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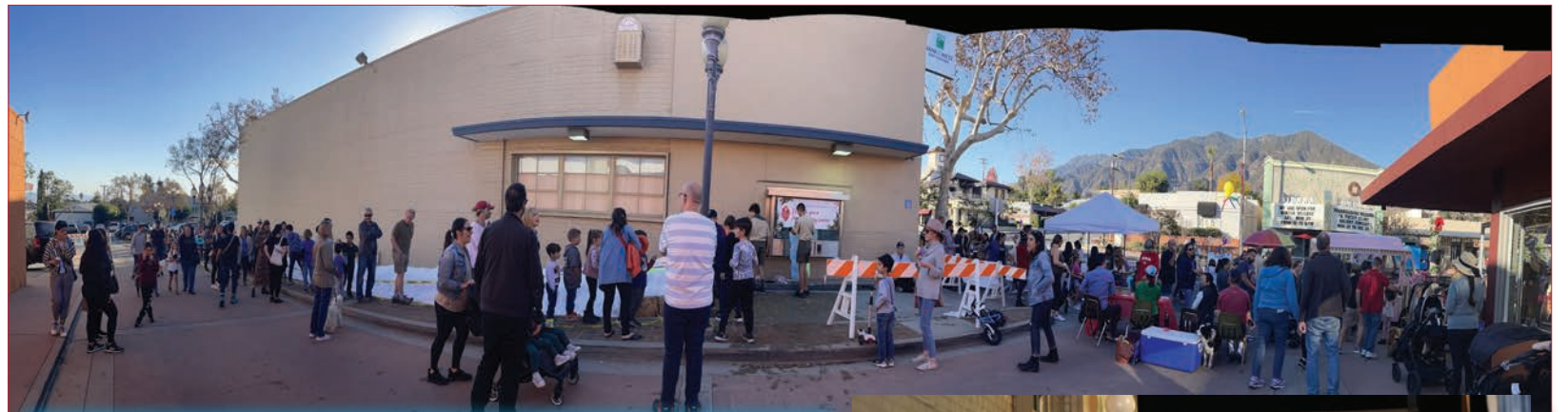
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YES...THERE WAS SNOW IN SIERRA MADRE!



On Saturday, downtown Sierra Madre was turned into a magical Winter Village complete with Snow and tons of visitors in town to celebrate Small Business Saturday. The event is sponsored annually by the Chamber of Commerce and brings residents and visitors alike out to our shops and restaurants and showcases many of our local organizations. Fun and shopping were the themes for the day which also included Santa coming to town and the lighting of the Christmas Tree, a gift to the Chamber from the Sierra Madre Community Foundation. Additional pictures on page 2. Photos by MVNews and Dirk Bolle



KEN ANHALT - SIERRA MADRE'S OLDEST LIVING WWII VETERAN HONORED

This year when the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club with the assistance of Sierra Madre Rotary honored past and present Veterans in Memorial Park, a very special honor was bestowed on one of our own. The day had a very special meaning...not only was it Veteran's Day it was also named Ken Anhalt Day by Mayor Gene Goss. Unfortunately, as is often the case when one reaches the wonderful age of 99, scheduling conflicts can arise. For Ken, a last minute appointment kept him from receiving the honor on his special day. However, earlier this week, he received his official Proclamation at his home.

Pictured below are l to r, Mayor Goss, Kiwanis President Judy Webb-Martin, Kiwanis Lt. Governor Rebecca Harris and Kiwanis member Mary Lou Caldwell. In the bottom photo Ken receives his Proclamation from Mrs. Caldwell at his home.



Ken has been the recipient of numerous honors in Sierra Madre in addition to his valiant military service. He belongs to the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club, VFW 3208 and in 2010 was chosen as the Sierra Madre Older American (partial listing) If you want to learn more about Mr. Anhalt go to: <https://mtviewsnews.com/v07/html/n33/p01.htm> . You can also hear him in his own words by logging onto: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W-GxSmjd_kl

Santa's Looking For The Best Decorated House in Sierra Madre!

Lorem Ipsum

THE MOUNTAIN VIEWS NEWS WILL ONCE AGAIN SEND OUR PHOTO SANTA TO LOOK FOR THIS YEAR'S BEST DECORATED HOME.

Make certain you have your decorations up by: DECEMBER 17, 2022.

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In celebration of Seven Gables' inception to the San Gabriel Valley, Mike and Regional Manager for the San Gabriel Valley area, Randy Abrams, sat down to thoughtfully share ideologies, and their visions for the San Gabriel Valley real estate market.

Randy Abrams is an SGV native with over 25 years of experience in real estate. With 20 of those years spent in leadership roles with great firms, leaders & management that have defined his tactics and strategies throughout the years. It was a natural fit for Randy and a quick & easy transition because he and Mike are like-minded, and relationship focused.

Specifically in the San Gabriel Valley, Randy sees a lot of opportunity. There are not enough full-service brokerages in that area that focus on ethics and fostering agent growth. Too many agents are coming into this market and it's the "wild, wild west." With commission integrity, outgoing cooperation, and discount brokers abound, Randy and Mike want to bring back the lost art of real estate.



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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

From: The City of Sierra Madre

Subject: Public Hearing: FY2022-2023 Fee Schedule – Non-Residential Sewer Variable Rate Correction

Notice is hereby given that on December 13, 2022, at 5:30 PM, or soon thereafter, the Sierra Madre City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to discuss Non-Residential Sewer Variable rate correction.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre City Council meeting; Tuesday, December 13, 2022 (Hearing begins at 5:30 p.m.) All interested persons may attend this meeting and the City Council will hear them with respect thereto.

PLACE OF HEARING

This meeting will be conducted at City Council Chambers and will be recorded for live streaming.

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 3:00 PM on the day of the meeting.

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THE ROYAL COURT IS COMING TO KIWANIS



On Tuesday, December 6 at noon, join the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club for lunch and attend the first public presentation of the Sierra Madre Rose Float Association's Royal Court.

Lunch will be from Taylor's Deli and the cost is \$10. Please call 626-355-2727 and reserve your seat!

Kiwanis meets at The Lodge 33 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. Ample parking in the rear of the building.

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On Monday, December 5 at 7 pm, the second event of our new series of true personal storytelling, Stories @ The Playhouse, will take place for one night only.

Our second show's theme is Wings, a narrative deep dive into the personal experiences of seven people: actress/filmmaker Susan Diol (Days of Our Lives; One Life To Live), actress/writer Patricia Herd (The Bold and the Beautiful; Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules), actress/producer Torri Higginson (Transplant; Stargate: Atlantis), author/screenwriter Carlos Kotkin (Rio 2; Open Season: Scared Silly), actor/storyteller Kevin McCorkle (The Amazing Spider-Man, General Hospital), actress/director/playwright Elizabeth Sampson (The Passage; Law & Order True Crime) and writer/director Greg Swartz (The Water of Life; Hollywood, Pennsylvania).

These seven storytellers will share critical moments that changed their lives and humorous anecdotes that shaped their perspectives. The evening will be book-ended with songs by the band BISHOP, melodiously underscoring this journey. Learn more about all of the artists here.

Our previous storytelling event sold out, don't miss your chance to get tickets for this one-night event!



SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

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.

Monday, November 21
Theft from Motor Vehicle

At approximately 1 PM, officers responded Bailey Canyon Park (451 W. Carter Ave) for reports of a theft from motor vehicle. The reporting party discovered that the rear window of their vehicle had been shattered, and several items of value were missing. The Detectives Bureau is following up on this incident.

Tuesday, November 22
Residential Burglary

At approximately 7 PM, officers responded to the 200 block of W. Carter Ave for reports of a residential burglary that had occurred. After further investigation, it was discovered that unknown suspects made entry into the residence, and stole items of value. The reporting party was not in the residence at the time of the burglary.

Anyone with information is encouraged to call the Sierra Madre Police Department Detective Bureau at 626-355-1414. If you wish to remain anonymous, please visit lacrimestoppers.org and submit a tip

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WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

"Christmas waves a magic wand over this world, and behold, everything is softer and more beautiful." Norman Vincent Peale
"Gifts of time and love are surely the basic ingredients of a truly merry Christmas."
Peg Bracken

"Blessed is the season which engages the whole world in a conspiracy of love. It is Christmas in the heart that puts Christmas in the air." William Thomas Ellis
"I decided not to buy new clothes this Christmas. Online shopping doesn't count!"
Author Unknown



We are tired of Thanksgiving leftovers. We've had all the turkey sandwiches we want and are thinking how good a big fresh salad would be. I did make the cranberry sauce bread that was in last week's Walking Sierra Madre and, I have to tell you, it was fabulous! Easy and so good. We are ready to start thinking about Christmas; which is now three weeks away!

Saw an interesting article by Mike Snider from USA Today: Black Friday Online Spending Record Set! Consumers spent a record \$9.12 billion (yes, billion) while online shopping Friday after Thanksgiving. Nearly half of online sales were made over smartphones, up from 44% last year. Sierra Madreans didn't do that, they went to the delightful Sierra Madre Winter Festival and shopped there, enjoyed the music and seeing friends, visiting the crafters, seeing Santa and enjoying a wonderful day right here at home. And the snow slide! That was incredible and what a great idea. Hopefully, that is an innovation that is here to stay.

Many years ago, before there were smartphones, online shopping and Black Friday, John and I would hop in our little red VW Bug, park in the Fedco lot there on Colorado Blvd. and buy one of everything in the toy department. I'd wrap it all and the children were delighted. Hot Wheels was especially big at that time. Lacking sufficient courage and strength to tackle the late-night Black Friday sales, I've probably missed out on some amazing bargains. This year I'm making my list and checking it twice and I don't care who's been naughty or nice, all children in my life are getting an Amazon gift card.

Christmas is totally up at my house and my neighbors have beautiful lights galore. This year I have three light-festooned deer nodding their heads (this week's picture) in my front yard. My trees are fake, yes, but real trees are a little beyond me these days. I've told this story before, but when we were first married, John drove us in my little blue Ford Falcon down to the Los Angeles railroad yards where Christmas trees were being offloaded from the trains and we bought our first tree there and tied it on top of my car. I don't remember how much it was, probably not much, as we didn't have much to spend, but it was beyond beautiful. Of course, time has gilded it, made it taller and fuller, but, dear friends and neighbors, it was the most beautiful one we ever had. My fake trees from Michael's Craft Store look great, all pre-wired with lights and I've covered them with ornaments the children have made over the year. I have a picture of three-year-old Crissy, taken in her Sunday School class and mounted in a star. We laminated it and that's the first thing I put on. Jessie made some really cute elves out of paper bags at school. These are my favorites. I expect you have your favorites, too; probably the same sort of things.

*"That First Noel's come 'round again,
Just like it does each year,
To tell us it's Christmas, finally it's Christmas,
Joyfully it's Christmas,
The best time of the year, the best time of the year..."*

This particular song goes on to tell us that the tree is in the window, the wreath is on the door, and about a million ornaments are scattered on the floor! Most probably you're way past that stage, the tree is up and gorgeous. You finally untangled the lights and put the angel up on top. But here's the question you'll be facing in a few days when the presents are all unwrapped and everything you got everybody was exactly what they wanted (an Amazon gift card): Why is it that putting up Christmas decorations is so much more fun than taking them down? Also, why is it that the Christmas decorations that seem so few and so light as you take them out of the plastic crates have doubled (like wire hangers) in size and tripled in weight and you can't remember when on earth you carried all those to the living room.

Playing Christmas music and rediscovering each precious Christmas item is such fun and then deciding where to put each one is an adventure. I'm especially partial to all my little lighted houses. My mother started collecting them many years ago and gave her collection to me. I have added to it over the years and now think I have about twenty of them. They look fantastic on top of the bookcases, and the tall cabinet. The most interesting part of putting these things up is, of course, not falling off the ladder. The second most interesting thing is figuring out how to get them all plugged in somewhere.

The song goes on to say:

*"But that's not the reason we celebrate the season...
Oh, it's that baby in the manger,
Christ child in the manger,
Mary kneeling by his side,
Joseph beaming down with pride.
Peace on earth, good will to men,
We celebrate that night again."
(Deanne Davis/David Wheatley from "Star of Wonder")*

Whatever kind of tree you have, fake or fantastically real that fills the house with that marvelous evergreen smell, I hope that decorating it brings you joy and pleasant memories.

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given..." Is. 9:6

My book page: Amazon.com: Deanne Davis
Christmas is just a few short weeks away and my book:
"Sunrises and Sunflowers Speak Hope"
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"Star of Wonder" a delightful Christmas Kindle story is there, too.

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Wed	Sunny	Hi	70s	Lows	40s
Thur	Sunny	Hi	70s	Lows	40s
Fri	Sunny	Hi	80s	Lows	40s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 13, 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 foothillsmedia.org/siermadre and broadcast on Government Access Channel 3 (Spectrum)..

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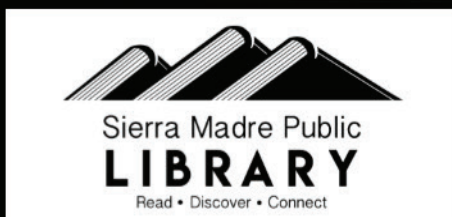
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Any local non-profit or non-commercial organization can have their event information broadcast to the public on Sierra Madre Community Information Radio. The station covers the city of Sierra Madre, plus surrounding areas of Pasadena, Arcadia, and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

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



This week at the Sierra Madre Public Library

December 5—December 10

Monday

Preschool Storytime at Memorial Park—Outdoors at 10:00am. Call to register

Sewing Machine Basics—In-person at 2:00pm & 4:00pm

Wednesday

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

Thursday

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

Tails & Tales—In-person from 3:30pm-4:30pm

Saturday

Craft It—In-person at 11:00am

Digital Services—In-person from 12:00pm-2:00pm

Music & Mindfulness—In-person from 1:00pm-3:00pm

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Planning Commission has one (1) expected vacancy.
Community Services Commission has one (1) expected vacancy.
Library Board of Trustees has two (2) anticipated vacancies.
Natural Resources Commission has one current vacancy and one anticipated vacancy for a total of two (2) vacancies.

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News From Your Community For Your Community

Man who Attacked Planned Parenthood Pleads Guilty



An Inland Empire man, who admitted firing BB guns at the Planned Parenthood facility in Pasadena nearly a dozen times, agreed Wednesday to plead guilty to violating the federal Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act. According to the Department of Justice, Richard Royden Chamberlin, 54, a former Altadena resident, also admitted that he was carrying a loaded .22-caliber handgun during one of the attacks and agreed to plead guilty to being a felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition, according to a plea agreement filed today in United States District Court.

Chamberlin acknowledged driving past the Planned Parenthood facility in Pasadena and fired his BB gun at the clinic on at least 11 occasions between June 2020 and May 2021. In his plea agreement.

Beginning on June 27, 2020, Chamberlin's attacks involved him firing BB pellets through the window of his car. The attacks caused physical damage to the clinic, including shattered windows, and also served to intimidate the staff of the clinic. Chamberlin admitted in the plea agreement.

On March 29, 2021, an employee of the clinic heard an object hit her office window. The next day at 8:30 a.m. while the clinic was open and receiving patients, Chamberlin again drove by and fired his BB gun at the front entrance. No one was injured in any of the shootings.

On May 7, 2021, the Pasadena Police Department stopped Chamberlin while he was driving away from the clinic following yet another BB gun attack. At this time, Chamberlin possessed eight BB guns, including BB guns designed to look like assault rifles. On the front passenger seat of his vehicle, police found a backpack containing a .22-caliber pistol, which was loaded with 10 rounds of ammunition.

During a subsequent search of his home, authorities recovered thousands of rounds of ammunition, gun powder, a dozen additional BB guns, a black cylinder resembling a suppressor, a Polymer 80 gun-making kit, various gun parts and multiple documents identifying and referring to Planned Parenthood.

Chamberlin agreed to plead guilty to one count of being a felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition, a felony offense that carries a statutory maximum penalty of 10 years in federal prison, and one count of forcible interference with the obtaining and provision of reproductive health services, a misdemeanor offense punishable by up to one year in prison. A date for Chamberlin to appear in court to formally enter the guilty pleas has not yet been set.



Tournament Reaches Deal with CFP over Future of the Rose Bowl Game after 2024

Although the Tournament of Roses reached an agreement Wednesday with the College Football Playoff (CFP) to continue hosting a playoff football game on New Year's Day at 2 p.m., the exact details were not made public. The move comes after the CFP announced a newly-expanded 12-team playoff during the 2024-2025 season.

According to College Football Playoff officials for the 2024 and 2025 expanded seasons, the four quarterfinal games and two Playoff Semifinal games will be played in bowls on a rotating basis. The 2024 quarterfinals will take place in the Fiesta Bowl, Peach Bowl, Rose Bowl and Sugar Bowl, while the Cotton Bowl and Orange Bowl will host the Playoff Semifinals. The 2025 quarterfinals will take place in the Cotton Bowl, Orange Bowl, Rose Bowl and Sugar Bowl, while the Fiesta Bowl and Peach Bowl will host the Playoff Semifinals. Specific dates for all quarterfinal and semifinal games will be announced at a later time.

Although Tournament officials did not make a comment about the expansion, Pasadena city officials did.

"The City of Pasadena is

thrilled that the Tournament of Roses has reached an agreement with the College Football Playoff (CFP) that will ensure the Rose Bowl Game will be a part of the expanded CFP in 2024-25 and 2025-26 at the Rose Bowl Stadium on New Year's Day," city officials said. "The City and the Rose Bowl Operating Company will continue to support and partner with the Tournament to provide a world-class experience for the participating teams, fans and global audience."

The College Football Playoff matches the No. 1 ranked team vs. No. 4, and No. 2 vs. No. 3 in semifinal games that rotate annually among six bowl games – the Goodyear Cotton Bowl, Vrbo Fiesta Bowl, Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl, Capital One Orange Bowl, Allstate Sugar Bowl and Rose Bowl Game.

Pasadena Mayor Victor Gordo also made a statement that the city was closely monitoring the situation to keep their contractual agreements intact.

According to city documents, the Tournament of Roses holds the rights to the Rose Bowl game but the city owns and oversees the Rose Bowl Stadium.

This year's Rose Bowl Game

will be played in its traditional format Monday, January 2, 2023, at 1 p.m. featuring the champion from the Pac-12 Conference against the champion from the Big Ten Conference.

The game and Rose Parade are played on Monday because of the Tournament's "Never on Sunday" a tradition since 1893, the first year the Rose Parade fell on a Sunday, and the tradition remains to this day.

Talk: Music of Ancient Mesoamerica

Composer and educator Christopher Garcia will lead a free presentation about the indigenous instruments and music of pre-Columbian civilizations and perform on some of the instruments Wednesday, Dec. 7, at 2 p.m. at the Pasadena Senior Center.

The historic region of ancient Mesoamerica – the modern-day region from southern Mexico to northern Costa Rica – was populated by Aztec, Olmec, Zapotec, Maya and Toltec civilizations.

The best-known instruments were flutes, whistles and ocarinas, all made of clay, and drums, some made of wood, and others of clay. Voices were important components of the ritualistic music. Much of the music and instruments were played at ceremonial events. Some instruments are still heard today in the indigenous music of various regions and cultures with roots in Mesoamerican.

To register for the Dec. 7 presentation and performance visit: pasadenaseniorecenter.org and click on Lectures & Classes, then Informational Lectures or call 626-795-4331.

Garcia shares his personal experiences with the indigenous music, instruments, culture and history of Mesoamerica at universities, concert halls and other venues in the U.S., Canada, Europe and Southeast Asia.

The center 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 as well as the library, Sy Graff Fitness Center, computer lab and limited occupancy for events. Rooms are sanitized after each use.

In accordance with Pasadena Public Health Department guidelines, proof of COVID vaccination is required for everyone who uses the fitness center or attends onsite activities indoors. Masks are optional.

Pasadena Chamber to Honor Amy Wainscott and Tournament of Roses

The Pasadena Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors invites the community to attend the President's Breakfast at the Pasadena Hilton on Tuesday, December 6, at 7:30 a.m. Chamber members and friends will hear Tournament of Roses President Amy Wainscott discuss her experience during the year leading up to the 2023 Rose Parade and Rose Bowl Game. She will discuss topics and share ideas and decisions behind Turning the Corner, the theme for the 2023 Tournament, with honored special guests the Royal Court, as well as Tournament presidents past, present and future.

A highlight of the breakfast is a chance to hear Wainscott share her experiences as President of the Tournament during a pandemic year. We will also hear about her choice of Gabby Giffords as Grand Marshall for 2023 and more.

Tickets to the President's Breakfast are \$75 each. Corporate tables of ten are \$1,000. Queen and Court Sponsorships are SOLD OUT. Valet parking is included in the cost of breakfast and sponsorship.

Throughout her extensive Tournament career, Wainscott has served on various committees including Post Parade, Formation Area, Decorating Places and Music. In 2008, she was appointed a Tournament Committee Chair and lead Coronation/VIP Tailgate, Float Entries, Queen & Court and was the first woman to chair Parade Operations. She was elected a Tournament Director in 2011 and to the Executive Committee in 2014.

In addition to her many years of service in the Tournament of Roses, Wainscott worked



briefly for the City of Pasadena before making a career in the construction industry in the Pasadena area. She was a member of the steering committee for the original Rose Bowl Press Box Renovation in 1992, working for the construction management company. After 16 years as a general contractor specializing in residential construction and remodeling, Wainscott retired from the construction industry. She remains active in real estate investment and property management.

Wainscott was born and raised in Eagle River, Wisconsin. A true "Cheesehead," she is a diehard Green Bay Packers and Wisconsin Badgers fan. After moving to California at age 18, Wainscott studied administration of justice at Pasadena City College and construction management at Cal Poly Pomona. She and her husband have six children and two grandchildren. Wainscott's hobbies include golf, reading, traveling and spending time at her family's vacation home in Wisconsin.

For information, or to purchase tickets, please call the Chamber office at (626) 795-3355 or email leanne@pasadena-chamber.org or visit: pasadena-chamber.org.

City Meeting & Workshop For Rotating Art Program



The Pasadena Cultural Affairs Division announced Monday they will facilitate a virtual, public community meeting & artist workshop on Wednesday, December 7, at 1p.m. This will serve as an opportunity for the public and potential applicants to learn more about the Rotating Public Art Program and application requirements. Meeting details and the virtual meeting link will be provided on the City's Cultural Affairs website.

The City's Cultural Affairs Division is excited to embark on the fourth iteration of its Rotating Public Art Program and is now accepting applications from professional artists and artist teams through January 15, 2023. Series IV of the Rotating Program will include eight sculptural artworks to be installed at existing City-owned sites in each City Council District. This opportunity is open artists based in California and seeks submissions of existing, loaned artwork, as well as proposals

for new commissioned, site-responsive artworks in a variety of styles, materials, and approaches from a diverse pool of artists.

Established in 2011, the Rotating Public Art Program is intended to complement the permanency of both the Private Development and Capital Public Art Programs by placing artworks throughout the City that activate unusual locations, transforming small, often unnoticed areas into exciting destinations for visitors and residents to discover. By presenting original artworks at established locations, the program encourages residents and visitors to circulate throughout the City and experience the entirety of each exhibition.

For more information about this opportunity and submission details, visit: cityofpasadena.net/arts or contact Corey Dunlap, Public Art Coordinator, Planning & Community Development Department: (626) 744-7547.

City of South Pasadena Holiday Cheer Program

The City of South Pasadena Senior Center invites the community to help bring cheer to senior residents this holiday season! The South Pasadena Senior Center is accepting donations of gift cards to local businesses and store bought and pre-packaged sweets.

Donations can be dropped off starting November 14, 2022 through December 16, 2022 at the South Pasadena Senior Center, located at 1102 Oxley Street, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Suggested donations include gift cards of \$10 to \$25 in value, gift certificates for Senior Center programs, cookies, and chocolates.

For more information, please contact the South Pasadena Senior Center at (626) 403-7360 or at seniorcenter@southpasadenaca.gov.

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South Pasadena Set to Hold Hometown Holidays Events

The South Pasadena Community Services Department announced this week that they will host four events for the holidays.

On Thursday, December 8, 2022 the Community Services Department will host a Gingerbread House Contest and Cookie Decorating event at the South Pasadena Senior Center, located at 1102 Oxley Street, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Participants are encouraged to create or decorate their very own gingerbread house at home and bring them to the event to be judged by the South Pasadena City Council. While votes are being cast, participants can decorate and eat holiday cookies. Gingerbread houses will be judged in six categories: Most Creative, Best Constructed, Looks Most Delicious, Most Festive, Most Traditional, and Best Theme. Gingerbread house must be dropped off the Senior Center on Thursday, December 8 between 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

The Community Services Department will also be hosting the annual Breakfast with Santa event on December 10, 2022 at the War Memorial Building, located at 435 Fair Oaks Avenue, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Attendees will enjoy a pancake breakfast, crafts, and an opportunity to take their own photo with Santa. Advanced registration is required and all sales are final. Tickets are \$23.00 per person, children ages 2 and

under are free. Registration is available online on the City's website using the following link: www.southpasadenaca.gov/onlinereg

The Community Services Department and South Pasadena Public Library will host a Holiday Crafting and Story Time on Thursday, December 15, 2022 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the South Pasadena Senior Center. Join us for the opportunity to create four craft and listen to story times to celebrate Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Christmas, and winter time!

Santa is coming to town on Tuesday, December 20, 2022. He and his friends will be escorted by South Pasadena Fire and Police Departments. The holiday caravan will begin at 6:30 p.m. Residents are encouraged to watch Santa drive by on his route or wait for him at one of the locations listed below. Don't miss your opportunity to see Santa before he goes back to the North Pole!

1. South Pasadena City Hall, located at 1414 Mission Street
2. Arroyo Vista Elementary, located at 335 El Centro Street
3. Monterey Hills Elementary, located at 1624 Via Del Rey
4. Library Park, located at 1115 El Centro Street
5. Marengo Elementary, located at 1400 Marengo Avenue
6. Garfield Park, located at 1000 Park Avenue

For more information visit: outhpasadenaca.gov.

TofR Names 2022 Inductees into Rose Bowl Hall of Fame



The Tournament of Roses announced recently that former Oregon and Penn State coach Hugo Bezdek, recently retired Rose Bowl Stadium CEO Darryl Dunn, 1977 Rose Bowl Game MVP Vince Evans and 1987 All-American Lorenzo White will be inducted into the Rose Bowl Hall of Fame as the Class of 2022.

This year's Rose Bowl Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be a private event held in Pasadena the week of the game. The inductees will also be honored in the Rose Parade presented by Honda and on the field during the 109th Rose Bowl Game on January 2, 2023.

This year's game will be a traditional Rose Bowl Game, with a team from the Big Ten meeting a team from the Pac-12, but will not be played on New Year's Day due to the Tournament of Roses' "Never on a Sunday" rule. The game will be the 17th Rose Bowl Game played on Monday, January 2.

The Rose Bowl Hall of Fame was established in 1989 to pay tribute to members of the Rose Bowl Game who have contributed to the history and excitement of the game, and those who embody the highest level of passion, strength, tradition, and honor associated with 'The Granddaddy of Them All'.

Hugo Bezdek is the only coach to bring three different teams to the Rose Bowl Game. Bezdek led the Oregon Webfoots to a 14-0 victory over Pennsylvania in the 1917 game, marking the first win for a West Coast team in 'The Granddaddy of Them All'. He was then selected to coach the Mare Island Marines in the 1918 Rose Bowl Game, which featured two military teams due to World War I. Finally, Bezdek brought Penn State to Pasadena for the 1923 Rose Bowl Game for the first Rose Bowl Game to take place at the Rose Bowl Stadium. Bezdek is also the only person to be a head coach in the NFL and serve as the manager of a Major League Baseball team. He was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 1954. Bezdek died in 1952 at the age of 68.

Darryl Dunn spent 27 years working at the Rose Bowl Stadium, including the last 23 as the stadium's CEO. Under Dunn's leadership, America's Stadium hosted countless concerts, international soccer matches, UCLA home

football games, the Rose Bowl Game, College Football Championships and CFP Semifinals. Dunn oversaw several stadium renovations, including the locker rooms and the Terry Donahue Pavilion. He helped establish the Rose Bowl Legacy Foundation, which has raised millions of dollars to fund additional stadium upgrades. After leading the Rose Bowl Stadium through the pandemic, Dunn retired in July of 2022.

Vince Evans was a two-year starter at quarterback for USC and led the Trojans to the Pac-8 title in 1976, which earned a spot in the 1977 Rose Bowl Game against Michigan. USC won the game, 14-6, as Evans completed 14-of-20 passes in the game and scored the game-winning touchdown on a fourth-and-goal rush from the one-yard line. For his efforts, he was named MVP of the game. The Trojans would finish the season with an 11-1 record and ranked No. 2 in the final polls. Evans was selected by the Chicago Bears in the sixth round of the 1977 NFL Draft. He would go on to 16-year professional career that spanned three decades in the NFL and USFL. Since retiring from football, Evans has led a successful career in real estate in Southern California.

Lorenzo White was a two-time first-team All-American and two-time Big Ten MVP at Michigan State and led the Spartans to a 20-17 victory in the 1988 Rose Bowl Game. White ran for 113 yards and two scores in the win. His first touchdown came in the first quarter and gave Michigan State a 7-3 lead, then he added another score in the second quarter to push the lead to 14-3. His 35 carries in the game ranks as the third most in Rose Bowl Game history. White went on to be drafted in the first round of the 1988 NFL Draft and played eight years in the NFL. He ran for more than 1,200 yards in 1992 and was selected to the Pro Bowl. White was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 2019.

With the addition of this year's class, the Rose Bowl Hall of Fame includes 140 inductees over its 33-year history. Inductees are honored with a permanent plaque that includes their name and year of induction at The Court of Champions featured during the Rose Parade and are recognized on the field during the Rose Bowl Game.

South Pas Holiday Book Sale

The Friends of the Library Annual Holiday Book Sale will take place in the South Pasadena Library Community Room Friday through Sunday, December 11. The sale features high quality gently used books collected throughout the year, a special silent auction on Friday night, five local artisans selling their wares on Sunday, and complimentary gift wrapping while supplies last. Proceeds benefit the non-profit Friends of the South Pasadena Public Library to support the services and programs of the library.

SALE HOURS
 Friday, December 9
 5:00-6:00 p.m. - early access for Friends of the Library members. Memberships can be purchased online or at the door.
 6:00-8:00 p.m. - open to the general public
 Saturday, December 10
 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
 Sunday, December 11
 1:00-4:00 p.m.
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 Cyndi Bemel - Art Cards
 Leslie Rosario - Wrapped Pendants
 Jeannie Joe - Upcycled Accessories
 David Silverman - Ceramics
 Vanora Savig - Recycled Fabric Arts
 Community Garden - Indigo Tie Dye
 The Library Community Room is located 1115 El Centro St. For more information visit: southpasadenaca.gov.

San Marino Upcoming Events & Programming

Shop 'till You Drop Holiday Shopping Shuttle to The Grove
 Tuesday, December 6 from 10 AM - 3 PM
 Cost: R: \$8 / NR: \$10

Time to get all your holiday shopping out of the way! Active adults ages 55 and up are invited to join us for a daytime shopping trip. Transportation is provided. Reserve your spot today!

COVID-19 Booster Clinic
 Wednesday, December 7 from 10 AM - 12 PM

Huntington Hospital is hosting a COVID-19 Booster Clinic! Stop by to get your booster shot for added protection against COVID-19. If available, bring your vaccination card and plan to stay 15 minutes after administration for required monitoring. You must be free of COVID-19 or flu-like symptoms to get a shot. Registration is not required.

Home for the Holidays - Tree Lighting Ceremony & Mayor's Reception
 Friday, December 9 from 4:30 - 7:00 PM, Huntington Drive and San Marino Avenue

Join us as we kick-off Home for the Holidays festivities. There will be a warm holiday glow around City Hall to honor the 70-year history of The Little Christmas Church: A San Marino Tradition (referred to now as The Holiday House Bus Shelter). We'll light up the big trees, the Holiday House Bus Stop, City Hall, and the Rotary Clock Tower. There will be photos with Santa, hot dogs, hot chocolate and cider, holiday cookies, roaming Carolers, festive selfie stations, and kid's crafts. Event is FREE and everyone is welcome!

Winter Solstice Celebration (Ages 3-11)
 Saturday, December 10 at 2 PM, Barth Community Room
 Celebrate the return of light after the darkest day of the year! Make a lantern craft to fill with happy thoughts and good wishes for the year to come. Or explore science and math concepts by building a snowflake. Don't forget the yule log! Registration is recommended.

Light Up San Marino!
 Registration: Ends December 11
 Voting: December 12 - December 18

Do you have the most festive home or business in town? Compete in the Light Up San Marino holiday decorating contest! Take a picture of your outdoor holiday decorations and register for the contest. Starting December 12, a map of the participating entries will be made available so you and the family can drive-by and enjoy. Photos of each home will be posted on Facebook and the top 3 entries with the most "likes" will win a gift card to a local business. The Mayor of San Marino will award the grand prize for creativity and holiday spirit. Winners will be announced December 19.

Holiday Events at the Old Mill
 FlowerTruckLA on Thursday, December 8 from 9 - 11 AM
 FlowerTruckLA is coming back to the Old Mill with farm to vase, fresh cut flowers for the holidays including garlands and wreaths. Come stroll the gardens and enjoy a cup of coffee while shopping for your holiday flowers!

'Holiday Magic Under the Stars' on Sunday, December 11 at 5 PM
 Come celebrate the holidays at the Old Mill with 'Holiday Magic Under the Stars', a concert featuring Orchid Quartet on Sunday, December 11th at 5:00pm (gates open at 4:30pm). This will be a memorable way to start off the holiday season. Orchid Quartet will play one hour of music with no intermission. Warm drinks and refreshments will be served.

Thanksgiving Celebration
 On duty Fire and Police personnel celebrated the Thanksgiving Holiday along with their families at the San Marino Fire Department. We hope all of our San Marino residents enjoyed a happy and safe holiday!

Probationary Firefighter Bryan Ramirez takes Oath of Office
 On Monday, November 28 Bryan Ramirez took his oath of office and was sworn into his position as a probationary firefighter/paramedic with the San Marino Fire Department. Firefighter Ramirez has over 15 years of experience of pre-hospital and in-hospital care. Ramirez previously worked as a firefighter/paramedic at the Morongo Fire Department; however, his first experience as a firefighter began right here in San Marino. From 2008 to 2010, Firefighter Ramirez was employed as an auxiliary firefighter with the San Marino Fire Department. When not working as a firefighter, Firefighter Ramirez enjoys playing sports with his kids, hiking with his family, and trail running.

Firefighter Ramirez has been assigned to the C shift for the first 4-month rotation of his probationary period. His appointment fills one of two vacant positions at the firefighter/paramedic position.

Fire Department Training
 The Fire Department continues to focus training efforts on the department's probationary firefighters. Probationary firefighters are evaluated on firefighter and EMS skills at 4-months, 8-months, and 12-months. After the 12-month evaluation, probationary firefighters are assigned a special project to be completed by the end of their 16-month probation. The Department currently has three probationary firefighter/paramedics and a fourth is currently in the pre-employment process.

Sandbags Available for Rainy Season
 With the rainy season in full swing, the Parks and Public Works Department is providing a sandbag self-fill location in the Stoneman parking lot that is available to residents. Sand and bags are available at the location, and residents are welcome to fill up to six bags to help protect their home from potential flooding. A limited supply of additional bags is also available in the Public Works yard at City Hall, and can be picked up by appointment, if necessary. For any questions, please contact the Parks and Public Works Department at 626-300-0765 or publicworks@cityofsanmarino.org.

Meetings
Design Review Committee
 Wednesday, December 7 at 6:00 PM; Teleconference and Barth Room at Crowell Public Library
City Council Meeting
 Wednesday, December 14 at 6:00 PM; Teleconference and Barth Room at Crowell Public Library

Free South Pasadena Holiday Musical Show

Join the South Pasadena Library for a special Winter Holiday-themed performance by musician Craig Newton on Wednesday, December 14 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Library Community Room. Newton will share versions of the standard holiday songs from a variety of cultures. He will bring a wide array of instruments to play the music and will encourage lots of audience participation through sing-alongs. The holidays mentioned include Christmas, Hanukkah, New Year's, the Winter Solstice, and Kwanzaa.

The Library Community Room is located 1100 Oxley St.

Funded by a grant from the Friends of the South Pasadena Public Library, this 45-minute program is free to the public. Seating is limited and is available on a first come, first serve basis.

For information about the event can be found at, southpasadenaca.gov and about Craig Newton at: craignewton.com.

Catch breaking news at: mtnviewsnews.com

What if the Matriarchy Was Here All Along? Short Story Reading

Join the Altadena Public Library on Saturday, December 17, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. for a special performance and reading of the short story — What if the Matriarchy Was Here All Along? — by artist Akina Cox (pictured) accompanied by acclaimed harpist Mary Lattimore on the piano in the Community Room at the Main Library. Limited copies of Cox's story will be available for free.



of Bed & Breakfast. The exhibition is on display in the Main Library Reading Court, Display Case, and outdoor installation through December 2022.

The Altadena Library is located 600 E. Mariposa Street, Altadena.

For more information or to sign up visit: altadenalibrary.org.

All ages are welcome, but please note that the story includes mention of war and violence. This event is being held in conjunction with the current exhibition, What if the Matriarchy Was Here All Along?, curated by Jacqueline Falcone

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ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, November 20th through Saturday, November 26th, the Police Department responded to 754 calls for service, of which 84 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of some of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, November 20:

- At 9:57 a.m., an officer responded to the parking structure of 24 Hour Fitness located at 125 North First Avenue in regard to a vehicle burglary and identity theft report. The victim discovered sometime between 8:30 a.m. and 9:57 p.m., someone broke into his vehicle, stole credit cards and cash, and attempted to use the credit cards.
- At 11:59 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 100 block of Loralyn Drive regarding a mail theft report. Surveillance footage captured the suspect, an adult male with dark clothing and a medium build pry open the mail box and flee with stolen mail. The suspect fled on foot westbound on Loralyn Drive.

Monday, November 21:

- At 1:29 p.m., an officer responded to StorAmerica, located at 5630 Peck Road, regarding a commercial burglary. An investigation revealed a total of 6 storage units had been forcefully broken into and the loss is undetermined at the time of this report. The crimes occurred between November 19th and November 21st.
- At 5:33 p.m., an officer responded to 7 Eleven, located at 1003 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a battery report. The officer discovered the suspect, who has previous issues with the business, entered the location and punched the store clerk multiple times for no apparent reason. The suspect, a 23-year-old male from Monrovia, fled the scene before the officer arrived.

Tuesday, November 22:

- At 2:33 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 1200 block of Ewell Lane regarding a burglary report. An investigation revealed the suspects entered the home through a rear window and when they were confronted by the victim, they fled empty-handed.
- At 2:51 p.m., an officer responded to LensCrafters, located at 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a grand theft incident. The officer discovered an unidentified male suspect stole more than \$2,600.00 worth of merchandise from the store. The suspect is described as a Black male wearing a long sleeve black undershirt with a grey t-shirt over it.

Wednesday, November 23:

- At 1:47 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 400 block of West Lemon Avenue regarding a burglary report. The officer determined an unknown suspect entered the home by smashing the living room window and ransacked the location before fleeing with an unknown amount of property.
- At 8:17 p.m., an officer responded to Macy's, located at 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a grand theft report. The employee stated a male suspect stole two watches. He is described as a Hispanic male, mid to late 30's, 6'1" tall, approximately 240 pounds, and wearing a red shirt and khaki pants.

Thursday, November 24:

- At 4:52 a.m., officer responded to Tokyo Wako, located at 401 East Huntington Drive, regarding a burglary alarm activation. Surveillance footage revealed two suspects pried open one of the doors and ransacked the manager's office. They fled with cash. The suspects are described as 5'7" male with a medium build and a 6' tall male with a large build.
- At 6:55 a.m., officers responded to 7 Eleven, located at 1003 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding an attempted homicide investigation. Officers discovered the same suspect from the battery on November 21st returned to the location but ultimately drove his vehicle into the business in an attempt to run over two 7 Eleven clerks. The 23-year-old male from Monrovia was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Friday, November 25:

- At 2:30 p.m., an officer responded to the 900 block of West Duarte Road regarding a stolen vehicle report. Sometime during the previous night, someone stole the victim's Hyundai Tucson.
- At 11:00 p.m., an officer responded to the parking lot of The Shops at Santa Anita, located at 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a theft from vehicle report. The victim discovered someone had stolen the victim's catalytic converter from his Honda Accord between 9:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 26:

- At 9:24 a.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of El Dorado Street regarding a vandalism report. The officer discovered someone had smashed the rear window of the victim's vehicle. It does not appear as though anything was stolen.
- At 1:42 p.m., an officer responded to the 400 block of West Lemon Avenue regarding a theft from vehicle report. Sometime between 6:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., someone entered the victim's unlocked vehicle and stole his wallet and credit cards.

DUARTE POLICE BLOTTER

November 24, 2022 • Grand Theft:
1856 Huntington Drive (Cabreras Mexican Cuisine). Between November 23, 2022 9:00 PM and November 24, 2022 5:35 AM suspect(s) unknown stole the victim's catalytic converter to their vehicle a yellow 2017 Nissan NV200 van. Loss was approximately \$2,000.

November 25, 2022 • Petty Theft (Shoplifting):
1050 Huntington Drive (Target). On November 25, 2022 at 4:30 PM suspect unknown a male white adult wearing a blue hooded sweater and blue jeans exited the location without attempting to pay for a scooter and over the counter medication. The suspect exited the location in an unknown direction. Loss was approximately \$500. Surveillance video available.

November 26, 2022 Burglary (Residential):
800 block of Vista Laguna Circle. On November 26, 2022 between 8:00 PM and 9:00 PM while the homeowner was away, she observed three unknown possible male juveniles on her front camera walking on the side of her yard. Upon deputies' arrival, observed rear glass window shattered. Unknown if suspect(s) made entry. Loss in unknown at this time.

HOW TO PREVENT A HOME BURGLARY:

- Whenever you go outside, lock the door and take the key with you, even if you are stepping next door or out mowing the back yard.
- Don't put valuables near a window, especially items that can be carried away easily.
- Be sure to secure your garage door. Please do not leave it open when you are away.
- When you aren't home, use a timer set to turn interior lights on and off at varying intervals as though someone was home.
- If someone comes to your door asking to use the telephone, make the call yourself. Don't invite the person inside your home.
- Don't hide a spare key under the doormat. Thieves know all the good hiding places.
- Trim back any trees or shrubs near doors and windows to eliminate hiding places for would-be thieves.
- At night, make sure all the doors and windows are locked.

LAWSUITS CHALLENGING ARCADIA CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT AND COUNCIL DISTRICT MAP RESOLVED

ARCADIA, CA – Two lawsuits challenging the appointment of an Arcadia City Councilmember and the adopted City Council District Map were resolved yesterday. The Settlement Agreement between the City and the petitioners ends a six-month legal battle that challenged the validity of Councilmember Michael Danielson's appointment in March 2022 and the City Council Redistricting Map, adopted in April 2022.

Judge Mary Strobel of the Los Angeles County Superior Court found on October 4, 2022, that the appointment of Councilmember Danielson was lawful, and a judgment was entered in favor of the City. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, the Plaintiffs in this lawsuit will not appeal the judgement in the City's favor. In return, the City has agreed not to pursue recovery of its court costs.

The petitioners challenging the City, the HQH Chinese American Equalization Association and Arcadia Voters' Rights Group, first sued the City of Arcadia and the City Council in May 2022. The litigation sought to invalidate the appointment of Councilmember Danielson, and therefore, overturn the City's District Map approved during his appointment. Pursuant to the same Settlement Agreement, this litigation was dismissed by order of the Court prior to a hearing.

In response to the satisfactory resolution of these lawsuits, Mayor Tom Beck said, "We are pleased to have successfully resolved these two legal matters, and the City's recent litigation concerning Councilmember term limits, in our favor. We are now focused on welcoming the newly elected City Councilmembers on December 6, 2022, and the historic representation they bring to the Council."

GET AROUND TOWN WITH ARCADIA TRANSIT'S NEW APP, PASSIO GO!

ARCADIA, CA – Arcadia Transit's new fixed route app, Passio GO!, launches today, December 1, 2022. The new user-friendly transit app provides riders with real-time bus tracking and estimated time of arrivals for the City's fixed routes. Other features include alerts and messaging directly to your phone, trip planning from start to finish, personal reminders for bus arrivals, the ability to view your bus in live time on the route, and much more.

Beginning Thursday, users can download 'Passio GO' for free on Apple or Google Play app stores. Once downloaded, simply select 'City of Arcadia' as the agency to access Arcadia Transit's customized settings. The current transit app,

DoubleMap, will eventually be no longer available for use. The Arcadia Transit Fixed-Route provides general public transit service on three bus lines - Green, Blue, and Red. Use Arcadia Transit to get from your neighborhood to important locations around town including the Gold Line Light Rail Station, The Shops at Santa Anita Mall, Santa Anita Park, the Los Angeles County Arboretum, Arcadia City Hall, medical buildings, and more! Arcadia Transit is an affordable, eco-friendly ride. One-way fare is 50 cents and free for seniors and persons with disabilities, and the entire fleet operates on clean-burning natural gas. For maps of the bus lines and stop locations, download Passio GO! or visit ArcadiaCA.gov/Transit.

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THE PASADENA COMMUNITY POLICE ACADEMY IS WAITING FOR YOU!

By Kellie Strubinski

I graduated from the Fall Session of the Pasadena Community Police Academy on November 2nd, 2022. It is a bi-annual, 8 week program that gives you an "up close and personal" view of every unit within the Pasadena Police Department. You might ask, "Why would anyone want to sign up for that?!" Let me tell you why you need to get on their wait list for their Spring 2023 Academy.

I was surprised to meet so many officers in every dept/unit that were so dedicated, brave and passionate about what they do. They all want to keep you, your families, your businesses and your property safe. They work tirelessly together and sometimes alone to cover every possible thing that can go wrong in this city. You would be surprised to hear just how many things do go wrong in a day in Pasadena, some more dangerous than others.

These officers are away from their families for long hours, risking their own safety, working on shifts that are unpredictable from day to day.

I did a four plus hour ride along with one of the officers. Before we left, I thought I was going to throw up. The first place we went was to the scene of a murder that had taken place the night before. I heard about it in the shift briefing before my "ride along" and was glad that the officers already had discovered surveillance footage. It would only be a matter of time before the killer was behind bars. By the time I did my ride along, I had already heard from the Homicide Unit Officers during class and I knew how efficient they were at using every possible resource, including your tips, to apprehend killers. Their success rate is over 90% due to their dedication and unrelenting efforts to comb through information to get to the truth and locate their perpetrators.

On my ride along, we went to one call after another, each one completely different from the call before. My officer was always calm and cool and assessed each situation quickly. He responded with admirable de-escalation techniques. I knew this was no small feat as one of our Academy classes was dedicated to role playing. The entire role playing evening, my classmates, including myself, hand cuffed and shot up innocent "ac-

tors" as we all got overwhelmed with scenarios that played out quickly, often dangerously with out of control emotions causing people to behave in unpredictable ways. After that evening, my respect for officers skyrocketed. Their ability to read a situation quickly, determine who is who, respond with the correct amount of force at the right time while keeping their own emotions in check is nothing short of amazing. This does not come natural. The level of training these officers go through (in a variety of areas) would surprise you.

Another class was at the shooting range, where not only did we get to shoot a variety of guns, but we got to act out electronic scenarios with electronic guns (think life size video games) on a big screen. Me and my classmate "partner" got shot so many times that we were glad we still had our real jobs. Our inability to assess potential dangerous situations quickly and accurately cost us. Then we started shooting innocent "electronic" people trying to keep from getting ourselves killed because we started over compensating in our attempts to not get killed. Our anxiety got the best of us.

I'd love to go into all of the interesting details that every department shared with my class, but this article would never end. Some of my favorites, The Air Ops Unit with their infrared lights, cameras and three minute response time, made me proud.

The Special Investigation unit is working bravely, tirelessly to get drugs off the streets and away from our kids. Fentanyl is pernicious and now comes in candy colored tablets that they work hard to irradiate. I was proud to hear of their brave successes.

The Defensive Tactics unit has focused on Jujitsu training for 15+ years. It means the "Gentle Art"



in Japanese. This style of martial arts enables officers to apprehend suspects with minimal injury to the suspect while improving the time it takes to get the suspect under control.

The Fraud/Stolen Identity unit never ceased to fascinate me. Perpetrators purchase machines off of Amazon inexpensively that enable them to recreate credit cards. The success rate with which perpetrators convince Pasadena Citizens to relinquish thousands of dollars to expunge non-existent warrant(s). To this I say "Don't send money/crypto currency to anyone without checking with the police first."

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Units all deserve a big shout out as well. Each unit has a lot to share about their progressive policies, dedicated officers and their individual strategies for working together to make an overall organization that works efficiently for you and this city. This is all done with a shortage of officers on a tight budget.

I encourage you to sign up for this program and get to know the people that are working tirelessly to keep you and those dear to you safe. You won't regret it. Apart from it being incredibly informative, they also make it a lot of fun. Their good hearted banter and camaraderie is infectious. If anything you will walk away highly informed about this great city, and proud to know that you are protected by a fine group of officers dedicated to you and your safety.

Peter Dills Knows

IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK LIKE CHRISTMAS !! IT'S TIME FOR BUBBLES

OK, this kicks off my Holiday Bubbly series! When most of us think of Domestic Wines we tend to go to California first, and why not, we have many wonderful regions of wine producing areas; Temecula, Santa Barbara, Central Coast to name a few, but for me it's the Napa Valley. First let me remind you that Champagne is a region in France and only those wines produced in that area can be called "Champagne". Although, the wines of Napa Valley are usually produced using the same "methods" as our friends in France. I have one Sparkling wine worthy of starting our Holiday Series: Mumm Napa Prestige.

Mumm Napa Prestige is a blend of grapes combining 45% Chardonnay, 45% Pinot Noir and a small amount of Gris and Meunier grapes, all out-sourced exclusively from Napa area Vineyards. However, don't let the term "out-source" make you hesitant to try it! Most recently, many popular wines that you purchase now "out-source" some juice to ensure the right flavor, and then blend during the winter.

Sparkling Wines and Champagnes have long been a favorite in the Dills' household, many people believe that Bubbles are for a special occasion, my feeling is everyday is that occasion! Mumm Napa goes wonderful with Salmon, Oysters, BBQ'd or grilled chicken, but for this tasting, I had fresh sourdough bread and butter! Enjoy with a Champagne flute and watch the bubbles flow from bottom to the top with light-speed. I mentioned last week that many supermarkets are having sales on wines, check out the Vons on Sierra Madre for their version of a 30 % off sale.

Dills Score

We start with a base of 50. I have added a 10 for color, 7 for the aroma or "nose" 10 for the taste and an 11 for my overall impression including value. With any Sparkling Wine or Champagne there isn't much time to swirl, but often when you are at a fine dining establishment they will let you taste before you proceed with the bottle. Dills' tip, if there is that distinctive *pop* when opened, combined with lively effervescent action including plenty of bubbles and the cork expands, it's good to drink!

Dills Score 88.

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Dining With Dills

A NOISE WITHIN OFFERS SENSORY-FRIENDLY, 'RELAXED' PERFORMANCE OF 'A CHRISTMAS CAROL' FOR AUDIENCES WITH AUTISM, PTSD, ALZHEIMERS

A Noise Within adds extra joy to the holiday season with a special, sensory-friendly, "relaxed" performance of its beloved production of A Christmas Carol on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 11 a.m.

Relaxed performances provide an inviting environment for those living with autism spectrum disorder, developmental delay, neuromuscular disorder, sensory integrative dysfunction, attention deficit disorder, or any other disorder of social interaction and communication. All the quality production values audiences expect from A Noise Within are still in place, with light and sound levels adjusted to create a sensory-friendly environment for all attending. The performance will feature a shorter run time; freedom to talk and move around the theater during the performance; reduced lighting and sound effects; designated activity/relaxation spaces for those who need a break; and trained staff available to assist patrons throughout the event.

"We call it a hush-free performance," explains A Noise Within director of education and community outreach Alicia Green. "We keep the audience small, and people can come and go as they want. We've created a 'social story' that audiences can view ahead of time: a highly detailed explanation that leads you through exactly what's going to happen every single step of the way, from the minute you park to when you walk up the sidewalk to get your tickets, to where the stairs are, and the bathroom, and where you can sit, so you feel confident coming in. House lights are kept on throughout the performance to allow for easy movement around the theater. We've created a quiet area that's a soft, cozy, comforting little cave where anyone can go if they need to leave during the performance. We have fidget spinners and drums available, or you can bring your own devices."

For more information about the "Relaxed Performance" of A Christmas Carol on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 11 a.m. at A Noise Within, including to view the "social story" and an instructional video about how staff are trained, go to <https://www.anoisewithin.org/relaxed-performances>.

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FINANCIAL AID TIP OF THE MONTH, DECEMBER 2022*Know your school's satisfactory academic progress standards*

Satisfactory academic progress, or SAP, is an important phrase in the language of student aid for Kentucky students to know, according to KHEAA.

SAP comes into play after you have taken college or technical school classes and are applying for student aid for the next school year.

All colleges that award federal student aid must have SAP standards, which are based on three key areas: GPA, pace and a maximum time frame.

The GPA students must have may vary by school, major and whether a student is pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree.

To meet the pace standard, students must pass a certain percentage of the classes they take in a given period of time. This may also vary by college.

Maximum time frame means students have to finish their degree within a given number of attempted credit hours. For example, a school may require a student to pass 120 credit hours to earn a bachelor's degree, but the student must earn those 120 hours without taking more than 150 hours.

KHEAA is a public, non-profit agency established in 1966 to improve students' access to college. It provides information about financial aid and financial literacy at no cost to students and parents.

In addition, KHEAA disburses private Advantage Education Loans on behalf of its sister agency, KHESLC.

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Dates to know:

Paperwork Day: December 17th

Dust off your gloves: more info coming soon!

Try Outs (AA through Majors): January 14 & 17

Opening Day Parade and Ceremonies: February 25th

BETHANY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL HOSTS GRANDPARENTS AND SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY

Bethany Christian School held a special Grandparents and Special Friends Day on November 18. The purpose of the event was to honor and give thanks to our students' grandparents and special friends for the important role they play in their lives. Over 200 guests traveled all over California and the U.S. and even as far as Hong Kong, Australia and South Africa to attend the event. The morning began with Bethany's unique "Morning Muster" at which the entire school gathered to pledge allegiance to our country and our faith, and listen to a performance by Bethany Lions Choir. This was followed by coffee in the courtyard with photo booth opportunities and then a program in the chapel in which all of the Bethany classes performed numbers to honor their guests. Students were then dismissed to pray with their grandparents and show them their classrooms. The day concluded with a Thanksgiving feast in the gym enjoyed by all. For more information on Bethany Christian School visit www.bcsliions.org or call 626-355-3527.



SIERRA MADRE MIDDLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY WINNERS

Congratulations to our Cross Country Team on their success in the recent Championship meet!

TEAM RESULTS:

- 6th grade Boys and Girls both won 1st place!
- 7th grade Girls finished in 4th place
- 8th grade Boys finished in 4th place

Individual Results:

- Asher Himsl finished in 2nd place in the 6th grade Boys' race
- Malia Love finished in 1st place in the 6th grade Girls' race
- Karina Munoz finished in 3rd place in the 6th grade Girls' race
- Josiah Himsl finished in 1st place in the 8th grade Boys race

We are very proud of all of our runners!



HOME ALONE

I have a darling dog named Molly, who at her ripe old age of 14 years is content staying home when her beloved humans are away, but it hasn't always been that way. When Molly first came to live with us, she'd literally loose it every time we attempted to go somewhere without her, even for a short period of time. I'd never before had a pet that was afraid to be left home alone, so I assumed I was among a limited few who had to deal with such a scenario. I soon learned that the problem is far more common than I'd thought.

Typical signs of the canine condition known as 'pet separation anxiety' include constant under-the-fence dirt-digging, scratching at doors windows and walls, incessant whining or howling, destructive chewing, urinating or defecating indoors during the owner's absence, and effusive frantic greetings upon the owner's return. My Molly displayed every one of these behavioral traits from the day I adopted her, and it was quite disheartening. The poor girl was terrified of being left home alone. The question begged, "What causes an otherwise easy-going canine to become over-the-top anxious and frantically fearful when left alone?"

There are numerous theories as to why domestic pets fret in the absence of their humans. Among the most agreed-upon reasons is that the animal experienced some sort of trauma in the past, leaving an imprinted memory resulting in a lack of trust in the humans' promise to return, or the dog was indeed abandoned and left to fend for itself, perhaps coming close to the point of starvation before finally being rescued and cared for by a forever friend.

I found one story in an on-line post about an adult dog that lived in a comfortable home with a loving owner for many years. The dog had access to the house and yard all its life and there had been no history of trauma, but when the owner suddenly passed away in the house, the dog was trapped inside. A week went by before a neighbor became concerned that there had been no activity next door, and decided to investigate.

Ultimately the family was contacted. They came and rescued the dog and, of course dealt with all that went along with loosing their son. One can only imagine what that poor dog went through while staying by his master's deceased body in the meantime. From that day on, the dog was in full fear anytime the family attempted to leave him alone. No wonder.

What can be done to help heal the rooted reasons for pet separation anxiety? I learned quite a lot in my quest to do what I could to help Molly get past her fear. Most importantly, the animal's emotional needs must be identified, validated and met. Paying lots of attention to a fretful pet is certainly in order from the start. In fact, positive reinforcement techniques for any pet should include tons of TLC and plenty of petting. Special treats for good behavior can be helpful, in moderation. Uplifting verbiage such as "I love you", and "I am proud of you" should be constant in a regimen for healing the heart of a pet suffering from fear of abandonment.

Animal psychology research has proven that certain terms of endearment can have a positive im-

Happy Tails

by Chris Leclerc



pact on domestic animal behavior. Even if you are pessimistic about talking to your dog, why not do it anyway? It might lift your own spirits to speak words of encouragement out loud even if no one else understands what you are saying. 'Those in the know' also strongly encourage calm greetings upon return home. The tendency is to be excited and use high tones when returning home after time away, but experts say that can exacerbate the problem.

In addition to these common-sense remedies for comforting pets dealing with "left-alone syndrome", there are products on the market that can help lower the level of anxiety. I purchased a natural stress-relief pet product for Molly called Rescue Remedy. Using that, coupled with a consistent regimen of leaving her at home for short periods of time, and gradually increasing the lengths of time we left her, proved to be an affective process for progress.

I also bought Molly a Thunder Shirt, a product marketed more specifically for calming dogs during thunder storms, fireworks, heavy winds or other loud outdoor noises that can't be controlled. But the Thunder Shirt has also been an affective calming mechanism, in general. It definitely helped with Molly's 'home alone' stress.

Another purchasable product designed to minimize pet separation anxiety is a calming collar. There are a few different brands of calming collars out there. I never pursued this means of resolving the problem with Molly because we were able to make good progress with the Rescue Remedy along with the Thunder Shirt and a regular regimen of coming and going over time. But I've heard good things about the collars so it might be worth a try.

Another helpful habit that can play a part in pulling a pet through separation anxiety, is establishing a close relationship with a reliable, honest, humane local pet sitter such as myself. My clients call on me to visit their pets at the most optimum time, to break up an otherwise long and monotonous day. I arrive at the requested hour, take the pup out for a walk and/or playtime in the yard, then I spend the remaining time loving and cuddling before I leave. If meals are called for, I include that in my visit as well. If the owners have to be away more than a day, I stay with the pet(s) overnight. It makes all the difference in the world to have a familiar friend to rely on!

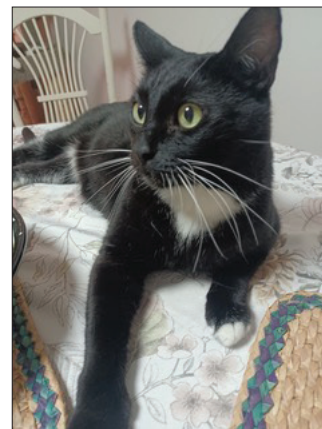
I wish the best to any pet owner out there who happens to be dealing with a pup suffering from the fear of being left alone. It's not easy, but with lots of love and patience, I know from experience, it gets better. Our pets are a lot like us humans. We want to feel needed, loved unconditionally, and perhaps most importantly, safe at home. Well guess what? So do our furry, four-legged friends, and as we all know, they are worth it. Love and let live.

Katnip News!

Meet "BARACK OPURRA"



For "Senior Pet Month," last week you met beautiful, 15 year old "Echo Bella." This week, please meet "Barack," an 11 year old tuxedo. When just 3-weeks-old he was rescued by his papa, and for his whole life it was Just The Two Of them together. Sadly, this



year his beloved Papa fell ill and was gone. Barack was left all alone in the home, confused and terrified when the movers came to take out all the furniture. Final-ly, a wonderful foster helped the fear and sadness in him to slowly subside, and he begin to trust again and show what an amazing cat he is! He's a great companion! He wants to lay next to you, cuddle on top of you, sleep at your feet at night and just always be around you. He gets spurts of playful kitten energy and it's the cutest thing! Barack would do best as an only cat, since his whole life he was used to being a singleton. This old buddy will be the most devoted companion. He is ready to start a new life with his loving human. Call 626-533-5554 to apply. www.lifelineforpets.org. Can anyone please give these wonderful seniors, Echo Bella and Barack, each a new home?

Pet of the Week

Sweet Hannah Belle arrived at Pasadena Humane a few weeks ago and was clearly in distress. She was suffering from a traumatic injury and was in considerable pain. Our health team discovered that poor Hannah had a fractured pelvis and immediately got to work to put her on the road to recovery.



Hannah Belle has been on strict bed rest while she recuperates, and now she's ready to find her forever home. She has shown everyone here how friendly and outgoing she is by rubbing up on everyone who comes close, and her purring is non-stop!

Hannah is expected to fully recover, but it is recommended that she keep her exercising to a minimum for a while. She still has a slight limp, but that's not going to stop this lovely lady from seizing the day, or at least seizing your heart when she shows you what an affectionate girl she is!

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.

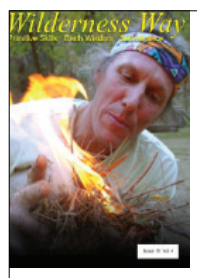
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ON STUFF

great value of having certain extra clothing, blankets, manual tools, knives, those sorts of things. Yes, you could say I was starting to collect. And from there, it just goes on an on. Should you store all the wood you find so that you can have a fire in the fireplace every night for the next year? Should you collect all tools and lumber you find so you can build a shed or chicken coop in your back yard without going to the lumber yard? And should you collect all that lumber even if you're not actually making such a shed or chicken coop? That's how you get into the collection of stuff.

It's all really good useful stuff that you might use in an emergency. Before you know it, you're at yard sales and thrift stores, buying things at ridiculously low prices that you know you might use one day. Or, you tell yourself, you could sell it to make extra cash. But you don't sell it, because the retail price for your object - despite its inherent usefulness - is little more than you originally paid for it.

I've gotten to this point. I had plenty of stuff to survive the next apocalypse, but I wasn't really using most of it. And I had to have shed after shed after paid storage unit to store all these really good things. Before you know it, your living space is crammed full of stuff that you never use, but which is -you've convinced yourself - very very valuable.

It's a big trap. In the past 20+ years, I moved a few times, and carefully looked at all the very good material things that I collected. I realized that much of it I never used. Never. So I decided to "bite the bullet" and clean house. I was not willing to move truckloads of stuff to my new place. My criteria was that if I had not actually used the object - despite my having determined that it was "very valuable" - in the last 10 years, then I got rid of it. I gave dozens of boxes of goods to a Boy Scout leader to give outdoor gear to low-income scouts. I gave a truckload of wood and bone and rock and other natural materials to native American friends to use in art projects. I made many boxload donations to Salvation Army and Goodwill. And I filled my blue recycling bin about a dozen times, and filled the black trash can many times as well. Yes, I sold some things, but selling takes time, and you rarely get back what you paid, especially not when you have a time crunch.

And I never regretted shedding my load of the material baggage. I found that the world still had lots of hardware stores and grocery

stores and art supply stores, and that if I was actually doing and using a product, I could just go get it. And if it was truly unavailable, I realized it would not be the end of the world. I could do without. I learned to be rich in the degree to which I could do without stuff.

That's not to say that I have no supplies or boxes of stuff. I do. But I regularly check what I have and give away what I do not need. I do not wait for Christmas or birthdays - I just give away when I realize I have been serving the object and not the other way around. I had a dream that helped me to realize the wisdom of this choice. At a time when my wife and I decided to live separately, I moved out. But because I had so much stuff in the place we'd been living for nearly 20 years, it took a while for me to clean it out. In my dream, I was dead, and I was looking into the window of my old office. My wife was there with helpers and they were discarding most of my stuff. I was horrified at first, but then realized that the stuff they were throwing away had little or no monetary value, and no sentimental value to them. It had some value to me only because it was something I collected, or used in a class, or used for research. And I helplessly watched the junk that I thought was valuable - but after I was dead, it wasn't! I never forgot that dream, telling me that maybe, just maybe, all the junk that I have collected really is of little to no value to anyone!

Of course, stuff is useful in life. We use stuff all the time, for all our activities. But it is SO easy to get inundated in stuff and miss what life is all about. We forget that our feeling of accomplishment and fulfillment is an interior something, not a thing that is the result of accumulation.

What then must we do? That is, what must we do if we wish to alter this stuff-accumulation pattern. (If you don't think it's a problem, you don't have to do a thing).

How about not buying something in the first place? You know what I mean - you're standing there salivating about some piece of clothing or art piece or knife or whatever, and you know you don't really need it, but you want it, and you're slowly convincing yourself that it's a great bargain! You probably don't need it, and your life will

go on quite well without it. Remember, do your very best to separate need from want in your life. If you already have a lot of the item, and it's sitting in your garage or cluttering up your living space, or worse, you're paying for a storage unit, then, YOU DO NOT NEED IT! Don't buy it. That's the simple part, if you can do it. Just don't buy the stuff in the first place.

OK, so, perhaps that's not the option. You're going to make a purchase. Find one that will not cost you more money as time goes on. You know what I mean, a product that uses odd-size batteries that are not cheap. Or those coffee makers that require you to buy the little cups that fill up landfills. You can always choose a long-lasting ecological product, more or less. If you really work at it, you can make your buying choices support the products that we should all be using, and not junk that clutters up your life.

I also ask myself when I obtain something new: Can I ever sell this for even close to what I paid for it? Or, can I sell it for more than I paid? Will it appreciate in value? Or is it something that no one in their right mind would pay anything for next month?

I also ask myself if the product will materially improve my life, and make me a better person, and more self-reliant. Most stuff will not do that, let's be real. But sometimes a product can be life enhancing, and it's really great to have.

Anyway, you get the idea. Your life will be better without junk. You are rich in the degree that you can do without something. Get rid of your clutter.

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LITTLE KNOWN PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS HELP SENIORS SAVE

Dear Savvy Senior:

I recently learned about a property-tax relief program for seniors in the county where I live. Apparently, there are hundreds of these programs across the country that many retirees, like me, are eligible for but don't know about. What can you tell me about this? Overtaxed Eddie

Dear Eddie:

Great question! Residential property-tax refund and credit programs exist in nearly every state, but unfortunately few people know about them. These programs can help retirees and many other Americans by reducing their property taxes. Here's what you should know.

Rising Property Taxes

Property taxes are a major source of income for local governments, but while they help fund key public services, they can be a financial drain for many homeowners, especially retirees, many of whom live on fixed incomes.

According to Attom Data Solutions, a property-data provider, the average American household paid \$3,785 in property taxes in 2021, but this amount varies widely depending on your state's tax rate and your home's estimated value. For example, New Jersey residents paid \$9,476 per year on average in 2021, while West Virginia residents paid \$901.

To help ease this tax burden, most states offer a number of property-tax relief programs. But states aren't always proactive in letting people know. It's up to you, the homeowner, to find out what's available in your county or city that you may be eligible for, and to apply.

Relief Programs

Property tax relief programs, sometimes called exemptions, release eligible homeowners from paying some or all of their property tax obligation. How long the exemption lasts can vary depending on where you live, and the reason you're applying for the exemption.

The tax-relief process varies by county, city or state. In general, you'll have to meet certain eligibility requirements, submit an application and provide documents that support your request. Most programs will either reduce, waive or freeze property taxes for seniors, veterans, surviving spouses, disabled and low-income residents.

But there are some counties that also offer basic homestead exemptions to homeowners regardless of age or income, and others that may provide exemptions to homeowners that have recently made energy-efficient improvements to their home.

Where to Look

The best way to learn about local property-tax relief programs and their eligibility requirements is to visit your county, city or state website that collects your property tax. Most of these sites also provide applications and instructions, and will allow you to apply either online, by mail or at your local tax office.

Another good resource for locating programs in your area is the Lincoln Institute, which has a property-tax database that lets you to browse programs across the country. To access it go to ResidentialProperty-TaxReliefPrograms.org.

AARP may also be able to help through their Property Tax-Aide service - see PTAconsumers.aarp-foundation.org. This free program, which is available in 13 states (Arizona, Colorado, Florida-Miami Dade County, Illinois-Cook County, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New York and North Carolina) and the District of Columbia helps eligible homeowners and renters apply for relief.

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



SENIOR HAPPENINGS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ...DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS*

Maria Decker, Nancy Dorn, Prudence Levine Pat Karamitros, Joan Hufnagel, Mary Alice Cervera, Carol Horejsi, Shirley Anhalt, Helen Reese, Levon Yapoujian, Toni Buckner, Lottie Bugl, Sheila Wohler, Nan Murphy, Eleanor Hensel, Sylvia Curl, Elizabeth Levie, Gayle Licher, Cindy Barran, and Melissa Stute, Prudence Levin, Sheila Woehler. * To add your name to this distinguished list, please call the paper at 626.355.2737. YEAR of birth

SIERRA MADRE SENIOR CLUB Every Saturday from 11:30am-3:30 pm in the Hart Park House Senior Center. Join us as we celebrate birthdays, holidays and play BINGO. Must be 50+ to join. For more information call Mark at 626-355-3951.

DOMINOES TRAIN GAME 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 11:00 am— 12:30 pm Hart Park House 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.

TEA AND TALK SENIOR BOOK CLUB

WILL RETURN IN JANUARY 2023
Staff has launched a new book club series, Tea and Talk, which meets twice a month to discuss the fun, suspense, intrigue, love and so much more that each selection will have in store!

CHAIR YOGA Every Monday and Wednesday, 10-10:45 am Please join us for some gentle stretching, yoga, balance exercise and overall relaxation with Paul. Classes are ongoing and held in the Memorial Park Covered Pavilion or the Hart Park House..

HULA AND POLYNESIAN DANCE Every Friday, 10-10:45 am Bring a lei, your flower skirt or just your desire to dance! Hula in the Park is back and waiting for you to join in on all the fun! Memorial Park Pavilion.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC - Tuesday, Dec. 13

11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Methodist Hospital will be holding a free to seniors clinic once a month in the Hart Park House. Walk in are welcome - no pre-registration required.

Senior Moments
Hart Park House Holiday Luncheon
Wednesday, December 14, 2022
12:00 pm-2:00 pm

Please join the Sierra Madre Senior Community Commission in the Hart Park House Senior Center for the much anticipated Annual Holiday Luncheon. Meet our Senior Commissioners as they assist with serving lunch and provide some holiday cheer. Bring your festive spirit for a fun games, your appetite for a boxed lunch (by Nano Cafe) and door prizes. Staff will begin taking reservations over the phone and in person on Monday, November, 28 2022. Space is limited to 40 people so reserve your spot!

Staff will take your meal choice upon reservation.
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CAKE AND TREE DECORATING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022
1:00 - 3:00 pm
HART PARK HOUSE SENIOR CENTER

FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett

HOW WILL THE RECESSION AFFECT YOUR FAMILY?



As you're surely aware of, we're in the midst of great economic shifts. The collapse of the crypto market, the roller coaster that is the stock market, rising interest rates, dropping home values, and inflation through the roof—it's enough to make you sick. And it can make you sick, unless you take action.

During every economic shift, whether it's the Great Depression, the last Great Recession, or even during the Covid pandemic, some people get rich, while others lose everything, and you can learn from what happened and create the exact future reality you want for yourself and the people you love.

But to do that, you need to take action now. In service to that, here are 4 steps you can take right away to change your family's future and ensure you have the stability you need to sail through the latest economic shifts in the best way possible.

On that note, whether you'll be passing on wealth or inheriting it, it's crucial to have a plan in place to reduce the massive loss that will occur if you wait to start the estate planning conversation. Whether you have a little or a lot, not getting clear on what you do have (or will receive) can cause major upsets that can cost you far more than just money.

1 - Get into conversation and connection

The first step to ensure your family benefits from the current and coming economic shifts, regardless of what happens, is to get into conversation and connection with the people you depend on, the people who depend on you, or who you will depend on, if something happens to you or your assets.

With the economic realities that are upon us, we can no longer go it alone, expecting everything to just work out because the stock market is on the rise and there's plenty of savings' cushion in the bank. Instead, this is the time to bring your family together and talk about what there is, where it is, and how it's being managed (and will be managed) in the event there is a black swan event, such as another pandemic or a major stock-market crash.

If you are afraid to have these conversations because you think your family might not do well with knowing what you have, because you think they can't handle knowing what you have (or don't have), or because talking about family financial resources may be taken negatively, that's a sign that it's more important than ever to get into conversation and connection as soon as possible. And if you don't have kids, siblings, a spouse, or living parents, it's even more important that you start these conversations. You can begin by identifying who you need to have these conversations with.

If talking about assets and the allocation of family resources is easy for your family, that's great—it's time to take it to the next level by following the rest of the steps outlined here. Once you get into conversation with the right people based on your family dynamics, the next step is to get comfortable enough to "open the curtain." This involves creating an inventory that lists all of the assets you own, where they are located, and how the people you love can find them in the event you become unable to share those details yourself.

2 - Open the curtain: Create your "Family Wealth Inventory"

Whether you've created a formal set of estate planning documents already or not, it's time to create (or update) an inventory of your assets. In our experience, most estate plans don't do a very good job of keeping assets organized. When a loved one becomes incapacitated or dies, this is actually one of the biggest sources of expense, heartache, and pain—no one knows what there is, where it is, or how to find it.

One of the greatest gifts you can give the people you love is what we call a "Family Wealth Inventory," and it's so important, we create it for all of our clients as part of their estate plan. You should not only create this inventory, but you should keep it consistently updated, as your assets change over time.

During a major economic shift, creating, updating and revising your Family Wealth Inventory is critical, and doing that with the people you love is a priority. As we see it, family wealth isn't just about your financial wealth, it's about your whole family wealth, including your intel-

lectual, spiritual, and human assets. In fact, these non-financial, intangible assets are usually what we all care about most, and yet they are so often overlooked in estate planning.

One of the best ways to maximize your family's intellectual, spiritual, and human assets is for your loved ones to get into relationship around your family's financial resources. Begin by creating (or updating) your Family Wealth Inventory, and sharing it with your loved ones, so you can discuss how to best allocate (or re-allocate) those resources. Having this conversation can help ensure your family's intellectual, spiritual, and human wealth continues to grow, even as we move through these uncertain economic times.

3 - Consider reallocating your resources
Once you've created your Family Wealth Inventory, which allows you to see all your assets in one place and consider the needs of your family, regardless of the economic climate, you may decide to reallocate your resources. For example, now might be the time to invest in multigenerational housing that will allow you and your kids to live together for many years or allow you to care for aging parents, while still maintaining privacy. Or you may decide that it's time to create that homestead you've been talking about building, or launch that business you've been wanting to start. And it could be that now is the time to do all of that with the people you love.

Times are changing, and the best time to look at what you have, so you can consider the future you want to create and intentionally allocate (or re-allocate) your resources is right now. Those who do so will set up their families to thrive. Those who don't may fall behind and wish they had done something different once it's too late.

4 - Update your plan
Once you look at what you have, where it is, and how you want it allocated, the next issue to decide on is who would take care of it all if you cannot. Leaving the management of your affairs to chance or to out-of-date estate planning documents is the worst thing you can do for yourself and those you love.

The Great Wealth Transfer is happening. Between \$30 and \$80 trillion of wealth will be transferred between the generations over the next few decades. You'll want to have everything in order now to best prepare for that transfer.

In the meantime, start by updating the estate planning you already have in place to handle your assets in the event of your incapacity or death. If you don't have any plan at all, the state has one for you, and it almost certainly isn't what you would want to have happen. And if you do have an estate plan in place, it may be out of date, or possibly wasn't even created properly to begin with.

Secure your wealth, your legacy, and your family's future. Regardless of how much, or how little, wealth you own, now is the time to look at what you have, talk to your parents about what they have, and talk to your kids about what they'll need to take care of you. And if you don't have kids or living parents, talk to your siblings or close friends. Find a trusted estate planning law firm which should have processes designed to guide you to look at all of these things with ease and talk to the right people based on your family dynamics and assets, as affordably and effectively as possible.

Ultimately, your estate plan should have built-in support for your life and legacy, which can greatly facilitate your ability to make wise legal and financial decisions throughout your lifetime and beyond. By getting your estate planning in order, you can rest assured that no matter what happens with the ongoing and future economic shifts, your family wealth will offer the maximum benefit for your loved ones. Don't wait to start having these critical conversations to ensure you and your family will thrive through the recession and any other calamity that may occur.

To your health, wealth, and family legacy,

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OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

DO I REALLY TALK IN MY SLEEP?



For a long time, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage has accused me of talking in my sleep. I never believed her and just thought she was joking. At least, I thought it was a joke.

One time she accused me of that and said, "Why do you talk so much in your sleep at night?"

Thinking this was a platform for jokes, I said, "That's because, during the day, I don't have any opportunity to talk." Then I flashed her one of my signature smiles.

She didn't throw any smile back but stared at me for a few moments with that stare that went right through my body.

It was about our third Christmas, and as we gathered around the Christmas tree, I handed her a little Christmas box all wrapped up in red paper with a nice little bow on the top.

Looking at me, she smiled and said, "Is this the watch you were talking about in your sleep the other night?"

Quite frankly, I did not know how to respond to that. It was a watch, but I did not know I had been talking about it in my sleep. So there has to be another reason for that!

One morning at breakfast as we were finishing, I said to her, "I've been thinking that today..."

She interrupted me and said to me, "I know. You want to go and get that new computer you've been talking about in your sleep."

I have been worrying about what secrets I'm exposing at night while I'm sound asleep.

Then the other day at breakfast time, she looked at me and said, "I think that's an excellent idea you have."

Looking at her, I wondered what she was talking about, so I said, "What are you talking about?"

"You know," she said with a big smile, "that vacation you're planning for this coming summer. I think it is a wonderful idea."

To be truthful, I had been thinking about a special vacation this coming summer, but I hadn't said anything to her about it up to this point. How in the world does she know I'm thinking about this vacation?

Not knowing what to say, I looked at her, "Where did you ever get that idea?"

With one of her chuckles, she said, "You know. That vacation you were talking about in your sleep last night. I agree with everything you said about it."

I was a little bit off at this point. I was thinking about that vacation, but I had no idea what I said in my sleep last night. I was afraid to ask her about the details of that vacation.

I'm not sure if I need a psychologist or what! How can I keep from talking in my sleep at night? And, what if while I'm sleeping, I'm talking nonsense and get myself into deep trouble with the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage? Can I really believe that what I say while I'm sleeping is actually true?

Thinking about this for some time, I devised a little plan. One night I would pretend I was asleep and talk in my sleep, or at least pretend to. It took me a while to come up with some idea, but eventually, I did.

I pretended I was asleep one night, and I began talking around the middle of the night. I said, "I think I'm going to surprise my wife by buying her a brand-new car. After all, she deserves it."

I thought this might bring some closure to all of these myths about me talking in my sleep.

Finally, I went to sleep and was quite anxious to get up in the morning and hear the response from The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage.

I was surprised when she said nothing about me talking in my sleep last night.

Maybe she fell asleep and didn't hear me. So, I decided to try it the next night.

That following day there was absolutely nothing she said about me talking in my sleep.

I did this for two more nights in a row, and to my surprise, she never even acknowledged that I talked in my sleep.

I wondered if all of this talking in my sleep was just a fantasy from her point of view. I didn't know what to do next because nothing I was doing was actually working.

Then I decided to do it one more night.

The following day at breakfast, while we were eating, she stared at me, and I said, "Is something wrong?"

"I don't think that was very funny."

"What are you talking about?" I asked her.

"You know what I mean, all that talking about buying me a new car, but I know you were not asleep when you said that. You are just trying to trick me, and I'm not going to have anything to do with that."

I have learned that it is true only when I'm talking in my sleep. When I talk when I'm awake, it is not true. Oh, for the life of a husband!

Then I was reminded of a verse in the Bible. "For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O Lord, thou knowest it altogether" (Psalm 139:4).

I'm comfortable with knowing God hears everything I say. With that I need to discipline my tongue and keep in under control.

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PUT THE LIGHTS ON

IT MAY NOT BE YOUR FAULT BUT IT ISN'T MINE EITHER

Let me start out by saying that I'm in a foul mood and if you are looking for a happy, happy Christmas column perhaps you should look elsewhere. It's not your fault but I really can't completely blame myself. I look at my iPhone and continually ae deluged with requests for continuing additional contributions. What kind of a system are we living in? It's not an election as much as a horse race where the winning side gets to keep its jobs and its pet programs and rip off money from the rest of us. As American military companies and oil companies rake off huge profits from the Russia/Ukrainian war wherein both

sides suffer huge civilian casualties while the disruption of lives connected to the fantasies of an ageing unbelievably wealthy tyrant's dreams of restoring a lost empire continue?

Of course, we lucky Americans have our own delusional unpunished billionaire lust-jing for more parades and tributes as he dreams about an acceptance that will never come. I really do not want to believe that money can buy everything although the recently divorced Bezos seem to be contesting one another by making huge contributions to their own favorite projects. Frankly I do not enjoy being governed within a system wherein unfathomable amounts of money devolve to a favored few who then contest with one another for even more pleasures.

Frankly the well-publicized squabbles between Musk and Bezos revolt me no matter how many spaceships, car companies, newspapers, and tech companies they control. Constitutional freedoms seem to wither when confronted by immense wealth. Actually my disenchantment probably has less to do with dueling billionaires and the unpunished but still highly publicized former President. After a long career as a criminal defense attorney representing indigent clients I am now retired and unfortunately pretty isolated. I regularly meet with friends and family at local golf courses and restaurants but find myself becoming provoked over what should be inconsequential matters and frequently none of my business.

For example, Monday the 28th was the birthdate of both my children who were born two years apart. Their mother, my ex-wife, lives far off in New Mexico. She has had only one brief meeting with her granddaughter and plans for a visit this year had to be cancelled because of her ongoing medical uncertainties. Really, it is none of my business, but I want very much to keep the already loosened structure of the family together. Therefore, I had to keep my mouth shut as we visited my son's girlfriend in the medical rehabilitation center where she has been recuperating from a broken hip and a kind of mental deterioration directly resulting from overly prescribed pain and anxiety medications.

Feeling her suffering and needing to remain positive is necessary but difficult as she still cries in pain while we were present. After the visit my son and I stopped for lunch in Monrovia and as we ordered, I asked the server, who we had met before, for a special complimentary Birthday muffin and a tap dance. The answer of course was yes to the muffin and no to the tap dance. As she said this the 60ish woman at the almost adjoining table said that this was also her birthday and that she was waiting for a friend. I think that on any given day the odds against two strangers seated almost next to one another are absolutely huge (365 squared I believe) which totally fascinates me but which my son says would interest no one but me.

Anyway, when the Birthday woman's friend appeared she made some small excuse about being late but explained that she had been busy arranging another Christmas Cruise the 18th she and her husband had taken together. I am not a Cruise fan and I believe the Birthday woman was widowed and certainly less wealthy than her friend who displayed a fancy wedding ring. None of this is of particular interest (even to me) but what interests me is that it is now Thursday and I am still angry and thinking about this woman that I never spoke a word to. I mention all this in connection with the book I am just beginning, "the Myth of Normal" subtitled "Trauma, Illness & Healing In A Toxic Culture" written by Gabor Mate (accent above the e) I haven't got to the healing part yet but what I have read asserts that "the entire social construct of world we're living is deeply flawed, with toxicants on every level."

As I understand the book so far, the point is made that the pressures of modern day living and the enforced control of behavior and a maintained silence undermines emotional balance and leads to chronic depression drug addiction, and increased suicides. Typical behavior involves experiencing and focusing anger at inappropriate instances which are unthreatening and seemingly safe.

Now that I have an explanation perhaps I can go back to sleep and wake later to read the rest of book. Well, I warned you at the beginning. I hope it has not been a complete waste of your time. Happy Holiday Decorating!

DINAH CHONG WATKINS



CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE WRONG KIND SHOP TIL YOU FLOP

Since the dawn of time (or in this case, the day before Thanksgiving), there have been three traditions that herald the advent of the holiday season; non-stop commercials for perfume, Merci chocolates and Chia Pets. This year Chia's banking on Baby Yoda, painter Bob Ross, the Poop Emoji and gasp! Willie Nelson - oh Shotgun Willie, say it ain't so that you've joined the ranks of Joe Namath and Jimmie "Dyno-mite" Walker who now hawk Medi-

care supplements?

The divine birth of Jesus Christ and salvation to the world aside, Christmas is to most people, all about shopping. Shopping for friends, family, colleagues, co-workers, pets and pests but most of all - you.

No mere N95 mask can prevent Covid-19 Revenge shopping now gripping every man, woman and child. Like a fever, the torrid urge to buy, buy, buy belies common sense as you forage through the stores, surrounded by wreaths of green garlands, candy land grottoes and Mariah Carey warbling over the sound system, "All I Want for Christmas Is You".

Yes, eleven months of the year you'd blithely walk past the front aisle display of "As Seen On TV" products without a backward glance, but today the Lizard Neck Light is just the ticket for Uncle Buck's glaucoma and who in the family would say "No" to a roll of Alien Tape? It's the babysitter's best friend! And Zlata in Accounting? The Finishing Touch Flawless Facial Hair Remover - how perfect is that?

There are household attics the world over, private mini-museums of well intentioned but unwanted gifts. Time capsules of another era and different chapters of life - Brady Bunch lunchboxes, sequined tube tops, POG collections, Mom jeans, posters of Farrah Fawcett, Nirvana and The Lord of the Rings. And in a dusty bin, 99 cents versions of Elf on the Shelf. But squirreled away in an overlooked nook, lies a cigar box, with fastidiously made mix tapes of artists like Air Supply, Grand Funk Railroad and New Kids on the Block - our journey's gatekeepers to life's heart skipping highs and bitersweet lows.

My most memorable Christmas gift was the one I least wanted, a Bobby Sherman vinyl record. My father gave it to me, I guess he thought it was groovy, me being a typical tween, I grunted my thanks and in the same breath asked for the receipt so I could get the money instead.

But I'm not one to live in glass houses, because I'm known amongst my friends for giving pitiable gifts. They go as far as to figure out if I'm their Secret Santa and try to trade me off. And by no fault of my own but of the time and place I was living in, which didn't celebrate Christmas, pickings were extraordinary slim. I couldn't give another embroidered panda bear, by the third one, they just weren't that cute anymore (sorry WWF).

At the Beijing Friendship Store, the government-run store foreigners were allowed to shop in, I happened upon an item - not only unique, decorative, educational and functional, it was a bargain seeing I was working for rock bottom wages.

At the party, my Secret Santa recipient was less than thrilled when she unwrapped the 14 inch tall rubber anatomically correct model of the human body marked with acupuncture points. Even the set of acupuncture needles that came with it didn't light up her eyes. She grunted her thanks but this being China, she didn't bother to ask for the receipt as no refunds were ever given. A few months later I heard rumors she pasted a photo of her ex-boyfriend's face on it and used it as a voodoo doll. I figured that was a win for me.

So tread carefully young (at heart) shopper, ignore the festive caroling and Santa's helpers all contrived to make you buy the silliest and most inane gift for your loved ones and those you are indebted to, they'll have their place soon in their own mini-museum of misfit gifts. Admission is by good intentions only.

Dinah Chong Watkins column appears the 1st and 3rd issues of the month.

RICH & FAMOUS

THANKSGIVING COUNT-DOWN TO CHRISTMAS WEEK ONE



We have 21 days and counting 'til Christmas. If you have a large circle of family and friends, you may be witnessing the draining of your net worth and the escalation of your debt-to-income ratio. By the way does this ring true? "The easiest test to demonstrate unequivocally the superiority of women over men is to watch a man trying to wrap a Christmas present."

That being said, please permit me to attempt to distract you with some useless information:

1038: The first recorded use of the word "Christmas" was in England in 1038.

Also, historically accurate is the fact carol singers going house to house was the result of Christmas carols and carolers being banned within church walls in Medieval times. (The carolers tended to dance in circles while singing. I suspect early Baptist influence lol!)

No turkeys eaten on Christmas Day in England and Europe. The rich would eat goose or swan (I get the neck).

Venison (deer) was on the common people's (err, I mean middle class) menu. The really poor would be given what was left of the deer (the heart, liver, tongue, feet, ears and brains). Those "delicacies" were known as a deer's "umbles" and were made into a "umble" pie. And that's how we got the expression "humble pie".

Boxing Day, a traditional holiday across the British Empire, was celebrated the day after Christmas. The really rich gave money to the really poor in hollow clay pots. (No, the really poor were not in the hollow clay pots, the money was. (Get it? Got it. Good!) The clay pots had to be broken to get to the cash and the pots were nicknamed "piggies". And that's how the expression "piggy banks" came to be. By the way, "Boxing Day" is still celebrated in many countries associated with the British Empire.

In the year 1659, the Massachusetts Colony outlawed Christmas. The "Penalty for Keeping Christmas" law was enacted. Anyone found observing Christmas was fined five shillings (\$48 buck!).

Christmas was to be a day of fasting and humiliation. Yikes!

A description of the three stages of man:

1. You believe in Santa Claus
2. You don't believe in Santa Claus
3. You become Santa Claus

Ultimate truth: "Nothing is as mean as giving a little child something useful for Christmas."

I'm almost certain I started questioning the existence of Santa Claus when I started getting clothes for Christmas.

"Christmas, here again.

Let us raise a loving cup;

Peace on earth, goodwill to men,

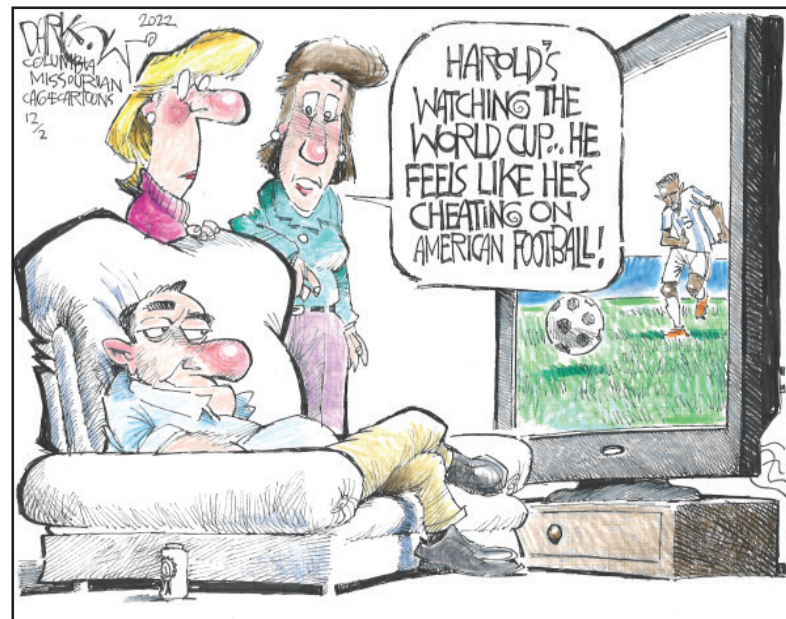
And make them do the washing up." (Wendy Cope)

Well, I've taken up enough of your time.

I have two humble encouragements:

1. This Christmas, shop and dine as much as you can from your local shopkeepers and restaurants. They can use the business.

2. If you are looking for a New Years' Eve party, consider coming to Nano Café. Saturday Night, New Year's Eve, December 31st, 7:00-12:00, Wonderful dining event (about \$65 for a choice of wonderful dinners and New Year's champagne toast). Plus, my band, JJ Jukebox, will be performing danceable "fun rock" from the 1960s-70s. Call (626) 325-3334 for reservations. Be well and enjoy family and friends!



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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO. 22AHCP00460

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: PETITIONER MARLENE NANDINO HAS FILED A PETITION WITH THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT - NORTHEAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT - ALHAMBRA COURTHOUSE FOR A DECREE CHANGING NAMES AS FOLLOWS:

Present Name: MARLENE NANDINO Proposed Name: MARLENE ISLAS

A HEARING on the petition will be held on 01/18/2023 at 8:30 A.M. in Dept. 3 ROOM 300 at ALHAMBRA COURTHOUSE 150 W COMMONWEALTH AVE, ALHAMBRA, CA. 91801.

THE COURT ORDERS that all interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted.

Mountain Views News November 12, 19, 26 and Dec. 3, 2022

MARLENE NANDINO Petitioner Appearing Pro Per 2222 Huntington Dr B88 Duarte, Ca. 91010 626-833-1025

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO. 22WCP00442

PETITIONER ERENDIRA ROSAURA GIL-JUAREZ HAS FILED A PETITION WITH THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT - SOUTHEAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT - NORWALK COURTHOUSE FOR A DECREE CHANGING NAMES AS FOLLOWS:

Present Name: ERENDIRA ROSAURA GIL-JUAREZ Proposed Name: ERENDIRA ROSAURA GAMA

A HEARING on the petition will be held on 01/04/2023 at 10:30 A.M. in Dept. C ROOM 312 at NORWALKCOURTHOUSE 12720 NORWALK BLVD, NORWALK, CA. 90650

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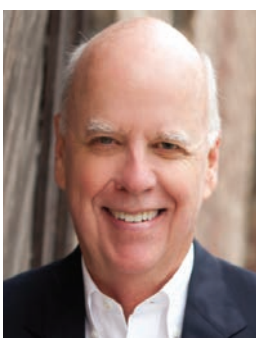
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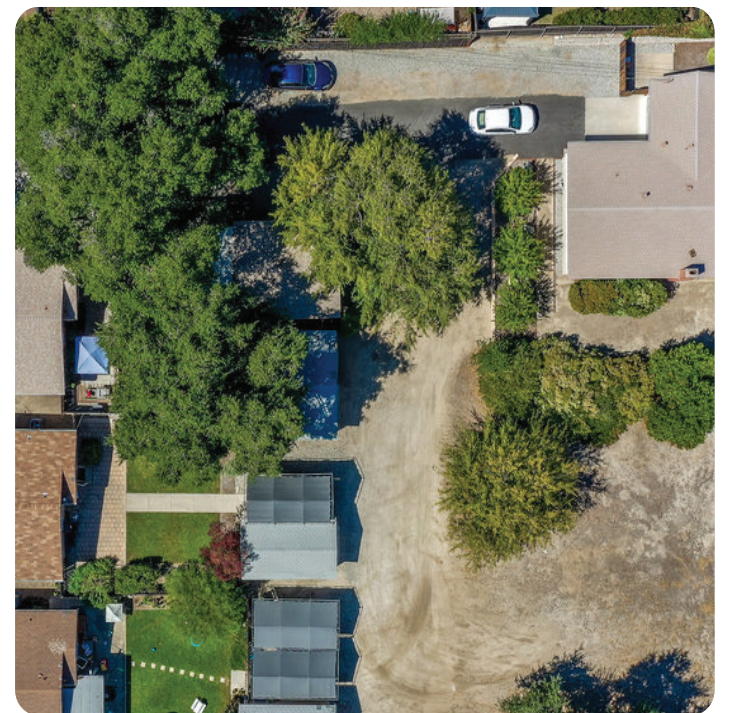
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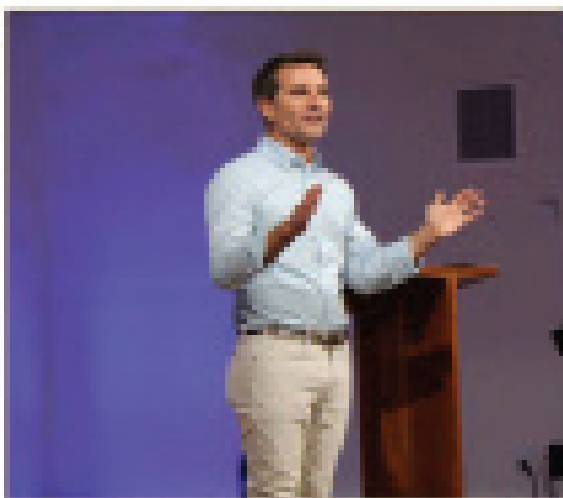
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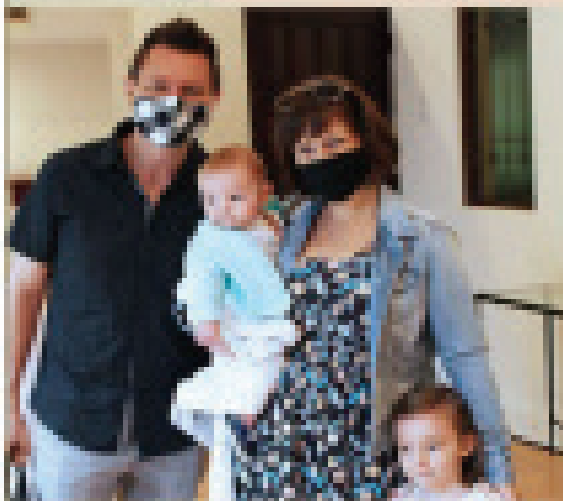
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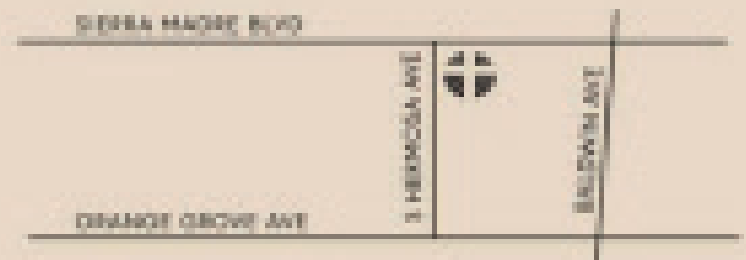
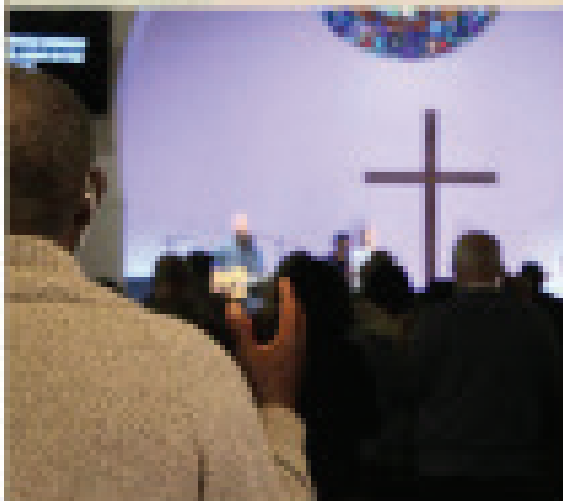


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