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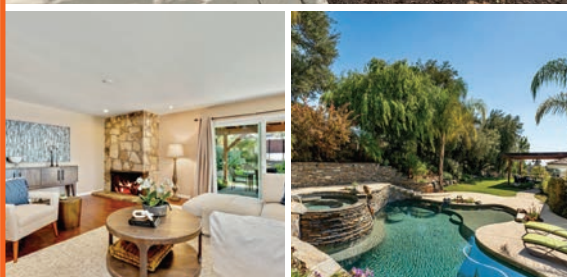


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City of Sierra Madre

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

To: All Residential Households in the City of Sierra Madre
From: The City of Sierra Madre

Subject: CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONE CHANGE AND SUBSEQUENT LAND USE MAP AND ZONING MAP AMENDMENTS,

SPECIFIC PLAN, LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT, AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, AND CERTIFY AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND APPROVE RELATED MITIGATION MEASURES AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR A PROPOSED 42 LOT RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION

Project Location: 700 North Sunnyside Avenue

This notice serves to inform you that the Planning Commission will be conducting a Public Hearing on the date, time, and the location described below regarding a request to construct up to 42 single-family detached residential units on approximately 17.30 acres of the property owned by The Congregation of the Passion, Mater Dolorosa Community referred to as "The Meadows at Bailey Canyon."

The Planning Commission will consider project applications to certify the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and adoption of a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, approve amendments to the update the General Plan and Land Use Map to change the project site from Institutional to residential low density, and update the Zoning Code and Zoning Map to change the project site from Institutional to Single-Family Residential Specific Plan Overlay, approve the Lot Line Adjustment, and approve the Development Agreement. Application approval may be made pursuant to applicable findings for each independent action.

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

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 PM on the day of the meeting.

For further information on this subject, please contact the Planning and Community Preservation Department at (626) 355-7138.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
City Council meeting
Thursday, April 7, 2022
(Hearing begins at 7:00 p.m.)

PLACE OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
City Council Chambers
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.
Sierra Madre, C

All interested persons may attend this meeting and the Planning Commission will hear them with respect thereto.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: State law requires the preparation of an EIR for projects that have the potential for environmental impacts. Public Resources Code Section 21002 requires that an EIR identify the significant effects of a project on the environment and provide measures or alternatives that can mitigate or avoid these effects. The EIR evaluates the environmental effects associated with the development of the project and discusses the manner in which the project's significant effects can be reduced or avoided through the implementation of mitigation measures or feasible alternatives to the proposed project.

APPEAL: A decision by 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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Full Story on Page 7

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ENGINE 41 IS OFFICIALLY IN SERVICE AND READY TO SERVE SIERRA MADRE!

Photos by Dirk Bolle



On Saturday March 12th, the Sierra Madre Fire Department and members of the community welcomed the department's new 2021 Pierce Enforcer Fire Engine into service with a traditional "Wet Down" and "Push In" ceremony.



The new Engine 41 was "Wet Down" by the department's departing 22-year-old E-One fire engine, and dried down by SMFD personnel and community members. Following the wet down, the engine was "Pushed In" by current and former SMFD members and volunteers, officially welcoming Engine 41 into service.



This fire tradition dates back to the 1800's when fire departments used horses to pull pumpers to fires. When the fire was over and firefighters returned to the firehouse, and before the horses went back into their stalls or the pumpers back in the station, they had to be washed and readied for the next fire. Firefighters then had to push the pumper back into the station by hand, as the horses were not able to easily back them in." Once these tasks were accomplished, the pumper was then declared ready to serve again.



SMFD's new Engine 41 was custom built by Pierce Manufacturing Inc. It features an Enforcer chassis with a Cummins X12 engine and TAK-4 Independent Front Suspension for better control through the streets and canyons of Sierra Madre. The pump system features a Hale Midship 1500gpm pump, coupled with a 500-gallon water tank and a Husky 12 foam system. Engine 41 has incorporated a Pierce Command Zone electrical system for full control and monitoring of the apparatus.

"Your Sierra Madre Fire Department would like to thank all those who attended this past Saturday's ceremony, placing our new fire engine in service," states Chief Bartlett. "The new engine will be a valuable asset for the hard-working men and women as they continue to provide the highest level of service. What a great day, with beautiful weather and outstanding community support!"

A special thank you to South Coast Fire Equipment for joining us and for capturing this memorable event.

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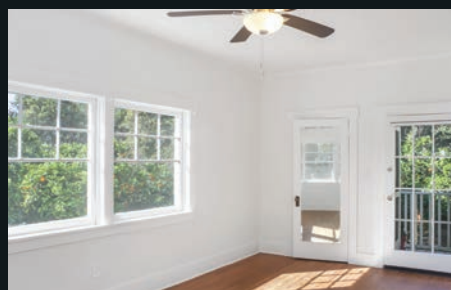
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Thursday, March 24, 6 pm

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Sierra Madre

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626.355.3527 info@bcslions.org

www.bcslions.org

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The Meadows at Bailey Canyon will be the most sustainable community in Sierra Madre history.

100% Electric & Solar Powered

The Meadows will be ENERGY STAR® certified, 100% electric and equipped with solar to reduce carbon emissions.

Drought Tolerant Landscaping

The Meadows will be designed with only drought-tolerant and native landscape.

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The Meadows will harvest all stormwater to replenish the local aquifer and reduce demand on the City’s existing well.

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CORRECTION: In the pictured above at the Rotary Clock dedication are, l to r, Former Mayor Rachelle Arizmendi, Mayor Gene Goss, Rotary President Marc Garlett, Rotary President-Elect Julia Brady and Immediate Past President, Karen Swisher. Photo by MVNews



SMRFA 2023 FLOAT DESIGN CONTEST WINNER

The Sierra Madre Rose Float Association is proud to announce the winning design concept for our 2023 Float, designed by Sierra Madre Resident, Greg Dohlen. The design depicts a Papa Bear riding in the park with his three curious cubs up a tree. Congratulations Greg.



CITY LOOKS TOWARD ASSEMBLYMAN HOLDEN FOR LIBRARY FUNDS

Cost considered for repair, expansion, and rebuild

By Kevin McGuire

City staff will be sending a letter to Assemblymember Chris Holden requesting funds to be used for Library renovations or possibly a total rebuild on the current site. Mayor, Gene Goss, is expected to sign the letter on behalf of the city.

Library repairs have been a topic of discussion in Sierra Madre for several years. City staff and the Library Board of Trustees have met a few times to discuss the fate of the building and adjacent lot. There was even talk of losing the property at 440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. to the highest bidder. Due to the strong community support for the library, including groups such as Friends of the Library, the city is looking at all its options to save this cherished building.

The only acceptable options seem to be repair, expansion, and a total rebuild. All three options are costly, so with a good pitch to the right person or group, the city hopes a funding source is out there somewhere to accomplish one of these choices.

Repair

This is the lowest cost option but falls between the \$1.2 to \$2 million range. It would involve repairing the entire 8,700 square-foot property, including new electrical wiring, retro-fit for earthquake protection, and up-to-code Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) facilities. But this option would not change the present structure design of the building.

Expansion

We would see the library extend an additional 5,000 square feet in this option. In addition to the repairs mentioned in the Repair section, the extra space will accommodate the library's collection and create more basement space for archives. The adjacent lot would be open "green space," and there is also talk of a second building for book sales on the property. The total cost is between \$2 and \$5 million.

Rebuild

The last and most expensive choice would require tearing down the current building and replacing it with a brand-new state-of-the-art facility on a 14,000 square foot lot. The inside would include community meeting areas, quiet study rooms, energy-efficient HVAC systems, and many other goodies mentioned in the Repair and Expansion sections. We are looking at a 17-million-dollar facility.

It's unclear if the city will pitch the highest cost first to Mr. Holden or one of the other two options. In addition, the city is looking into applying for the California State Library's Building Forward grants. The grants could give the city 50% toward critical infrastructure needs. News about the grant award won't come until April this year.

SOLAR PROJECT UPDATE



The Sierra Madre Solar Project is nearing its completion. Land preparation and grading has been completed and installation of solar panels and supporting equipment are about done. The contractor is now preparing the electrical connection phase of the project before the final commissioning of the project, which is now estimated for April 15th. The work has been delayed on a few occasions with the discovery of massive natural boulders (up to 2 tons) and other inert materials that the equipment had to mitigate. The City appreciates everyone's patience during the construction activity and we look forward to finally "flipping the switch on" next month.

This project is estimated to offset 948,332 kWh of energy from the Water Department's distribution costs. This translates to approximately \$60,000 in savings year one, escalating to approximately \$210,000 in year 20 for a net savings of over 2.6 million dollars in energy costs needed to get your water from the City's wells to your tap. It will eliminate 693 tons of Co2 emissions and eliminate the need for 1,457 barrels of oil per year. Equivalent to driving nearly 1.7 million miles or 68 times around the Earth.

Documents regarding the project can be found here: www.cityofsierramadre.com/business/city_projects/solar



GET WILDFIRE READY!

VIRTUAL EDUCATIONAL FORUM

Preparing for a wildfire begins with preparing a home that firefighters can safely defend.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23RD - 6:30 PM TO 7:30 PM
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The ability of your home to survive a wildfire depends on building construction materials and the quality of the "defensible space" surrounding it.



SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

SIERRA MADRE POLICE DEPARTMENT WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT

March 6 - March 12, 2022

The following represents a summary report of some of the major incidents handled by the Sierra Madre Police Department during this period. This list is not intended to be considered exclusive or all-inclusive.

Sunday, March 6

Theft

Officers responded to Bailey Canyon Park for a reported theft. The victim discovered his wallet missing from his unlocked vehicle while he was hiking in the area. The Detectives' Bureau is following up on this incident.

Monday, March 7

Forgery

A victim filed a report regarding possible forged signatures that were used to obtain a film permit in the city. The Detectives' Bureau is following up on this incident.

Wednesday, March 9

Suspicious Person

Officers responded to the area of 2200 Santa Anita Ave for a report of a suspicious male on a property. Officers made contact with one male, who was placed under detainment. The reporting party stated that the male was unknown to them, and the suspect was placed under private citizens arrest for trespassing. The suspect was transported and booked at Pasadena jail, where he was released on citation. The Detectives' Bureau is following up on this incident.

Thursday, March 10

Traffic Stop

Officers conducted a traffic stop in the area of Santa Anita Ave and Arno Dr for a vehicle code violation. It was later determined that the driver was in operation of a motor vehicle without a license. The driver was cited and released on scene.

Friday, March 11

Theft

A victim filed an online report that unknown suspect(s) had stolen and altered checks worth approximately \$52,000. The Detectives' Bureau is following up on this incident.

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WHERE WE GO FROM HERE

We at Preserve Sierra Madre have promised to keep our readership up to date on what is happening in town regarding new zoning laws, remodeling, and new construction in our fair city. We have written about state laws SB 9 and 10, and the changes to the Planning Commission. For the next several months we will focus on The Meadows project, the 20 acres on the Retreat Center property that may be

sold to the New Urban West. A Memorandum of Understanding, signed two years ago by then City Manager, Gabe Engeland, and a representative of The Passionist of Holy Cross Province in Chicago established an administrative proceeding to review the Project. Some have said it is best to let the process play out. Here's what the "process" has done to date: As the process began, the same time as the worst pandemic in our lifetime, it was all done behind closed doors. The development of the MOU completely omitted the stakeholders – all residents of Sierra Madre. There was absolutely no public comment or input during the formation of the MOU. Importantly, there was no involvement from citizen volunteers, who spent years updating the General Plan. There was no opportunity to ask questions and get answers. And no discussion of alternatives. At this point, the final EIR and final draft Specific Plan were posted on the City website in January and February. The changes in the final draft Specific Plan - after written comments from residents, public comments before the City Council and Planning Commission, and Planning Commissioners suggestions - are in three key areas:

1. Net zero water – Previously, the developer was promoting 'net zero water usage' for 50 years by pre-purchasing water from the Metropolitan Water District. Now, the developer is promoting 'net zero impact' by pre-purchasing water from the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, creating a lawn retrofit program and improvements to existing water infrastructure.
2. Widening Carter Avenue – After indicating it wasn't necessary, the developer has now decided to infringe on the Bailey Canyon Wilderness Park to widen Carter Avenue. They will now remove or endanger the mature pine trees that line the south boundary of the park.
3. Dedication of Open Space - Originally proposed as dedicating 45 acres of open space to the City or other perpetual conservation, the Plan now proposes the conservation of 35 acres with no further details.

We are now approaching step 3 of the Meadows Project Review Process as presented on the City website: This first meeting of the Planning Commission is to begin the process to 1). Certify the final EIR 2). Amend the General Plan 3). Amend the Zoning code 4). Adopt the Specific Plan and 5). Approve the Development Agreement. The meeting will be held on Thursday, April 7 at 7:00pm in City Hall Chambers.

This is an important one that will set the tone for the review process. Please plan to attend (or watch).

We will be writing over the next few months why we think this project not only does not belong in Sierra Madre, but will do irreparable harm to our community. Our issues of concern are: Trees, biology, cultural resources, wildfires, hazardous materials, traffic, water, air quality and off-site damage to Bailey Canyon Wilderness Park. While not mentioned in the Draft EIR -- the Final EIR and Specific Plan indicate that the development will now be encroaching on the dedicated park grounds of Bailey Canyon Park, destroying vegetation and impacting 16 mature trees: removing 4 of them, significantly impacting 10 of them and 'encroaching' on 2 of them. In addition, public access and parking will be altered to construct an otherwise unnecessary two-lane street and sidewalk on the west end of Carter Avenue for the sole benefit of this disputed housing development.

If you would like to read more in depth about the issues listed above, we would be happy to email you a copy of our Rebuttal to the Draft Environmental Impact Report. Email us at preservesierramadrenow@gmail.com.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IS NOT THE ISSUE AT MATER DOLOROSA

The Passionists of Holy Cross Province in Chicago have owned the "Monastery" property since 1924, as the Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center. There was a monastery complex housing priests, nuns, and brothers, and a Retreat center, each in their own building. The monastery ceased to operate as such after 1975 and was vacated, and after the 1991 earthquake the buildings were demolished and replaced with a Monastery memorial garden. The remaining building continues to be operated as a Retreat center, available for spiritual retreats of all kinds.

There is no Monastery at Mater Dolorosa.

The Passionists have traditionally been great neighbors and citizens of Sierra Madre. The property is currently zoned as Institutional, and the Passionists have every right to develop the property consistent with that zoning; they can expand their kitchen to provide more meals, build a church, a new monastery, or a senior center or anything institutional in the pursuit of their goals, be they religious or otherwise.

However, the Passionists have decided to raise money (~\$1-200M) for their operations worldwide (not in Sierra Madre) by selling off and developing part of the land as a 42 tract home development. To do that, they need to change their zoning to residential, and have proposed to do so under a "Specific Plan" that is separate and different than the General Plan that guides the rest of the city.

This proposal has nothing to do with the Passionists exercising their religious freedom. It is a financial move based on re-zoning the land to their special idea for residential housing, which is counter to many of the provisions that guide housing in the rest of Sierra Madre. Several aspects of this proposal are alarming to many Sierra Madre citizens due to impacts on traffic, water, wildlife and nature, city services, and on the Bailey Canyon park and hiking trail and the fact that it sets a precedent for the remaining acreage, should the Passionists desire to sell and develop the rest of the property as residential as well.

An initiative is being proposed for the next general election in Sierra Madre, that would put to a citywide vote the proposal that any change in zoning to residential for development of the Mater Dolorosa property follow the existing Hillside ordinance, which governs the development of residential housing in similar zones across the city hillside areas.

The Passionists are pursuing this development with the city per the MOU they signed governing the process, although it is not binding on the outcome. The citizens behind the initiative are concerned that the City does not recognize the impacts they feel this will have; and are exercising their rights to petition. The initiative does not interfere with the MOU process. The initiative states that if the project is approved (per the MOU process), the zoning could not be residential according to the new exclusive Specific Plan they propose, but rather must comply with the rules that apply to the rest of the city in the Hillside areas.

The initiative does not take away the Passionist's religious freedom, or their freedom to build religious or other institutional buildings within their current zoning. It says that if they desire to change it to residential zoning it should follow the existing guidelines for similar areas in the city.

Ed Miller, Sierra Madre

STAY SAFE!
GET VACCINATED!
WEAR A MASK WHERE NECESSARY!

WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

Did you ever think, or maybe wonder,
If our God, Who never sleeps nor slumbers,
Planned every sunrise in advance,
Never leaving one to chance.

A different sunset every night,
Did He plan them all when He created light?
From the very beginning to the very end,
Each one a glorious work of art,
To give us hope, to lift our heart.

My good friend, Celia Kalm, challenged me recently to write a column containing as many positive thoughts as I could find. Dear friends and neighbors, they are everywhere. So I started right off with a poem by me that's in my book, "Sunrises and Sunflowers Speak Hope."

Next, I saw this little statement posted on Facebook by my sister, Heidi: Wine is now cheaper than gas. Drink! Don't Drive.



Then I saw an essay by one of my favorite columnists, Harvey Mackay about March being National Reading Month. "In honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday, March is designated as National Reading month – a month to motivate Americans of all ages to read every day (totally agree, Harvey). Reading is fun and has many benefits, regardless of your age. It's a key component of education and professional development. Books illuminate your imagination, enhance your vocabulary, build confidence and improve memory, writing and communication skills. In short: Reading helps install new software in brains."

Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelensky is one of the most positive, uplifting people we have ever heard of: "God sees everything and answers in such a way that you cannot hide. There is no such a bunker where you can hide from God's answer. Even if you destroy all our Ukrainian cathedrals and churches, you will not destroy our faith! Our sincere faith in Ukraine and in God!" "Nobody is going to break us, we are strong, we are Ukrainians!" I'd say that's pretty positive!

Smile often. Think positively. Give thanks. Laugh loudly. Love others. Dream big.

"We are much more creative than we give ourselves credit for. The problem is that we often suppress our ideas too quickly: No, that won't work. Can't afford that. Won't enjoy that. If we can have the courage not to censor our ideas, we might surprise and delight ourselves. I will free my mind today and see how many interesting ideas I can come up with. Even if it turns out that none of them have practical value, I will still benefit from the creativity that I set free." Linus Pauling

"You are so great. More than capable of many wonderful things. You are loved by more than you know. Never forget that."

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." Maya Angelou

"If ever there is a tomorrow when we're not together...there is something you must always remember. You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think. But the most important thing is, even if we're apart...I'll always be with you." Winnie the Pooh

Of course this last one made me tear up as I know that is true of my beloved John, who is always with me, even though he's dancing with the angels.

Just a couple more..."Whatever is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable. If anything is excellent or praiseworthy, think about those things." Philippians 4:8

And the very last one from Auntie Mame: "Life is a banquet and most poor suckers are starving to death!"

The Wistaria Festival is coming in just a few days and the town will be bustling with excitement. Don't miss it! There is wistaria all over town right now...check out City Hall... and it's glorious!

There now, even though gas prices are going through the roof and food and stuff is getting more expensive by the minute, Be Positive! Spring is coming, God loves you, you are alive and well.

My Book Page: Amazon.com: Deanne Davis
Easter is on its way and "The Crown" – My story about what happened to That infamous crown of thorns is now a real book in addition to a Kindle.
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| Fri | Ptly Cldy | Hi | 80s | Lows 50s |

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 22, 2022 5:30pm

THIS MEETING WILL 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 foothillsmidia.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.

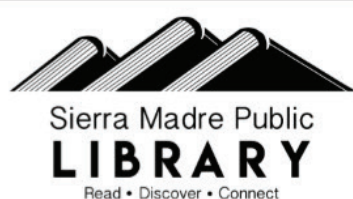
Any local non-profit or non-commercial organization can have their event information broadcast to the public on Sierra Madre Community Information Radio. The station covers the city of Sierra Madre, plus surrounding areas of Pasadena, Arcadia, and Monrovia.

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 COMMUNITY CALENDAR



This week at the
Sierra Madre
Public Library

March 21—26

Monday

Preschool Storytime at Memorial Park—
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2020 DEATH WHILE IN CUSTODY VIDEO RELEASED By Dean Lee

Disturbing video of the death of a man in Altadena at the hands of the California Highway Patrol nearly two years ago was made public Tuesday after a federal judge ordered the video unsealed.

The California Attorney General’s office had opposed the video’s release.

The 17.5 minute long cell phone footage, taken in March of 2020, shows Edward Bronstein of Burbank kneeling on a mat in the Altadena CHP station as officers demand he give a court ordered sample of his blood.

An officer threatens Bronstein to provide his arm or end up face down on the mat. “I just need a minute,” Bronstein then says. Six officers then flip Bronstein on his chest with one officer’s knee on his neck.

At one point Bronstein starts repeatedly yelling, “I can’t breath.” He then appears unconscious at 4 minutes into the video as a nurse continues to draw blood from him. Bronstein stays face down on the mat for another 5 minutes until an officer rolls him over, lifeless. The nurse then tries to revive him, at one point, repeatedly slapping him in the face.

A judge had ordered the release of the video as part of a federal lawsuit filed against the CHP in December of 2020 according to Michael Carrillo an attorney for the family.

The State Attorney General’s office sought to block the video’s release although last January a Federal Judge granted the request that it be made public. Attorney General Rob Bonta appealed the court but was denied a stay March 10, 2022. According to reports the LA County Coroner’s Office, Bronstein’s cause of death was “acute methamphetamine intoxication during restraint by law enforcement.”

Bronstein was originally taken into custody by CHP officers March 31, 2020 for possible DUI. Attorney, Luis Carrillo said that at the time of the George Floyd tragedy, on May 25, 2020, there was no idea this had also happened to Bronstein two months earlier.

The federal lawsuit alleges excessive force, violation of civil rights. The family is also asking that the officers, and those involved, be charged criminally. **The lawsuit names officers Carlos Villanueva, Christopher Sanchez-Romero, Darren Parsons, Diego Romero, Dusty Osmanson, Eric Voss, Justin Silva, Dionisio Fiorella, Marciel Terry and Sergeant Michael Little.**

LA County District Attorney’s Office said the matter is under review.

City Warned Ordinance Violates State Housing Law

The State Department of Justice warned Tuesday, in a public letter, that Pasadena officials are in violation of State housing laws after adopting an urgency ordinance December 6, that Attorney General Rob Bonta said is designed to circumvent Senate Bill (SB) 9 by exempting “landmark districts.”

According to Bonta, the city’s Ordinance does not satisfy the legal requirements for urgency ordinances under the Government Code. He said it fails to identify “a significant quantifiable, direct, and unavoidable impact, based on objective, independent written public health or safety standards, policies, or conditions.”

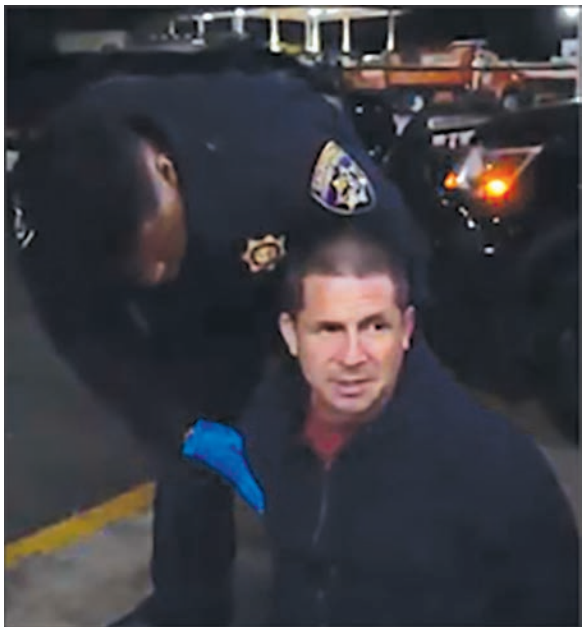
Bonta further said that the city’s Ordinance prohibits the development of SB 9 projects in the city’s landmark districts. He said “landmark district” does not appear in the text of SB 9, “it exempts only landmarks, historic properties, or historic districts.”

Bonta said his office “is aware of local efforts to create new ‘landmark districts’ in Pasadena to avoid SB 9. Pasadena currently has 23 landmark districts.

In the letter, addressed to Pasadena Mayor Victor Gordo, Bonta informed the city it had 30 days from March 15, to take prompt action to repeal and/ or amend the ordinance to be consistent with state law.

According to Bonta the purpose of SB9 is to allow multifamily housing projects, up to four units on existing single-family lots through a lot split. SB9 was passed to address the state’s housing crisis.

Gordo noted that the city’s efforts regarding housing policies have been progressive and responsive to the housing crisis. “We remain committed to doing our part to help address the state’s housing issues,” he said.



Edward Bronstein

'Water is Life' Art Contest

Pasadena Water and Power (PWP) is now accepting submissions for the 2022 Academic Scholarship and the annual “Water is Life” Student Art Contest. As a community-owned utility, PWP takes pride in empowering local youth through educational programs and activities. The goal is to encourage environmental stewardship, resource mindfulness, and community investment through creative exploration.

2022 Academic Scholarship Deadline April 4
PWP is currently accepting essays and applications for the 2022 Academic Scholarship. The deadline to submit is April 4, 2022. Each year, PWP honors two outstanding high school seniors in Pasadena with a scholarship to a two- or four-year accredited, post-secondary institution for the upcoming academic year. The first place scholarships is \$5,000, and second place is \$2,500. To apply, students must write a 300-500 word essay about a topic related to the utility industry. This year’s essay prompt focuses on equitable access to core services, like water and power, and the impact that access has on furthering the field of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). To learn more about the scholarship program, please visit PWPweb.com/Scholarship.

“Water is Life” Art Contest
All K-12 students attending school in Pasadena may now submit artwork for the 2022 “Water is Life” Art Contest. All entries must be submitted by June 30, 2022. Both digital and hand-drawn/painted artwork are welcome! Students can download the contest guidelines and required poster information card at PWPweb.com/ArtContest. Sponsored by PWP and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD), each year participating students submit artwork portraying a water-wise theme, along with a short message about water conservation.

Both programs are open to students attending private or public school in Pasadena, and students must be residents within PWP service territory to qualify. Learn more about these programs, and other PWP educational offerings, by visiting PWPweb.com/Education.

Pasadena Public Health Director Goh Honored as Woman of the Year



State Assemblymember Chris Holden announced Thursday that he has chosen, Dr. Ying Ying Goh (pictured), the City of Pasadena’s Director of Public Health and Health Officer, as the 41st Assembly District’s Woman of the Year.

“I am thrilled to have Dr. Ying Ying Goh as Woman of the Year for the 41st Assembly District,” said Assemblymember Holden. “Her dedication in the face of overwhelming pressure is admirable and deserves to be acknowledged. Dr. Goh has worked tirelessly to get resources to the City of Pasadena and to its residents.”

Goh serves as the City of Pasadena’s Director of Public Health and Health Officer, and is responsible for the overall planning, administration and operation of the Pasadena Public Health Department. In this dual role, Goh also provides medical supervision and direction for city health services and programs, and has the authority to declare public health emergencies and quarantines. Prior to appointment as Director of Public Health, Goh served in various capacities at the Pasadena Public Health Department, as the City’s Health Officer/Deputy Director and also as the

Department’s Medical Director for Programs and Research, securing new grant funding and managing programs related to diabetes care management and childhood obesity prevention. Her professional experience includes clinical pediatric practice; management of a California Endowment task force to improve healthcare access and quality in Los Angeles County; design and implementation of a case management program for seniors with chronic conditions, and research to improve nutrition and physical activity for youth. Goh earned a bachelor’s degree at Stanford University.

In addition to recognizing Dr. Ying Ying Goh as the 41st Assembly District’s Woman of the Year, Holden will recognize a Woman of Distinction from throughout the district include Juanita West-Tillman (Altadena), Cher Ofstedahl (Claremont), Chief Colleen Flores (La Verne), Maritza Flores-Travanti (Monrovia), Elizabeth McSwain, (Rancho Cucamonga), Marilyn Sparks (San Dimas), Bertha Aguirre (Sierra Madre), Cathy Billings (South Pasadena) and Kim Anthony (Upland). Over 150 nominations were sent to Assemblymember Holden for the honor.

“The 2022 Women of Distinction are dedicated leaders who improve the lives for thousands of individuals and families in the 41st Assembly District and beyond,” said Holden. “They demonstrate the power of giving to others and community empowerment, I am honored to be amongst a high caliber of professionals.”

Arroyo Seco Golf Course Temporarily Closed

The Arroyo Seco Golf Course and driving range in South Pasadena are temporarily closed due to wind damage to poles and netting within the driving range and golf course. The city is working to make repairs as soon as possible. The facility will remain temporarily closed until repairs are completed. For further information, contact the Community Services Department at 626-403-

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PWP Community Meeting on Sunset Complex Project



Pasadena Water and Power (PWP) is set to host a community meeting on the Sunset Complex Project on Thursday at 5 p.m. at Robinson Park Recreation Center, 1081 N. Fair Oaks Ave. The meeting will be simulcast via Zoom.

California is in the middle of another drought with water supplies reaching historically low levels. With water supplies becoming scarcer, PWP is looking to address aging water infrastructure and improving local resiliency. The Sunset Reservoirs are one of 14 reservoirs that serve a critical role in the city's drinking water system. The existing Sunset Reservoir site is located at the corner of West Mountain Street and Sunset Avenue, just east of the 210 Freeway. Approximately 25 percent of the city's water demand is served by the Sunset Reservoirs, which have been in service for more than 125 years and are in need of replacing. The proposed Sunset Complex Project improves system reliability to ensure all PWP water customers have access to safe, reliable drinking water.

PWP is proposing to replace the existing reservoirs with two circular concrete storage reservoirs that will be designed to current seismic standards. A new groundwater treatment plant will consist of ion exchange to remove perchlorate; liquid phase granular activated carbon

to remove volatile organic compounds; and a disinfection system. This treatment system will allow PWP to utilize more of the city's groundwater supply. In addition, the project will include emergency power generators to keep the complex in operation in the event of a power outage. Since the project site is adjacent to residential properties, the project proposes aesthetic improvements including new fencing and landscaping.

PWP invites the community to attend this meeting to learn more about the project and proposed improvements based on initial public feedback from prior meetings. For more information about the project and the upcoming meeting, visit: PWPweb.com/SunsetComplex, call (626) 744-4005, or email SunsetComplex@cityofpasadena.net.

PWP provides electricity to more than 65,000 customers within Pasadena. PWP delivers water to nearly 38,000 customers in Pasadena and adjacent communities in the San Gabriel Valley. As a community-owned utility, PWP is a not-for-profit public service owned and operated by the City of Pasadena for the benefit of its customers and the community. Its priorities are reliability, responsiveness to customers, reasonable rates and environmental stewardship.

FIVE ACRES HONORS 2021 COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Altadena based Five Acres announced Thursday board members and recognized its community award recipients at its 134th Annual Meeting and Board Celebration Wednesday. Five Acres staff honored community members and volunteers who demonstrated an unwavering commitment to its mission during the previous year.

These individuals have supported the charity's mission in serving more than 7,000 children and families annually across five counties. The charity offers a full continuum of care for children and families in crisis, including foster care, adoption, deaf services, therapeutic residential care for foster youth, and community-based mental/behavioral health programs.



The individuals recognized were:

In honor of their memory, Gene Gregg and Margaret Sedenquist, Dorothy Cook Lifetime Achievement Award

Florence Nelson, Volunteer of the Year Award

Rustin Mork, Person of the Year Award

Carbon Health and Five Acres Nursing Staff, Special Service to Children

Don Boline, Special Recognition Award

In honor of her memory Melissa Kobe, The Children's Thanks

Paul Maurin, Commitment to Service Award

Five Acres also bids farewell to Don Boline and Rustin Mork, who served their tenure this year. Board members who departed made a mark on the agency's mission. Being a local builder, Boline started on the Building and Grounds Committee before he joined the Board in 2012. He served as the vice chair of administration and last year co-chaired the Gala Committee, galvanizing additional support for Five Acres. Mork started his involvement serving on the golf committee raising funds for the charity until he was recruited to join the Board in the same year as Boline. He chaired the Golf Committee and last served as the vice chair of nominating and audit committees.

The charity also welcomed two new board members: Carol Alexis Chen and Zoe Walrond who join the class of 2022. Chen is a partner and trial lawyer in Winston & Strawn LLP's Los Angeles office. She represents public and private companies, corporate officers, entrepreneurs, and other individuals in high-stakes white collar criminal and complex civil litigation. Carol is heavily involved in community, pro bono, and non-profit board service and various professional

Asian Pacific Asian Women Lawyers Alliance, Southern California Chinese Lawyers Association, and The Mentorship Boardroom, the latter for which she mentors young lawyers in South Africa through virtual meetings.

Walrond comes to the Five Acres board with a background in broadcast journalism. She was a television reporter and anchor for NBC affiliates in Denver and Kansas City, Missouri, and the CBS affiliate in Colorado Springs. She also served as news director of National Public Radio affiliate KCUR-FM in Kansas City, as Morning Edition anchor on NPR affiliate KPCC-FM in Pasadena, and as a contributing reporter for NPR. In addition, Zoe was a news anchor on all-news radio station KFWB in Los Angeles. As an adjunct professor at Cal Poly Humboldt, formerly known as Humboldt State, she taught journalism and radio production and was faculty advisor to the university's award-winning student radio station.

The charity's new executive committee are Susan McGuirl, chair; Shoshana Puccia, secretary; Jason Melillo, vice chair, finance/investment; Chris Selak, vice chair, advancement; Grace Russak, vice chair, nominating; Chris Kerns, vice chair, audit and past board chair; and Kirsten Hansen, vice chair, administration.

"We honor, recognize, and appreciate all of our wonderful awardees, departing board members, new board members, and new executive committee, who have been an asset to the impact and growth of Five Acres," said Chanel Boutakidis, Five Acres chief executive officer. To learn more, visit 5acres.org.

Photo New Five Acres Board Members Carol Chen and Zoe Walrond | Photo courtesy of Five Acres

San Marino Upcoming Events and Programming

East Meets West: Positive Parent – Understanding the Teen World Saturday, March 26 at 1 PM at the Barth Community Room, Library

This multicultural parent club presents professionals who share their knowledge and pass on skills to local parents on how to raise their children in an international and competitive world. Although this program is presented in English, Mandarin interpreters will be present. Registration is not required.

Spring Break Activities for Youth and Teens Week of April 4

Looking to stay busy during Spring Break? The Recreation Division has three activities planned, including theme park trips for teens, a week-long spring break camp, and a

Crayola® arts camp! For more information, see page 10 of the Spring Community Services Guide or call the Recreation Division at (626) 403-2200.

Senior Trip – Carlsbad Flower Fields Tuesday, April 19 from 9:30 AM – 5:30 PM

Cost: \$118

For over sixty years, Mother Nature has transformed the rolling hills of North San Diego County into one of the most spectacular and coordinated displays of natural color and beauty anywhere in the world. Join us to see the fifty acres of Giant Tecolote Ranunculus flowers that make up the Flower Fields. Prior to arriving at the Flower Fields, we will have lunch at Hunter's Steak House. Register by April 1 online or call the Recreation Division at (626) 403-2200.

ARCADIA/MONROVIA-DUARTE

ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, March 6th through Saturday, March 12th, the Police Department responded to 870 calls for service, of which 102 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of some of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, March 6:

1. At 1:27 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 300 block of East Camino Real Avenue regarding a burglary report. The officer discovered unidentified suspect(s) smashed a rear window, ransacked the home, and fled with an undetermined amount of property. The crime occurred sometime between February 27th and March 6th.

2. At 1:27 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 400 block of Santa Clara Street regarding a theft report. Surveillance footage captured the suspect steal a tool from the rear steps of the victim's residence. The suspect is described as a Hispanic male, 5'7" tall, 140 pounds, with a medium complexion and wearing a grey Adidas baseball hat and a grey t-shirt over a yellow sweater.

Monday, March 7:

3. At 11:29 a.m., an officer responded to Public Storage, located at 12340 Lower Azusa Road, regarding an

attempted vehicle burglary. Surveillance footage revealed the suspect entered the secured parking lot through a pedestrian gate. Once inside, the suspect attempted to enter the victim's car by opening the car door. The door was locked, and the suspect fled empty-handed. He is described as a Hispanic male, between 40 and 50-years-old, with a heavy build, dark hair, and seen wearing a dark blue hooded jacket, a blue t-shirt, grey shorts, and black shoes.

4. At 4:00 p.m., an officer responded to Arcadia 210 Self Storage, located at 324 North Second Avenue, regarding a burglary report. The victim determined his storage unit was broken into and ransacked between March 5th and 7th. The loss is unknown.

8. At 2:36 p.m., an officer responded to Hugo Reid Elementary School, located at 1000 Hugo Reid Drive, regarding a driver potentially under the influence. Officers located the vehicle, conducted an enforcement stop, and detected the odor of alcohol emitting from the female driver. The officers determined the female was under the influence of an alcoholic beverage while driving a vehicle. The suspect also had her child in the car. The 48-year-old female from Arcadia was arrested and transported to the Pasadena City Jail for booking.

DUARTE POLICE BLOTTER

Crime Blotter for the Week of March 6 - 12, 2022. The following is a synopsis of crimes reported for the week of March 6 - 12, 2022:

March 6, 2022

- Grand Theft: 1600 block of Delford Avenue - Between March 5, 2022, 7 PM and March 6, 2022, 6 AM, suspect(s) unknown stole the catalytic converter to the victims parked vehicle a silver 2013 Toyota Prius. Loss was approximately \$2,000. No surveillance video available.
- Petty Theft: 1060 Huntington Drive (Denny's) - On March 6, 2022 between 7 PM and 9:30 PM, suspect(s) unknown entered the victims unlocked vehicle a white 2016 Honda Civic. Suspect(s) unknown stole miscellaneous items. Loss was approximately \$600. No surveillance video available.
- Grand Theft: 1450 Mountain Avenue (Harbor Freight) On March 6, 2022, at 5:55 PM, a male black adult in his 50s, wearing a gray jacket and black pants entered the location and went directly to the area of the store where electric generators are displayed. The suspect selected two generators and placed them onto a dolly and walked them out the store without attempting to purchase the items. Once the suspect was out-

side, he placed the stolen items into a white Ford F150 and left the location. Loss was approximately \$1,500. Video surveillance available.

March 9, 2022

- Grand Theft: 1427 Random Lane - Between March 5, 2022, at 12 PM and March 9, 2022, 6 AM, suspect(s) unknown stole the catalytic converter to the victims parked vehicle a white 2016 Chevy Silverado. Loss was approximately \$1,000. No surveillance video available.
- March 10, 2022
- Grand Theft: 1131 Central Avenue (Carmax) - On March 11, 2022, at 4 AM, two unknown suspects stole the catalytic converters to two parked vehicles in the locations parking lot, one from a brown 2021 Toyota Tundra and another from a black 2019 Toyota Tundra. Loss was approximately \$2,000. No surveillance video available.
- March 12, 2022
- Burglary (residential): 400 Block of Mel Canyon Road Between January 16, 2022, 12 AM, and March 12, 2022, 11:50 PM, suspect(s) unknown entered the location through an unsecured window. Once inside suspect(s) unknown ransacked the residence and stole unknow items. Loss is unknown currently. Surveillance video not available.

METHODIST HOSPITAL - ARCADIA TO PARTNER WITH USC

Methodist Hospital of Southern California is Arcadia's hospital. But it is about to be even bigger. Join Bryan Green, Director of Marketing and Business Development at Methodist Hospital, as he tells us about the partnership with USC. He will join the Arcadia Community Coordinating Council meeting on April 4, 2022. Since 2015, Brian has overseen the marketing, public relations and community outreach activities at Methodist Hospital of Southern California in Arcadia. Brian is also a past president and current Executive Board Member with the Arcadia Chamber of Commerce, which includes more than 500 members throughout the local business community.

Brian began his career as a newspaper reporter, including serving as Business Section Editor of the San Gabriel Valley Tribune, before embarking on a career in corporate communications and marketing. Brian earned a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, where he was named as the "Outstanding Senior in Journalism" upon graduation. Brian resides in Monrovia with his wife Laura and 14-year-old son Cameron. Brian is an avid baseball fan and for the past 10 years, he has served as a volunteer Little League coach and manager in Monrovia, Sierra Madre and Arcadia.

To learn more about the Methodist Hospital/USC partnership, join the Arcadia Community Coordinating Council on April 4, 2022.



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Meeting Location & Information:
Monday, April 4, 2022
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MONROVIA JUNE 7TH ELECTION

On March 16, the nomination period for the Municipal Election on June 7 closed. Monrovia's will be voting for the position of mayor, two city council members, city clerk, city treasurer and Measure RM. The City Clerk's Office hosts a webpage where you can find information about the election, view candidate disclosures and learn more about the election. In addition, candidate statements, as well as arguments for and against Measure RM, will soon be available for review.

The list of candidates for municipal offices, in the order their names will appear on the ballot as directed by the California Secretary of State, is as follows -

For Mayor -

Becky Shevlin
Stephen Grollneck

For City Council -

Larry Spicer
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Tamala Kelly
Edward Belden
Sergio Jiminez
Genia Mills

For City Clerk -

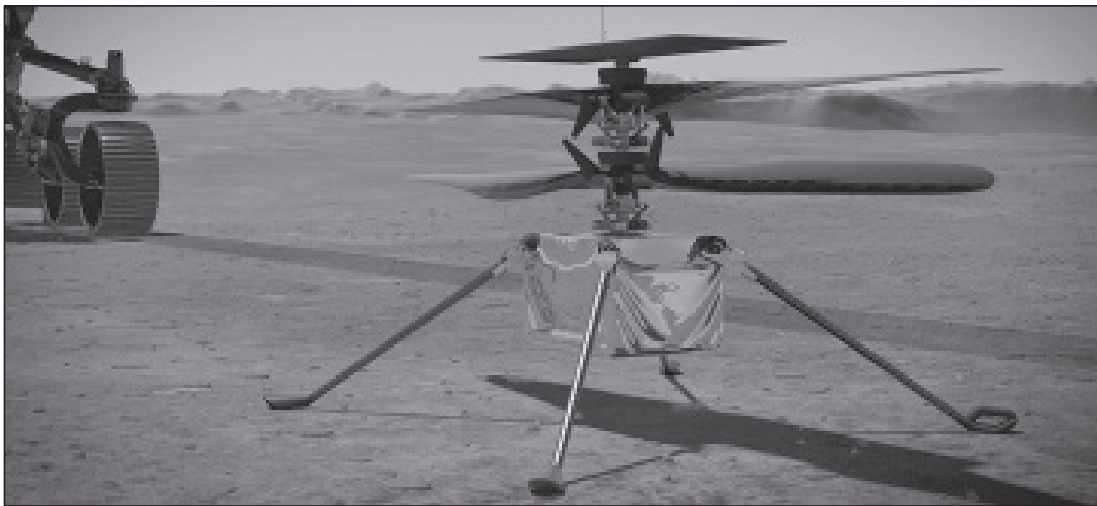
Alice Atkins

For City Treasurer -

Stephen R. Baker

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NASA EXTENDS INGENUITY HELICOPTER MISSION ON MARS



NASA announced Tuesday that the agency has extended flight operations of the Ingenuity Mars Helicopter through September. In the months ahead, history's first aircraft to operate from the surface of another world will support the Perseverance rover's upcoming science campaign exploring the ancient river delta of Jezero Crater. Along the way, it will continue testing its own capabilities to support the design of future Mars air vehicles.

The announcement comes on the heels of the rotorcraft's 21st successful flight, the first of at least three needed for the helicopter to cross the northwest portion of a region known as "Séítah" and reach its next staging area.

"Less than a year ago we didn't even know if powered, controlled flight of an aircraft at Mars was possible," said Thomas Zurbuchen, the associate administrator of NASA's Science Mission Directorate. "Now, we are looking forward to Ingenuity's involvement in Perseverance's second science campaign. Such a transformation of mindset in such a short period is simply amazing, and one of the most historic in the annals of air and space exploration."

Ingenuity's new area of operations is entirely different from the modest, relatively flat terrain it has been flying over since its first flight last April. Several miles wide and formed by an ancient river, the fan-shaped delta rises more than 130 feet (40 meters) above the crater floor. Filled with jagged cliffs, angled surfaces, projecting boulders, and sand-filled pockets that could stop a rover in its tracks (or upend a helicopter upon landing), the delta promises to hold numerous geologic revelations – perhaps even the proof necessary to determine that microscopic life once existed on Mars billions of years ago.

Upon reaching the delta, Ingenuity's first orders will be to help determine which of two dry river channels Perseverance should take when it's time to climb to the top of the delta. Along with routing assistance, data provided by the helicopter will help the Perseverance team assess potential science targets. Ingenuity may even be called upon to image geologic features too far afield (or outside of the rover's traversable zone), or perhaps scout landing zones and caching sites for the Mars Sample Return program.

"The Jezero river delta campaign will be the biggest challenge the Ingenuity team faces since first flight at Mars," said Teddy Tzanetos, Ingenuity team lead at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Southern California. "To enhance our chances of success, we have increased the

size of our team and are making upgrades to our flight software geared toward improving operational flexibility and flight safety."

Higher Flights

Several of these upgrades have led to reduced navigation errors during flight, which increases both flight and landing safety. A recent software change already on the rotorcraft frees Ingenuity from its previously programmed maximum altitude of 50 feet (15 meters). The altitude gains could result in incremental increases in both air speed and range. A second upgrade allows Ingenuity to change airspeed as it flies. Another enables it to better understand and adjust to changes in terrain texture during flight. Future software upgrades may include adding terrain elevation maps into the navigation filter and a landing-hazard-avoidance capability.

Before aerial reconnaissance of the delta can begin, Ingenuity has to complete its journey to the area. Scheduled for no earlier than March 19, Ingenuity's next flight will be a complex journey, about 1,150 feet (350 meters) in length, that includes a sharp bend in its course to avoid a large hill. After that, the team will determine whether two or three more flights will be required to complete the crossing of northwest Séítah.

The first experimental flight on another world took place on April 19, 2021, and lasted 39.1 seconds. After another four flights, six more minutes in the air, and traveling a total distance of 1,637 feet (499 meters), NASA transitioned Ingenuity into an operations demonstration phase, testing its ability to provide an aerial dimension to the Perseverance mission. With the completion of Flight 21, the rotorcraft has logged over 38 minutes aloft and traveled 2.9 miles (4.64 kilometers). As Ingenuity pushes farther into uncharted territory, these numbers will inevitably go up, and previous flight records will more than likely fall.

"This upcoming flight will be my 22nd entry in our logbook," said Ingenuity chief pilot Håvard Grip of JPL. "I remember thinking when this all started, we'd be lucky to have three entries and immensely fortunate to get five. Now, at the rate we're going, I'm going to need a second book."

The Mars 2020 Perseverance mission is part of NASA's Moon to Mars exploration approach, which includes Artemis missions to the Moon that will help prepare for human exploration of the Red Planet.

For more information about Ingenuity visit: mars.nasa.gov/technology/helicopter.

LA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH:

WORKPLACE SAFETY MEASURES PROTECT WORKERS AND CUSTOMERS

A key priority post-surge is to ensure workers have protection from devastating consequences associated with COVID-19 illness by preventing spread at worksites.

Current metrics indicate that businesses and worksites are seeing fewer outbreaks. Since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total 2,641 workplace outbreaks (excluding health-care, residential and educational sites). As of March 16, there were 53 active outbreaks, down from the week prior when there were 64 active outbreaks. Further, there were only two new outbreaks for the week ending March 16.

This improvement reflects the lower rate of COVID-19 transmission in the community and a dedicated effort by many businesses and worksites to utilize strategies that protect workers and customers.

As a reminder, employers are required to offer free medical grade masks and respirators (N95, KN95, KF94) to employees working indoors in close contact with other workers, customers, and/or members of the public at all sites where masking indoors is optional. At worksites where masking remains required, employers need to provide employees with free, well-fitting medical masks.

Employers are also obligated to offer testing free of charge during work hours to any employee exposed to COVID-19 at work.

In order to reduce transmission at worksites, employers are required to report any cluster of worksite COVID-19 cases to the Department of Public Health. A cluster is three (3) or more laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19 at the worksite within a 14-day period. Reports to Public Health should be made as soon as possible and no later than 48 hours after reports or knowledge of at least three cases. Worksites can report a cluster to Public Health online or by phone: 1-888-397-3993. If Public Health determines that there is an outbreak at a worksite, employees are required to mask both indoors and outdoors if they can't be socially distanced from each other, and during an outbreak, employees should be provided with free respirators.

Given the need for employees to take time off if they have COVID-related illness or need to care for someone in their family, public and private employers with 26 or more employees are required by the 2022 COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave, to provide covered employees with up to 80 hours of COVID-19 related paid leave.

To date, most employers have followed public health guidance and implemented measures to protect their workers, customers, and visitors. However, workers concerned about possible COVID-19 or other workplace safety concerns, or that an employer may not be following the County Health Officer Order or other requirements, have several options for filing a complaint. To file a complaint with Public Health, which can be submitted anonymously, workers can call the Environmental Health Customer Call Center at (888) 700-9995 or click on the "Report a Problem" at www.ph.lacounty.gov/eh. To file a complaint with Cal/OSHA about employee safety, workplace safety, or hazardous conditions, workers can call (833) 579-0927 or call or email the local Cal/OSHA Enforcement Office that serves the location of the job site.

"While we are all enjoying having the surge behind us, many front-line workers, with dozens of worksite exposures each day, remain at higher risk and are worried about becoming infected and possibly spreading COVID-19 to others. We ask that everyone continue to layer in, as appropriate, protections for our workforce members who have, throughout the pandemic, taken on personal risk to provide all of us with essential services. I encourage residents to help protect the thousands of front-line workers who are at elevated risk by supporting those businesses who properly protect their workers," said Dr. Barbara Ferrer, PhD, MPH, MEd, Director of Public Health.

There are 471 people with COVID-19 currently hospitalized. Testing results are available for more than 11,587,700 individuals, with 22% of people testing positive.

A wide range of data and dashboards on COVID-19 from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health are available on the Public Health website at <http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov>

COVID 19 Cases - It's Not Over Yet!

WHERE WE ARE W/E 3/18/22 VERSUS LAST WEEK (3/12/22)
Cases/Deaths are still occurring especially among the unvaccinated.

| Cases | This Week | (03/18/22) | Deaths | This Week (03/12/22) |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------|----------------------|
| LA County | 2,820,159 | (2,808,409) | | 31,443 (31,178) |

LA COUNTY VACCINATIONS AS OF 03/18/2022 (Fully)

| | Adults 12+ | 87.6% | Seniors 99.1% |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------|------------------|
| (Last Week) | Cases | Deaths | Fully Vaccinated |
| Arcadia | 7,914 (7,869) | 164 (163) | 90.5% |
| Altadena | 8257 (8208) | 95 (94) | 82.7% |
| Bradbury | 65 (64) | 0 (0) | 71.6% |
| Duarte | 5,129 (5,106) | 119 (119) | 84.0% |
| Monrovia | 8,179 (8,144) | 101 (100) | 81.0% |
| Pasadena | 27,943 (27,817) | 408 (405) | 85.4% |
| Sierra Madre | 1,504 (1497) | 20 (20) | 89.2% |
| So.Pasadena | 3,942 (3920) | 60 (59) | 94.3% |

The Chef Knows By Peter Dills

THE ANSWER IS YES

In this part of the world the Smith Brothers are King, at least in the San Gabriel Valley. If you don't know them, they own and operate some very classy restaurants, and have been doing so for quite some time. Parkway Grill, Smitty's and Arroyo Chop House are on their current roster, and a few years back Parkway Grill was dubbed "the Spago of the East" in the Zagat guide.



They must be doing something right and I think I have the answer – no, not like "what's the secret of life" from the movie with Jack Palance playing Curly in City Slickers. It's the service! Now, as the name suggests, the menu at Arroyo Chop House is all about the steak. According to the menu, it's the only restaurant in the two Valleys that offers 100% Prime beef for all steaks on menu- big words with Arnie Mortons, Taylors and The Royce an earshot away.

The menu features a Tomahawk so big that even after the beef is off the bone it's still 30 ounces. In addition, you'll find traditional entrees such as filet mignon, rib eye and other steaks. Is it expensive? Yes. Is it worth it? Every time. My visit was on a Sunday night and it was a birthday celebration (yes, for me the "Chopper" is a special occasion type of joint, not too big and as of this writing you can still eat outdoors). Anyway, since I'd just had a steak at a friend's BBQ Friday night, I was pleased when our server mentioned the Chilean Sea Bass, so that's what I eagerly ordered. I felt the sea bass needed another minute on the fire, and I always hesitate ordering seafood on a weekend for the reason of storage, but rest assured you'll have no problems at a busy restaurant.

What else? We started off with bread and the BBQ shrimp salad - all good!! Asparagus and broccolini filled the appetizer dance card portion of the evening.

The best part of the meal? It really was the service. Our server Christopher was absolute greatness. I believe it's my second go-round with him - I never heard the word NO. Can we split a salad? Yes. No cheese? Absolutely! Sauce on the side? YES. The night was perfect! The champagne flutes were never empty, he gave us a heads up ordering dessert, and he gave us the specials of the night completely from memory. Flawless !!

What to get? Many good choices you'll be happy but make sure your server is Christopher!!

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ANNUAL DAN STOVER MUSIC CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED



Dan Stover Music Contest Participants Claire Mathewson, Emma Mathewson, Lola Waters, Iona Hitz, and William Garabedian

The Rotary Club of Sierra Madre held its annual Dan Stover Music Contest for local high school students on Sunday, March 13th, at 3 PM. Participants included Lola Waters on Guitar from LaSalle High School, Emma Mathewson on piano from CS Arts-SVG, Claire Mathewson on flute from Arcadia High School, William Garabedian on guitar from St. Francis High School, and Iona Hitz on guitar from Oakwood High School.

The winner was Emma Mathewson who performed "Argentina Dances" by Alberto Ginastera. Emma will be attending St. Olaf College in Minnesota in the fall and will major in music and math. She will continue to compete at the Rotary Dan Stover Music Contest Area level in April, and possibly progress to the Regional and District Levels to win scholarship monies.

Second place went to Lola Waters on the guitar who performed "Say Yes" by Elliott Smith.

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CHRISTOPHER Nyerges
CONSIDERING THOREAU



[Nyerges is an educator and author of many books, such as “Squatter in Los Angeles,” from which this column is derived. Information about his books and classes can be found at www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com.]

During a year and a half period, beginning in 1977, I lived as a squatter in a small cinder block house, whose ownership was being held up in probate court. It was on a large plot of land, and because it was at the end of a dead-end street, neighbors were barely aware that the place was there.

I wrote about that period of my life in my book, “Squatter in Los Angeles: Life on the Edge,” which can be obtained from Amazon as a Kindle book, or ordered as a hard copy book.

During that period of my life, I derived great pleasure from experimenting and learning all the ways I could provide for my daily needs, and even my wants, using things that I made, grew, found on the property, or obtained from discards. I had two “roommates,” and though our lives intersected, I was free to try things and experiment and live a very simple life. Simple, but not easy, and basic, but not without its challenges.

I read Thoreau’s Walden Pond for the first time during this period, and found my state of mind frequently resonating with the basics themes in the book. Remember, Thoreau wasn’t a bum, or a drop-out, or an alcoholic. Actually, for that matter, he was no squatter either, for the land where he was given permission to do his “experiment” was owned by fellow writer and friend Ralph Waldo Emerson. Thoreau built for himself a little house (a “shack” by most accounts), and did a lot of his writing there. He stayed there by himself, probably realizing even back then that many commercial interests in our society vie for our time and money, finding ever-more clever ways to convince us that we need objects which previous millennia of humans survived without.

It would be accurate to say that Thoreau – like me – was profoundly interested in the very meaning of life and wanted to discover the point of all the rushing about to get somewhere. Unable to discover these answers in his town, Thoreau built and moved into his little shack in the woods and learned how to grow the food that he ate, and found it nourishing and satisfying. He also ate purslane, an import from the old world, which even then was common throughout the eastern United States in tilled soil. He wrote “I learned that a man may use as simple a diet as the animals, and yet retain health and strength. I have made a satisfactory dinner off a dish of purslane which I gathered and boiled. Yet men have come to such a pass that they frequently starve, not from want of necessities, but for want of luxuries.” Indians and trappers would visit and talk, and somehow through this unprejudiced intercourse, he found that all people were more alike than different, and a life lived for purely material reasons is a life wasted.


I found myself in a similar setting, though it wasn’t in the woods but a ruralish part of Los Angeles. There was purslane and chickweed growing right outside my door. I had no pond nearby, but I did manage to get over the Arroyo Seco which was as close to my personal Walden Pond as I felt I would get.

At night, thinking over the day’s classes and studies, typing up my notes and insights, I often ruminated over how life should be lived, and wondered why we take up so much time and waste so much of life on trivial pursuits. I felt that it was important to live simply, to grow food, to discover nature’s secrets, and to find answers through thinking and through research. I wondered why others did not think like me. And with the purslane growing right in my yard, I could eat it for lunch in my salad and fancy myself some sort of urban Thoreau as I thought over these ideas.

I did learn some years later when Thoreau was mentioned by the academics he was regarded as a brilliant intellectual who discovered the simple reality that was right in front of everyone. Be here now. Imagine. The kingdom is within. Which is why I naturally assumed that his own peers would have regarded him as a saint and savior. Wrong! I have actually spoken to descendants of Thoreau’s peers and they said that in the day, Thoreau was by no means universally respected. Rather, many regarded him as a bum, an outsider, someone who had rejected society to hang out with the Indians in the woods. I was starting to see that there were more parallels with me and Thoreau than were originally apparent.


So I did my best – though not always successfully – to not be seen as a freeloading bum who chose not to work and who just sat around listening to the birds and who saw secret messages in the clouds.

Katnip News!



SHE’S A LOVE!

Meet CRICKET, age 5. This friendly and affectionate little girl is purrfect! She’s not only beautiful, being a shiny, satiny, soft furred feline, she’s also alert, very smart, and loves to play! Cricket has a sleek athletic body, like a mini-panther! She would love to have a fun kitty companion, as she gets along very well with other cats, too. We can suggest one, or maybe you already have a friendly resident cat. Cricket will make someone a wonderful, playful com-panion. As do all of our cats, Cricket will come spayed, healthy, current on vaccines, and microchipped. We have a March Madness discount of \$25 off the adoption fee plus receive one of our popular fresh catnip socks. Find the adoption application on our website where you’ll also find more adorable pix of Cricket. www.lifelineforpets.org.



Pet of the Week

Three-year-old Blaze is a high-energy dog who loves people and being active! His hobbies include playing fetch with a ball and watching television. Blaze can be strong on a leash, so he needs someone who can continue teaching him his leash manners – and match his playful, energetic personality. Blaze would do best as the only pet in the home so he can give you all his love!

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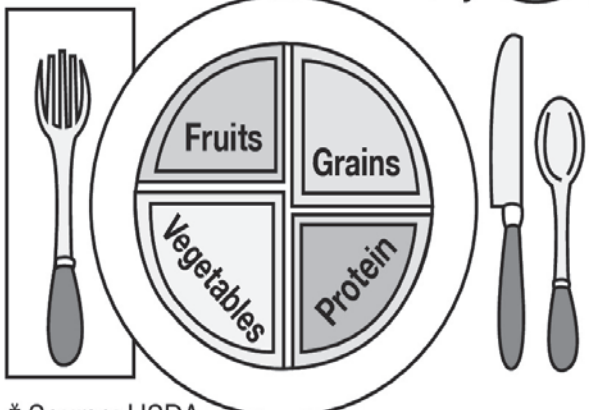
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Kids: color stuff in!

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Did you notice that the area for “vegetables” is the largest on this plate?



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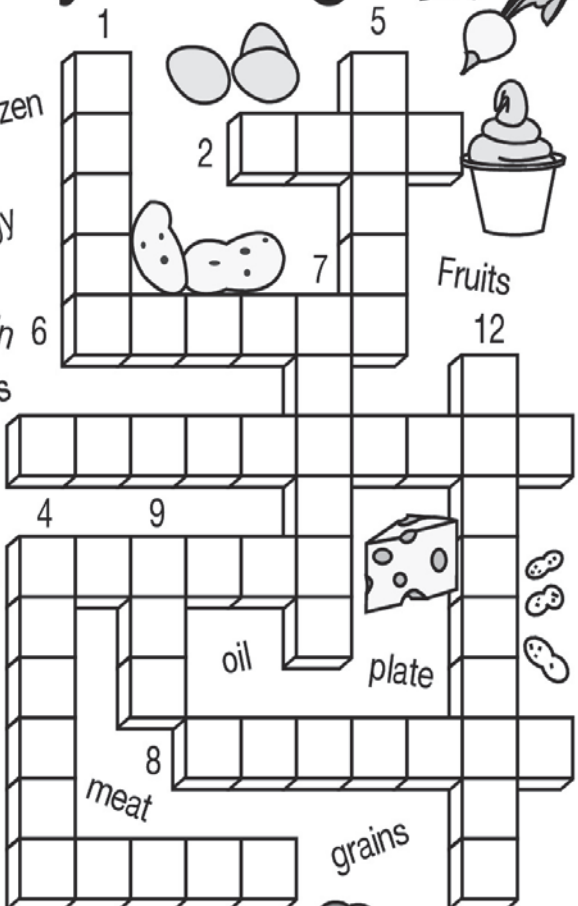
Read the clues to fill in the puzzle:

- The four areas of the _____ show you how much of each food group you should eat.
- Choose foods from each food group every day: fruits, vegetables, _____ and beans, grains and dairy.
- The area for _____ is the largest: carrots, peas, spinach, green beans, potatoes, squash.
- _____ and vegetables are loaded with vitamins A and C for good skin, eyes and healing.
- _____ products made from low-fat milk have calcium for building strong bones and teeth.
- Foods in the grain group have carbohydrates that give you _____.
- Whole _____ have more fiber, so try whole-wheat noodles or pizza crust.
- _____ to build muscles comes from meat, fish, beans and nuts.
- Some fat is needed for your body and brain to run well. Choose an _____ rather than fats that are solid.
- We can buy fresh vegetables and fruits or ones that were _____ or canned right after picking – they are all nutritious.
- Choose snacks that have less fat or salt, and cereals with less _____.
- When you eat out, choose the _____ meals on the menu.

Good Nutrition - Healthy Living

Have you seen and used the “food plate”? It is a simple way to tell with one look if you are eating about the right amount of food from each of the food groups at meals. The plate is divided into four parts to show serving sizes for fruits, vegetables, grains and foods that have proteins. The dairy (like me – milk!) is added on the side. Are you choosing healthy amounts of foods that will provide the nutrition you need to grow and be healthy?

Remember that everyone is different and that is O.K.! So, feel good and be happy. Work on reaching *your* own goals.



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Pop Quiz!

Read the three statements and circle “a” or “b”.

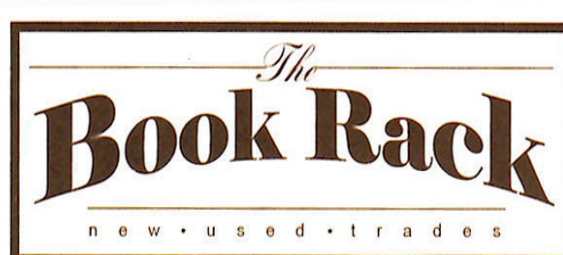
- Fish and turkey have lots of
a. vitamins & fiber
b. protein
- Broccoli and carrots have lots of
a. vitamin A & C
b. fat
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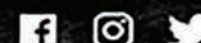
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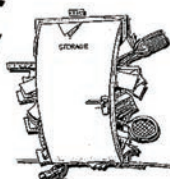
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HISTORY TELLS US TO TAKE TYRANTS LIKE
PUTIN SERIOUSLY

The world seemed surprised when Hitler annexed the Sudetenland of Czechoslovakia in 1938. More surprised when he invaded Poland in 1939 and flabbergasted when he marched into the Soviet Union in 1941.

Never underestimate the ambitions of an evil tyrant.

Perhaps the West thought Vladimir Putin was bluffing about invading Ukraine. If so, the U.S. and its NATO allies are lousy poker players.

History tells us that the only deterrent to evil despots is strength. This is the nature of bullies. Why the Biden administration, and President Biden himself on more than one occasion, told the world, including Putin, that he would not use American force in defense of Ukraine was as baffling as it was irresponsible. Force and the threat of force are two different things.

It is certainly understandable why we would want to do everything possible to stay out of a shooting war with Russia. But saying so out loud amounted to a calligraphed invitation to Putin to move forward.

Think of it this way. If I was in a boxing match but was unable to use my left hand because it was broken, I wouldn't tell my opponent before the fight, "By the way, I can't punch with my left hand," even though I had no intention of using my left.

Even as Ukrainians were dying and fleeing the country, the U.S. and its allies still felt the need to reemphasize their commitment to military passivity.

"We are not going to move into Ukraine, either on the ground or in the airspace," NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg said earlier this month in Brussels. "We understand the desperation but also believe if we did that we'd end up in something that could end up in a full-fledged war in Europe involving many more countries."

On March 16, Ukrainian president Volodymyr Zelensky begged President Biden to be the "leader of the world." It's a shame he had to ask.

Biden responded to Zelensky's impassioned plea with an additional \$800 million in aid, including weaponry, and by calling Putin a "war criminal." Biden continues to pass on Zelensky's ask for a NATO-enforced no-fly zone and fighter jets. We've apparently learned nothing from history. The west took a similar posture in the late 1930s and early 1940s, which resulted in "a full-fledged war in Europe involving many more countries."

President Franklin D. Roosevelt, knowing the American public didn't have the appetite for another foreign war, made a political calculation to stay out of it, even while Great Britain was being bombed into oblivion. Prime Minister Winston Churchill begged Roosevelt for help, but to no avail. Roosevelt sent material but stayed out of the fight, until Pearl Harbor forced his hand.

Of course, we have no way of knowing whether Putin would have invaded Ukraine had Biden or our allies taken a harder rhetorical line. He may have. But it's difficult to imagine that Putin wouldn't at least have had some pause if he feared reprisal from the west. Putin saw an opening and he swung hard. He isn't stupid. Nor do I believe, as some have suggested, he's crazy or detached from reality. He knows exactly what he's doing and he's already told the world why he's doing it. Let's not let him off the hook by medicalizing his bad behavior.

If you believe media reports and the U.S. State Department, it's possible that Putin underestimated both his military wherewithal and the Ukrainians willingness to fight. If this is true, one could make an argument that if, in fact, the Russian military is in disarray, Putin would be far less inclined to tangle with the U.S. and its NATO allies, even if we took a more aggressive posture in helping Ukraine defend itself.

The humane thing to do is to help a sovereign nation defend itself against an invader who, if victorious, will only feel emboldened to initiate further aggression.

Andrei Kozyrev, former Russian foreign minister, said this week that Putin's ambitions include all of Eastern Europe, with intent to "attack, to pressure, to intimidate other countries, including members of NATO."

In response, the first thing the U.S. and NATO should do is believe him.

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PUT THE LIGHTS ON
THE PROBLEM WITH PREDICTIONS

Yeah, the problem with predictions is that they are so frequently wrong and yet so hard to give up. For the past two weeks my columns have predicted that the President of the Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelensky, would be vilified by history. I was certain that his refusal to accede to the takeover of his country by Russia would be understood to have been the cause of huge unnecessary destruction and losses of life. I had believed in the correctness of the news presentations which said that the takeover was a forgone conclusion and that resistance, although praiseworthy in its defense of democratic and humanitarian ideals was completely futile. Based on these assumptions I reasoned that the only intelligent thing that Zelensky could have done was to allow the annexation of his country and to then try and bring about some humanist reform within Russia.

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On The Lighter Side Of The News This Week: Kind of!

RICH JOHNSON NOW THAT'S RICH
TRANSLATION FAUX PAUS

Let's take a peek this week, into how foreign countries mistranslate phrases into English for our benefit:

Sign in a London department store: "Bargain Basement Upstairs."

In a Budapest zoo: "Please do not feed the animals. If you have any suitable food, give it to the guard on duty."

Sign in Egyptian hotel: "If you require room service, please open door and shout, 'room service!'"

A sign in a Paris hotel elevator: "Please leave your values at the front desk." (Someone get me a flight there quick.)

A sign in a Athens hotel: "Visitors are expected to complain at the office between the hours of 9am and 11am daily."

A Hong Kong supermarket sign: "For your convenience we recommend courteous, efficient self-service." (They go all out don't they?)

A Hong Kong tailor shop "Ladies may have a fit upstairs."

A Paris dress shop sign: "Dresses for street walking."

A Norwegian cocktail lounge: "Ladies are requested not to have children in the bar." (Seems reasonable.)

A Majorcan shop entrance: "English well talking," and "Here speaking American."

Another Japanese hotel sign: "Please to bathe inside the tub."

Spotted in a toilet in a London office block: "Toilet out of order. Please use floor below."

We don't even have to leave the good ol' USA to get a few funnies:

Outside a pawn shop: "We exchange anything - bicycles, washing machines etc. Why not bring your wife along and get a wonderful bargain?"

Outside a photographer's studio: "Out to lunch: If not back by five, out for dinner also."

Notice in a rural field: "The farmer allows walkers to cross the field for free, but the bull charges."

A favorite of mine over the years was this suggestion in a small town newspaper regarding bottle feeding your infant: "When the baby is done drinking it should be unscrewed and placed under a cool tap. If the baby does not thrive on fresh milk, it should be boiled." (I suspect not to be taken literally.)

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MANUEL A TRUCKING 10320 S SPRING STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90003. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MANUEL A. AREVALO 10320 S SPRING STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90003. This Business is conducted by AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MANUEL A. AREVALO, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 02/08/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above

on 12/2019. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: FLAMINGO SERVICES 8355 BALBOA BLVD APT 50, NORTHBRIDGE, CA 91325. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JOSHUA ANDRE ESTRADA ESQUIVEL, 8355 BALBOA BLVD APT 50, NORTHBRIDGE, CA 91325. This Business is conducted by AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JOSHUA ANDRE ESTRADA ESQUIVEL, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 02/08/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/2022. 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
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 202222156
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ANGELS STORE 1900 BEVERLY BLVD, LOS ANGEES, CA 90057. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MA GUADALUPE RAMOS FIGUEROA 153 GLENDALE BLVD., APT. 303, LOS ANGELES, CA 90026. This Business is conducted by AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MA GUADALUPE RAMOS FIGUEROA, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/31/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/2017. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2022021919
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GALAXIA SERVICES 19626 VENTURA BLVD 229, TARZANA, CA 91356. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GALAXIA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS & ACCOUNTING SERVICES, INC. 19626 VENTURA BLVD 229, TARZANA, CA 91356. This Business is conducted by A CORPORATION. Signed: GALAXIA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS & ACCOUNTING SERVICES, INC., EDUARDO A FUNEZ OROZCO, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/31/2022. 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: ES Mountain Views News
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2022015411
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: JS CONSTRUCTION CREW 16434 LOST CANYON ROAD CANYON COUNTRY, CA 91387. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ELIGIO MACIAS LEANDRO 16434 LOST CANYON ROAD CANYON COUNTRY, CA 91387. This Business is conducted by AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ELIGIO MACIAS LEANDRO, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/24/2022. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/2021. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News
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Inland Desert Region (909) 484-0167
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Alternate communication methods are available upon request. If reasonable accommodation is needed, contact the Department of Fish and Wildlife, (916) 322-8911 or the California Relay Service serving deaf and hearing-impaired residents using TTY/TDD phones, and speech-impaired callers at (800) 735-2929.



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Albert Einstein's fight for the successful recognition of his theories has had a profound effect on how people around the world have lived their lives in the 20th and 21st Centuries. EINSTEIN! the show endows the pursuit of scientific truth with the propulsive force of a gripping thriller.

As EINSTEIN! begins, we are introduced to the ghost of Albert Einstein (1879-1955), who briefly muses on his status as a pop culture icon before hurling the audience with him into the past, 1914 to be exact. The world has just entered the first global war, and Einstein (age 35 at this time) is struggling with his greatest achievement, his Theory of Relativity. He is opposed by adversaries coming up with their own Relativity theories, as well as members of the scientific establishments who are dismissive of Einstein's efforts. Some don't buy into the theory. Others reject it out of hand due to pure antisemitism.

His obsession with his work impacts his family, with a destructive effect on his marriage to his Serbian wife Mileva, also a scientist. It negatively affects his ability to be a proper father to his children, especially his adoring son, Hans Albert.

Jack Fry is the playwright and performer, and embodies all the characters in the narrative. He is also known for his solo show They Call Me Mister Fry, about his experiences as a young teacher in South Central Los Angeles. He has also appeared in a number of independent films.

Tom Blomquist directs. He has been a director, producer and writer on many classic television favorites, among them Swamp Thing, Christy, Walker

Texas Ranger, The A-Team, Farscape, many more.

EINSTEIN! has won awards at the Hollywood Fringe Festival and the London (Ontario) Fringe Festival and has received numerous critical accolades. Tracey Paleo of the Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle called it “an especially moving and nuanced performance that is so inescapably real, it's almost as if he, Einstein, is.”

EINSTEIN! is part of the Sierra Madre Playhouse Solo Shows Festival, a distinctive series of dynamic stage presentations inspired by the lives of real people who left their marks on the historical and cultural landscapes.

EINSTEIN! Written and performed by Jack Fry. Produced for Sierra Madre Playhouse by Gary Lamb. At Sierra Madre Playhouse, 87 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. Saturday, April 2, 2022 at 2:30 and 8:00 p.m. Sunday, April 3 at 2:30 p.m. General admission: \$40. Seniors (65+) \$35. Youth (21 and under) \$25. Tickets are available at <http://sierramadrepplayhouse.org> or call (626) 355-4318.

Ample free parking is available in lots behind the Playhouse and across the street. Some street parking is also available.

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