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## Sierra Madre Rose Float Association announces: THE BEST DAY EVER! - 2025 Rose Parade Float Entry

This year's SMRFA float depicts a cultural celebration, a fiesta. The 2025 Rose Parade theme is "Best Day Ever" and our Sierra Madre Float, ¡Fiesta!, showcases the Mariachi Divas, an all-female mariachi band, playing in a beautiful courtyard, surrounded by flowers, an archway and a stunning floral fountain.

Folkloric dancers walk beside the float and, when selected, our Royal Court will ride on the float. Sharon Gahlla volunteered her talent to create our rendering.

One way we raise funds to support the float is through Legendary Bingo, our next one will be on October 19th.

Tickets are now available online on our website, in the online store.



## 9-10-24 A ONCE IN A LIFETIME DAY

SIERRA MADRE, CA  
9.10.24

This September 10th join us in celebrating Sierra Madre

### SCHEDULED EVENTS

7:30 am - 8:30 am Breakfast burritos at Sierra Madre Fire Station. Start your morning with a breakfast burrito prepared by 355 BURGER. Co-hosted by Sierra Madre Rotary and Sierra Madre Civic Club. Coffee and juice are courtesy of SM Rotary and SM Civic Club. DRAWING TICKET LOCATION

9:00 am 45 minute historical walking tour offered by Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society. The expedition begins at Taylor's Market. Come take a walk down memory lane.

10:00 am - 1:00 pm Historical tour of the Essick House. Lemonade and cookies provided. Felt hat souvenir available (limited supplies)

10:00 am - 3:00 pm Sierra Madre Creative Arts Group is offering Art Projects on the Patio.

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12:00 pm "Sound Off" - Test of the City's Emergency Siren - to be tested by Sierra Madre CERT at Sierra Madre Public Yards. Witness the test in-person, then head over to the Sierra Madre Rose Float Barn for lunch.

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch of the Barn Hot dogs at Sierra Madre Rose Float Barn. Free snow cones provided by Sierra Madre Events Committee. Come take a tour of the Barn and check out the float in-construction. DRAWING TICKET LOCATION

2:00 pm - 6:00 pm Best Book Sale sponsored by Sierra Madre Friends of the Library.

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm RT Rogers Brewery 9/10/24 Day specials

3:30 pm - 5:30 pm Ice Cream Social at Port Park House Senior Center - Stop by for a little cake and ice cream, hosted by Sierra Madre Senior Community Commission and Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club. DRAWING TICKET LOCATION

5:30 pm City Council meeting. City Council will offer congratulations to Sierra Madre Pony for their season successes.

6:30 - 7:30 pm Bailey Canyon Nature Walk with Sierra Madre Environmental Action Council and Sierra Madre Library Environment Action Council

6:30 - 7:30 pm Mini Whiskey and Wine Tasting Sponsored by the Sierra Madre Community Foundation and Sierra Madre Bottle Shop. Complimentary whiskey and wine tasting; dessert will also be served. DRAWING TICKET LOCATION

7:00 pm Blow the Horn Listen to the City's historic horn as it is sounded from the Montecito Business District, sponsored by RT Rogers and members of the Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters Assoc.

**DRAWING TICKET** - Sierra Madre Police has donated an opportunity for a FLY ALONG on the police helicopter (certain restrictions may apply). Drawing Tickets are offered at four events on that day. Free drawing.

Perhaps you recognized it right away. The numbers should look familiar to every resident in town. 91024....that's Sierra Madre's zip code and it is also the for the first time in 100 years that the date and our zip code will be the same. The last time this happened was on 9/10/1924 and it won't happen again until 9/10/2124!

So, in true Sierra Madre tradition, the City of Sierra Madre and local organizations will be celebrating all day long. Breakfast, Lunch, Ice Cream Socials, Shopping, and fun for the entire family are on the agenda.

Our local organizations including Kiwanis, Rotary, the Sierra Madre Rose Float Association, the Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society will conduct walking tours, Sierra Madre Woman's Club, Creative Arts Group and many others will participate in the activities of the day.

The day will also celebrate the launch of the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce campaign to support our local businesses year round. The Chamber has launched a new website to guide you to the many vibrant businesses in town. Go to: [www.shop91024.com](http://www.shop91024.com). *This will be an historic day that you definitely want to participate in!*



Time to sell... and go?

## Considering Selling Your Property in 2024?

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# STATE of the CITY

"Securing our Future"

September 12, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.  
Sierra Madre Fire Department  
242 W Sierra Madre Blvd

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**SIERRA MADRE \$2,700 / Mo**  
2 Beds, 1 Bath, 700 sf Back House  
Charming home with hardwood floors, updated kitchen, in-unit laundry, pet-friendly, water/trash included. Near amenities.



**FOR SALE**  
**BIG BEAR CITY \$449,000**  
3 Beds, 2 Bath, 1,301 sf Home  
Tranquil Big Bear home with central heat, fireplace, balcony, fenced yard, and wraparound deck. Perfect mountain retreat!



**FOR SALE**  
**DUARTE \$449,000**  
2 Beds, 2 Bath, 993 sf, TownHouse  
Duarte gem on quiet ground floor corner lot with patio, pool, hot tub, modern kitchen, and 2-car garage.

# PUBLIC SAFETY IN SIERRA MADRE NEWS

For the next several months Sierra Madre's Police and Fire Departments will be running a weekly segment titled, "Get to Know Your Public Safety Officer" in the Mountain View News. The purpose of this special segment will focus on our police and fire department employees and all of us to learn a little bit more about the men and women who serve our community.

## DISPATCHER LILLIANA CORTEZ



Lilliana has worked with the Sierra Madre Police Department since 2018, where she started as a Community Service Officer. In mid-2019 she was promoted to her current role as a Police Dispatcher. In her short career, Lilliana has established herself as one of our most experienced dispatchers with key organizational assets. Recently, Lilliana obtained her Bachelor's Degree in Sociology with an interest in Law and Society from California State University Los Angeles. She also has specialty training as Communications Training Officer and Tactical Dispatcher with the regional tactics team Sierra Madre PD is a part of (F.S.E.T.). Lilliana has earned the reputation amongst her peers as somebody that is a dedicated hard worker, extremely professional, and somebody that truly cares about the people she works with and the community she serves. Let's learn a little more about Lilliana.

**1. What made you want to become a Police Dispatcher?**

I actually didn't want to be a dispatcher at the start of my law enforcement career. I always wanted to be a police officer. It wasn't until I started working

as a Community Service Officer with Sierra Madre Police that I saw what it really meant to be a Police Dispatcher. I always had a calling for helping people in need, so when I was given the opportunity to become a Police Dispatcher with the Sierra Madre Police Department, I jumped at the opportunity and never looked back.

**2. Why did you choose to work for the Sierra Madre Police Department?**  
I worked at a bigger agency before coming to Sierra Madre. By chance I was given the opportunity to apply to become a Community Service Officer here. I knew after only a couple of months working here that this town was different than any other. The love and support I receive from this Police Department really make me feel welcome every day, and that is the reason why I chose to work here.

**3. What do you like best about your job and role as a Police Dispatcher?**  
I would say the thing I like the best about my job is knowing that I have and can continue to make a difference in people's lives. Whether it's something big or small, I know that when they call into Dispatch, emergency or not, they are asking for help, and I am the one that gets to make their day just a little bit better.

**4. What would you say is the hardest part of your job?**  
I would say the hardest part of my job is having to always mentally stay ready for what the shift will bring and not letting the outside world affect that.

**5. It's been said that in order to successfully do the job of a Police Dispatcher, you have to have the ability to multi-task. Can you briefly provide examples or "paint a picture" for our readers, what is meant by this?**

Being a Police Dispatcher does take a lot of multi-tasking. Here in Sierra Madre, we work alone, so we do not have a partner like most agencies. That means we have to handle both the phones, emergency and non-emergency, and the radio at the same time. When there is an emergency going on, for example a traffic accident with injury, we will receive multiple people calling trying to report the accident. Some will call 911 and some will call the non-emergency line. It is our responsibility to filter all those calls, take down the pertinent information, dispatch officers, and keep them updated with any new information we receive. We also have to relay the information to the Fire Department so they can assist as well. That is just one call for service. If there happens to be another emergency happening at the same time or shortly after, we have to shift focus and repeat the process all over again, but at the same time continue to monitor the original call. So yes, being able to multi-task in extremely stressful situations is needed in order to successfully do this job.

**6. What's the most heroic moment you've experienced on the job?**  
I have had a couple of moments I would say I felt heroic but my most memorable to date would have to be when I was able to help a young female escape a home from a very dangerous situation without being harmed. I stayed on the phone with her for over 30 minutes before we were able to successfully extract her safely.

**7. What is the favorite place you frequent in Sierra Madre?**  
I would say it would have to be Poppy Cake. I love their avocado toast.

**8. We understand you recently became engaged and also have a new addition to the family you are starting. Tell us a little about your fiancé and your new puppy?**  
I recently got engaged this past April to my longtime boyfriend of 8 years. My fiancé is a Deputy with the Orange County Sheriff Department and about 5 months ago we adopted a 2 month old Australian Shepard by the name of Ozzy.

**9. What activities do you like to do when you are not serving our city as a Dispatcher?**  
I love spending time with my family and my dogs on my days off. I also love going to the movies with my fiancé.

**10. What is one thing unique about you that some people may not know?**  
From the ages of 15 to 19 I was a Police Explorer with El Monte Police.



## SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

August 18 to August 24 2024	
Calls for Service	320
Formal Investigations	8
Total Year to Date for 2024	
Calls for Service	7,140
Formal Investigations	337

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, August 19 Injured Person**  
At approximately 10:00 AM, officers responded to the 200 block of West Sierra Madre Blvd. to meet with a citizen who fell and suffered an injury at Memorial Park. Sierra Madre Fire Department (S.M.F.D.) was already on scene treating the male. The male stated while walking with his walker, he released the brake which caused the walker to roll forward causing him to fall. Officers took a report and checked the location.

**Wednesday, August 21 General Incident**  
At approximately 2:30 PM, officers responded to the 50 block of East Laurel Ave., in regards to a possible vehicle burglary report. The citizen stated she left her home to run errands and when she returned, she discovered a window on her vehicle shattered. The officers canvassed the area and located a camera, based on the officers investigation, it appeared no one entered the vehicle and the citizen stated nothing was taken. It appeared the damage was caused by an unknown means and appeared accidental. Officers took a report for documentation purposes.

**Friday, August 23 Theft**  
At approximately 5:00 PM, officers responded to the 100 block of West Highland Ave. to meet with a citizen regarding a theft report. The citizen stated unknown suspects entered her unsecured vehicle and took her property. Later, the suspect(s) returned her property. The victim was unable to see the suspect(s) and there were no cameras in the area. The victim is desirous of prosecution if the suspect(s) are located. The case has been forwarded to the Detective's Bureau for a follow up.

**Saturday, August 24 Family Offense**  
At approximately 12:00 AM, while on patrol at the intersection of Baldwin Ave., and Grandview Ave., officers observed a stop sign violation. As the officers attempted a traffic stop with their emergency lights on, the vehicle failed to yield and continued to drive to their residence in violation of evading a peace officer. The driver then exited the vehicle and began running. Officers gave verbal commands to stop and get back in the car, in which he ignored and continued to run towards a fence and into the residence. Upon investigation, officers located a 1 month old child left unattended in the vehicle with multiple open alcoholic beverages. The vehicle was impounded for evidence. The case is under ongoing investigation.

**Sierra Madre Woman's Club**

## Wistaria Thrift Shop

At the rear of the Essick House  
550 West Sierra Madre Boulevard  
One block East of Michillinda

# Thursday, September 5, 2024

# Grand Re-Opening

## 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Quality clothing for all the family, jewelry; kitchenware, glassware, linens; toys; art, bric-a-brac, books, media, stationery; fabric remnants, craft supplies, decorations; workshop & garden items and More!**

**For Information call  
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f SierraMadreWomansClub  
SierraMadreWomansClub.org

**Shop proceeds support local charities**

## THE SAFETY FOR OUR CITY TEAM

### SALUTES ALL THOSE WHO RESPOND TO OUR POLICE, EMS & FIRE CALLS 24/7

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for the Nov 2024  
**PUBLIC SAFETY for  
SIERRA MADRE**

JOIN OUR TEAM NOW TO  
MAINTAIN OUR LOCAL  
SIERRA MADRE FIRE &  
POLICE DEPARTMENT  
SERVICES!

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SMHPS presents

## PASSAGE TO ELDORADO

JOIN PHOTOGRAPHER R. D'HEUREUSE ON HIS  
JOURNEY FROM LOS ANGELES'S PORT TO  
THE MINES OF THE COLORADO RIVER IN 1863

a free presentation by Jeff Lapidés  
HART PARK HOUSE  
Thursday ~ September 5 ~ 6 p.m.

# SIERRA MADRE

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## Weather Wise



### 6-Day Forecast Sierra Madre, Ca.

Sun	Sunny	Hi	90s	Lows	60s
Mon	Sunny	Hi	90s	Lows	60s
Tues	Sunny	Hi	90s	Lows	60s
Wed	Sunny	Hi	90s	Lows	60s
Thur	Sunny	Hi	90s	Lows	60s
Fri	Sunny	Hi	80s	Lows	60s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

## SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Sept. 10, 2024 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](mailto:PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com) by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting.

Emails will be acknowledged at the Council meeting and filed into public record. The public may also comment in person at the meeting.

The meetings will be streamed live on Foothills Media website at [foothillsmedia.org/sierramadre](http://foothillsmedia.org/sierramadre) and broadcast on Government Access Channel 3 (Spectrum)..

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

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

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

Your event must:

- Benefit a non-commercial or non-profit entity
- Be open to the public
- Be of general interest to local citizens

Just write a Public Service Announcement that describes your event and e-mail it to [radio@cityofsierramadre.com](mailto:radio@cityofsierramadre.com).



Sierra Madre Public  
**LIBRARY**  
Read • Discover • Connect

This week at the  
**Sierra Madre Public Library**

**September 1 — September 7**

#### Monday

Library Closed for Holiday — No services

**Tuesday — Library Hours 12:00 pm—8:00 pm**

#### “Roll Out” with Optimus Prime

— In September, pick up an Optimus Prime photo prop and use the QR code to send the Library photos of you around town. Your photo may be shared on the Library's social media.

#### Saturday

**Sierra Madre 91024 Postcard — Pick up a commemorative postcard to mail to family or friends. Postcards returned to the Library by 3:00 pm on 9-10-24 will be mailed within the U.S. for free. Limit one per person.**

Read, Discover, Connect  
@ Sierra Madre Public Library  
350 W Sierra Madre Blvd.  
**(626) 355-7186**

## REMEMBRANCE

### LONGTIME SIERRA MADRE RESIDENT JERRY BURNETT PASSES AWAY

Jerry Howard Burnett was born on August 11, 1931 and passed away peacefully on August 22, 2024 at the age of 93. He attended and graduated from Tulare Union High School before earning a degree in Commerce and Finance from Occidental College. Jerry married his college sweetheart, Dorothy (Dottie), on July 10, 1954. After serving overseas for 2-1/2 years with the US Army, they settled in Sierra Madre, California.

Jerry had a successful career in financial management, starting as a Controller at Royal Industries. He later served on the Financial Auditing Team, contributing his expertise to the aerospace and defense sectors. Jerry and Dottie hosted five separate foreign exchange students, one returning to become an American citizen and who has stayed very close to the family (like a 3rd son). Jerry was very active in community service, dedicating years to the Sierra Madre Kiwanis and supporting the Creative Arts Group in Sierra Madre. He was also a 35-year member of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses.

He and Dottie were honored by Occidental College in 2019 for their enduring commitment to education, alumni involvement and dedication to Occidental. (<https://mtnviewsnews.com/v13/htm/n31/p01.htm>)

An avid traveler, Jerry and Dottie explored numerous countries which included multiple RV adventures across the United States and Canada. They loved tennis, regularly attending professional tournaments. Jerry is survived by his wife of 70 years, Dorothy (Dottie), his two sons Robert (Rosemary) and Brian (Kay). He has three granddaughters, Amanda (Manny), Paige and Karina; and two great-grandchildren Hunter and Owen. He is also survived by the “3rd son”, exchange student Robin Bartolo and his wife Jenni.

Jerry will be deeply missed for his spirit, dedication to family, and passion for lifelong learning and adventure. Instead of sending flowers, we kindly ask that you make a memorial donation in his name to an organization that holds significance for you.



## WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

### “THE ICEMAN COMETH” Eugene O’Neill

This is a really depressing play about a bunch of sad, unhappy people living in a flophouse. Why, you’re asking, am I referencing this? Remember a week or so ago when I talked about the ice maker in my refrigerator ceasing to make ice? Well, the Ice Maker Repair Man did come last week and he was just as depressing as this play. No good news at all. “Well,” he said, “hear that noise?” I really hadn’t heard anything till he mentioned it. “I guess,” I replied wittily. “That’s your compressor. It’s about to go.” “Swell,” I thought. “Buying a new ice maker (\$200+) would be a waste of money if your compressor is going.”

So, bottom line on ice is, we’re now buying 8 lb. bags at Safeway, 2 for \$5. And I’m wondering if this refrigerator I’ve only had for six years will keep going. “It might go out tonight and it might last another ten years,” he said with a hearty laugh. I was not amused.



The Scarecrow Festival is starting! All over town our i m m e n s e l y creative people will be putting up fabulous creations. That’s today’s picture. One from last year. I love this time of year. Fall! Starbucks is selling Pumpkin Spice Lattes. I haven’t gotten there yet, but possibly tomorrow!

Peter Dills and a bunch of other people are highly recommending 355 Burger. Rumor has it that the 355 refers to the Sierra Madre telephone number. Ours for all the years we lived on Alegria was 355-8710. I’m pretty sure they are located where the Lunch Box used to be a long time ago. Crissy and I loved going there for breakfast and that’s where I encountered my very first Breakfast Burger: A big burger with onions, cheese and a fried egg. I’d never had anything so good! The 355 menu is pretty simple so far, just a burger and fries or a double burger with fries, but I’m sure when they get settled in they’re going to offer a breakfast burger with a fried egg that drips all down your hand when you eat it. Good times, friends and neighbors!

As it’s still hot, I’ve been doing a lot of reading instead of wandering around outside. Several great books to recommend:

The Eight, published 1988, is American author Katherine Neville’s debut novel. “It is an adventure/quest novel in which the heroine, computer whiz Catherine Velis, must enter into a cryptic world of danger and conspiracy in order to recover the pieces of a legendary chess set once owned by Charlemagne and buried for one thousand years. The Eight features two intertwined storylines set two centuries apart. The first takes place in the 1970s and follows Catherine “Cat” Velis as she is sent to Algeria for a special assignment. The second is set in the 1790s and revolves around Mireille, a novice nun at Montglane Abbey, in the French Pyrenees.”

I loved The Eight so much I continued with the follow-up book, The Fire. “Set in Colorado in 2003, Alexandra Solarin is summoned home to her family’s ancestral Rocky Mountain hideaway for her mother’s birthday. Thirty years ago, her parents, Cat Velis and Alexander Solarin, believed that they had scattered the pieces of the Montglane Service around the world, burying with the chessmen the secrets of the power that comes with possessing them. But Alexandra arrives to find that her mother is missing—and that the Game has begun again.”

Those were riveting and so was John Grisham’s Camino Ghosts. There’s a curse, a lot of people ending up dead and, as usual, Grisham doesn’t disappoint.

Could not believe that horrible people are breaking into our beloved Pioneer Cemetery and stealing grave markers. How low can you get. My beloved John’s marker with his life verse, Micah 6:8 is there. I hope they are found, arrested and put away forever! A heinous crime, committed by craven ghouls!

I’m stocking up on pumpkin and getting ready to make pumpkin cookies, pumpkin bread, pumpkin muffins. So ready for Fall! I’m sure you are, too.

“I am falling in love with Autumn, the smell of warm cider, the orange-colored leaves, pumpkins everywhere and a crisp, cool breeze.” Charmaine J. Forde

“Only the knife knows what goes on in the heart of a pumpkin.” Simone Swarz-Bart

My book page: [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com): Deanne Davis  
So many fun books, great recipes, lots of pumpkin ones, and stories in  
A Tablespoon of Love, A Tablespoon of Laughter, and Sunrises and Sunflowers Speak Hope

#### City of Sierra Madre

#### PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

To: All Residential Households in the City of Sierra Madre  
From: The City of Sierra Madre  
Subject: CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE AMENDING SECTION 8.06.010 (PROHIBITED WHERE) OF CHAPTER 8.06 (SMOKING) OF TITLE 8 (HEALTH AND SAFETY) OF THE SIERRA MADRE MUNICIPAL CODE REGULATING SMOKING IN CERTAIN PUBLIC PLACES.

This notice serves to inform you that the City Council will hold a public hearing to consider Ordinance No. 1473 amending section 8.06.010 (Prohibited Where) of Chapter 8.06 (Smoking) of Title 8 ( Health and Safety) of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code regulating smoking in certain public places.

The meeting will be streamed live on the City’s website at [www.cityofsierramadre.com](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com), on Foothills Media website at <http://www.foothillsmedia.org/sierramadre> and broadcast on Government Access Channel 3 (Spectrum). The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting. Public comment may also be made by e-mail to [PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com](mailto:PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com) by 3 PM on the day of the meeting. For further information on this subject, please contact the City Manager’s Office at (626) 355-7138.

#### DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre  
City Council Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, September 10, 2024  
(Hearing begins at 5:30 p.m.)

PLACE OF HEARING  
City of Sierra Madre  
City Council Chambers  
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.  
Sierra Madre, CA

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

# Pasadena Altadena



News From Your Community For Your Community

## Labor Day Closures & Reminders

Pasadena residents and businesses are reminded that City Hall and many City services will be closed on Monday in observance of Labor Day. Specific closures and exceptions are noted below.

Trash and recycling services will be postponed by one day. Monday pickup will occur on Tuesday; Tuesday pickup on Wednesday; Wednesday pickup on Thursday; Thursday pickup on Friday; and Friday pickup on Saturday. There will be no bulky item pickups on Saturday or Monday.

The City Service Center will be closed Monday and will resume regular hours on Tuesday.

Pasadena residents and businesses experiencing power emergencies should call Pasadena Water and Power (PWP) at (626) 744-4673. For water-related emergencies, call (626) 744-4138. PWP's regular Customer Call Center will be closed for the holiday, but customers can access their accounts and pay bills online at PWPweb.com or by calling (626) 744-4005.

The City's Municipal Services Payment Center and Parking Office will be closed on Labor Day. All parking meters not posted as "No Parking" will be free and time limits will not be enforced.

Violations for overnight parking, red curb parking, "No Parking" zones, and blocking fire hydrants will continue to be enforced. Regular enforcement resumes Tuesday, Sept. 3.

The City's Permit Center will be closed Monday, Sept. 2, but online permitting services are available 24/7 at [CityOfPasadena.net/PermitCenterOnline](http://CityOfPasadena.net/PermitCenterOnline). The Permit Center will resume regular hours on Tuesday.

Pasadena Transit bus service and Dial-A-Ride transportation will not operate on Labor Day. Normal service will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 3.

All Pasadena Public Libraries will be closed on Sunday and Monday and will return to regular schedules on Tuesday.

All recreation and community centers operated by the City's Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department will be closed on Labor Day, but all parks will be open for picnics, fun and play. No site reservations are accepted for the holiday.

Pasadena Police and Fire Departments will continue to be staffed for all patrol, jail, fire, paramedic, and other emergency services. For life-threatening emergencies, dial 9-1-1. If you see something, say something. Report suspicious activity to Pasadena Police Department at (626) 744-4241.

For more information visit: [cityofpasadena.net](http://cityofpasadena.net).



## City Unveils Strategy for Economic Growth

Pasadena city officials made public Thursday a new Economic Development Strategic Plan, a roadmap designed to showcase and amplify the city's inherent strengths and ensure its continued prosperity, vibrancy, and charm. "The plan, developed through extensive research, collaboration, and community engagement, is a pivotal step in Pasadena's ongoing efforts to foster innovation, resilience, and economic growth," they said.

The Economic Development Division, an integral part of the City Manager's Office, crafted this strategic plan to create new opportunities and highlight the existing vibrancy of Pasadena. With input from city officials, local businesses, and community stakeholders, the plan aims to build, and spread the word about Pasadena's exceptional quality of life, thriving business environment, and cultural richness, guiding the city's economic initiatives over the next five years.

"Supporting and nurturing our local businesses is crucial for Pasadena's fiscal health and overall prosperity," City Manager Miguel Marquez said. "The contributions of our business community are vital for maintaining the city's quality of life and economic stability."

According to Marquez, Pasadena is poised to become a regional leader in "Deep Tech" industries, including life sciences, AI, and quantum technologies. With the city's strong tech workforce and world-renowned institutions like Caltech, Pasadena offers a unique environment for companies at the cutting edge of innovation. Recent successes include the relocation of Xencor Inc. to Pasadena and the upcoming expansion of Motiv Space Systems in 2024, underscoring Pasadena's growing appeal in these high-growth sectors.

Following the disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, Pasadena has made a steady recovery, with current employment levels nearing the pre-pandemic peak of 80,000 jobs. The new strategic

plan aims to accelerate this recovery by addressing the evolving economic landscape and leveraging Pasadena's competitive advantages Marquez said.

He said that in 2023 alone, Pasadena's commercial parcels contributed over \$114 million to the city's general fund, with sales and tax revenues adding nearly \$70 million. Pasadena has outperformed neighboring cities and Los Angeles County in key economic metrics, boasting a lower office vacancy rate, lower unemployment rate, and higher median earnings.

The plan also aims to tackle Pasadena's retail oversupply with targeted methods to reduce vacancies and enhance neighborhood commercial corridors. By refining retail space requirements and expanding allowable uses the city is ensuring a more vibrant, sustainable commercial landscape that meets the needs of both residents and visitors.

Pasadena is also a regional destination for shopping and dining, supporting more collective square feet of retail and food & beverage offerings than its nearby competitors.

"We are thrilled to reach this milestone in the Division, and now the exciting work of carrying out the plan's initiatives begins," said Director David Klug. "Our success depends on strong collaboration with our community partners, and we look forward to working together to enhance Pasadena's economy."

- The plan outlines six guiding principles that will direct the Division's efforts and those of its partners:
- Build Systems and Partnerships for Success – establishing strong public-private partnerships, enhancing communication and marketing efforts, and forming a Deep Tech Council.
- Champion Life Sciences and Cultivate a Deep Tech Ecosystem – leveraging Pasadena's competitive advantages to attract and retain industry leaders.
- Invest in Neighborhoods and

Small Businesses – reducing barriers to market entry and improving neighborhood commercial corridors.

- Reinforce Pasadena as a Destination for Culture and Entertainment – with strategic investments in cultural and entertainment offerings that complement Pasadena's status as a dining destination.

- Expand and Streamline Workforce Opportunities – through partnerships and training programs that prepare residents for the jobs of tomorrow.

- Prioritize Place and Accessibility Investments – enhancing Pasadena's walkability and connectivity to create a more attractive environment for businesses, residents, and visitors.

To learn more about the strategic initiatives contact the Economic Development Division at [EconomicDevelopment@CityOfPasadena.net](mailto:EconomicDevelopment@CityOfPasadena.net) or (626) 744-4660.

Visit: [CityOfPasadena.net/EconomicDevelopment/Development-News/](http://CityOfPasadena.net/EconomicDevelopment/Development-News/) to view the full plan.

## Free Concert at Memorial Park Bandshell

Calling all Taylor Swift fans and music lovers! The City of Pasadena Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) Department is inviting you to a night of unforgettable music and fun at our free Concert in the Park. Get ready to sing your heart out and dance under the stars with New Romantics: A Taylor Swift Tribute. The event will take place on Saturday, Sept. 7 from 7- 8:30 p.m., at the Memorial Park Bandshell, 85 E Holly St. Grab your friends, bring a blanket or a lawn chair, and come ready to experience a fabulous evening with your favorite tunes.

Concerts in the Park are all about bringing the community together to celebrate music, culture, and the joy of spending time outdoors during the summer. The concerts are part of the Parks After Dark program, which ended in August. This event will be held in lieu of the canceled concert that was originally scheduled for Saturday, August 10. This electrifying performance is a fantastic way to spend your evening, especially with the magic of Taylor Swift's greatest hits coming to life. Whether you're a Swiftie or just love a great outdoor concert, this is the place to be.

For more information, please call (626) 744-6530.

## Tournament Announces Fifth Annual Día De Los Muertos Art Competition



### Art Contest Submissions Now Being Accepted.

The Pasadena Tournament of Roses announced Thursday the fifth annual Día de los Muertos art competition, a celebration of art, in partnership with the Consulate General of Mexico in Los Angeles, LA Plaza de Cultura y Artes, Athens Services and Rose Hills Memorial Park & Mortuary.

Winners of this year's regional competition will be awarded scholarships and gift cards in three age categories: 4-8, 9-13 and 14-18.

A tradition in Mexico and Central America that goes back more than 3,000 years, Día de los Muertos is an annual holiday that is now celebrated around the world. A celebration of life and death, the holiday spans two-days, during which it is believed that the spirit world and the real world become one, even if only for a moment. When it comes to traditions, festivities and flowers – they get the appeal. "As an organization that's all about a rose, the Pasadena Tournament of Roses can appreciate that the marigold holds such a prestigious place in this celebration."

To enter, students must be between the ages of 4 and 18. Masterpieces can take any shape or form, as long as they celebrate,

reflect and honor the traditions of Día de los Muertos. We encourage students to consider the following art categories:

- Paintings & Drawings - Create an art piece featuring marigolds, monarch butterflies or other representations of the holiday.
- Calavera – Make and decorate a sugar skull.
- Ofrendas – Build or construct an altar.
- Catrina – Paint a face with traditional Día de los Muertos makeup.
- Digital Art/Graphic Design – Use technology and graphic design to bring your art to life.
- Other visual arts – Get creative in some other form, including sculptures or making a traditional Día de Muertos costume.

For submission details visit: [tournamentofroses.com/diadelosmuertos](http://tournamentofroses.com/diadelosmuertos). Submissions due by 11:59 p.m. on Monday, September 30.

The Pasadena Tournament of Roses is a volunteer organization that hosts America's New Year Celebration with the Rose Parade, the Rose Bowl Game and a variety of accompanying events. The Association's 935 Members supply more than 80,000 volunteer hours, which will drive the success of the 136th Rose Parade, themed "Best Day Ever!," on Wednesday, January 1, 2025, followed by the College Football Playoff Quarterfinal at the 111th Rose Bowl Game.

## City to Hold First Clean Energy Meeting

Interim General Manager of Pasadena Water and Power David Reyes, announced this week that they are set to hold the first virtual meeting, Thursday, September 26 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., on Pasadena's pathway to carbon-free electricity charted through a comprehensive Optimized Strategic Plan ("OSP").

The OSP is a roadmap that

will define the key actions and future decision points to help best position PWP to achieve the city's goal to source all electricity from carbon-free sources by the end of 2030 while maintaining reliability and limiting cost impacts to customers. The OSP will consider how new generation resources, infrastructure investments and customer programs can facilitate the transition to Pasadena's carbon-free goal.

Community members can attend the meeting by going to [PWPweb.com/OSP](http://PWPweb.com/OSP) or calling (669)-444-9171 and using the webinar ID 878 4401 2192 at the designated meeting time.

## Library Card Sign-Up Month



Celebrate Library Card Sign-Up Month this September with the Altadena Library District and the American Library Association. They invite you to discover the incredible resources and opportunities available at our libraries by signing up for a library card.

For the whole month of September, neighbors who sign up for a library card will receive a registration prize (while supplies last). Look for our Curiosity Connection Volume 2 out and about in Altadena.

For more information visit: [altadenalibrary.org](http://altadenalibrary.org).

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## San Marino Upcoming Events & Programming

### Happy Labor Day and Closures

Wishing you a happy and restful Labor Day! Please note that in observance of the holiday, all City facilities, except for emergency services, will be closed on Monday, September 2. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, September 3. Enjoy your holiday weekend!

### Draft Housing Element Available for Public Review

Please be advised that the seven (7) day public review period for the City's updated Fourth Draft of the 6th cycle of the Housing Element (2021-2029) will conclude tomorrow, Friday, August 30, 2024 at 8 AM.

The draft can be found by visiting: [SanMarinoCA.gov/HousingElement](http://SanMarinoCA.gov/HousingElement)

### 2024 Advisory Body Applications: Deadline Extended

The City of San Marino is seeking passionate volunteers for the Recreation Commission and the Library Board of Trustees. Applications for the 2024 Advisory Body Recruitment are now due by 4:00 PM, September 16, 2024.

Recreation Commission: 3 full member term vacancies  
Library Board of Trustees: 1 alternate member term vacancy

For questions or more information, please contact City Clerk Walker at [CityClerk@SanMarinoCA.gov](mailto:CityClerk@SanMarinoCA.gov) or call (626) 300-0705. More information can be found on our website.

### City Treasurer Application: Deadline Extended

The City of San Marino seeks to fill an opening for City Treasurer. The City Treasurer, in collaboration with the Finance Director, oversees the City's investments and advises the City Council. Knowledge of the collection and accounting of municipal funds is essential. San Marino residency is required. Interested persons should visit the City's website or contact the City Clerk for additional information and application materials. The deadline to submit an application has been extended to Monday, October 7, at 4 PM.

### Cultural Connections Storytime

Saturday, September 7 at 10:30 AM, Children's Room

Presented by the students of the Kind Reads and UniStar organizations, this community service event is dedicated to celebrating the life experiences, family traditions, and cultural heritage of our diverse community through the magic of stories. Children in grades K-3 and their families are invited to enjoy stories, songs, and crafts. Registration is not required.

### Huntington Nurses Health Screening

Wednesday, September 11 from 10:00 - 11:30 AM, Barth Community Room

The Huntington Nurses offer free blood pressure and glucose screenings. Please plan to fast 2 hours prior to having glucose checked. These blood pressure and glucose evaluations can lead to prevention and early detection of the "silent killer" diseases such as hypertension, heart disease, and diabetes. Health screenings will be held every second Wednesday of the month. Registration is not required.

### Puppy Love Dog PAW-ty

Saturday, September 14 at 9 AM, Lacy Park

Cost: R: FREE / NR: \$4

Attention all dogs and their humans! You're invited to a bark-tastic party at the Park! Watch your pup socialize and meet new furry pals while you chat with other dog enthusiasts. Enjoy doggy snacks, grab some goodie bags, participate in our exciting doggy costume contest, groove to music, and much more! Registration is not required.

### Public Works Respond to Fallen Tree

Last week, Public Works maintenance staff responded to an after-hours call out related to a large fallen public tree in the northwest area of the City. Public Works staff worked diligently to safely remove the tree from the roadway in a timely manner with minimal disruption to the neighborhood. The City wishes to recognize maintenance staff for their hard work to help keep the City safe!

### Shrub Maintenance on Huntington Drive

Recently, Public Works maintenance staff completed the trimming of existing and removal of dead oleander shrubs along the Huntington Drive between Granada Avenue and Los Robles Avenue. When overgrown, these shrubs can encroach into the traffic lane on Huntington Drive, which presents a traffic and public safety hazard. The trimming and removal of these shrubs helped improve both public safety as well as the aesthetic appearance of the City's streets and right-of-way.

## Rose Parade Mid-Performance Presented by Explore Louisiana



### Performance to feature Louisiana's own Timothy Wayne

The Pasadena Tournament of Roses announced Wednesday the fourth consecutive Mid-Parade Performance presented by Explore Louisiana. The 2025 float will showcase the state's heart and soul, including rising country artist Timothy Wayne. The Mid-Parade Performance fulfills Louisiana's promise to feed your soul and bring the music that defines its rich musical heritage.

Louisiana will provide the mid-parade entertainment again in 2025, featuring rising country artist Timothy Wayne performing "Louisiana Saturday Night." Wayne spent the summer touring with his uncle, Louisiana native Tim McGraw, and Carley Pearce on the Standing Room Only Tour. He signed with UMG Nashville earlier this year and has been working on his first studio project before returning to LSU for his junior year of college.

Louisiana's past floats have been celebrated for their creativity and artistry, and this year's entry is set to be no different. The 2025 float showcases a Louisiana alligator adorned with beads, carrying a Cajun dance hall and pots of boiled seafood on its back. Every element of the float vividly brings Louisiana's story to life, emphasizing good music, good food, good friends and a joyful celebration.

The Pasadena Tournament of Roses is a volunteer organization that hosts America's New Year Celebration with the Rose Parade presented by Honda, the Rose Bowl Game presented by Prudential and a variety of accompanying events. The Association's 935 Members supply more than 80,000 volunteer hours, which will drive the success of the 136th Rose Parade, themed "Best Day Ever!," on Wednesday, January 1, 2025, followed by the College Football Playoff Quarterfinal at the 111th Rose Bowl Game presented by Prudential.

For more information visit: [tournamentofroses.com](http://tournamentofroses.com).

## Driver License Discrimination Bill Heads to Governor's Desk

A measure authored by Senator Anthony Portantino (pictured), SB 1100, passed the Senate Floor Thursday. The bill, which is headed to the Governor's desk, addresses discrimination against individuals who do not have driver's licenses and seek employment for a job that does not require driving. Under SB 1100, employers will no longer be able to require a driver's license as a condition of employment.



"Requiring a driver's license for employment instead of other forms of identification may result in systematic exclusion for a job that doesn't require driving," stated Senator Portantino. "SB 1100 will end this discrimination and create a more just and equitable system for Californians who don't drive. It's a sensible solution and I am hopeful to garner a signature from the Governor."

In California, the practice of requiring a driver's license as a condition for employment, regardless of whether driving is a required aspect of the job, has become increasingly prevalent. This practice poses significant barriers for certain segments of the population, including young adults, the elderly, individuals with disabilities, and those who choose not to drive due to environmental concerns or personal preferences. It also disproportionately affects low-income individuals and communities of color, who may have less access to personal transportation or

face higher rates of driver's license suspensions due to unpaid fines or fees.

This bill would make it an unlawful employment practice for an employer to include a statement in various employment materials that an applicant must have a driver's license, unless the employer reasonably expects the duties of the position to require driving and the employer reasonably believes that satisfying that job function using an alternative form of transportation would not be comparable in travel time or cost to the employer.

"SB 1100 will expand job opportunities for people who either choose to not drive or are unable to drive, who are disproportionately people of color and people with disabilities who already face significant barriers to employment and housing," stated Kirsten Bladh, Associate Policy Director of Streets for All. "We thank Senator Portantino for authoring this important measure and hope it is signed into law."

## Chorale Announces 2024-2025 Concert Season

The Pasadena Chorale is excited to announce its 2024-2025 concert season. This expansive year features an extraordinary lineup of performances that highlight the richness of American choral music and showcase the talents of its 90-member ensemble. The season introduces the new SUNDAY SERIES, a set of intimate concerts at Altadena Community Church featuring a select group of 24 singers from the Chorale. Additionally, the full Chorale will be showcased in the WEDNESDAY SERIES, consisting of four major concerts that celebrate the diversity and vibrancy of American choral traditions. The Pasadena Chorale's 2024-2025 season will open with the first performance in its SUNDAY SERIES, Sonic Bloom, on Sept. 9, 4pm at Altadena Community Church.

"The Pasadena Chorale is growing, and that means more concert offerings and options. If you haven't heard the Pasadena Chorale, there's a lot to discover this year," said Founding Artistic & Executive Director Jeffrey Bernstein. "We're proud to offer so many choral experiences at no cost to the community."

2024-2025 SEASON - TWO CONCERT SERIES  
SUNDAY SERIES: 24 Voices, Intimate Acoustics:

- Sonic Bloom | Sep 8, 2024 4pm, Altadena Community Church

A showcase of sumptuous vocal harmonies featuring works by Ysaye Barnwell, Samuel Barber, Elaine Hagenberg, and the premiere of Jeffrey Bernstein's "Sinfonietta."

- Twilight of the Year | Dec 14 & 15, 2024

Sat 7:30pm & Sun 4pm, Altadena Community Church Luscious choral music of the season.

- Rebirth | Mar 9, 2025 4pm, Altadena Community Church

An inspiring afternoon of sublime Renaissance choral music. WEDNESDAY SERIES: Celebrating American Composers

Offering a deep exploration of American choral music, highlighting works by both well-known and emerging composers. The season will showcase the diversity and evolution of the American choral tradition, bringing to the

forefront the voices of celebrated composers like Aaron Copland and Leonard Bernstein, alongside the innovative contributions of lesser-known talents.

- The Light of Hope Returning | Dec 4, 2024

7:30pm, First United Methodist Church Pasadena  
Shawn Kirchner's American oratorio with the composer at the piano.

- Sing America, Part One: I, Too | Feb 12, 2025

7:30pm, First United Methodist Church Pasadena  
Exploring the American choral traditions with works by Jen Wang, Florence Price and Margaret Bonds.

- Listening to the Future | (Saturday) May 10, 2025

7pm, Neighborhood Unitarian Universalist Church  
Showcasing new works composed by Pasadena area high school students, mentored by composer and Pasadena Chorale singing member Jen Wang.

- Sing America, Part Two: E Pluribus Unum | Jun 11, 2025

7:30pm, First United Methodist Church Pasadena  
A grand finale featuring works by Aaron Copland, Leonard Bernstein, Randall Thompson, and diverse voices from today's generation of American composers.

The Pasadena Chorale, founded in 2009 by Jeffrey Bernstein, continues its mission to offer high-quality choral music and educational programs to the Pasadena community. The Chorale's dedication to accessibility is evident in its "Listen First, Then Give" initiative, ensuring all performances are free and open to the public.

The High Notes, Pasadena Chorale's middle school choir, returns for its second season and will perform alongside the Chorale in Shawn Kirchner's The Light of Hope Returning. This group has quickly become a community favorite, receiving a second year of funding from the Pasadena Community Foundation Arts & Culture Grant after a phenomenal inaugural year.

Join the Pasadena Chorale in celebrating this milestone year with a season full of beautiful choral music and unforgettable performances. For more information, please visit the Chorale's new website at [pasadenachorale.org](http://pasadenachorale.org).

## SPPD Reminds Drivers to Keep the Final Days of Summer Fun, Not Fatal

As the end of summer approaches and families prepare for Labor Day celebrations, the South Pasadena Police Department reminds everyone to prioritize safety on the roads. Drivers are encouraged to make responsible choices behind the wheel by never driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

"We want everyone to enjoy their end of summer travels and Labor Day festivities, but it's imperative to do so responsibly," Lieutenant Shannon Robledo of the South Pasadena Police Department said. "Driving under the influence not only puts your life at risk but also endangers everyone else on

the road. Our goal is to reduce preventable crashes and save lives."

The South Pasadena Police Department offers the following tips to Go Safely:

**Plan Ahead:** If you know you'll be drinking, arrange for a designated driver, use a ride-sharing service, taxi or public transportation.

**Buckle Up:** Wearing a seatbelt is one of the simplest ways to protect yourself in the event of a crash.

**Stay Alert:** Avoid distractions such as texting or eating while driving. Keep your focus on the road.

**Follow Speed Limits:** Speeding reduces your reaction time and increases the severity of crashes. Watch for Pedestrians and Bicyclists: With more people enjoying outdoor activities, be extra vigilant and share the road responsibly.

**Take Breaks:** If you're traveling long distances, take regular breaks to rest and avoid fatigue. To help keep our community safe, the South Pasadena Police Department will have additional officers on patrol August 16 through Labor Day, September 2, looking for drivers suspected of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. The additional efforts to prevent impaired driving are part of a national enforcement campaign, Driver Sober or Get Pulled Over.

The South Pasadena Police will hold a DUI Checkpoint Saturday, August 17, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. - 3:00 a.m. at an undisclosed location within the City of South Pasadena.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 13,524 people were killed in drunk-driving crashes in 2022 - that's one person every 39 minutes.

While drunk driving is a significant traffic safety problem, driving while impaired is not just from alcohol. Prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications and cannabis products may also impair. If you plan on drinking or taking medications with a driving warning label, let someone who is sober drive. If you see someone who appears to be driving while impaired, call 9-1-1.

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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Submissions for online publication in Spring 2025 will be accepted beginning,

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website, [AltadenaPoetryReview.com](http://AltadenaPoetryReview.com), prior to this date.

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“As warm temperatures continue into September, so does of Communications Anais Medina Diaz. “It’s im-portant precautions to protect themselves and their family against transmitted dis-eases like West Nile virus.”

Alert about West Nile virus activity in San Gabriel Valley backdrop of the valley landscape. While the District monitors and controls mosquito most common sources that contribute to high mosquito residents’ yards and patios.

Additionally, residents must be proactive against mosquito because there is no human vaccine or cure for West Nile Control and Prevention recommend products with the IR3535, or oil of lemon eucalyptus as being safe and effective according to the label.

Mosquito control is a shared responsibility. The District in reducing mosquito populations and the threat of WNV following actions to stay healthy and bite-free:

Tip out stagnant water around the home weekly; Toss unused containers that can hold stagnant water; and Protect against bites by using insect repellent containing recommended ingredients: Picaridin, DEET, Oil of Lemon

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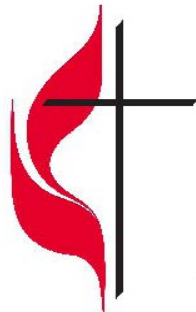
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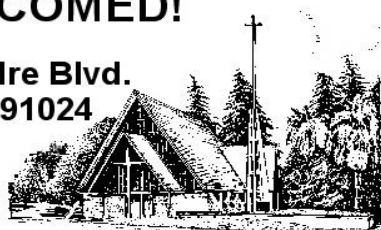
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## SPPL SCARY STORY CONTEST & FALL STORYTIME SCHEDULE

In celebration of Spooky Season, the South Pasadena Public Library teens. Youth in kindergarten through 12th grade are invited to submit Saturday, September 14. Submissions should be delivered to the South will be announced in mid-October.

Each submission must include an official entry form, which will be section of the Library website at: southpasadenaca.gov/Your-One entry per person. Submitted stories can be up to 500 words, or must be the original work of the student. Parents may transcribe Children's Librarians, will be judged based on creativity and originality. website and social media.

The Scary Story Contest is sponsored by the Friends of the South The South Pasadena Public Library's Fall Storytimes will return the be offered in the Library Community Room. Family Storytime will be Attendees should bring a blanket to sit on the grass.

Children's Librarians will share stories, fingerplays, flannel boards, and ages 3-5, will be held on Tuesdays, September 14 - November 19 from held on Thursdays, September 19 - November 21 from 10:30 AM - all ages, will be held on Saturdays, September 21 - November 23 from

will hold the Fourth Annual Scary Story Contest for children and entries to the South Pasadena Public Library from now through Pasadena Public Library Children's Reference desk. The winners

available at the Children's Reference desk, and on the "Children's Government/Department-Service-Areas/Library/Children.

1 page typed. No weapons may be used in the story. All entries a young child's story. Entries, which will be judged by the The winning compositions will be featured on the library's

Pasadena Public Library. week of September 17. Toddler and Preschool Storytimes will held on the Oxley Street side of Library Park, weather permitting.

music with children during storytime. Preschool Storytimes, for 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM. Toddler Storytimes, for ages 1-3, will be 10:50 AM and 11:00 AM - 11:20 AM. Family Storytimes, for 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM. Call (626) 403-7330 for any questions.

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Have you played Pickleball? It's a little like badminton, ping-pong and tennis combined! You use paddles, a net, and a ball like a wiffle ball. Remember to **2** serve underhand.

Grandparents are cool! They may:

1. teach you a craft or \_\_\_\_\_
2. help with your \_\_\_\_\_
3. tell \_\_\_\_\_ about your parents
4. take \_\_\_\_\_ of you
5. share favorite foods and \_\_\_\_\_
6. show you family \_\_\_\_\_
7. teach about the \_\_\_\_\_ where family members came from
8. tell how things today are different from when they were \_\_\_\_\_
9. talk about family \_\_\_\_\_
10. show you a map and talk about their \_\_\_\_\_ experiences
11. \_\_\_\_\_ to everything you want to say
12. be able to offer a bit of \_\_\_\_\_

Fill in the crossword with 12 fun things to do with grandparents:

1. play \_\_\_\_\_, shoot hoops
2. play shuffleboard, \_\_\_\_\_
3. put on music and \_\_\_\_\_
4. borrow an \_\_\_\_\_ DVD from the library and work out together
5. \_\_\_\_\_ everywhere you can
6. play ping-pong or \_\_\_\_\_ tennis
7. \_\_\_\_\_ on the swings, seesaws and other equipment at the park
8. play \_\_\_\_\_ ball - using paddles, a net and a ball like a wiffle ball
9. ride \_\_\_\_\_ on the trail
10. \_\_\_\_\_ at the lake or pool
11. play a sports video \_\_\_\_\_ - players copy actions done in the sports: bowling, etc.
12. mini \_\_\_\_\_ - many items stand in the way

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### ACROSS

1. Marriott hotel chain
6. Lockheed Martin Corporation @NYSE
9. Desert in central Asia
13. Tinder user?
14. Distinctive period in history
15. Munchausen's title
16. Likewise
17. Campfire leftover
18. Jason Bateman/Laura Linney TV drama
19. \*Traditionally clipped
21. \*OS in POS at the supermarket
23. Bro's sibling
24. "\_\_\_\_\_ there, done that"
25. T in Greek
28. FBI's cold one
30. Windshield \_\_\_\_\_, pl.
35. "The \_\_\_\_\_ for Red October"
37. Coach of Dallas Mavericks
39. Bow's partner
40. Black and white killer
41. Be in accord
43. First word in fairy tale
44. Formerly known as Pleasant Island
46. Long-lasting Steelers coach
47. TV's "man named Brady"
48. \*GO in BOGO
50. French "place"
52. 6th sense
53. Adored one
55. What cruelty and crush have in common
57. \*Dairy aisle package
60. \*S&H Green \_\_\_\_\_
63. Non motorized vessel
64. I have
66. Nev.'s neighbor
68. Offspring, collectively
69. Rank above maj.
70. Visual
71. QBR in football, e.g.
72. Will Ferrell's Christmas classic
73. Like a gymnast

### DOWN

1. \*What registers do
2. Nonclerical
3. Football legend Graham
4. Unborn vertebrate
5. \_\_\_\_\_ of Cancer
6. \*Like freezer aisle "Cuisine"
7. "\_\_\_\_\_ Robinson" by Simon & Garfunkel
8. California/Nevada lake
9. Mediterranean Strip
10. Not written
11. Dull one
12. Pen juice
15. Home to Sarajevo
20. Port city in Japan
22. Like marines in slogan
24. Cowboy's bedding
25. Flip-flop
26. Plural of aura
27. Adam Sandler's "\_\_\_\_\_ Gems"
29. Manual communication gesture
31. High school ball
32. Bert's TV buddy
33. Ice in a cocktail
34. \*TV's "Supermarket \_\_\_\_\_"
36. Tropical tuber
38. \*Sliced items section
42. Choose a president
45. "\_\_\_\_\_ we stand, divided we fall"
49. Tokyo, once
51. Adenine's partner in RNA
54. Chilled (2 words)
56. Savory taste sensation
57. \*Rolling supermarket carrier
58. Dwarf buffalo
59. Type of canal, in dentistry
60. Ego's main concern
61. Surveyor's map
62. Accompanies relief
63. "Big Three" TV network
65. Radio knob, abbr.
67. ATM extra

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## SOUR GRAPES

by Tim Jones







## SPOTLIGHT ON ARCADIA'S FINEST:

### GILBERT AGUILAR AT DON RICARDO'S

In the vibrant world of bartending, where every pour counts and every cocktail tells a story, it's rare to find a true craftsman who can elevate the experience beyond just a drink. Yet, tucked away in Arcadia at Don Ricardo's, there's one such individual: Gilbert Aguilar.

Known by locals as the man behind the bar who never fails to impress, Gilbert has become somewhat of a legend in the community. His reputation isn't just built on his skill with spirits or his knack for mixing up the perfect Old Fashioned; it's his specialty that keeps

patrons coming back—margaritas, whether on the rocks or blended, that are nothing short of perfection.

Just last Sunday I walked into Don Ricardo's with Pete and Chelsea Jones, the Jones' are legends in these parts they'll tell you that Gilbert is not just serving margaritas; he's serving experiences. His mastery of flavor combinations, coupled with a deep understanding of what makes a great margarita, makes every visit feel personalized. Whether you're a regular who prefers your margarita on the rocks with a salted rim or a first-timer curious about trying a blended version with a twist, Gilbert is always ready with a suggestion that suits your taste.

But it's not just his skill with a shaker that sets him apart. Gilbert's warm personality, his genuine interest in the people who sit at his bar, and his commitment to his craft have earned him a loyal following. And it's not just the drinks that keep patrons coming back. Don Ricardo's serves up food that's just as good as the cocktails, making it a perfect spot for a full dining experience. Whether you're indulging in classic Mexican dishes or trying something new, the combination of delicious food and Gilbert's expertly crafted margaritas is hard to beat.

At a time when many bars strive for the newest trend or the most Instagram-worthy presentation, Gilbert Aguilar reminds us of the timeless appeal of great service, skill, and a welcoming smile. It's no wonder he's hailed as the best bartender in Arcadia—a title well-earned through years of dedication and a passion for the art of bartending.

So next time you find yourself at Don Ricardo's, located at 1206 S Baldwin Ave, Arcadia, CA, don't just order a drink—take a moment to appreciate the man who made it. Gilbert Aguilar is more than just a bartender; he's the heart and soul of the bar, and his commitment to excellence, especially when it comes to margaritas, is something you won't soon forget.

And while you're there, make sure to pair your drink with some of the delicious food on offer; you won't be disappointed.

## THE TASTING ROOM

### INCREDIBLE SPANISH GARNACHA

I'm Gustavo Lira, Tasting Room Manager and Wine Buyer at The Bottle Shop in Sierra Madre with another wine and spirits selection.

I love it when I come across a wine that is new to me that is delicious and over delivers. Furthermore, I love introducing such wines to all of you. This week's wine is a prime example of that – Sindicat La Figuera 2021 from Montsant Spain. It's from the husband-and-wife team of Sara Perez and Rene Barbier – who are incredibly talented and two of the most innovative winemakers in all of Spain.



These two come from families of outstanding winemakers. Sara's father and Rene's father were part of the group known as the "Gang of Five." This group is credited with the re-emergence of Priorat as a fine wine region of Spain. Clos Mogador was founded by René Barbier, and Clos Martinet was founded by Josep Ll. Pérez. Priorat is almost surrounded by Montsant which is where this wine originates.



Montsant's vineyards vary from some located on steep terraces at altitudes between 164 and 2,300 feet above sea level. There is intense Mediterranean sunshine during the day and cool temperatures at night. The soil is mostly granite and slate. Montsant has a reputation for high-quality red wines that are very expressive with tons of character.

The Sindicat La Figuera 2021 is 100% Garnatxa Negra and the grapes are sourced from vineyards near the town of La Figuera. The elevation of the vineyards is 1,800 feet and the vines' average age is between 30 to 80 years old. The vines are farmed biodynamically, there is minimal intervention in the cellar, native yeasts are used, minimal sulfites are added, and the wine is vegan.

The wine's aroma is gorgeous – notes of white delicate flowers and white pepper. The mouthfeel is light and delicate. On the palate, you get more white pepper, citrus, and floral notes. It's a clean, fresh, and very balanced wine with pleasing natural acidity and subdued alcohol. I'd pair this wine with salads, seafood, grilled sausages, and savory meats.

This wine is an incredibly delicious wine that is a tremendous value. One of the better grenaches I have had recently. Don't wait too long, this is going to sell out fast!

The Sindicat La Figuera 2021 is available at The Bottle Shop for \$23.99. Say you saw it in the Mountain Views News and get it for \$22.99 through Monday, September 2nd.

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Until next time – Salud!



## IN THE KITCHEN

*Our Favorite Recipe of the week*

# CHICKEN SALAD WITH GRAPES

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### INGREDIENTS

- ½ cup chopped celery (chop small for easy eating)
- 1 cup red grapes
- 1 medium chicken thigh (boneless, skinless)
- ½ cup Greek yogurt (or non-dairy yogurt)
- 3 tbsp. almond slivers
- ½ medium lemon (juice and zest)
- 1½ tsp. Dijon mustard (no sugar added)
- 1 medium bunch fresh parsley
- 1 tbsp. extra virgin olive oil (to grease the skillet)
- ¼ tsp. salt (or to taste at serving)

### INSTRUCTIONS

Rub the chicken with salt and pepper (or any spices you want to use) and leave it for 20 minutes at room temperature.

Grease a grill pan with olive oil and fry the chicken thigh on both sides until browned, and the chicken reaches at least 165 F. on a meat thermometer. Cut it into strips and set it aside.

Cut each grape in half or into quarters, as you like. You can remove the seeds if your grapes have them. Chop your almonds as well.

Cut grapes on a cutting board.

Grate and juice the lemon into a bowl. Add the zest to the yogurt and mustard. Add a pinch of salt and stir the sauce until smooth.

Dressing ingredients in a small, green bowl.

Place prepared ingredients in a salad mixing bowl, add chopped parsley, and mix. Taste the salad for salt and leave it in the refrigerator for 1 hour.

Place whole-grain crackers and lemon slices on the edge of a serving plate. Arrange the salad in a loose mound, drizzle with the dressing, and serve.

## TASTE OF 'DENA RETURNS TO THE ALTADENA LIBRARIES



Get ready for an unforgettable evening of culinary delights, soulful melodies, and community spirit as the Altadena Library Foundation proudly presents the Taste of 'Dena on Saturday, Sept. 28.

Back for its seventh year, Taste of 'Dena is the foundation's annual fundraising event to celebrate the Altadena Library District. Guests will enjoy delicious regional fare, wine tasting, live music from local jazz band Kira & The Major 3, and a silent auction while supporting the district and its continuing efforts to bring people and ideas together.

This year, the foundation also honors the lifetime achievements of William "Bill" J. and Brenda L. Galloway for their service to the community.

"We are so excited to give Altadena residents an opportunity to pay tribute to the Galloway family at this year's Taste of 'Dena," says Veronica Jones, community activist and chair of the event. "We are forever grateful for Bill and Brenda, who spent decades improving educational opportunities and literacy rates in our community."

Longtime residents of Pasadena, Calif., the Galloways are widely respected for their involvement in countless organizations and their unwavering commitment to education. They endowed the beautiful Galloway Plaza at Pasadena City College (PCC) and established the Bill & Brenda Galloway Endowment for Education with the Pasadena Community Foundation. Both Galloways served on the boards of community groups, including the PCC Foundation, Pasadena Playhouse, and Pasadena YMCA, and received honors from local and national organizations. Together, they have made an indelible impact on their community and the people around them.

Since its inception 98 years ago, the Altadena Library District has provided the community with a vast array of library services, innovative resources, and engaging programs. Last year, the district hosted more than 675 events attended by 18,000 people, circulated almost 207,000 physical items, and welcomed over 123,000 visitors to its two libraries. And in April, the district started a new phase of its commitment with the expansion and renovation of the Bob Lucas Memorial Library. The project will take about a year, and once the branch reopens, the district will move forward with its renovation of the Main Library to ensure both facilities are updated, upgraded, accessible, and inspiring for future generations of Altadena residents.

"Our past events have been really fun gatherings of like-minded people who support our two local libraries," says Mark Mariscal, president of the Altadena Library Foundation Board of Directors. "Given how much our libraries partner with community businesses and nonprofits, people are amazed to find out that our district is totally independent from the L.A. County library system. We invite anyone who's been to a program or worked with our libraries to join us for this year's Taste of 'Dena."

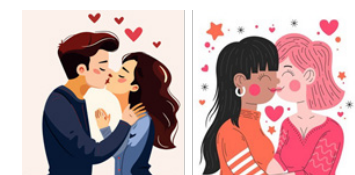
The Altadena Library Foundation has supported and strengthened the mission and resources of the Altadena Libraries through fundraising and advocacy since 2009.

Join the Altadena Library Foundation in supporting and celebrating the Altadena Libraries on Saturday, Sept. 28, 2024, at 6 p.m. at the Altadena Main Library, 600 E. Mariposa St. Become an event sponsor or purchase tickets at [www.AltadenaLibraryFoundation.org](http://www.AltadenaLibraryFoundation.org).

## ALL THINGS

By Jeff Brown

### THE SIX SECOND KISS



Most kisses shared may be short and sweet. Perhaps you are running off to work, in the middle of cooking, or about to go to sleep. Lengthening kisses to six seconds could be a key to a better relationship. Dr. John Gottman says it's long enough to make a moment of connection with our partner. It stops the busyness in your brain and puts your focus on your partner at that moment. There doesn't have to be talking, listening, or problem-solving. It's just a time to connect with your partner physically and feel close to them. It also accomplishes a lot of principles and needs in our relationship in only six seconds.

*What the six second kiss can do for you*

The more you practice an elongated kiss, it can also become a habit. A six second kiss is one of the least time-consuming ways to improve things with your partner. In fact, if you have two kisses per day the total time per week amounts to less than 90 seconds

So, keep kissing. It has the potential to benefit the overall health of your relationship. A study of 70,000 people in 24 countries conducted by sociologists determined that small gestures to show love throughout the day have a major impact on couples' long-term happiness and success. Though 6 seconds is the minimum time, Gottman says, has an effect, that doesn't mean you literally need to count to six in your head before stopping. Above all, it's a way to make sure that people connect in a meaningful way every day. Just "relax and enjoy the kiss." Dr. Gottman suggests saying some sweet things to your partner before and after the kiss. "Sharing something positive with each other like 'I love you' or 'I'm so happy to be with you.'"

The 6-second kiss symbolizes love, devotion, and partnership in the journey toward deeper intimacy and connection. By embracing this simple yet profound practice, couples can unlock new levels of emotional closeness, passion, and fulfillment in their relationships.

As John Gottman aptly summarizes, "In the end, it's the small moments of connection that make the biggest difference." So why not start with a kiss?

Approach each kiss with genuine affection, presence, and mindfulness, focusing on the connection with your partner.

Experiment with different settings and contexts to keep the practice fresh and exciting.

Communicate openly with your partner about the significance of the 6-second kiss and the impact it has on your relationship.

Embrace spontaneity and creativity, allowing the ritual to evolve organically over time. A six-second kiss is an easy, practical way to build connection.

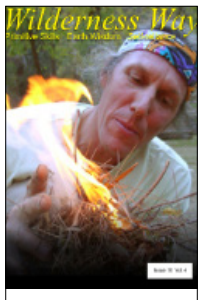
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**TOM BROWN JR.:  
JANUARY 29, 1950-AUGUST 16, 2024**

Those of us in the field of outdoor education are familiar with the famous New Jersey tracker, Tom Brown Jr., who died last week. Brown was somewhat controversial, and highly revered by his many students.

Brown gained popular attention in the late 1970s after the publication of his first book, "The Tracker," and his school that he founded in New Jersey's Pine Barrens where he grew up. Tom describes his early days in his first two books, where he thought about what he would do with his life. He and his childhood friend were already good naturalists in their teens, having learned and honed many of the outdoor skills right in his own expanded backyard.

I began to hear about Brown around the late 1980s, and I often read an article about Brown to my students which described Brown's year that he spent living primitively in the wilderness. Brown's story is very inspiring, and best told in his "Tracker" book. I found it very invigorating and it re-vived my interest in outdoor education, and often shared some of those details with my own students. Brown was fascinated with the art of tracking, the art of reading animal and human footprints, and inspired a generation of students to do likewise.

I knew a man who lived as a camp host in the Angeles National Forest for 10 years, and he told me how he spent some time with Tom Brown Jr. in his early days of teaching. My friend, Bear, told me that time with Brown involved primarily being cold and hungry in the woods, and doing everything you could to overcome those. Indeed! And in order to cater to the growing number of students who came to him, Brown developed a detailed curriculum and a talented staff who took the students well beyond the basics of fighting cold and hunger. They learned to make fire with the bow and drill, build primitive shelters, make eating implements, purify water, and of course, how to track animals.

I never had the opportunity to meet Mr. Brown, though we'd both been writing for Mother Earth News and other magazines.

Brown was the son of a preacher, and was often accused of being like a preacher himself, and has even been compared to a Marine drill sergeant! His personality was intense, and he must have really loved the fact that he was able to spend his life pursuing those simple skills that he loved as a child. He once wrote that he wanted to pass along to his students those skills that he was privileged to learn in his childhood. He la-mented the fact that modern development in the Pine Barrens was slowly eating up the very wilderness where he loved to camp and to teach, so it was harder and harder to replicate his early experiences.

His school was very popular, with typically 80 students crammed into his barn for all day instruction. The courses he offered were five day classes where you camped on-site and learned the skills by living them, rain or shine. Perhaps the best description I've read of a week with Tom Brown Jr. was described by Neil Strauss in his "Emergency" book.

Tom Elpel, author of "Botany of a Day" and other outdoor books, writes about Tom Brown Jr.: "As a story teller, it wasn't always obvious where truth left off and story began, but it didn't matter. It was a form of mass coyote mentoring. Myself and millions of other people were inspired to seek a deeper nature connection through wilderness survival and tracking from Tom Brown's stories. I had a tracking box in my bedroom as a teenager. I spent much of my teenage and young adult years trying to learn how to live in the wilderness with only a knife. My grandmother and I flew out to New Jersey to attend the Standard Course at the Tracker School in 1985 when I was 17. The intro class seemed a little too basic for me by then, but I've always been glad we went. Thank you Tom Brown Jr. for all you contributed to the world."

Tom wrote 11 articles for Mother Earth News, and 19 books. The books could be divided into two categories: guide books, and autobiographical books. The guidebooks are enjoyed by many, and are without controversy. Of the autobiographical books, "The Tracker" is the best, and I highly recommend it.

The controversy about Brown has to do with his legendary mentor, an Apache named Stalking Wolf, grandfather of Tom's best friend Rick. Stalking Wolf is said to have died when Tom was 17, and Rick was said to have died in Europe shortly thereafter. Detractors of Tom Brown Jr. have doubted the existence of Stalking Wolf and sometimes of Rick. However, Brown's many students and followers have focused on the actual practical teachings from Brown, and overlooked most of the controversies. [You can read more about Tom Brown Jr. at Wikipedia]

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**Katnip News!**



**GEORDI & DOTTI**

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**Pet of the Week**

One-year-old Trina has been getting rave reviews from the volunteers at Pasadena Humane. They've said that she is such a loving and wonderful girl who loves cuddling on the couch or bed and playing fetch or chewing on her toys. Her favorites were squeaky toys, though she happily chews on any the toys given to her.



Trina recently went on an overnight field trip and was exceptionally well-behaved in the foster family's apartment. She was clearly house-trained, never had any accidents, and knew how to sit on command (especially if you had treats handy). She rarely barked and showed no signs of anxiousness when left alone for short periods.

This sweet girl was also a wonderful work-from-home companion; During several work Zoom meetings, Trina was left alone in the bedroom with the door closed, and she was perfectly content, either sleeping or playing with her toys. She also enjoyed car rides, happily sitting in the back seat without any issues. Trina is ready to be your plug-and-play dog! Come see for yourself and meet Trina today! The adoption fee for dogs is \$150. All dog adoptions include spay or neuter, microchip, and age-appropriate vaccines.

Walk-in adoptions are available every day from 2:00 – 5:00. For those who prefer, adoption appointments are available daily from 10:30 – 1:30 and can be scheduled online. View photos of adoptable pets at [pasadenahumane.org](http://pasadenahumane.org).

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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From The Desk of Steve Sciorba, Safe Path For Senior

**ORGANIZE YOUR IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

As we age, it's increasingly important to ensure that our loved ones have easy access to essential documents and information. Creating a single, organized place for important records can bring peace of mind to you and your family. This simple step can save time, reduce stress, and prevent confusion when quick access to information is crucial.



Consider setting up a dedicated binder to store all your key documents. This binder should include medical records, a list of medications and instructions, health care proxy, power of attorney, bank statements and financial information, insurance documents, house or estate information, trust documents, deeds, wills, and emergency contacts. As you gather these items, place them in clear sheet protectors to allow for easy up-dates and access. Be sure to label each section clearly and include any passwords or login information for online accounts.

Once your documents are organized, keep the binder in a safe yet accessible place. Make sure your children or a trusted individual know where it is and how to access it. Also, have someone you trust upload all the forms into a digital folder as a backup. Regularly update the binder to reflect any changes in your financial or medical situation.

By taking the time to organize your important documents now, you are giving a valuable gift to your family. This allows them to focus on what truly matters during challenging times, being there for you, without the added burden of searching for critical information. Lucy De Teresa is a Professional Organizer and Move Manager with the KIND Organizer that assists seniors and their families with the downsizing process.



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**HOW TO FIND LEGAL HELP WHEN YOU CAN'T AFFORD A LAWYER**

Dear Savvy Senior:  
Can you recommend any programs or organizations that provide free or low-cost legal services to seniors? I believe I need some professional legal help but have limited income and very little savings.  
Almost 70



Dear Almost:

Whether you need help drawing up a will or a contract, or you're facing some sort of legal jeopardy or dilemma, hiring an attorney can be expensive. Most lawyers today charge anywhere between \$100 and \$300 an hour. Fortunately, there are a number of different programs and organizations that offer free legal advice and may help you find a free or low-cost attorney. Here's where look for help in your area.

**Legal Aid:** Directed by the Legal Services Corporation, legal aid provides free legal assistance to low-income people of all ages. Each community program will differ slightly in the services they offer and income qualifications. Visit [LSC.gov/find-legal-aid](http://LSC.gov/find-legal-aid) to locate a program near you.

**LawHelp:** Powered by Pro Bono Net, a national nonprofit organization, LawHelp.org is a terrific resource that will help you locate free legal aid near you, get answers to your legal questions and even fill out legal documents. These free services are for people with low to moderate incomes.

**Free Legal Answers:** This is an online program created by the American Bar Association that matches low-income clients with volunteer lawyers who agree to provide brief answers online for free. This service will not answer criminal law questions and it's not available in every state. See [ABAfreelegalanswers.org](http://ABAfreelegalanswers.org) to look for a program in your state.

**Senior Legal Hotlines:** There are around 30 states that offer senior legal hotlines, where all seniors over age 60 have access to free legal advice over the telephone. To find out if this service is available in your state, go to [ProSeniors.org](http://ProSeniors.org) and click on "Resources," followed by "U.S. Senior Legal Hotline Directory."

**Senior Legal Services:** Coordinated by the Administration on Aging, this service may offer free or low-cost legal advice, legal assistance or access to legal representation to people over the age of 60. Your Area Agency on Aging can tell you what's available in your community. Call the Eldercare Locator at 800-677-1116 to get your local number.

**Local Law Schools:** More than 200 university law schools across the country have pro bono programs that offer free legal assistance provided by law students, who are supervised by their professors. See [AmericanBar.org/groups/center-pro-bono](http://AmericanBar.org/groups/center-pro-bono) - scroll down and click on "Directory of Law School Public Interest and Pro Bono Programs" to locate a program near you.

**Pension Rights Center:** This is a nonprofit consumer organization that provides free legal assistance for problems with pension, 401(k) or other retirement plans. Go to [PensionRights.org/find-help](http://PensionRights.org/find-help) to search for help in your state.

**Stateside Legal:** For military members, veterans, and their families, StatesideLegal.org provides access to free legal information and legal assistance in your area.

**National Disability Rights Network:** This is a nonprofit membership organization that provides legal assistance to people with disabilities through their Protection and Advocacy System and Client Assistance Program. If you are disabled, visit [NDRN.org](http://NDRN.org) to find help in your state.

**Other Options:** If you can't get help from one of these programs, or find that you aren't eligible, another option is to contact your state or local bar association to see if there are any volunteer lawyer projects in your area or if they can refer you to a low-fee lawyer. To contact your state or local bar association, go to [FindLegalHelp.org](http://FindLegalHelp.org).

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A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

**DOCTOR - COULD YOU REPEAT THAT?**

For the first time in my life, I've been having health issues. It was nothing serious, but just enough to be aggravating.

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage has been very helpful with my medical issues. She arranges all of the medicine I'm supposed to take every day; otherwise, I probably wouldn't take any. She often asks me, "How are you today?" I look at her, smile, and say, "I'm fine." "No, you are not fine. Now take your medicine." Obviously, she doesn't think I'm fine, but I guess I'm fine with that.

My health issues are very superficial, at least from my perspective. I get up in the morning, eat everything I can get a hold of, take a little nap in the afternoon, and do whatever I want to do. No matter what I do or don't do, I am still "not fine," according to The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage.

When I have a doctor's appointment, she usually accompanies me because she knows I will not remember anything the doctor says. Of course, she is absolutely truthful about that. I hear what my doctor is saying, but I'm not always listening to what he says. The only thing I hear from the doctor is, "You're doing fine; keep up the good work."

Most health issues had to do with getting old. The older you get, the more your body seems to wear out. So, I'm going to continue getting as old as I can, even if it means hobbling down the road of life. I noticed something rather interesting. Whenever I go to see a doctor, he or she is always looking for what's wrong with me. I never had a doctor examine me to find something that was right with me.

I know what that means, of course. If there's nothing wrong with me, the doctor has no job. If he does find something wrong, no matter how small, he at least has a job.

Several years ago, before I had these health issues, I went to my doctor every year for an annual checkup. Every time I went, the doctor ended the session by saying, "Somebody your age should have something wrong with them." He was always trying to find something wrong with me. It's a good thing I wasn't seeing a psychiatrist. I remember something happening at one of my yearly visits to the doctor. It was on a Monday, and the day before, I had an episode of shingles on the right side of my body. At the time, I didn't know what it was.

When I went to see the doctor on Monday, I showed him some of the marks on my right arm, and I've never seen my doctor so excited. He said, "Let me examine that. Something must be wrong." Well, he examined it and re-examined it, and every time he examined it, his smile got bigger and bigger. Then, after his examination, he said, "You have been hit with the shingles."

Of course, I didn't know what that meant at the time, but he explained it, and every other sentence was a giggle. I'm one patient who never had anything wrong with them and finally has something wrong with him. That's what my doctor lives for.

That was over five years ago, and it seems like my health went downhill after that. Not too much, just enough to be aggravating. I did spend several days in the hospital. I had a heart attack and had to have a stent put in. I had the Covid episode, which kept me locked in my house for two weeks.

In spite of all of that, I seem to be getting back to some good health. I still have to have regular six-month physical checkups. I have a series of doctors that I have to see, and that just is life.

Last week, for example, I had my six-month appointment to see my heart doctor. I had some tests taken a week before, and he was going to re-view them for me at this appointment. He went through all of the regular processes, examined my report, and finally, he was finished. As he was closing up my file, he simply said, "Sir, you are good." I looked at him and said, "What did you say doctor?" "I said, you were good."

Looking at him and then back at my wife, who was with me, I said, "Doc-tor, could you repeat that last word for me so my wife can hear it?" He looked at me, my wife, and then laughed and said, "good."

I looked over at my wife, who was not smiling then, and said, "My dear, did you hear what the doctor said? Do you need the doctor to repeat it? Looking at me with no smile, she said, "I heard everything the doctor said."

As we left the doctor's office, I smiled and said as I walked out, "I'm good." Let's see how The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage can handle that one.

For many years my favorite Bible verse has been, Proverbs 17:22, "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones"

I realize there are many problems in life, but my focus should not be on that, but on the God who is bigger than any problem I might have. My faith in God creates a merry heart in my life.

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**STUART TOLCHIN**

**PUT THE LIGHTS ON SERENDIPITY**



Do you know the word? Please do not confuse it with "synchronicity" which is similar but markedly different. Synchronicity refers to one moment in time wherein seemingly unrelated events occur simultaneously and yet are upon reflection deemed to bring delight or make us sit up and take notice. Synchronicity events occur concurrently; they are highly improbable coincidences with no seeming causal link but may turn out to have great significance in our own life. "Serendipity" is very different. It is an occurrence which at the moment has no particular positive significance but is later revealed to be highly advantageous.

The most frequently described example of serendipity is the scientific discovery which has had an extremely positive effect that has benefitted all of us. I am describing the discovery of penicillin which is considered to be one of the most important scientific discoveries in the history of medicine. The story of the discovery has been described as "The yellow brick road to penicillin: a story of serendipity" and is understood to have resulted in the subsequent creation of antibiotics. These antibiotics have saved multiple millions of lives; but my point is that at the time of its discovery penicillin was not thought of to have any positive consequence. The discovery resulted from a chance realization by Alexander Fleming who had gone on a vacation after failing to clean up a mold spill.

Upon returning home some time later he observed that bacteria from another adjacent lab had flown into his lab and multiplied. He observed that evidence of the bacteria was everywhere except for a spot where the spilled mold remained. He determined that the mold had killed the bacteria but at first did not realize the significance of the discovery. With the help of other scientists in other fields the significance of the bacteria-killer (antibiotic) was identified and understood, and Sir Alexander Fleming was awarded the Nobel Prize, and the rest of the world has benefitted.

The serendipitous event that I am now going to describe has, I believe, an importance to me as the chance discovery of penicillin. On June 27, 2024, my wife and I were of a plane flying home from Boston. On the plane there were television screens showing the ongoing debate between President Biden and ex-President Donald Trump. President Biden looked terrible. He appeared old, feeble, and confused. During the prior months I had agonized over President Biden's condition and was certain that he would be defeated in the coming election. President Biden had emphatically stated his refusal to step aside.

If President Biden were to be the candidate, I was certain that Donald Trump would be elected President. Prior to the Debate all polls reflected the likelihood that Trump would be elected and I, and almost everyone I knew, was in despair. Friends were talking of the need to move out of the United States but look, I am over 80 years of age and relocating does not seem possible. Soon after the debate, which seemed such a disaster, wonderful things happened.

Respected Democrats such as Nancy Pelosi prevailed upon the President to step aside. He did so unwillingly but almost immediately everything changed. There was new positive energy in the Country. Vice President Harris revealed herself to be a wonderful qualified, reasonable candidate. Her selection of Tim Walz to be her running mate was brilliant and I am optimistic that she will be elected. This election will be the direct propitious result of the debate which at first seemed so disastrous. Yes, where would we all be without penicillin and antibiotics. It is silly to compare but there is no question that the televised debate which in the moment seemed so disastrous has resulted in wonderful consequences. We will be more able to appreciate these consequences after the election but for the moment I feel pretty good and that was not true a month ago. **BE SURE TO VOTE!!!**

**TOM PURCELL**

**AMERICA'S LAST TRULY FREE MARKET**



All anybody needs to know about a free economy is alive and well thanks to social-media flea markets, such as Facebook Marketplace.

While procrastinating every morning, I review this site looking at cars, lakefront homes and a wide variety of highly entertaining items people are trying to hock.

Facebook Marketplace offers a hands-on lesson in how free-market economics really works. You see, commerce and trading are what humans do. They are the basis of wealth creation and a thriving civilization.

Somewhat with something to sell is eager to find somebody who is willing to buy. The seller and buyer work out an agreement, then make an exchange, and everybody is happy.

Purity and honesty are at the heart of these simple transactions.

An item is only worth what somebody is willing to pay for it. And as millions of transactions take place daily — and the seller tries to fetch as much as possible while the buyer tries to spend as little as possible — a natural market price evolves.

Consider the market for used leather couches.

Some people think that since they paid \$2,000 for a new leather couch a few years ago, they can still fetch \$1,700 for it now — even though their cat scratched the leather and their dog chewed one of its legs!

Unfortunately for them, their couch is only worth what somebody else is willing to pay for it.

And they're not willing to pay anything near \$1,700 for several reasons.

First off, most people don't want furniture in their house that was used by somebody else. Reduced desire for the item you wish to sell equals reduced value.

Second, other people may be more motivated to get rid of their leather couches than you. Maybe they just got divorced, or they're moving across the country and need to liquidate, or maybe they're rich and just got a new living room set and want to unload the prior one.

Whatever their motive, some people just want to sell their couch for pennies on the dollar, which beats down the value of your couch all the more.

That means your used, cat-scratched, dog-chewed leather couch is probably worth about 150 bucks on a good day!

That's the breaks of economic reality — and nothing is more real than a free-functioning economy.

But what if a vote-seeking politician promised people who wanted to buy leather couches a \$1,000 subsidy to help them — a Couch Stamp, if you will.

All of the sudden, there would be an unnatural demand for leather couches that would quickly drive leather-couch "values" from \$150 to \$1,000 and surely more.

The entire used-couch market would be disrupted by the vote-pandering politician and the taxpayers would have to pick up the tab — or more money would have to be borrowed — to pay for the costly disruption.

Thankfully, the government hasn't bailed out the used-couch market-place just yet, which is why Facebook Marketplace is such a wonderful example of people freely buying, trading or selling their goods without interference.

As a bonus, Facebook Marketplace also offers entertainment in its purest form, as some fool tries to get, say, \$300 for a used commode that is probably worth about 20 bucks.

It's a delight to watch the humbled seller keep lowering his price to meet the unflushable realities of the used-toilet marketplace.

**RICH JOHNSON**

**NOW THAT'S RICH**



**BECAUSE YOU WANTED OR NEEDED TO KNOW**

How did we get this far through life without knowing the contents of what you are about to read? We may never know. Thank heavens the internet and Fox News have afforded us the luxury of instant access to this particular heap of useless information.

So, let us begin unraveling this week's column...hotbed of useful information...shall we? A regular pencil has enough graphite to draw a 35-mile long line. For example, if you live in Pasadena or Sierra Madre, you could draw a pencil line all the way down to Manhattan Beach. Who wants to sign up to do it? "Hello" did not become a greeting until the invention of the telephone...Hello!

If Elon Musk built a car that could drive "straight up" it would take an hour to drive up and reach space. I suspect coming back could be a lot quicker thanks to our friend gravity...bang! Think about this: We were able to put a man on the moon before we could figure out how to put wheels on luggage.

If you are an average person here in the good old US of A, you will spend about 6 months cumulative total waiting at red lights. Not exactly time well spent. What do you do during those moments stuck at the red light? Any suggestions?

How did students erase before the invention of the eraser? (We ask the big strategically relevant questions here). Up until 1770 writers used wet bread as erasers before modern rubber tools were invented.

If you are a regular human being you will produce enough saliva in your lifetime to fill two swimming pools. Whatever you do, don't dive in.

What do shoplifters shoplift more of than any other food? Worldwide "cheese" is the most shoplifted food...nearly 4% of the world's total cheese inventory. (And you don't think this column is important?)

If you're keeping score and you are average, in your lifetime you will eat the weight equivalent of 6 elephants. Bon appetit!

How hot is a lightning bolt. Experts tell us five times hotter than the surface of the sun.

Are you a regular human being? (I'm often asked that question). If you are typical, you will blink 15-20 times per minute. Live to be 80 years old and that's 5 years of your life with your eyes closed...blinking.

How many trees are there on planet earth? Scientists tell us 3 trillion. That means there are more trees on earth than stars in the milky way. Do the math. Experts tell us there are only 100 billion stars in the Milky Way Galaxy. That's all?

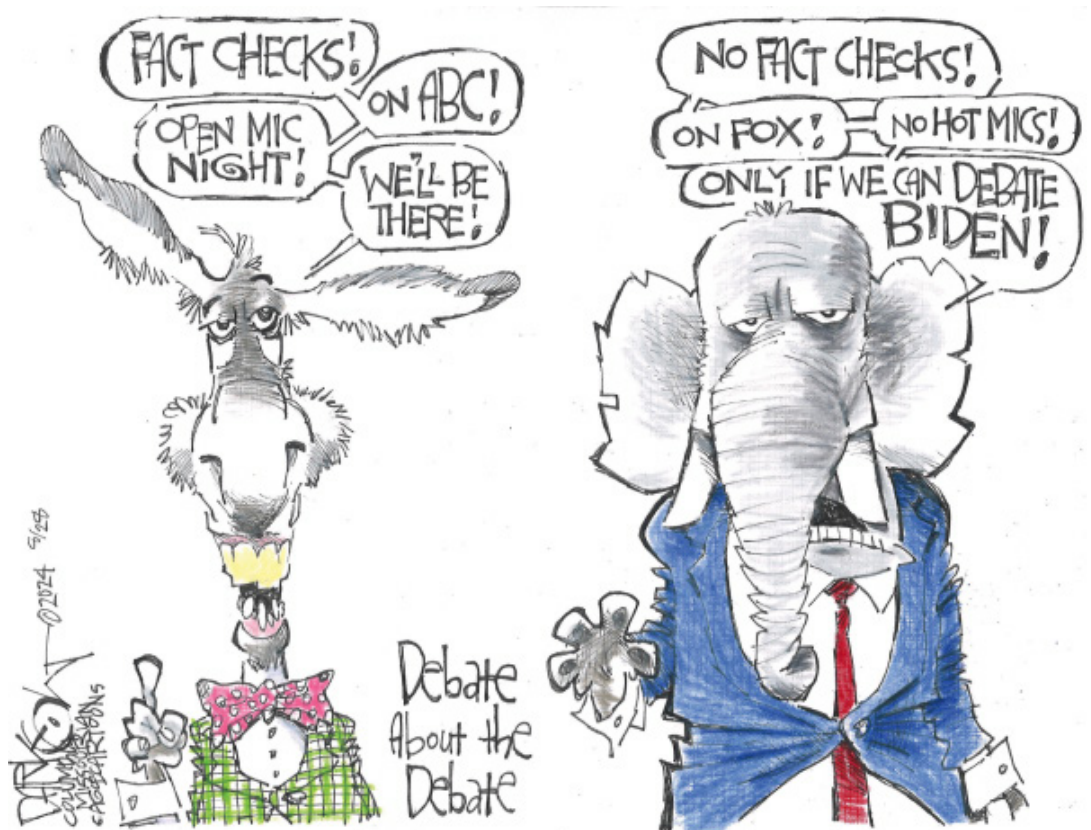
Wrap your brain around this one...a day on the planet Venus is longer than a year on the planet Venus. Huh? Now, read very slowly and it should make sense. Venus rotates very, very slowly on its axis. It takes 243 of our 24-hour days to complete one spin or rotation. On the other hand, going around the sun (which takes us 365 days) Venus accomplishes in 225 Earth days.

How often does lightning strike? Worldwide about 8.6 million strikes a day. Do the math and that's 100 strikes per second.

Since we are in the middle of a national election cycle, I thought I would end the column with a somewhat patriotic bit of trivia...

Our current U.S. flag was designed by a high school student for a class project way back in 1958. The student, Bobby Heff, received a "B-" for his grade. When the U.S. Congress selected Heff's design, then President Eisenhower called Bobby personally and invited him to come to Washington D.C. His teacher changed the grade to an "A". (By the way, Bobby probably got the B- because, in 1958, when he designed the flag with 50 stars, there were only 48 states).

Final note to our Presidential contenders, Kamala and Donald: George Washington gave the shortest inauguration speech at 135 words. William Henry Harrison gets credit for the longest inauguration speech at 8,445 words. 8,445 words took President Harrison 2 hours to speak during a heavy snowstorm. President Harrison caught a cold and died one month later from pneumonia. Since inaugural speeches are still uttered outside, I caution each candidate to exercise brevity in the delivery of their speech. Plenty of time for more ear bashing in warmer weather.





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TINE AVE APT 14 VAN NUYS, CA. 91405. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DANIEL I. SILVA, 7228 HAZELTINE AVE APT 14 VAN NUYS, CA. 91405. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: DANIEL I. SILVA, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/05/2024. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A NOTICE- This Fictitious Business Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: Aug 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024164936 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as JCR FLOORING 1185 KATHYANN ST SYLMAR, CA. 91342. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JUAN CARLOS RIVERA MORALES 1185 KATHYANN ST SYLMAR, CA. 91342. This Business is conducted by: INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JUAN CARLOS RIVERA MORALES, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/06/2024. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/024 NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: Aug 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024163696 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LA SKY CLOTHING 1805 E FLORENCE AVE LOS ANGELES, CA. 90001. AON 202355116794 STATE OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LA SKY SMOKE SHOP, LLC 1805 E FLORENCE AVE LOS ANGELES, CA. 90001. This Business is conducted by: AN LLC. Signed: LA SKY SMOKE SHOP, LLC ROSARIO BUENOSTRO, MANAGING MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/05/2024. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/2023 NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: Aug 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024-157990 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CHALKS USA, 206 N NICHOLSON AVE UNIT A, MONTEREY PARK, CA. 91755. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) RICHARD SHENG KANG YEH, 206 N NICHOLSON AVE UNIT A, MONTEREY PARK, CA. 91755. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: RICHARD SHENG KANG YEH, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/26/2024. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/2024. NOTICE- This Fictitious Business Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News Dates Pub: AUG 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024-155751 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CONCRETE GLUE REMOVAL, 13855 SARANAC DRIVE APT A, WHITTIER, CA 90604. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GUILLERMO GUERRERO, 13855 SARANAC DRIVE APT A, WHITTIER, CA 90604. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: GUILLERMO GUERRERO/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/24/2024. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/2024. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: AUG 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024-154122 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as INFLUENCER LATINO AWARDS, KAIMAN RECORDS, 12103 HIGDALE ST, NORWALK, CA 90650. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) GERARDO ANTONIO MADRIGAL RODRIGUEZ, 12103 HIGDALE ST, NORWALK, CA 90650. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: GERARDO ANTONIO MADRIGAL RODRIGUEZ/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/22/2024. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: AUG 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024-154826 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as JGAMAS PAINTING, 21911 S CARLERIK AVE, CARSON, CA 90810. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) CARLOS DORADO UREANDA, 21911 S CARLERIK AVE, CARSON, CA 90810. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: CARLOS DORADO UREANDA/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/23/2024. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/2024. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: AUG 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024-156090 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LA PALMERA RESTAURANT # 2, 2021 W 3RD ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90057. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LA PALMERA RESTAURANT'S CORP, 727 S ALVARADO ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90057. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: MARTA ZAPETA HERRERA/PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/24/2024. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: Mountain Views News/JDC Dates Pub: AUG 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: MICHAEL GENE EMM CASE NO. 24STPB06476

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of MICHAEL GENE EMM.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DOUG EMM in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DOUG EMM be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 10/07/24 at 8:30AM in Dept. 99 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file

written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner KEITH S. WALKER - SBN 73047 LAW OFFICES OF KEITH S. WALKER 319 HARVARD AVENUE CLAREMONT CA 91711 Telephone (909) 626-1041 8/31, 9/7, 9/14/24 CNS-3845888#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: WILLIAM L. SOOKER CASE NO. 24STPB09003

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of WILLIAM L. SOOKER. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by PATRICE GARCIA in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that PATRICE GARCIA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. THE WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) THE independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 09/09/24 at 8:30AM in Dept. 4 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner E. THOMAS CHAVEZ SBN 123017 LAW OFFICE OF E. THOMAS CHAVEZ 301 E COLORADO BLVD., STE. 611 PASADENA CA 91101 Telephone (626) 796-4611 8/17, 8/24, 8/31/24 CNS-3842777#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: OLIVE BENTON BUCHAN CASE NO. 24STPB08996

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of OLIVE BENTON BUCHAN.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DAVID CHRISTOPHER BUCHAN in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DAVID CHRISTOPHER BUCHAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. THE WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 09/13/24 at 8:30AM in Dept. 5 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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The presidency is one of the most demanding jobs in the world, requiring not just sharp mental acuity but also physical stamina. While there are no official fitness requirements (that's right), many U.S. presidents have recognized the importance of physical health, incorporating exercise and outdoor activities into their routines. The commitment to fitness influenced their effectiveness as leaders. Here's some of the most physically active presidents and how their fitness regimes shaped their legacy.



Thomas Jefferson: Founding Father of Fitness The third President of the United States believed that a healthy body was crucial for a healthy mind. Jefferson was an avid walker, often covering several miles around his Monticello estate, and enjoyed horseback riding. Staying active was part of his broader philosophy that emphasized balance and well-being, making him a pioneer in presidential fitness.

Theodore Roosevelt: The Strenuous Life Roosevelt epitomized physical vigor and resilience. Known for his "strenuous life" philosophy, Roosevelt embraced a variety of activities that pushed his physical limits, including hunting, boxing, and judo. Despite childhood asthma, Roosevelt transformed his health through intense physical activity. His adventurous spirit and dedication to fitness established him as one of the fittest leaders in U.S. history.

Abraham Lincoln: Strength and Stamina The 16th president was notable for his physical strength. Lincoln formerly worked as a farm laborer and was a renowned wrestler. This physical resilience was crucial during the demanding Civil War years. Lincoln's robust build and stamina enabled him to navigate the country's most challenging times with both strength and grace.

Herbert Hoover: Outdoor Enthusiast Hoover was an outdoor enthusiast who saw nature as a fitness playground. He enjoyed fishing and hiking and even built a retreat in the Virginia mountains, Camp Rapidan, for relaxation and exercise. Additionally, Hoover invented "Hooverball," a sport combining volleyball and medicine ball elements, which became a regular part of his routine. Hoover's innovative approach to fitness showed exercise could be both enjoyable and practical.

Dwight D. Eisenhower: The Golfer-in-Chief The 34th president, was famous for his passion for golf. During his two terms, Eisenhower played nearly 800 rounds, making him one of the most golf-obsessed presidents in history. His regular golf games were more than leisure activities; they were a crucial part of his fitness routine. Eisenhower's commitment to staying active through golf helped him manage the stresses of the presidency.

John F. Kennedy: The Youthful President Despite chronic back pain and Addison's disease, JFK maintained an active lifestyle. Kennedy was known for swimming in the White House pool, sailing, and playing touch football with his family. His dedication to fitness extended beyond personal health; he also promoted physical activity nationally by establishing the President's Council on Physical Fitness. Kennedy's "50-mile hike" challenge to the Marine Corps highlighted his belief in the importance of physical fitness for all.

Gerald Ford: Athlete in the White House Ford was one of the most accomplished athletes to have held office. The 38th president played football at the University of Michigan and remained active throughout his life, swimming and skiing regularly. His athleticism and commitment to fitness were evident in his strong physique and his ability to stay active despite a demanding schedule. Ford's dedication to maintaining his health was a hallmark of his presidency.

George W. Bush: The Running President Bush was a committed runner who logged three miles a day. As he aged, he transitioned to mountain biking to stay active. He believed that physical fitness was essential for mental clarity and stamina, which helped him manage the pressures of the presidency. His love of exercise also allowed him to connect with veterans through annual bike rides. Bush's commitment to fitness was a crucial part of his routine, reflecting the importance of staying active in a high-pressure role.

Barack Obama: The Fitness First President Obama made fitness a priority. He maintained a regular gym routine and enjoyed basketball, often playing pickup games with staff and friends. His commitment to fitness extended to his public role, promoting healthy living through the "Let's Move!" campaign, led by First Lady Michelle Obama, to combat childhood obesity. His dedication to fitness highlighted the significance of health and wellness in both personal and public life.

Curious about the least physically fit leaders? Those would be Taft, Pierce, Buchanan, Tyler and Trump.

The fittest presidents highlighted above show that staying active is not just about personal health but also about being fit to lead. Their commitment to physical fitness underscores its importance in effective leadership, helping them meet the demands of their roles and face any challenge. Now excuse me, I need to check out "Hooverball"...

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### One Time Events

**September 4** 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm  
**Twilight Music and Cocktails at the Arboretum**  
Enjoy the music of Marcus Love while relaxing with mixed drinks and charcuterie.

**September 5** 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm  
**Taste of Art: Le Piquenique at The Huntington**  
Discover the history of the picnic through art, sip spritzers and prepare salads and desserts.

**September 7** 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm  
**South Lake Avenue Walking Tour**  
Learn about Pasadena's pedestrian-friendly shopper's paradise starting at Pie n' Burger.

**September 7** Gate 5:30 pm; Concert 7:30 pm  
**Oscar Meets Tony – Pasadena Pops at the Arboretum**  
Tunes from memorable composers Henry Mancini, Alan Menken and more.

**September 9** 7:30 pm  
**Wild Up – The L.A. Composer Series at the Sierra Madre Playhouse**  
Grammy-nominated ensemble Wild Up features a blend of new music, theater, and pop.

**September 13** 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm  
**Friday Nights at the Gamble House Lawn**  
Enjoy wine flights, a picnic, and music by Pasadena Conservatory of Music.

**September 13** 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm  
**Family Friday Movie Night: Jurassic Park at The Huntington**  
Fun activities and picnicking.

**September 14** 10:00 am – 12:00 pm  
**Flower Arranging: September Succulents at The Huntington (Adults Only)**  
Join Flower Duet and create a beautiful floral design.

**September 14** 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm  
**Family Night Hike: Gross Gardens at the Arboretum**  
Family-friendly hike offers the chance to touch, smell, and taste some of the nastiest plants.  
**Adult Night Hike: Hidden History of House Plants at the Arboretum** 7:30 pm – 9:00pm

**September 21** 10:00 am – 12:00 pm  
**Chinese Floral Arts: Intellectual Style at The Huntington**  
Explore the practice of traditional Chinese floral arts with master artist Rosa Zee.

**September 21** Dinner 5:00 pm; Concert 8:00 pm  
**Taylor Dayne at Arcadia Performing Arts Center**  
Dance and sing as Taylor Dayne performs her chart-topping hits at the APAC.

**September 21** 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm  
**Taste of Arcadia at Santa Anita Park**  
Enjoy entertainment and unlimited food and beverages tastings at Santa Anita Park.

**September 21** 4:00 am – 6:30 pm  
**An Evening in Focus: Plugged In at the Norton Simon Museum**  
Explore the galleries and interactive collaborative art-making to music

**September 28** 6:00 pm  
**Taste of 'Dena - Altadena Main Library**  
Enjoy an evening of culinary delights, soulful melodies, and community spirit.

### Ongoing Events

**September 1 – 29**  
**The Skin of Our Teeth at A Noise Within**  
Pulitzer Prize-winning comedic masterpiece

**September 4 – 29**  
**Cyrano De Bergerac at Pasadena Playhouse**  
This romantic adventure is reborn in a modern adaptation.

**September 14, 2024 – January 6, 2025**  
**Growing and Knowing in the Gardens of China - Huntington Library**  
This exhibition displays 24 artworks and a participatory exercise

**September 20, 21, 22** 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Mid-autumn Moon Celebration at The Huntington**  
Celebrate the festival with a stroll through the Chinese Garden.

**September 23, 30** 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
**Music in the Rose Garden at The Huntington**  
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