Ally/Parent Panel: Affirming Practices in LGBTQ families.

The popular Drag Queen Storytime featuring family fun stories with Queens Godoy,

Pickle, and Kornbread Jete will air live on Instagram @pasadenalibrary.

This free virtual event supports those who have come out as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer (LGBTQ) or as an ally. Oct. 11, 2020, marks the 32nd anniversary of National Coming Out Day. 32 years ago, on the anniversary of the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights, National Coming Out Day was first observed as a reminder that one of our most basic tools is the power of coming out.

One out of every two Americans has someone close to them who is gay or lesbian. For transgender people, that number is one in 10.

This event is part of our city's efforts to celebrate and foster an inclusive community. The City of Pasadena is an inclusive city. We are accepting of everyone regardless of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, marital status, socioeconomic status, sex, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, or disability.

For more information, contact Te Jay McGrath, tmcgrath@cityofpasadena.net or (626) 744-7239.

African American History of Pasadena Walking Tour

As a part of Walktober city officials said they are honored to partner with the NAACP Pasadena Branch and host a self-guided "Walking Tour of the African American History of Pasadena." Without the contributions of the elders of the NAACP Pasadena Branch and FAME Senior Ministry, this tour would not exist. The event runs through Oct. 31.

The tour, consists of 14 locations primarily in North West Pasadena, centering on individuals and events of historical significance to the African American Community, which also provides Pasadena its rich history. The locations and tour guide can be found at: pasadenacsc.org/walktober-2020

Walktober is an annual event to get people walking in Pasadena. Walking is a deeply

human activity that offers a full slate of events that reflect a wide range of reasons and ways to enjoy walking. Whether you walk for physical health, mental health, to meet people, to see new things, or simply to get things done (maybe all of the above), we recognize and celebrate that as an excellent thing.

Other self-guided walking tours include, Mile-a-day Challenge; Special District 1 Mile-a-day Challenge; Walk the Vote; Beneath the Bridge: Pasadena's Forgotten Park; Virtual 5k with Day One (event ends Oct. 14); Sunset Stroll (event runs Oct. 11 through Oct. 17); All Fall Walk (event runs Oct. 18 through Oct. 24) and the Costume Walk (event runs Oct. 25 through Oct. 31). More information about each event can be found at: pasadenacsc.org/walktober-2020.

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ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, October 4th, through Saturday, October 10th, the Police Department responded to 769 calls for service, of which 119 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of some of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, October 4:

- At 6:35 a.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of Alta Street regarding a theft from vehicle report. Sometime during the previous evening, an unknown suspect entered the victim's unlocked vehicle and fled with a laptop and vehicle registration information. There is no suspect information at this time.
- At 8:29 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 1200 block of South Ninth Avenue regarding a burglary report. The victim discovered his residence, which is under renovation, was burglarized. Various tools, electronics, and a bike had been stolen. The victim found a cellphone, phone charger, and likely stolen access cards that did not belong to him. There are no investigative leads as of the date of this report.
- At 9:01 p.m., an officer responded to Elite Prep, located at 1135 West Huntington Drive, regarding a suspect seen breaking windows to the building. An investigation revealed the 23-year-old male suspect from Marion, Indiana, entered the building and accessed the roof. He was seen breaking windows on the second floor and was located during a multi-police agency search. The Pasadena Police Department airship, along with the Monrovia Police Department aided in the search and successful arrest of the suspect. While inside the police vehicle, the suspect purposely hit his head against the plastic partition, causing injury to his head. He was then transported to Arcadia Methodist Hospital for treatment.

Monday, October 5:

- At 5:13 p.m., officers responded to a residence in the 100 block of Alta Street regarding a battery report. The officer discovered a physical altercation between neighbors resulted in both neighbors sustaining minor injuries, but neither neighbor desired prosecution.

Tuesday, October 6:

- At 2:54 p.m., officers responded to the 400 block of East Santa Clara Road regarding an aggravated assault investigation. There was a report of a stabbing near the location, but officers were unable to locate a suspect or the victim. Upon searching for the suspect, officers located a subject matching the suspect's description. It was determined the subject was not involved in the stabbing, but a records check revealed the 26-year-old female from Pasadena was in possession of a controlled substance, unlawful paraphernalia, and had three outstanding misdemeanor warrants. She was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.
- At 3:23 p.m., an officer responded to the 1100 block of West Duarte Road regarding a theft from vehicle report. The victim explained she pulled over to fix her flat tire when the suspect stole her purse from the front passenger seat. Surveillance footage revealed the suspect watched the victim for 15 minutes before finally approaching her vehicle and stealing her purse. The suspect fled in a newer model, white Infiniti G35. The suspect is described as a male wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and black pants. The investigation is ongoing.

Wednesday, October 7:

- At 5:25 p.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of Bonita Street regarding a report of found mail. The reporting party located numerous pieces of discarded mail. The victims live nearby on South Third Avenue and South Tenth Avenue. There are no investigative leads as of the date of this report.
- At 5:30 p.m., an officer took a telephonic report of a vandalism that occurred in the 00 block of West Camino Real Avenue. Sometime between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on October 7th, an unknown suspect broke off the victim's rear-view mirror from her vehicle and scratched the driver side door for no apparent reason. There is no suspect information at this time.

Wednesday, October 8:

- At 7:34 a.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of La Porte Street regarding a stolen vehicle report. Sometime during the previous night, the victim's 2006 GMC Savana van was stolen from the parking lot. There are no investigative leads as of the date of this report.
- At 9:19 a.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of West Huntington Drive regarding a burglary report. An investigation revealed the suspect(s) entered the construction site by cutting a hole through the fence near the Arcadia City Hall soccer field. The suspect(s) stole various tools. The investigation is pending a review of the surveillance footage.

Thursday, October 9:

- At 10:29 a.m., an officer responded to Public Storage, located at 12340 Lower Azusa Road, regarding a commercial burglary report. The victim had his storage unit broken into and the suspect(s) fled with three bicycles and miscellaneous tools. The victim does not know how the suspect(s) obtained his personal code to enter the location. There is no suspect information at this time.
- At 12:20 p.m., an officer responded to the 200 block of West Le Roy Avenue regarding a theft from vehicle report. Sometime between 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. on October 9th, and unknown suspect stole an unsecured pole saw from the tool rack in the bed of the truck. There are no investigative leads as of the date of this report.

Saturday, October 10:

- At 5:38 a.m., officers responded to a residence in the 6000 block of South Baldwin Avenue regarding a battery investigation. The officers determined an argument between husband and wife escalated when the husband battered his wife. The suspect, a 33-year-old male from Arcadia, was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

JEWISH FEDERATION TO HOST CONSUL GENERAL OF ISRAEL FOR A VIRTUAL TOWN HALL MEETING

Monrovia, CA – October 16, 2020 – This Tuesday, October 20, the Jewish Federation of the Greater San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys will be hosting the Consul General of Israel, Dr. Hillel Newman, for a Virtual Town Hall Meeting.

The evening program will feature an up-to-the-minute report on what is going on in Israel, insight into the Abraham Accords (peace deal between Israel and both the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Bahrain), how Israel is handling COVID-19 and the medical advances coming out of Israel, and more. Attendees will be able to have their questions answered. The event is open to the public, but people need to pre-register by going to www.jewishsgpv.org.

Dr. Hillel Newman became Consul General of Israel in July 2019, where he serves as the senior representative of the State of Israel to the Pacific Southwest. Prior to his post, Newman spent over twenty years in diplomatic service including serving in several influential and critical positions including Policy Advisor to three Foreign Ministers of Israel and Ambassador of Israel to Tajikistan and Uzbekistan. Most recently, Consul General Newman served in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as both Special Policy Advisor to the Director General and as Director of the World Jewish Affairs Department. He has been intimately involved in the most current and pressing issues confronting global Jewry.

“The opportunity to bring a senior representative of Israel, like Consul General Newman, to our community is a wonderful,” explains Jason Moss, Jewish Federation's Executive Director. “It is my hope that this event will open the eyes of many in our community as they hear what is going on in Israel and the amazing impact Israel has on the entire world.”

The event will begin at 7:00pm.

To learn more about this event, or the Jewish Federation's programs and services, please contact the Jewish Federation's Executive Director, Jason Moss by calling 626.445.0810 or by sending an email to federation@jewishsgpv.org.

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The Jewish Federation of the Greater San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys' mission is to build community by strengthening and enhancing Jewish life. The Jewish Federation does this by providing programs and services that support the needs of the Jewish community in our region, and acts as the Jewish voice on issues that affect the greater Jewish community.



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The Power of Theater: Fall Term of the Masters Series

The fall term of The Masters Series presented by the Pasadena Senior Center will be virtual via Zoom Tuesdays to Oct. 13, from 2 to 4 p.m. and will be titled The Power of Theater.

The four sessions of The Masters Series, which embraces lifelong learning, will explore topics from adaptations and playwrights to Greek origins, socially relevant musicals and plays based on fact.

Beverly Olevin, director, playwright, teacher and award-winning novelist, will present the weekly, interactive classes which will include scenes from plays that explore the conflicts, joys and journeys of our lives and reveal what makes us laugh, touches our hearts and helps us live richer lives.

Oct. 13: Plays That Bring Famous People to Life – Explore plays that transform true events into intellectually exciting theater.

The cost for the full series of four presentations is \$50 for members of the Pasadena Senior Center and \$60 for non-

members. This online series is not available for payment for individual sessions.

To register for the fall term of The Masters Series or for more information visit: pasadenaseniorecenter.org and click on Online Classes, call 626-795-4331 or email AnnieL@pasadenaseniorecenter.org. Everyone who registers will receive email instructions for joining each week's Zoom class online.

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

The center, at 85 E. Holly St., is an independent, donor-supported nonprofit organization that has been deemed an essential service provider for older adults, so its doors are 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.

Home Instead Senior Care Donates to Senior Center

Dr. Gregorio Sanchez (pictured right), co-owner of the Pasadena branch of Home Instead Senior Care, presented a \$5,000 check to Akila Gibbs, executive director of the Pasadena Senior Center, Wednesday, Sept. 30, to assist with the center's support of older adults' physical, mental and emotional health during the COVID-19 pandemic.

This support includes a hotline (626-685-6725) for older adults who find themselves in need of food and/or hygiene products; online social activities, classes, discussions and celebratory events to help prevent quarantine-related loneliness, depression and boredom; the Telephone Reassurance Program that provides caring connections to help older adults make it through isolation; and more.

The donation was made possible after Home Instead Senior Care of Pasadena received the Founders Award from the national corporate headquarters for meeting a top tier of performance measures. This has afforded Home Instead Senior Care of Pasadena the opportunity to make a series of donations to nonprofit organizations in the community that provide services to older adults.

“The Pasadena franchise office has been active in the community for more than 15 years. Our mission, to enhance the lives of aging adults and their families, is the driving force of our business model, community outreach and local philanthropic endeavors,” said Sanchez. “I am pleased and proud to make this donation to the Pasadena Senior Center, an organization that consistently thinks outside the box and offers an abundance of opportunities for older adults to remain active and engaged as our nation maneuvers through this pandemic.”

Sanchez received his Ph.D. in chemistry from University of Southern California and worked as a research scientist in the pharmaceutical industry for 15 years. His transition to owning a Home Instead Senior Care franchise was catalyzed by his experience as a family caregiver and his desire to provide the highest quality care to the most vulnerable residents in the Pasadena community. He and co-owner Carter Prescott are staunch advocates for person-centered care within the aging adult and developmentally disabled communities.

“I am humbled by this generous donation because vital programs and services of the Pasadena Senior Center that serve the needs of older adults have been severely impacted by the COVID-19 issue,” said Akila Gibbs, executive director of the center. “If ever there was a time when we must rely on increased monetary donations from individuals, corporations and foundations, it is now. It would break my heart to have to begin cutting programs and services.”

For more information about Home Instead Senior Care of Pasadena, visit: homeinstead.com/479/about-us/homeinstead-team or call 626-486-0800.

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



Caltech Launches a Virtual 2020-2021 Watson Lectures

Caltech Professor of Political and Computational Science, R. Michael Alvarez, will launch the 2020-2021 Watson Lectures season by asking, “Can America Have a Safe and Secure Presidential Election?” The Zoom event will take place on Wednesday at 5 p.m. Advance Zoom webinar registration is required.

In this lecture, Alvarez will share how the scientific detection of election problems helps election officials improve their procedures and technologies, giving voters the information that they will need to bolster their confidence in the integrity of this and future elections.

This event is free and open to the public. Advance registration is required as capacity is limited. The lecture begins at 5 p.m. and runs approximately 40 minutes, followed by live audience Q&A with Alvarez. Those unable to attend the 5 p.m. event can view the lecture (without Q&A) on-demand starting at 8 p.m. To that same evening on Caltech's YouTube channel.

Alvarez's talk is the first of eight Earnest C. Watson Lectures for the 2020-21 season, which runs monthly from October through May. The Watson Lectures spotlight the pioneering research of Caltech's faculty and represent the broad array of innovative and impactful research being done at the Institute. A full list of the dates, speakers, and topics is available on the Watson Lectures website.

“Historically, the Watson Lectures were presented on our Pasadena campus to a local audience,” says Michael Alexander, director of Public Programs, which presents the Watson Lectures. “The virtual format creates a rare opportunity for anyone interested in Caltech's cutting-

edge research to take a ‘deep dive’ with Caltech researchers.”

“These lectures are a fascinating way to learn about the innovative tools and out-of-the-box thinking our faculty use to address critical issues facing our society,” Alexander continues. “As we approach the November general election, I can think of no better example than the work of Michael Alvarez and his research team.”

A professor in the Division of the Humanities and Social Sciences, and the co-director of the Caltech/MIT Voting Technology Project, Alvarez, along with his team, uses data science methods and tools to help improve the security of important election infrastructure and provide transparent and rapid monitoring and auditing of the integrity of elections.

Alvarez notes that, in the states and counties that use such methods, voters can be more confident in the integrity of reported election results. To learn more about the science and technology behind voting and elections before Alvarez's lecture, visit the Caltech Science Exchange, an online resource committed to the public understanding of science and informed by Alvarez and other experts.

“Through initiatives like the Caltech Science Exchange, public programming like the Watson Lectures, and performing arts events, we are excited for more people to discover the many ways in which science intersects with our daily lives,” says Alexander.

For more information, or to register for the Zoom webinar, visit: events.caltech.edu/watson. Reservations cannot be made over the phone or in person for the Watson Lecture Series.



City officials announced a free, fun, and safe drive thru trick-or-treat event with the City of South Pasadena! They encourage you to come dressed in your costumes and show us your Halloween spirit by decorating the exterior of your car! Registration is required to register goto: southpasadenaca.gov.

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SUPERVISOR BARGER ASKS BOARD TO EXPAND ACCESS TO HIGH-SPEED INTERNET TO ENSURE EQUITY

Los Angeles County meets students' and workers' needs in light of disparity revealed by COVID-19

LOS ANGELES COUNTY – The Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a motion authored by Supervisor Kathryn Barger and co-authored by Supervisor Hilda Solis to provide more equitable access to high-speed internet for students and workers in need.

COVID-19 shed a light on many inequities within Los Angeles County. The pandemic revealed a great disparity for internet access, which impacts children who are learning online and residents who are teleworking.

“As many have transitioned to working from home and distance learning, the need for affordable, reliable telecommunications services and resources is now more important than ever,” said Supervisor Kathryn Barger. “We hope this effort will lead to a more just and equitable future in order to equip our residents with the access they need to learn, work, and thrive.”

The American Community Survey Data for Los Angeles County revealed that only 65 per-cent of households in low-income communities had internet access and only 51 percent had a computer. In total, 238,000 households lack internet access. According to a study by the USC Annenberg School of Communications, one in four families with school-age children in Los Angeles County do not have the resources necessary for distance learning and are likely to fall behind in their education during the pandemic.

“Bridging the digital divide is an educational justice issue,” said Supervisor Hilda L. Solis. “Communities of color, those from low-income families, people with disabilities, limited English-speakers, and people experiencing homelessness lack the appropriate technology to adequately telework or participate in distance-learning. No one should be left behind, and through this motion, the County hopes to ease this divide through digital innovation and inclusion.”

The motion raised by Supervisors Barger and Solis aims to create a plan to:

- (1) Develop best practices for streamlining the permitting of high-speed broadband internet;
- (2) Explore both public and private options for providing access to internet, including leveraging grants;
- (3) Develop a database and geographic information system to display existing broadband infrastructure;
- (4) Explore revisions to the County’s General Plan to give unincorporated areas sufficient access to high-speed internet; and
- (5) Explore new strategies to provide free, low-cost or permit based internet to disadvantaged communities.

The motion directs the Department of Public Works and the Department of Regional Planning to report back to the Board in 90 days with their plan.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDANCE FOR PRIVATE GATHERINGS

Summary

This guidance provides an updated plan for Californians to gather outside their household and replaces the prior gatherings guidance issued on September 12, 2020 and March 16, 2020. It applies to private gatherings, and all other gatherings not covered by existing sector guidance are prohibited. Gatherings are defined as social situations that bring together people from different households at the same time in a single space or place. When people from different households mix, this increases the risk of transmission of COVID-19.

Mandatory Requirements for All Gatherings

All persons planning to host or participate in a private gathering, as defined above, must comply with the following requirements. Local health jurisdictions may be more restrictive than this guidance. Refer to your local guidance for what is allowed in your area.

1. Attendance

- Gatherings that include more than 3 households are prohibited. This includes everyone present, including hosts and guests. Remember, the smaller the number of people, the safer.
- Keep the households that you interact with stable over time. By spending time with the same people, risk of transmission is reduced. Participating in multiple gatherings with different households or groups is strongly discouraged.
- The host should collect names of all attendees and contact information in case contact tracing is needed later.

2. Gather Outdoors

- Gatherings that occur outdoors are significantly safer than indoor gatherings. All gatherings must be held outside. Attendees may go inside to use restrooms as long as the restrooms are frequently sanitized.
- Gatherings may occur in outdoor spaces that are covered by umbrellas, canopies, awnings, roofs, and other shade structures provided that at least three sides of the space (or 75%) are open to the outdoors.
- A gathering of no more than three households is permitted in a public park or other outdoor space, even if unrelated gatherings of other groups up to three households are also occurring in the same park or other outdoor space. If multiple such gatherings are occurring, mixing between group gatherings is not allowed. Additionally, multiple gatherings of three households cannot be jointly organized or coordinated to occur in the same public park or other outdoor space at the same time – this would constitute a gathering exceeding the permitted size.

3. Don't Attend Gatherings If You Feel Sick or You Are in a High-Risk Group

- Anyone with any COVID-19-like symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, night sweats, sore throat, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, tiredness, muscle or body aches, headaches, confusion, or loss of sense of taste/smell), must stay home and not come into contact with anyone outside their household.
- Anyone who develops COVID-19 within 48 hours after attending a gathering should notify the other attendees as soon as possible regarding the potential exposure.
- People at higher risk of severe illness or death from COVID-19 (such as older adults and people with chronic medical conditions) are strongly urged not to attend any gatherings.

4. Practice Physical Distancing and Hand Hygiene at Gatherings

- For any gatherings permitted under this guidance, the space must be large enough so that everyone at a gathering can maintain at least a 6-foot physical distance from others (not including their own household) at all times.
- Seating must provide at least 6 feet of distance (in all directions—front-to-back and side-to-side) between different households.
- Everyone at a gathering should frequently wash their hands with soap and water, or use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available. A place to wash hands or hand sanitizer must be available for participants to use.
- Shared items should not be used during a gathering. As much as possible, any food or beverages at outdoor gatherings must be in single-serve disposable containers. If providing single-serve containers is not possible, food and beverages must be served by a person who washes or sanitizes their hands frequently, and wears a face covering. Self-serve items from communal containers should not be used.

5. Wear a Face Covering to Keep COVID-19 from Spreading

- When gathering, face coverings must be worn in accordance with the CDPH Guidance on the Use of Face Coverings (PDF), unless an exemption is applicable.
- People at gatherings may remove their face coverings briefly to eat or drink as long as they stay at least 6 feet away from everyone outside their own household, and put their face covering back on as soon as they are done with the activity.
- Face coverings can also be removed to meet urgent medical needs (for example, to use an asthma inhaler, take medication, or if feeling light-headed).

6. Keep it short

- Gatherings should be two hours or less. The longer the duration, the risk of transmission increases.
- 7. Rules for Singing, Chanting, and Shouting at Outdoor Gatherings
 - Singing, chanting, shouting, and physical exertion significantly increases the risk of COVID-19 transmission because these activities increase the release of respiratory droplets and fine aerosols into the air. Because of this, singing, chanting, and shouting are strongly discouraged, but if they occur, the following rules and recommendations apply:
 - o All people who are singing or chanting should wear a face covering at all times while singing or chanting, including anyone who is leading a song or chant. Because these activities pose a very high risk of COVID-19 transmission, face coverings are essential to reduce the spread of respiratory droplets and fine aerosols;
 - o People who are singing, shouting, chanting, or exercising are strongly encouraged to maintain physical distancing beyond 6 feet to further reduce risk.
 - o People who are singing or chanting are strongly encouraged to do so quietly (at or below the volume of a normal speaking voice).
 - Instrumental music is allowed as long as the musicians maintain at least 6-foot physical distancing. Musicians must be from one of the three households. Playing of wind instruments (any instrument played by the mouth, such as a trumpet or clarinet) is strongly discouraged.

Context
COVID-19 continues to pose a severe risk to communities and requires all people in California to follow necessary precautions and to adapt the way they live and function in light of this ongoing risk. The safest way to gather is to spend time with people in the same household or to gather virtually.
In general, the more people from different households a person interacts with at a gathering, the closer the physical interaction is, and the longer the interaction lasts, the higher the risk that a person with a COVID-19 infection, symptomatic or asymptomatic, may spread it to others. Public health studies have also shown that the risk of transmission is increased in indoor spaces, particularly when there isn't appropriate ventilation.[1] Unlike indoor spaces, wind and air in outdoor spaces can help reduce spread of the virus from one person to another. Planning scenarios published by the CDC estimate that, on average, a person with COVID-19 goes on to infect between 2-4 people, with a best estimate of 2.5 when there are no preventive measures.[2] For example, if each infected person spreads the virus to two people, who in turn spread it to two others each; those four will spread the virus to eight others; those eight will spread the virus to 16; and so on. As a result, after 10 transmission cycles, one person could be responsible for 1,024 other people contracting the virus.[3] Additionally, there is broad agreement that people who are not experiencing symptoms can still spread COVID-19[4]. The fact that COVID-19 can be spread by people who don't have symptoms or aren't showing symptoms yet is one of the aspects of the COVID-19 that makes it difficult to control.

All gatherings pose a higher risk of transmission and spread of COVID-19 when people mix from different households and communities. The likelihood of transmission and spread increases with laughing, singing, loud talking and difficulty maintaining physical distance. Limiting attendance at gatherings is a way to reduce the risk of spread as it lowers the number of different people who are interacting. Additionally, by limiting attendance there is an improved ability to perform effective contact tracing if there is a positive case discovered, which can help to slow the spread of COVID-19[5]. People who do choose to attend gatherings should discuss and agree upon the specific group rules before convening together.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE 10/16/2020

**10/09/2020 3:30pm
(Compared to 10/09/2020)**

LOS ANGELES COUNTY*	10/16/20	10/09/20
Total Cases	287,222	278,665

Deaths	6,855	6,726
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STATS BY CITY	Population	Cases	Deaths
	(last week's stats in parenthesis)		
Pasadena	14,1371	2,664	129
Uninc.- East Pasadena	6,403	86	2
City of Arcadia	57,754	556	36
Uninc. - Arcadia	7,981	95	4
City of Bradbury	1,069	16	0
City of Duarte	22,016	604	31
Uninc.- Duarte	4,428	164	4
City of Monrovia	38,800	803	41
Uninc - Monrovia	3,881	86	0
City of Sierra Madre	10,989	83	3
City of So.Pasadena	26,053	307	26
Uninc.- Altadena	43,260	758	16

La County Testing as of 10/16/20: (2,865,592)

Positivity Rate (No. of persons positive out of total persons tested) as 10/16/20: 9.8%

Nationally recommended Positivity Level: 5%

PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISES IT HAS NEVER BEEN MORE IMPORTANT FOR RESIDENTS TO GET IMMUNIZED AGAINST THE FLU

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) encourages residents to protect themselves from influenza this year by getting the flu immunization.

Because it is highly likely that both flu and COVID-19 will be present in L.A. County this year, it's vital that we do all that we can to protect ourselves to prevent a serious flu season coinciding with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Every year, tens of thousands of people nationwide are hospitalized or die from flu-related illness. Considering the toll COVID-19 has had on our communities and our healthcare system, now more than ever it is important to be protected from influenza by getting immunized. Immunizations are safe and provide protection against the harmful effects of influenza and can also help keep people out of the hospital freeing up critical hospital resources.

Everyone 6 months and older should be immunized against flu. Anyone can get flu (even healthy people), but people at high risk of developing serious flu-related complications include: people 65 years and older, pregnant women, children younger than 5 years and people with chronic medical conditions (such as asthma, diabetes, heart disease, or HIV).

To get immunized for flu, visit your doctor, a pharmacy or a flu immunization clinic, where both walk-up and drive-thru service is available. To find a low-cost, or free, immunization, call 2-1-1 or go to PreventFluLA.com.

TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills thechefknows@yahoo.com

Hey all on vacation this week but with the elections coming up I thought we could re run this!!!

Let's talk minimum wage. The Federal Government sets it at \$7.25 but that amount can be superseded (big word) by individual states, including California. If you dig further, cities such as Santa Monica, Pasadena and San Francisco have their own. For example, San Francisco's minimum wage is \$16.07 - this isn't some Newsom mandate; this was passed by the voters in San Francisco.

Many restaurant owners I talk to have supported this wage as long as it is for non-tipped employees. This where it gets tricky - besides what they and we are going through now restaurants have a very slim margin so the question I have for you is: "Is that too much? Too little?" And, if you work in or have worked in a restaurant would you rather work for as much as you can get (performance based) or take a living wage say, \$23 an hour but no tips? Places like Target and WalMart pay a minimum wage, and at \$16 an hour I could see that attracting a pretty good young worker, although when I was growing up working at McDonald's or Target was purely meant for side cash not supporting a family. While I'm not an economist what I've read tells me that as wages go up, menu raises also go up, so it makes sense that in a restaurant if the menu prices go up tips will also go up. However for over 70% of restaurant employees, their take home pay has not gone up. Tipping is down an average of 23% every time a restaurant enacts a price hike due to minimum wage, while only 5% said that tips have gone up, so there goes theory one. Consumers often feel that servers are making more money so why tip more. I still tip 20%. Remember TIPS ensure good service and when I'm out I want it all.



Some restaurants have added surcharges instead of adding to the menu prices - this restaurant goes is opposed to that, but open to discussion. Tipping has been around forever and there has to be a solution of rising wages and tips - maybe a tip credit? I have known workers that work at the Red O or Paradise Cove or Carrows who make \$45 an hour. That is a living wage. Join me for more discussion on Go Country 105 FM Sunday Morning at 8AM

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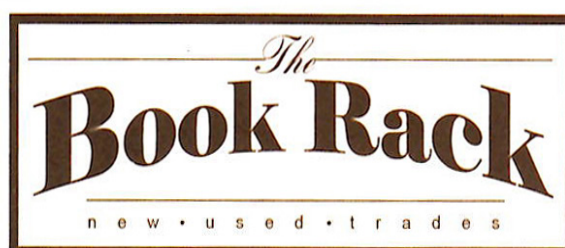
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It's FALL, the temperatures are warmer this year and holidays are quickly approaching, we fear! Halloween Happenings will be different in the City of Sierra Madre. The typical "trick or treating" and city street closures on Alegria are not being permitted this Halloween given the pandemic. COVID makes it unsafe for families but NEVER FEAR, the Community Services Team is here! October 31st falls on Saturday and instead of one day, search all week long for treats hidden away!

We can't tell you when or exactly where, but there will be 200-300 eggs hidden daily in the City with fun tricks or treats, so beware. Amongst those eggs will be 5 tickets per day of varying Halloween colors, seek what you may. Hunt, search, run and climb, but dress in your costume and have a great time. Make sure to social distance, wear your masks, and steer 6-feet clear of others; but bring along your pod of fathers, mothers, sisters or brothers!

If you find a ticket, make sure to read the instructions carefully, as this is not the same treat we would give out normally. There is the name of an organization or business in town, it will be provided on your ticket so check all around.

Most importantly, take lots of photos, we would like to see your costume, AND if you are an adult join us for the contest on Zoom. Tag us on Facebook and Instagram, let us know if you have had fun; and by the way, the adult costume must be a pun. The pun can be funny, happy, or spooky just make sure it is family-friendly and kooky! Your submissions are all due online you will see, so look for the flyer, this is all free for our Community.

The details will be shared on Facebook at Sierra Madre Community Services, as well as Instagram at @sm_community_services; or visit the Community Services Department webpage by going to http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/cityhall/departments/community_services_department. For any questions, The Community Services Department contact is 626-355-5278.

CHAMBER STRONGLY OPPOSES PASSAGE OF PUSD MEASURE O

Pasadena Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors voted to strongly oppose passage of Pasadena Unified School District's facilities bond Measure O on the November 3, ballot. The unanimous vote of the Chamber Board members present reflected the strong sentiment that Measure O is the wrong initiative being put before the voters at the worst possible time.

Measure O, placed on the ballot by the PUSD Board in a divided vote, asks voters to approve a more than \$500million bond measure to improve existing campuses. The additional tax burden will be borne by local taxpayers for more than 25 years. Titled the Pasadena Unified School District Repair, Technology, Student Achievement Measure, less than 15% is dedicated to technology upgrades. None of the funds generated are allowed to be spent on instructional materials or teacher salaries, per California law.

In dissenting during the vote, Board members Kimberly Kenne and Elizabeth Pomeroy expressed concerns that there is no set project list, the measure was rushed onto the ballot, the amount is too much of a burden on taxpayers right now and that existing PUSD bonds are still outstanding.

"The Board of the Pasadena Chamber found this measure to be an affront to taxpayers, property owners and residents," said Pasadena Chamber CEO Paul Little. "This country and our greater Pasadena area are experiencing the harshest financial downturn since the Great Depression-unemployment has skyrocketed, recovery will be a long slow process and no one but the wealthy among us can afford any additional expenses right now. Pasadena Unified is in crisis, it is just not a facilities emergency, it is a student achievement crisis. Investment needs to be made in teachers, instructional materials and student support - not buildings - and not at the expense of local taxpayers already reeling from our battered economy."

PUSD leadership is on record stating they have "failed" African-American students. One school board candidate has expressed concerns about the quality of education her children are receiving from PUSD, pointing out that her son graduated with a 1.45 Grade Point Average from PUSD and earned a 3.2 GPA at Pasadena City College. "That made me realize it's not about the kids, it's what the kids have to make them successful," she said at a recent candidate forum.

Pasadena Unified is suffering from significantly declining enrollment, with projections that only 14,000 students will be attending PUSD schools within five years. School district officials and board members have blamed the decline, at least in part, on a lack of affordable housing in the PUSD service area. Passage of Measure O will make residential rents even less affordable as landlords pass tax increases along to tenants. Struggling small businesses will see their rents increase to cover additional costs forced upon them by Measure O.

"Somehow there is this notion that tax increases are simply absorbed by landlords when the truth is exactly the opposite-California allows landlords to pass tax increases along to residential and commercial tenants and most leases contain provisions that permit exactly that," said Mr. Little. "Passage of Measure O will further provoke a decline in PUSD enrollment by driving housing costs up. It is simple math-higher rents mean fewer PUSD families able to afford to live in its service area. It will also hasten the closure of local small businesses who are teetering on insolvency now and cannot face increased rent and building costs."

The Pasadena Chamber of Commerce and Civic Association Board of Directors wants to encourage an effective Pasadena Unified School District that delivers an excellent education for all its students. Measure O does not address the pressing need to invest in effective classroom support for PUSD students or teachers.

The PUSD Board of Education has struggled to maintain a healthy financial outlook for the district, getting to the verge of a takeover by the LA County Office of Education due to its inability to make tough financial decisions. At the same time the school board struggled to determine which campuses to close as a result of its significantly declining enrollment. The Chamber says vote no on Measure O.

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It was late Sunday night, and Eddie Van Halen had died 4 days earlier. My wife and I were on our way home and we were talking about my memories of Eddie. We felt inspired to go see the Van Halen landmark, the curb where Eddie carved his family name in wet cement many decades ago.

It was past 10 p.m. when we arrived at the curbside candle-lit landmark. “There it is,” I said. Fans had written messages on the sidewalk and left candles and paraphernalia all around the Van Halen inscription. Large letters spelling out VANHALEN decorated the lower walls of the line of stores.

As my wife and I took a few photos, fans continued to stop and take pictures, and talk about how they wish they had met Eddie. As I was telling stories to my wife of my high school youth, some people overheard and asked if I really knew Eddie.

“Yes, I knew Eddie,” I told them. “We hung out together in high school.”



People were impressed that someone who actually hob-knobbed with the Great Eddie could be there on that dark night. One man, a true devoted fan, drove over from Long Beach to honor the man's shrine. A group of young people showed up, most dressed in hard rock-black – one with a guitar, and two with long hair just like Eddie -- to pay hom-age to The Man. These young men and women, were too young to know Eddie in the day, but old enough to have listened to and admired his music. During our short visit, maybe two dozen people came by and drove by to see the shrine.

I knew Eddie well enough. It began when I went to John Muir High School with David Roth, taking Spanish with Roth, and circulating in the same social circles. It was through David that I got to know Eddie Van Halen and the band. David Roth dated the sister of my best friend, and through Joe and Debbie Sierra, and John Linthurst, and the John Muir Conservation Club, I got to know David, and through David, I often went to the parties as the unpaid group photographer.

Eddie attended Pasadena High School on the other side of town, so we saw Eddie and the band on the weekends, or when the band was practicing in the sound-proofed back room of Homer Dollar's home on Maiden Lane. My close friend John Linthurst rented the Dollar place, and so John would call me when the band was out back practicing, and I bicycled the short few blocks from my parents' house to listen, and take pictures.

I liked Eddie. He was friendly, open, never conceited or preoccupied with himself as a star. I liked his smile and his enthusiasm. He very much reminded me of the humble nature of Jimi Hendrix. No, I never met Jimi, but I recall his quote saying that he never thought he was that good on guitar, and that he had so much more work to do. The true and deep artists are often that way, deep into the art, always looking for ways to improve and conquer the next challenge. So Eddie was like that – much more than an entertainer. He was the consummate artist.

I met Eddie, David, and the band in 1971 or '72, during the time that they were evolving from “Mammoth” to “Van Halen.” We could not miss Eddie's excellence. Of course, the fans focused on David too – he was the lead singer. In our little social group of friends and schoolmates, I don't recall that anyone ever believed the group would hit the big time. Still, when we sat around talking about the things that high school people talked about, the talk would get around to Van Halen, and to Eddie.

I recall once when a friend was describing how Eddie was so good on guitar that he could exactly replicate Jimmy Page's Led Zepplin songs, Jimi Hendrix, Eric Clapton of Cream, and others. Eddie could replicate these masters so well that you could close your eyes and believe you were listening to them. Eddie was good, and everyone knew it.

I often felt a kinship with Eddie because our birthdays were so close. We were born in the same year, 1955, and he was born on January 26, about 2 weeks after my birth in Pasadena. Eddie was born in Amsterdam, and in 1967, his family settled into Pasadena. Born of musically talented parents, both Eddie and Alex were playing music from their early years. Eddie once shared that he'd never learned to read music, and that he just practiced all the time and learned to improvise.

My personal interactions with Eddie – mostly during the pre-fame days -- were brief and spotty, though he left a special mark on me.

I was their periodic photographer. When Van Halen was getting started, I was getting started with journalism at John Muir High School, and David always saw me with a camera – either super 8 video or 35 mm. He invited me to take their pictures, so I would drive with the band in their packed van to take photos at their gigs at the Cucamonga Connection. I also went to the Pasadena Civic, and various Pasadena backyards. One such back-yard was within walking distance of my parents' home on Los Robles Avenue.

David Roth always seemed to take the center stage and was the idol of all the teenage girls, which continued to bring in the crowds at their rented halls or backyards. Still, there would have been no Van Halen band without Eddie. And certainly, Alex the drummer kept the musical composition tightly woven with his technical mastery.

Though David seemed to do most of the talking and singing, Eddie did most of the smiling. Gregarious, positive, always friendly. I know that lots happened once they signed record deals and began touring, and I rarely saw any of them anymore. I would read about Eddie in the newspaper, or hear something on the radio, and always wondered how much was truth, and how much just part of the developing myth. I prefer to remember Eddie as the young and innocent teen who was my friend, and who never seemed puffed up with pride, and could genuinely smile at anyone in his circle, including me. I feel that Eddie played for the pure love of it, for the manifest expression of excellence, with no rival in recent memory except possibly Jimi Hendrix.

After we finished talking with the young fans at the street memorial, we went to the old Van Halen family home where a similar shrine had been set up. However, this felt different. It was quiet and dark. A couple quietly moved along as we walked up to the house. A few candles were lit on the sidewalk, barely making the shrine visible. There was a spiritual quality here, a solemn silence, and it felt as if Eddie was back at his old home, looking at friends and fans who came, pondering now whatever is next. I was there as a friend, not a “fan,” and I quietly let thoughts of Eddie fill my mind, in this place where the spirit of Eddie would be if it was anywhere.

After some moments of quiet reflection, we drove home.

Eddie, we'll miss your smile and your musical genius. May your journey be filled with peace.

Katnip News!



NACHOS &
OREOS—YUM!

Think nachos and oreos! Yes, Nacho and Clyde are definitely yum yums, adorable, and highly adoptable! Both are very friendly and quite used to human contact. Nacho was previously adopted, but unforeseen circumstances resulted in making him available again. He and Clyde are now best friends, so would love to have each other to play with. Please fill out our adoption application to get the (fur)balls rolling! They could soon be cuddling with you! After all, isn't that better for you than real nachos and oreos! Age only 6 months. See more pictures, adoption information and application on our website at the Young Cats page at www.lifelineforpets.org.



Pet of the Week

14-week-old Miel has come such a long way since she arrived at the shelter! At first, she was fearful of people and of her new environment. But our cat behavior staff has worked hard to gain her trust, and now she allows people to pet her. She has such a fun personality and loves to play – if you throw her a treat, she'll bat it around and chase after it. She's such a cutie! She's done a great job at coming out of her shell, and just needs a patient adopter who can give her the time she needs to adjust to new people and a new home. This sweetie is worth it!

Miel is eligible for a 30-day adoption trial. Take her home for a month, get to know and love her, and we'll provide all the supplies. At the end of 30 days, you can make your adoption official. Email foster@pasadenahumane.org to get your adoption trial started!



The adoption fee for cats is \$90. All cat 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. Pets may not be available for adoption and cannot be held for potential adopters by phone calls or email.



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HOW TO RECOGNIZE AND STOP ELDER ABUSE IN THE COVID ERA

Dear Savvy Senior:

Can you write a column on how to recognize elder abuse and what to do if you suspect it? Concerned Relative



Dear Concerned:

Elder abuse is a big problem in the United States that has escalated during the COVID-19 pandemic. According to the National Council on Aging, as many as 5 million seniors are victims of abuse each year, but studies suggest this crime is significantly under-reported. Only 1-in-14 cases of elder abuse ever get reported to the authorities because victims are usually too afraid, too embarrassed, too helpless or too trusting to call for help.

The term “elder abuse” is defined as intentional or negligent acts by a caregiver or trusted individual that causes or can cause harm to a vulnerable senior. Elder abuse also comes in many different forms: emotional, psychological, physical or sexual abuse, abandonment, neglect and self-neglect, and financial exploitation.

Those most vulnerable are seniors that are ill, frail, disabled, socially isolated or mentally impaired due to dementia or Alzheimer’s disease.

It’s also important to know that while elder abuse does happen in nursing homes and other long-term care facilities, the vast majority of incidents take place at home where the senior lives. And tragically, the abusers are most often their own family members (usually the victim’s adult child or spouse) or caregiver.

How to Recognize Abuse

So, how can you tell if an elderly relative or friend is being abused, and what can you do to help?

A change in general behavior is a universal warning sign that a problem exists. If you notice that your relative or friend has become very depressed, withdrawn or gets upset or agitated easily, you need to start asking questions. Here are some additional warning signs on the different types of elder abuse that can help you spot a possible problem.

Physical or sexual abuse: Suspicious bruises or other injuries that can’t be explained. Sudden changes in behavior (upset, withdrawn, fearful). Broken eyeglasses. Caregiver’s refusal to allow visitors to see an elder alone.

Neglect or self-neglect: Weight loss, poor hygiene, unattended medical needs, and unsanitary, unsafe living conditions.

Emotional or psychological abuse: The senior is extremely upset, agitated, withdrawn, unresponsive, fearful or depressed, or demonstrates some other unusual behavior.

Financial exploitation: Missing money or valuables. Unexplained withdrawals from bank accounts, or transfers between accounts. Unauthorized use of credit, debit or ATM card. Unpaid bills despite available funds. Checks written as a loan or gift. Abrupt changes in a will or other documents.

For more tips on how to recognize the warning signs of abuse during the pandemic, see the National Center on Elder Abuse website at [NCEA.acl.gov/Resources/COVID-19.aspx](https://www.ncea.acl.gov/Resources/COVID-19.aspx).

What to Do

The best ways to help stop elder abuse is to be in touch and keep the lines of communication open. If you suspect any type of abuse or neglect in your relative’s or friend’s home, report it to your local protective services agency.

Adult Protective Services is the government agency responsible for investigating elder abuse cases and providing help and guidance. Call the Eldercare Locator at 800-677-1116 to get the agency contact number in your area or visit [NCEA.acl.gov/Resources/State.aspx](https://www.ncea.acl.gov/Resources/State.aspx).

The agency will ask what you observed, who was involved, and who they can contact to learn more. You don’t need to prove that abuse is occurring; it is up to the professional.

Or, to report suspected abuse in a nursing home or assisted living facility, call the local Long-Term Care Ombudsman – see [LTCumbudsman.org](https://www.ltcumbudsman.org) for contact information.

If, however, you feel the person is in immediate danger, call 911 or the local police for immediate help.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](https://www.savvysenior.org). Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of “The Savvy Senior” book.

FAMILY MATTERS By Marc Garlett



WHY YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO GO WITHOUT AN ESTATE PLAN

October 19th-25th, 2020 is National Estate Planning Awareness Week, so if you’ve been thinking about creating an estate plan, but still haven’t checked it off your to-do list, now is the perfect time to get it done.

When it comes to putting off or refusing to create an estate plan, your mind can concoct all sorts of rationalizations: “I won’t care because I’ll be dead,” “I’m too young,” “That won’t happen to me,” or “My family will know what to do.”

But these thoughts all come from a mix of pride, denial, and above all, a lack of real education about estate planning and the consequences to your family of not planning. Once you understand exactly how planning is designed to work and what it protects against, you’ll realize there is no acceptable excuse for not having a plan.

Indeed, the first step in creating a proper plan is to thoroughly understand the potential consequences of going without one. In the event of your death or incapacity, not having a plan could be incredibly traumatic and costly for your family, who will be forced to deal with the mess you’ll have created by neglecting to plan.

While each situation and family are unique, in this multi-part series I’m going to discuss some of the things most likely to happen to your loved ones if you fail to create a plan. This is the first: Your family will have to go to court

If you don’t have a plan, or if you only have a will (yes, even with a will), you’re forcing your family to go through probate upon your death. Probate is the legal process for settling your estate, and even if you have a will, it’s notoriously slow, costly, and public. But with no plan at all, probate can be a true nightmare for your loved ones.

Depending on the complexity of your estate, probate can take years, or even decades, to complete. And like most court proceedings, probate can be expensive. In fact, once all of your debts, taxes, and court fees have been paid, there might be little left for your loved ones to inherit. And for whatever is left, your family will have to pay hefty attorney’s fees and court costs in order to claim them. Yet, the most burdensome part of probate is the frustration and anxiety it can cause your loved ones. In addition to grieving your death, planning your funeral, and contacting everyone you’re close with, your family will be stuck dealing with a crowded court system that can be challenging to navigate even in the best of circumstances. Plus, the entire affair is open to the public, which can make things all the more arduous for those you leave behind, especially if the wrong people take an interest in your family’s affairs.

That said, the expense and drama of the court system can be almost totally avoided with proper planning. Using a trust, for example, we can ensure that your assets pass directly to your family upon your death, without the need for any court intervention. As long as you have planned properly, just about everything can happen in the privacy of our office and on your family’s time.

No more excuses

Given the potentially dire consequences probate can cause for your family, you can’t afford to put off creating your estate plan any longer. Next week we’ll look at how the lack of an estate plan will cost you control of who inherits your assets as well as when and how the inheritance is received. Dedicated to empowering your family, building your wealth and defining your legacy,

MARC

A local attorney and father, Marc Garlett is on a mission to help parents protect what they love most. His office is located at 55 Auburn Avenue, Sierra Madre, CA 91024.

Schedule an appointment to sit down and talk about ensuring a legacy of love and financial security for your family by calling 626.355.4000 or visit www.CaliLaw.com for more information.

SENIOR HAPPENINGS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ...October Birthdays*

Janda Ferris, Darlene Traxler, Margit Johnson, Sole Krieg, George Maurer, Dick Anderson, Eva Poet, Mary Jane Baker, Dixie Coutant, Cathleen Cremins, Adie Marshall, Darlene Crook, Susan Gallagher, Maggie Ellis, Gloria Giersbach, Elva Johnson, Ellen O’Leary, Jenny Piagenti, Gail Ann Skiles, Anita Thompson, Linda Boehm and Angela Stella

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

SENIOR ACTIVITIES IN SIERRA MADRE

CHAIR YOGA Every Monday and Wednesday, 10-10:45 am Chair yoga with Paul is coming back! Class will begin on Monday, August 10th and will be held in the Covered Pavilion in Memorial Park in front of the Senior Center. Please join us for some gentle stretching, yoga, balance exercise and overall relaxation. Class size is limited so please call 264-8923 to reserve your spot.

HAWAIIAN AND POLYNESIAN DANCE CLASS Every Friday, 10-10:45 am Class will also meet in the Covered Pavilion in Memorial Park in front of the Senior Center. Join the class with instructor Barbara as she leads you through the art of Hula. Please call 264-8923 with any questions.

Classes will maintain a distance of 6 ft between participants. ALL participants must be wearing masks for the duration of the class. All equipment used will be sanitized after each use before it is stored. Each participant is responsible for providing their own water, masks and needed equipment or supplies for each class. Please call the Community Services Department at 355-5278 with any questions or concerns.

OCTOBER CRAFT

Wednesday, October 21, 11:00 am. Please join me as we try our hands at making Wooden Owl Ornaments. This will be a new type of program as we create our masterpieces via Zoom to ensure all of our safety. I will have all the supplies individually packaged and ready for pickup on Monday, October 19th pickup will be between 10:00 am-2:00 pm. I will have enough supplies for 10 participants. Reservations are required so please call 355-5278 x 704 to secure your spot. Please note that this is an ONLINE class that will be held via Zoom. We will not be meeting in the Hart Park House Senior Center.

IDEAS

Do you have any ideas for programming? Is there a class or club you would like to see in our Senior Community? Please call or email Lawren Heinz with ideas or questions. 626-355-5278 x 704 lhein@cityofsierramadre.com

City staff are monitoring email communication daily, and although employees are minimizing direct engagement and interfacing less with 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 time 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.

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.

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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.

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



OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

ALL IN DUE TIME, SO SHE SAYS

For several weeks, or has it been years, I’ve been waiting for an important package to come through the mail. I don’t know why they call it snail mail because I have seen snails crawl faster.

With all our technology today, you would think that mail could come in on a particular schedule, and I’m thinking of a fast-paced schedule.

I’ve been going to the mailbox every day for several weeks, and I find a lot of junk mail, but I don’t find the mail that I’m looking for. They promised it would arrive between seven and ten days. Of course, they didn’t mention what days they would come, nor did they say those days would be consecutive.

Each day that mail hasn’t come has made me more jittery.

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage is always encouraging me to be patient. I once responded to her, “I’m not a doctor, and I don’t have any patients.”

There are times when I should not verbalize what I’m thinking. It would keep me out of trouble. When I mentioned I didn’t have any patients, my wife looked at me and said, “Well, you silly boy, get some and get some today because I’m running out of patience.”

In my diary that night, I made a little note, “Do not respond to the wife verbally until you have had seven days to think it through.”

At my age, within three days, I have totally forgotten what I was going to say.

The interesting thing was that I checked my bank account and saw the day I ordered that package, the money came out of my account immediately. They had my money, but I didn’t have their package.

I think it strange that money goes out of my account much faster than anything in this world. Where does it go? Not too long ago, somebody withdrew \$1700 from my account. Evidently, they had applied for a card on my account, got it, and used it.

If only my mail arrived as quickly as my money disappears, I would be a happy camper.

It took several weeks for the bank to get that \$1700 back into my account. As I say, it goes out faster than it comes in.

In the last few days, I’ve been getting a little jumpy, more than normal. I stand at the window, watching for the mailman, and he never comes on a regular schedule.

Then the mailman shows up, I jump up, run out the door, get to the mailbox, and much to my disappointment, the package is not in the mail. I have mail from everybody and everything but not the mail that I really want. How aggravating is that?

I stomped back into the house, grumbling under my breath, careful not to vocalize what is chopping in my head.

Walking into the house, all I did was say grrrrrrrrrrrrrr. And then I let it spill, “When will that package arrive?” I didn’t know somebody in the house was listening.

“Are you still worrying about that package?”

She knew I was, so I just looked at her, smiled, nodded my head, and went to my office area.

Looking at me, trying to encourage me, I think, she said, “All in due time.” And then she smiled in my direction.

I didn’t know what she meant by “due time.” Did she mean, “dew time?” Or did she mean, “do time?” As it was, I was “doing time,” and not too happy with it. “There’s always a reason,” she explained, “for everything. There certainly is a reason why this package is late.”

I knew what she was saying was right, but I wasn’t in the mood to hear a sermon. In listening to one of her sermons, I was afraid she would start taking up a collection. I certainly wasn’t in a mood for that. I wanted to give something but certainly not money.

I remember there was a time when you went to a store to buy something, look for it and then take it up to the counter, pay the cashier and then walk out the door with it. I sure miss those good old days.

When I called the customer service, they assured me they sent the package out at the correct time, and according to their records, it was delivered within the proper time.

Hanging up the phone, I sat there, grumbling about my misfortune. Then the doorbell rang. I got up and opened the door, and a man said, “I got this package several weeks ago, but it’s not anything I ordered. Is this something you ordered?”

I looked at the package. It had my name on it, but it did not have my address on it. I cheerfully thanked the guy, shook his hand, and wished him a good day.

I went back to my chair, opened up the package and there was what I had ordered—all in due time.

I thought of a special verse, “To every thing, there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted” (Ecclesiastes 3:1-2).

Everything has a time element to it that has been established by God, and when I surrender to God’s time, I will plant seeds of happiness in my life.

At first, Dad and I didn’t see eye to eye about moving to The Kensington, but since he did, we’re both thrilled

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STUART TOLCHIN



IS IT ALL A CHARADE?

Are any of you watching the confirmation hearings of proposed Supreme Court Justice Amy Coney Barrett? I can't stop watching except when interrupted by more pressing matters such as televised playoff games in baseball, football, or basketball and the occasional need to help feed my granddaughter. It is interesting to compare these events. My granddaughter's need to eat is real although made difficult by her desire to feed herself which often results in turning the spoon over, missing her mouth, and depositing the food into her hair. Our granddaughter's progress in self-

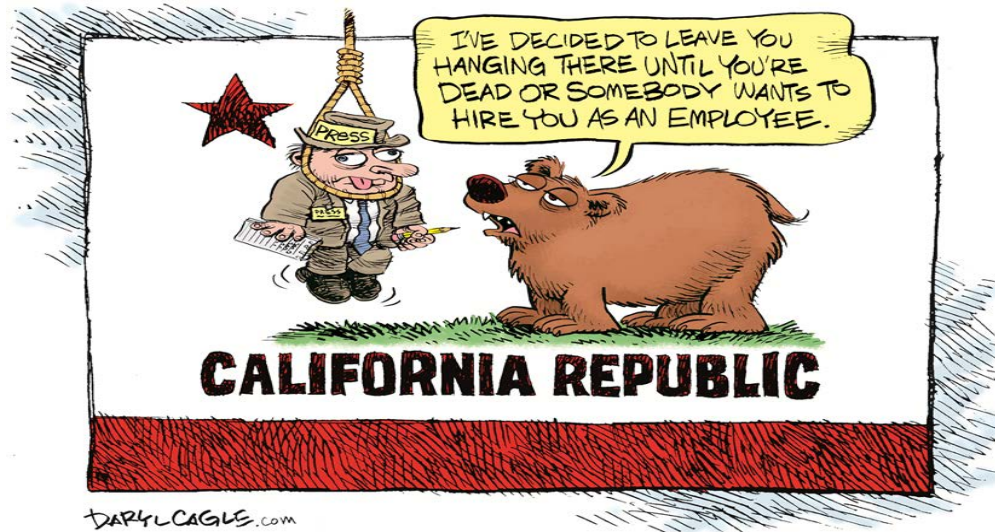
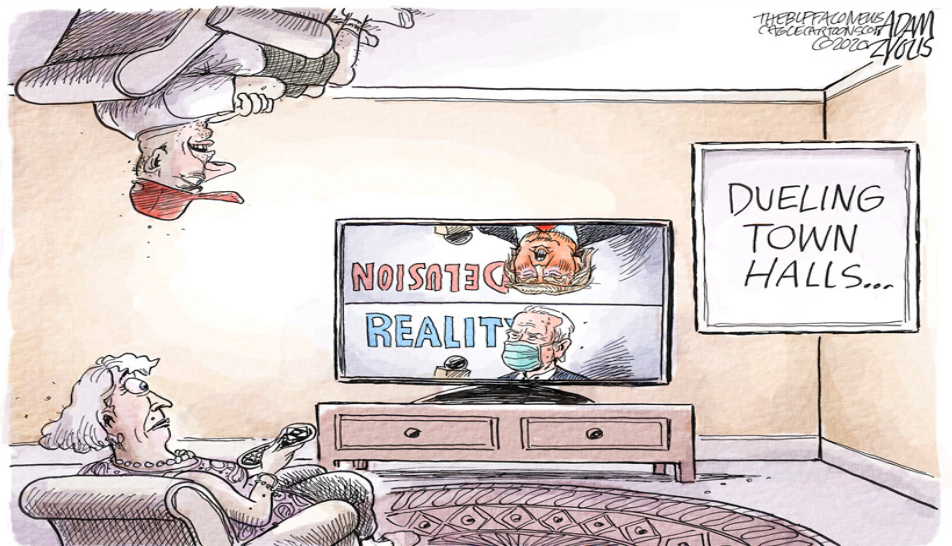
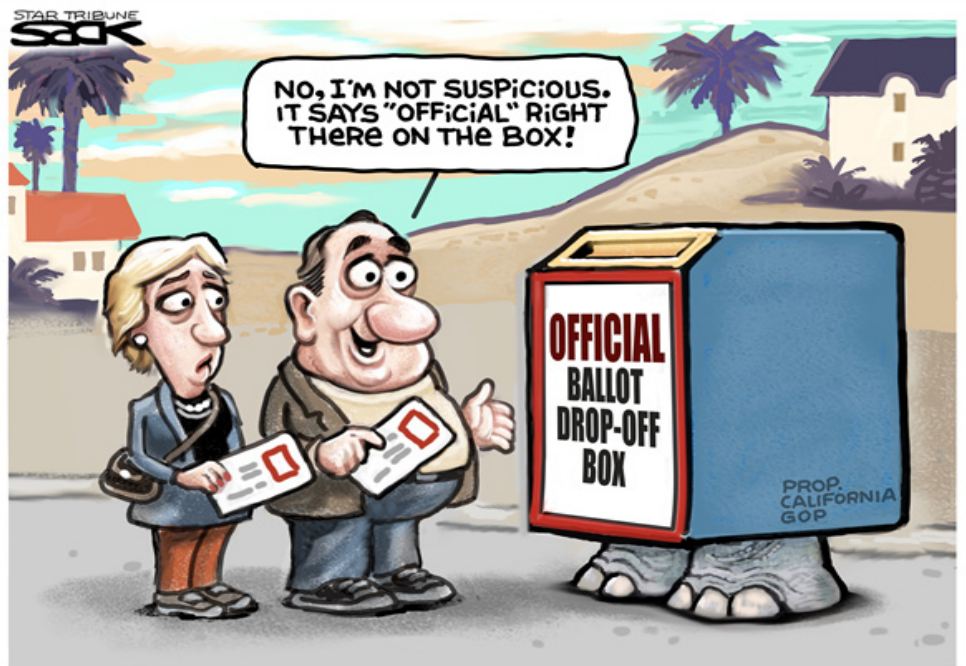
reliance, difficult as it is at times for us, is an authentic, sincere illustration of human beings doing what is necessary to survive. It is real.

As to watching the endless amount of televised Sports available lately, I find myself addicted to watching very large grown men playing children's games. All of this activity is to entertain the general public which is always in great need of entertainment for the purpose of distraction. Go Rams! Go Dodgers! Go Lakers!—ain't this fun? We all know it's contrived and artificial but it's fun and isn't life about having fun whether it's real or not?

Next we move to the confirmation hearings. For those of you, like Judge Amy Coney Barrett, who claim never to listen to the news, this confirmation hearing is being pushed through *three weeks* before the scheduled Presidential election on *November 3rd*. President Trump has proclaimed to the world that it is immediately necessary to confirm a Justice. The necessity results from Trump's assertion (truthful for once) that the vacancy must be filled with a Justice of his choosing so the Court will rule Obama Care unconstitutional when that case is heard beginning on November 11th. Of unarguably more importance to him is confirming a Justice who he believes is guaranteed to support his claims in case he loses the election so the result must be set aside.

First let me assure you that just writing the words "he loses the election" brings me great joy. I will write it again. **TRUMP LOSES!!** Everyone in America knows his true purpose except for all around wonderful human being Law Professor Amy Barrett who maintains complete unawareness of what motivated the President to select her as a candidate for the vacancy. It is true that during Trump's term in office she advertised her opposition to Obama care in newspaper articles in the same way that Attorney General Barr, that forever Machiavellian monster, advertised his availability to Trump. Furthermore her seven children and well publicized devout Catholicism is a non-ignorable prediction as to how she would (and hopefully will not have the opportunity) to rule on any case attacking Roe v Wade. Of course in her response to questioning at the hearing, Judge Barrett assures the Senators that she will never allow her personal beliefs to influence her decision in any way. She will consider the law and the opposing Attorney Briefs and then render her decision in what we can all assume will be a predictable way. She is, after all, a member of the Federalist Society.

Very early in my Constitutional Law Course the Professor suggested to us that the Constitution meant what at least five Supreme Court Justices said it meant. Someone in the class asked "Does that mean the Justices first decide on the result they want and then just make up legal arguments to support their position?" "The response was something like "Don't worry that question will not be on the final." Yes, I think this whole confirmation process is a charade, a completely unnecessary and untruthful performance that exists to hide true motivation from the public. We know why the baby eats, and why sports are on TV, but few legal decisions ever reveal the real-life factors that personally affect a Justice's decision. I think that's a shame—and it ain't fun!



LEFT TURN/RIGHT TURN

DICK POLMAN



WHENEVER TRUMP FLAPS HIS YAP, HE MAKES THE BEST CASE FOR BIDEN

If Donald Trump was a movie scene, he'd be the fiery train wreck in "The Fugitive," and U.S. Marshal Tommy Lee Jones would be cruising through the carnage saying, "My my my. What. A. Mess."

The dueling "town halls" Thursday night were enough to make one's head spin. On ABC, where Joe Biden resided, you had decency and sanity. On NBC, had demagoguery and sociopathology. Choose the America you want, folks, because the contrast could not be starker.

For instance, here's how Biden talked about how masks curb the spread of the deadly virus: "When a president doesn't wear a mask, or makes fun of folks, like me, when I was wearing a mask for a long time, then people say, 'well, it mustn't be that important...' It is estimated by the University of Washington that if, in fact, we wore masks, we could save, between now and the end of the year, 100,000 lives."

But here's what Trump said: "I'm OK with masks... But just the other day, they came out with a statement that 85 percent of the people that wear masks catch [coronavirus]. That's what I heard, that's what I saw."

There's less than zero evidence that 85 percent of mask-wearer get COVID-19. Anyone who spends five seconds parsing that fake statistic knows it's laughable. What Trump shared with viewers – and shared with his rally saps earlier yesterday – was a blatant lie popularized by Tucker Carlson on Fox News.

What a shame that NBC, the network that saved Trump from financial ruin by airing his celebrity game show, decided this week to indulge him again, giving him free air time to dump his stinking rhetorical detritus on America's lawn. Hold your nose, because here we go:

– He again refused to say whether he had tested positive for Covid prior to sharing a debate stage with Biden and delusionally lauded his greatness on handling the pandemic.

– He refused to condemn the QAnon conspiracy freaks (who believe there's an international cult of celebrities and Democrats who engage in child sex-trafficking). Even though federal law enforcement authorities are closely watching them, Trump claimed he knew nothing about them. Then he changed his mind and said they're "very strongly against pedophilia, and I agree with that."

– He didn't think it was wrong to falsely tell his Twitter followers that Biden had conspired with Navy SEALs to cover up the fake death of Bin Laden. "That was a retweet. I'll put it out there. People can decide for themselves. I don't take a position," Trump said.

– He confirmed he's personally \$400 million in debt, but said it was a small amount of money ("a peanut"), and he refused to name his creditors because he claims not to know who they are. When he was asked whether his creditors are foreign sources or foreign entities, he said: "Not that I know of, but I will probably, because it's so easy to solve, and if you'd like to do, I will let you know." Whatever that means.

– He recycled one of his pet lies about purported mail ballot fraud: "When I see thousands of ballots dumped in a garbage can, and they happen to have my name on it? I'm not happy about that." Thanks to Trump's non-stop blather, NBC's viewers never heard the truth. The episode Trump was referring to involved nine trashed ballots – not "thousands" – in one Pennsylvania county, where a temporary seasonal worker screwed up and was fired after three days on the job.

– He recycled the lie that he and his servile Republicans "are always protecting people with preexisting conditions, and I can't say that more strongly. In reality, he's working to kill Obamacare in the U.S. Supreme Court, thereby removing all statutory protections for people with preexisting conditions, and he still has no plan to replace the 10-year-old law that's now widely popular.

And so on. Shame on NBC for indulging a guy who fled like a coward when offered a second opportunity to debate Biden. If he wants to lie with impunity, let him buy ads. But the good news is with less than 2 weeks on the clock, he said virtually nothing that's likely to bedazzle the independents, seniors, and college-educated suburbanites he so desperately needs.

Ultimately, the contrast boiled down to this: On NBC, Trump attacked Biden, Pelosi, "the radical left," Obama, Antifa, his own FBI director, and the Gold Star families who "maybe" gave him COVID-19. On ABC, Biden said: "In politics, grudges don't work."

While pondering the next four years, which tone strikes you as more attractive?

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THE FATE OF GIG WORKERS COULD TURN ON BALLOT QUESTION

Become an employee with full paid benefits, or remain a mostly independent gig worker? That debate's raging in California as November's general election approaches, and its outcome is likely to affect the entire country.

According to The Washington Post, "Uber, DoorDash and other gig economy companies are bombarding TV airwaves, social media and even their own apps with ads and marketing materials promoting a ballot initiative [Proposition 22] that they say would improve drivers' financial situation and working conditions but that would also deny them the right to be classified as employees in California."

Proposition 22 would give gig workers limited benefits and wage and worker protections, but establish them as an independent class of workers – and undo a 2019 California law, Assembly Bill 5 (AB5), that "would guarantee drivers access to the minimum wage, employer-provided health care and bargaining rights."

I've long been self-employed, with the exception of some recent cybersecurity consulting contracts in which I was paid as a full-time employee with benefits, but that's been my choice.

Being fully self-employed is not for the faint of heart. Besides cybersecurity consulting and writing a newspaper column, I have an apartment-rental business. I recently earned a real estate license and am selling properties, too.

I manage my own invoicing and taxes. I know to the penny – once my CPA explains it to me and I drop whatever mug of coffee I'm holding – how high my income taxes are. Few employees are aware of how much they pay in taxes or what their benefits cost their employers – which would be helpful to know before voting for new government policies that will increase both.

I manage my own health-care insurance, which has gotten plenty expensive in recent years for individuals who don't qualify for subsidies, in part because of government attempts to expand health insurance to everyone.

But, again, I choose to be self-employed. I like the freedom it provides. But it also makes me keenly aware of the unintended consequences of government regulations and policies.

California's 2019 AB5 law would require Uber, for instance, to hire drivers as full-time employees with health insurance, paid sick leave and other benefits. Benefits are wonderful, but come at a price.

Uber claims that "if the company were forced to make all drivers across the country employees, for example, it could only support 260,000 full-time roles," reports The Post. "That compares to 1.2 million active drivers the company was hosting on its app before the coronavirus pandemic."

Uber also says fares would increase and drivers would be less available and timely – which means you might have to wait a while for your ride home to arrive after a night of enjoying the pub.

What it comes down to is that some politicians believe individuals shouldn't have the freedom to exchange their skills and services for money from organizations, because organizations take advantage of those individuals. Joe Biden and Kamala Harris support AB5, not the watered-down Proposition 22.

Others think that in a free society, individuals should be able to offer their professional talents to anyone willing to pay for them, and government shouldn't restrict the terms they negotiate. President Trump's campaign supports that approach and is critical of AB5 (but has not, to my knowledge, supported Proposition 22).

That's something else to think about when you vote in November's election.

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FILE NO. 2020155364
STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person(s) FARID AHMAD AHMADI 18501 VICTORY BLVD. #2, RESEDA, CA, 91335 has/ have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name/ NEW YORK STYLE CHICKEN & GYRO 18501 VICTORY BLVD. #2, RESEDA, CA. 91335. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 10/29/2019 in the county of Los Angeles. The original file number of 2019285418. The business was conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 10/05/2020. The business information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) SIGNED: FARID AHMAD AHMADI
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SHABBAZ SHAHOM BEAUTY SALON 7026 1/2 VAN NUYS BLVD., VAN NUYS, CA. 91405. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DAYSY BENITEZ 7026 1/2 VAN NUYS BLVD., VAN NUYS, CA. 91405. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: DAYSY BENITEZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/05/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/20/20. 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. 2020142007
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: FHH ELECTRICAL 11229 S MARIPOSA AVE. LOS ANGELES, CA. 90044. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) FELIPE HERNANDEZ, OWNER. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: FELIPE HERNANDEZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/18/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/20/20. 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. 2020159521
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GALAXY LIGHTING & ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES 5345 SEPULVEDA BLVD. #235, SHERMAN OAKS, CA. 91411. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ERICK ITUARDO ROSALES 5345 SEPULVEDA BLVD. #235, SHERMAN OAKS, CA. 91411. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ERICK ITUARDO ROSALES, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/09/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/01/19. 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. 2020154949
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TACOS CALLEJEROS U.S.A. 8503 TOBIAS AVE #2, PANORAMA CITY, CA. 91402. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) RAMON BRUNET HERNANDEZ 8503 TOBIAS AVE #2, PANORAMA CITY, CA. 91402; ANNA NOHEMY RIVAS FLAMENY 8503 TOBIAS AVE #2, PANORAMA CITY, CA. 91402. This Business is conducted by: GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed:) RAMON BRUNET HERNANDEZ, PARTNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/05/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/01/19. 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: CODY PADRINO 1842 N CHEROKEE AVE APT 3, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90028. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) CODY JAMES CONCEPCION 1842 N CHEROKEE AVE APT 3, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90028. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: CODY JAMES CONCEPCION, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/09/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/20/20. 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. 2020151977
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LET'S BUILD 8824 COSTELLO AVE., PANORAMA CITY, CA. 91402. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MARINE SAMSONYAN 8824 COSTELLO AVE., PANORAMA CITY, CA. 91402; ANDRANIK SAMSONYAN 8824 COSTELLO AVE., PANORAMA CITY, CA. 91402. This Business is conducted by: GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: NARINE SAMSONYAN, GENERAL PARTNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/03/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/20/20. 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: MORPHOLOGY: ADVANCED 3D BODY SCANS 18960 VENTURA BLVD, #158 TARZANA, CA. 91356. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GEVORK GEORGE KATABYAN 18960 VENTURA BLVD, #158 TARZANA, CA. 91356. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: GEVORK GEORGE KATABYAN, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/22/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)
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File No. 2020142311
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PARADISE ULTD 430 S BROADWAY APT 207, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90013. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) COREY JAMES HURLEY 430 S BROADWAY APT 207, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90013. This Business is conducted by: An Individual. Signed: COREY JAMES HURLEY, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/18/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/20/20. 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: FITNIT COACHING 18960 VENTURA BLVD #158, TARZANA, CA. 91356. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GEVORK GEORGE KATABYAN 18960 VENTURA BLVD, #158 TARZANA, CA. 91356. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: GEVORK GEORGE KATABYAN, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/21/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/20/16. 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: AUTOBLASTER COLLISION CENTER 19011 PARTHINEA ST UNIT C NORTHridge, CA. 91324. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LUIS M. ESPINOZA MORENO 3557 SKYWAY CT., PALMDALE, CA. 93550. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: LUIS M. ESPINOZA MORENO, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/01/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 7/20/20. 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: TIMOTHY TUCKER CONSULTING 630 VENICE WAY APT 301, INGLEWOOD, CA. 90302. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) TIMOTHY CLYDE TUCKER 630 VENICE WAY APT 301, INGLEWOOD, CA. 90302. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: TIMOTHY CLYDE TUCKER, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/03/20. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/20/17. 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: SHINE BRIGHT HAIR & BUNDLE 5954 S NORMANDIE AVE LOS ANGELES, CA. 90044. Full name of registrant(s) is: SHANTAL ANESSA PANTON 5954 S NORMANDIE AVE LOS ANGELES, CA. 90044. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: SHANTAL ANESSA PANTON, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/24/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/03/20. 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: BJ SMOKE SHOP & MINI MARKET 4068 S CENTRAL AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90008. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LILIAN A. DEL AGUILA 4457 1/2 DUNHAM STREET LOS ANGELES, CA. 90023. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: LILIAN A. DEL AGUILA, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/01/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/20/20. 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. 2020148188
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: EMM GROUP 1218 RAYMOND AVE GLENDALE, CA. 91201. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) KHATCHATOUR ANTABIAN 1218 RAYMOND AVE GLENDALE, CA. 91201. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: KHATCHATOUR ANTABIAN, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/28/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/20/20. 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: KAROLLI SERVICE 613 E SAXON AVE SAN GABRIEL, CA. 91778. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) KAROL GUADALUPE NERIO DE RICART 613 E SAXON AVE SAN GABRIEL, CA. 91778. This Business is conducted by: An Individual. Signed: KAROLL GUADALUPE NERIO DE RICART, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/22/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/20/20. 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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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2020-150881
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MARCO POLO DEMO, 6334 BRIGHT AVE, WHITTIER, CA. 90601. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MARCO POLO PEREZ, 6334 BRIGHT AVE, WHITTIER, CA. 90601. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MARCO POLO PEREZ, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/30/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/20/20. 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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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2020-148311
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: JZ SANCHEZ TRANSPORT, INC. 9013 S FIR AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90002. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JZ SANCHEZ TRANSPORT, INC., 9013 S FIR AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90002. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: JEXON E SANCHEZ ROSALES. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/28/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2020-155662
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TACOS Y MARISCOS EL TIO, 10450 ARTESIA BLVD, BELFLOWER, CA. 90706. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) TACOS Y MARISCOS EL TIO, 10250 E ROSECRANS AVE, BELFLOWER, CA. 90706. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: EFRAIN RIZZO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/06/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2020-136461
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BRYAN'S JUMPERS, 8436 TERRADELL ST, PICO RIVERA, CA. 90660. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) BRYAN ALBERTO GARCIA NIEVES, 8436 TERRADELL ST, PICO RIVERA, CA. 90660. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ALBERTO GARCIA NIEVES. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/10/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/20/20. 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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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2020-148610
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CASA ALVAREZ, 19744 COLIMAR DR, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, CA. 91748. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) CAMINO REAL MEXICAN FOOD, INC., 19744 COLIMA DR, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, CA. 91748. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: JOSE DE JESUS JIMENEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/28/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2020-148011
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: DJ TRUCKING, 544 W 48TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90037. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DEPENDABLE TRANSPORT SPECIALISTS, INC., 544 W 48TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90037. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: DANIEL JONATHAN CRUZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/28/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2020-148025
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: EAGLE VISION LIFE COACHING, 13527 ACAPULCO DRIVE, WHITTIER, CAA 90605. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) EAGLE VISION LIFE COACHING, INC., 13527 ACAPULCO DRIVE, WHITTIER, CA. 90605. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: JUANNA MACIEL. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/28/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2020-149040
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: EDUARDO CISNEROS TRUCKING, 2736 HILL ST, HUNTINGTON PARK, CA. 90255. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) EDUARDO CISNEROS, 2736 HILL ST, HUNTINGTON PARK, CA. 90255. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: EDUARDO CISNEROS. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/29/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2020-142220
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ELDER JANITORIAL SERVICES, 10315 KALMIA STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90002. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ELDER ESTRUARDRO MARROQUIN ASENCO, 10315 KALMIA STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90002. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ELDER ESTRUARDRO MARROQUIN ASENCO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/18/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2020-142296
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: QUEEN JANITORIAL SERVICE, 6631 SALT LAKE AVE SPA 37, BELLI, CA. 91778. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ADELLA REYES-MEZA, 6631 SALT LAKE AVE SPA 37, BELLI, CA. 90201. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ADELLA REYES-MEZA. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/18/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2020-138965
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TME GROUP, JMT GROUP, JMEM ENTERPRISE, OVERSIGHT MANAGEMENT, QUANTUM GROUP, 5029 CALMVIEW AVENUE, BALDWIN PARK, CA. 91706. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) TME GROUP LLC, 5029 CALMVIEW AVENUE, BALDWIN PARK, CA. 91706. This Business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Signed: MICHAEL TSOUJIS. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/15/2020. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code)
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FILE NO. 2020-148618
STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person(s) LAURENTINO RABADAN FAUSTO, 644 HOFFNER AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90022, has/ have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name/ LUCKY BAKERY, 136 W. 7TH STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90014. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 05/31/2016, in the county of Los Angeles. The original file number of 2016136327. This business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/28/2020. The business information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) LAURENTINO RABADAN FAUSTO
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City of Sierra Madre

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

From: The City of Sierra Madre
Subject: Streamline Design Review Process – Ordinance 1434
Applicant: City of Sierra Madre
Project Location: Properties in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider recommending adoption of a Municipal Code Text Amendment, amending Chapter 17.20 (One-Family Residential), Chapter 17.48 (Development Standards), and Chapter 17.60 (Variances and Discretionary Permits), of Title 17 (Zoning) of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code, and other applicable Zoning provisions of the Municipal Code.

The objective of the MCTA is to create design review findings, for projects requiring administrative development permits and design review permits that are objective and in compliance with State housing law, and to reduce design review regulations in the R-1 (One-Family Residential Zone). The Planning Commission recommended approval to the City Council of the proposed text amendment at a noticed public hearing held on October 15, 2020.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre City Council meeting; Tuesday, October 27, 2020 (Hearing begins at 6:30 p.m.) All interested persons may attend this meeting and the City Council will hear them with respect thereto.

PLACE OF HEARING

- City of Sierra Madre Memorial Park Band Shell, 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA.
- This meeting will be conducted in accordance with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Guidelines for physical distancing. Masks will be required.
- This meeting will also be recorded for broadcast.
- Watch the meeting live on Channel 3 (Government Access Channel) or on the City's website at www.cityofsierramadre.com.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The project qualifies for an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Title 14, Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Code of Regulations as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the adoption of this Ordinance may have a significant effect on the environment, because it will impose limitations on development in the City and protect the aesthetic character of Sierra Mare, thereby serving to reduce potential significant adverse environmental impacts.

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

City of Sierra Madre

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Susan Henderson,
Editor/Publisher

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California Proposition 14, the Stem Cell Research Institute Bond Initiative

A "yes" vote supports issuing \$5.5 billion general obligation bonds for the state's stem cell research institute and making changes to the institute's governance structure and programs.

California Proposition 15, the Tax on Commercial and Industrial Properties for Education and Local Government Funding Initiative

A "yes" vote supports this constitutional amendment to require commercial and industrial properties, except those zoned as commercial agriculture, to be taxed based on their market value, rather than their purchase price.

California Proposition 16, the Repeal Proposition 209 Affirmative Action Amendment

A "no" vote opposes this constitutional amendment, thereby keeping Proposition 209 (1996), which stated that the government and public institutions cannot discriminate against or grant preferential treatment to persons on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in public employment, public education, and public contracting.

California Proposition 17, the Voting Rights Restoration for Persons on Parole Amendment

A "no" vote opposes this constitutional amendment, thereby continuing to prohibit people who are on parole for felony convictions from voting.

California Proposition 18, the Primary Voting for 17-Year-Olds Amendment

A "no" vote opposes this constitutional amendment, thereby continuing to prohibit 17-year-olds who will be 18 at the time of the next general election to vote in primary elections and special elections.

California Proposition 19, the Property Tax Transfers, Exemptions, and Revenue for Wildfire Agencies and Counties Amendment

A "yes" vote supports this constitutional amendment to:

- * allow eligible homeowners to transfer their tax assessments anywhere within the state and allow tax assessments to be transferred to a more expensive home with an upward adjustment;
- * increase the number of times that persons over 55 years old or with severe disabilities can transfer their tax assessments from one to three;
- * require that inherited homes that are not used as principal residences, such as second homes or rentals, be reassessed at market value when transferred; and
- * allocate additional revenue or net savings resulting from the ballot measure to wildfire agencies and counties.

California Proposition 20, the Criminal Sentencing, Parole, and DNA Collection Initiative

A "yes" vote supports this initiative to add crimes to the list of violent felonies for which early parole is restricted; recategorize certain types of theft and fraud crimes as wobblers (chargeable as misdemeanors or felonies); and require DNA collection for certain misdemeanors.

California Proposition 21, the Local Rent Control Initiative

A "no" vote opposes this ballot initiative, thereby continuing to prohibit rent control on housing that was first occupied after February 1, 1995, and housing units with distinct titles, such as single-family homes.

California Proposition 22, the App-Based Drivers as Contractors and Labor Policies Initiative

A "yes" vote supports this ballot initiative to define app-based transportation (rideshare) and delivery drivers as independent contractors and adopt labor and wage policies specific to app-based drivers and companies.

California Proposition 23, the Dialysis Clinic Requirements Initiative.

A "yes" vote supports this ballot initiative to require chronic dialysis clinics to: have an on-site physician while patients are being treated; report data on dialysis-related infections; obtain consent from the state health department before closing a clinic; and not discriminate against patients based on the source of payment for care.

California Proposition 24, the Consumer Personal Information Law and Agency Initiative

A "yes" vote supports this ballot initiative to expand the state's consumer data privacy laws, including provisions to allow consumers to direct businesses to not share their personal information; remove the time period in which businesses can fix violations before being penalized; and create the Privacy Protection Agency to enforce the state's consumer data privacy laws.

California Proposition 25, the Replace Cash Bail with Risk Assessments Referendum

A "no" vote is to repeal the contested legislation, Senate Bill 10 (SB 10), thus keeping in place the use of cash bail for detained suspects awaiting trials.

PORTRAIT OF OUR NEIGHBORS

by Stuart Tolchin

ROBERT KENNETH GJERDE

I believe there is a true HERO living just a few doors away from me in the lower canyon of Sierra Madre. He looks like everyone else except that he is a very tall person, perhaps a representative of the Norse Gods to whom he may bear some relation. This is Robert Gjerde. Surprisingly people like you and me often do extraordinary things although that is not obvious from our appearance or from casual small talk.

During these horribly disputative political times there is much talk of the God Narcissus, someone hopelessly absorbed with himself. The complete opposite of narcissists, according to philosophers may be described as heroes. Heroes are people who, for whatever reason, view the world as "a theatre for heroism" a place to do good.

Before I attempt to describe Robert in detail I want you to know that he is by no means a perfect person. His home and his yard are an accumulation of bewildering objects whose purposes are known only to him. He has explained to me that he has a great zest for beginning projects but that frequently this zest and its accompanying energy dissipates before the project is completed resulting in a kind of semi-permanent chaos of ongoing projects. Living in these times is not easy for anyone nevertheless, Robert and his two teenage children manage to live mostly harmoniously amongst the various projects as they cope with the responsibilities of virtual education.

On days when our neighborhood bears have overturned trash cans I have observed Robert cleaning up the mess in front of homes in the canyon. Additionally, Robert still manages to continue doing incredible things that benefit the community. He is the administrator of the Sierra Madre CA Facebook group, is involved with the Sierra Madre Rose Float Association, he creates websites for other people and organizations, is actively involved with Sierra Madre CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) and has pursued multiple grants to benefit this organization. He will spend weeks mastering skills such as welding which he will then use to repair equipment which can be of service to others. He has created a wireless emergency communications system that should stay operational during a disaster when nothing else works. He kept Sierra Madre residents realistically informed about the dangers and nearness associated with the Bobcat Fire. There's really a lot more.

Enough of what he does—the question for me is WHY DOES HE DO IT? I did my best to question Robert about his motivation. He explained that he is somewhat introverted and loves digging into detailed projects and researching them to death. As a child he loved taking apart watches and almost never put them back together. He really likes finding problems and then figuring out solutions. No challenge seems too big for him. While he wants to be a perfectionist, he usually falls short. This often leads to a sort of crisis-management which might explain his involvement in disaster preparedness. He seems to thrive on the idea of disasters. He went out into the business world and for a time was extraordinarily successful. Changes in the economy have made it harder but he still survives and provides for his children. Still his greatest joy comes from being of help to others and he is continually involved in being of assistance. (If you saw the huge electric Menorah in the center of town last year, that was his creation and he is not even Jewish.)

He is an incredible inspiration to many of us in Sierra Madre. I wish my parents had given me a watch to take apart instead of telling me not to touch anything and not to rip my pants. I wish it was that easy!



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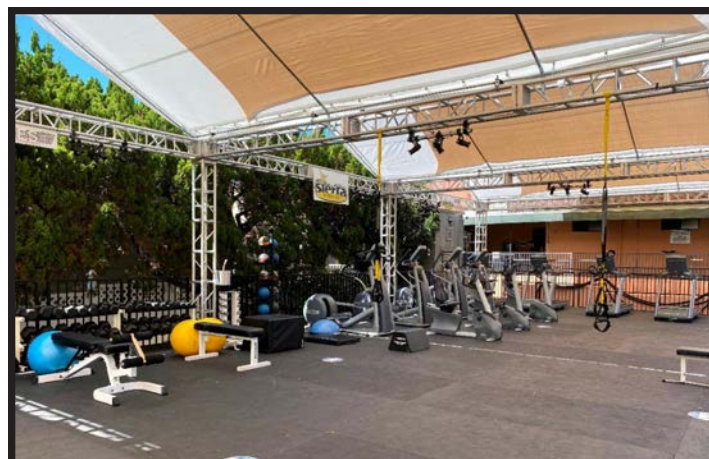
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Voters are advised that they are responsible for how their Vote by Mail (VBM) ballots are returned and with whom they entrust their ballots. The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk recommends returning a ballot to either a mailbox, official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



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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 known 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 Emergency would be over. We could not have imagined in our wildest dreams that in August the crisis would still be 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 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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Thank you in advance. Susan Henderson, Owner/ Publisher/Editor

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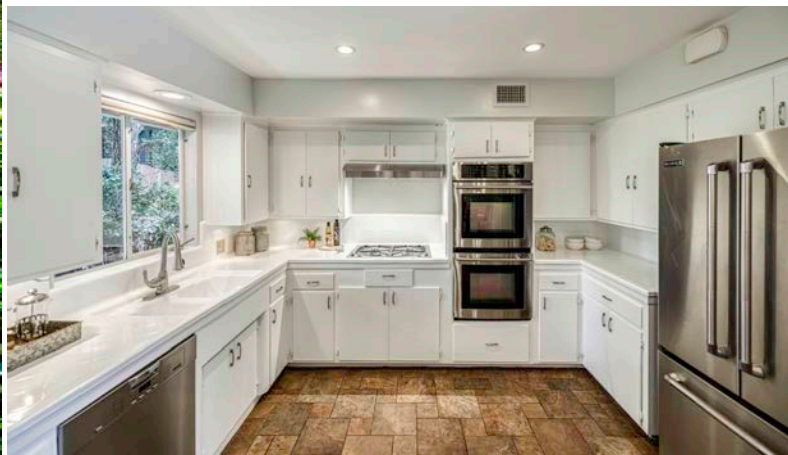
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