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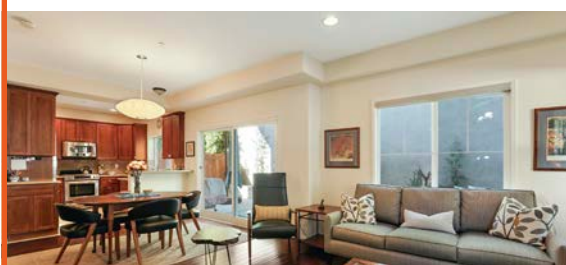
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BELOVED SIERRA MADREAN ELVA JOHNSON PASSES AWAY



Longtime Sierra Madre Civic Leader Elva Johnson passed away on March 5, 2021.

Elva was born in 1935 just outside of Sierra Madre at St. Luke's Hospital in Pasadena to Roy and Lucille Pickett and grew up in Sierra Madre just blocks away from where her father owned a Service Station.

She attended Sierra Madre School, Marshall Junior High School in Pasadena, and Pasadena Junior College to finish high school. She also attended Pasadena

City College, Cal State Los Angeles and Pacific Oaks University.

In 1955, Elva married Richard 'Dick' Johnson. For several years they couple lived in San Gabriel and San Diego and eventually moved back to Sierra Madre in 1964. They purchased the historic Wilson-Bixby House where they raised five children. In 2014 they moved into The British Home.

Elva taught school for Monrovia School District for 12 and was a Certified Marriage and Family Counseling Therapist, specializing in Therapy for Child Development until her retirement in 2012.

Elva was one of the 'Unsung Heroines' featured in the newly released book on Sierra Madre civic leaders who were members of 'The Priscillas'. She served as President of the group and was also very involved with the Historical Preservation Society and the Methodist Church in Sierra Madre. (partial listing).

Elva is preceded in death by her parents and two sisters.. She is survived by her husband, Dick, sister Velma Embree, children Cristii Ann Cox (Dr. David Cox), Kari Lynn Janzen (Tom Janzen), Rick Johnson, Dianna Johnson and Jason Johnson, 11 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Elva's interment will be at Sierra Madre's Pioneer Cemetery. No further details are available at this time.

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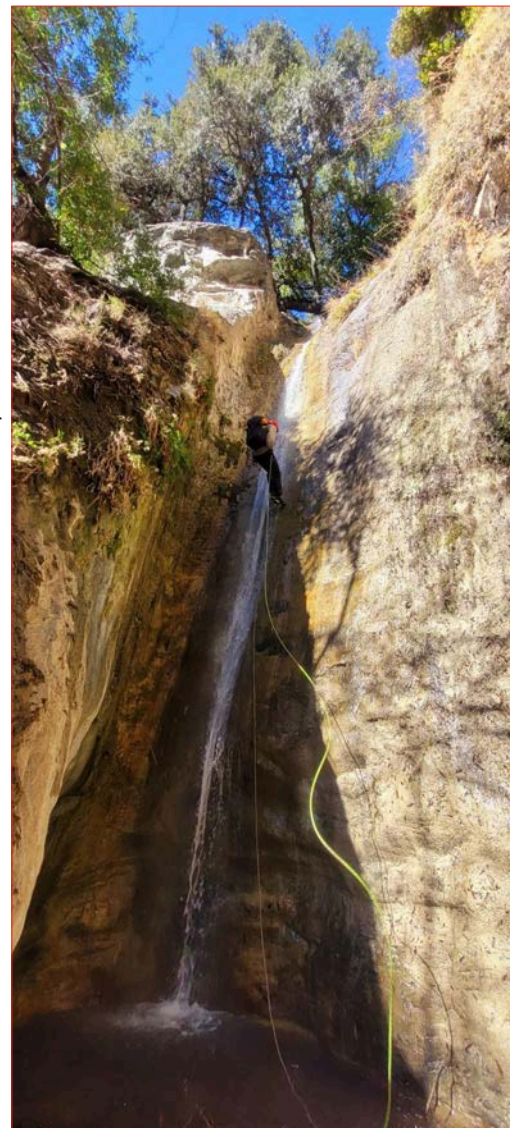
SIERRA MADRE SEARCH AND RESCUE SEARCHES FOR MARIA TICE

Story By Carolyn Grumm and Photos courtesy of SMSR.

The Sierra Madre Search and Rescue Team (SMSR) has been assisting San Dimas Mountain Rescue Team (SDMRT) in the search for Maria Loida Tice. This 60 year old woman is missing after heading out on a hike to Iron Mountain with a Meetup group on Saturday February 13th. She was last seen by other hikers around noon as she was nearing the summit and still hiking towards the top.

Iron Mountain is considered one of the most strenuous hikes in Southern California. The trailhead at Heaton Flats starts at an elevation of 2,000 feet and the trail climbs about 7 miles up to the peak at just over 8,000 feet. The trail is rough and rugged. A few years ago this peak was rarely hiked, but it has recently become more popular. It is part of a worrying trend that the Search and Rescue team is seeing. Social media sites are pushing people to attempt hikes they never would have heard of before, and that are often beyond their capabilities.

Members of the Meetup group Tice was hiking with summited before her and saw her on their descent. She still wanted to continue to the summit. Tice was not reported missing until Wednesday February 17th by concerned coworkers. Members of the SDMRT and SMSR responded immediately and raced to get searchers inserted by helicopter onto the peak before sunset. Searchers then worked through the night on the mountain.



SMSR crews searched the trails, canyons and ridges of Iron Mountain for Tice

On Thursday February 18th searchers were called in from around Los Angeles county. On the weekend the call for help extended throughout southern California with teams from Los Angeles, San Diego, Orange and San Bernardino counties responding. Dozens of searchers, dog teams and multiple airships have participated in the search. The terrain is vast and grueling. Search assignments have been starting first thing in the morning and sometimes aren't completed until the early hours of the next day.

Unfortunately this is not the first search SMSR has been a part of involving a Meetup Group or other hiking group. Below are some tips you can follow to keep yourself and others safe when participating in a hiking group. Following these simple steps could save someone's life:

Do not depend on someone else in the group to take care of you.
Carry the 10 essentials
Carry a map that you have looked at to get an idea of the area you are hiking
Tell someone who is not on the trip where you are and when to expect you back

Take steps to look out for your fellow hikers. If the group leader isn't doing it, you can.

When you meet in the parking lot create a list of everyone's:

Name
Cell phone number
Emergency contact
License plate
Have a knowledgeable hiker who knows the route lead
Put a strong hiker in the back (a sweep). The sweep never passes a group member.
Group up at trail junctions or any possible points of confusion
Be sure everyone makes it off of the mountain.

If a group member decides to separate from the group for any reason be sure they get off of the mountain safely. Check for their car in the parking lot when you return (you have their license plate number on your list) or call them later in the evening (you have their number on your list.) If they don't make it off of the mountain call 911. This simple act could save a life.

SMSR is grateful to the people they have found on social media who were hiking the mountain the day Tice went missing. They have provided valuable information to help in this search.

Anyone with information on Tice's whereabouts is urged to call the sheriff's department's missing persons unit at 323-890-5500.

Since 1951, the all-volunteer Sierra Madre Search and Rescue Team has responded to calls for help in the local mountains and beyond. SMSR also provides a range of free wilderness safety education programs. For more information on the Team, to donate, or to arrange a wilderness safety demonstration for your school or group, visit www.smsr.org.



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Rotary
Club of Sierra Madre

TUESDAY, MARCH 23
8:00am
ZOOM meeting
presents

SUZANNE MANUEL
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SUZANNE MANUEL, Past Coronado President and Assistant Governor, 2016-20, District 5340. She grew up as a military child and later as a military wife. She graduated high school on the remote island of Adak, Alaska at the very end of the Aleutian Islands where she could see Russia from her back porch. Suzanne attended the University of Guam, in the Marianna Islands. Her life as a military youth set the tone for a life of travel and appreciation of diverse cultures, food and traditions. Suzanne will share her love of Rotary and the opportunities and places it has taken her. Her motto: Just Say Yes!

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DRIVE THRU BOOK SALE!

The Friends of the Sierra Madre Public Library are making plans for their upcoming Drive-Thru Used Book Sale. It will be held on Saturday, April 3, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the parking lot behind the library. The address of the library is 440 West Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre.

There will be pre-packaged books in the following genres: History, Biography, Cooking, Non-Fiction, Fiction, Mystery/Thriller, Children's, and Young Adults. Each full bag contains 7-10 books and costs only \$5.00 each! Enter the parking lot from Sierra Madre Blvd. and drove to the friendly volunteer who will take your order. Then proceed to the container on the lot where masked and gloved helpers will put your books inside your car. No need to get out! Exit on Mariposa Ave.

The proceeds from our sales are used only to support the acquisitions, services, and programs of the Sierra Madre Public Library. Help support our much-loved library by attending on April 3.

SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER



March 7, 2021 to March 13, 2021
During this period the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to 178 calls for service

Vandalism
Sometime between Sunday 3-7-21 at 12:30PM and Monday, 3-8-21 at 10:11AM an unknown person(s) used a cutting tool to cut a portion metal gate at 700 N. Sunnyside Ave. causing permanent damage. Case to Detectives

Burglary from a Vehicle
During the overnight hours on 3-8-21 in the 500 block of Foothill Ave. unknown person(s) made entry into two vehicles, parked in their respective driveways and ransacked both, with a scooter taken from one of the vehicles. Case to Detectives

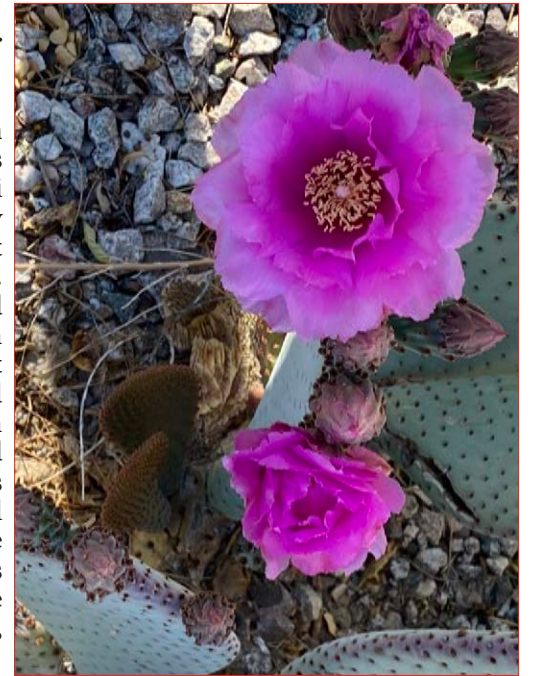
Intoxication
Officers responded to a call on 3-9-21 at 5:01PM in the 00 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd. regarding a male who was seen drinking alcohol in a public place. The male was also heard yelling and causing a disturbance in the area. The subject was arrested for public intoxication and public urination then taken to Pasadena Jail. Case to DA's office

WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

"Much needed relaxation is in your future."

Well, how nice, you're thinking. I'm thinking that, too. Went to P F Chang's a few days ago for dumplings, and a Mai Tai. Just needed them! And that was my fortune cookie. Actually, my current form of relaxation is pulling weeds. Spring rains have been wonderful and they come filled with weed seeds, which are sprouting gaily all over my front and back yards. The lemon tree and brand new orange tree are covered with blossoms and the bees are having a field day out there. The new apricot tree is not blooming yet but there are buds all over the branches and it's going to be gorgeous one day soon. The cactus plants are starting to bloom and the picture this week is one taken by granddaughter, Emily.



"No matter how long the winter, Spring is sure to follow!"
"It's Spring again. The earth is like a child that knows poems by heart."
"Spring is nature's way of saying, 'Let's party!'" Robin Williams

So instead of washing the sheets that have been sitting in the washer for several days, running the vacuum, cleaning the bathrooms and balancing my bank statements, I've been out in the sunshine pulling weeds and enjoying the feeling of warm sun on my face. All that bending over has to be good for the roll around my waist, too.

Speaking of bees, we need them! Let's plant things that will attract and nourish them. They will be grateful and continue to pollinate, proliferate and produce. Honey bees are responsible for pollinating one-third of the global food supply, including fruits, vegetables and nuts. If you're thinking of putting a few new items in your garden, consider lavender, sunflowers, rosemary, lemon balm. These all smell delicious. No wonder bees like them!

In case you haven't heard, our good friend, Dr. Eric To, at Lumen Optometric, and his wife, Michelle, welcomed their second son, Elias, on March 4th. Sadly, Elias was born without a functioning immune system (SCID syndrome) so Dr. To, Michelle and Elias will be isolated together in the hospital for the next several months. Let's add the To family to our prayer lists and keep going to this fine optometric group here in town, right past Baldwin at 14 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Dr. Rachel Choi has been with Lumen since the first of the year and she is there to take care of all your needs. The Lumen Optometric Group is one of Sierra Madre's fine local businesses and we want to support them. You might drop Dr. To and his family a card to encourage them if you have a minute. I know they would appreciate it. Leave it there at Lumen and Dr. Choi will be sure they get it. Dr. To will still be available through email/text.

It's so exciting to see the world opening up a little more. Just think of going to the movies again! We all want to see *Raya and the Last Dragon* but it's not playing at our local theater just yet. And restaurants! And schools opening up! Yes, we're all still wearing masks and keeping our distance but, friends and neighbors, things are getting better!

I got the biggest kick out of Chris Leclerc's column, "Happy Tails," last week with all the quotes about animals from various famous personages. My favorites:

"If a dog will not come to you after having looked you in the face, you should go home and examine your conscience." Woodrow Wilson

"I am fond of pigs. Dogs look up to us. Cats look down on us. Pigs treat us as equals." Winston Churchill

If you missed Chris's column on page 12 last week, pull it up online and take a look.

Here's another of those great pieces I share with you from time to time, this one from Mary Schmich's column in the *Chicago Tribune* some time ago:

"Do one thing every day that scares you.
Sing.
Don't be reckless with other people's hearts. Don't put up with people who are reckless with yours.
Floss.
Don't waste your time on jealousy. Sometimes you're ahead, sometimes you're behind. The race is long and, in the end, it's only with yourself.
Remember compliments you receive. Forget the insults. If you succeed in doing this, tell me how.
Keep your old love letters. (I have kept every card and note John ever sent me.)
Throw away your old bank statements.
Accept certain inalienable truths: Prices will rise. Politicians will philander. You, too, will get old. And when you do, you'll fantasize that when you were young, prices were reasonable, politicians were noble, and children respected their elders."

"One regret that I am determined not to have is that I did not kiss you enough."
Daniel Ladinsky "Spend all your kisses." Jack Smith

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CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

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February 2021 through April 2021

Project partially funded by grant funds from Supervisor Kathryn Barger's office

Sidewalk around the project will be closed. Please observe the sidewalk closed signs and use alternate routes

QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

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TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills thechefknows@yahoo.com

PETER DILLS SAYS.....LOCATION LOCATION AND YES LOCATION

We all know restaurant locations throughout Sierra Madre and Pasadena that seem to turn over every fall. I have heard the word "cursed" used for several locations many times. For instance, the location on the corner of San Gabriel and Colorado seems to be one that is cursed for sure – it started as the Vault, then it became Rio Rio, then Ta Vu, and then a sushi joint (which I actually loved because the prices were right). Now it's a chicken wing restaurant. Well, I love wings! For another "cursed" location, remember Jerry's Famous Deli in Old Pasadena? Let's name all the restaurants that went through that location: Union Cattle Company, Pasadena Brewing, Brix, Haven Gastro Pub... and it started as a gym!



When interviewing existing owners, they often point the fingers at the landlords saying the rents are too high. The excitement and the confidence of "I'll do it better" might be too strong of a lure for restaurateurs to handle. I was bewildered that El Chollo moved from Fair Oaks (Old John Bull) to the Paseo. As the building sat empty for a few years, I thought isn't some rent better than no rent at all? Celebrity Chef Rocco said on his TV show that the mortality rate for restaurants is 90% the first year. My father said he'd rather have open heart surgery than own a restaurant.

Let's look at this fact: the survival rate is higher than 10%, and these numbers are not specific to our area. Several years ago, researchers at Cornell University and Michigan State University conducted a study of restaurants in three local markets over a 10-year period. They concluded the following: after the first year, 27% of restaurant startups failed; after three years, 50% of those restaurants were no longer in business; and after five years 60% had gone south. At the end of 10 years, 70% of the restaurants that had opened for business a decade before had failed. Those are far different numbers than the 90% first-year failure rate quoted by our television star chef. Another academic research study concluded that 81.4% of all small business failures result from forces within the control of the owners/managers. The bottom line is that even if the failure rate is a little daunting, failure is not inevitable.

Let me know your thoughts and favorite restaurants. thechefknows@yahoo.com

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Commercial Inspection Notice

The Sierra Madre Fire Department is expanding its Inspection Program by reinstituting the commercial inspection program to include all businesses in Sierra Madre.

The goal of the commercial inspection program is to insure a safe environment for our business owners, their employees, and customers.

A copy of our inspection form may be found on our website at, www.cityofsierramadre/smf

For more information contact Fire Marshall Rich Snyder at (626) 355-3611

The Sierra Madre Fire Department serves to protect our City and its residents every day. An integral part of our service delivery is our proactive fire and life safety inspection program. In order to prevent fires and other emergencies from occurring, our inspections are focused on educating our community on safe home and workplace practices.

This year the Sierra Madre Fire Department is reinstituting its commercial inspection program to include all businesses in Sierra Madre. A copy of the form may be found on our department website on www.cityofsierramadre.com/smf

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Wed:	Sunny	Hi	70s	Lows 50s
Thur:	Sunny	Hi	70s	Lows 50s
Fri:	Sunny	Hi	70s	Lows 50s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS March 23, 2021 4:00 pm

As part of the City of Sierra Madre's COVID-19 transmission mitigation efforts, the City Council meeting will take place at the City of Sierra Madre Memorial Park Bandshell located at 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd, Sierra Madre CA 91024. As part of the COVID-19 transmission mitigation efforts, the City recommends that all attendees bring their own chair. In the event of rain or other inclement weather, the meeting may be moved to Zoom.

The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting. Public comment may also be made by e-mail to PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com by 3:00PM on the day of the meeting. Emails will be acknowledged at the Council meeting and filed into public record. The public may also comment in-person at the meeting

The meeting will be streamed live on the City's website at www.cityofsierramadre.com, on Foothills Media website at <http://www.foothillsmidia.org/sierramadre> and broadcast on Government Access Channel 3 (Spectrum).

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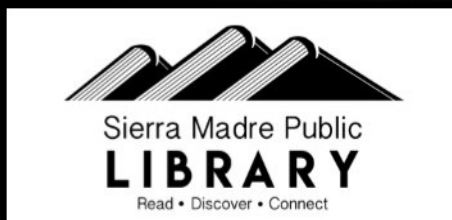
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Story Adventure at Memorial Park—A new story will be available all week!

The Library Is Sus—Online at 3:00pm; call the Library to register

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

Friday

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Saturday

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News From Your Community For Your Community

Man that Robbed Roscoe's of Chicken Arrested

Pasadena police announced Thursday the arrest of a man wanted in connection to the armed robbery, in early February, of Roscoe's House of Chicken & Waffles in the 800 block of N. Lake Ave.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's department arrested Steve Carlos Williams, a 43-year old Duarte resident on unrelated charges. The exact arrest date or details were not given.

According to Pasadena Lt. Carolyn Gordon, Williams had engaged in a verbal argument with an employee February 3 around 5:40 p.m. over the restaurant's facial covering requirement. The suspect refused to comply and for unknown reasons, produced a handgun while threatening the employees. The suspect demanded a bag of food items and after receiving the filled bag, he took this food and several other food orders, which were waiting for customers to pick up. He then fled the location in a dark colored vehicle.

The restaurant's surveillance cameras had recorded the incident and officers collected the video as well as other evidentiary items.

Williams was charged with two counts of Robbery and two counts of Assault with a Firearm. His bail was set at \$125,000 dollars Gordon said.

Anyone with additional information about the crime should call Pasadena police at (626) 744-4501.

Calling All Pasadena Businesses

Participate In A Shop Pasadena Instagram Takeover Friday

The easing of certain COVID restrictions on businesses is a breath of much needed fresh air. Join other businesses across the city by participating in an Instagram Takeover on Friday, March 26th. Show solidarity with your fellow business owners by posting a photo for your business anytime on March 26th with the "We're Open, Keep Us Open" graphic overlay on your Instagram account. Be sure to tag #shoppasadena. Businesses that post photos with the graphic overlay and tag #shoppasadena will be reposted on the City's social account via Instagram Stories.

Shopping local is incredibly important. This is a great opportunity to remind the public that you are open for business. To download the "We're Open, Keep Us Open" graphic overlays, at: visitpasadena.com/businessresources.

City Council to Discuss Hero/Hazard Pay

The Pasadena city council is set Monday to consider adopting a Hero or Hazard Pay Ordinance similar to an ordinance approved by The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and one passed in Long Beach. The LA County \$5 ordinance took effect February 26.

According to a city staff report, Economic Development Manager Eric Duyshart said, the recent Hero Pay ordinances have targeted retail grocery stores, retail drug stores, and other large stores of 85,000 square feet or more that dedicate more than 10 percent of their floor space to grocery or pharmaceutical drug sales.

In Los Angeles County, the ordinance creates an employer responsibility to increase the wages of all non-exempt employees who work at least two hours per week by \$5 per hour for 120 days, Duyshart's report reads. The Ordinance specifically prohibits employers from lowering employees' wages to offset the increase and prohibits retaliation against employees who assert "rights" pursuant to the Ordinance which includes reducing their hours.

The council is set to also discuss concerns related to costs and how an ordinance could create significant challenges in existing labor agreements, overtime calculations and current non-discretionary bonuses. Recent store closures in Long Beach and Los Angeles have coincided with the adoption of Hero Pay



Ordinances.

Kroger Co. threatened to close a Ralphs store and Food 4 Less store in Long Beach, that represent 25 percent of their Long Beach stores over hazard pay. The stores are set to close April 17. Kroger's plans also call for two Los Angeles Ralphs supermarkets and one Food 4 Less to shutdown May 15.

Pasadena Chamber of Commerce President Paul Little urged the council, in a letter, not to adopt any ordinances, citing numerous reasons including an increase in groceries cost, the possibility of the city being

sued and that many store are already giving bonuses. Little said Ralphs, Stater Bros. and Vons are all paying \$2 an hour for workers. He said Target and other stores are also giving bonuses to employees that get the Covid vaccines.

Other cities that adopted Hero Pay including Pomona, Montebello, Santa Ana, Costa Mesa, Irvine Santa Monica, and West Hollywood. They range from \$4 to \$5 an hour. The council meets at 4:30 p.m. by videoconference. For more information visit: cityofpasadena.net.

Tournament Names Bands Marching in 2022 Parade

The Pasadena Tournament of Roses announce Thursday the 20 bands that will march in the Rose Parade on January 1, 2022. The 2022 parade will feature participants originally slated for the 2021 parade. Bands have kicked off their fundraising activities and continue to receive community support for their trip to the 133rd Rose Parade presented by Honda, themed "Dream. Believe. Achieve."

The bands will travel to Pasadena from across the United States and around the world, including Italy, Japan, Panama and Sweden. Thousands of performers will enjoy the experience of a lifetime when they march down Colorado Blvd. on New Year's Day, each with their own unique story. The 2022 Rose Parade will host eight new bands and several bands that have been parade mainstays for decades.

Bands are selected by volunteer members of the Tournament of Roses based on a variety of criteria including musicianship, marching ability and entertainment or special interest value.

Two bands will be added to the lineup when the universities participating in the 108th Rose Bowl Game are determined in December.

- The bands participating are listed below, alphabetically.
- Arcadia Apache Marching Band and Color Guard, Arcadia, CA
- Banda de Musica La Primavera, Santiago, Veraguas, Panama
- Bands of America Honor Band, United States
- The Pride of Broken Arrow, Broken Arrow, OK
- Downingtown Blue and Gold Marching Band, Downingtown, PA
- Georgia State University Panther Band, Atlanta, GA
- Gibson County Tennessee Mass Band, Dyer, TN
- Hebron Marching Band,



- Carrollton, TX
- Homewood Patriot Band, Homewood, AL
- Los Angeles Unified School District, All District High School Honor Band, Los Angeles, CA
- Mira Mesa High School "Sapphire Sound" Marching Band and Color Guard, San Diego, CA
- O'Fallon Township High School Marching Panthers, O'Fallon, IL
- Pasadena City College, Tournament of Roses Honor Band and Herald Trumpets, Pasadena, CA
- Royal Swedish Cadet Band, Karlskrona, Sweden
- The Salvation Army Tournament of Roses Band, Los Angeles, CA
- St. Ursula Eichl Sendai Honor Band
- Sendai, Miyagi, Japan
- Tennessee State University Aristocrat of Bands, Nashville, TN
- Triuggio Marching Band, Triuggio, Monza and Brianza, Italy
- United States Marine Corps West Coast Composite Band, MCRD, San Diego and Camp Pendleton, CA
- Waukee Warrior Regiment, Waukee, IA

Bands that would like to participate in the 2023 Rose Parade are encouraged to apply through an online application, available now on the Tournament of Roses website: tournamentofroses.com/events/apply/

Holden's Statement on Anti-Asian Violence

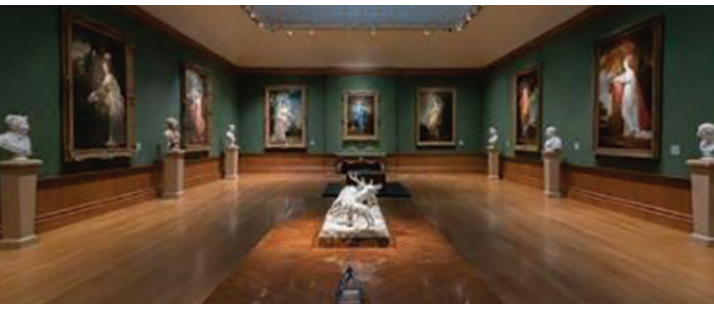


Assemblymember Chris Holden made the following statement regarding violence and discrimination against Asian Americans in light of the shooting events, in Atlanta Tuesday, at three spas that left eight people dead.

"The long history in the United States of racism and oppression against communities of color and gender remain unsettled. The tragic events in Atlanta are part of a disturbing continuation of violence and discrimination against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders since the onset of the Covid-19 Pandemic. Sadly, we have seen it in our San Gabriel Valley community and throughout California.

I stand in support and solidarity with the Asian American Pacific Islander community to condemn all acts of hatred and bigotry. I will continue to work with my colleagues in the California Legislature to ensure that all members of our community - all Americans - are treated with dignity and respect. Fear has crippled the mindsets of our family, friends and neighbors enough times during this Pandemic, we must endure and take steps in unity to hold on to the hope we built."

Huntington to Reopen Key Museum Galleries



The Huntington Library, Art Museum, and Botanical Gardens announced this week that it will begin to reopen its art galleries on April 17, so that the public may at last see the newly restored masterpiece of 18th-century British portraiture, The Blue Boy by Thomas Gainsborough. In addition, "Made in L.A. 2020: a version," the fifth iteration of the Hammer Museum's biennial exhibition, will debut simultaneously at both the Hammer and The Huntington in two versions that make up the whole. "Made in L.A. 2020" will remain on view at both institutions through Aug. 1.

All of The Huntington's galleries have been closed since March 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; but, with county public health permission to safely reopen museums, The Huntington will once again welcome visitors to three distinct gallery spaces: the first floor of the Huntington Art Gallery, and the galleries where "Made in L.A. 2020" is on display—in the MaryLou and George Boone Gallery and a portion of the Virginia Steele

Scott Galleries of American Art.

Planning for the reopening of other galleries at The Huntington, including the Library Exhibition Hall, is underway.

Those who wish to visit The Huntington—either to walk in the gardens or to enter galleries—must obtain a standard online ticket in advance at huntington.org, according to requirements in place since the gardens reopened last July. All visitors are required to comply with such COVID-related safety measures as wearing face coverings (even if vaccinated) and being screened for symptoms, including a temperature check. Those wishing to enter galleries will be required to queue up outside gallery doors as needed to maintain the Los Angeles County occupancy guidelines for the Red Tier, which limit indoor occupancy to 25 percent. Inside galleries, visitor traffic flow and other distancing measures will be enforced.

For more information visit: huntington.org.

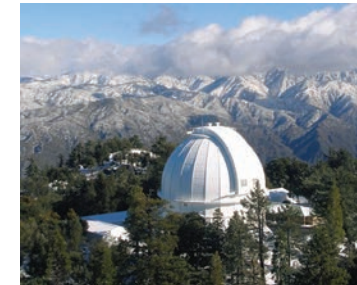
Cosmic Cocktail Hour Mount Wilson Observatory History

When it was founded in 1904, Mount Wilson Observatory was home to the world's largest telescope. Since then, the observatory's telescopes have been used by world-famous astronomers, among them the likes of Edwin Hubble and George Ellery Hale, to make countless extraordinary discoveries.

For this month's Cosmic Cocktail Hour, Tim Thompson, a Mount Wilson Institute trustee, will lead a presentation about Mount Wilson Observatory's fascinating history Wednesday, April 7, at 4 p.m. via Zoom, sponsored by the Pasadena Senior Center.

The observatory's history spans from 1889 when astronomy was first brought to the isolated mountaintop, to 1923 when astronomer Margaret Harwood became the first woman allowed to use the observatory, to 1944 when astronomer Walter Baade took advantage of World War II blackout conditions to observe stars in the center of the Andromeda Galaxy for the first time, to today as Mount Wilson Observatory carries on its storied legacy.

The cost of the Zoom event



is only \$7 for members of the Pasadena Senior Center and \$10 for nonmembers 50 and older. Residency in Pasadena is not required.

To register, visit: pasadenaseniorecenter.org and click on Events, Clubs and Lectures, then Online Events or call 626-795-4331. Everyone who registers will receive an email link to access the Zoom event. Anyone who does not have WiFi or an email address can call 626-795-4331 to receive a number to call to join this Zoom event by phone.

Pour your favorite beverage, sit back and enjoy the trip.

For more information about online activities and other programs and services of the Pasadena Senior Center, visit the website or call 626-795-4331.

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ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, March 7th through Saturday, February 13th, the Police Department responded to 960 calls for service, of which 99 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of some of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

- Sunday, March 7:
1. At 6:00 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 900 block of Catalpa Road regarding a mail theft report. The victim discovered someone stole his new credit card from his mailbox and it was fraudulently used at several locations. The investigation is ongoing.
 2. At 8:38 p.m., an officer responded to Extended Stay, located at 401 East Santa Clara Street, regarding a battery report. An investigation revealed an argument between an adult son and his mother resulted in the son throwing two cans of soda at the victim. The investigation is ongoing.
 3. At 10:18 p.m., an officer conducted foot patrol of a vacant property located in the 600 block of South Michillinda Avenue. Three suspects were determined to be trespassing. A 29-year-old female from San Gabriel, a 26-year-old male from Pasadena, and a 41-year-old male from Sylmar were arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking. A records check of the suspects revealed the female and the 41-year-old male had outstanding misdemeanor warrants.

- Monday, March 8:
4. At 3:56 a.m., officers responded to the 1400 block of South Sixth Avenue regarding the activation of a GPS tracking device. In an effort to combat a rise in package thefts, the Arcadia Police Department has deployed tracking devices throughout the city. The officers located the tracker inside a vehicle along with three suspects. A search of the vehicle revealed pieces of stolen mail, drug paraphernalia, a pellet gun that was an exact replica of a real handgun, and various controlled substances. A records check of the suspects revealed the 23-year-old female from Hesperia had two outstanding misdemeanor warrants and the driver, a 35-year-old male from Irvine, was driving with a suspended license. The third suspect, a 46-year-old male from Apple Valley, was also arrested. The suspects were transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.
 5. At 8:41 a.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of Las Tunas Drive regarding a stolen vehicle report. Surveillance footage revealed a male suspect stole the victim's 2020 Hyundai Elantra. The investigation is ongoing.
 6. At 5:56 p.m., an officer responded to Albertsons, located at 298 East Live Oak Avenue, regarding a robbery report. The officer determined two suspects stole approximately \$176.00 worth of groceries before exiting the store, failing to make payment. Upon leaving, they were confronted by an employee. One of the suspects pushed the employee, and both fled in a grey Honda Civic. The suspects are described as a Hispanic male in his 50s, with a medium build and a Hispanic female in her 60s. The investigation is ongoing.

- Tuesday, March 9:
7. At 3:10 p.m., an officer responded to Rusnak Mercedes Benz, located at 101 North Santa Anita Avenue, regarding a stolen vehicle report. An investigation revealed the victim's vehicle was stolen from a staging area by two males. The investigation is ongoing.
 8. At 3:31 p.m., an officer took a report of an attempted commercial burglary that occurred at Arcadia Wireless, located at 158 East Duarte Road. The victim discovered someone attempted to forcibly enter the business by damaging the lock. Surveillance cameras captured someone loitering in front of her business.

- Wednesday, March 10:
9. At 7:14 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 900 block of West Huntington Drive regarding a stolen bicycle report. The victim witnessed the suspect enter his side patio and steal his Trek bicycle. The suspect is described as a male, between the ages of 17 and 22-years-old, with a thin build, possibly Hispanic or Black, and he was wearing a pink and green hooded rain jacket.

10. At 10:54 a.m., an officer responded to Hollywood Noodle, located at 48 East Live Oak Avenue, regarding a commercial burglary report. An investigation revealed unknown suspect(s) broke a kitchen window, ransacked the business, and stole tables and the register.

PRATT WINS SIX AT SANTA ANITA AS EXCITING RACING CONTINUES

By Joan Schmidt

March 12, was an amazing day for Flavien Pratt; he won SIX of eight races! Wins included Dr. Hoffman, Ippodami's Girl, Missy P, Burnin Turf, Rather Nosal, and Disappearing Act.

Santa Anita's record for most wins in one meet is Laffitt Pincay's seven! Other jockeys achieving six are Bill Shoemaker (1962), Pincay ('73 and '81), Sandy Hawley (twice in '76), Darrel McHargue('78 and '79), Patrick Valenzuela ('88), Martin Pedroza ('92) Corey Nakatani (2000) and Rafael Bejarano ('06) Currently, Pratt is leading jockey: 59 wins, followed by Juan Hernandez' 44. (Congrats to Juan Hernandez, recently achieved 2000 wins!0

March 6 had FIVE exciting stake races! Pratt won "China Doll Stakes" on Going Global (Phil D'Amato, trainer); Mike Smith, "San Felipe Stakes", Life is Good (Bob Baffert); Apprentice Alexis Centano, "San Carlos Stakes", Brickyard Ride (Craig Lewis); Florent Geroux, "Frank E. Kilroe Miles Stakes", Hit the Road (Dan Blacker); Joel Rosario, "Santa Anita Handicap Stakes", Idol, (Richard Baltas).

Brickyard Ride brought Apprentice Alexis Centuro his first Stakes Win..."First I want to thank God and (trainer) Craig Lewis, who has helped me a lot and my agent Erick Arroyo...Brickyard Ride is so special. I won my last two races in a row with him." (Outstanding "win photo" from Benoit)

Los Alamitos has opened evening Quarter Horse Racing to spectators. On March 11, a Santa Anita news update said "Our priority is the health and safety of our horses, community, fans and staff". It remains closed to the public, but racing can still be viewed on TV and on line. We saw close-up TVG's announcer Christina Blacker's excitement as she watched her husband, trainer Dan Blacker's horse, Hit the Road, provide him with his first "Frank E. Kilroe Miles Stakes" win.

Flavien Pratt's fired agent Derek Lawson after seven years and many wins. (It was announced two weeks prior, but Pratt kept winning many races and people just wondered about it!) Pratt's new agent is Mike Pegram, who also has Mike Smith's book. That left Drayden Van Dyke without an agent. (They can only have two jockeys' books.) But no worries. Drayden received MANY calls; Gary Stevens is now his agent and Drayden's heading to Keeneland and Churchill Downs. Everyone will miss Drayden, but wish him well.

That's all the racing news for now.

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AFFORDABLE HOUSING BILL PASSES SENATE HOUSING COMMITTEE

Senate Bill 15, a measure authored Senator Anthony J. Portantino (D – La Canada) which gives incentives to cities that convert abandoned retail sites into affordable and workforce housing, passed the Senate Housing Committee Thursday.

"Lack of affordable housing is a major issue for current and potential employers in California counties and negatively impacts our economy," stated Senator Portantino. "Housing is fundamental to the welfare of business and the workforce population. Using abandoned retail sites for new affordable housing is an achievable and necessary goal that California must pursue."

According to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), from 2015-2025, approximately 1.8 million new housing units are needed to meet projected population and household growth, or 180,000 new homes annually. The imbalance between supply and demand has driven California housing costs to be the highest in the nation, with an average median home price now 2.5 times the U.S. median. These high prices have prohibited occupations like teachers, nurses, public safety officers and younger professionals the ability to afford owning a home, essential for building a stronger and vibrant economy.

A concurrent trend has emerged in local economies due to the growth of e-commerce. Since 2017, national retailers have been reducing their demand for future space in retail centers, are closing stores and abandoning retail sites at a record pace greater than during the Great Recession.

SB 15 will enable local cities to receive from HCD the average of the annual amount of sales tax revenue generated by that site for the last seven years if the site has been converted and occupied with new housing. The city would receive that average amount for a total of seven years. For a local government to receive this fiscal incentive, the city must approve a housing development project through its planning process, must be built and have a certificate of occupancy for the city to be eligible, and receive the sales tax rebate. Should the city approve a mixed use development on the site, the city would be eligible for the sales



Senator Anthony J. Portantino

tax rebate only on the amount of square footage dedicated to housing.

"There is no doubt that SB 15 is an innovative solution that gives local governments incentives to allow for building more housing in their jurisdictions, and to make real strides in increasing housing production in our state," said Chris Wilson, Policy Manager for the Los Angeles County Business Federation. "California's severe housing shortage needs creative and financially viable proposals to tackle this challenge."

"We are pleased to see SB 15 move out of the Senate Housing Committee today," stated Blanca Pacheco, President of the Los Angeles County Division of the League of California Cities. "With the state experiencing a large budget windfall, this is an ideal year for the Legislature to move SB 15 to the Governor and send a clear message that the state is committed and invested in partnering with cities to increase housing production, along with the critical infrastructure and essential services that are required to sustain vibrant communities and strong economies. SB 15 is a thoughtful proposal designed to address the hurdles to rezoning commercial sites into residential sites by creating a limited state investment to supplement the lost local revenue from converted retail space and secure sustainable city services for the new housing density," she added.

NEW SAN MARINO TREE PRESERVATION ORDINANCE

The San Marino City Council recently approved a revised Tree Preservation Ordinance, which went into effect Friday, March 12. The new ordinance includes new tree trimming, replacement, and removal guidelines, as well as updated penalties and fees and a new tree removal application process.

TREE TRIMMING

Please submit a tree trimming application if you would like to trim a tree.

You will need a tree trimming permit if:

More than 10% of an oak tree will be pruned;

More than 20% of a heritage or established tree will be pruned.

TREE REMOVAL

If you would like to remove a tree, please submit a tree removal application to the Community Development Department.

If you are removing an Established, Heritage, or Oak tree, you must state whether the tree:

Adversely impacts the growth of adjacent trees,

Is a nuisance or hazard to persons or property,

Removal is part of re-landscaping plan that will provide tree canopy replacement over long term.

TREE TRANSPLANTS

Before transplanting a tree, please have the new location approved by the Community Development Department. Then, have a certified arborist oversee the process.

If the tree dies within one year, you will be required to plant another comparable replacement tree.

NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Once you obtain your tree removal permit, please provide notice to your neighbors.

Within 100 feet from the tree at least 15 days before

the removal.

Post an 8.5" x 11" notice for at least 15 days on the tree. If the tree is not visible to the public right-of-way, place the notice in a location that is visible.

PERMIT EXPIRATION & INSPECTION

The permit is valid for a limited amount of time. The removal should be completed within 90 days from when the permit is issued.

EMERGENCY TREE REMOVALS

An emergency tree removal may be approved when there's a hazardous or unsafe condition. The permit will only allow work that corrects the problem.

For an emergency tree removal permit, the property owner may submit an application tree hazard report to the Director.

VIOLATION, ENFORCEMENT & RESTORATION

If you violate the code you may be liable for remedies determined by the City Code. Please note that persons who violate these provisions may be guilty of a misdemeanor.

If you damage or remove a tree you must:

Pay the standard inspection fee, pay double the required permit fee, plant double the number of replacement trees required, & pay double the tree replacement fine in the amount of the value of the destroyed, removed, or damaged tree (The City arborist will determine value with the ISA Guide).

Failure to pay may lead to:

Civil action,

Use of a debt collection agency,

A lien on the subject property.

To read the ordinance and learn more, please go to: cityofsanmarino.org/treepreservation.

NEW HOME DEPOT OPENS

By Dean Lee

Home Depot opened their first local home improvement store in East Pasadena last week after purchasing the property from Avon at end of 2016. As part of the new 113,500 square foot store at 2881 East Walnut Street, Home Depot welcomed 200 new associates. In time, they plan to hire over 275 employees including cashiers, customer service/sales, department supervisors and other positions for the store.

The grand opening included District 4 Councilmember Gene Masuda along with Councilmember John Kennedy, former Pasadena Mayor Terry Tornek and Tournament of Roses President and Chairman Bob Miller. Instead of ribbon, Masuda cut a piece of lumber. The new store is located in District 4.

After a series of packed public meetings between 2017 and 2018, residents were unhappy with original plans to build a multiple level development on the site, with residential, office building and possibly a Costco or other big box store, Home Depot officials agreed to scale back eliminating everything but the store.

As part of an agreement with the city, officials also agreed to traffic improvements to Foothill Boulevard and a dedicated entrance, with a traffic light on Walnut Ave.

Founded in 1978, Home Depot is the world's largest



Councilmember Masuda Home Depot grand opening, Photos Courtesy of Home Depot and City of Pasadena.

home improvement retailer in North America. According to a statement, "there are more than 2,200 stores in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. The typical store today averages 105,000 square feet of indoor retail space, interconnected with an e-commerce business that offers more than one million products for the DIY customer, professional contractors, and the industry's largest installation business for the Do-It-For-Me customer."

For more information and all job listings visit: corporate.homedepot.com.

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Residents Urged to Avoid Non-essential Travel as Spring Break Season Begins

The Spring break season this year has the ability to derail our recovery journey if it involves increased travel, gatherings and nonadherence to safety measures. While COVID-19 numbers have decreased, transmission remains widespread here in L.A. County and in many states and countries. Postponing travel and staying home is the best way to protect yourself and others from COVID-19 during this pandemic. Los Angeles County residents should continue to avoid all non-essential travel and stay within 120 miles from their place of residence, unless they are traveling for essential purposes.

A Travel Advisory remains in effect in Los Angeles County. Anyone who is arriving to Los Angeles County must self-quarantine for 10 days; please remain at your home or lodging for the 10 days and avoid contact with others. Please do not travel if you are sick. If you have COVID-19 symptoms get tested.

“To the families and friends mourning the loss of a loved one due to COVID-19, I send my sincere condolences,” said Barbara Ferrer, PhD, MPH, MEd, Director of Public Health. “We may just be weeks away from reducing transmission in L.A. County enough so that additional re-openings are permitted. However, with increased case numbers in other states, and more circulating variants of concern, spring travel can lead to another surge that frankly would be almost impossible to tolerate. Travel increases the risk of getting and spreading COVID-19. To avoid this, please postpone travel and continue doing your part to slow the spread so that our recovery journey isn’t sidelined.”

Public Health’s compliance teams continue to inspect businesses across the County every day. Inspectors review compliance with the Los Angeles County Health Officer Order, identify violations, and issue citations for businesses out of compliance. From February 18 through February 28, a total of 88 citations were issued to businesses including many restaurants and gyms for noncompliance with Health Officer Orders. Since the end of August, a total of 1,101 citations have been issued.


The success of the County’s recovery depends on businesses following the rules. Non-compliance contributes to increased community transmission when COVID-19 spreads among employees and customers. A list of non-compliant businesses that received citations can be found online.

SECTOR/ACTIVITY	PURPLE TIER	RED TIER *Effective Monday, March 15 at 12:01 AM*
RESTAURANTS	Outdoor dining only	Indoor dining with modifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Max 25% capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer• 8 feet distancing between tables• One household per table with limit of 6 people Outdoor dining with modifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expand from one household up to six per table to members from 3 households (up to six people) per table
SCHOOLS (K-12)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Schools meeting requirements may open for in-person instruction for grades TK-6• Students must be assigned to stable groups of students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local school officials will decide whether and when that will occur.• Schools may reopen fully for in-person instruction• Continue to require adherence to LA County Public Health school re-opening protocols
MOVIE THEATERS	Closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indoor operations allowed at 25% capacity or 100 people, whichever is fewer• Reserved seating required
GYMS, FITNESS CENTERS AND YOGA STUDIOS	Outdoor at 50% capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indoor operations allowed at 10% capacity• Climbing walls open• Gyms can offer personal training• Masking always required
MUSEUMS, ZOOS AND AQUARIUMS	Outdoor at 50% capacity	Indoor capacity at 25%


For more information, visit covid19.lacounty.gov/recovery

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDANCE FOR VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS


On March 10, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health published a modified Health Officer Order to reflect changes for individuals who are fully vaccinated to align with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) new guidelines and interim public health recommendations.

The guidance provides that fully vaccinated individuals may resume certain activities, such as gathering with other fully vaccinated people indoors without wearing masks or physical distancing; visit with unvaccinated people from a single household who are at low risk for severe COVID-19 disease indoors without wearing masks or physical distancing; and refraining from quarantine and testing following a known exposure if asymptomatic.

The Department of Public Health recommends that fully vaccinated people should continue to:

- Take steps to protect themselves and others by wearing a mask, staying at least 6 feet apart from others, and avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces. These precautions should be taken whenever they are:
- In public
- Gathering with unvaccinated people from more than one other household
- Visiting with an unvaccinated person who is at increased risk for severe COVID-19 disease or who lives with a person at increased risk.
- Avoid medium- and large-sized in-person gatherings
- Watch out for symptoms of COVID-19, especially if after contact with someone who is sick. If they have symptoms of COVID-19, they should get tested and stay home and away from others.

Know the Facts



Californians have made extraordinary sacrifices to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Help is on the way as the state begins its rollout of safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine. Now the work begins to Vaccinate All 58. Together, we can end the pandemic – in all of California’s 58 counties.

COVID-19 Vaccine is Here

- ▶ COVID-19 vaccine for California is here — it is safe and effective.
- ▶ California is receiving shipments of COVID-19 vaccines produced by Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna. Health care workers and residents in long-term care will be the first to be vaccinated.
- ▶ California is working closely with community partners and stakeholders to help guide the planning process and ensure the vaccine is distributed and administered equitably.

- ▶ California is committed to a fair and equitable allocation and distribution process. No one should bypass the established vaccine allocation and distribution process.
- ▶ Individuals with the highest risk of becoming infected and spreading COVID-19 will receive vaccines first. Later in 2021, most Californians will have an opportunity to get vaccinated.
- ▶ Vaccines are available at no cost.

COVID-19 Vaccine is Safe and Effective

- ▶ California has its own Scientific Safety Review Workgroup comprised of immunization, public health, academic and other experts who are vetting vaccine safety.
- ▶ The Scientific Safety Review Workgroup has confirmed that the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines have met high standards for safety and efficacy.

- ▶ The Moderna vaccine is approved for those 18 years and older, consists of two doses given 28 days apart, and is 94 percent effective against COVID-19.
- ▶ Sometimes vaccination can cause a sore arm, aches, fatigue or fever for a few days after getting the vaccine, but these are not harmful.
- ▶ Vaccinated individuals should keep wearing masks, washing hands and watching their distance until the vaccine has been widely distributed.

About The Vaccines

- ▶ The Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine is approved for those 16 years and older, consists of two doses given 21 days apart, and is 95 percent effective against COVID-19.

Remember, your actions continue to save lives. Wear a mask, wash your hands, keep your distance, and when it’s your turn, get vaccinated.

For the latest facts, please visit covid19.ca.gov/vaccines.



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NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ARTS EDUCATION PROGRAM OFFERS MORE THAN \$100,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ASPIRING ARTISTS WITH PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES

—Following two rounds of virtual auditions, The Music Center has selected 112 of Southern California's most talented high school students as semifinalists in The Music Center's 33rd annual Spotlight (Spotlight) program, a free nationally acclaimed arts training and scholarship program for teens.

A TMC Arts program, Spotlight offers valuable performance opportunities, audition experiences and mentorship, plus technical and artistic insights taught by professional artists and arts administrators, and awards more than \$100,000 in scholarships each year.

TMC Arts re-imagined the program's offerings to be entirely digital and COVID safe for the 2020–2021 year. The Music Center named 16 semifinalists in each of seven categories—acting, ballet, dance, classical voice, non-classical voice, classical instrumental and jazz instrumental. This year, nearly 1,500 teens representing more than 275 schools, 194 cities and 8 counties auditioned for the prestigious program. All Spotlight applicants receive written feedback from distinguished panels of judges following each audition round to help students improve and gain knowledge in their particular performance discipline.

Since its launch in 1988, Spotlight has transformed the lives of 51,000 high school students from Santa Barbara to San Diego by being more than just a competition. An important part of The Music Center's fundamental support for arts learning, the program provides students the opportunity to develop their performance abilities, receive valuable college preparedness skills and gain confidence to pursue their dreams in the performing arts. Through a supportive environment, students also develop important life skills, including building self-esteem, preparation and perseverance, that benefit the participants beyond the stage.

Notable Spotlight alumni include Tony Award® winner Lindsay Mendez, American Ballet Theatre's principal dancer Misty Copeland, Emmy® award-winning composer Kris Bowers and major recording artists Josh Groban and Adam Lambert, among many others. Recent Spotlight finalists appeared as guest performers during Groban's first livestream Holiday concert in December 2020, which was viewed by an international audience.

“While arts learning remains under pressure in school budgets, Spotlight participants receive multiple opportunities to perform in front of professional experts who provide personalized and precise feedback that other free programs just don't offer,” said Rachel S. Moore president and CEO of The Music Center. “Spotlight is a year-long journey with a lifetime of benefits for these young students. We're very proud that our

program offers a comprehensive learning experience that nurtures young artists' aspirations and supports the next generation of performers and arts professionals.”

“Spotlight is completely free with no financial barriers to participate, which gives equal footing to kids looking to make their dreams come true, no matter their talent level,” added Jeri Gaile, director of The Music Center's Spotlight program. “Each round in the audition process is a little different so the knowledge and connections each participant makes compound, especially as the semifinalists attend mastery classes.

Experts provide students with highly valuable feedback on their performances, offering them a rich learning experience. Each semifinalist will audition virtually again before a new panel of judges, who will then select the top two finalist performers in each category for a total of 14 Grand Prize Finalists. Judges will also name an Honorable Mention in each category.

The Grand Prize Finalists will perform in The Music Center's Spotlight Virtual Grand Finale Performance on May 22, 2021, premiering on The Music Center Offstage digital platform at 7:00 p.m.

The Music Center's Spotlight program awards more than \$100,000 in cash scholarships annually. Semifinalists each receive \$300. The eventual Grand Prize Finalists will each receive \$5,000 scholarships, plus one Honorable Mention in each category will receive \$1,000. The Music Center also celebrates five students in each category with the Merit Award, which acknowledges students who inspire the judges by their commitment and dedication to their art form; Spotlight Merit Award recipients each receive \$100.

To help students interested in applying to the Spotlight program, The Music Center launched The Spotlight Academy last summer as an episodic series of online videos and tutorials. Designed for young artists, parents and educators,

The Spotlight Academy features 15 webisodes that focus on subjects related to applying for the Spotlight program as well as advice for anyone considering a career in the arts, both on- and off-stage. The videos provide a deep dive into the program's seven categories, and discuss curated topics featuring alumni and experts in the field, including Superstore actress Carla Renata, opera singer Suzanna Guzmán and New York City Ballet principal dancer Tiler Peck, among others.

For more information about The Music Center's Spotlight program, visit musiccenter.org/spotlight or join the conversation on facebook.com/MusicCenterSpotlight

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SUPPORTING OUR CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH: STRATEGIES & RESOURCES

(PUSD)

Following our two “Supporting our Children's Mental Health” programs (Feb. 20 & 24), we compiled the presentation materials and resource links as well as suggestions and ideas parents can draw on to support their children's mental health and well-being. Please remember that you don't have to do ALL the things! There is no one right way to do this. Keep in mind that we need to take care of our own mental health needs in order to meet our children's needs. If you are feeling overwhelmed, or if nothing seems to work, remember there is support available. See “Mental Health Services Resource Information” handout.) There is also support available to meet other needs that may be contributing to personal or household stress – rent, food, internet access, etc. Call the PUSD hotline (626-396-3680) or check the Resource Guide which can be found at pusd.us/Page/8355.

Presentation Materials

Elementary Program (2/20) Video of Program: <https://youtu.be/-dpmVZX8OZ0>

Slide Presentation (English) | Presentación (Español)

Secondary Program (2/24) Video of Program: <https://youtu.be/UzrN2rXBr0I>

Slide Presentation

Resource Links

Mental Health Services & Resources - Includes flowchart (where to get help) and list of mental health agencies serving PUSD schools Young and Healthy (626) 795-5166 (<https://yhpasadena.org/>) - Pasadena-based non-profit organization that connects underserved children with free medical, dental and mental healthcare through volunteer doctors; helps families with insurance enrollment and navigation; and provides referrals to local services. Young & Healthy can help families with private insurance to navigate that insurance and get connected to needed resources. Y&H's Mobile Dental Clinic (for students and parents) is March 11-19 – call 795-5166 for more information. Check out Y&H Mindful Mondays Videos (presented by one of our speakers, Rebecca Bokoch!): <https://www.facebook.com/YHPasadena/videos/1777943355689943/> “Me Time” Mindful Mondays: D'Veal Family and Youth Services offers a 15-minute “Me Time” zoom session each Monday afternoon. Zoom room opens at 3 PM, sessions start promptly at 3:10 PM. Savor a moment of peace and calmness as you gear up for your work week. Click on the link to join: <https://zoom.us/j/92152244259?pwd=C6cxMnNGRTRubTRFamIKR2xjQ1V4Zz09>

Community-based Agencies that usually have a small fee for services:

- Pasadena Mental Health Center (626) 798-0907
 - Rose City Counseling Center (626) 793-8609
 - Fuller Psychological and Family Services (626) 584-5555
 - Westminster Center - affordable counseling (626) 798-0915
- “Supporting Families During COVID-19” | Child Mind Institute <https://childmind.org/coping-during-covid-19-resources-for-parents/> The Child Mind Institute is an independent, national nonprofit dedicated to transforming the lives of children and families struggling with mental health and learning disorders.

“COVID-19 Mental Health Resource Guide” City of Pasadena Public Health Department <https://www.cityofpasadena.net/public-health/covid-19-mental-health/#help-children-youth-families>

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) - <https://nami.org> - If you have questions or concerns about whether your child or another family member might be dealing with a mental illness, NAMI is a great resource.

Strategies and Suggestions

These suggestions came from our Saturday workshop for parents of younger children. The first set addresses our children's needs during distance learning/quarantine. The second set focuses on strategies to help prepare children for when we can go back to school.

Meeting our Children's Needs during Distance Learning

Here are some suggestions for things we can do to help our children. Some of these activities meet several needs!

1. To feel safe...
 - Model safe practices (wearing masks, washing hands) so that children don't worry about you getting sick
 - Limit/monitor children's access to news and conversations about problems in the world so that children are not overwhelmed
 - Make a safe space for children's emotions- listen, reflect back, don't make it about you, don't overreact, share own feelings from when a child, share things other families are doing to stay healthy, calm, happy
2. To feel in control...
 - Have a dedicated space for children to do their school work; own school supplies
 - Give kids choices you can live with whenever possible- broccoli or peas, blue or red socks, walk around the block or go for a bike ride?
 - Teach them to make simple meals, have a snack drawer they can serve themselves
3. To have fun things to look forward to...
 - Friday movie nights, Taco Tuesday, drive through birthday parties
 - Sunday family outdoor time
 - Free time after schoolwork is done to hang out virtually with friends
4. To stay socially connected...
 - Talking to grandma, cousins on Zoom
 - Distanced playdate at the park
5. To get enough exercise...
 - Walks around the neighborhood
 - Hiking, dance party, TikTok videos, online kick-boxing or other exercise classes

Parents Shared:

This has been going on for a really long time...

- With a 4.5 and a 6.5 year old, we've often felt like we're running a Lido deck on a cruise ship!
- At the beginning (last March and April) we did all kinds of fun family activities – a backyard Olympics, scavenger hunts – but with both of us (parents) working full-time, we just couldn't keep it up.
- Getting a dog met a lot of our family members' needs: routines, exercise, someone to play or cuddle with who is never too busy and is never online.
- Fun family activities
 - Family does “Fun Friday Nights” - we dance, sing, do art. We got board games.
 - We got a microphone for Christmas and sing along to songs we all know :)
 - Having regular times when we all turn off the electronics (for the kids after school or for the whole family at other designated times) and engage with each other
 - Getting outside: hiking, watering the plants outside, riding bikes, taking the dog for a walk
 - Cooking and eating together: baking (letting kids pick something special to make), having lunch together.
- Being intentional about how we connect with each other
 - We share meals together and have meaningful conversation of what goes on around us while we are home.
 - Most nights at dinner, we go around and each of us say three things we're grateful for. This helps our “gut-check” with the kiddos.
 - Family meetings, as they teach communication and create a support system.
 - Reading with your children

Preparing Children for Going (Back) to School

In many ways, preparing our children for the reopening of schools is similar to the way we get them ready for back to school – or, in the case of kindergarteners, their first day of school – at the end of a normal summer. Basic tips include:

- Start a daily routine, including bedtime and morning routines that will get everyone dressed, fed, and out the door on time
- Practice the route to school, whether on foot or in a car
- Find the backpacks and the lunchbox
- Remember that students will be taking their Chromebooks back and forth to school!

- Listen to what your children are thinking and feeling about it.
- MOST IMPORTANT: your attitude as parent/guardian will set the tone for how your child feels about going to school! Focus on the positive – you will see/make new friends! Some aspects of our preparation are going to be different, of course, so it is important to talk about what school will look like when they get there: including mask-wearing, lots of hand-washing, and physical distancing. PUSD put a video together to show what return to school will look like: <https://youtu.be/FmCrGqWle7I>, and will be putting out a new video and virtual orientations for students and parents/guardians prior to return to campuses.

Once the student return date is determined, families will have two weeks to prepare:

2 weeks before students return:

- There will be three days of asynchronous (remote) instruction for children while teachers prepare their classrooms for social distancing requirements.
- 1 week before students return:
 - Teachers will be teaching from their classrooms, getting oriented to campus safety procedures and using new equipment (set up to accommodate in-person and remote teaching at the same time), while students continue learning from home.
 - Orientation sessions will be provided (virtually) to students and parents/guardians to prepare them for return to in-person instruction.

Questions that came in pre-program:

How do we know when to push our kids to focus/keep trying with school, and when to take a break? – For anyone, but particularly for elementary age children, remember that mental health and well-being comes first. Everyone is going to come back with some learning gaps, and the school district is preparing for helping all children pick up whatever they missed during distance learning. That said, “taking a break” (to breathe, to run around outside, to snuggle with the dog) is different than just disconnecting completely. If your child is not wanting to participate at all, it may be time to touch base with the teacher, and – if it continues for more than a week or seems to be getting worse – to seek mental health support.

I feel like my daughter is suffering from a little depression and I don't know what to do. Who do we ask if we have concerns about our children's mental health? – You can call the Mental Health agency that serves your school site (see list). You can also contact your school principal, as they are familiar with the resources available to their families. If you have trouble connecting, you can contact Lara Choulakian at PUSD: choulakian.lara@pusd.us, or mentalhealth@pusd.us.

How can I deal with my child's hopelessness and unhappiness with current situation? Connect with your child. Use empathy to really make a connection with what they are feeling. Give them purpose/something to look forward to. Having something to look forward to at the end of the day or the end of the week is helpful for them to have short goals. Additionally, creating a vision board or a “Happy Board” is nice for children to have positive reminders and help with challenging a negative mindset.

How can I help my child cope with isolation (only child so no siblings to interact with)? Try to set up zoom play dates if possible. Also signing up for fun classes such as lego building or things your child enjoys doing can be helpful. When your child doesn't really have anyone to interact with we can help by being more present with them and getting outside if possible to get out of home. Is isolation “normal” right now? My 6 yr old is fearful of leaving the house to do anything! To a certain extent, isolation is normal because of everything going on. However, if it gets to the point where the child refuses to go outside or leave the home, it would be best to reach out and ask for help.

Talk to your child about what it is that they are scared of and how you can help. It could be a fear of getting sick but it is a good opportunity to talk about making healthy hygiene choices.

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NOTICING MEMORY PROBLEMS? WHAT TO DO NEXT

Dear Savvy Senior:

My mom, who's 76, has become more forgetful lately and is worried she may be getting Alzheimer's disease. What resources can you recommend to help us get a handle on this? Oldest Daughter



Dear Oldest:

Many seniors worry about memory lapses as they get older, fearing it may be the first signs of Alzheimer's disease or some other type of dementia. To get some insight on the seriousness of your mom's problem, here are some key warning signs to be vigilant of and some resources you can turn to for help.

Warning Signs

As we grow older, some memory difficulties – such as trouble remembering names of people or places or forgetting where you put your glasses or car keys – are associated with normal aging. But the symptoms of Alzheimer's disease are much more than simple memory lapses.

Knowing the early warning signs is a good first step in recognizing the difference between typical age-related memory loss and a more serious problem. To help you evaluate your mom's condition, here's a checklist of some common early symptoms to watch for:

- Asking the same questions repeatedly.
- Getting lost in familiar areas.
- Failing to recognize familiar people.
- Having difficulty following directions.
- Misplaces items in inappropriate places, for example putting her keys in the microwave.
- Having difficulty completing familiar tasks like cooking a meal or paying a bill.
- Having trouble remembering common words when speaking or mixing up words.

For more information, see the Alzheimer's Association list of 10 early signs and symptoms at 10signs.org.

Another good tool to help you evaluate your mom is the Self-Administered Gerocognitive Exam (SAGE test) that was developed at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center. This free test helps identify mild cognitive impairment and early dementia and can be taken at home in about 10 to 15 minutes. The SAGE test can be taken online at BrainTest.com.

Get Help

If you would rather have professional assistance in evaluating your mom, the Alzheimer's Foundation of America (see alzfdn.org) is another good resource you can turn to. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday they provide free, confidential virtual memory screenings done via video chat in real time. Your mother will need a phone, tablet or computer with a webcam and internet capability to complete the screening.

The screenings are given by healthcare professionals and take about 10 to 15 minutes to complete. Once the screening is complete, the screener will review the results with her and let her know if she should see a doctor for further evaluation. To set up a memory screening for your mom call 866-232-8484 and make an appointment.

If you find that your mom does need further evaluation, make an appointment with her primary care doctor for a cognitive checkup and medical examination. Depending on what's found, she may be referred to a geriatrician or neurologist who specializes in diagnosing and treating memory loss or Alzheimer's disease.

Keep in mind that even if your mom is experiencing some memory problems, it doesn't necessarily mean she has early-stage Alzheimer's. Many memory problems are brought on by other factors like stress, depression, thyroid disease, side effects of medications, sleep disorders, vitamin deficiencies and other medical conditions. And by treating these conditions she can reduce or eliminate the problem.

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

FAMILY MATTERS By Marc Garlett



10 TIPS TO ENSURE FAMILY HARMONY OVER YOUR ESTATE PLAN

My children, 11 and 13 years old, fight all the time. This is to be expected while they're kids. Unfortunately, I see this same scenario play out time after time among adult siblings when a messy estate plan causes family rifts. And no parent wants that to be their legacy. With that in mind, here are 10 tips to help prevent your children from fighting over your estate:

1. Talk to children about your estate plan. It may be a difficult discussion to have, but you need to have it. If you find it too difficult, enlist the help of your estate planning attorney to go over the details of your estate plan with your children and answer their questions.
2. Write your children a letter. If you can't (or they can't) handle a face-to-face discussion, put it in writing with as much detail as you are comfortable providing to your children. You can frame the discussion in general terms and ask for their input.
3. Email your children your estate plan summary. Your estate planning attorney will usually provide you with a summary of your estate plan that doesn't disclose actual dollar amounts. Ask your estate planning attorney to copy your children on an email with the summary and ask for their input.
4. For complex estates, consider a mediator. If you have a complicated estate that may include valuable herlooms or a family business, consider engaging the services of a professional mediator who can meet with you and your children separately to identify any potential issues and then meet with you together to iron out those issues.
5. Use equal treatment. If possible, leave your children an equal inheritance outright; many family fights result from children being treated unequally.
6. If you establish a trust for children, name each child as a co-trustee of their own trust at a certain age. Choose a reasonable age for when you feel a child will be able to participate in managing their own trust so they can learn about handling an inheritance with the help of the main trustee.
7. Consider staggered distributions from a trust. To help a child learn how to manage a substantial inheritance, estate planning experts often advise staggering distributions over a period of time (i.e., age 25, 30, etc.).
8. Provide children with option to remove or replace main trustee. Similar to arranged marriages, you never know if children and trustees will make a go of the relationship. Give children limited power to remove and replace a trustee with another qualified trustee.
9. Allow children to name their own co-trustee. If your children are competent adults, give them the power to name the independent co-trustee of their trust.
10. Include mediation instructions in your estate plan. Your estate planning attorney can add mediation language so that if a dispute arises, your children will not be tied up in emotionally and financially draining litigation.

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SENIOR HAPPENINGS

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

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

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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



BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SMILE ABOUT

I am a student of smileology and have been just about all my life. If you can't smile at something, it's not worth thinking about.

Of course, certain things in life are serious, but not that many. Too many people take everything seriously and ruin their life. These are the kind of people I like to be around because they take things so seriously and because of that, the jokes on them. When I see somebody that looks sad, I have an impulse to try to do something to make them laugh. It is that smile on our face that defines who we are. There are times when I need to be careful about my smiling. I find so much to chuckle about, and to be truthful, the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage has given me quite a bit to chuckle about. I don't know if she has taught me to chuckle or if I have taught her to chuckle. The result is the only thing that matters. We chuckle together, and that makes a good life.

We need to be careful about watching programs dealing with politicians because of the danger of dying laughing. Every politician has their role model as Charlie Chaplin.

When I told my wife this, she vehemently disagreed. "Oh, no," she said most energetically, "their role model is the Three Stooges."

When she's right, she's right, and with this, she is absolutely right.

We enjoyed a long therapeutic session of chuckling. Then a certain chapter in our life opened up. We were eating supper together, and my wife said, "Do you know that my friend was locked out of Facebook?"

I chuckled because I thought it was some kind of a joke.

"No," I said between chuckles, "what kind of nonsense did she do to deserve that?"

I responded, "Doesn't she know that her world does not revolve around Facebook? Tell her to go and get a life."

In the next week, I heard of several of my friends who have been locked out of their Facebook. These friends were good people, and I couldn't figure out why in the world Facebook would lock them out. They probably did something terrible. Why else would Facebook lock them out?

It seems every week I hear someone who is being locked out of Facebook, and I never could understand the reasons for that. I just laughed it off and thought perhaps they did something that was not right.

After all, Facebook is always right. (Or do they lean left?) I could never figure that out.

Whenever I hear of one being locked out, I would just smile and chuckle and forget about it.

I've learned a lesson, don't chuckle about something when you don't know the whole story.

One day this past week, I got up, got my coffee, and went to my chair to do a little reading, and then I picked up my iPad to check out my Facebook page. I guess this is something automatic, and I don't think about it too much.

As I was opening my Facebook page, a message came up that said I had been locked out of Facebook. Evidently, according to them, and they never get it wrong, there have been things put on my Facebook that did not correlate with their standards.

Somebody hacked into my account and started putting on things I had no idea about.

When I told my wife about my lockout on Facebook, she just started chuckling.

"What are you chuckling about?"

"Well," she said between chuckles, "you must've done something awful for Facebook to lock you out."

Just to pause right here; I was not chuckling! Then she reminded me of all the friends of ours locked out of Facebook and how much we laughed and chuckled.

"Yeah," I said mournfully, "but that had nothing to do with me. I'm locked out!"

She stared at me one of those stares of hers and just kept staring. I was getting to be a little unnerved by her staring. Then she finally said, "Your world does not revolve around Facebook. Go get a life."

At this time, I was not chuckling, but was beginning to do the opposite of chuckling. I can't tell you what that is right now.

The rest of the day, I was pondering my situation. I did not know how much time I spent on Facebook and how I depended upon it for specific information. I was disturbed by the thought that my world was beginning to revolve around Facebook. What a terrible development.

At this point, I am still locked out of Facebook. I'm not sure how long I'll be locked out; it could be a month or more. I don't know how these things work.

Although I thought it was a bad experience, I begin to realize that it was a good experience. Sometimes the best part of life flows out of the worst experiences we have. God delights to reveal himself in the dark shadows of our human experience.

I thought about a verse in the New Testament, "Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand" (Philippians 4:4-5).

Every experience gives me a new opportunity to rejoice in the Lord. My joy certainly does not come from Facebook but from Christ.

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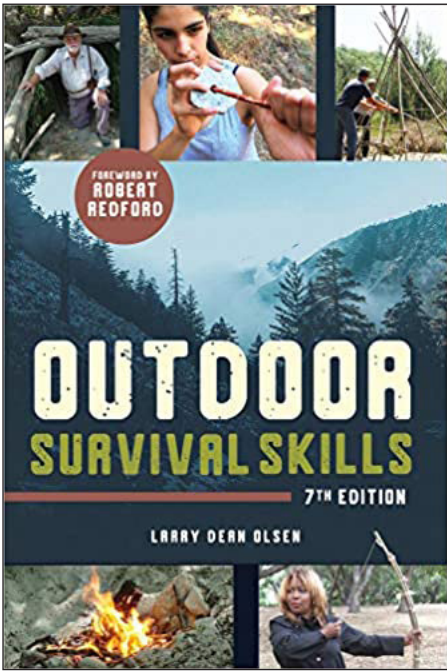
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THE LEGACY AND LINEAGE OF LARRY DEAN OLSEN

[Nyerges is an author and teacher, and columnist for this paper. This new book is available at www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com]

Anyone who has been teaching outdoor survival skills for any length of time has undoubtedly heard of Larry Dean Olsen. He was born in 1939 near Jerome, Idaho. After Olsen graduated from Brigham Young University, he began teaching survival field trips through the college's Continuing Education Division in 1968, sharing his love for the outdoors, and his intense interest in the skills of the local indigenous peoples. At the time, there were scant few others teaching the skills that sustained indigenous peoples for millennia. As a Mormon, Olsen was devoted to always being ready, including being able to survive in a harsh wilderness. In addition, there were very few native peoples teaching the old ways of plant uses, flint knapping, trapping, and fire-making because most were too occupied just trying to stay alive in the modern world. As part of his outdoor training, he would take students into the desert of the Great Basin area and live off the land for a week or longer. They had to learn how to eat wild plants, trap small game, make fire with local materials, build a shelter, weave sandals, find water, and more. It was a grueling adventure. He then wrote "Outdoor Survival Skills," first published in 1967, which has long been considered the definitive classic book on the subject. The book has been updated every few years and remained in print all these years. Larry was the originator of the Rabbit Stick Rendezvous, a gathering for a week where people could camp out and learn the skills in a more leisurely manner. The event – and various knock-offs -- continues to this day, continued by students of his. His students began the Boulder Outdoor Survival School, and Larry continued to work at the Anasazi organization, which he co-founded, which gave guidance to youth in the wilderness. Larry was perhaps the most visible person teaching and sharing the extreme art of living off the land. It is not an overstatement to say that everyone today teaching these skills has some lineage, direct or indirect, that leads back to Larry Dean Olsen. I remember when I first found a copy of the original edition in my older brother's things. He was a camp counselor and thought the information would help him. I took the book and studied it, and it became a part of my life as I pursued learning outdoor survival skills and the uses of the many plants that the indigenous peoples used. Olsen's book became my "bible" of a sort – the key to the actual application of every skill needed to stay alive without the assistance of civilization. I was amazed that such a compact resource even existed. I began to practice making fire with the bow and drill because of this book, and I learned the process of weaving sandals from cattail leaves. I also started making primitive weapons and traps, and I began the dangerous path of flint-knapping, which is the art of flaking a piece of obsidian or other hard material to produce razor-sharp arrow heads and spear points. It's dangerous because if you don't do it right, you take off pieces of skin, as I did too many times. My school friend Nathaniel and I often practiced the skills together. We had heard about the budding Rabbit Stick Rendezvous, and wanted to attend a session in Utah. But for us, in high school at the time, getting the money together and traveling there was insurmountable for us. As I recall, the cost for the week was something like \$70, but it might as well have been a million dollars for us. Still, Larry was like an idol to us, you could say he was our cult leader in our secret wilderness sect. We worshipped him from afar. No, we had no golden idol, but we invoked his name at nearly every occasion. Over the years, I would quote Larry in the many books and newspaper articles I wrote. Eventually, around 2004, I became the editor of the Wilderness Way magazine, and called upon Larry for some advice, and to write for us. We talked on the phone, and shared e-mails. I never got him to write for us, but I did get lots of good advice. I never managed to get to the gathering that he started either, though I followed many of his journeys and adventures from afar by reading reports from other students. I was saddened when I heard that this gentle giant died in 2019. I had always wanted to meet him, and to learn at his feet. At about that time, I was asked if I could update Larry's classic book! What an honor it was to be a part of the Olsen lineage. I spent many months lightly editing the text, and adding some charts and short paragraphs where I felt it would enhance what Larry wanted to say. The hard part of the revision was to provide all new color photos for all the skills listed in the book, including new photos for the various wild plants described for food, medicine, and other uses. Though I have been teaching for over 40 years, I was only able to draw upon my last nearly 20 years of photography with a digital camera. Whereas the original black and white photos had the feeling of going on one long trip with Larry, my pictures were picked from many classes over a long period of time, with men, women, children, and people of all walks of life. In many cases, we had to go into the field to take brand new photos of certain skills or crafts. The result is the 7th edition of "Outdoor Survival Skills," a book I am proud to be a part of. I hope that the memory of Larry Dean Olsen lives on, and that the introduction of new photos in a revised book will continue to inspire a whole new generation to learn these most fundamental skills.



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Pet of the Week

Three-year-old Sol is a gentle and intelligent dog, and so handsome! He already knows his commands of sit, down, paw, and touch, and he loves getting treats for showing off his tricks. Sol is a cuddly dog who loves people and going for walks. He would do best in a home where he can be the only pet and give you all his snuggles! The adoption fee for dogs is \$150. All dog adoptions include spay or neuter, microchip, and age-appropriate vaccines. New adopters will receive a complimentary health-and-wellness exam from VCA Animal Hospitals, as well as a goody bag filled with information about how to care for your pet. View photos of adoptable pets and schedule a virtual adoption appointment at pasadenahumane.org. Adoptions are by appointment only, and new adoption appointments are available every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. for the following week. Pets may not be available for adoption and cannot be held for potential adopters by phone calls or email.



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COMFORT VERSUS CHANGE

approaching demise? (Fortunately, or unfortunately, he is now being treated for multiple cancers and a heart condition.)

I thought about my friend's ardent devotion to seemingly archaic practices (like opening the door for your wife, I guess) in relation to an interview I saw yesterday with Walter Isaacson focusing on his new book, The Code Breaker: Jennifer Doudna, Gene Editing, and the Future of the Human Race. The aim of my article is to focus on future cultural, educational, and ethical changes that will be considered in the coming decades. Certainly, there is more to this culture than deference to the expectations surrounding customary interpersonal relations. How could my friend be so wedded to a particular way of life, or set of values that he now seemed gleeful at the thought of his soon

The College is an accredited two year full scholarship programs located on an isolated cattle ranch and alfalfa farm in high desert eastern California. The School, which is now coeducational, offers a full scholarship including room and board to all accepted applicants. It has been ranked the #1 liberal arts college in the nation as of March 23, 2020. The school founded in 1917 is based on the three pillars of labor, self-governance and academics and each student is required to spend twenty hours per week laboring in the fields and ranch. An integral part of the Pedagogy at Deep Springs is learning how to learn, learning how to succeed in situations unfamiliar and intimidating. My discovery of this model is a perfect reflection of what I believe all educational programs could and should become.

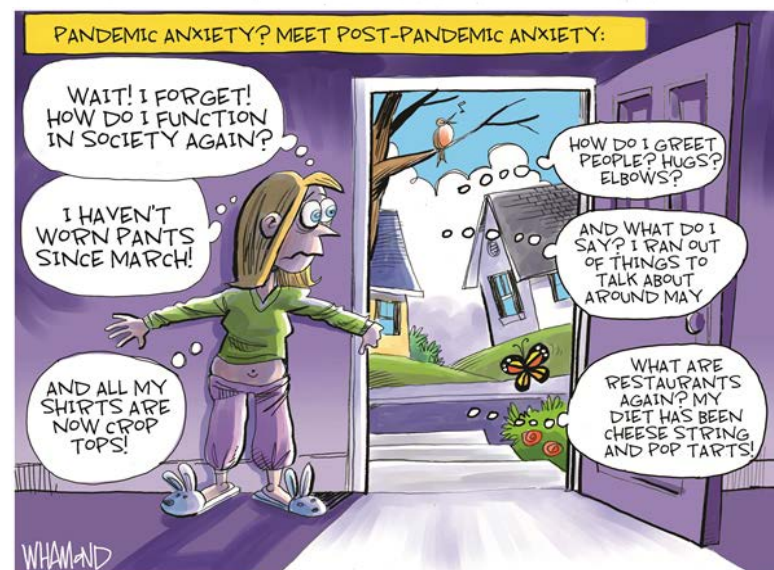
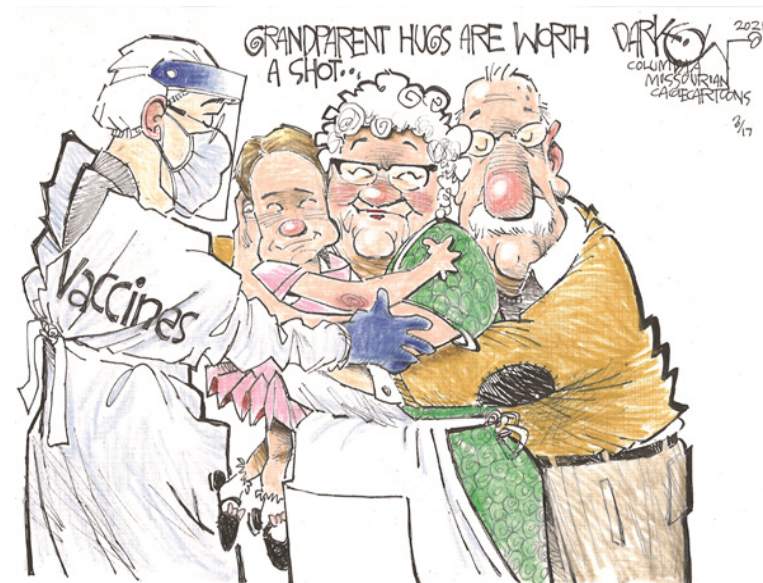
This model educational program fits right into the considerations appropriate to an understanding of the changes that those of us living in the future time must be prepared to make. Much as the MAGA supporters may scream that they want their America back, those previous decades that provided privileges based upon race, place of birth, and a continuing sexist and racist culture are now being erased.

I am going to proceed to discuss the changes that may well be required to coincide with CRISPR genetic engineering as discussed in Walter Isaacson's the Code Breaker, which, if you must know, I have yet to read but have considered deeply in contact with my friend the virologist and colleague of Jennifer Douda. First he reminds me that genetic intrusion and attempted correction is in no way a perfected predictable process. He warns that if scientists want to design super athletes or super soldiers the result of this attempt at alteration may result in a weaker genome and become cancerous which depending on the kind of intrusion, may be a weakness inheritable for generations. This information resulted in my sympathizing with my door opening, wife kissing friend. It does not sound like a world in which I would like to live even if the scientifically designed kids were able to attend Deep Springs College.

For the moment let us consider the possibilities. What are the traits we would like to see guaranteed in our offspring. Is high intelligence important even if it is linked to an incapacity for empathy? Is overall high energy a benefit more than a mellow disposition. What about perseverance linked to stubbornness or attractiveness linked to vanity and emotional instability. Who even would want to make these decisions? Frankly I agree with my friend and am glad that I probably won't be around to make them.

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OTHER THAN DOWNPLAYING IT FROM THE BEGINNING, AND SAYING IT WILL JUST GO AWAY, AND POOH-POOHING MASKS, AND HOLDING SUPERSPREADING EVENTS, AND PUSHING DUBIOUS "CURES," AND DENIGRATING EXPERTS, AND DUMPING RESPONSIBILITIES ON THE STATES, AND THEN UNDERMINING THEM WITH "OPEN UP!" TWEETS, AND PRESIDING OVER A HALF MILLION DEATHS.....

....YES, YOU DID LAUNCH OPERATION WARP SPEED. THANK YOU.

NO PARADE?



LEFT, RIGHT OR CENTER!

DICK POLMAN



LONG LIVE OBAMACARE. NOW IT'S NOMALARKEYCARE

Once upon a time, in a dystopia far far away, Trump decreed that Obamacare shall die. In his memorable words, "What we want to do is terminate it."

How'd that work out?

Not only did Obamacare survive the Mar-a-Lago loser – and 10 years of attempted Republican sabotage – but today it's more alive than ever. Because one of the most under-reported aspects of the American Rescue Plan are its provisions to bolster and expand the Affordable Care Act.

We need to take notice before the news cycle inevitably moves on, because this is historic news for 20 million Americans whose coverage had long been targeted by GOP saboteurs – and for potentially millions more who can sign up with new federal help.

Thanks to Joe Biden, who campaigned on a promise to "protect and build on the ACA," we should rename it NoMalarkeyCare.

We'd been so conditioned for so long to endure bad news that we now often need an attitude adjustment in order to process something good. But it's all there, tucked away in the rescue plan: Higher subsidies for people who buy health coverage through the ACA exchanges, brand new subsidies for people who weren't eligible before, and hefty financial aid to red states that have not yet expanded Medicaid under the ACA.

As medical experts point out, "Medicaid expansion is critical to vulnerable populations disproportionately impacted by COVID-19."

It's hilarious to think back to 2017, when Trump held a victory party in the Rose Garden after House Republicans, then in the majority, passed a bill that was designed to cripple what he called the "ravages" of Obamacare. (That quest later died in the Senate.)

Lest we forget, this was the party that tried and failed umpteen times to kill the coverage of 20 million Americans, the party that refused to accept that Obamacare was the law of the land even after the Supreme Court upheld it twice. (A third Republican challenge to overturn the entire ACA was argued in the high court last fall, but the betting is that it too will fail.)

Yes, it's fun in retrospect to highlight the GOP's greatest rhetorical hits. Like when they warned about Obamacare's "death panels." (There were no death panels). And when House Speaker John Boehner warned that Obamacare would usher in "Armageddon." And when they predicted that few Americans would bother to sign up. And when Mitch McConnell said, "I don't think Albert Einstein could make this thing work." And when fellow Senator John Thune said the law was "destined to fail." And when virtually all of them consulted the GOP talking-point cheat sheet and chanted the phrase "train wreck."

It's brain-dead politics to think you can win by vowing to take away something that Americans have, a lesson Republicans should've learned in 2018, when Democrats captured the House after campaigning to protect Obamacare. And you certainly can't win by replacing something with nothing. Republicans had a full decade to come up with something better than Obamacare, but let's face it, health reform featuring a robust federal role is not something that Republicans do.

I'm reminded of what happened in 1935, when the New Deal Democrats introduced the concept of Social Security. Republicans predictably dissed that law too. New Jersey Republican Senator A. Harry Moore warned that Social Security "would take all the romance out of life. We might as well take a child from the nursery, give him a nurse, and protect him from every experience that life affords." That law was rickety at the outset, but once it got traction, it was improved and expanded in subsequent legislation. Today, I doubt you'll find a single grassroots Republican, senior or disabled, who refuses a Social Security check.

So put your hands together for a Biden-buttressed Obamacare. When the original was signed into law in 2010, the vice president was overheard ballyhooing the event as "a big f-ing deal." This one is even bigger.

Once again, Republicans have been reduced to history's roadkill.

Dick Polman, a veteran national political columnist based in Philadelphia

CHRISTINE FLOWERS

EVIL COMES IN ALL COLORS



The hashtag #White Supremacy is trending this week in the Twitterverse. That is due to the horrific murders of eight Asian Americans in Georgia. They were likely hate crimes, with ample evidence that the shooter of those innocent women was motivated by hostility against Asians.

Asian Americans have often been among the most vulnerable populations in the United States. Until recently, they didn't have the lobbying groups and voices that spoke out on behalf of other minorities, and suffered from the perception that they were so successful they didn't need protection.

Asians were basically out there, on their own, and anyone who pointed out that they were endangered by the same sort of hatred that targeted Blacks or Hispanics or members of the LGBT community were dismissed. I was dismissed many times when I made the same claim. I remember one particular instance when a Korean grocer was gunned down in his store in West Philadelphia by an African American, and when I mentioned the fact that there was a lot of hostility between the Asian and Black communities in the city, I was called a racist.

But now, it's not racist to suggest that Asians are being targeted by "White Supremacy." Now that everyone has a new hashtag to use, a new philosophy to exploit, a new narrative to push, we don't have to worry about pointing fingers. The blood that was spilled in Georgia this week was apparently spilled by a man whose skin color identified the content of his character.

And we slip further back into the muck of civilization, the gravitational pull downward toward blaming hatred on skin color as opposed to ideology.

Evil comes in all sorts of packages, including the obvious ones that you can see from a mile away. The Nazi swastikas, the Stalinistic purges, the Cultural Revolution of Mao, the killing fields of Pol Pot and the jails of Fidel Castro are all forms of evil. They are clear and blatant instances where some men felt that they were better than others, and so decided to eliminate the "lesser humans" from existence and circulation. They chose domination and annihilation over reconciliation and acceptance. And the men at the head of those movements represent all the colors of the rainbow, a somewhat perverted Rainbow Coalition.

Is this an attempt to deflect attention from the fact that the murderer of these Asian victims was a white man? Absolutely not. If he targeted the ethnicity of his victims, he committed a hate crime. And if he was one of those people calling COVID the "China virus" and blaming foreigners for ruining the country and spouting off about how the people at the border are bringing leprosy and other diseases along with them, his is, in fact, a bigot.

But his skin color and race do not define him, just as the skin color of the Black robber in West Philadelphia does not set him apart from any other killer on the streets. This idea that we have to use labels to distinguish "hate crimes" from other garden-variety offenses is, in and of itself, offensive. And it gives a very easy out to the people who have "Hate Has No Home Here" signs on their lawns in eight different languages, but who are quite willing to swallow the idea that "white hatred" is unique.

It's not. Any time you have someone targeting someone else because of their identity, that is a form of supremacy. I see it all the time in my immigration practice, and I'm really tired of hearing folks whine about how only a certain sort of human, white and conservative and religious and poorly-educated with only a few dollars in his bank account, is capable of rage.

You can disagree with me, and you can say that white supremacy is a thing, and that our country is being destroyed from within by people who wear red hats and cling to their guns and religion and you can measure the value of a human by his level of melanin, and you can perhaps feel virtuous while doing it.

But while you are doing it, you are doing a grave injustice to the people who were gunned down in Georgia, because you are using them to advance your own political and philosophical agendas.

And you are too blind to see it. Color blinded.

SIERRA MADRE HISTORY MAKERS: Creating A Path For Future Generations of Women!
MAYOR RACHELLE ARIZMENDI AND SMPD CHIEF (RETIRED) MARILYN DIAZ

Arizmendi was the first person of color in Sierra Madre’s history to hold a council seat when she was elected in 2014. She served as mayor in 2017, becoming the first Asian American in the role, and was subsequently re-elected to office to serve another four-year term on the council in 2018. Earlier this year, she was chosen to serve another term as Mayor.

Before being elected, Arizmendi served on the city’s Community Services Commission for five years.

“Running for office was not a consideration in my adult life. I simply became more involved in my community when my husband, dog, and I settled into our new home in a city where I knew no one. I thought joining the Community Services Commission would be a perfect place to meet new people and volunteer my talent. As I became more involved in the community, I was compelled to fight for the qualities of the little village I fell in love with — that were possibly being challenged,” Arizmendi told the Asian Journal in a 2019 interview.

Those before us broke the bamboo and glass ceilings so we can serve today. We now have an obligation to **keep the window open for future leaders and help build the pipeline for upcoming generations.**

HON. RACHELLE ARIZMENDI
Mayor, Sierra Madre CA





In Celebration of International Women's Month

Los Angeles County's First Female Police Chief

In 1974 Marilyn Diaz began her career when she was hired as the first woman to be directly assigned as a patrol officer in the Pasadena Police Department. She promoted through the ranks, and in 2006 Marilyn retired as a Commander, where she led the Administrative Services and Field Operations Divisions.

In March of 2006 Marilyn was appointed as Sierra Madre’s Chief of Police. Chief Diaz was the first woman in Los Angeles County to become chief of a municipal police department. Marilyn retired from the Sierra Madre Police Department in December 2011.



Marilyn Diaz has served on the boards of Women at Work, Boy Scouts of America, Pacific Clinics, and the Caltech Women’s Club. Marilyn also serves as a docent for the Caltech Architectural Tour Service, and is on the Caltech Women’s Club Board. Marilyn is a Past President of the Rotary Club of Sierra Madre for 2013-2014. She also teaches Youth Protection at the Rotary District level.

Marilyn Diaz has received numerous awards and citations for outstanding professional and civic service, including, partial listing, the Pasadena YMCA Woman of Excellence Award. She too is committed to paving the way for young women leaders of the future.



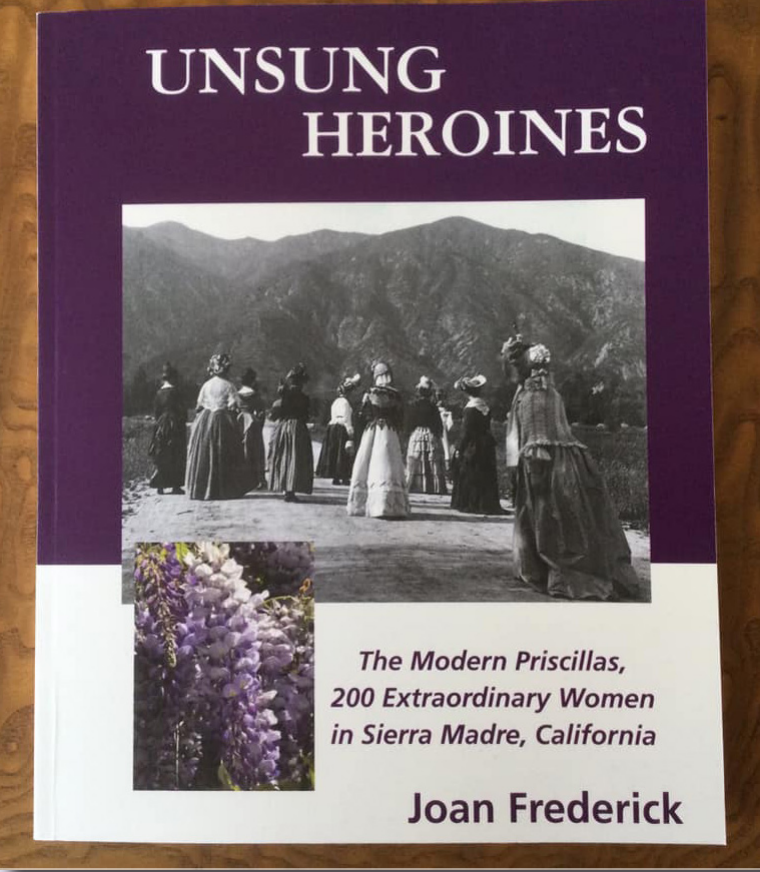
The statement above sums up Arizmendi's feelings regarding the future:

SIERRA MADRE'S UNSUNG HEROINES*

* Local author Joan Frederick of Sierra Madre has recently published a retrospective look at 200 women from 1895 until the present and their impact on the development of Sierra Madre, and the social/philanthropic group The Priscillas. There are lots of photos, history and info about where they lived as well as early history of Sierra Madre.

In this week’s Women’s History Month spotlight, , we are sharing excerpts from the book which focuses on two of our current history making heroines profiled in the book.

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NINA LEA SHEARER BARTOLAI



Nina Bartolai

Nina Lea Shearer was born in 1937 to Harold Leonard Shearer and Ura May Snider in Los Angeles, CA. The family moved to Sierra Madre in 1940 to the Canyon on Woodland Drive, and Nina became a Sierra Madre Girl! She attended Sierra Madre School, Muir High School and Pasadena City College, finishing her three-year AA degree in nursing at Huntington Memorial Hospital.

Nina Met Clem Bartolai while they were students at PCC. They got married in 1960 in Alhambra California. Clem worked at JPL and Nina worked in a OB-GYN doctor’s office until their first daughter was born - Renee Bartolai Smith. Next came Lisa Bartolai Brandlely.

During her years at home, Nina was the leader of the girls’ Brownie and Girl Scout Troops, and volunteered in their classrooms at Sierra Madre School.

When the girls were older, Nina went back to work in her old office, and then as a nurse in a pediatric doctors’ office. And, she continued to volunteer within the community. The Lady Lions, The Rose Float Association, the Sierra Madre Historical Society, and the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library all received her time, attention and love.

Nina and her granddaughter still act as docents at the annual Wistaria Festival every March here in town, and she served on the Board of Trustees for the Sierra Madre Public Library and on the Senior Commission. Clem’s list of community activities is equally long, he was even Mayor 3 times, and in 2016, the couple was honored by being chosen Citizens of the Year by the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce, serving as Grand Marshals of the 4th of July Parade that same year. (Clem was instrumental in organizing the first 4th of July Parade in the 1960’s while he was president of the Lions Club). The couple has two granddaughters and continue to be active in town - another of our wonderful Priscillas.

PATRICIA 'PAT' ZDARSKY ALCORN



Patricia Zdarsky was born in 1936 in Los Angeles, CA to Charles Zdarsky (and Dorothy Almira Matson). She grew up in Altadena, CA, attending Muir High School and Pasadena City College. Pat met Deloyce Alcorn at PCC. Seems that De was attending Caltech and needed some undergraduate courses so was taking chemistry at PCC. They met as chemistry lab partners and made some chemistry of their own. The couple was married in Las Vegas, Nevada in 1956. They have two sons – Alan Eric Alcorn and Mark Randel Alcorn. They began their married life living in Pasadena.

In 1964, Pat and De bought a small house in the Canyon on Alta Vista Drive (Sierra Madre) with plans to build their dream house on an adjacent lot but those plans changed so in 1970 they bought a larger home on East Grand View Avenue.

In the mid 1970’s Pat returned to college at Cal Poly Pomona and then went to USC for grad school earning a Masters in social work. With this accreditation Pat worked as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker at Arcadia Methodist Hospital, Casa Colina in Pomona, and at Queen of the Valley Hospital in West Covina where she was Director of the Department of Social Services.

Within the community Pat was tireless. She served as President of the Sierra Madre Little League Women’s Auxiliary and Civic Club, while serving on the Parks and Recreation Commission. Plus she served on School, State and Federal Election Boards from 1963 until 1994, and was an Inspector for the City of Sierra Madre Elections from 2001-2018. As a delegate from Sierra Madre, she was on the Pasadena Commission on Aging, and wrote the bylaws for the Sierra Madre Commission on Aging which today is the Senior Commission. She served on the Community Services Commission, the Parks and Facilities Master Plan Update Committee and Senior Master Plan Update Committee, the 4th of July Committee, the Mt. Wilson Trail Race Committee, was President of the Sierra Madre Friends of the Library Board and Chair of the Wine and Cuisine Tasting fundraiser for the Friends and was a founding member and Board member of the Sierra Madre Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). For all this incredible service Pat was recognized as the Older American of the Year in 2011 and then with her husband, in 2017, they were chosen as Citizens of the Year by the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce. Pat and De were Grand Marshals of the 4th of July Parade in 2014.

In 1994, Pat and De packed up their belongings, leased their home and embarked on a world tour adventure in a 30’ sailboat, hoping to find their perfect retirement spot - anywhere out there in the world. During that time, the couple circumnavigated the globe twice, sailing and flying to 21 countries and when the circle was completed in San Diego in 2001, they decided that no place compared to Sierra Madre, so they came on home to the most perfect place on earth! And we are so glad to have them back, and grateful that she is a Priscilla. The couple has 6 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.



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