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THE WEBB-MARTIN GROUP

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Single-Family Homes

	2020	2021
Total # Sold:	111	138
Average Sold Price:	\$1,166,319	\$1,392,451
Average Sq. Ft.	2,027	2,026
Avg. Price Per Sq. Ft.	\$624	\$726

Condo/Townhomes

	2020	2021
Total # Sold:	16	21
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ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY SIERRA MADRE: PHOTOVOLTAIC SOLAR ARRAY PROJECT BEGINS

"....the City of Sierra Madre is on the cutting edge in delivery of municipal services.", Mayor Gene Goss

On January 27, 2022, the city of Sierra Madre broke ground for the construction of its Photovoltaic Solar Array Project. Construction of the project is expected to be completed by the end of March, 2022. The ground-mount system of solar panels will be located on approximately two acres near the groundwater replenishment basins, City Yard, and water production facilities.

TIMELINE:

A team comprised of then-Mayor Harabedian, then-Mayor Pro-Tem Capoccia, city staff, and then volunteer resident industry experts Robert Parkhurst (now councilmember) and Matthew Schneider began meeting in early 2019 to discuss the options and processes of identifying the feasibility of the potential project.

On April 28, 2020, the City Council approved "upon successful completion of CEQA analysis and a Conditional Use Permit of a power purchase agreement contract to Rec Solar Inc. for design and construction

On May 6, 2021, the Sierra Madre Planning Commission approved the Conditional Use Permit and its associated environmental documents.

In November, 2021, the final contract and amendments were approved by the council.



Sierra Madre Mayor Gene Goss and Councilmember Robert Parkhurst review the plans at the construction site. Photo Courtesy City of Sierra Madre



mount system will have little to no impact in modifying the scenic view of the San Gabriel Mountains. The trees along the western border of the project have been trimmed to allow maximum sunlight exposure.

THE COST:

The Power Purchase Agreement for design and construction of the project was awarded to Rec Solar Inc. at a value not to exceed \$1,373,000 (without any expense to the City). It includes the condition that the City will not be obliged to spend any capital investment, operations and maintenance are included, and at the end of the 20-year term, the agreement may be extended, the equipment may be purchased, or system will be removed.

The updated solar and storage Investment Model includes the following annual savings:

Year	Estimated
Savings	
Year 1	\$61,498
Year 2	\$67,868
Year 3	\$74,410
Year 4	\$81,128
Year 5	\$88,030
Year 10	\$125,492
Year 15	\$168,509
Year 20	\$218,075
20 year total	\$2,665,924

This project furthers the City's environmental commitment. Sierra Madre is a founding member of the Clean Power Alliance, a Joint Powers Authority of 32 communities across Los Angeles and Ventura counties who are purchasing their own renewable energy. Sierra Madre is doing its part to generate clean, local, and renewable energy for its residents and the community at large. Mayor Gene Goss "We on the City Council are proud that, once again, the City of Sierra Madre is on the cutting edge in delivery of municipal services."

Construction activities at the Solar Facility site are scheduled from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm, Mondays through Fridays until the end of March. More information about the Sierra Madre Photovoltaic Solar Array Project can be found on the City website at cityofsierramadre.com/business/city_projects/solar. Any additional questions or concerns can be directed to Public Works Director Chris Cimino at (626) 355-7135 or via email at jcarlson@cityofsierramadre.com.

CITY COUNCIL MEETS VIRTUALLY - PUSHES FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT GRANT AND LANDLORD INCENTIVES

It was back to a virtual setting for City Council during their regular meeting on Tuesday, January 25, as Mayor Goss and Council Members appeared remotely and separately. This was due to concerns over the COVID-19 omicron variant that continues to sweep through the Los Angeles area.

During the January 11, 2022 meeting, City Council unanimously adopted Resolution 22-05 authorizing hybrid and fully remote teleconferenced meetings for 30 days. At the end of the 30 days, Council will have to reevaluate the situation and decide whether to pass another resolution for a 30-day extension.

The January 25th meeting was short, running a bit over 38 minutes. The following items were passed as part of the Consent Calendar.

CALFIRE GRANT
City Council has agreed to send letters supporting the San Gabriel Valley's applications for CAL FIRE's Fire Prevention Grant Program. Two applications are being sent out to develop a community outreach program

and a community wildfire protection plan. The program would inform the community on wildfire prevention and include community events, marketing campaigns, and educational activities.

THANKS TO SM FIRST RESPONDERS

Last week's windstorm had Gusts that reached over 80 miles-per-hour across the San Gabriel Valley. "I'd like to thank our wonderful staff, the police, the fire, the public works which have worked really tirelessly over that last four days to clear out all of the palm fronds and trees...because of the windstorm," said Council Member Robert Parkhurst. Parkhurst noted that eight houses lost power on Chaparral Road alone due to a downed powerline. The line however, was quickly repaired by Sunday, January 23. "Our Fire and Police and Public Works were amazing," said Mayor Pro Tem Edward Garcia, noting that Public Works were out clearing debris and palm fronds out of the street before the street sweepers.

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A WORD FROM THE CHIEF



The county of Los Angeles has seen an alarming increase in vehicle thefts. From 2020-2021 auto thefts increased by 59%. The most targeted vehicle makes are Honda, Kia, Hyundai, GMC and Chevrolet. These vehicles are targeted by thieves due to their security features and locking mechanisms.

Along with vehicle thefts, there has been a significant increase in catalytic converter thefts all over Southern California. Catalytic converters are easy to steal and contain several types of precious metals, which are scrapped for a quick illegal profit.

There are several actions one can take to reduce or prevent vehicle and catalytic converter thefts:

When choosing a parking location opt for a well lit area and avoid dark secluded spaces.

If you are able to park inside a garage then do so.

Add security surveillance cameras or motion sensor lights in the area where you regularly park.

Installing or adjusting the security alarm in your vehicle to activate from vibration will maximize your security and overall give peace of mind.

Learn How You Can Help Law Enforcement Help You!

One of the most difficult issues regarding investigating catalytic converter thefts is the lack of serialized information that aid law enforcement in locating a victim when a suspect is found in possession of one.

This makes it nearly impossible to prosecute as well as give victims the ability to possibly receive restitution for damages to their vehicle.

To assist with this problem, in the coming weeks' Sierra Madre Police Department will be offering a "free of charge" opportunity for community members to have their catalytic converters etched with identifiable information. This will aid with investigations, as well as in some cases act as a deterrent to the individuals who steal them and the recycling locations that purchase random catalytic converters.

Stay tuned for the details on this program!

Rod Armalin, Chief
Sierra Madre Police Department

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Creative Arts Group

GWEN ROBERTSON
Executive Director
Creative Arts Group

Creative Arts Group is a nonprofit art center providing a friendly and nurturing environment for people of all ages, ethnicities, and economic backgrounds to experience the joy of creating art as well as to appreciate the artistic talents of others. Bringing together the richness of our diverse community through programs, exhibitions, and workshops, Creative Arts Group provides a means for discovering creative self-expression and developing an understanding and appreciation of others through the arts.

The community is invited to participate in our ZOOM meeting to meet Gwen Robertson

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1st at 7:30am

Contact president Marc Garlett for the Zoom link
marc@calilaw.com

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LEAGUE AGES 5-13

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THE MEADOWS AT BAILEY CANYON

The Meadows at Bailey Canyon in Sierra Madre is a proposed plan to permanently protect open space, preserve the Monastery, provide a new park with direct connection to Bailey Canyon — all while creating the most sustainable single-family community in our City's history.



Map of the proposed plan for The Meadows at Bailey Canyon.

Protect Open Space

Permanently dedicating more than 30 acres of open space for wildlife will help expand the protection of natural lands on the City's northern boundary.

Preserve the Monastery

The historic buildings will continue to be an iconic landmark and home to Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center and its ministries.

Provide a New Park

A new 3-acre public park, tucked in next to Bailey Canyon, will provide a place to relax, meet neighbors for a walk or journey through a meditative labyrinth.



www.SupportTheMonastery.com
or scan the code with your smartphone ►





Speaking Up:
TELL THE CITY WHAT IS
IMPORTANT!

Protect Sierra Madre - Stop the Housing Project has filed an Intent to Circulate Petition to let the citizens of Sierra Madre decide what values are important to them. Our petition, based on our "intent" below, will be available to sign in late February.

Protect Sierra Madre – Stop the Housing Project was organized to stop the largest housing development in the history of Sierra Madre. The proposed project by New Urban West, the developer, and the Passionist Ownership of the Monastery, based in Chicago, would allow the building of 42 large, multi-million dollar homes in the meadows at the Monastery, the last open space in Sierra Madre. (They have named the project “The Meadows at Bailey Canyon.” That’s a nice, idealic name, but the Destroyed Meadows at Bailey Canyon is more appropriate, as let’s be clear, there will be NO meadows left, as they will be destroyed with the building of 42 homes. They are pushing this project despite significant, real concerns about:

- Wildfire risk (the meadows are up against the foothills and in an extremely high fire zone).
- Impact on water supply, as we are in the middle of California’s worst, sustained drought.
- Significantly increased traffic. A traffic study indicates traffic will more than double with this development.
- Destruction of open space and wildlife habitat.)

NOTICE OF INTENT TO CIRCULATE PETITION

Protect Sierra Madre - Stop the Housing Project has filed an Initiative to place an Ordinance on the Ballot in this year’s election to be voted on by all registered voters of Sierra Madre. It would change the zoning of the Monastery parcel (Mater Dolorosa) and any subdivisions of it, from Institutional to Hillside Residential Zone. A petition with signatures of 10% of Sierra Madre registered voters will put the question on the ballot.

If the measure passes at this year’s election, the Retreat Center can continue to operate as a pre-existing non-conforming use, as long as they choose. But any change in use, or development of any part of the parcel, would be subject to the requirements of our Hillside Ordinance.

Over the years, recognizing that all Sierra Madre properties adjacent to the mountains and part of the wildland urban interface require special protection, our elected officials enacted many General Plan changes and ordinances to protect what makes Sierra Madre special - the Environment, the wildlife, tree canopies, the Hillsides, and the Monastery parcel. In discussing the Hillside Ordinance, Planning Commission members commented that the Ordinance wasn’t only about slope, but about elevation, topography, views, vegetation, wildlife, fire safety and “things that would change the look and feel of this town.”

The “Monastery” parcel is one of the only properties abutting the mountains that is not protected by a zoning designation of Open Space or Hillside Residential.

In 2015, during the drought, the Sierra Madre Planning Commission and City Council added many Water Conservation measures to the pending General Plan update, including removal of a provision that might have someday allowed the reuse of the Monastery property as housing. The EIR was certified and the General Plan adopted in 2015, and in 2016 the zoning was amended to conform to the General Plan with no objection to any of these actions during the 90 day periods after enactment. The California Constitution gives voters the power to enact initiatives, to change laws in their City in light of the theory that the power of government ultimately resides in the people. We believe the citizens of Sierra Madre know best what is right for their City and will vote to forever protect that fragile open space, with an ordinance to change the zoning on the property from Institutional to Hillside Residential Zone.

Development can happen on that land, but with the protections of all our values that our City Government has failed to enact.

For questions and to get involved in the initiative, please email monasterypetition@gmail.com

Editor's Note:

The City of Sierra Madre will hold an outdoor public meeting of the City Council, the Planning Commission and the Developers of the Monastery Project. Details were being finalized at press time. Once the details are established, notice will be posted on the city's social media sites and published in futher editions of this newspaper.

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SAN GABRIEL VALLEY LANDLORD INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The San Gabriel Valley Landlord Incentives Program (SGVLIP) is designed to provide much-needed security and assistance to landlords in the San Gabriel Valley Area who, in turn, rent available units to individuals experiencing homelessness. According to the agenda report, Union Station Homeless Services manages the SGVLIP program in partnership with the San Gabriel Valley Council of Government (COG) and provides rental property owners with financial incentives for leasing units to tenants receiving Housing Choice Vouchers. City Council received and filed the information.

LINING PROJECT

City Council will award a construction contract to Advantage Redline in an amount not to exceed \$70,000 for the lining of 200 feet of 10-inch water main. Several water mains in the area are over

100 years old and go through rugged, steep, and hilly regions, making them difficult to get to and repair. Between Canyon Crest and Brookside Ln., one of the mains is considered a cross-county line. After the idea of replacing this main was found to be not feasible, staff recommended lining the existing water main and re-connecting it in its current location. The construction of the new water main on Canyon Crest is also underway.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

The council received and filed the Annual Financial Report (ACFR) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. The full report is available to the public on the city website cityofsierramadre.com. This past year includes a list of city accomplishments, such as a long-term project to replace the City’s water main infrastructure, the Kersting Court Renovation Project, and grants for small business support in response to the COVID 19 pandemic. For more information, visit the city website at cityofsierramadre.com.

Kevin McGuire/MVNews



SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

SIERRA MADRE POLICE DEPARTMENT
POLICE BLOTTER January 16-22, 2022

During this period, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 231 calls for service. This list is not intended to be considered exclusive or all-inclusive.

Monday, January 17 / Suspicious Circumstances

In the 500 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd, SMPD responded to a report of a loaded firearm discarded at a location. The firearm was previously reported as stolen and taken into custody. The Detectives' Bureau is investigating this incident.

Monday, January 17 / Possession of Stolen Property, Burglary Tools, and Narcotics Arrest

At about 11:30 pm, an officer observed a vehicle code violation and conducted a traffic enforcement stop. During the contact, the officer determined that two of the three occupants in the vehicle were on active probation or parole. They also admitted to having narcotics in the vehicle. A search of the vehicle was conducted and revealed that the occupants were in possession of a catalytic converter, burglary tools, and narcotics. All three occupants of the vehicle were arrested and booked at the Pasadena PD jail.

Tuesday, January 18 / Theft from a vehicle

From January 17, 2022, at 10:00 pm to January 18, 2022, at 7:00 am, in the 300 block of Acacia St, a victim reported unknown suspect(s) illegally entering an unlocked vehicle stealing their property. The property is estimated at approximately \$60.00. The Detectives' Bureau is following up on this incident.

Tuesday, January 18 / Residential Burglary

On January 18, 2022, from 2:45 pm to 6:45 pm, in the 00 block of W. Highland Ave, a victim reported that unknown suspect(s) illegally entered their residence and stole property. The property is estimated at approximately \$6000.00. The Detectives' Bureau is following up on this incident.

Friday, January 21 / Residential Burglary

On January 18, 2022, from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm, in the 200 block of E. Sierra Madre Blvd, a victim reported that unknown suspect(s) illegally entered their apartment and stole property. The property is estimated at approximately \$400.00. The Detectives' Bureau is following up on this incident.

WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

“Life is like the wind...sometimes a sweet breeze and sometimes a raging storm.”

“Time and the wind never leave anything alone.” Marty Rubin

“The answer, my friend, is blowin’ in the wind.” Bob Dylan

It seems that the wind is trying to blow our lovely city off the map! One wind storm after another, taking out trees, blowing huge pots off their stands and making an enormous mess all over the place. Chuck Seitz sent me pictures of one of his heavy pots of Epiphyllum tossed on the ground surrounded by broken pieces of plant where beauty used to be. This is especially annoying as the Epiphyllum in this pot and all the other pots of these plants came from cuttings from my dad a number of years ago. Folks have posted pictures of damage on Facebook and I expect everybody wishes this wind would go blow someplace else. Power outages abound and I am reminded of the huge windstorm that hit Sierra Madre in 2011 and left us all in the dark for days. Trees were uprooted all over town, huge ones, hundreds of years old, tossed about like tinkertoys.

John and I huddled in front of our gas log fire and burned candles for light, reading by flashlight and eating everything out. No power, No Coffee!! John figured out a way to rig up an old dial telephone, charge our cell phones and make my curling iron work so I wouldn’t look exactly like Broomhilda. One of the joys of having married an electrical engineer is that they can make electricity happen, rewire the entire house and make my curling iron go.

We lived close to the Los Angeles County Arboretum where 400 magnificent trees were blown over and ripped right out of the ground. The Arboretum, in their wisdom, offered the rare, unique wood of many of these trees to artists who worked in wood and asked them to express through their art what was in the grain and hearts of these trees. The picture today is “Weeping Man” by artist Gonzalo Alagarate, carved from Eucalyptus globules – Tasmanian Bluegum. I saw this sculpture at the “Force of Nature II” Arboretum art showing and it touched me deeply.

I came across some really interesting information about the ill effects of wind that you’ll enjoy:

A Brief Eerie History of How the Wind Makes Us Crazy

Lyall Watson on the Ill Effects of Heavy Weather “Between five and ten times every year, when pressures are high over Utah and Nevada, air spills off the Mojave Desert, rushes down the valleys, through the narrow mountain passes of Santa Ana, and out on to the coast around Los Angeles. Within minutes, the sea off Long Beach is whipped into white-caps and gales of up to 100 kilometers an hour hammer the coast between Santa Monica and Oxnard. In a single swat, one such blast flattened 252 oil derricks, while another rained 15 million tons of dust on downtown Burbank. Devastating fires sweep through the hills and homes. Moods change. Skin turns taut. Aches come back to old scars in the night. And, in the words of Raymond Chandler, “On nights like that, every booze party ends in a fight. Meek little wives feel the edge of the carving knife and study their husband’s necks. Anything can happen.”

Murder often does. In 1968, Willis Miller of California Western University, collected statistics for homicides in Los Angeles County and compared them with weather records. There were 53 days during 1964 and 1965 when the Santa Ana blew and humidity, which is normally around 43 percent, fell below 15 percent. On 34 of those 53



windy days, there were more deaths than normal. And during the longest sustained Santa Ana, which blew from October 20th to 26th in 1965, the total was 47 percent higher than in any other windless week.

The FBI recognizes a “long, hot summer” phenomenon, expecting more murder, aggravated assault and rape between June and September than at any other time. But the Santa Ana seems to supersede this annual cycle, producing short-term local effects whenever it blows, winter or summer, turning any time at all into a season of discontent. In California’s early, and to this extent more enlightened days, defendants in crimes of passion were able to plead for leniency, citing the wind as an extenuating circumstance.

The Santa Ana, like other ill winds, is perfectly capable of violence without human help. When it blows, there is the usual increase in ulcer perforation, embolism, thrombosis, hemorrhage, myocardial infarction and migraine—not to mention theatrical failures, lower industrial production and loss of milk in cows. All these disorders are the result of tension, the product of an atmosphere heavy with menace and imminent catastrophe. Of dry air so filled with static electricity that even a handshake becomes shocking. It is in such air that unnatural charges accumulate—and it seems to be these that have the most negative effect.”

And for those of us in the San Gabriel Valley, we mourn our trees, turn on our gas fire logs, stock up on candles and prepare to clean up the branches and pine needles and thank the Creator that the tree didn’t land on the house or our car. “The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.” John 3:8 NIV

Have you ordered “The Midnight Library” by Matt Haig, Sierra Madre’s One Book, One City selection for February? I’m almost finished with “Deep Storm” by Lincoln Child and “The Midnight Library” is next.

“At the end of the day, all you need is hope and strength.

Hope that it will get better, and strength to hold on until it does.”

“Hope is the only thing stronger than fear.”

My book page: Amazon.com: Deanne Davis
I’ve been re-reading my book,
“Sunrises and Sunflowers Speak Hope”

It encouraged me, made me smile, and bake some banana bread.

It’s a pretty good book, even if I did write it! You can find it on Amazon.com and they’ll even send it to someone for you!

SMRFA General Meeting
2023 Design Vote

Our next General Meeting (the first one in a VERY long time) is on Sunday February 6th at 5 pm at the Float Barn (inside and/or outside). For our new members, our barn is at 587 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Vista Park, located behind the basketball and tennis courts. This general meeting is earlier than our standard schedule because we will be reviewing and voting on the design concept for the 2023 parade.

Voting is limited to a maximum of 2 per family, for SMRFA members only, but anyone can attend and see the design concepts. Please note that NO PHOTOS are allowed of any design concept, so you will need to leave your phone out of sight and, if you get a phone call, you’ll need to go outside (away from the designs) if you need to answer it. New memberships will not be accepted that day. Memberships have been “carried over” during the pandemic, so if you paid in 2019 or beyond thru January 15, 2022, your membership is still valid and you may vote.

We will also be discussing how things went during deco week and the parade, our financial situation, voting on some officers/members of the board of directors, asking for comments to assist with our post deco week/parade/post parade/tear down evaluation, and looking forward to our next fundraisers.

If you are interested in submitting a design for our 2023 float you will find the design rules, guide-



lines, forms, and samples at:

<https://sierramadrerosefloat.org/getinvolved/volunteer/design/>

Submissions for the design of our 2023 float are due (must be RECEIVED by) Friday, February 4th at 5 pm. There are three ways to submit designs:

Mail to:

Sierra Madre Rose Float Association
P.O. Box 603
Sierra Madre, CA 91025
(Mailed designs MUST be RECEIVED by Friday, Feb. 4th at 5 p.m.)

Or put the Design Submission in an envelope, pushed under the Float Barn Door at: 587 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre Sierra Vista Park, behind the tennis courts (Do NOT send snail mail to this address)

Or email it to:

president@sierramadrerosefloat.org

Questions on concept design process? – please email president@sierramadrerosefloat.org

FEBRUARY BEST USED BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Sierra Madre Library announce that their February Best Used Book Sale will be held on the library parking lot as usual. It will be held Friday, February 4 (3:00-7:00) and Saturday, February 5 (10:00-2:00) at 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. in Sierra Madre.

Featured will be NEWER Fiction from the basement shelves, “Coffee-table” type books, a set of Zane Grey Western novels, and a collection of vintage “pop-up” books.

In addition, there will be \$1.00 Bargain Books, Children’s and Teen books from \$.25-\$1.00 and small paperbacks \$.25 each or 5/\$1.00. Look for our DVDs and CDs at \$1.00 each!

Our famous \$5.00 BAG SALE will be Saturday only. Buy a large grocery bag for \$5.00 and fill it with your selections. The sale is sponsored by Friends of the Sierra Madre Library and all proceeds are used for services, programs and acquisitions of our wonderful library.

Weather Wise

6-Day Forecast Sierra Madre, Ca.

Sun	Sunny	Hi	60s	Lows	40s
Mon:	Ptly Cldy	Hi	60s	Lows	40s
Tues:	Ptly Cldy	Hi	60s	Lows	40s
Wed:	Sunny	Hi	60s	Lows	40s
Thur:	Sunny	Hi	60s	Lows	40s
Fri:	Sunny	Hi	60s	Lows	40s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 8, 2022
5:30 pm

THIS MEETING WILL NOT BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS!

As part of the City of Sierra Madre's COVID-19 transparency efforts and The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting. Public comment may also be made by e-mail to PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com by 3:00 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 meetings will be streamed live on Foothills Media website at 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
- Be open to the public
- Be of general interest to local citizens

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



Sierra Madre Public
LIBRARY
Read • Discover • Connect

This week at the
Sierra Madre
Public Library

January 31—February 5

Note: The Library building is currently closed.

Contact-free service is available. Please call 626-355-7186 during regular business hours for more information.

Monday

Story Adventure at Memorial Park—Available for the next two weeks!

Preschool Storytime at Memorial Park—Outdoors at 9:00 & 10:00am. Call the Library to register

Minecraft Monday: Survival—Online at 4:00pm

Wednesday

Board Library Teens—Outside the Library at 4:00pm

Thursday

Baby Rhyme Time at Memorial Park—Outdoors at 9:00am. Call the Library to register

Saturday

OBOC: The Healing Power of Stories—Online at 11:00am

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"A flower does not think of competing
with the flower next to it.
It just blooms."
Zen Shin



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News From Your Community For Your Community

PWP to Hold Hearing on Water Rate Increases

The Pasadena City Council announced that they will hold a public hearing on, March 14, to consider the adoption of proposed water rate increases, adjustments to existing rate structures, and a change in capital improvement charges.

Council members said that they encourage the public to participate via videoconference/teleconference and submit public comment.

The meeting is set for 5 p.m. via videoconference/teleconference.

According to a statement the proposed increases will help cover rising costs for purchasing and treating water, and provide funding for critical improvements to reservoirs, treatment facilities and other water infrastructure. Pending City Council approval, the water rates will increase by an average of 7.1 percent on April 1. A second adjustment of 7.2 percent would take effect on Jan. 1, 2023.

While individual customer bill impacts will vary based on water meter size and amount of water used, projected cost estimates show most residential customers will likely see a \$3 increase in their monthly bill starting April 1, and an additional \$4 monthly increase on Jan. 1. Based on similar modeling, PWP estimates that commercial customers are likely to see a \$19 and \$20 increase, respectively.

"The proposed water rate adjustments are the result of a number of factors, including our aging infrastructure which is in need of critical and proactive updates. We're also experiencing severe statewide drought conditions, and that's impacting both water supply and operational costs," says Jeffrey Kightlinger, interim general manager. "PWP is a community-owned, not-for-profit utility, and invests revenue generated in the provision of services and infrastructure improvements to serve our customers. This adjustment is necessary to cover increasing costs so that we can continue to deliver water to the high standards that our customers expect and deserve."

Pasadena City Council recently approved a new Water System and Resources Plan that outlines the City's long-term plans and priorities for securing its water supply and investing in infrastructure, some of which is currently over 100 years old. In addition, California's ongoing severe drought conditions may affect water supply and conservation efforts in the years to come.

For more information on water rate adjustments and the upcoming public hearing, please visit the PWP website.

Library Director set to Leave Pasadena



Pictured (above) Central Library closed for seismic repairs.

Photo by D. Lee/MVNews

In a surprise announcement Tuesday, Pasadena Public Library Director Michelle Perera told interim City Manager Cynthia Kurtz that she is resigning to take a position with the city of Sunnyvale. Kurtz sent a letter to the city council informing them. Perera last day will be Feb. 16, according to Kurtz.

Perera's resignation follows about a dozen of Pasadena's upper management, and longtime employees, recently leaving the city, including, Police Chief John Perez, City Manager Steve Mermell and Julie Gutierrez an Assistant City Manager. All three had retired in the last few months.

"Michelle has been a vital part of the Library's success over the past five years, providing leadership, mentorship and guidance to staff as the library weathered the pandemic, pivoting from in-person library services to online, curbside and finally in-person as the libraries reopened," Pasadena library staff said on social media. "Upon discovering that Central Library needed extensive

seismic repairs she laid the foundation for rebuilding this iconic building to serve the residents of Pasadena for the next century. We thank her for her leadership and service to the community and wish her well in her new position with the city of Sunnyvale."

According to city documents, Pasadena building officials ordered the closure of Pasadena Central Library May 3. The Central Library Building Systems and Structural Assessment Capital Improvement Project revealed that most of the building at 285 East Walnut Street, is comprised of unreinforced masonry (URM) bearing walls that support concrete floors and walls. Designed by Myron Hunt in 1924, Central Library was the first building completed in Pasadena's historic Civic Center Plan. The library is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The library director oversees more than 100 full-time employees and an annual budget of about \$14.5 million.

Dine at Twohey's February 16 to Support the Senior Center

Print Out Flyer From pasadenaseniorcenter.org and Give To Server

Anyone who dines at Twohey's Restaurant, 424 Fair Oaks Ave. in South Pasadena on Wednesday, Feb. 16, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. will have an opportunity to help support the Pasadena Senior Center.

The restaurant, which features traditional American fare, will donate 15 percent of that day's profits to the Pasadena Senior Center on behalf of everyone who prints out a flyer from the PSC website and brings it to Twohey's.

To download the flyer, visit: pasadenaseniorcenter.org and click on Dine Out to Benefit PSC. Diners may eat at the restaurant or order from the takeout menu. For more information about the restaurant, visit: twoheys.com.

Proceeds will benefit programs, activities and services of the Pasadena Senior Center.

Anyone who cannot dine at

the restaurant on Feb. 16 will still have an opportunity to support the center by visiting: pasadenaseniorcenter.org and clicking on Donation & Membership.

In addition to online classes, onsite events and other activities, members and nonmembers of the Pasadena Senior Center are encouraged to visit the website regularly for a monthly magazine, COVID updates specifically for older adults and more.

The center, at 85 E. Holly St., is an independent, donor-supported nonprofit organization for older adults.

During the pandemic, doors are open Mondays through Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for social services and other critical services for older adults in need as well as limited occupancy for the library, fitness center, computer lab and certain. Masks and social distancing are required. Rooms are sanitized after each use.

Proof of COVID vaccination will be required for attending onsite activities indoors.



Director Michelle Perera

The department includes the Central Library and nine branch libraries, serving 1.3 million people per year in person, online or via social media. It has more than 3,000 on-site programs, free WiFi services and an extensive collection of printed books, periodicals, media and cloud-based eBooks.

Perera was appointed Director of Libraries and Information Services for the City of Pasadena in December 2016.

For more information about the library and services visit: cityofpasadena.net/library.

South Pas Collecting Feedback on Commissions

The City is conducting an analysis on all current Commissions, which will be presented to the City Council for discussion at the City Council meeting of February 23, 2022. This analysis will help identify strengths as well as challenges in our Commissions and Board and our public meeting efforts, and help us to make informed adjustments and improvements to better serve the community.

An online survey will be live on the City website from Thursday, January 20 through Friday, January 28, and a live virtual input session will be held on Wednesday, January 26 at 6:00 PM on Zoom- the link will be provided in the online survey link, or community members can RSVP for the listening session in advance.

To participate in the survey visit: southpasadenaca.gov. Any questions related to this effort or to RSVP for the listening session, please contact Management Analyst Mary Jerejian at MJerejian@southpasadenaca.gov.

Holden Seeking Nominations for Woman of the Year Award

Assemblymember Chris Holden is seeking nominations for his annual 41st Assembly District's Woman of the Year and Women of Distinction celebration.

Every March, in celebration of Women's History Month, the California State Assembly honors women from across the state for their remarkable contributions to the community.

"For 30 years, in recognition of Women's History Month, the Legislature has honored the achievements of women throughout California during the annual Woman of the Year celebration," said Assemblymember Chris Holden. "It is your chance to acknowledge the superwoman in your life and in our community."

Nominees must live, volunteer, or work in the 41st Assembly District, which stretches from



Pasadena in the West to Upland in the East and includes the communities of Altadena, Claremont, La Verne, Monrovia, Rancho Cucamonga, San Dimas, Sierra Madre, and South Pasadena.

Deadline for Nominations: February, 4 at 5:00 pm

Nomination forms are available at: a41.asmdc.org/woman-year-nominations.

Tournament now Accepting 2022 Grant Applications

The Pasadena Tournament of Roses Foundation announced Wednesday that they are now accepting applications for their 2022 grant program. Since its inception in 1983, the Foundation has invested upwards of \$3 million in more than 200 Pasadena-area organizations. In 2021, the grant awards funded 27 organizations in the San Gabriel Valley and contributed more than \$230,000 to community projects.

The grants supported new and ongoing programs benefiting children, teens, adults and seniors. From nonprofits offering animal therapy to special needs children, to organizations providing technical skills to underserved students and dance therapy for seniors diagnosed with Parkinson's and multiple sclerosis.

"This year, our grant recipients continued to be nimble and innovative as they delivered vital programs and services during a time of uncertainty and great need, and they did an incredible job," said Carlos Illingworth, Foundation Executive Director. "As we approach this new grant cycle and select recipients, we are refocused on their great community programs and services ahead."

The 2022 grant cycle will be structured as follows:

Tier 1: one-year grant for \$35,000
Tier 2: one-year grant for \$15,000
Tier 3: several one-year grants for up to \$10,000

The Foundation will also require applicants to include

information on how their program will be delivered, despite the continued challenges of the pandemic.

Eligible applicants are organizations with 501(c)(3) status, as of the 2022 submission deadline, that serve one or more of the following communities: Alhambra, Altadena, Arcadia, La Cañada Flintridge, Monrovia, Pasadena, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South Pasadena and Temple City. As in previous years, grants will be given in the categories of Performing and Visual Arts, Sports and Recreation, and Education (Early Childhood Education, Literacy and Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) programs.

To apply and for additional details on the 2022 grant cycle, eligible organizations should visit the Tournament of Roses Foundation page: tournamentofroses.com/foundation/.

The application system instructions and Foundation Grant guidelines can be found on the foundation page and will direct users to a welcome page with instructions on how to begin the application process.

Applications are being accepted now and must be completed by February 26, 2022, at 5 p.m.

The Foundation's Board of Directors will make the final grant selections at its annual spring meeting, and applicants will be notified of their funding status via email in April 2022.

Applicants can contact the Foundation directly at foundation@tournamentofroses.org for further questions.

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Holden: AB 102 Access to Education Has No Sunset

Assemblymember Chris Holden's bill, AB 102 passed the Assembly Floor Monday with bi-partisan, unanimous support and is now heading to the Senate. AB 102 would eliminate the 2027 sunset date for College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) partnerships and increase access to dual enrollment opportunities for students in juvenile court schools.

"When I first introduced this bill, I was motivated by the growing opportunity gap faced by children from disadvantaged backgrounds," said Assemblymember Holden. "Education should not have restrictions and I believe that if the youth of today had the opportunity to take college level courses, they would gain the confidence and knowledge to excel in higher education and become positive members of our society today and in the future."

Dual and concurrent enrollment provides high school students access to college-level coursework. In some cases, students earn both high school and college credit for the same course depending on approval from local school and community college governing boards. Assemblymember Holden first established the College and Career Access Pathways program in 2015 (AB 288) and has since passed numerous bills to increase

and expand dual enrollment opportunities through these partnerships.

According to an October 2018 Career Ladders study, students who participate in dual enrollment at a community college during high school are more likely to graduate and enter college and more likely to complete a certificate, degree, or transfer. A key finding was that students most underrepresented in community colleges often benefit the most.

As the quality of court school education varies widely, many students express that they feel disengaged from school, or that they are constantly repeating material that they have already covered. Increasing educational opportunities, like dual enrollment, for students in juvenile hall could provide a turning point that leads to academic success and future employment.

"Dual enrollment provides goal setting intention to our youth to get started in their careers without the heavy burden of college debt," said Holden. "Providing aspiring students across the state the opportunity to excel ensures a hope for future generations and by extending the program to court schools, we ensure the exact population of students this program was meant to help, has access to it."

South Pasadena Clean Power Alliance Update for Businesses

The South Pasadena City Council is considering changing the default Clean Power Alliance energy produce for commercial customers, from the current Clean rate (50% renewable energy) to the Green rate (100% renewable energy). If this is approved, the new rates will become effective in October, 2022. As before, all customers have the choice to change their rate selection, they will be transitioned to the default rate unless they contact Clean Power Alliance to opt into another tier.

A bit of background: The default for residential customers is the Green rate; and more than 95% of residential customers are at that default rate. Most cities that are CPA member agencies have the Green rate for both their

commercial and residential customers. South Pasadena is committed to becoming more sustainable and green, and this is a convenient way for businesses to join this effort.

More information is available at CleanPowerAlliance.org/rate-options. Customers can compare the rate differential for the different energy products for their own business, learn how to opt in or out of an energy product, and get other information and details. CPA indicates that the average increase in cost for small commercial businesses to change from the Clean to the Green product is about \$5 per month. We also welcome input from our businesses at our 2/16/22 Council Meeting that could be accessed through the City's website.

Valentine's Day Celebration And Swing Band Concert February 12 at Senior Center



Whether anyone's idea of Valentine's Day is romance and roses or friendship and fudge, the large patio at the Pasadena Senior Center, 85 Holly St., will be the place to be for adults 50 and older Sunday, Feb. 12, at 2 p.m. for a very special celebration with a swing band concert.

The patio will be adorned with festive Valentine's Day decorations, snacks will be provided and the Great American Swing Band will perform music that is sure to bring back memories and compel some participants to kick up their heels on the dance floor or simply tap their toes to the rhythms.

The cost is free for members of the Pasadena Senior Center and only \$5 for nonmembers. To register or for more information, visit www.pasadenaseniorecenter.org and click on Activities & Events, then Special Events or call 626-795-4331.

In the event of rain, the celebration will take place indoors at the center. COVID protocols will be observed.

In addition to online

classes, onsite events and other activities, members and nonmembers of the Pasadena Senior Center are encouraged to visit the website regularly for a monthly magazine, COVID updates specifically for older adults and more.

The center, at 85 E. Holly St., is an independent, donor-supported nonprofit organization that has served older adults for more than 60 years. During the pandemic, doors are open Mondays through Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for social services and other critical services for older adults in need as well as limited occupancy for the library, fitness center, computer lab and certain. Masks and social distancing are required. Rooms are sanitized after each use.

In accordance with Los Angeles County Public Health Department guidelines, proof of COVID vaccination will be required for everyone who uses the fitness center or attends onsite activities indoors.

Pasadena Playhouse Presents Teenage Dick

Pasadena Playhouse, the State Theater of California, presents Teenage Dick, a brilliantly hilarious take on Richard III by Mike Lew and directed by Tony Award nominee Moritz von Stuelpnagel, streaming online at pasadenaplayhouse.org. The production, produced in association with Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company and Huntington Theatre Company, was professionally filmed in HD with multiple cameras in front of a live audience during the in-person run in Boston. Teenage Dick will be made available as a digital stream exclusively from Thursday, February 3 to Sunday, February 27, 2022.

The Playhouse will also host two special live "Watch Parties" which include pre-show

talks with creatives, followed immediately by the show with live chat with the artists from the pre-show event. The "Opening Night Watch Party" on February 3 at 7:30pm will include playwright Mike Lew, director Moritz von Stuelpnagel and lead, Gregg Mozgala and will be hosted by Sandra Tsing Loh. The "Cast Watch Party" on February 10 at 7:30pm will include the entire of the cast of the production.

"Mike Lew's brilliantly hilarious high-school spin on Shakespeare's classic play is at once everything you'd imagine and nothing you'd expect," said Danny Feldman, Producing Artistic Director. "We are proud to have joined Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company and Huntington Theatre Company to create this extraordinary and powerful production and are fortunate to have professionally recorded the show a few weeks ago during the in-person run in Boston."

Tickets for Teenage Dick are \$25 for streaming video on demand, and \$55 each for both "Watch Parties" and are available at pasadenaplayhouse.org. Once purchased, patrons will have access to view the production for 48 hours. Video of the show will only be made available for purchase throughout the entire run of Teenage Dick.

Teenage Dick is produced in association with Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company and Huntington Theatre Company and had its world premiere at the New York Public Theater in 2018. Shakespeare's classic tale of power lust reimagines the most famous disabled character of all time as a 16-year-old outsider in the deepest winter of his discontent: his junior year at Roseland High. Bullied for his cerebral palsy, Richard plots his revenge — as well as his glorious path to senior class presidency.

The cast of Teenage Dick includes Shannon DeVido (Hulu's "Difficult People," Netflix's "Insatiable"), Louis Reyes McWilliams (The Public Theater's Coriolanus, The Flea/Notch Theatre Company's Anna Karenina: a riff), Gregg Mozgala (Cost of Living, Lucille Lortel Award, Teenage Dick, Drama League Distinguished Performance Award Nominee), Portland Thomas (Classical Theatre of Harlem's Fit for a Queen, Bedlam with The McCarter Theatre's Hamlet & St. Joan), Emily Townley (The Totalitarians, Helen Hayes Award) and Zurin Villanueva (Broadway: The Lion King, Mean Girls, Shuffle Along, and The Book of Mormon.)

Tickets now on sale at pasadenaplayhouse.org.

Caltech Names Laurie Leshin New Director of JPL

The distinguished geochemist and space scientist brings more than 20 years of leadership experience in academic and government service to JPL.



Laurie Leshin (pictured), president of Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), has been appointed director of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) and vice president of Caltech. Leshin will formally assume her position on May 16, succeeding Michael Watkins, who retired in August, and Lt. Gen. Larry D. James USAF (Ret.), who currently serves as JPL interim director.

She joins JPL from WPI, one of the nation's oldest private STEM universities, where she has served as president since 2014. She is the first woman president in the university's 150-year history and will be JPL's first female director.

"Laurie Leshin stood out in an exhaustive international search because of her profound commitment to people, her strategic approach to scientific and technological opportunities, her deep appreciation of NASA's leadership in space exploration and Earth science, her mastery of complex organizations, and her ability to inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers," says Caltech president Thomas F. Rosenbaum, the Sonja and William Davidow Presidential Chair and professor of physics. "We are so pleased to be able to welcome Laurie back to campus and to JPL."

"NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory has a storied history of defying what was once thought impossible in the field of space exploration. In this new era of groundbreaking discoveries and constant innovation, it is clear that Dr. Laurie Leshin has a track record of scholarship and leadership needed to serve as director of JPL and cement the center's status as a global leader in the 21st century," says NASA Administrator Bill Nelson. "Under Dr. Leshin, the technology invented at JPL will continue to allow humans to explore the places in our universe that we cannot yet reach and spark the imaginations of future mathematicians, engineers, and pioneers in classrooms across America. I want thank Mike Watkins and Gen. Larry James for their contributions that the JPL team will build on for decades to come."

Leshin is an internationally recognized scientist whose career has spanned academia and senior positions at NASA, and included two White House appointments. She has been lauded for her barrier-breaking leadership in the space industry and in academia as well as for her accomplishments as a distinguished geochemist and space scientist.

Symphony's Ode to Romance Arrives for Valentine's Day

The Pasadena Symphony continues its 2021/22 season with updated Covid-19 vaccination requirements, including boosters for all eligible patrons, staff and musicians. On the heels of a strong turnout for January's annual Baroque concert, the orchestra sets the tone for a romantic Valentine's weekend with Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto on Saturday, February 12 at Ambassador Auditorium with both matinee and evening performances at 2:00pm and 8:00pm. Russian-American conductor and Music Director of Chicago Opera Theater, Lidiya Yankovskaya takes to the podium for the Symphony's ode to romance, which pairs Tchaikovsky's Romeo and Juliet Fantasy Overture with one of the most-loved violin concertos of all time. There's no better way to spend Valentine's than with the most famous love letters ever penned to music. The show opens with Elegia Andina, a sweet dedication and self-reflection from Gabriela Lena Frank, included in the Washington Post's list of the 35 most significant women composers in history. With a multicultural background of Peruvian, Chinese, Lithuanian and Jewish descent, Frank explores her roots with pulsing Peruvian rhythms glittering

throughout the piece. Korean virtuoso Chee-Yun then takes center stage for Tchaikovsky's emotionally stirring Violin Concerto. Russian passion flows into the second half with the soaring love theme of Tchaikovsky's Romeo and Juliet Fantasy Overture, and the fiery program concludes with the exotic rhythms of Rimsky-Korsakov's Capriccio espagnol, taking the audience on an aural journey to Spain.

The Pasadena Symphony has updated its Covid-19 vaccination requirements for performances at Ambassador Auditorium. All patrons who are eligible must have received a COVID-19 booster dose in addition to being fully vaccinated in order to attend this performance. Children 5 years and older who are fully vaccinated, and adults who have been fully vaccinated but are not yet eligible for a booster, will be allowed to attend. Masks are required to be worn inside the venue at all times, with N95, KN95 and Kn94 masks strongly recommended.

All concerts are held at Ambassador Auditorium, 131 South St. John Ave, Pasadena, CA. Subscription packages start at as low as \$99. Single tickets start at \$35 and may be purchased online at pasadenasympphony-pops.org or by calling (626) 793-7172.



ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, January 16th through Saturday, January 22nd, the Police Department responded to 966 calls for service, of which 100 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of some of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, January 16:

- 1. At 9:57 a.m., an officer responded to the 400 block of West Duarte Road regarding a stolen vehicle report. Sometime during the previous night, the victim's Chevrolet Tahoe was stolen from the street where it was parked.
- 2. At 3:40 p.m., an officer responded to the area of South Sixth Avenue and Leda Lane regarding a disturbance. Officers found an intoxicated male threatening people with a screwdriver. An investigation revealed the suspect threw the screw driver at the victim's car resulting in a dent. The 32-year-old male suspect from San Gabriel was located, arrested, and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Monday, January 17:

- 3. At 2:24 p.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of California Street regarding a grand theft report. The victim discovered his catalytic converter had been stolen from his Toyota Prius sometime during the previous evening. The investigation is pending a review of available surveillance footage.
- 4. At 6:06 p.m., an officer responded to the 1000 block of South Baldwin Avenue regarding a vehicle burglary report. The victim stated the window to his Honda CRV was smashed and numerous pieces of clothing and medication were stolen. The crime happened sometime between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on January 17th.

Tuesday, January 18:

- 5. At 6:50 a.m., an officer responded to 7-Eleven, located at 102 East Huntington Drive, regarding a transient asking customers for money. Upon contacting the subject, the officer detected signs of public intoxication. The 38-year-old local male transient was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking. A records check revealed the suspect also had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant.
- 6. At 3:59 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 100 block of Alice Street regarding a possible residential burglary report. An investigation revealed the owner of the home discovered the front door had been kicked in and it appeared as though someone had been living in the home without the owner's permission. The loss is unknown as of the date of this report.

Wednesday, January 19:

- 7. At 1:21 p.m., an officer responded to Embassy Suites, located at 211 East Huntington Drive, regarding a grand theft report. The officer determined the suspect entered the victim's room while they stepped out for breakfast and stole the victim's wallet. The suspect is described as a 45 to 50-year-old female, either White or Hispanic, with dark hair, and seen wearing a dark-colored short sleeve dress and blue shoes. The investigation is ongoing.
- 8. At 3:14 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 300 block of East Duarte Road regarding a residential burglary report. The victim stated his electric bicycle was stolen from his open garage.

Thursday, January 20:

- 9. At 1:39 a.m., an officer responded to the intersection of Santa Anita Avenue and La Sierra Drive regarding a traffic collision. Upon contacting the driver, the officer detected a strong odor of alcohol emitting from his breath. Through a series of tests, the officer discovered the driver had a blood alcohol content of .123%. The 19-year-old male from Ontario was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.
- 10. At 5:26 p.m., an officer responded to Arcadia Wireless, located at 158 East Duarte Road, regarding a disturbance call. An investigation revealed a customer was upset and ultimately threw a display case at one of the employees. The suspect is a 22-year-old female from Arcadia. The investigation is ongoing.

Friday, January 21:

- 11. At 8:26 a.m., an officer responded to The Little Bra Company, located at 12101 Clark Street, regarding a commercial burglary report. Surveillance footage revealed an unknown suspect smashed the front glass door and stole electronics and a bra. The suspect is described as a male, approximately 6' tall, 200 pounds, wearing dark-colored attire, and face mask.
- 12. At 6:09 p.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of Las Tunas Drive regarding a theft report. The officer determined the victim met with the suspect to sell him sports trading cards and when the victim turned away, the suspect fled with the stolen cards. The suspect is described as a tall Asian male with black hair, wearing a black sweater, and black sweatpants.

Saturday, January 22:

- 13. At 3:09 a.m., an officer responded to the 400 block of South Santa Anita Avenue regarding a vehicle stopped in the roadway. Upon contacting the driver, the officer detected a strong odor of alcohol emitting from his person. The suspect displayed symptoms of being under the influence of an alcoholic beverage. The 52-year-old male from Arcadia was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.
- 14. At 1:35 p.m., an officer responded to Bath and Body Works, located at 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a grand theft. An investigation revealed four to five suspects entered the store and worked in concert to steal a large sum of merchandise. The suspects are described as three Black males and one Black female. The investigation is pending a review of the available surveillance footage.

DUARTE POLICE BLOTTER

The following is a synopsis of crimes reported for the week of January 16, 2022 - January 22, 2022.

January 17, 2022 Grand Theft Auto:

A victim reported their vehicle stolen near the 2000 Block of Delford Avenue. The victim's Toyota Camry was stolen from the location on 01-14-22 between 11:00 pm, and 10:30 am. Deputies did not locate any surveillance vid-eo. The vehicle is still outstanding.

January 18, 2022 Grand Theft Auto:

A victim reported their vehicle stolen near the 2700 Block of Huntington Drive. The victim's Ford Mustang was stolen from the location on 01-18-22, between 08:00 am and 09:30 am. Deputies did not locate any surveillance vid-eo. Montebello Police Department recovered the vehicle on 01-22-22. No one in custody.

Grand Theft (Water Pump):

An informant reported a theft near the 1700 Block of Flower Avenue. Unknown suspects stole an un-secured wa-ter pump from the location between 01-12-22 and 01-19-22. Deputies did not locate any surveillance video. The es-timated loss was \$2500.

January 21, 2022 Grand Theft (Shoplifting):

An informant reported a theft at 1450 Mountain Avenue (Harbor Freight). The informant saw a male adult on 01-21-22 at 3:14 pm walk out of the emergency exit door with two jackhammers. Surveillance video captured the incident. The estimated loss was \$879.

Burglary (Commercial):

A victim reported a theft near the 900 Block of Buena Vista Street. The victim stated on 01-21-22 at ap-proximate-ly 2:05 am, unknown persons pried open the sliding glass door to the business and smashed an interior window. At the time of the report, it's unknown if any items were stolen. Surveillance video captured the incident. The estimat-ed damage was \$2000.

Robbery:

A victim reported a robbery at 1600 Mountain Avenue (Walmart). The victim saw a male adult on 01-22-22 at 9:00 am walking out of the emergency exit door with a black bike, falling to pay for the item. The victim contacted the suspect and demanded the stolen merchandise back. The suspect brandished a folding knife and left the store. As Deputies investigated the incident, the suspect returned to the store looking for a cellphone he dropped. The suspect was arrested without incident. Surveillance video captured the incident. The estimated loss was \$248.

January 22, 2022

Robbery:

A victim reported a robbery at 1600 Mountain Avenue (Walmart). The victim saw a male adult on 01-22-22 at 8:55 pm place several unpaid items inside his backpack and attempt to walk out of one of the store exits. The victim contacted the suspect and demanded the stolen merchandise back. The suspect reached behind his back and bran-dished a folding knife. The victim walked away from the suspect and saw him unlock a bike and drive away from the location. Surveillance video captured the incident. The estimated loss was \$100.

Grand Theft Auto:

A victim reported their vehicle stolen near the 1300 Block of Fairlee Avenue. The victim's Honda Civic was stolen from the location on 01-22-22 between 10:00 pm, and 9:45 am. Deputies did not locate any surveillance video. The vehicle is still outstanding.

Petty Theft (Access Card):

A victim reported an unauthorized theft from a credit card on 12-29-21. The estimated loss was \$747.

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OPERATORS OF SAN GABRIEL VALLEY POULTRY PLANT FACE CHARGES OF WAGE THEFT, INSURANCE FRAUD

From LA Times Report

An Arcadia couple accused of insurance fraud and wage theft are facing dozens of felony charges after authorities alleged they underreported payroll to workers' compensation insurance carriers and underpaid employees at their poultry processing business.

Feng Wu Lam, 49, and her husband, Wei Wen Wu, 54, each face 43 felony counts — 34 counts of grand theft of labor, six counts of insurance fraud and two counts of conspiracy to commit wage theft, the Los Angeles County district attorney's of-fice announced Thursday.

The criminal complaint includes a special allegation of theft in excess of \$500,000, prosecutors said. Lam and Wu also face two misdemeanor counts of wage theft each.

Lam owns the South El Monte-based Golden Food Inc., a poultry processing company, prosecutors said. Wu is the company's manager.

Authorities allege the couple underreported their payroll to their workers' compensation insurance carriers by roughly \$4.5 million between 2015 and 2019. The underreporting allowed them to avoid about \$1.7 million in insurance premiums, prosecutors said.

Wu and Lam are also accused of underpaying their 34 employees by at least \$437,542, prosecutors said.

California Labor Commissioner Lilia García-Brower said many wage theft victims "go unheard and unnoticed," noting that the unfair business practice also gives cheating employers an unfair advantage.

State Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara also spoke out against the couple's alleged crimes and said workers' compensation fraud can lead to higher insurance premiums for employers who follow the rules, "and may ultimately hurt workers who are legitimately injured on the job." Wu and Lam are scheduled to be arraigned March 29.

Authorities asked anyone who believes they are the victim of wage theft to call investigator Eduardo Martinez of the California labor commissioner's office at (818) 901-5305 or email him at edmartinez@dir.ca.gov.

MONROVIA OLD TOWN ADVISORY BOARD VACANCY

The City of Monrovia encourages Old Town Merchants to apply for a position on the Monrovia Old Town Advisory Board (MOTAB) to fill an unscheduled vacancy due to the resignation of a Board-member. Applications will be accepted through February 3, 2022, at 6 p.m. Those who are eager to get involved in the community and have a bona fide business in Old Town Monrovia can apply for the position at the following link:

<https://www.cityofmonrovia.org/home/showpublisheddocument/27560/637786984294670000>

The seven member Board is comprised of Old Town Monrovia merchants and is responsible for making recommendations to the City Council on programs and projects to advance the downtown area. Must have a bona fide business in Old Town Monrovia subject to the Business Improvement District (BID) assessment, and must be current on their BID assessment. MOTAB meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.

To find out more about becoming a Board Member or Commissioner, contact the City Clerk's Office at 626-932-5505.

DUARTE CITY COUNCIL TO HOLD THIRD REDISTRICTING PUB-LIC HEARING ON FEBRUARY 8, 2022

The Duarte City Council is holding its third redistricting public hearing on Tuesday, February 8, 2022. All hearings will be held in the Duarte City Council Chambers (1600 Huntington Drive) starting at 7:15 PM.

Every ten years, cities with by-district election systems, like Duarte, must use new census data to review, and if needed, redraw district lines to reflect population shifts. This process, called "redistricting," ensures all districts have nearly equal populations, and therefore, representation in local elections.

Public input is an important aspect of the process, with residents being encouraged to participate in a series of public hearings during which they can share their thoughts on how Council district boundaries should be drawn.

Duarte's third public hearing on Tuesday, February 8, will focus on reviewing draft maps submitted by residents, gathering community feedback, identifying focus maps, and receiving feedback from the City Council on how they would like to revise the maps. If Duarte's City Council does not present revisions at this hearing, it may select a map and conduct a first reading of an ordinance adopting it with the second reading and map adoption taking place at the fourth public hearing on Tuesday, March 8.

Should the Duarte City Council make amendments to the preferred map, the first reading of the ordinance adopting the Council's new district map will take place at the City's fourth redistricting public hearing on Tuesday, March 8 with the final map adoption occurring at a fifth public hearing.

Residents can submit their own map by using the paper and digital mapping tools available on the City's redistricting website, DrawDuarte.org. All draft maps should be submitted to Redistricting@AccessDuarte.com by Thursday, January 27, for consideration at the February 8 public hearing.

Learn more about the City's redistricting process, how to submit public comments, and how to draw a map by visiting Duarte's redistricting website: DrawDuarte.org.

UPDATE: 2022 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count Postponed

NEW DATE: February 22 - 24, 2022

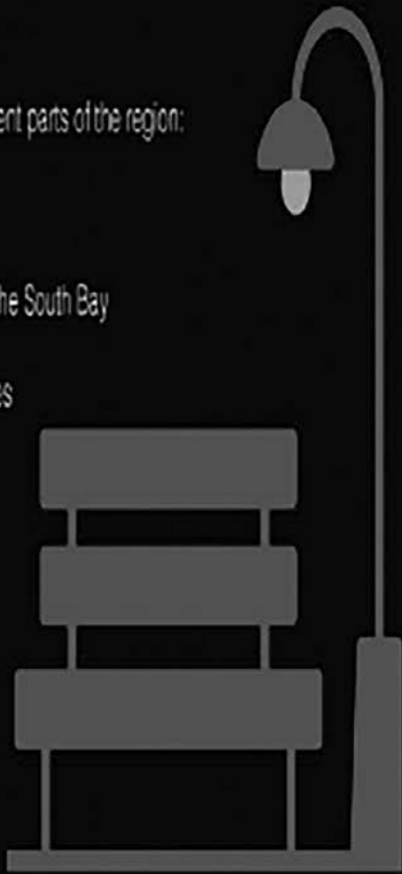
The Homeless Count will still be conducted over three nights in different parts of the region:

February 22, 2022: San Gabriel and San Fernando Valleys

February 23, 2022: West Los Angeles, Southeast Los Angeles, and the South Bay

February 24, 2022: Antelope Valley, Metro LA, and South Los Angeles

Sign up today to volunteer at theycountwillyou.org. #TheyCountWillYou



AROUND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

SUPERVISOR BARGER INTRODUCES \$10,000 REWARD TO GET ANSWERS REGARDING MONROVIA MURDER

Seeking justice for the Monrovia community, Supervisor Kathryn Barger introduced a motion at Tuesday’s Board of Supervisors meeting to offer a \$10,000 reward in exchange for information leading to the arrest of whomever is responsible for the murder of Terry Alford.

The reward comes nearly a year after the incident occurred on January 29, 2021, when 46-year-old Alford was shot multiple times in front of a residence in Monrovia while visiting his family. He was on the front porch when four male suspects snuck up behind him. Law enforcement investigators believe the shooting was gang related and intentional, but presume Alford was not the intended target.

“Terry Alford and his family deserve justice and answers,” Supervisor Barger said. “While the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department and Monrovia Police Department have been dedicated to solving this crime, we need the community’s help to reach a conclusion. My thoughts are with Terry’s wife, children, and siblings as they grapple with this senseless tragedy.”

The City of Monrovia is closely partnering with Los Angeles County in this effort. “The Alford Family deserves justice for the tragic death of Terry,” City Manager Dylan Feik said. “Four suspects remain in our community, somewhere, and we ask for the community’s help in finding them.”

If anyone has information about this incident, they are encouraged to contact the Sheriff’s Department Homicide Bureau at (323)-890-5617 or the Los Angeles Regional Crime Stoppers Hotline at (800) 222-TIPS (8477) or lacrimestoppers.org.

PETITION TO RECALL LOS ANGELES DA GEORGE GASCON APPROVED BY LA COUNTY REGISTRAR

The recall effort to remove Los Angeles District Attorney George Gascon from office was officially approved by the Los Angeles County Registrar on Thursday.

Gascon has faced mounting criticism over his policies that are said to put criminals first and have led to high crime rates.

With the approval of the petition, organizers have to get 566,857 signatures – about 10% of registered voters in the county by July 6. If the petition gets the required number of signatures Gascon will face a recall election in the county later this year.

The proponents who signed the notice of intention to recall Gascon have been personally impacted by one or multiple of Gascon’s special directives, including the directive to not charge special enhancements, parole and resentencing policies, and blanket rules for the prosecution of juveniles.

"We are sick and tired of living in the pro-criminal paradise Gascon has created," Desiree Andrade and Tania Owen, co-chairs of the Recall DA George Gascon campaign, said in a release. "Gascon turned his back on us, and now his policies are destroying Los Angeles County right before our eyes and needlessly creating more innocent victims."

They continued, "This is our chance to put an end to all of it, but it is massive undertaking that will require an all-in approach from the entire community. We need all Angelenos to join us in this effort to restore public safety and end the chaos in our streets. We all deserve to live without fear of criminals running amok, and to have a District Attorney who actually does his job."

Some of his orders include the elimination of sentence enhancement charges, zero-bail policies and not prosecuting juveniles as adults for many crimes.

The impact of his policies hit even small towns like Sierra Madre where his office refuses to prosecute more than a third of the cases before them. As previously reported in this paper, (<http://mtnviewsnews.com/v15/htm/n09/index.htm>), his policies allowed for the release of a convicted violent felon who went on a few weeks later to shoot a Highway Patrol officer.

This is the second attempt to gather signatures to remove Gascon from office.

S. Henderson, MVNews

The Chef Knows By Peter Dills

WHERE IS YOUR WINE REALLY FROM?

THE ANSWER IS A AS FOGGY AS A GOLDEN GATE MORNING

Sometimes I think my job title should include “detective”, as in “Peter Dills: Wine Detective”. I guess, for that matter, most of us who carry a pen could fall into that category. Something that I assume is common knowledge might be unknown to those of you who just have a glass or two of wine now and then.



Think about this: where does your wine come from? Where does the label say it is from? There is a simple way to know by looking at the label if the wine is estate grown and, generally speaking, the label will tell you the percentage of that grape. For example: “Estate grown” means that 100% the grapes come from the winery even if that winery owned vineyards in different regions, i.e. Paso Robles and Lodi. On the other hand, do the grapes come from a small section of Sonoma or Napa, AVA* , or can they be pinpointed to the Alexander Valley, a region on the edge of Sonoma? If the latter case, then it has to be at least 85% wine from Alexander Valley.

Many larger wineries produce grapes for themselves and for other wineries in a very common practice called “sourcing”. If a winery doesn’t have a vineyard of their own can they still be called a winery? Yes and no. I have heard terms such as “virtual”, and even though I’d call them more of a marketing company, don’t discount their ability to produce great wines. This is how many new wineries make a name for themselves. They get the luxury of picking and choosing what grapes/juice they want to buy. If there was a bad crop or a bad year, said winery can wait until better grapes are available.

San Antonio Winery in Downtown LA produces their award-winning wines in Los Angeles, and they do have the luxury of owning their own vineyards. Winemaker Anthony Riboli explains it this way: “We own estate Chardonnay vineyards in Monterey, but we ferment the juice from those vineyards in downtown LA. It’s a tradition of many decades. However, it shows that very high quality wines can be made in many places, even downtown LA. The urban winery trend is also very strong throughout the US.” So don’t be swayed by the “where “ so much - stay focused on the taste and the value. AVA : An American Viticultural Area (AVA) is a designated wine grape-growing region Join me this Sunday afternoon on AM 830 KLAA home of the Angels at 5 PM

LA COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE

HOSPITALIZATIONS CONTINUE TO DECLINE, INDICATING LOS ANGELES COUNTY LIKELY PASSED THE PEAK OF OMICRON TRANSMISSION

Along with several other COVID-19 metrics, hospitalizations are also declining with 4,323 people currently hospitalized, representing a decline from the peak of 4,800 patients last week. The seven-day average of new admissions of people with COVID-19 also decreased by 10%, from 614 patients one week ago to 552 admissions today. Further, only a portion of COVID cases are requiring critical care. As of Thursday, 17% of COVID positive hospitalized patients are currently in the ICU, and 12% of COVID positive hospitalized patients are currently on ventilators.

Data is also showing the spread of Omicron has had a disproportionate effect among certain residents over the past two months, with the risk of hospitalization significantly lower for people who are fully vaccinated and boosted. Through January 15th, fully vaccinated and boosted individuals were 28 times less likely to be admitted to the ICU for COVID-19 than those unvaccinated, showing that vaccines continue to provide the best protection against severe illness.

Nonetheless, the county’s healthcare system remains under strain due to more healthcare workers testing positive, which is contributing to the shortage of healthcare workers across the county. For the week of January 14th, there were 1,559 new healthcare worker positive cases, representing a nearly 18% increase compared to the 1,326 cases from the week prior.

“I send my heartfelt condolences to those families who have lost a loved one to COVID-19,” said Dr. Barbara Ferrer, PhD, MPH, MEd, Director of Public Health. “While these declines give us cause for much welcomed hope, we should not take them as a sign to forgo the commonsense protective measures that helped to slow COVID-19 transmission in our county. Continuing these safety measures will drive down cases, which will ultimately end staffing shortages, reduce workplace and school outbreaks, and most importantly, keep residents from becoming seriously ill and dying.”

Thursday, Public Health confirmed 85 additional deaths and 26,010 new cases of COVID-19. Of the 85 new deaths reported today, seven of the people who died were between the ages of 30 and 49, eight people were between the ages of 50 and 64, 25 were between the ages of 65-79, and 42 were over the age of 80 years old. Of the 85 newly reported deaths, 72 had underlying conditions. Information on the two deaths reported by the City of Long Beach and the one death reported by the City of Pasadena is available at www.longbeach.gov and www.CityofPasadena.net To date, the total number of deaths in L.A. County is 28,715.

Public Health has identified a total 2,586,739 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of L.A. County. Thursday’s positivity rate is 12.7%.

There are 4,323 people with COVID-19 currently hospitalized. Testing results are available for more than 10,979,500 individuals, with 21% of people testing positive.

- To keep workplaces and schools open, residents and workers are asked to:
- Adhere to masking requirements when indoors or at crowded outdoor spaces, regardless of vaccination status.
 - Remain home when sick, isolate if positive and quarantine when in close contact.

Residents are legally required to be isolated if they have a positive COVID test result and are vaccinated. Close contacts with symptoms and unvaccinated close contacts need to be quarantined.

For updated isolation and quarantine guidance, please visit www.publichealth.lacounty.gov

COVID 19 ONE YEAR LATER:

WHERE WE ARE NOW 1/29/22 VERSUS (THEN-1/23/21)
Cases/Deaths are still occurring especially among the unvaccinated.

Cases	2022	(2021)	Deaths	2022	(2021)
LA County	2,586,739	(1,091,712)		28,715	(15897)

LA COUNTY VACCINATIONS AS OF 01/29/2022			
	Adults 12+	86.2%	Seniors 98.4%
	Cases	Deaths	Fully Vaccinated
Arcadia	7,104 (2330)	152 (88)	89.3%
Altadena	7,589 (2863)	84 (48)	81.6%
Bradbury	54 (33)	0 (0)	71.3%
Duarte	4,733 (2064)	110 (60)	82.6%
Monrovia	7,460 (2795)	89 (53)	79.9%
Pasadena	25,426 (9944)	379 (237)	84.1%
Sierra Madre	1,364 (405)	15 (8)	88.5%
So.Pasadena	3,585 (1161)	51 (35)	93.5%





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PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT COVID-19 UPDATE IMPORTANT CHANGE TO STUDENT COVID-19 PROTOCOL PICTURE

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Good news! We have now received our supply of rapid antigen COVID-19 tests which will allow PUSD to adopt a less restrictive QUARANTINE Protocol so that students may return to in-person learning as soon as possible. The new guidelines will maintain protective measures to continue reducing the risk of transmission in our schools and will take effect Monday, January 31, 2022.

Please be aware that these changes do NOT affect ISOLATION protocols for students who test positive for COVID-19. As a reminder, students who have COVID-19 must still isolate (stay in their home or other residence) for a period of at least 10 days. They may return to school if:

10 days have passed from the start of symptoms or the date of the positive test

No fever for at least 24 hours, without the use of medication

Other symptoms have improved

For students who have been exposed to COVID-19 and are identified as close contacts, the QUARANTINE pro-cedures have changed. However, if the student is fully vaccinated, they are exempt from quarantine and can remain in school. Unvaccinated students who are identified as close contacts and directed to quarantine will now be allowed to return on Day 6 from the last date of exposure to the positive case if they meet the following criteria:

At least 5 days have passed from their last known contact to the infectious case

Are asymptomatic

Receive a negative result from an FDA-authorized viral COVID-19 test (rapid antigen or PCR) taken on Day 5 or later at the PUSD Primary Clinic (located at 351 S. Hudson, Pasadena, California 91109), which will be observed and verified by a PUSD Nurse

Monitor for symptoms for 10 full days from the last known contact to the infectious case,

Wear a non-cloth mask of multiple layers of non-woven material with a nose wire at all times when around oth-ers both indoors and outdoors,

Must eat outdoors when possible and with distance from others.

Exposed persons who were previously infected with COVID-19 within the past 90 days are exempt from quaran-tine and can remain in school.

The revised PUSD Quarantine Protocol is an option for schools and is outlined in further detail in the Pasadena Public Health Department (PPHD) COVID-19 Exposure Management Plan Guidance in TK-12 Schools. Our new guidelines are aligned to PPHD quarantine procedures and will shorten the time students are away from in-person learning. The health and safety of our students and staff remain our top priorities when making decisions regarding our health protocols. We will continue to monitor the spread of the Omicron variant and send updates as proce-dures change. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work together to navigate these rapidly changing guidelines.

Sincerely,

Brian O. McDonald, Ed.D.
Superintendent

SIERRA MADRE MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Fall Semester 2021

8th Grade

4.0 Grade Point Average

Peipei Alexander, Sophia Alpuche, Siri Bal-drica, Anastasia Besoli, Danica Chen, Hailey Chen, Jayden Cheng, Zoe Chiu, Kyla Dancel, Miriam Elghefari, Frances Farnam, Matthew Floresca Tom, Emily Fong, Jared Gavel, Scarlett Glick,Toby Hom, Jonathan Hong, Daniel Johanssen, Maria Karpetyan, Caleb Kodama, Alyssa Lewis, Trinity Liang, Nathaniel Llana, Michael Manoukian, Ryan Manzanero, Zalea Nunes, Anne Perkins, Ishan Prabhu, Nathan Reaves, Ella Rogokos, Robert Shema, William Shema, Megan Sinclair, Dhiren Swamy, An-nika Tamppari, Ethan Wiles, Jonathan Yoon

3.5 GPA or Higher

Kaeden Alkhadra, Noah An, Sebastian Boiles, Nicholas Boyadjian, Jackson Brad-ley, Yemaya Bruce, Mia Bugarin, Katarina Carr, Rylan Cho, Payton Chung, Eryn Clayton, Nathan Decker, Diego Espana, Chance Espinoza, Peyton Fox, Justin Gar-cia, Thomas Garcia, Cade Garrett, Jane Graff, Ryan Guerra, Harrison Gwaltney, Peter Herb, Dylan Hoang, Yunmei Hu, Layla Huang, Lucy Hunt, Zhurong Jin, Carter Johns, Gwendolyn Kathol, Annabella Kellerman, Rian Kinney, Ava La-mond, Leo Luster, Kaiya Masuda, Ava McGarry, Jack McWade, Harout Mitilian, Noah Moore, Finneas Moser, Paloma Murga, Mia Perez, Andreas Peterson, Eleni Portillo, Mark-Anthony Rodriguez, Lilian Su, Jaya Swamy, Maliha Syeed-Miller, Aidan Thomas, Aniyah Tiggler, Charlevoix Torrence, Matthew Vasquez, Michael Vu, Jake Walkup, Olivia Walters, Taylor Wu, Karla Yacoub, Na-than Yang

7th Grade

4.0 Grade Point Average

Ali Abu Rayyan, Bela Ayala, Leynah Barcar-se, Louis Barna, Madeleine Bertsch, Joshua Chen, Joshua Chin, Micah Ching, Danielle Choi, Mi-cah Clauson, Kayla Dayman, Mason Del Ro-sario, Marisol Fernandez, Tiffany Fink, Kayla Gavel, Em-erald Green, Harvey Green, Josiah Hims, Jasmine Hsiung, Michael Hudick, Juli-etta Hutt, Bailey Keith, Collette Kiesel, Alex-ander Klein, Lacy Kong, Madeline Korman, Connor Lam, Melinda Lansford, Christian Lee, Paul Lee, Penelope Lina-res, Jesse Liou, Andrew Lopez, Megan Ly, Onederful Martin, Namya Mehra, Ruby Meyer, William Milla, Tyler Nguyen, David Ohlson, Jack Orense, Ethan Parker, Stellan Pearson, Kovas Rad-venis, Thiago Rivero, Nathan Sanchez, Eero Schmunk, Aiden Serr, Angelleen Sie To, Ruby Sprague, Ian To, Noah Tsui, Aditya Ve-lusamy, Megan Vuong, Liam Wahlstrom, Wan-Hsing Wang, Miles Waters, Olivia Widman, Madelyn Wilson, Gabriel Wong

3.5 GPA or Higher

Adam Abdelwahed, Arthur Acosta, Jane An-derson, River Axelrod, Sungjo Bang, Vivienne Barcar-se, Peyton Batt, Samuel Bortnik, Dylan Brooks, Jordan Chang, Ryan Chen, Oliver Clark, Nicky De Necochea, Declan Denison, Aiden Eusebio, Lucas Fackrell, Kyra

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6th Grade

4.0 Grade Point Average

Hana Abu Rayyan, Nicholas Adams, Kaelyn Almonte, Adriana Arias, Saija Bal-drica, Ava Barrios, Elise Barrios, Molly Brickner, Tyler Brown, Sebastian Broy, Brandon Budianto, Miles Burk, Kyle Chia, Ethan Chow, Hayul Chung, Harry Daniels, Gavin Dillingham, Ju-liette Garvey, Charlie Henderson, Walter Her-rera, Evan Hill, Minuet Hong, Jillian Jepson, Micah Johansen, Calvin Jones, Nareg Ka-ra-kossian, Rose Kim, Natalie Kreakopyan, Chet Leavitt, Sion Lee, Allison Leo, Brendan Lercel, Juliet Levine, Logan Lewis, Kiara Liang, Ky-lie Lin, Chase Liston, Caleb Liu, Camron Liu, Arundhati Marchetti, Brixton McDonald, Ni-gel Morris, Kassia Ng, Katelyn Ng, Pishon Nka-nu, Atticus Pham, Araceli Prasarttongsoth, Peter Reaves, Alexander Richter, Maximiliano Roman, Jane Sivertsen, Morris Steinberg, Lila Stevens, Jack Stewart-Oaten, Aneira Tamppari, Sophie Tan, Leila Tfaily, Felix Thomp-son, Jeffrey Vodnoy, Vincent Vu, Penelope Vuong, James Walsh, Audrey Wood, Zachary Wortham, Arden Yang, Addyson Yi, Casey Yo-shida, Aya Yoshitake

3.5 GPA or Higher

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ARCADIA HIGH COMES IN FIRST AS JPL MARKS 30 YEARS HOSTING REGIONAL SCIENCE BOWL



Arcadia High School's victorious Regional Science Bowl team after winning the JPL-hosted event on Jan. 22, 2022, clockwise from top left: coach Cherryl Mynster with students Sonia Zhang, Jeshwanth Mohan, Brian Lam, Xing Liu, and Selena Zhang. Credit: NASA/JPL-Caltech

The team heads to the national championship after an intense virtual competition that also marked a milestone for the Lab.

After months of training till midnight and hours of anxiety amid fast-paced competition, five Arcadia High School students took back their crown and are headed to the National Science Bowl in Washington, D.C.

The Arcadia team was victorious at the Jan. 22 regional competition, which marked the 30th year NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Southern California has hosted the tournament. The event brings together science- and math-minded high schoolers from across Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Santa Barbara counties. Arcadia last won the bowl in 2015; this year marked its eighth victory since the competition began.

The San Gabriel Valley school narrowly defeated Irvine's University High School, which came in second after winning for the past four years; another former winner, Troy High School in Fullerton, placed third. Twenty-two teams competed.

"It was pretty intense throughout," said Arcadia senior Sonia Zhang, who has competed in the bowl alongside her twin sister Selena since they were sophomores. "It was just a lot of hard questions. ... The pacing was really quick."

The team credits their victory in part to the "power of friendship," which regularly led to an extra hour of chatting after study sessions that ended at midnight. That closeness showed up on competition day.

"After every round, we were complimented about our teamwork," said Jeshwanth Mohan, also a senior.

Regional Science Bowl tournaments take place across the country in the lead-up to the National Science Bowl, which is coordinated by the U.S. Department of Energy and includes an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington for participating teams. The first national competition took place in 1991; JPL has been hosting the regional annual event since 1993.

"It's like the Super Bowl of science," said Arcadia High coach Cherryl Myster, who teaches advanced placement chemistry. Since the beginning, Kim Lievense, who manages the Lab's Public Services Office in the Communications and Education Directorate, has

been at the helm for JPL. She coordinates some 35 volunteers, largely from JPL and Caltech, which manages JPL for NASA, to run the tournament.

"I love this competition. I love interacting with the students, and I love interacting with the volunteers," Lievense said. "It's just fun." The questions have gotten harder over the years, she said.

The students are quizzed at a first-year college level in biology, chemistry, Earth and space science, energy, math, and physics in a fast-paced verbal format. Teams have just seven seconds to answer questions like this sample from the chemistry category:

Dr. Ecniecs, who loves riddles, gave the following riddle about the periodic table: Element A is left-right adjacent to element B. Element A never shares what it holds. Element B is always taking from other elements. Both elements are a clear gas. Both elements are nonmetals. Combined, they have a mass less than that of gallium. What are the identities of elements A and B? The answer: neon and fluorine.

Students, who competed from home, had two cameras on them: one showing their faces and another monitoring their workspace in an effort to ensure they're not cheating. Each team joined with three volunteers in a private virtual Zoom "room" for individual rounds of the event, and – unlike the in-person tournament – never went head-to-head with other teams.

Competing remotely increased the pressure, members of the Arcadia High team said.

"In this format, you're under more pressure to know the information well because you can't rely on the other team to screw up," Sonia Zhang said.

And you don't have the fun of interrupting, her sister Selena said.

It's not quite the same when the events are online only, Lievense agreed, but it's still a unique challenge for the students. Next year, she hopes, the competition will be held in person.

The Arcadia High team will face dozens of teams from other high schools at the national championship competition, which may also end up being virtual and is currently slated to begin in late April. Before that, there is plenty of time for more studying and late-night chatting.

CHRISTOPHER Nyerges



HOW TO SURVIVE NO ELECTRICITY FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME, AND HOW TO DEAL WITH NO ACCESS TO BANK ACCOUNTS AND MONEY

[Nyerges has been teaching and writing about self-reliance and emergency preparedness for over 40 years. He's written "How to Survive Anywhere," "Extreme Simplicity," "Guide to Wild Foods and Useful Plants," and other books. He can be reached at www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com.]

We've all grown accustomed to electricity in our lives. Some say we're addicted. However you see it, modern life as we know it would cease to exist without the steady flow of electrons. But most of us have so acclimated our lives to the availability of electricity that it's hard to imagine any life without it. We flip the switch and we have light, or a TV, or radio, or the computer, and a whole host of power tools for our shop and yard. Modern banking would not exist without electricity, nor would modern communication.

We're fortunate that so many inroads have been made to de-centralize electricity, at least for those who choose to educate themselves and build little systems so they can get off the grid, a little or a lot, and be able to have power if the whole grid goes down.

Ted Koppel (from the popular Nightline TV news show) wrote a book called "Lights Out" where he explored what it might take for a terrorist to take down what are essentially three grids in the U.S. Though he points out that this would not be easy, it could be done. Koppel also points out, perhaps to the dismay of the reader, that there is really no meaningful action plan to deal with such an eventuality.

We have no crystal ball, but let's just look at life without electricity, and explore the way in which we would live.

THE TRANSITION

If electricity were to "go out," suddenly without warning – especially for a prolonged period of time -- the results would be disastrous in today's society, though a prepared person would be better able to survive.

First, there would be widespread panic as the means of communication – except word of mouth – would be eliminated. The lack of communication means much more than not knowing what happened. It means that whatever method you've relied upon to communicate with your family, students, fellow workers, etc., will now be gone.

Rural areas would do somewhat better, for a variety of reasons. Bells and other sounding devices could be used for communications, as could fires on hilltops, but these systems all took time in the past to develop. A clear method of communication would not be established immediately, and I can visualize a brisk business in bicycle couriers who hand-delivered notes.

You should always discuss the day's plans with family members and discuss action plans, and where to gather, in the event of an emergency.

MONEY

Too many of us rely on the ability to go to a bank regularly and use the ATMs. Plus, have you ever watched at your local store how people buy things? Most people use credit cards all the time, which is a modern marvel of technology that can only exist in an inter-connected world powered by electricity.

People have always figured out how to buy and sell and trade, even before there was electricity. But in a transition to no electricity, people might not have access to their money, maybe temporarily, and maybe permanently, depending on the nature of the emergency.

People in rural areas have quite an advantage over people in the urban centers since they are more likely to know where all their needs are coming from. They are more likely to be producers of a raw commodity, with which they can directly trade for needs.

In urban areas, however, everyone tends to buy everything that's needed, and any food, animal, or craft production is nearly always "hobby" level. A major disaster that takes out electricity will take out the ability for most urban people to conduct ordinary transactions. During the interim, people should band together for protection, because you can expect violence, chaos, and unpredictability during such a period, until people figure out a new way of doing things.

Do not underestimate the severe impact that lack of access to money will have on your life and society. My suggestion is to constantly have it in the back of your mind, "what would I do if I could not get cash today? What can I do differently each day to be better prepared if that ever happened?" There are many options, such as always having extra cash and coin on hand, well hidden of course. And always purchasing a little more of the basics that you need so you have something extra for barter, if need be. In times of duress, such as war times, the best barter items tend to be those that feed the vices: alcohol, tobacco, chocolate, sugar, salt, all of which have a great shelf life.

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The adoption fee for cats is \$100. All cat adoptions include spay or neuter, microchip, and age-appropriate vaccines.

New adopters will receive a complimentary health-and-wellness exam from VCA Animal Hospitals, as well as a goody bag filled with information about how to care for your pet.

View photos of adoptable pets and schedule an adoption appointment at 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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SIERRA MADRE Playhouse ANNOUNCING THE SIERRA MADRE PLAYHOUSE SOLO SHOWS FESTIVAL; BEGINS FEBRUARY 25

Sierra Madre Playhouse is beginning our return to live performances with a series of one-person shows that we're calling the Sierra Madre Playhouse Solo Shows Festival.

Covid-19 safety protocols in effect on performance dates will be observed. As of this writing, that means audiences will be masked and asked to show proof of vaccination, by vax card or digital record. Here's what we have lined up for you:

February 25-27, 2022: Billie: Backstage with Lady Day. Synthia L. Hardy stars as jazz and blues legend Billie Holiday. Billie talks about her life and times to reporters back-stage, before giving a concert where you'll hear the hits that made her famous. Written by Synthia L. Hardy. Directed by Bryan Rasmussen. Synthia is backed by a four-piece live jazz ensemble.

March 4-6: Frank Ferrante's GROUCHO. Frank Ferrante returns to Sierra Madre Playhouse to perform his internationally renowned show as legendary comedian Groucho Marx, with stories, jokes, and famous novelty songs (Hooray for Captain Spalding!, Lydia the Tattooed Lady).

April 2- 3: EINSTEIN! Writer-performer Jack Fry portrays young Albert Einstein, whose world is in turmoil as he fights to establish his Theory of General Relativity, which would affect profoundly the technology of the 20th and 21st Centuries. An inspiring and true story.

April 9-10: INDEPENDENCE: The True Story of Dr. Mary Walker. Combat veteran. Battlefield physician. Abolitionist. Suffragist. Feminist. American hero. Kathie Barnes stars as Dr. Mary Walker in the real, inspiring story of the first and only woman to win the Con-gressional Medal of Honor. Written and directed by Lloyd J. Schwartz.

April 23-24: An Evening with John Wilkes Booth. America has a fascination with true-crime stories, and this is the most infamous true-crime story of all. The question re-mains: Why?

Stephen Spiegel stars as the notorious assassin. Written by Lloyd J. Schwartz and Clinton Case. Directed by Lloyd J. Schwartz.

There you have it: A series of five shows starring five remarkable performers por-traying five real-life individuals whose lives made a difference in the world in which they lived.

Sierra Madre Playhouse Solo Shows Festival is produced by the Playhouse's Interim Artistic Director Gary Lamb.

Tickets will be available either for individual shows or via a flex-pass subscription. Go to <http://sierramadreplayhouse.org> or call (626) 355-4318. The flex-pass subscription will offer you a break on ticket prices.

Sierra Madre Playhouse is located at 87 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. in Sierra Madre, CA 91024. This is just east of Pasadena. There is free parking available in a municipal lot be-hind the Playhouse, and in a lot across the street, as well as street parking. There are sev-eral dining establishments just steps from the Playhouse.

The Sierra Madre Playhouse Solo Shows Festival: Your tickets to five nights of theatrical enchantment, LIVE on stage. Join us.

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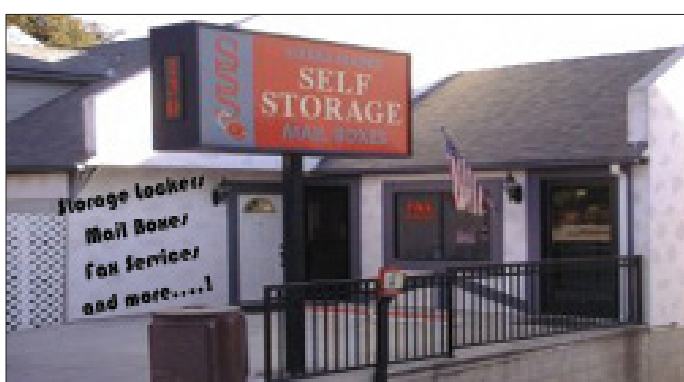
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Dear Getting:

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Home Evaluation

A good first step in making your home more age-friendly is to do an assessment. Go through your house, room-by-room, looking for problem areas like potential tripping or slipping hazards, as well as areas that are hard to access and difficult to maintain. To help with this, there are several organizations that have aging-in-place checklists that point out potential problems in each area of the home, along with modification and solutions.

For example, Rebuild Together has a two-page “Safe at Home Checklist” that’s created in partnership with the Administration on Aging and the American Occupational Therapy Association. Go to AOTA.org and search for “Rebuilding Together Safe at Home Checklist.”

You also need to get a copy of AARP’s “HomeFit Guide.” This excellent 36-page guide has more than 100 aging-in-place tips and suggestions that can be made to an existing house or apartment or incorporated into designs for a new residence.

It explains how a smartly designed or modified home can meet the varied and changing needs of its older residents. It also features easy-to-do, low-cost and no-cost fixes that lessen the risk of trip hazards and increase the safety of high-use areas like the bathroom, kitchen and stairway.

In addition, they also offer videos and a HomeFit AR app (available for iPhone and iPad) that can scan a room and suggest improvements to help turn your house into a “lifelong home,” free from safety and mobility risks.

Visit AARP.org/HomeFit to order or download a free copy of this guide, or to watch their videos.

In-Home Assessments

If you want some personalized help, you can get a professional in-home assessment with an occupational therapist.

An occupational therapist, or OT, can evaluate the challenges and shortcomings of your home for aging in place, recommend design and modification solutions, and introduce you to products and services to help you make improvements.

To find an OT in your area, check with your physician, health insurance provider or local hospital, or seek recommendations from family and friends. Many health insurance providers, including Medicare, will pay for a home assessment by an OT if prescribed by your doctor. However, they will not cover the physical upgrades to the home.

Another option is to contact a builder who’s a Certified Aging in Place Specialist (CAPS). CAPS are home remodelers and design-build professionals that are knowledgeable about aging in place home modifications and can suggest ways to modify or remodel your home that will fit your needs and budget. CAPS are generally paid by the hour or receive a flat fee per visit or project.

To find a CAPS in your area visit the National Association of Home Builders web-site at NAHB.org/capsdirectory where you can search by state and city.

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



FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett

YOUR ESTATE PLANNING DOCUMENTS DON'T DO MUCH BY THEMSELVES

Whether you realize it or not, your estate plan may not be worth the paper it’s printed on. That’s because the documents themselves are only one part of the planning process. Without completing the process, your documents

- and in particular, your living trust - are doomed to fail and leave your family with a mess to clean up and a long purgatory in probate court.

Funding Your Plan is an Absolute Must

That’s right. Even if you have a well-written trust which has been properly executed, duly signed, and legally notarized, it may not protect your family. Your assets must be retitled in a specific manner, or they will not gain the benefits your trust offers. This part of the process is called “funding” and it is the critical next step after finalizing your estate planning documents.

Unfortunately, online DIY plans give little to no guidance on this essential aspect of estate planning, often only selling a set of documents without providing funding guidance or support. Even many lawyers sell the documents but leave clients to figure out the funding for themselves. Quite frankly, that’s just lazy lawyering and it leaves their clients with a false sense of security. Shame on them.

Protect Against Lost and Unclaimed Assets

Even if everything is correctly funded to your trust, unless your family knows exactly what assets there are and how to locate and access those assets, that property is as good as gone when you die. In fact, there’s currently more than \$8 billion worth of unclaimed property sitting in the State Controller’s Office right now. And that number grows by millions each year, much of it because a family member died and their loved ones lost track of their assets.

To ensure none of your assets end up in the possession of the California Controller’s Office, and your family will know exactly what you have and how to find everything if something happens to you, it’s important to keep an up to date inventory of all your assets. A comprehensive asset inventory should be prepared as part of your initial estate planning and regularly updated throughout your lifetime as your assets change.

Don't Forget About Your Most Important Assets

Financial and property assets are only one part of your wealth – and not even the most important part. As part of your overall, comprehensive estate planning, I encourage you to take stock of your non-material assets, too. These include your life experiences, stories, relationships, and values. Most of that part of your wealth will be lost forever when you die if you don’t take steps to preserve it now. The estate planning process is the perfect opportunity to focus on preserving and passing your whole wealth. Your true wealth. By looking beyond just the material wealth you have, you can plan for so much more than just your estate. You can plan for your legacy. And that’s powerful. Because as much as your loved ones will appreciate any financial assets you leave them, what they’ll cherish most and keep closest to their hearts, goes well beyond money.

Turn Your Estate Plan into a Legacy Plan

Ultimately, estate planning can be – and I believe should be – about far more than legal documents—it can be a springboard which empowers you to create a life you love while building a meaningful legacy for those you love. Doing it this way takes a little extra effort, but I promise you it is well worth it. You’ll be glad you went beyond plain old estate planning and crafted your legacy plan instead. And you’ll leave your loved ones so much wealthier as a result.

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SENIOR HAPPENINGS



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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. Led by volunteer Loni.

PAINT PALS - Tuesday, 1/11 & 1/25, 10:00 am, Hart Park House

If you enjoy painting, sketching, water color, or making some other form of artistic creation please join our new program, PAINT PALS!!! Bring a project that you are working on to the HPH and enjoy some quality art time with other artists looking to paint with a new pal.

BOOK CLUB - Wednesday, 1/11 & 1/18, 9:00 am, Hart Park House

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A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

MR. COLD, PLEASE GO AWAY!



The older I get, the more allergic I am to cold. So whenever the temperature dips below my age number, that is too cold for me. I know some people relish the cold; that person is not me..

There are some things that I enjoy being cold. I like my iced tea to be very cold, making it rather delicious. So whenever I drink any soda (please don't let the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage know), I like it very cold. The colder, the better as far as I'm concerned.

I will not mention any names that I like to give the cold shoulder to. And, from the other side of the situation, some people give me a very cold shoulder.

Lately, it's been rather cold in our neighborhood. I live in Florida, and the expectation is that it will never get cold. So I'm thinking of suing the governor of Florida because the government says that Florida is the sunshine state.

To walk out of my front door in the morning and start shivering is not my idea of the sunshine state. I want to bask in the heavenly delight of the sun shining on me. I'm getting too old to shiver very long.

Being cold is not something I enjoy. The older I get, the less I can tolerate cold weather. I believe it should be illegal for any cold weather to penetrate the sunshine state of Florida. Where are those politicians when we need them?

I know that cold weather does have its purpose, but I haven't found that purpose in my life yet. When I was younger, it wasn't so bad. I lived up north, where it snowed a lot, and as a young person, I loved playing in the snow. We did what was called snow angels, and I enjoyed that.

Today, however, there is nothing angelic to me about snow. I love snow cones, but that's an entirely different situation. I also love ice cold ice cream on my Apple pie.

Even here in Florida, the temperature sometimes dips below my comfort zone. But, as I said, shivering is not my favorite exercise. When the temperature goes down, I don't go out.

With the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage it is a different story. She is from the state of New York, where they invented freezing weather.

When the temperature goes up in our home, she is not happy. When the temperature goes down, I'm not happy. Fortunately, we can meet in the middle and be happy. One of the friendly little arguments that we have in the parsonage is, “Will there be snow in heaven?”

She has this long argument proving that there will be snow in heaven because God created snow. “To me,” she will argue, “snowflakes

look like angels.” I can't argue against that because I don't know what angels look like.

Then she will tell me about those “snow angels” that she and her siblings used to do when it snowed. So I can't argue against that.

I hate to admit it again, but she won that argument.

Then she threw a curveball at me and said, “Don't you know that the other place than heaven is hot?”

Okay. She got me; what else can I do or say?

I still am not too friendly with cold, and I want to do everything I can to invite Mr. Cold to go back to his home, wherever that might be.

I know there is nothing I can do about the cold weather. But that does not mean I don't try.

Every morning, during this cold season, I get up, go outside, shake my fist in the air and say as hot as I can, “Mr. Cold, go home and don't come back.” Then I give him my infamous grimace and stick out my tongue.

So far, it hasn't worked, but it does give me the satisfaction that at least I'm trying to do something to get rid of all of this cold.

One morning when I came back into the house after growling at Mr. Cold, I came face-to-face with the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage.

“What,” she said with both hands on her hip, “do you think you are doing?” “I'm getting rid of Mr. Cold,” I said.

“Have you lost all your marbles, or are you hiding one?”

I did not know how to answer that question because I couldn't think of any marble I had left.

“Don't you know that there is nothing you can do about the cold?” She said, looking at me with one of those sarcastic stares that she's famous for.

“Yes,” I said with a dreary look on my face. “But I gotta do something even if it's not the right thing to do to get rid of this, Mr. Cold.”

There are many things in life that I try to control that I don't like, but I have no success in doing it. For some reason, there is a feeling of satisfaction in knowing that at least you're doing something even if it doesn't work.

There is a better plan. “Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths” (Proverbs 3:5-6).

Who knows, maybe someday somebody will figure out how to send Mr. Cold back to his home

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STUART TOLCHIN



PUT THE LIGHTS ON

YOU CAN'T HANDLE THE TRUTH MAYBE NOT—BUT I'D SURE LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TRY

I hope Jack Nicholson's challenge hurled at the rest of us in "A Few Good Men" is untrue. Very much I would like to believe that the transparency promised by just about every candidate as the battle for our votes was something more than mere words. Increasingly I have come to understand that presenting truth is simply not in the best interest of those in power no matter what party they represent. What those in power want is to stay in power. To do that fictions are created to pacify a potentially out of control population. We are all manipulated to act in the interest of those in power rather than doing what is best for us. Maybe this all necessary to maintain the organization of our culture and truthfully many of us live comfortable and often satisfying lives.

Still I am bothered by the inevitable loss of freedom and curiosity and the diminished joy of living. Let me start by talking about my 2 and ½ year old granddaughter. She is at an age where she is discovering that she has a mind of her own. She has amazing energy and always seems to have her own agenda in mind. She stamps her foot and pouts if she does not get her way. She wants what she wants and she wants it now. She plays games and teases but is full of love and mischief. A behavior that I found very interesting (actually everything she does is interesting to me) occurred on Saturday. My wife had placed some fresh flowers in a vase and cautioned her not touch them. She ignored the warning and took a flower upstairs to display it to my son and me. How nice of her to share; but while she displayed the flower to us she purposely broke off a part of the stem and yelled down to my wife, "meema" the name she has created and bestowed upon my wife, "I broke the flower". I am pretty certain that her thought processes were something like wanting to hold the flower when she noticed it and wanting it even more when she couldn't have it. She craftily snatched the flower displaying it to us and in her mind thereby turning us into her allies as she taunted her grandmother.

That's the dilemma. Human beings early become aware of their own agency and probably it is the responsibility of caretakers and parents to help the child maintain their energy and creativity so that they can get along in society and simultaneously use their abilities in the most fulfilling ways. Do we want our kids to be good little boys and girls who follow all the rules and make their parents proud; but at what expense? I know it's socially unacceptable to openly compare oneself with others but I will take a risk and do it. Pleasing one's parents is not the most fulfilling way to lead a life. I don't know exactly what I would rather have done but these past couple of years of pandemic isolation has left me some time to reflect. I think about the one time I stood up for myself which was when I stood up for myself and told my parents I would not serve in the armed forces during the Viet Nam war. I think we talked about the rightness of the war and whether it was reasonable to expect me or anyone else to put our life at risk so as not to suffer the disapproval of others, including my mother. I took his message to mean something like "You're a smart boy. If you don't want to go into the army then figure a way to stay out without damaging your whole life and "without ripping your pants" (You know causing my mother unnecessary grief.)

Already, I have heard my granddaughter say "walk in single file" which must be a repeat of what she hears at daycare. I want to tell her not to do it and to maintain her independence. I know this would be bad advice and also know that my daughter would get mad at me. I need to communicate that sometimes, most of the time, you have to walk in single file but you don't have to think in single file. Life is an experiment with a predetermined end. The challenge is to enjoy that life and to do this I think independence of thought must be maintained and it ain't easy but it is the truth. I get that, Jack!

TOM PURCELL



BEATING INFLATION IS LAUGHABLE

In these inflationary times it's not easy to laugh as you watch the value of your hard-earned savings being de-stroyed.

But I chuckled out loud when I read some of the tips offered by Bloomberg News to beat inflation, which is at its highest point in more than 40 years.

Since Americans have enjoyed low inflation and stable consumer prices for a long time, Bloomberg explains, Americans are "a little rusty on basic inflationary-era tactics."

Bloomberg turned to the long-tortured people of Argentina for guidance, as they have become experts at navi-gating hyperinflation rates as high as 50 percent in a typical year.

The tips the Argentines offer are the polar opposite of everything my Depression-era parents taught my sisters and me about managing our money — nutty tips that suddenly make sense in a nutty world.

Here's the first one: spend your paycheck immediately.

Why put money in the bank where its purchasing power will decline in value every day, when you can buy a new refrigerator, sofa or some other big-ticket item that will cost more a month from now?

In these goofy times, the sooner you buy it, the less you will pay for it.

Another tip: borrow lots of money.

If you can borrow a million today at a 3 percent annual rate and the inflation rate continues at 7 percent, you will enjoy a 4 percent gain.

That is, as today's dollars inflate, it will be easier for you to repay the loan in the future.

Even this English major can see that makes sense — sort of.

Another tip: buy cars.

That was certainly my strategy in my spendthrift 20s, when I lived paycheck to paycheck, in part because I always had to have a nice ride that I couldn't afford.

I can't believe any news outlet would encourage Americans to put their money into automobiles, traditionally a horrible, rapidly depreciating investment.

But in a world turned on its head — there is a shortage of cars due to a shortage of computer chips used in their manufacture — even new and old cars are soaring in value.

My father has lost a fortune in cars over his lifetime, as they depreciated 30 percent or more the day he drove them off the car lot.

Finally, he got lucky. He leased a 2020 Kia. A year from now when his lease is up he will make the payoff of \$13,500 and keep the car because it will be worth significantly more than that.

Bloomberg offers some traditionally sensible tips, such as buying inflation-linked bonds, which increase in value as inflation increases.

Bloomberg also suggests buying a home, which also makes sense, as a house is a great hedge against inflation. Though good luck finding one at a reasonable price, as housing values have soared.

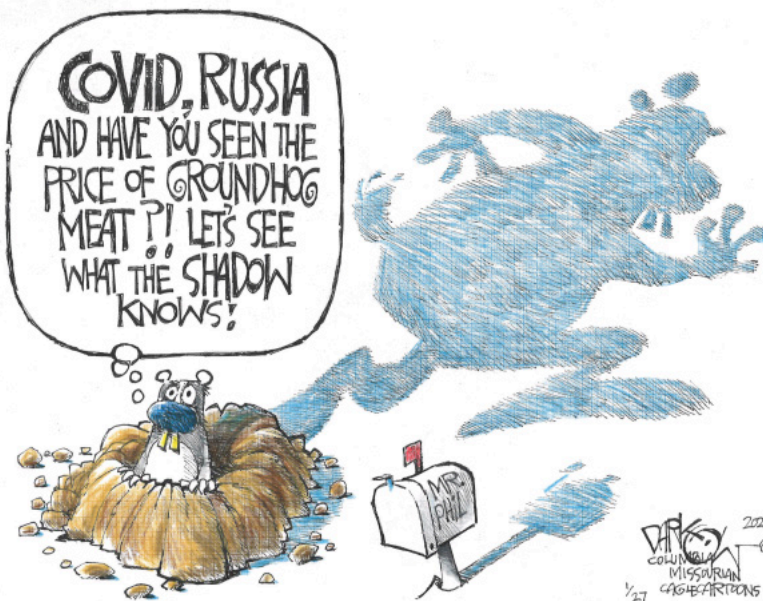
Covid has caused considerable market disruptions that have contributed to rising prices and our inflation woes.

The federal government's stimulus spending, massive borrowing and especially its continuous money printing are major drivers of inflation.

I wish we had confidence that our political leaders had a sound strategy to solve this problem — a problem largely of their own making — but we don't.

I'm surely not alone in my worry that financial matters may get plenty worse before they get better.

Until then I'll demonstrate my investor acumen by squandering my hard-earned savings on a shiny new car I can't afford.



RICH JOHNSON NOW THAT'S RICH



TERROR ALERT LEVELS IN REVIEW

Time to review the five stages of our Federal terror alert levels. At the bottom is our safest level "LOW" signified by the color green. The next level up is "GUARDED" displayed by the color blue.

"ELEVATED" is one more level up and is against a yellow backdrop. "HIGH" is orange and "SEVERE" is signified by, not surprisingly, the color red.

Are we the only country with terror alert levels? I can't imagine that being so. So, I did a deep dive and a little research and discovered the following evidence according to historical data regarding European Historical threat levels: Evidence compiled by that scholarly organization known affectionately as the MPTT (Monty Python Think Tank):

The British have four security levels in their response to terrorist threats. The first is "miffed" followed by "peevish." Third is "irritated," followed by their highest security level, "A bit cross." "A bit cross" has not been used since the blitz in 1940 which caused tea supplies to run out. They had a fifth level referred to as "bloody nuisance" but that has not been issued since the American Revolution, errr, I mean American Insurrection.

The French, whose opinion and affirmation many Americans greatly crave, announced yesterday it had raised its terror alert level from "run" to "hide." The only two higher levels in France are "collaborate" and "surrender." The rise in French alert levels was precipitated by a recent fire that destroyed France's only white flag factory, effectively paralyzing the country's military capabilities.

Italy has increased their alert level from "shout loudly and excitedly" to "elaborate military posturing." Two more levels remain: "ineffective combat operations" and "change sides." This motivated the Germans to raise their alert status from "disdainful arrogance" to "Dress in uniform and sing marching songs." The Germans also have two higher levels: "invade a neighbor" and "lose."

The Spanish, ignoring updated information on their security alert levels, chose to speak excitedly about the deployment of their new submarine fleet. These beautifully designed subs have glass bottoms so the new Spanish Navy can get a good look at the old Spanish Navy.

Thank you, John Cleese, and the whole Monty Python Think Tank for your tireless (and often tiresome) contributions to society at large.

City of Sierra Madre

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

From: The City of Sierra Madre
Subject: GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 22-01 (GPA 22-01) & ZONE CHANGE 22-01 (ZC 22-01)
Applicant: City of Sierra Madre
Project Location: Properties in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider amending the General Plan Land Use Map (GPA 22-01) to change the land use designation of certain parcels and to amend the Zoning Map (ZC 22-01) to change the zoning designation of correlating parcels. The consideration of the Planning Commission for these items is limited to a recommendation for approval to the City Council. The purpose of the General Plan Land Use Map and Zoning Map amendment is to address those parcels which realized a land use and/or zoning designation of a reduced residential capacity by the 2015 General Plan Update and by General Plan Amendment 21-01 and Zone Change 21-01.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre Planning Commission meeting; Thursday, February 17, 2022 (Hearing begins at 7:00 p.m.)

PLACE OF HEARING

This meeting will be conducted utilizing teleconference communications and will be recorded for live streaming. As part of the City of Sierra Madre's COVID-19 transmission mitigation efforts, all City of Sierra Madre public meetings will be solely available via live streaming and made available on the City's official website.

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

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The project qualifies for a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Exemption pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) (Review for Exemption) of CEQA, as the there is no possibility that the proposed general plan amendment and zone change would have a significant impact on the environment.

APPEAL: The decision of the Planning Commission is subject to a 10-day appeal period to the City Council. If in the future anyone wishes to challenge the decision of the Planning Commission in court, one may be limited to raising the issues that were raised or presented in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or before, the scheduled public hearing. For further information on this subject, please contact the Planning and Community Preservation Department at (626) 355-7138.

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ERNESTOLANDSCAPING, 427DUNSVIEW AVE, LA PUENTE, CA 91744. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ERNESTO CARDENAS HERMOSILLO, 427 DUNSVIEW AVE, LA PUENTE, CA 91744. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ERNESTO CARDENAS HERMOSILLO/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/21/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: JAN. 29, FEB 5, 12, 19, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022-012232

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PASTER EXHAUST CLEANING, 877 E. PHIBONS BLVD., POMONA, CA 91766. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) CANTORBEY CARRILLO CARDENAS, 877 E. PHILLIPS BLVD., POMONA, CA 91766. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: CANTORBEY CARRILLO CARDENAS/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/19/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: JAN. 29, FEB 5, 12, 19, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022-015084

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: HT ELECTRICAL, 6317 GREYNA AVE, WHITTIER, CA 90601. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) HERBERTH ANTONIO TABORA, 6317 GREYNA AVE, WHITTIER, CA 90601. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: HERBERTH ANTONIO TABORA/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/21/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: JAN. 29, FEB 5, 12, 19, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022-013838

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: IVA ENTERTAINMENT, 3616 BARHAM BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA 91766. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PETER IVANOV, 3616 BARHAM BLVD, APT X301, LOS ANGELES, CA 90068. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: PETER IVANOV/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/20/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: JAN. 29, FEB 5, 12, 19, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022-015086

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ROI CONSULTING, 2409 DANELAND ST, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JAVIER MOSCOSO, 2409 DANELAND ST, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JAVIER MOSCOSO/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/21/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced

to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: JAN. 29, FEB 5, 12, 19, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022-015088

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TOP 1 LOGISTICS, 15867 SIERRA VISTA CT, LA PUENTE, CA 91744. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ARTURO CARAVEO, 15867 SIERRA VISTA CT, LA PUENTE, CA 91744. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ARTURO CARAVEO/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/21/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: JAN. 29, FEB 5, 12, 19, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022014193

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE EMBROIDERY STUDIO 8027 W SUNSET BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90046. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) HOLLYWOOD EMBROIDERY STUDIO 8027 W SUNSET BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90046. This Business is conducted by A CORPORATION. Signed: HOLLYWOOD NEW MEDIA GROUP, INC., PATRICK F SKIFFELMAN, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/21/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/21/2022. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: JAN. 29, FEB 5, 12, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022014240

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: HEART WEHO 8911 SANTA MONICA BLVD., WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA. 90069. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) 8280 SUNSET LOUNGE LLC, LEO FRANK AMARI, MANAGING MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/21/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/20/22. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: JAN. 29, FEB 5, 12, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022014258

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BRIDGE TO SOMEWHERE, 7906 BELLA AVE UNIT 1, PANORAMA CITY, CA. 91402. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DRIFTWOOD FILMS, INC., 7906 BRIMFIELD AVE UNIT 1, PANORAMA CITY, CA 91402. This Business is conducted by A CORPORATION. Signed: DRIFTWOOD FILMS, INC., BOUGAR ROBERT LINARES SOTO, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/21/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/20/21. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: JAN. 29, FEB 5, 12, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2021281295

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LA BELLA BANQUET HALL, 10315 ZELAH AVE, NORTHridge, CA. 91326. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) NOAH'S ARC RESTAURANT & HALL LLC, 10315 ZELAH AVE NORTHridge, CA. 91326. This Business is conducted by AN LLC. Signed: NOAH'S ARC RESTAURANT & HALL LLC, VLADIMIR GRIGORYAN, MANAGING MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 12/30/2021. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/20/21. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: JAN. 29, FEB 5, 12, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2021281298

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LA BELLA MEDITERRANEAN KITCHEN 10315 ZELAH AVE NORTHridge, CA. 91326. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) NOAH'S ARC RESTAURANT & HALL LLC, 10315 ZELAH AVE NORTHridge, CA. 91326. This Business is conducted by AN LLC. Signed: NOAH'S ARC RESTAURANT & HALL LLC, VLADIMIR GRIGORYAN, MANAGING MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 12/30/2021. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/20/21. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: JAN. 29, FEB 5, 12, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022-002664

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ROI CONSULTING, 2409 DANELAND ST, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JAVIER MOSCOSO, 2409 DANELAND ST, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ADAN MEJIA ORTIZ/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/05/2022.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022-000608

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BOTANICA LA CARIDAD DEL COBRE, 2634 E. FLORENCE AVE, HUNTINGTON PARK, CA. 90242. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) VICENTE RODRIGUEZ, 1606 AÑO NUEVO DR, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765. LAURA BEATRIZ CANTU, 1301 LUELLA DR, LOS ANGELES, CA 90063. This Business is conducted by GENERAL PARTNER. Signed: VICENTE RODRIGUEZ/PARTNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/10/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: JAN 15, 22, 29, FEB 5, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022-008122

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CARGO DISPATCH, 11008 ROSE DR, WHITTIER, CA 90606. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ADAUDAZ MORALES DR, 11008 ROSE DR, WHITTIER, CA 90606. This Business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Signed: DAVID THADDEUS MALDONADO/MANAGING MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/21/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: JAN 15, 22, 29, FEB 5, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2021-275451

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: COTTON THEORY, 15524 BROADWAY CENTER ST, GARDENA, CA 90248. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PBK AMERICA, INC., 15524 BROADWAY CENTER ST, GARDENA, CA 90248. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: PHILLIP BUMSIK KIM/PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 12/21/21. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: JAN 15, 22, 29, FEB 5, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022-007236

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: F V CENTURY BARBER SHOP, 3463 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR BLVD, LYNNWOOD, CA 90262. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) FREDY GEOVANY VASQUEZ RIVERA, 4430 HARTLE AVE, SPC 14, CUDAHY, CA 90201. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: FREDY GEOVANY VASQUEZ RIVERA/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/11/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: JAN 15, 22, 29, FEB 5, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022-007238

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: FIVE STAR PLUMBING & ROOFER, 13523 VIRGINIA, WHITTIER, CA 90650. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) STEVE SALAS, 13523 VIRGINIA AVE, WHITTIER, CA 90605. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed:



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