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## THE WEBB-MARTIN GROUP

Two new Bills, effective January 1, 2022, will impact single-family zoning in California.

The first, Senate Bill 9, makes it possible to build more than one housing unit on land that was previously designated for only one unit.

The second, Senate Bill 10, allows for denser development near public transit corridors, such as bus and train lines.

Zoning regulates how land can be used, or what can be built where. Can a business be built on a given plot? That area is zoned for commercial use. Can a home or condo complex be built there? That is residential zoning. In a downtown area, you might have mixed-use zoning — say, ground-floor retail businesses and residential units in the high-rise above.

Single-family zoning refers to a residential area where only one housing unit can be built on a given parcel of land. Think of the Southern California suburban staple of a home with no shared walls — in other words, not a duplex, triplex or multiunit complex. If you live in a house with a driveway, garage, three bedrooms, two bathrooms, and front, back and side yards, it's almost certainly a single-family home.

Info Reported from The LA Times  
For full Prop details, Contact Us

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## CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE: WHAT IS IT?

There has recently been some confusion related to additional electrical energy costs that have appeared on the monthly bills of Sierra Madre residents. Environmental Consultant Robert Parkhurst, a freshman City of Sierra Madre councilmember explains this situation as follows:

Councilmember Parkhurst explains that all utilities across the Western United States are experiencing high prices, due in part to a doubling in natural gas prices this year

Three years ago, rather than continuing to purchase electrical energy from Southern California Edison, the City of Sierra Madre joined Clean Power Alliance (CPA) with 29 other cities located throughout Los Angeles and Ventura counties as well as the unincorporated areas of both. These municipalities have come together for the purpose of purchasing CLEANER local power from newly constructed or soon to be constructed, environmentally responsible renewable energy plants. Clean Power Alliance ([www.cleanpoweralliance.org](http://www.cleanpoweralliance.org)) has grown to become the single largest provider of 100% renewable energy to customers in the nation. Due to the efforts of CPA, more than 90% of the electricity Sierra Madreans use daily is renewable and by 2024 about half of that will originate from these newly developed sources exclusive to CPA.

Parkhurst also points out that Southern California Edison is a private company which must earn a profit and therefore adds additional costs to its customers. In contrast, CPA is a non-profit entity which does not need to add such costs, charging its customers only the cost of providing electricity. Additionally, due to CPA's work, many good paying renewable energy jobs have been and continue to be created throughout the Southern California region.

Presently, CPA customers have the choice of three categories of service: 1) Lean Power, which provides 40% clean power 2) Clean Power, which provides 50% clean power 3) 100% Green Power, which provides 100% renewable energy. The cost for each category varies, but according to Councilmember Parkhurst, 95% of Sierra Madre residents have chosen 100% Green Power. CPA customers can change to another level at any time.

CPA recognizes that many Southern Californians have been adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and thus may have trouble paying their electricity bill. As such, CPA's Board of Directors voted to provide \$2 million in COVID bill assistance, which helped more than 72,000 residential and small business customers.

Parkhurst added if you are having trouble paying your electricity bill, contact CPA at 1-888-585-3788 to see if you qualify for one of CPA's many financial assistance programs. You can learn about these programs by visiting <https://cleanpoweralliance.org/financial-assistance>. S. Tolchin/MVNews

## THANK YOU MRS. SMART



On Tuesday, State and Local officials honored Sierra Madre's outgoing Librarian Christine Smart, thanking her for her dedication, creativity and innovative leadership, especially during the Pandemic when she assembled a team that managed to offer library services and activities online and in person when permissible to the Sierra Madre community. Picture above are, left to right, Front row, Christine and Mayor Rachelle Arizmendi; Back row, Mayor Pro Tem Gene Goss, Councilmembers Kelli Kriebs, Robert Parkhurst and Edward Garcia. Photo courtesy City of Sierra Madre.

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## Mangia!

### Rotary Club of Sierra Madre

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Founder **SEMOLINA ARTISANAL PASTA**

The community is invited to  
attend our meeting on  
Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at the  
Hart House in Memorial Park,  
Sierra Madre.

The non-host breakfast  
begins at 7:00am with the  
meeting at 7:30am.

**LEAH FERRAZZANI**  
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Leah Ferrazzani is the founder and chief pasta maker at Pasadena-based Semolina Artisanal Pasta. She founded Semolina in 2014 out of her laundry room, after seven and a half years as a food and wine writer and more than 15 years in and out of restaurants. At Semolina, Leah and her team craft delicious, small batch, organic fresh and dried pastas for chefs and home cooks, building a business that focuses on building community and connection through food.

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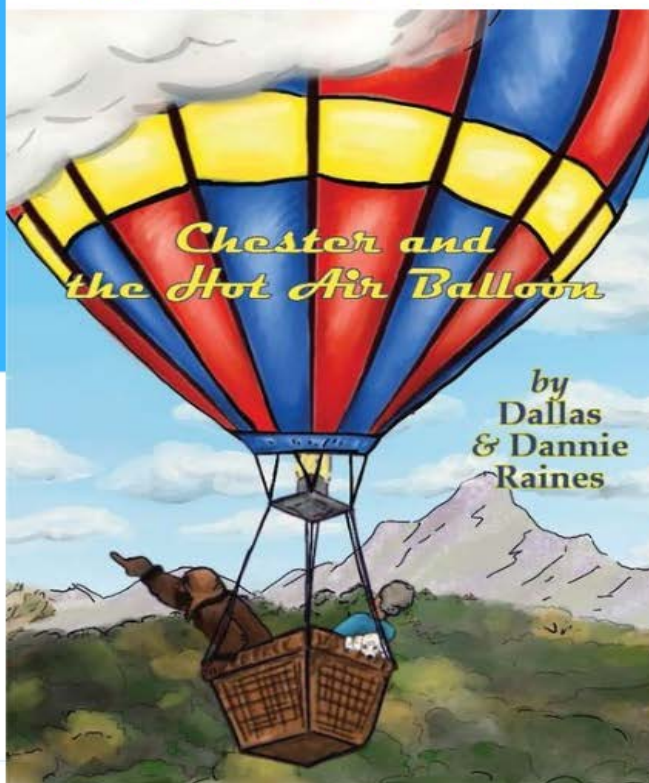
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## HARVEST FESTIVAL

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## SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

 September 19, 2021 to September 25, 2021  
 During this period the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to 184 calls for service.

### POSSESSION

On 9-19-21 at 12:54AM, vehicle was stopped for a vehicle code violation in the 400 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd. The driver was on active probation and was unlicensed. A vehicle search was conducted which resulted in violations for the driver and passenger for possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia. Case to DA's office

### DISTURBANCE

On 9-20-21 at 10:58PM officers were dispatched to the 200 block of N. Sunnyside Ave. for the report of a disturbance by a suspicious person. Following a records check, it was determined that the subject had an outstanding arrest warrant and was in possession of drug paraphernalia. The subject was arrested and taken to the Pasadena jail for booking. Case to the DA's office

### THEFTS

A theft from a locked vehicle was reported on 9-21-21 at 4:38PM in the 600 block of E. Sierra Madre Blvd. The victim stated that unknown suspect(s) shattered her driver side window with an unknown object and took personal items from her front seat. Case to Detectives

On 9-24-21 at 2:54PM an unknown suspect(s) entered the victim's unlock vehicle in the 300 block of Foothill. The suspect(s) ransacked the interior of the vehicle and took the registration and insurance card. Case to Detectives

### WARRANT

On 9-22-21 at 1:13AM a pedestrian was stopped for a vehicle code violation at S. Baldwin Ave. and E. Orange Grove Ave. During a records check, the subject returned with a no-bail warrant. The subject was taken to Pasadena Jail and booked for the nobail warrant. Case to the DA's office

### D.U.I.

A vehicle was stopped for a vehicle code violation on 9-25-21 at 2:16AM in the 600 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd. The driver was found to be under the influence of an alcoholic beverage(s) and was subsequently arrested and booked at the Pasadena Jail. Case to the DA's office

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As reported last week, the Preserve Sierra Madre Steering Committee has been studying the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the housing project of 42 large homes (2700-4000 square feet) on the Monastery property, as well as their Specific Plan, 13 appendices, zoning changes, and the City's General Plan. We have come to the conclusion that we cannot support this Monastery project (The Meadows at Bailey Canyon) as presented for many reasons. The major ones are:

#### TREES -

The developer's Specific Plan for the project named The Meadows at Bailey Canyon calls for the removal of 100 irreplaceable mature trees, 10 of which are protected Coastal Oak. Removing over 100 trees is a significant environmental impact, not only to the Monastery property, but to the neighboring community as well. This is in defiance of the General Plan's goals and policies of continued preservation and protection of existing trees, increasing the City's community forest, and continuing to develop tree preservation and protection measures.

#### TRAFFIC -

Goal 3 of the developer's Specific Plan is "preservation of quiet neighborhoods with limited thru traffic." In reality, the project does nothing to preserve quiet surrounding neighborhoods to the east and south. It does, in fact, increase thru traffic by a minimum of 300-400+ car trips a day. To get to the project, the cars will have to travel local streets including Sunnyside, Lima, Carter and Grove. There is no mention of the impact in the EIR of traffic on these streets.

#### WATER -

The developer has assured the City of 'net zero' water usage, which they interpret to mean they will purchase water up front for the next 50 years and store it for future use. California and surrounding states are in an unprecedented drought. The Colorado River is the lowest it has ever been, and its water usage is already being rationed for Nevada, Arizona, and Mexico. Imported water is not as sustainable as ground water. General Plan Objective R12 is to optimize the use of water resources. Building 42 large homes will be counter to this.

#### FIRE -

The project site is located in a very high fire severity zone, according to the Cal Dept of Forestry and Fire Protection and our Fire Department. It is inconsistent with our General Plan that states clearly that we not expand development in these areas. Local streets can't support emergency equipment. Parts of Sierra Madre have been evacuated three times in the last 35 years, and the incidence and intensity of wildfires has been increasing.

#### EARTHQUAKES -

The project is located near the Sierra Madre Fault as well as the Raymond and Clamshell Faults. In 1991, the Sierra Madre earthquake damaged one of the Monastery buildings beyond repair and 22 homes in the proximity of Sunnyside were condemned, with damage to 403 structures, resulting in \$12.5 million in damages.

The Specific Plan disregards the five years of work that volunteer citizens spent creating a comprehensive vision and its guiding principles for Sierra Madre, called the General Plan. The developers disregarded our vision and replaced it with a poorly written Specific plan which is inconsistent with many of our goals, objectives and policies. They call the Specific Plan: "Sierra Madre quality." The project fails to develop high quality housing, fails to address traffic issues, and fails to ensure community compatibility with our distinctive small town.

*If this concerns you as much as it does us, please send an email or letter with your concerns to: [vgonzalez@cityofsierramadre.com](mailto:vgonzalez@cityofsierramadre.com) or you can drop a letter off for Victor Gonzalez, Director of Planning and Community Preservation, City Hall, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Comments must be received by 5 pm on Monday, October 4. Please let City Council know how much you care about our town.*



## WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

"When in doubt, go to the library!"  
 "Knowledge is free at the library. Just bring your own container."  
 The only thing you absolutely have to know is the location of the library."  
 Albert Einstein  
 "It is a person's duty to have books.  
 A library is not a luxury, but one of the necessities of life." Harry Ward Beecher

The scarecrow photo this week, taken by Leah Davis, my adorable oldest daughter, is in front of our own personal Sierra Madre library. A place where my family and I spent many happy hours, wandering through the stacks, seeking just the right book to suit the mood. Or, more accurately, for as many books as they would let us check out at a time.

The librarian in the late 60's and for many years after, Mary Tumilty, who is now checking out books to the saints in heaven, granted the above-mentioned Leah, an adult library card when she was only twelve as Mary adjudged her adult enough to handle it. Leah's goal at that time was to read all the Perry Mason novels, which she did.

These scarecrow crayons, informing us they are "drawn to the library" celebrate The Day the Crayons Came to the Library. There is actually a charming series of books based on the activities of some lively crayons: "The Day the Crayons Came Home," "The Day the Crayons Quit" by author, Drew Daywalt. These books are available at our library!

Don't forget that the October Best Used Book Sale continues today in the parking lot behind the library from 10:00 to 2:00 p.m. As you all know, the Used Book Sale is a treasure hunt for books and the price is always right. So let the scare-crayons Draw You to The Library! I donated many marvelous books to the Sierra Madre Library a few years ago, undoubtedly some of which we purchased at the Used Book Sale.

"I have always imagined that paradise will be a kind of library." Jorge Luis Borges

Most exciting news you already know: The Mt. Wilson Trail Race will actually happen this year. October 16th. This race, first run in 1908, is the second oldest trail race in California. In case you didn't know, the Dipsea Race, first run in 1905 is the oldest trail race, not only in California, but in America! The 7.4 mile course from Mill Valley to Stinson Beach is considered to be one of the most beautiful courses in the world. Of course, it doesn't hold a candle to our Mt. Wilson race which is 8.6 miles in length and the exact course has, over the years, been changed by erosion, fires, earthquakes and you might even encounter a bear or two.

"Lions and tigers and bears! Oh my!"  
 "Bears and coyotes, wild boars! Oh my!"

You know all about the lions and tigers and bears, Oh my! from the Wizard of Oz. Dorothy and her buddies the Scarecrow and the Tin Man are following the yellow brick road and are about to meet the Cowardly Lion. They are chanting the lions, tigers and bears thing while shaking in their ruby slippers, tin shoes and straw boots.

Sierra Madre residents are encountering bears and coyotes more and more frequently and seem to be able to just admire them, take their pictures, let them enjoy a refreshing swim in their pools and hot tubs, clean up the mess and go on with their lives.

In Rome, Italy, however, the citizens are dealing with an entirely new sort of invader: rubbish-seeking wild boars. Entire families of wild boars have become a daily sight in Rome as groups of ten to thirty of these animals emerge from the parks surrounding the city to trot down the traffic-clogged streets in search of food in Rome's notoriously overflowing rubbish bins. According to an article by Trisha Thomas of the Associated Press, "Posting wild boar videos on social media has become something of a sport as exasperated Romans capture these scavengers marching past their stores, strollers or playgrounds. Italy's agriculture lobby estimates there are over 2 million wild boars in Italy. The region of Lazio surrounding Rome estimates there are 5,000-6,000 of them in city parks, a few hundred of which often abandon the trees for urban asphalt and trash bins."

Now then, the occasional coyote trotting up the street or a bear or two looking for pizza crusts aren't nearly as bad as herds of wild boars. And then, we have our beautiful deer. See! A silver lining in every one of our clouds!

Watch for scarecrows...you never know where you'll see one!  
 Voting will continue October 5-19.

My book page: Amazon.com: Deanne Davis  
 For you Emma Gainsworth fans, all her escapades are there AND, there's a new Emma adventure about to release as a Kindle book!  
 Emma Gainsworth: Rising From The Ashes

### A WORD FROM SMPFA LOCAL 5216

The Sierra Madre Fire Department is excited to announce its 34th Annual Fire Prevention Festival taking place on Saturday, October 9th, at Memorial Park, from 9AM to Noon.

The Sierra Madre Fire Department's goal is to educate our community members on how to best prepare for, and stay safe during, a fire emergency. Stop by the fire prevention festival to get important educational information, meet with local agencies, and participate in a variety of fun activities. Bring the kids for a fun and engaging activity hub that will include games, arts and crafts, goodie bags, and a chance to meet Smokey the Bear!

Many local agencies will be represented at this year's festival, including the Sierra Madre Police Department, LA County Fire Department, Angeles National Forest, Sierra Madre Search & Rescue, Pasadena Humane Society, and many more. Stay tuned for more updates.

## REGISTRATION OPEN FOR DOWNTOWN HALLOWEEN ART

Sierra Madre Civic Club is calling all Sierra Madre households to sign up for the 2021 Downtown Halloween ART event. The activity is sponsored by Sierra Madre Civic Club and is free to participants.

All ages from a single address are welcome to draw or paint any Halloween theme on the paper "canvas" that will be delivered free to your front door. Any medium you chose for your artwork is acceptable – crayons, markers, pencils, paint and ink are just a few ideas. Be creative!

To register, sign up on-line on our website: [sierramadrecivicclub.org](http://sierramadrecivicclub.org) before October 8, 2021. You will find additional information about the activity on the website. The deadline to return your completed artwork is October 19<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions, please contact Karma Bell, Civic Club Halloween Chair at 355-6487, or [info@sierramadrecivicclub.com](mailto:info@sierramadrecivicclub.com)





## Weather Wise

6-Day Forecast Sierra Madre, Ca.

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Wed	Sunny	Hi	70s	Lows	60s
Thur	Sunny	Hi	60s	Lows	50s
Fri	Sunny	Hi	60s	Lows	50s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

## SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 12, 2021

**THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS!**

As part of the City of Sierra Madre's COVID-19 trans-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](mailto:PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com) by 3:00 p.m. 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 Foothills Media website at [foothillsmmedia.org/sierramadre](http://foothillsmmedia.org/sierramadre) and broadcast on Government Access Channel 3 (Spectrum)..

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

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

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

Your event must:

- Benefit a non-commercial or non-profit entity
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### Tuesday

Fire Station Tour—Online at 4:00 pm

### Wednesday

Board Library Teens—In-person at 4:00 pm

### Thursday

Baby Rhyme Time at Memorial Park—In-person at 9:00 am; call the Library at 355-7186 to register

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### Saturday

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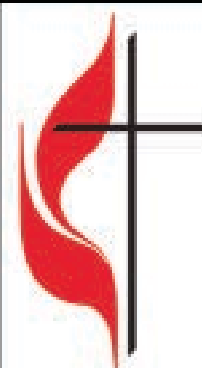


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## Fall ArtNight Returns Friday



The highly anticipated Fall ArtNight returns Friday, Oct. 8, 6–10 p.m., with both virtual and limited in-person activities. Nineteen local arts and cultural institutions will showcase diverse works of art, music and dance by the best the city’s creative community has to offer. Enjoy hands-on, interactive activities for all ages and interests—all for free.

Catch musical excerpts of “I’m Okay, You’re Okay at the OK Corral” at Pasadena City Hall performed by Theatre Americana. Local acoustic trio The Subs will also play popular songs from the 1950s to now.

Additional ArtNight offerings include an outdoor viewing under the stars of the Pennington Dance Group at A Room to Create; physically distanced hands-on art making at artWORKS Teen Center; a live performance by Dyad, a violin and bassoon duo, at the brand new Lineage Performing Arts Center; an outdoor video billboard on the front lawn of Pasadena City College showing works of artist Natalie Bookchin; Viva La Fiesta, a virtual celebration honoring Hispanic Heritage Month, hosted by Pasadena Public Library, with book talks and crafting demos; live streamed and pre-recorded classical, jazz, and multicultural performances by Pasadena Conservatory of Music students, faculty, and special guests; a virtual book giveaway hosted by Red Hen Press; and a virtual ikebana demonstration presented by Jane Imai, executive director of Shumei Arts Council.

Visit: [artnightpasadena.org](http://artnightpasadena.org) for additional details and a complete list of art and cultural offerings at ArtNight, one of the most exciting events in Southern California!

Participating arts and cultural institutions include:

- A Room to Create
- Armory Center for the Arts
- Art Center College of Design
- artWORKS Teen Center
- Boston Court Pasadena
- California Art Club
- City of Pasadena City Hall
- Lineage Performing Arts Center
- MUSE/IQUE
- Parson’s Nose Theater
- Pasadena Central Library
- Pasadena City College
- Pasadena Conservatory of Music
- Pasadena Museum of History
- Pasadena Unified School District
- Red Hen Press
- Shumei Arts Council
- The Gamble House
- USC Pacific Asia Museum

The City will not be providing free shuttle transportation for the public; however, there will be two access buses provided for wheelchair accessibility at City Hall. Pie ’n Burger and Fat Boys food trucks will be parked at City Hall and Boston Court Pasadena.

Some in-person and virtual events require reservations. Individuals who are sick or have COVID-19 should stay home. Masks are required at all indoor and some outdoor venues. Proof of COVID-19 vaccination or a negative COVID test no older than 72 hours is required to be shown at indoor venues expecting more than 1,000 visitors.



## Pasadena Sears set to Close Permanently

By Dean Lee

After well over a half century of serving Pasadena residents, Sears parent company Transformco announced last week the indefinite closing of the Hastings Ranch Plaza location and with it one of only five Sears Auto Centers left in California. The store first opened in 1958.

The store at 3801 E. Foothill Blvd is set to close Nov. 14 just weeks before Black Friday and the start of the holiday season.

Sears has already started liquidation, from 10 percent to 70 percent off, of everything in the store including all the fixtures. Signage on the doors reads “nothing held back.”

In a press statement by Transformco spokesperson Larry Costello, he said they plan to redevelop the property.

“This is part of the company’s strategy to unlock the value of the real estate and pursue the highest and best use for the

benefit of the local community, he said adding that they are in talks with best-of-class retailers.

Sears, was bought by Hoffman estates-based Transformco out of bankruptcy in 2019. Transformco was created by former Sears CEO Edward Lampert and his hedge fund.

Moving forward Costello also stated that “Transformco” will continue to expand both [Sears] Hometown Stores and Home & Life stores in cities and towns that previously had larger format stores.” they are also “very focused on growing sears.com and the Sears Home Services business,” he said.

Hometown Stores are located in cities such as Coachella and Tehachapi. The last Sears stores in Southern California will be in Burbank and Whittier.

Transformco also owns Kmart, with only one location left in California near Lake Tahoe.

Sears, once the country’s largest

merchant, was the go-to place for Craftsman tools, Toughskins jeans or a Kenmore washing machine. Founded 134 years ago by business men Richard Sears and Alvah C. Roebuck in Chicago, the company survived two world wars and the Great Depression.

Photo D.Lee/MVNews

## Library Gets \$4 Million for Upgrades

Assemblymember Chris Holden presented, at last week’s City Council meeting, a check for \$4 million to the City of Pasadena and the Pasadena Public Library to help seismic retrofit and restoration of the Central Library.

According to city officials after a long closure of Pasadena Public Library facilities due to the pandemic, many looked forward to the reopening of the Central Library and its nine branch libraries. In April, the first to open was the Central Library. It was short lived as the city discovered that the building was not safe should there be an earthquake.

On May 3, city officials were forced to close Central Library for a required seismic retrofit and restoration to meet life safety requirements. A structural assessment revealed that most of the building consists of unreinforced masonry.

The city moved to work towards identifying a plan for seismic upgrades, restoration, and reopening of the facility. The city reached out to Holden. Just one month later, it was announced that the State of California had approved in its budget \$4 million to be used for the design and drawings for the seismic upgrades of the Pasadena Central Library.

At the City Council meeting, Holden said, “Having served on this council, I understand first-hand how important this library is to the community.”

In the previous year, prior to the pandemic closure, Pasadena Public Library greeted over 616,000 guests, with the Pasadena Central Library hosting 232 group events and 876 community and organization meetings.

With these initial funds now secured, the city will assemble and manage an architectural engineering design team of experts that will bring the iconic Central Library back online to ensure access to library services and programs for future generations, and to preserve the historical features of the Central Library building.

For more information on the Central Library, please visit [PasadenaPublicLibrary.net](http://PasadenaPublicLibrary.net).

## City of Pasadena Hires New Public Works Director

Pasadena city officials announced Friday that City of Brea Public Works Director Tony Olmos has been appointed public works director with the City of Pasadena effective Nov. 1. He will oversee a department with 230 full-time employees and an annual budget of \$76.9 million.



Olmos has 28 years of professional experience and comes to Pasadena from the City of Brea where he has served as public works director for five years. In that position, he is responsible for the overall operations of the Public Works Department, including Administration, Refuse, Maintenance, Engineering, Fleet, Environmental Programs, and Utilities (water, sewer, and storm water). In addition, Olmos has held progressively responsible positions including city engineer, assistant director of engineering/chief engineer and public works director at the County of Orange and the Cities of Manhattan Beach, Huntington Beach, Santa Fe Springs, and Santa Ana.

“I am confident that Tony will be a great addition to the City of Pasadena,” City Manager Steve Mermell. “In addition to having strong leadership skills, his qualifications are impressive. He has a track record of working well with the community—seeking input and providing solutions—as well as experience working with engaged constituents, leading change efforts, and

building rapport and trust with employees and external stakeholders,” said

The city retained an executive search firm which facilitated the process. Pasadena residents were invited to share feedback and input on a new public works director via the City’s website. Ultimately, 56 applications were received, and the five most qualified were identified by the search firm based on the established qualifications and participated in interviews with a panel of professional staff from outside agencies and within the City. From that group, the top three applicants were interviewed in early September by the assistant city managers and city manager.

“I am honored and excited to have been selected as the City’s next public works director. I’m looking forward to applying my prior experience to engage our community and staff to help carry out City Council’s goals and initiatives,” said Olmos.

Olmos is married to his wife of 25 years and is the proud grandfather to his three-year-old granddaughter.

## Pasadena to Celebrate National Coming Out Day



Pasadena Public Health Department, Pasadena Public Library and Pasadena Parks, Recreation and Community Services will host Pasadena’s 6th annual Coming Out Day Celebration on Monday, Oct. 11, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Memorial Park, located on the corner of Raymond Avenue and Walnut Street. The annual, free event is part of the City’s efforts to celebrate and foster an inclusive community.

This event is for all ages and supports those who have come out as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer (LGBTQ) or as an ally. Pasadena’s celebration coincides with the 33rd anniversary of National Coming Out Day, launched to recognize the first National March on Washington for lesbian and gay rights and to remind all of us of the power of coming out.

The keynote presenter is Tyanta Snow, the “Game Show Guru.” A well-known television personality, actor, host and musical artist, he has appeared on over 15 reality shows and game shows and is currently appearing as Human #28 (The Tic Tac Toe Guy) on the Netflix hit reality show “100 Humans.” Snow also has his own gospel group named Ty Snow and Xtreme Purpose, which has toured and recorded across the country. He serves as director for KJLH Radio Free Voices under Stevie Wonder’s direction. Known affectionately as “Mr. Tigger,” Snow also works as a special education teacher for Pasadena Unified School District, bringing a bright light to everyone he comes across and ensuring that fun and laughter are the most important part of the day.

Tia Wanna (Te Jay McGrath) will serve as the evening’s moderator. The celebration will also feature the popular Drag Queen Storytime, featuring fun family stories, crafts, LGBTQ speakers, music, resource tables, giveaways, and free HIV testing, COVID-19 vaccines and flu shots.

Nearly one in two Americans knows someone who is gay or lesbian. That number is one in 10 for transgender people. Coming out—whether as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or allied—still matters. Sharing our stories helps raise awareness and change perspectives. When people know someone who is LGBTQ, they are far more likely to support equality under the law.

At their Oct. 4 meeting, Pasadena City Council members are scheduled to proclaim October 2021 as LGBTQ+ History Month in Pasadena to celebrate and commemorate those who fought for equal rights and services for the LGBTQ+ community; and as a means of educating others, promoting a culture of acceptance and inclusivity, and advancing equality for all.

The City of Pasadena is an inclusive city, accepting of everyone regardless of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, marital status, socio-economic status, sex, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, or disability.

## Vaccine Proof To Be Required at Events, Bars and Nightclubs

A Pasadena Health Officer Order was issued Monday, requires proof of COVID-19 vaccination or a pre-entry negative test for outdoor mega events starting Oct. 7; children under 12 are exempt. The Health Officer Order also requires vaccination verification for customers and employees at indoor portions of bars, breweries, nightclubs and lounges.

The requirement is for vaccine verification or a negative test within 72 hours prior to attending an outdoor mega events with more than 10,000 attendees that are ticketed and/or have controlled points of entry to a well-defined area, such as sporting and music events. Customers receiving indoor service in bars, breweries, nightclubs and lounges, and employees must provide proof of at least one dose by Oct. 7 and full vaccination by Nov. 4. Although the new order does not apply to restaurants, vaccination proof for customers dining indoors is strongly recommended.

The order puts in place safety measures to address the continued need to reduce community transmission of COVID-19, which is still at a substantial level in Pasadena, For more information visit: [cityofpasadena.net](http://cityofpasadena.net).

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Flu Shot Clinics at the Library

Pasadena Public Library is set to offer free flu shot and COVID-19 clinics in partnership with Pasadena Public Health Department. Vaccine supplies are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Masks are required. Please wear short sleeves. Free flu shots are available to those six months and older. COVID-19 vaccines are available to anyone 12 years and older. Children under 18 years must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Monday, Oct. 4 • 2-4:30 p.m. • La Pintesca Branch Library - Thursday, Oct. 7 • 2-4:30 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch Library - Thursday, Oct. 14 • 2-4:30 p.m. • Linda Vista Branch Library

- Monday, Oct. 18 • 2-4:30 p.m. • San Rafael Branch Library - Thursday, Oct. 21 • 2-4:30 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch Library - Monday, Oct. 25 • 2-4:30 p.m. • Hill Avenue Branch Library - Wednesday, Oct. 27 • 2-4:30 p.m. • Allendale Branch Library

Pasadena Public Library offers a free flu shot clinic in partnership with Huntington Hospital Community Outreach. Vaccine supplies are limited to only 100 flu shots and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Masks are required. Please wear short sleeves. For more information visit: cityofpasadena.net/public-health or call (626) 744-6000.

Celebrate Latino Heritage

Join the City of Pasadena and the Latino Heritage Committee for Pasadena's 23rd annual Latino Heritage Celebration. Due to COVID-19, this year's celebration does not include a parade or festival but instead features an entire month of free, family-friendly virtual and outdoor events. All events comply with Pasadena Public Health Department COVID-19 protocols: **Paint and Aguas Frescas** Saturday, Oct. 9, 3 p.m., Villa Parke, 363 E. Villa St. Join us for paint and aguas frescas! Participants will have the opportunity to create their very own painting while enjoying a tasty cantarito de agua fresca! Art kits and aguas will be provided. Participants will paint under the instruction of an experienced artist. Register now at cityofpasadena.net/reserve. **Latino Heritage Concert in the Park** Saturday, Oct. 16, 5 p.m., Memorial Park, 85 E. Holly St. ¡Bailemos! Let's dance! Latino Heritage would not be complete without a celebration of Latin music! Join us for a live music celebration at the Memorial Park Bandshell. Dance to traditional hits with strong salsa beats. This is a great event for the whole family. Bring your blanket, lawn chairs, and dancing shoes! Register now at cityofpasadena.net/reserve. **Virtual Event: Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) Sugar Skull Craft** Saturday, Oct. 30, 10 a.m. Participants will follow step-by-step instructions to create a fun and unique calavera. Art kits will be available for pick-up for registered participants at Villa Parke Community Center. Registration opens Oct. 1: cityofpasadena.net/reserve Pre-registration for events is recommended but not required. For more information on these and other upcoming events, visit cityofpasadena.net/reserve, follow @PasadenaParksandRec on Facebook and Instagram, or call (626) 744-6530. Pasadena Public Library is also celebrating Latino Heritage month with a wide variety of free programs and activities. For details on these events, visit: pasadenapubliclibrary.net.



Senior Citizen Dumpster Day

**Week of October 11-15, 2021**  
Senior Citizens ages 60 and over  
(Verification of age may be asked at the time of pick up.)

**No hazardous waste will be accepted.**  
(No TVs, computers, electronics, etc.)

Senior Citizen residents can have large furniture or appliances picked up from their homes for FREE.

**Seniors are asked to have all items collected and readily available in an OUTDOOR area near trash containers.**

Items will be picked up on the same day as regular rubbish pick up the week of October 11-15, 2021.

**SPACE IS LIMITED**

**NOTE: Delinquent Athens customers are not eligible.**

**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.**  
Please call the **South Pasadena Senior Center** at (626) 403-7360 Monday through Friday; 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
**DEADLINE FOR ALL RESERVATIONS: Friday, October 8, 2021 by 12:00 p.m.**

All other residents can participate in the drive thru service on Saturday, October 16, 2021 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (on Arroyo south of Mission)

For questions or concerns with pick up, please contact: **Leonna DeWitt, Public Works Department** (626) 403-7240 or LDewitt@southpasadenaca.gov

**Athens Services**  
1-888-336-6100

GARDENING 101  
A SOUTH PASADENA  
COMMUNITY GARDEN TALK  
AND HERB DEMONSTRATION

Free, in-person talk followed by a tour of the South Pasadena Community Garden and hands-on activity.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2021  
PRESENTATION AT THE LIBRARY 1:00-1:30 P.M.  
WALK TO THE GARDEN 1:30-1:45 P.M.  
TOUR AND HANDS-ON ACTIVITY 1:50-2:30 P.M.



Finalists Selected for the Tournament Royal Court



Before the final round of interviews, the 29 finalists for the 2022 Royal Court presented by Citizens Business Bank took a group photo Monday on the front steps of Tournament House. Applicants from 24 Pasadena area schools participated in the interview process and seven of the finalists will be named to the 2022 Royal Court on October 4. Members of the 2022 Royal Court will each receive a \$7,500 educational scholarship and serve as ambassadors of the Tournament of Roses, the Pasadena community and the greater Los Angeles area. Royal Court members experience countless benefits; becoming part of an organization dedicated to hands-on volunteerism, discovering opportunities to connect with and give back to the local community, developing public speaking skills, and growing self-confidence. Volunteer members of the Tournament of Roses' Queen and Court Committee made its selections based on a number of criteria including academic achievement community and school involvement, public speaking ability and youth leadership. The 2022 Royal Court will ride down Colorado Blvd. on the Royal Court float in the 133rd Rose Parade presented by Honda and attend the 108th Rose Bowl Game, both on Saturday, January 1, 2022. The 29 Royal Court Finalists are: First row, from left: (#11) Sebina Rothschild, Arcadia High School; (#37) McKenzie Street, Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy; (#221) Rylie Harada, Arcadia High School; (#90) Shaina Clorfeine, La Cañada High School; (#66) Jeannine Briggs, John Marshall Fundamental High School; (#212) Samantha Molina, South Pasadena High School; (#192) Parisa Haq, Arcadia High School. Second row, from left: (#7) Seojin Yun, La Cañada High School; (#118) Abigail Griffith, Pasadena High School; (#62) Jenna Milbrodt, La Cañada High School; (#233) Brooke Miller, Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy; (#89) Charlotte Bradley-McKinnon, John Marshall Fundamental High School; (#117) Sarah Davey, Pasadena High School; (#63) Amadi Weser, Flintridge Preparatory School. Third row, from left: (#112) Ava Feldman, South Pasadena High School; (39) Nadia Chung, La Cañada High School; (#227) Anya Yang, Arcadia High School; (#166) Celine Tsai, Temple City High School; (#15) Swetha Somasundaram, Arcadia High School; (#34) Jaeda Walden, La Cañada High School; (#79) Anita Abledu, John Marshall Fundamental High School. Top row, from left: (#200) Grace Nakane, Westridge School; (#122) Claire Stiles, Maranatha High School; (#103) Laila Ward, High School; Polytechnic School (graduated 2021) Current: University of Southern California (USC); (#96) Isabelle Hopf, Mayfield Senior School; (#179) Ella Bogen, La Cañada High School; (#36) Malia Wilson, La Salle High School; (#5) Renée Deramerian, Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy; (#29) Gwynn Schliesser, La Cañada High School. The Tournament of Roses is a volunteer organization that hosts America's New Year Celebration with the Rose Parade presented by Honda, the Rose Bowl Game and a variety of accompanying events. The Association's 935 volunteer members supply more than 80,000 hours of manpower, which will drive the success of 133rd Rose Parade, themed "Dream. Believe. Achieve." For more information, visit: tournamentofroses.com.

City Hires New Building Official

The City of Pasadena Department of Planning and Community Development (PCD) has announced the hiring of new Building Official Ron Takiguchi, P.E., CBO. Mr. Takiguchi is a tenured building official with more than 30 years of experience, most recently with the City of Burbank as assistant director/building official. He also served as the chief building official with the City of Santa Monica and as deputy building official with the County of Los Angeles. Mr. Takiguchi will manage the Building & Safety Division of PCD and the plan check and building inspection functions. He asserts that Building & Safety should be a facilitator of projects while assisting homeowners, business operators, contractors and developers in the permitting process. He highly believes in



the safe occupancy of buildings through proper application of codes and standards while considering innovation and creative design. "As building official, Mr. Takiguchi will oversee the building plan check review process for all new development in the City as well as the building inspection process. Ron's extensive experience in administering municipal building codes will be a welcome asset to the Department of Planning and Community Development as we look to implement a 100% online process," says David Reyes, director planning and community development. Mr. Takiguchi is a registered professional engineer and a certified building official. He is an adjunct faculty member at UCLA Extension in the Department of Engineering and Technology. Mr. Takiguchi will join the City of Pasadena on Oct. 25, 2021.

Governor Signs SB 381 Allows Purchase of 710 Properties

*Bill Gets Caltrans Out of Housing in South Pasadena*

As a follow up to his successful negotiation to end the threat of the 710 Freeway and enact protections for non-profits operating in the 710 corridor, Senator Anthony Portantino worked closely with the City of South Pasadena to accelerate the transition of Caltrans owned homes out of the state's hands. The collaboration led to the drafting of Senate Bill 381. Portantino joined Governor Newsom in Oakland Friday as he signed 27 housing bills into law. SB 381 provides protections for existing tenants, includes a strategy to protect historic homes, and gives flexibility to the City of South Pasadena to create more affordable housing. "I want to thank the Governor for signing SB 381 and providing South Pasadena an opportunity to protect our historic homes and expand affordable housing options," Portantino said. "Since the SR 710 freeway gap can no longer be built, South Pasadena expressed a need for legislative changes to the current sales process and existing tenants needed protections. With SB 381, we were able to achieve all these goals while offering the City the opportunity to control the process going forward." Early in 2017, Caltrans began dispensing properties as required by SB 416 and the Roberti Act. SB 416 and the Roberti Act govern the sale of surplus property and outline the priority order of who can purchase. In 2019, the Governor signed Portantino's SB 7, which ended the SR 710 extension project. To date, Caltrans has sold less than 15 properties and will be looking to move forward with the disposition of the remaining 445 properties this year. Current statute allows cities to purchase only occupied and unoccupied multi-family units, but cities must still compete with other Housing Related Entities (HREs) to win the bid. Additionally, current statute sets the sales price for cities at a "reasonable price" determined by various factors. However, a substantial number of these homes need significant repairs and at the same time must be rented or sold at amounts based upon affordable income criteria. In order to bring more clarity and local flexibility, the South Pasadena City Council asked Portantino to help. After the initial conversation, the city, community and historical society conducted a series of community meetings and City Council dialogues that resulted in SB 381. SB 381 gives current tenants of single-family and multi-family residences new opportunities to purchase properties. The City of South Pasadena will be able to sell historical homes at fair market value and use the funds generated to reinvest in affordable housing. The measure requires that for every historical home that is sold, the City must create three affordable housing units. In addition, the bill provides that Caltrans must start to sell unoccupied units by June 30, 2022 and allows the City of South Pasadena to buy properties at acquisition price, which must be used for affordable rentals for 55 years and affordable home ownership for 45 years. Construction or acquisition must begin by Dec 31, 2025 as outlined in the SB 381. All tenants who do not buy will get first right of occupancy. "At long last, the enactment of SB 381 represents the final chapter in the State's long-standing efforts to build another freeway through the small town of South Pasadena," stated South Pasadena Mayor Diana Mahmud. "Among other things, SB 381 assures all current tenants of properties purchased in anticipation of the freeway's construction will have the opportunity to acquire their residences before it is offered to a third party, and permits the City to purchase unoccupied Caltrans homes at acquisition cost for vitally needed affordable housing. In addition, this new law allows South Pasadena to sell at market rate unoccupied historic homes previously acquired by Caltrans, with the proceeds of that sale used for affordable housing. Senator Portantino long opposed the proposed freeway, and now has acted strategically to assist the City in addressing the consequences of that failed effort. We are deeply grateful to the Senator for his continued support and advocacy for our city, and count ourselves very fortunate to be represented by him," she added. 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. SB 381 will make it economically viable for the City of South Pasadena to purchase, substantially rehabilitate, maintain, and administer an affordable housing program to the benefit of the community. Religions of the World: Theme for Masters Series at Pasadena Senior Center The fall term of The Masters Series, with the theme Religions of the World, will be onsite at the Pasadena Senior Center Tuesdays to Oct. 19, from 2 to 4 p.m. Religion has always played a role in human society, from nonverbal prehistory to the prominent place of religion in contemporary life. Living in a multicultural society, it is important to understand what is sacred in religions and the central myths, rituals, texts and scriptures that shape ancient and modern expressions of these traditions. Dr. Phyllis Herman, professor of religious studies at California State University, Northridge, will introduce participants in The Masters Series to archaic and tribal religious practices, Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Oct. 12 - Christianity: the life of Jesus and developments into and within this religion. Oct. 19 - Islam: from Muhammad to the world. To register or for more information, visit: pasadenaseniorcenter.org and click on Masters Series Lifelong Learning, call 626-795-4331 or email AnnieL@pasadenaseniorcenter.org. Everyone who registers will receive email instructions for joining each week's Zoom class online. Herman, who earned her PhD in the history of religion at UCLA, has been a



professor of religious studies at CSUN for many years and served a term as chair of the Department of Religious Studies. Her areas of concentration include world religions, Islam in India, South Asian religious traditions and women and religion. She has contributed chapters to several notable books and articles on nationalist and feminine theories, women and religion, and Hindu ideas of kingship. She also co-edited a book titled "The Constant and Changing Face of the Goddess: Goddess Traditions in Asia" that features essays written by established scholars. The cost for the six-week series is only \$75 for members of the Pasadena Senior Center and \$90 for nonmembers. The center, at 85 E. Holly St., is an independent, nonprofit. Masks and social distancing are required for onsite activities. For more information about onsite as well as online activities and other programs visit the website or call 626-795-4331.



AFD CHIEF SPRIGGS TO SPEAK ON  
STATE OF ARCADIA FIRE DEPARTMENT

If you live in Arcadia, chances are you have heard the roar of sirens from a fire engine as they race to help every inch of the city. Join Fire Chief Barry Spriggs at the Arcadia Community Coordinating Council meeting on October 4, 2021, to listen as he talks about the State of Arcadia Fire, resources for residents and much more.

Fire Chief Barry Spriggs was promoted to Fire Chief on June 21, 2021. He began his career with the Arcadia Fire Department in 1993 as a Fire Technician. Between 1994 and 2008, he held the positions of Firefighter, Fire Engineer, and Fire Captain. In 2008, he was promoted to Battalion Chief where he managed the Emergency Medical Services Division, served as the City's Emergency Manager, and was the Training Officer for the Fire Department. In 2016, Barry was promoted to Deputy Fire Chief where he managed department-wide operations, including serving as the City's liaison during the interagency response to the Bobcat Fire. Barry has a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Azusa Pacific University and is married with two grown children.

To learn more about Barry and the Arcadia Fire Department, join the Arcadia Community Coordinating Council on October 4, 2021.

For reservations contact Linda Clelland, President, ACCC.  
arcadiacommunitycouncil@gmail.com

Meeting Location & Information:  
Monday, October 4, 2021  
11:45 am – 1:30 pm  
Meeting on Zoom  
RSVP by Saturday, October 2, 2021

JOIN THE GILB MUSEUM FOR ITS  
**20th Anniversary Celebration**

**OCTOBER 16, 2021 | 10 AM - 12 PM**

October 2021 marks 20 years of the Gilb Museum being part of the Arcadia community. Celebrate the legacy of the Gilb Museum through enjoying the new *20th Anniversary* exhibit, taking a guided tour through the Museum, and getting a behind-the-scenes look at the Museum's collections!

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ST. LUKE'S MONROVIA BLESSES PETS OF ALL DENOMINATIONS  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

*Stuffed animal donations sought for children treated for exposure to violence*

On Sunday, October 3, St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Monrovia will once again celebrate one of its most beloved traditions: the Blessing of the Animals in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. The church invites all pets (and their human companions) to the 10 a.m. service to sit, sing, (chirp, purr or howl), worship, and share in God's blessings. Attendees are also invited to bring a new stuffed animal to donate to the Martin Luther King Jr. Pediatric Hub, an LA County center that provides medical and mental health care to children exposed to domestic and sexual violence. St. Luke's parishioner Dr. Janet Arnold-Clark is the hub's Director.

Per the request of county health authorities, the church asks that all worshippers wear masks indoors, whether vaccinated or not.

About St. Luke's

With roots in Monrovia dating to the 1890s, St. Luke's Episcopal Church is an inclusive community that invites and welcomes all to join them in service and fellowship. The landmark 1924 Romanesque church is located at 122 S. California Ave. at Foothill Blvd. Services are held on Sundays at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. and Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m. The Reverend Neil Tadken presides as Rector. For more, visit [saintlukesmonrovia.org](http://saintlukesmonrovia.org).

DUARTE CERT TO HOST  
PREPAREDNESS POP-UP

The Duarte Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) will host a preparedness pop-up at Target (1050 Huntington Drive) from 5-9 PM on Friday, October 8 and from 1-5 PM on Saturday, October 9.

Over these two days, Duarte CERT will discuss the importance of preparing a 72-hour emergency kit in the event of a disaster. Additionally, they will walk residents through building their own kit, including providing a list of necessary items.

"This is the time for residents to ask any questions they might have about building their own kit, plus they can pick up necessities in a single shopping trip, right after visiting CERT," stated Duarte CERT Coordinator Tony Hadloc. "Many necessities are easily accessible at our local Target or Walmart."

CERT is a nationwide program that educates volunteers about disaster preparedness. Volunteers learn basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. During emergencies, volunteers put their skills and basic training into practice, freeing up professional first responders to focus on complex, urgent needs.

"We hope the community takes advantage of having Duarte CERT members right at their fingertips," said Public Safety Director Brian Villalobos. "As one of the most active CERT programs in the region, we invite residents to come learn how to best keep their families safe in the event of an emergency."

In addition to providing emergency kit information, Duarte CERT will also have details about upcoming classes and virtual training.

For more information on the Duarte CERT program, visit CERT's website or email [CERT@AccessDuarte.com](mailto:CERT@AccessDuarte.com).

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This year of the pandemic has been a challenge for everyone. The West Covina Kiwanis Club certainly stepped up to the plate. Member, Andres Casteneda, saw a posting on Instagram. An Engineer in a nearby town had been laid off, and then had recognized a need - children were not able to attend school in person, and had no place at home to do their homework, or sign on to their Zoom classes. The Engineer had a vision - build desks for these kids! When Andres saw this post, he immediately stepped up to the plate. The West Covina Kiwanis Club marshaled their resources, contacted local vendors (like Home Depot) for wood, and they got to work. The club built 350 desks for children in the West Covina school district. However, they also built an additional 150 desks for children in the nearby Baldwin Park school district. West Covina Kiwanis has been sponsoring 5 High School Key Clubs and two of them are in Baldwin Park (since there was no Kiwanis Club in Baldwin Park). This work in Baldwin Park truly resulted in a "cascade effect" - and a new Kiwanis Club for Baldwin Park has recently been chartered! By the way, Andres was not the only person inspired by the initial Instagram post - by the end of last school year more than 10,000 desks had been made and donated



across the nation. The club was recognized for "Service Project of the Year" by Lt. Governor Mary "Happy" Price for this great desk project and Andres received a Distinguished Service Award. From left, Mary "Happy" Price,

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# AROUND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

## BE THE HEART OF HOPE: FOOTHILL UNITY CENTER By Joan Schmidt

Foothill Unity Center recently celebrated its 22nd Annual Golden Plates Gala honoring exceptional individuals who support the Center and our Communities.

Festivities began with a warm welcome from CEO, Tashera Taylor, who thanked Volunteers, Donors, Staff, Board of Directors and Neighbors using the service. This past year has been difficult with the pandemic and recession, but the Center continues its mission of “helping neighbors in crisis, partnering with the community and using our resources wisely to provide vital support services with love and dignity.” (This past summer Congresswoman Judy Chu recently honored the Center as “Non-Profit of the Year-Heroes of the Pandemic.”) Gary Kovacic, Board President also spoke and thanked everyone for attending as these special people are honored. Channel 7’s Rob Fukazaki was guest host. (He and wife Sharyl are also committed to the community.) Rob has partnered with the Center in Food-Give-ways.

The theme of the Golden Plates Awards 2021 was “Be the Heart of Hope”, and the recipients certainly were. Mickey and Lee Segal received the HEART IN HAND HUMANITARIAN AWARD. They have lived in this area many years and have had a positive impact on thousands of lives. They have continued support of the Center; during the Pandemic, provided full funding for a new van to pick up and distribute food. Other charitable causes include St. Jude Research Hospital, Methodist Hospital of Southern California, Rose Bowl Legacy Foundation, Covenant House, Cal Poly Pomona, American Cancer Society, Jewish Federation of the Greater San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys, and the AUSD.

The 2021 Neighbors Helping Neighbors Business Award honoree was Air Tro Inc. Bob Helbing and partners Jim Hunter, Troy Helbing, and Donn Capps stepped in to help the Center during the Covid-19 crisis. They not only offered vans for the Center’s use, but their staff to help as needed. Bob spoke of the Pandemic and how many businesses had to downsize their workers. But he called the Center and offered the vans and his workers, whom he kept on salary.

The 2012 Neighbors Helping Neighbors Youth Service Award was given to Fruit 4 Homeless. This was founded by brother and sister, Andre and Ashley Young. Fruit 4 Homeless provides youth volunteers the opportunity to pick fresh fruits and vegetables for the homeless and those in need.

2021 Carl Foote Legacy Award honoree was Alan Story. For over a decade, Alan has volunteered his time at the Center and for the past nine years he has served as the homebound food delivery volunteer. For three days every month, Mr. Story shows up to ensure that our senior, disabled and homebound clients receive their food boxes. He builds relationships and trust with these clients who appreciate his company and assistance.



## FRUIT 4 HOMELESS Neighbors Helping Neighbors Youth Service Award

Please visit [www.foothillunitycenter.org](http://www.foothillunitycenter.org). It is a major source of food, health services, and crisis assistance for thousands of low-income families.

Some 2020 stats: 1,561,150 meals, 62,446 food services, 8,210 food boxes to seniors & disabled, 12,420 meals for homeless; 149,938 health, nutrition, covid, educational materials/resources; 1,017 screenings for glucose/diabetes, blood pressure, vitals, hearing, cholesterol, HIV & sport physicals, 46 eye exams, glasses & eyeglass vouchers; 7,474 case management services; 288, 023 services through core programs, 3,646 bus tokens, taxi vouchers/foothill transits; 3,424 diaper packages; 22 families placed in permanent housing, 37 families in temporary housing, 1,846 services to secure permanent housing; 12,420 meals for homeless, 6,196 bag lunches; 6,700 job development related services, 157 nursing students pursuing licensure training onsite, 18 work experience trainees, 2004 children served for back to school, 2836 pet food bags, 150 pets served at vet clinics, \$90,312 value of dental procedures for children & parents, 4,375 Thanksgiving food boxes, 1,905 Holiday food boxes, and 1,619 gift cards for toys & clothing.

The goal for the event was \$150,000. I last heard over \$129,000. Thank you to the Segels; \$25,000 check at the event; and all the generous Auction donors, members and volunteers who made this awesome event possible.

## PUBLIC HEALTH CLOSELY MONITORS OUTBREAKS; VACCINATION REQUIREMENT FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS GOES INTO EFFECT

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) closely monitors community outbreaks as the Delta variant comprises 100% of all variants sequenced by the Public Health lab.

The highest numbers of outbreaks among vulnerable people in healthcare and residential settings over the last few months have been in settings serving people experiencing homelessness (40). Meanwhile, outbreaks at skilled nursing facilities (21), other long-term care facilities (15), and healthcare settings (1), where vaccination rates are relatively high, have been relatively low. These differences are real-time evidence of the protective effect of vaccines among our most vulnerable residents.

Public Health continues to closely follow disease transmission at schools. Weekly student cases increased in August from about 1,300 to a peak of nearly 2,800 cases the week ending August 22. The number of student close contacts increased correspondingly to a peak of nearly 11,000 by the end of August. Both student cases and contacts have since decreased substantially; last week, the County saw 829 student cases and 3,100 student close contacts. Meanwhile, staff numbers have also decreased weekly from their high point of 403 staff cases and 493 staff close contacts in mid-August: last week, there were only 109 staff cases and 26 staff close contacts.

While overall case numbers in schools are trending downward, the number of outbreaks has increased slightly over the last few weeks, from 11 outbreaks the week ending September 18, to 12 outbreaks the week ending September 25. Youth sports account for most outbreaks, although the County is seeing some outbreaks in elementary, middle, and high schools. These numbers are impressively low given that 3,000-plus schools are now open countywide.

There are various vaccination verification requirements affecting L.A. County residents and workers. Today, September 30, is the deadline for health care and home health care workers across L.A. County to be fully vaccinated. Earlier this week, the state issued a new order requiring workers in adult and senior care facilities and in home direct care settings to be fully vaccinated by November 30. L.A. County employees have until October 1 and L.A. City employees have until October 5.

On October 7, proof of full vaccination or a negative test result will be required to enter outdoor mega events, and proof of at least one dose of the vaccine will be required to enter or work in indoor portions of bars, lounges, nightclubs, brew-

eries, wineries, and distilleries in L.A. County. On November 4, bars and similar establishments throughout L.A. County will be required to verify full vaccination of all patrons and employees prior to entry to indoor portions of their establishments.

With cases declining in communities and schools, the County can focus on increasing vaccination rates as quickly as possible to avoid the disruption that would come with future waves of infection.

As of September 26, 92% of L.A. County residents 65 and over have received at least one dose of the vaccine, 78% of residents 16 and over and 77% of residents 12 and over. Sixty-nine percent of residents 12 and over have been fully vaccinated. Sixty-seven percent of L.A. County teens between the ages of 12 and 17 received at least one dose and 59% are fully vaccinated. Out of the nearly 10.3 million L.A. County residents, including those who are not yet eligible for the vaccine, 66% have received at least one dose, and 59% are fully vaccinated. Millions of eligible residents remain unvaccinated.

Last Friday, September 24, the County began administering booster doses as well as the additional doses administered to immunocompromised people. Countywide, a total of nearly 105,930 third doses have been administered by L.A. County providers.

The County continues to send hundreds of mobile vaccination teams into neighborhoods where unvaccinated people live and work to administer first, second, and third doses of vaccines. Ninety-five percent of mobile unit visits scheduled this week will be offering Pfizer vaccines, including boosters, and 704 fixed sites are offering Pfizer boosters. Over the coming weeks, Public Health mobile teams will be targeting communities with limited access to Pfizer doses to ensure that access to boosters is easy across the county.

Vaccinations are always free and open to eligible residents and workers regardless of immigration status. Anyone 12 and older living or working in L.A. County can get vaccinated. Boosters are available for eligible individuals at all sites offering the Pfizer vaccine. Visit: [www.VaccinateLA-County.com](http://www.VaccinateLA-County.com) (to find a vaccination site near you, make an appointment at vaccination sites, and much more).

Additional actions you can take to protect yourself, your family and your community are on the Public Health website, [www.publichealth.lacounty.gov](http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov).

## LOCAL STATISTICS 09/17/2021 vs. 10/01/2021

### TOTAL LA COUNTY CASES AS OF 09/24/2021

**Cases:** 1,451,438  
**Deaths:** 26,106

CITY	POPULATION	CASES	DEATHS
Altadena	43,260	3,990	80
Arcadia	57,754	3,295	147
Bradbury	1,069	42	0
Duarte	22,016	2,712	99
Monrovia	38,800	3,902	82
Pasadena	141,371	13,131	359
Sierra Madre	10,989	601	13

### TOTAL LA COUNTY CASES AS OF 10/01/2021

**Cases:** 1,459,182  
**Deaths:** 25,972

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Bradbury	1,069	42	0
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Pasadena	141,371	13,205	361
Sierra Madre	10,989	607	13

## TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills *thechefknows@yahoo.com*

### OPEN IT NOW SAYS PETER DILLS

“Time in a Bottle” was a hit song by singer/songwriter Jim Croce. A question I am asked almost weekly basis is “does wine get better as it spends more time in a bottle?” Answer is “yes... and no”.

Philippe Jeandet is a professor at University of Reims Champagne-Ardenne in France, and was lucky enough to discover a shipwreck that had quite a cargo. Gold? No, champagne. Jeandet and his crew brought all 168 bottles to the surface, and actually opened one on the spot. First tastes were fantastic. Given his knowledge of bubbles, his first guess was that they were at least 100 years old. The bottles had no boxes or labels, so after a few years of inspecting the corks and bottle engravings his group decided that the champagne was over 200 years old. It's home at the bottom of the Baltic Sea provided total darkness and a temperature of 35 degrees, aided by the compression of depth for the discovery, perfect for storing wine.



Your home wine cellar provides somewhat different conditions than the bottom of the Baltic Sea, so getting back to the question above, does wine get better with age? Yes, wines that are expensive or rare will get better. No, most wine is produced to drink now. In fact, up to 90% of wines don't actually get any better with aging.

Many of us will let our wines breathe, especially the reds, and that's fine. I suggest using a large wine glass with enough room to swirl your wine around, watch the legs on the glass, and drink. Many of my class “A” sommelier friends contend that if it's not ready drink, it isn't ready to buy. I agree!!

As for champagne, my storage procedure (for a single bottle or case) is to simply leave it on the floor of my closet, laying each bottle sideways. Champagne, for many, is only for special occasions, whereas for me it is a weekly toast. You should only put champagne in the refrigerator when you are ready to serve it. Once opened it will only last a few hours, so make sure you have plenty of help to drink it.

My bottom line on the subject is to let the supermarkets and wine shops take care of the storage for you. They have the right equipment, and it is a heck of a job (and a lot of money) to build your own wine cellar.

Next week I visit Restaurant ROE

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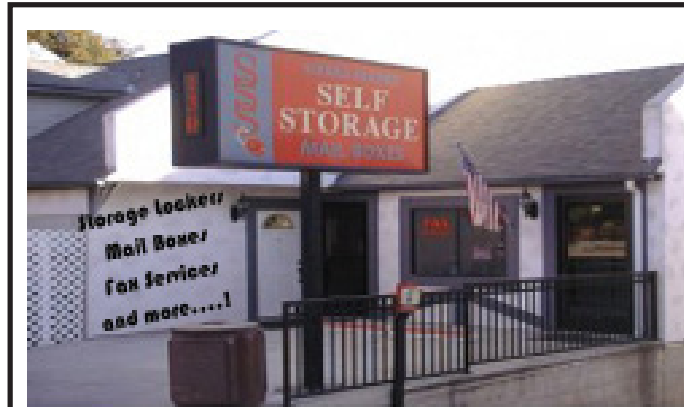
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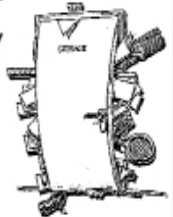
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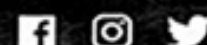
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LOCAL PRINCIPAL WINS NATIONAL EDUCATION AWARD HONORED FOR ACHIEVEMENTS AT FROSTIG SCHOOL DURING PANDEMIC

The National Center for Learning Disabilities (NCLD) honored Frostig School Principal Jenny Tucker Mottes with its Everyday Champion Award for her “heroic and outstanding achievements made during the COVID-19 pandemic.”



Ms. Tucker Mottes has been principal of Frostig School in Pasadena for eight years. She has worked tirelessly throughout the pandemic to provide Frostig students with a strong academic program while also supporting their social and emotional needs.

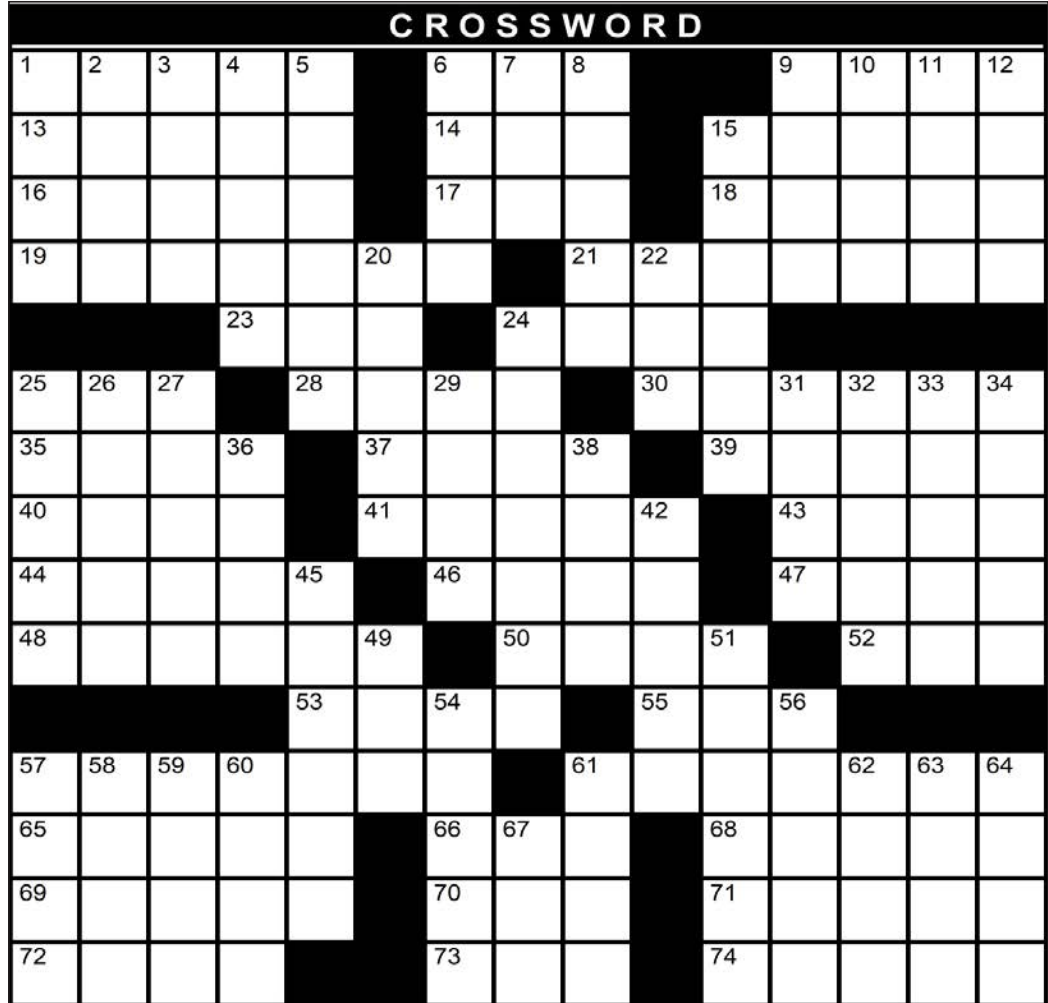
“The Everyday Champion Award recognizes those who have gone above and beyond helping children with learning and attention issues while distance learning during the COVID-19 pandemic,” the NCLD said in announcing the award. “One in five children nationwide has a learning disability or attention issues and these champions have been crucial to their success in the classroom.” Frostig School has been a leader in the field of learning differences since Dr. Marianne Frostig established it 1951. The school, which has a second campus in West Los Angeles, provides an individualized education to 120 students in grades 1-12 who have complex

learning differences.

“As principal of a small school, Jenny was required to provide leadership on every front of this pandemic, from curriculum development to the design and

implementation of protocols for the safe reopening of our campus,” said Dean Conklin, executive director of The Frostig Center. “I have worked closely with Jenny throughout the pandemic and I constantly marvel at her infinite optimism and positivity in the face of unprecedented challenges and stresses.”

The NCLD, based in Washington, D.C., advocates for strong federal policies, convenes experts to discuss pressing issues facing the field, and publishes research and resources to improve practices in schools. The organization named two Everyday Champions, an administrator and a teacher. An educator in Moorestown, NJ, won in the teacher category. Ms. Tucker Mottes and Ms. Maurer were awarded \$5,000 prizes. They will be honored at NCLD’s Annual Benefit, virtually, on November 9.





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FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett



HOW DOES THE ADMINISTRATION OF A WILL WORK IN CALIFORNIA?

When someone executes a will (this person is called the testator) he or she names another person or persons to inherit the testator’s assets at death (this person is called the beneficiary or beneficiaries, if more than one). For the assets to legally be retitled in the beneficiary’s name, however, the will must first pass through the court process known as probate.

The first step in the probate process is for the executor (the person named in the will to transfer the testator’s assets after death) to file a petition for probate, along with the original will – not a copy – with the court in the county where the testator resided at the time of death. The court will then validate the will by determining if it is in fact the testator’s will and that it was executed properly. Once the will is validated, the court will qualify and appoint the executor and issue “Letters Testamentary” which grants the executor legal authority over the assets of the estate – the estate is simply whatever was owned by the decedent.

Once the executor receives this authority from the court, the decedent’s assets can be gathered. A taxpayer ID number for the estate should be applied for and a bank account for the estate should be opened. It is the executor’s responsibility to safeguard all estate assets throughout the process. For example, property taxes must be paid, homeowner’s insurance maintained, heirlooms and other personal property must be protected from theft or damage. The executor must then file an inventory and appraisal of all estate assets with the court. Creditors will then have four months to make a claim for any debts owed against the assets of the estate. Once all creditor claims have been paid or settled and the final tax return for the decedent and the estate has been filed, the executor may petition the court to close the probate. The court will issue an order for distribution and the executor can then transfer all the estate assets to the beneficiaries.

There are waiting periods and scheduling delays inherent in the process which often mean probate proceedings drag out for years. During probate, there’s also the chance that someone might contest the will, make a false claim against the assets, or dispute the division of the property. All of this can add time, expense, and emotional angst to the process.

Unlike wills, however, trusts don’t require your family to go through probate, which saves them time, money, and the potential for conflict. Plus, when you have a trust set up, the distribution of your assets happens in months, rather than years, and in private rather than the completely public forum of a courtroom.

While a simple will makes sense for some Californians, for those who own real estate and/or have dependents, a trust should be seriously considered for the time, cost, energy, control, and privacy benefits it provides over the probate process.

A local attorney and father, Marc Garlett is on a mission to help parents protect what they love most. Schedule an appointment to sit down and talk about ensuring a legacy of love and financial security for your family by calling 626.355.4000 or visit [www.CaliLaw.com](http://www.CaliLaw.com) for more information.

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LA COUNTY'S REPORT ON CANINE INFLUENZA H3N2

Just as we humans are experiencing an unprecedented uprising in bio-viral attacks, it seems so are our precious pets. Although we all have, throughout history, had to fight the “bugs” that bother us, there have been signs that would indicate the battle between the stronger strains, and our ability to fight them is becoming more and more challenging over time. When COVID-19 crept in on us, it had not occurred to me that there may be a similar trend that might offend our canine cohorts, but I suppose I should have seen it coming and should not be too surprised by its arrival. I’m no scientist, but in a layman’s way I do understand the tiny bits and pieces in the microchemistry of living things on our planet, and I “get” the fight between the good and evil organisms.

So, while we humans went about avoiding and immunizing ourselves against the most intense killer virus that has ever plagued us, a canine-focused bug was creeping up and has recently forced our precious pets to make lifestyle adjustments of their own. I first heard about the new canine flu from a client who knew about it from a friend whose dog typically goes to daycare but was asked not to come, due to other guests showing signs of ‘kennel cough’ and being asked to go home. That was sometime in August and honestly, it didn’t seem like a ‘thing’ to me. Just a predictable wave of kennel cough that should be avoided at all costs.

Next I was told by another friend in town that there was this new thing going around; more like a flu virus among canines and I was sorry to hear that, yet I was still not so concerned that I felt the need to spread the word. I guess I was thinking perhaps some folks were becoming a bit paranoid and assigning too much meaning to a few ‘one-off’ kennel cough cases, based on our recent horrific experience with the Corona virus.

Then, last week I learned of more sick pups being sent home from daycare, due to a highly contagious poly-symptomatic bug, and I thought this really must be a problem beyond the typical kennel cough we are all so familiar with. So I decided to look into it and share whatever information I could find with my readers. The following information is from the LA County Dept. of Veterinary Public Health website. I feel confident that the science is solid and I hope it helps my fellow pet parents decide what is best for their babes.

**Overview of Canine influenza H3N2:**  
The canine influenza virus H3N2 (CIV H3N2) usually causes mild to moderate disease in dogs and on rare occasions can also infect cats. This strain of canine influenza was first found in the US in 2015 when it was detected in Chicago and spread to other parts of the country.

Infected dogs start shedding the virus 2 days before the start of clinical signs, and for at least 21 days or more afterward, even after they appear healthy. In August 2017, the Veterinary Public Health Program (VPH) learned from The College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Wisconsin that some infected dogs may shed the virus for 30 days or more. Transmission of influenza usually occurs through contact with infected respiratory secretions (e.g. coughing, sneezing) as well as from contamination of the environment (e.g. bedding, floors, bowls, collars, leashes). To date, there is no evidence that humans can become sick with canine influenza H3N2.

Happy Tails

by Chris Leclerc



When CIV H3N2 cases occur locally, VPH's goal is to stop the spread of the virus to protect the animals of our county. The most effective tool in stopping the spread is home isolation of sick dogs for 28 days from the first day of illness and a 14 day quarantine for exposed dogs (to see if they will develop symptoms). VPH strongly recommends that dogs be vaccinated against CIV H3N2 before they enter boarding kennels, dog day care, dog parks, or engage in dog group activities. This vaccine is also advisable for dogs that may occasionally encounter other dogs.

Current Outbreak of Canine Influenza H3N2 cases in Los Angeles County, July - September 2021:  
Between July and September 22, 2021 a total of 279 confirmed cases and 120 suspected cases of CIV H3N2 in dogs in LA County have been reported to Veterinary Public Health. Sadly, 5 deaths in dogs have been associated with this outbreak. Of the cases reported, most were associated with attending boarding kennels or dog daycare settings. There are a number of cases that have never visited a boarding or daycare facility, but were exposed while on walks in their neighborhood, at dog parks, groomers, or at veterinary clinics. This virus has spread rapidly among dogs throughout LA County, affecting many congregate facilities. Based on interviews with these facilities, many additional cases have not yet been reported to VPH. We suspect that this outbreak likely involves more than 1000 cases of CIV H3N2 in LA County dogs. Dogs that appear to have 'kennel cough' have a high likelihood of having CIV H3N2. To date, this is the largest outbreak of CIV H3N2 ever reported in LA County. To stop the spread of this outbreak, pet owners and veterinarians are strongly encouraged to vaccinate dogs against CIV H3N2 and isolate sick pets at home for 28 days from the first day of illness. Pets exposed to confirmed or suspected cases should be kept on a home quarantine and observed for clinical signs for 14 days.

**Recommendations:**  
If your pet has symptoms of influenza, keep it away from other animals and contact your veterinarian. Symptoms of influenza may include: cough, fever, sneezing, discharge from the nose, lethargy, and/or loss of appetite. Some dogs have no symptoms. Vaccinate dogs against CIV H3N2 before they enter boarding kennels, dog day care, dog parks, or engage in dog group activities. This vaccination is also advisable for dogs that may occasionally encounter other dogs.

If your pet is sick, keep your pet at home for 28 days from the first day of illness - this will help to prevent your dog from spreading the disease to other dogs even after they are fully recovered. If your pet is asymptomatic but was exposed to other sick pets, keep your pet at home for 14 days to monitor for symptoms and then contact your vet if they become ill. To prevent spread of disease, do not let a sick pet share its food bowl, leash, toys, or other supplies with other pets.

Wash your hands after touching your pet.

Katnip News!



FASHIONABLE “FELIX”

Doesn't he look distinguished with his gray coat and white shirt! Felix is a gray (blue) & white shorthair, age 3. This handsome boy was treated very poorly, when the only home he knew and loved was sold, and "his people" moved away without him! He spent a few nights crying to be let in, to no avail. Luckily, a neighbor reached out, and one of our volunteers went and scooped him up. Felix needs a calm and stable environment, where he can feel safe and loved. He might be best as an only cat or if carefully introduced to another. He's mellow, very sweet, and would love to sleep on your bed. He will become more affectionate daily and will do anything for chin scratches! He's very friendly and also loves to play! Felix will come vetted, tested negative, and flea-free. Please put in your application for Felix and make this boy feel loved again.



Felix  
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Pet of the Week

Eight-year-old Chief loves people and can't wait to find his perfect home! Chief enjoys playing with toys, and especially likes mental enrichment such as puzzle feeders and snuffle mats. His ideal adopter is someone who can let Chief go at his own pace with new people and environments, and who can give him lots of mental stimulation and playtime. Chief will do great with positive reinforcement training and is excited to learn lots of new things with you.



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 an adoption appointment at [pasadenahumane.org](http://pasadenahumane.org). Adoptions are by appointment only, and new adoption appointments are available every Sunday and Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

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*“But isn’t coffee bad for my health?”*

Much has been said and written about the benefits vs. the detrimental effects of coffee. But what is the "bottom line"? Are there beneficial qualities? Does it harm me? Should it be abstained from? Is it OK to drink coffee in moderation? These and similar questions are not easily answered because, in the tests and statistical data, researchers and doctors do not use -- or attempt to define -- a consistent standard for what is meant by “coffee.”

Coffee has also been accused of causing, or contributing to, cancer, heart diseases, hypertension, hepatitis, and cirrhosis of the liver. Dr. John Timson of the University of Manchester in England, while admitting that coffee is mildly addictive, states that, at present, there is no hard scientific evidence that links the use of coffee to any of the above-mentioned diseases.

Unfortunately, in virtually all studies done on the health effects of coffee, researchers indiscriminately lump all “coffees” together. But no two cups of coffee are alike. And it is not likely that any standard will ever be established for coffee research. Why? Because brewed coffee contains not only caffeine, but various acids, oils, and alcohols, the qualities of which vary depending on the way the coffee beans are handled from farm to cup. It is rare that any two cups of coffee are chemically identical!

The FDA (Food and Drug Administration) has placed caffeine on their Generally-Recognized-As-Safe list. Caffeine acts as a stimulant to the central nervous system. If used in excess, it contributes to nervousness, irritability, sleeplessness, anxiety, and heart palpitations.

*"If you brew your coffee with precise intent, you can alchemically transmute those com-mon grounds into a veritable elixir."*  
-- educator TIMOTHY HALL

**FACTORS AFFECTING THE QUALITY OF "COFFEE"**  
According to Timothy Hall, a teacher with the L.A. Unified School District who has given numerous lectures on coffee, there are at least 30 factors which affect the beverage called "a cup of coffee," all of which must be taken into account if one is to draw a useful conclusion about coffee's "good" or "bad" effects. According to Timothy Hall, one cannot answer "Is coffee good for me?" until one has explored the following questions. In some cases, definitive answers to the following may be hard to come by, if not next to impossible. Some factors, however, are completely within our control.

THE PLANT

What is the type or variety of coffee plant? Of the two primary types of coffee -- arabica and robusta -- arabica is considered the better of the two. Where and how was it grown? How was it fertilized?

ROASTING

What was the method of roasting? The depth of darkness of the brown in coffee color is due to the proportion of cresylic acid (cresol) present after the beans have been roasted. The darker the roast, the greater the tar content.

GRINDING

What was the grinding procedure? How hot did the beans get during the grinding process? Though not everyone will notice the difference, any grinder which grinds at a high temperature can result in the loss of aromatic oils. One solution is to grind with a hand mill. Another solution (when using an electric mill) is to only grind enough for a few cups at a time, since prolonged grinding may result in excessive heat. How much time elapsed between grinding and brewing?

TEMPERATURE

What was the temperature of the coffee grounds, and the temperature of the water, when you began brew? What were the temperatures when you finished brewing? Fusel oil, released into the water whenever coffee grounds are boiled, causes bitterness; however, fusel oil is NOT released into water at less than boiling temperatures.

PREPARATION

What type of coffee maker was used (vacuum, drip, percolator)? (Space doesn't permit us to review every coffee-maker on the market however, so let the buyer beware.)

Did I brew the grounds using the percolation, infusion, or decoction method? Infusion refers to adding the grounds to the water and letting them steep. A camper might do this. Decoction refers to actually cooking the grounds -- even boiling -- to make a strong brew. Though this might be acceptable in a prison camp when one is trying to extend the available grounds as far as possible, it is the least desirable choice. Percolation -- pouring the hot water through the grounds -- is the best option.

Hall asserts that in his tests, the quality of one's thinking has proven to be the most important factor. States Hall, "If you brew your coffee with precise intent, you can alchemically transmute those common grounds into a veritable elixir."

Here are a few guidelines if you'd like to begin alchemically changing "a cup of coffee" to "wonderful elixir." This is the procedure that Timothy Hall was taught by his mentor, R. E. White of WTI in the mid-1970s.

Begin with meticulously clean utensils. Stainless steel, French porcelain, glass, or copper are preferred; softer metals (e.g., aluminum) should not be used.

Next, prepare your filter. Perhaps the best are the reusable gold-line cone filters.

Hall suggests that you pour the water over the grounds, breathing deeply, slowly, and visualizing the energy of Love flowing from your heart, down your arm, and into the beverage. This is called “chi,” and much has been written about this “chi” energy in books on Chinese healing and martial arts.

There is much more to this, and Hall treats it as a science, akin to the Japanese tea ceremony. So is coffee “good” or “bad”? As always, it depends on the way you interact with it.

As is nearly always the case with such matter of “health,” ALL is choice, Choice, and CHOICE, and consequence of choice.



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## OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

### I DON'T BELIEVE IN KARMA



Some people believe in karma, but I don't. Some people believe what you do will come back on you some way or the other. I do believe that everything you do does have consequences. Sometimes those consequences are small and insignificant and sometimes rather large and unbearing.

Recently, my truck was in the garage for about six weeks getting a new engine because the old engine had died. That was the longest time I've been separated from my truck in, I don't know how many years. It was either get a new engine or a new truck. The engine was a lot cheaper.

While my truck was in the shop, I used the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage's van. Believe me when I say it was a challenge to drive that little van. It was difficult for me to get in and out, and once I was in, it was hard for me to move about. I had no choice. Either borrow my wife's van or walk.

I don't mind walking as long as it's to the refrigerator and back to my easy chair. But to walk a couple of miles to the church office was not on my schedule of to-dos.

Our schedules are pretty much the opposite, so when she needed to use her van, I was comfortable with that, and when I needed to use her van, she was comfortable with that. Then, of course, there were those times we had to travel together. When that happened, I always allowed her to take the wheel.

How in the world anybody ever was able to make a van so small is beyond my imagination. It isn't what a "real man" delights in driving. I put up with it and managed to drive to my appointments, to my office, and so forth. But I wasn't a happy driver in that regard. I couldn't wait for my truck to get finished. Then the day came when my truck was finished and ready to pick up. Oh boy, was I excited?

My wife drove me to the shop, and I was able to pick up my good old truck. Driving home was a very wonderful experience that I long shall cherish. I pray that this will never happen again.

I did make one little blunder. I talked to someone about my experience driving my wife's van, and not knowing she was within earshot, I described her van as a "Sissy Van." I explained that that van was only for sissies. I should realize by now that my wife, like every other wife, has ears that can hear everything. My wife can hear what I'm saying three days before I'm thinking it. How that happens, I have no idea, and believe me, I'm not going to try to find out. "Did you just refer to my van," my wife said to me rather sternly with both hands on her hips, "as a sissy van?"

I never challenge what my wife hears, only explain by saying, "That's not exactly what I meant." "All right," she said very seriously, "just remember that what you do always comes back on you." I smiled and shrugged the comment off. I simply don't believe in karma.

Almost four weeks to the day, things began to happen.

I was driving my truck and on a Friday I drove to church to do some work at the office. Everything seemed to be going fine.

When done, I went to my truck to go home. I turned the key, and the engine did not start. Oh boy, I said to myself, what is wrong here. I did everything I could think of to get the truck started. It was at 4:15 in the afternoon, and the repair shop where I take my truck closes at 2 o'clock on Friday afternoons. So I was stuck until Monday.

The hardest thing I had to do was call the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and tell her I was stuck, the truck wouldn't start, and could you come and pick me up?

She came to pick me up and drove me home. She was relatively silent on the way home, but I knew exactly what she was thinking. That Sunday, as I was setting up the sound system to record the Sunday service, I could not get it working. None of the microphones worked, and there wasn't anything I could do to change it.

I had to get it fixed by Wednesday because that's when I record our weekly radio program. So if I don't get it fixed by then, I'm in trouble.

That was Sunday. Then Monday came tip-toeing along, and somebody had hacked into my email, and I could not open up my email. I worked very hard to get it open and set a new password, but nothing worked. So finally, the email service locked me out for 24 hours because I had done it too many times. It took several days to unlock my account, so I could use my email.

I still don't believe in karma, but sometimes things come back on you because of some of your actions.

I read in the Scriptures that evening, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" (Galatians 6:7).

I need to learn how to be careful in what I sow because that is exactly what I will reap.

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### CHAIR YOGA – Monday and Wednesday each week, 10-10:45 am

Please join us for some gentle stretching, yoga, balance exercise and overall relaxation with Paul. Classes are ongoing and held in the Memorial Park Covered Pavilion.

### TEA AND TALK, SENIOR BOOK CLUB 2nd and 4th Wednesday, 9:00 am

Staff has launched a new book club series, Tea and Talk, which meets twice a month to discuss the fun, suspense, intrigue, love and so much more that each selection will have in store!

### FIBER FRIENDS – Tuesday, 10/12 & 10/26 AT 10:00 AM

If you enjoy knitting, crocheting, embroidery, needlepoint, bunka, huck, tatting or cross stitch then we have a group for you! Bring your current project, sit and chat with like-minded fiber friends. We meet in the Hart Park House.

### HULA AND POLYNESIAN DANCE – Friday, 10-10:45 am

Bring a lei, your flower skirt or just your desire to dance! Hula in the Park is back and waiting for you to join in on all the fun! Memorial Park Pavilion.

### TEA AT THREE WITH CHIEF BARTLETT AND THE SMFD Friday, October 8th, 3:00-5:00 pm

Stop by for some bingo, tea and conversations with Sierra Madre Fire Chief Bartlett and crew. Reserve your spot with Lawren.

### DOMINOES TRAIN GAME AT 11:00 AM ON 10/6

The object of the game is for a player to play all the tiles from their hand onto one or more trains, emanating from a central hub or "station". Call Lawren with questions that you may have.

### BINGO - Tuesday, 10/12, 1:00 pm Hart Park House

Hart Park House Senior Bingo is back by popular demand! Come on down to enjoy this time honored game with some old and new friends. We are trying a new spin on your BINGO fun so please bring your good luck charms and BINGO markers!

### SKELETON WREATH – Tuesday, 10/19, 10:00 am

What would Halloween be without a skeleton or a wreath? I invite you to join me in combining the two for a whimsical and fun door greeting. Space is limited to six participants so please call Lawren to reserve your spot.

## METRO MICRO— TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Micro is Metro's new on-demand rideshare service, offering trips within several zones in LA County. The new service is for short local trips and uses small vehicles (seating up to 10 passengers). Micro is part of Metro's family of services and has been designed hand-in-hand with Metro's NextGen Bus Plan. The service is meant to be a fast, safe and convenient option for quick trips around town, Monday-Sunday, 5:30 am-9:30 pm. At this time, a promotional fare of \$1 will run six months from the date of service launch. The \$1 will not include a transfer to Metro bus and rail. Customers can pay using their TAP Card/account (stored value only) or with a credit card (no cash). Metro staff will return to the Board at the end of the six-month introductory period to consider potential fare adjustments.

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## HOW DOES SOCIAL SECURITY WORK WHEN A SPOUSE OR EX-SPOUSE DIES?

Dear Savvy Senior:

Who qualifies for Social Security survivor benefits? My ex-husband died last year, so I would like to find out if me or my 17-year-old daughter are eligible for anything? Divorced Survivor

Dear Divorced:

If your ex-husband worked and paid Social Security taxes and you and/or your daughter meet the eligibility requirements, you may very well be eligible for survivor benefits, but you should act quickly because benefits are generally retroactive only up to six months. Here's what you should know.

Under Social Security law, when a person who has worked and paid Social Security taxes dies, certain members of that person's family may be eligible for survivor benefits including spouses, former spouses and dependents. Here's a breakdown of who qualifies.

Widow(er)'s and divorced widow(er)'s: Surviving spouses that were married at least nine months are eligible to collect a monthly survivor benefit as early as age 60 (50 if disabled). Divorced surviving spouses are also eligible at this same age, if you were married at least 10 years and did not remarry before age 60 (50 if disabled), unless the marriage ends.

How much you'll receive will depend on how much money (earnings that were subject to Social Security taxes) your spouse or ex-spouse made over their lifetime, and the age in which you apply for survivor benefits.

If you wait until your full retirement age (which is 66 for people born in 1945-1954 and will gradually increase to age 67 for people born in 1960 or later), you'll receive 100 of your deceased spouses or ex-spouses benefit amount. But if you apply between age 60 and your full retirement age, your benefit will be somewhere between 71.5 – 99 percent of their benefit.

There is, however, one exception. Surviving spouses and ex-spouses that are caring for a child (or children) of the deceased worker, and they are under age 16 or disabled, are eligible to receive 75 percent of the worker's benefit amount at any age.

Unmarried children: Surviving unmarried children under age 18, or up to age 19 if they're still attending high school, are eligible for survivor benefits too. Benefits can also be paid to children at any age if they were disabled before



age 22 and remain disabled. Both biological and adoptive children are eligible, as well as kids born out of wedlock. Dependent stepchildren and grandchildren may also qualify. Children's benefits are 75 percent of the worker's benefit.

You should also know that in addition to survivor benefits, a surviving spouse or child may also be eligible to receive a special lump-sum death payment of \$255.

Dependent parents: Benefits can also be paid to dependent parents who are age 62 and older. For parents to qualify as dependents, the deceased worker would have had to provide at least one-half of the parent's financial support.

But be aware that Social Security has limits on how much a family can receive in monthly survivors' benefits – usually 150 to 180 percent of the worker's benefit.

### Switching Strategies

Social Security also provides surviving spouses and ex-spouses some nice strategies that can help boost your benefits. For example, if you've worked you could take a reduced survivor benefit at age 60 and switch to your own retirement benefit based on your earnings history – between 62 and 70 – if it offers a higher payment.

Or, if you're already receiving retirement benefits on your work record, you could switch to survivors benefits if it offers a higher payment. You cannot, however, receive both benefits.

You also need to know that if you collect a survivor benefit while working, and are under full retirement age, your benefits may be reduced depending on your earnings – see [SSA.gov/pubs/EN-05-10069.pdf](http://SSA.gov/pubs/EN-05-10069.pdf).

For more information on survivor benefits, visit [SSA.gov/benefits/survivors](http://SSA.gov/benefits/survivors).

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



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## STUART TOLCHIN PUT THE LIGHTS ON



### WHY DO WHAT WE DO?

On the Bill Maher show last Friday I saw Tristan Harris being interviewed. In the interview Harris explained how today's major technology platforms have increasingly become the social fabric by which we live and think. He explained that the defining quality of any individual is that to which he or she is focused upon. He described the different levels of focus as consisting of, of course, our conscious attention. This conscious attention is like our "to do lists". We focus on these things that result in our intentions and eventually our actions. There is another kind of attention that exists below our consciousness. This level is the result of all the experiences to which we are subject and is responsible for our attitudes, beliefs, and ideals. We are not readily aware of these influences but rather experience ideas just popping into our heads which often lead to specific intentions, and finally to actual actions. Tristan Harris asserts that social media is solely concerned with obtaining attention from its consumers such that more can be learned about them which is designed to increase susceptibility to persuasive techniques used by the advertisers who fund the platforms. What the advertisers want is to sell something and make money. This was certainly no surprise.

What was also no surprise is that the kind of thing that most grabs people's attention is spectacle, confrontation, negativity, competition and fear. This is the content of much of social media and according to Tristan Harris the result has been to create an underlying experience of fear and negativity which exists below the surface in many of us of which we are not aware. David Foster Wallace, in a 2005 commencement speech, delivered the following anecdote:

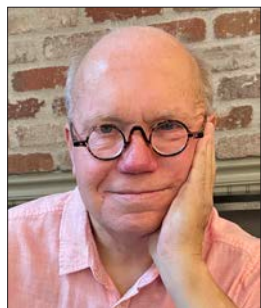
There are these two young fish swimming along and they happen to meet an older fish swimming the other way who nods at them and says "Morning, boys. How's the water?" And the two young fish swim on for a bit and then eventually one of them looks over at the other and goes "What the hell is water?"

David Foster Wallace, explained the anecdote by saying that what is important to any individual is not really freedom of thought or freedom of speech but rather freedom of choice about what to think about. He makes the similar point as does Tristan Harris that it is the totality of our underlying experiences, of which we are basically unaware, that is responsible for the very ideas that pop into our head rather than exercise of freedom by the individual.

I thought of Wallace's speech as I read this morning about 39 year old five time Olympic medalist Klete Kelter, a USC product (I'm a UCLA guy which partially explains my point) who stood out amid the chaos in the Capitol Rotunda on January 6 thanks to his 6 foot 6 height, beard and distinctive U. S. team jacket with USA written in large letters on the back. Later he admitted to throwing away the jacket in the hope that his participation would not be discovered.

In attempting to understand what Kelter had been thinking about that lead to his intention to participate in the insurrection and the subsequent action he took I, parenthetically, mentioned the fact that he was a USC product. Without any conscious decision to focus on that particularity the thought popped into my mind, frivolous and irrelevant is a living example of how our subconscious works. Certainly the college he attended was irrelevant but the non-stop rivalry between the two Southern California colleges, surrounding me for sixty years, subconsciously initiated the thought which popped into my mind. This is not freedom of thought; it is no exaggeration to say it is a kind of mental imprisonment in which we barely understand ourselves. If our society is ever able to bring about an understanding between the highly partisan composition of our electorate it is necessary that we understand the underlying thoughts, prejudices, experiences and whatever else is in the water that has resulted in actions seemingly unthinkable to others. Tristan Harris asserts that social platforms in their never ending quest to please advertisers and make more money have wittingly, or unwittingly, created a partisan society afraid of itself and unwilling to learn why. It would be wonderful if social media somehow did a turnabout and presented more compassionate, humane, material that would therefore bring about a more congenial society and a congenial world. I don't participate in social media and I won't hold my breath but the water around me, unnoticed or not, will let me know what's happening.

## RICH JOHNSON NOW THAT'S RICH!



### MORE HELP FOR GUYS

In my continuing effort to improve the quality of relationships worldwide, I offer some new awareness of how men might continue to make the significant woman (or women) in life happy as clams.

Fellas, there is a point system hitherto unknown to most men. Do something she likes and you get points. Do something she dislikes and you lose points. Something she expects net you zero. Here is a guide to this point system:

Make the bed (+1) forget the decorative pillow (0) throw the bedspread over rumpled sheets (-1)

Buy her something she wants (+5) in the rain (+10) return with beer (-5)

Stay by her side during a party (0) leave to chat with an old school friend (-2) if the friends name is Tina (-10) if Tina is a dancer (-20)

You take your wife out to dinner (+2) not to a sports bar (+3) if it's a sports bar (-2) if it's all you can eat (-3) if it's all you can eat and your face is painted the colors of your favorite team (-10)

Take her to a movie (+1) it's a movie she likes (+3) if it's a movie you hate (+6) if it's a movie you like (-2) called "Death Cop" (-3)

You develop a potbelly (-15) you exercise till its gone (+10) you cover it up with baggy jeans and Hawaiian shirt (-30) you say, "it doesn't matter cause you have one too." (-8000)

She asks, "Do I look fat?" (-5) (btw, there is no way you can get plus points in this discussion) any hesitation in responding (-10) you reply, "where?" (-35) Any other response (-20)

She wants to discuss a problem and you listen looking concerned (0) you listen for over 30 minutes (+5) you listen for 30 minutes without looking at the TV (+500) you fall asleep (-4000)

Don't know the last time you cracked open a Bible, but you might find the book of Proverbs useful in living your life. A good percentage of the individual "proverbs" were penned by King Solomon, acknowledged as the wisest man in history.

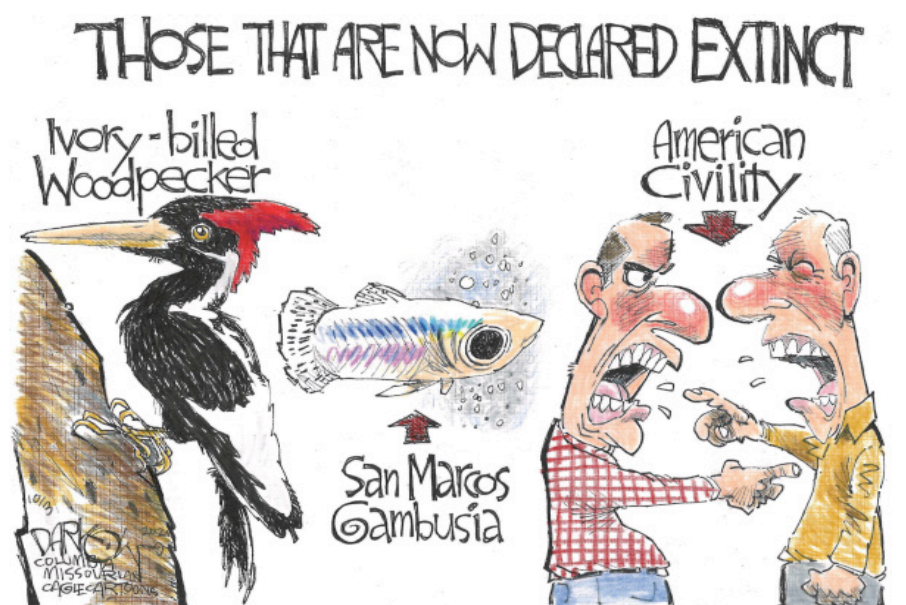
God was happy with Solomon because, when asked by God in a dream what he wanted, Solomon asked for wisdom. Not wealth, power, a long life, and/or the death of his enemies.

So, acquaint yourself with the book of Proverbs in the Bible and you might avoid some of the really dumb mistakes.

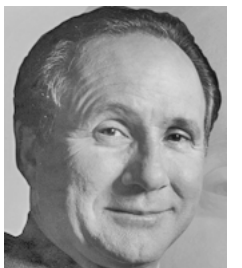
And what happened to Solomon? Well, after all he was human, so he found a way to make really big mistakes, lol. He is said to have had a harem of 700 wives and 300 concubines (back up wife).

Oh, and also, since Solomon asked for wisdom, God permitted him to become very rich. In today's dollars, estimates of Solomon's accumulated wealth exceeded \$2,000,000,000,000 (that's \$2 trillion dollars).

**PLEASE STAY SAFE!**  
**GET VACCINATED!**  
**SOCIALLY DISTANCE!**  
**WEAR A MASK!**



## MICHAEL REAGAN



### STICKING WITH MY FATHER ON JOHN HINCKLEY

News that a federal judge had approved the unconditional release of John Hinckley Jr. next June set my phone to ringing furiously earlier this week.

Journalists naturally wanted to know what I thought about the decision to let Hinckley go free after serving nearly 40 years in a mental hospital for trying to assassinate my father on March 30, 1981.

Hinckley, now 66, has been living on his own outside the mental facility for several years without incident and doctors say he is no longer violent and shows no signs of mental illness.

But my sister Patty and many conservatives think approving his release was the wrong decision.

They believe Hinckley, who was found not guilty by reason of insanity, is still a threat to society or doesn't deserve to be fully released.

I totally understand their emotional reactions, but none of them ever talked to Ronald Reagan about forgiving Hinckley like I did.

This week when people asked me about Hinckley, I told them I don't have a problem with him becoming completely free because I'm going to side with Ronald Reagan.

My father publicly forgave Hinckley long ago.

He did it within days of being shot and before he went back to work at the White House on April 11. He even wanted to visit Hinckley, but the Secret Service wouldn't allow it.

What was good enough for my father is good enough for me.

He was one of those rare people who didn't just recite "The Lord's Prayer," he lived it.

When he asked God the Father to "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us," he meant it.

I'm not going to be angry for the rest of my life at a mentally disturbed guy who tried to take my father's life. My father didn't hate Hinckley, why should I?

He was never a hateful or vengeful man – even after almost dying from an assassin's bullet.

In private, and with his family, he was the same affable guy who quipped to Nancy "Honey, I forgot to duck" and said to the emergency room doc-tors "I hope you're all Republicans."

To prove what I say, here's a loose retelling of the conversation I had with him six hours after he got off the operating table at George Washington University Hospital.

When my wife Colleen and I walked into his room, my dad looked up at me from his bed and said, "Mike, if you're ever going to get shot, don't be wearing a new suit."

"Excuse me?"

"Well, yesterday I was shot."

"Yeah?"

"That blue suit I was wearing was a brand new suit. It was the first time I ever wore it. The last time I saw it they had cut it off me and it was in shreds in the corner of my hospital room. So that's why I'm telling you, 'If you're ever going to be shot, don't be wearing a new suit.'"

Then he said, "That young man who shot me – Hinckley."

"Yes," I said, "John Hinckley."

"I understand his family is in the oil business."

"Yep."

"Do you think they have any money?"

"They're in the oil business and they live in Denver. Of course they've got money. Why?"

"Well, do you think they'd ever buy me a new suit?"

That was what my father was really like. Unlike so many people in and out of politics today, he was never angry – even after being shot.

Humor was his way of putting people at ease, whether it was his worried son, his doctors or the entire country. His good-natured temperament – and the virtue of forgiving the trespasses of others – are what we miss and what we could all use a lot more of today.

Michael Reagan, the son of President Ronald Reagan, is an author, speak-er and president of the Reagan Legacy Foundation.







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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ORION AUTO BODY, 12029 VOSE ST #17, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91605. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PAL ENTERPRISES, INC. 12029 VOSE ST #17, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91605. This Business is conducted by: CORPORATION. Signed: PAL ENTERPRISES, INC., ARAM TERZYAN, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/02/2021. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2012. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021197297  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MUNCH-N-GO VENDING 6960 VESPER AVE B3, VAN NUYS, CA. 91405. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) VALLEY PARTY RENTALS LLC, 6960 VESPER AVE B3, VAN NUYS, CA. 91405. This Business is conducted by: LLC. Signed: VALLEY PARTY RENTALS LLC, ADRIAN ROSALES, MANAGING MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/02/2021. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name

or names listed above on 08/2021. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021196067  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: VITALIC DIGITAL, 170 CHATSWORTH ST #1017 GRANADA HILLS, CA. 91344. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) STEPHANIE NICOLE LUM, 170 CHATSWORTH ST #1017 GRANADA HILLS, CA. 91344. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: STEPHANIE NICOLE LUM, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/01/2021. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/2018. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021196065  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CENTRO DE PAGOS Y SERVICIOS ESCUINTLA 4357 W 3RD ST UNIT B, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90020. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) AXEL OSWALDO GOMERO MONTENEGRO, 4357 W 3RD ST UNIT B, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90020. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: AXEL OSWALDO GOMERO MONTENEGRO, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/01/2021. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/2021. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021196170  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 405 TEPPANY AKI #3 11137 CANTARA ST SUN

VALLEY, CA. 91352. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DE SANTIAGO FOODS INC., 11137 CANTARA ST SUN VALLEY, CA. 91352. This Business is conducted by: CORPORATION. Signed: DE SANTIAGO FOODS INC., JESUS ARMANDO DE SANTIAGO GARCIA, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/01/2021. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/2021. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021196173  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 405 SUSHI 9340 BECKFORD AVE NORTHRIDGE, CA. 91324. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) 405 TEPPANY AKI INC., 9340 BECKFORD AVE NORTHRIDGE, CA. 91324. This Business is conducted by: CORPORATION. Signed: 05 TEPPANY AKI INC., JESUS JACOBO ALVARADO, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/01/2021. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/2021. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News  
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FILE NO. 2021196064  
STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
The following person(s) ONLY TREES INC., 6011 YORK BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA. 90042, has/ have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: ONE DAY LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE 459 LEWIS LOS ANGELES, CA. 90042. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 08/11/2021, in the county of Los Angeles. The original file number of 2021178689. The business was conducted by: CORPORATION. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 09/01/2021. The business information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows, to be false, is guilty of a crime.) ONLY TREES INC., JOSE RAUL CHAVEZ, JR., CEO. Publish: ES Mountain Views News  
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#### NOTICE OF AMENDED PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: MICHAEL REIBEL CASE NO. 21STPB04987

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of MICHAEL REIBEL.  
AN AMENDED PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MOIRA REGELSON in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.  
THE AMENDED PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MOIRA REGELSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
THE AMENDED PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 10/28/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 11 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012  
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.  
Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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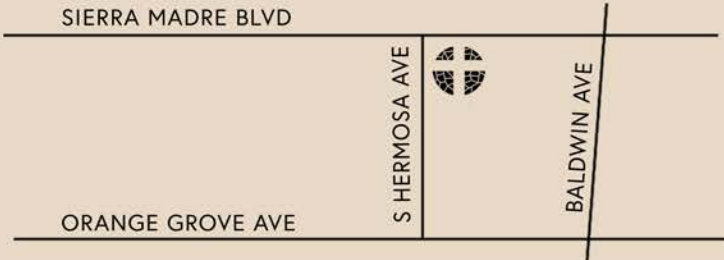


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