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NOTICE OF SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO APPOINT THOMAS S. DENISON, KRIS LOWE, AND GEOFF WOODS TO THE OFFICE OF CITY COUNCIL AND CANCELLING THE NOVEMBER 3, 2026 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION, PURSUANT TO ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 10229

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council will hold a Special Meeting to discuss appointing Thomas S. Denison, Kris Lowe, and Geoff Woods to the Office of City Council for a full term of four years, and cancelling the November 3, 2026 General Municipal Election, pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10229

Pursuant to Section 102229 of the California Elections Code, the City Council may take one of the following courses of action:

1. Appoint to the office the person who has been nominated, or
2. Hold the election for the office.

Meeting Date and Time

Wednesday, August 19, 2026 5:30 p.m.

Location: City Hall Council Chambers
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.
Sierra Madre, CA 91024

For more information, please contact City Clerk Laura Aguilar at (626) 355-7135 or via e-mail at CityClerk@SierraMadreCA.gov

Laura Aguilar
City Clerk, Elections Official

Posted August 14, 2026

FRANCES FARNAM: 2026 SMRFA SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT



The Sierra Madre Rose Float Association is pleased to announce that Frances Farnam is the recipient of our 2026 SMRFA Scholarship Award. This award recognizes one student in either their senior year of high school or first year of college who has demonstrated academic excellence, service to the community, and dedication to the work of the Sierra Madre Rose Float Association.

Frances served as a princess on our 2024 float and has been involved with both decorating and constructing our float. She started her welding "lessons" with our own crew in 2019 and has helped with dry and fresh floral prep and decorating.

Frances is a 2026 graduate of California School of the Arts – San Gabriel Valley. In the fall, she will be studying at Cornell University, studying Environmental Engineering in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. She has been a wonderful contributor to the SMRFA crew for many years, and we'll miss seeing her at the barn.



SMRFA SEEKS APPLICATIONS FOR ROYAL COURT

The Sierra Madre Rose Float Association is once again seeking applications for members of our Royal Court to represent the City at local functions and activities and to ride on our float on January 1, 2027, in the Rose Parade® presented by Honda.

This year we are searching for up to three (3) Royal Court members. Duties will include:

- SPEAKING TO LOCAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS AND CLUBS
 - PRESENTING TO THE SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL
 - DECORATING OUR FLOAT AND WORKING IN OUR SALES BOOTH
 - REPRESENTING US IN OTHER PUBLICITY OPPORTUNITIES
 - RIDING ON THE FLOAT IN THE 2027 ROSE PARADE® PRESENTED BY HONDA
 - WORKING AT FLOATFEST ON JAN. 2ND, 2027, INTERACTING WITH VISITORS
 - VARIOUS EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE 2027 CALENDAR YEAR
- Princesses/Ambassadors will have a very exciting and educational year!

Application Guidelines and Process:

1) Applicants must be 15 to 18 years old, have a 3.0 grade average, and be a resident of Sierra Madre. Royal Court members must be available to participate in the speaking engagements (November & December) and during our Deco Week (December 26 – 31).

2) Applications are available on our website at: www.sierramadrerosefloat.org, see the green announcement bar on our homepage.

3) Applications must be emailed to info@sierramadrerosefloat.org by Wednesday, September 9, 2026. Applications submitted later than September 9th will not be considered.

4) Applicants must be able to attend judging interviews on the afternoon of Sunday, September 13th.

The Sierra Madre Rose Float Association Royal Court will be presented to the membership on Sunday, September 20, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at the SMRFA Barn, located at 587 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre.

For more information or questions, please contact info@sierramadrerosefloat.org.



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Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service



SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

COUNCIL ON SUMMER BREAK FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting. As an alternative, public comment may be submitted by e-mail to publiccomment@sierramadrecal.gov by 3:00PM on the day of the meeting. Emails will be acknowledged at the City Council meeting and filed into public record.

A copy of the posted agenda and a live video stream of the meeting can be found on the City's website at sierramadrecal.gov on Foothills Media website at foothillsmidia.org sierramadrecal, and broadcast on Government Access Channel 3 (Spectrum).

WALKING SIERRA MADRE: The Social Side by Deanne Davis

"AUGUST IS HAPPINESS HAPPENS MONTH!"

Author Glenn Van Ekeren suggests a place to start being happy is by becoming a grateful, thankful person. He said, "it's not happy people who are thankful. It's the thankful people who are genuinely happy. Happy grateful people appreciate the little blessings, see the best in people and invest their energies into what's right in their life rather than focusing on the trials, nuisances and tribulations!"

Friends and neighbors, this past weekend, August 7th, 8th and 9th, happiness overflowed all over the place in the lives of my family and everyone who knows us. The picture this week shows it all! Twin baby girls, Elizabeth and Eleanor, arrived on the planet about 10:00 Friday night. As you can see, they are gorgeous and they are miracle babies in that their mom, my granddaughter, Ashley, had been scheduled for a c-section delivery but at the last minute, God repositioned both babies into the normal, head down, position and no surgery was necessary. Giving birth to twins is taxing enough, but a surgery on top of that, well, so glad that didn't happen. And at 5 lbs. 12 oz. and 6 lbs. 5 oz., these girls are nice and big enough to be cuddled by their two sisters and big brother. See! Happiness happened!

On a far lesser scale, Saturday, August 8th, was Steve McQueen day on Turner Classic Movies.

As I have always considered him to be one of the best-looking men ever, I spent the day alternating between pictures of the twin girls and Steve McQueen movies. "The Magnificent Seven," "The Thomas Crown Affair," "The Great Escape," it just doesn't get much better than that.

"The Magnificent Seven," featuring McQueen with Yul Brynner, Charles Bronson, James Coburn, Robert Vaughn and Eli Wallach as Calvera, the really bad guy, is one of those movies you can watch over and over...and I have. As this

movie was released in 1960, all these guys were awesomely good looking. Great plot, Mexican villagers hire Yul Brynner and he recruits a bunch of fellow gunfighters to liberate their village from the evil Calvera, who appears constantly to steal everything they've got. Great action, and, of course, a good ending.

"The Thomas Crown Affair," with McQueen and Faye Dunaway, 1968, featuring the most enthralling chess game ever played. There was a remake in 1999 starring Pierce Brosnan and Rene Russo but, to me, it's just not nearly as good a story and we got to see way more of Rene Russo than we really wanted to see.

"The Great Escape," was one of my dear John's favorite movies and we watched this 1963 World War II epic featuring everybody trying to escape from a German POW camp many times. McQueen did most of his own motorcycle riding, which did not make the insurance people happy, but it's one of those movies that hold up over time.

Twins, Steve McQueen movies all day Saturday, it just doesn't get much better than that!

Sunday, rest and more pictures of Elizabeth and Eleanor. Happiness, indeed, did happen all weekend! But it needed just one thing more...something yummy to eat!

I'm watching my lemon tree as the lemons are slowly turning from green to yellow. They have a way to go yet before I can make lemon muffins, but as I still have a few in the freezer that work just fine, lemon muffins it is!

Preheat your oven to 425 degrees, butter 12 muffin cups

1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
1-1/2 tsp. baking powder
1/2 tsp. baking soda
1/4 tsp. salt
2/3 cup sugar



Combine those ingredients in a large bowl, zest your lemons (1 or 2) and add the zest to the flour.

2 large eggs
1 8 oz container yogurt
6 Tb. Butter, melted
1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
Juice of your lemons

In a medium bowl, whisk the eggs with the yogurt, butter, lemon juice and vanilla. Add to dry ingredients and very gently fold them together. Do not overbeat as your muffins will be tough instead of soft and tender. Pour into muffin cups, bake for 3 minutes at 425 then reduce temperature to 350 and bake an additional 12-17 minutes. Cool for 10 minutes then move to a wire rack then move to a plate, add butter and enjoy! Lemon muffins equal pure happiness!

My book page: Amazon.com:
Deanne Davis

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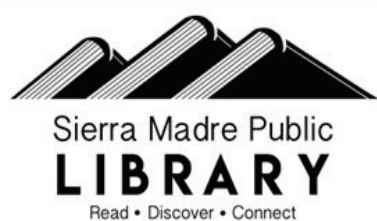
Sierra Madre's EMERGENCY radio station is now accepting scripts for Public Service Announcements (PSAs) about community events. PSAs will be broadcast on the air at no charge. The station operates 24/7 and can be heard at 1630 on the AM dial.

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

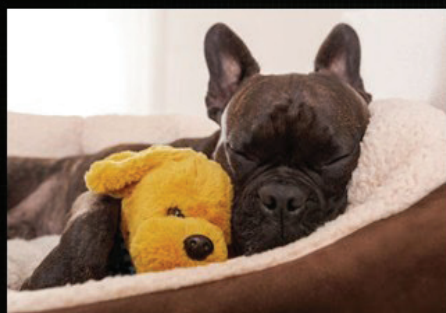
Just write a Public Service Announcement that describes your event and e-mail it to radio@cityofsierramadrecal.com.



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News From Your Community For Your Community

Pasadena Pubic Health Encourages Up to Date Immunizations

Prior to Start of School Year

As students prepare to return to the classroom, the Pasadena Public Health Department (PPHD) encourages families to make sure children are up to date on their routine vaccinations before the new school year begins. Routine childhood vaccines are a safe and effective way to protect children from serious diseases, helping them stay healthy, reduce the spread of illness in schools, and spend more time learning and participating in the activities they enjoy.

"Vaccination is one of the most effective ways to protect children's health and support a successful school year," said Dr. Parveen Kaur, Health Officer. "By making sure children are up to date on their routine immunizations, families help protect not only their own children, but also classmates, teachers, and the broader community."

California law requires students attending public and private schools, as well as children attending licensed childcare facilities, to receive age-appropriate immunizations before entry. These requirements help prevent the spread of vaccine-preventable diseases in educational settings.

Routine childhood vaccines are recommended by trusted medical experts and have been extensively studied for safety and effectiveness. The West Coast Health Alliance (WCHA) and California Department of Public Health recommend that parents continue to follow the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) immunization schedule for children and teens. Children who are up to date on their routine immunizations will satisfy California's school entry vaccine requirements.

Most health insurance plans, including Medi-Cal, cover recommended childhood vaccines at no out-of-pocket cost. Children who are eligible for the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program can receive recommended vaccines at no cost through participating providers.

Families should contact their child's healthcare provider to schedule any needed vaccinations before the start of the school year. Those without a regular healthcare provider can contact the Pasadena Public Health Department or visit a participating clinic or pharmacy to learn about available vaccination services.

Pasadena Unified School District is offering its Annual Student Immunization Clinic and Tuberculosis (TB) Services from August 12 to 14 at 351 S. Hudson Ave., Room 130. Appointments are available from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 2:30 p.m. Walk-ins are accepted from 3 to 4 p.m. on a first-come, first-served basis. Immunization services are available for uninsured and underinsured students, and TB testing is available for all students. To schedule an appointment, call (626) 396-3600 ext. 88180.

To learn more visit the Pasadena Public Health Department's Immunization Services website at: cityofpasadena.net/public-health.



South Pas Crawl Citywide Celebration

The City of South Pasadena and the South Pasadena Chamber of Commerce announced that Eat! Shop! Enjoy! South Pas Crawl is set to kickoff Saturday, August 22 from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, August 23 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Attendees of this free event can enjoy art exhibitions, open houses, food and drink specials, and sales throughout South Pasadena's business district.

"We rarely do discounts because it's tough to make a living, but we will for the event," said The Dinosaur Farm Owner Dave Plenn. "We will have a face painter... she is a really skilled artist. We will have music as well."

Plenn (pictured above) added

that one of the acts on Saturday will be his own band "The Dino Farmers."

"I was a songwriter and played guitar before I owned the store," he said. "My son plays saxophone and flute. We have a keyboard player and a really good drummer. Its all improvised."

He said there will be more live music Sunday.

The Crawl is a nine-day citywide celebration. To keep the deals going, after the weekend, participants can purchase a VIP wristband for \$15 and unlock nine days of special discounts and offers from participating local businesses. The first 50 wristband purchases will come with a goodie bag of gifts from local businesses.

Visit: southpasadenaca.gov/News-articles for the Eventbrite link to view the full list of deals and purchase a wristband.

More information about the Eat! Shop! Enjoy! South Pas Crawl is also available at: southpasadena.net. For questions or to request assistance, please contact the South Pasadena Chamber of Commerce at (626) 441-2339 or info@southpasadena.net.

Photo By Dean Lee/MVN

Share Your Altadena Tree Story

The Altadena Tree Stories project announced that they are hosting a September tree story session on the upcoming weekends of September 12, 13 and Sept. 19 and 20. The project is an archive of the communities trees preserved through oral history interviews and photographs, and is led by Altadena resident and science journalist Mona Patterson and Bay-Area photographer Andrea Gaffney.

There is no fee for the documentation.

The interview and photography will require about an hour.

As a small token of gratitude, participants will receive a small instant print of the tree.

Schedule an appointment visit: monapatterson.com/home/altadena-tree-project.

Pasadena Bird Walk



Join the Pasadena Audubon Society Saturday August 29 for a morning walk through the surrounding area of the Santa Catalina Branch Library in search of local birds. Perfect for beginners.

Comfortable walking shoes, water and clothing appropriate for the weather are recommended. For ages 5 and over. Meets at 10 a.m. at the Santa Catalina Branch Library located 999 E Washington Blvd.

For more information visit: cityofpasadena.net/library.

Where History Meets the Road: Celebrating Route 66 and Colorado Boulevard



In 2026, two significant regional and national milestones converge: the centennial of Route 66 and the 150th anniversary of Colorado Boulevard. To mark these occasions, PMH presents Where History Meets the Road: Celebrating Route 66 & Colorado Boulevard, now on view through January 24, 2027.

Where History Meets the Road traces the impact of Route 66 and the evolution of "roadside culture" along Colorado Boulevard. By examining Colorado as both a transportation corridor and cultural symbol, it becomes clear that Route 66 themes – mobility, commerce, nostalgia, and reinvention – have had a lasting impact on Pasadena. Interpretive text, memorabilia, and photographs will illustrate how this historic corridor shaped—and continues to shape—Pasadena's urban landscape, economic activity, and historic preservation.

The Pasadena Museum of History invited local partner, Pasadena Heritage, to add a contemporary

perspective to the exhibition by presenting four new oral histories that bring describe life experiences along Colorado Boulevard. The exhibition also features will be The Claremont Graduate University's Center for Humanities in Practice (CHIP) Route 66 Pathway Project is also featured. Led by Project Founder and Director John Bohn in partnership with CHIP Founder and Director Dr. Joshua Goode, the Pathway Project was created in collaboration with Route 66 communities nationwide as part of the centennial. The project unfolds across a 70-foot-long, five-foot-high canvas scroll, presenting a richly illustrated and meticulously researched narrative of the historic route—from Santa Monica's Pacific coastline to Needles at California's eastern border—blending documented history with interpretive storytelling.

The Pasadena Museum of History is located 470 W Walnut St.

For more information visit: pasadenahistory.org.

Pasadena to Host Centennial Square Boxing Show Friday

The City of Pasadena Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department announced the 11th Annual Centennial Square Boxing Show to be held Friday at Pasadena City Hall.

The free family-friendly community event runs 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Centennial Square, 100 N. Garfield Ave.

Celebrating its 11th year, the Centennial Square Boxing Show has grown into a Pasadena summer tradition, attracting spectators from across the region. The event will feature a lineup of Olympic-style bouts with male and female athletes ages 8 and older representing boxing gyms from throughout Southern California. This event is open to the public and free to attend.



The Villa Parke Boxing Program will be represented by local amateur boxers including Eli Jimenez, Roman Ramirez, Adriana Nunez, Marvin Gomez, Horacio Rosales and Gabriel Ponce. Pasadena City Hall is located 100 Garfield Ave. For more information visit: CityOfPasadena.net.



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AIDA TORRES – 4TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY ANGEL



Aida Torres is the recipient of the Duarte Kiwanis Club's 4th Annual Community Angel Award. For more than two decades Aida served as Crime Prevention Specialist for the City of Duarte. In this role she became a trusted advocate for young people, families and residents throughout the community. Her work extended far beyond traditional crime prevention efforts and the results of those efforts has been a 90% drop in youth arrests in the City. Pictured are many of the graduates of Aida's programs (including one of Duarte's City Council Members) along with partners from the LA County Sheriff's Department.

If you are interested in joining the Duarte Kiwanis or presenting at a future meeting, please contact Tina Carey at tinac51@aol.com.

APPLICATIONS AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES NOW OPEN FOR DUARTE'S ROUTE 66 PARADE

Applications are now open for the 2026 Duarte Route 66 Parade, taking place on Saturday, September 26!

Community groups, schools, businesses, classic car clubs, and local organizations are invited to help celebrate the 100th anniversary of Historic Route 66 and be part of one of Duarte's most cherished traditions.

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The Duarte Kiwanis Club was pleased to present a scholarship check to OFL Graduate, Ruth Minas Garcia, at a recent event. Ruth will be attending the University of Puget Sound in Washington State and will be majoring in Psychology. Pictured – left, Duarte Board Member Melissa Martinez, Ruth Minas Garcia and Duarte Board Member Kaye Biggs.

If you are interested in joining the Duarte Kiwanis or presenting at a future meeting, please contact Tina Carey at tinac51@aol.com.

YOUTH SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT



Dr. Rachel Casteneda was recognized by the Duarte Kiwanis Club with a Youth Service Award celebrating her continuing support for youth in the Duarte area. Dr Casteneda is a Professor of Psychology at Azusa Pacific University as well as an Addiction Research Psychologist with the UCLA Integrated Substance Abuse and Addiction Programs.

Locally, she collaborates with schools, community organizations, and healthcare partners to expand access to prevention, early intervention, mentorship and family support services that help young people thrive. Dr. Casteneda was also honored by State Senator Susan Rubio at the event.

Pictured from left Crime Prevention Specialist (and Duarte Kiwanis Member) Alexandra Almaguer-Negret, City Council Member (and incoming Duarte Kiwanis President), Cesar Garcia, Dr. Casteneda, State Senator Susan Rubio, Duarte Mayor Tera Martin Del Campo.

If you are interested in joining the Duarte Kiwanis or presenting at a future meeting, please contact Tina Carey at tinac51@aol.com.

IT'S BACK TO SCHOOL TIME! NEWS FROM PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

This summer, our bond dollars have been hard at work transforming PUSD campuses for our students, families, and the community. From new fencing, trees, and playgrounds at the Allendale site, the temporary home of Longfellow Magnet School, to major indoor and outdoor learning upgrades at Altadena Arts Magnet, our crews kept moving all summer long.

The Franklin site rebuild is rising fast with its administration and kitchen buildings taking shape, while Longfellow Magnet School's full campus modernization officially broke ground. At John Muir High School, work on a transformed athletic campus is picking up speed, and Pasadena High School celebrated a beautifully refreshed front entrance while moving into its next phase of restroom and pool modernization. We also began the planning journey for a full rebuild at San Rafael Elementary and continued essential restroom and utility upgrades at schools across the District,

ensuring every campus is ready to welcome our students back. None of this progress would be possible without our dedicated Facilities and Maintenance and Operations teams, our contractors and community partners, and the voters who continue to invest in our schools.

Dear PUSD Community,

Welcome to the 2026-27 school year! The first day of school is Monday, August 17, and there is already a sense of excitement across PUSD. Our teachers and staff are back at our schools, preparing classrooms and campuses, and getting ready to welcome students for a year of learning.

Our theme this year is The Power of Us: Forward Together. This year's theme reflects what we can achieve together as we move forward with a shared purpose, belief in our students, and a clear vision for the future.

Over the past year, our community has continued recovering from the Eaton Fire while navigating significant change across PUSD. Through it all, we have

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LUNCH WITH THE MAYOR — Burgers, Ballots and The Boat

When the mayor of San Gabriel asks you to lunch, where do you go?

Some fancy restaurant with white tablecloths and waiters hovering over the table? Not with Mayor Eric Chan. We went to The Boat.

Officially it's Clearman's Galley, but around the San Gabriel Valley everybody knows it as The Boat, the popular sports bar on Huntington Drive with big beers, bigger TVs and the kind of menu where you don't need an explanation from the server.

I've known Eric for some time, so this wasn't really a political interview. It was lunch between two people who know each other, although with November approaching, politics naturally came up.

Eric is running for reelection, and he explained something about San Gabriel elections that I didn't know. There isn't a traditional one-on-one race where you say, "Vote for me instead of him or her."

There are three open City Council seats. Three incumbents are trying to keep their seats, including Eric, while two challengers are trying to win one. As Johnny Carson used to say, "I did not know that."

And there is another wrinkle. Eric is currently mayor, but if he doesn't retain his council seat in November, his time as mayor could come to an abrupt end. That was about as political as our lunch got.

Eric ordered the double cheeseburger with chili. The menu proudly says the burgers are never frozen, and when it arrived, I noticed something you don't see very often at The Boat—or probably at many sports bars.

The mayor ate his entire cheeseburger with a knife and fork. I hope that doesn't hurt his chances in November.



I went a little lighter with the turkey avocado wrap and, of course, The Boat's famous cabbage salad. I've eaten here enough times to know what I like, and the cabbage salad is practically mandatory.

Service was good without being over the top. Then again, this is The Boat. Sometimes if you need something, you wave your hand. Nobody seems to mind. Prices are fair, portions are generous and on this particular afternoon there wasn't a game on any of those giant televisions demanding our attention.

It was delightfully quiet.

That gave Eric and me a chance to talk about San GABRIEL, RESTAURANTS AND LIFE AWAY FROM CITY HALL. ONE THING I ENJOY about Eric is that you can have a conversation with him without everything turning into politics.

And here's something else I learned about the mayor: Eric performs stand-up comedy at the Ice House in Pasadena at least twice a month. Hmm.

I'm not sure he had me laughing throughout lunch, but his passion for telling a joke was certainly evident. Maybe the next time he's on stage he can explain why a grown man orders a double cheeseburger with chili at The Boat—and then eats the whole thing with a knife and fork. Actually, Eric may have his next five minutes of material right there.

By the end of lunch, he seemed pretty confident that there will be a victory party come November.

I wished him well.

I just hope they don't serve pizza.

He'd probably eat that with a knife and fork, too.

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THE HIDDEN COST OF WAITING: WHY FAMILIES SHOULD TALK ABOUT SENIOR CARE BEFORE A CRISIS

For many families, the conversation about assisted living or senior care begins only after a crisis occurs. A fall, hospitalization, medication problem, or sudden change in a loved one's ability to live safely at home can force families to make important decisions quickly.

Unfortunately, a crisis is often the worst time to begin searching for care.

Planning ahead gives families something extremely valuable: choices.

When families begin exploring senior living communities before an emergency, they have time to compare locations, services, costs, amenities, and levels of care. Most importantly, they can involve their loved one in the decision-making process.

Starting the conversation does not mean someone has to move immediately. In fact, simply visiting a few communities can help families understand what is available and what different options cost. It can also provide a better understanding of what type of care may eventually be needed.

Another important consideration is the senior's



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safety. Changes in mobility, memory, medication management, nutrition, or the ability to handle household responsibilities can sometimes develop gradually. Families may notice these changes before their loved one does.

Planning early also reduces stress for adult children. Instead of searching for a community during an emergency, they can make thoughtful decisions based on their loved one's needs, preferences, and budget.

Senior living is not about giving up independence. The right community can actually provide an environment where seniors remain active, social, and engaged while receiving the support they need.

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MULTIGENERATIONAL HOMES: HOW FAMILIES ARE HACKING THE HOUSING MARKET

By Courtney Klosterman, home insights expert

Buying a home with extended or chosen family can be rewarding, but it also comes with its own unique set of challenges. Today, nearly 1 in 6 homebuyers are in multigenerational households.

Our deep dive into multigenerational living looks at who's buying a house with family, why they're choosing to live together, and how their insurance needs might change with more family members under one roof.

Key takeaways

- 67% of people in multigenerational households cite financial reasons for their living situation. Pooling resources can make homeownership more realistic—it takes at least two working adults each earning \$74,480 per year to afford the average U.S. home worth \$357,445.
- Multigenerational living can help aging family members stay on top of home maintenance and protection, like keeping insurance documents up-to-date. According to the 2026 Hippo Housepower Report, 42% of baby boomers have either never attempted DIY home maintenance or often encountered problems or regrets when they did.
- A mortgage is a major expense, but it's one you can plan for. What catches homeowners off guard tends to be other costs: 76% of homeowners say other home expenses, like utility bills or surprise repairs affect their financial stability. Having family members to share that load can make a difference.

What is a multigenerational home?

A multigenerational household typically consists of an adult, aged 18 or older, living with other adult relatives who are not their spouse or partner—parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, or other extended family members.

These households often need homes with additional square footage: more bedrooms, flexible spaces, or separate quarters altogether. Properties with accessory dwelling units (ADUs), finished basements, or granny flats, tend to be popular.

While multigenerational living was common in the U.S. before the 20th century, today's high cost of living has driven its resurgence. Financial reasons are cited by 67% of those in multigenerational households, and it's easy to see why. According to the 2026 Housepower Report, utility bill fluctuations (37%), unexpected home repairs or maintenance issues (33%), and rising home insurance premiums (27%) all impact financial stability. When those costs are shared, the whole household feels more stable.

How a generational home impacts your insurance

Multigenerational living doesn't just shape the kind of home you buy—it also affects your home insurance. If you're in a multigenerational household, there are a few coverage areas worth reviewing with your licensed insurance producer:

- Adding additional personal property coverage. Many standard home insurance policies cover basic personal belongings, but they don't cover everything. Scheduled personal property coverage can help protect valuable family heirlooms, expensive technology, or other high-value items brought into the home.
- Adding family members to your policy. If people living in your home aren't listed on your current policy, an additional insured endorsement extends your liability coverage to anyone who lives in or has a financial interest in your home.
- Updating your insurance terms. If you remodel or add space to accommodate family members, consider reviewing your current policy to see if it's time for an update.

Benefits of multigenerational living

Multigenerational living isn't for everyone. But, for many families, it offers meaningful advantages across these areas.

- Caregiving help - Americans are aging. The share of people 65 and older grew from 12%

in 2004 to 18% in 2024, now outpacing the share of children. As elder care becomes a growing reality for more families, multigenerational households offer a built-in solution: older adults can receive support from family members, reducing the need for hired care or assisted living, while grandparents and other relatives can contribute to childcare.

People with disabilities or chronic illnesses may also benefit from living with family members who can provide daily support. These arrangements are especially common among lower-income households, defined by the Pew Research Center as households making less than \$42,000 annually. More than half (51%) of people in this group say they're either caring for an adult family member or receiving care themselves. Another 32% say they're providing or receiving help with childcare.

- Cultural reasons - For many families, living together across generations isn't a financial decision, it's a reflection of values. Asian, Hispanic, and Black families, in particular, are driving the rise of multigenerational living in the U.S. More than 1 in 4 (28%) adults in these households say the main reason is that it's the arrangement they've always had.

This often overlaps with caregiving, as some cultures prioritize keeping relatives together at home rather than seeking outside support. Living together is seen as both a family responsibility and source of connection.

- Affordability - Multigenerational households report similar incomes to other homebuyers. In 2024, the median household income was \$109,300 for multigenerational buyers compared to \$109,000 for all homebuyers. What this suggests is that individuals who might face financial constraints on their own are pooling resources to achieve what could otherwise be out of reach.

This is most visible in states with high rates of multigenerational living, like California, Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas. Many of these states have notoriously high home prices (like California) or lower-than-average wages (like New Mexico and Texas).

In these markets, having multiple family members contribute to housing costs can make the difference between renting and owning.

Typically, a couple can afford a home if both people earn at least an average salary. According to a Hippo Insurance Services analysis of Zillow and Bureau of Economic Analysis data, it takes at least two people, each earning the U.S. per capita salary of around \$74,480 per year, to afford the sale price of the average home. (A home is considered affordable if its final sale price is around three times someone's yearly salary.)

But if someone makes less than \$74,000 per year, or they're a single-earner household, they may need more family members at home to contribute to the mortgage. In some states where multigenerational homes are common, like California and Arizona, it takes at least three people.

Overall, Americans in multigenerational households are less likely to live in poverty. Most say it's been a positive experience, with at least half describing it as convenient and rewarding.

Challenges of multigenerational living

The benefits are real, but so are the tradeoffs. More than 1 in 4 (26%) people in multigenerational households have privacy concerns, and 20% point to differences of opinions and beliefs as a key frustration.

Space can be another limiting factor: 28% say there isn't enough space to live comfortably. That rises to 38% in lower-income households.

Multigenerational living doesn't always translate to lower housing costs. If you're the primary earner supporting aging relatives or adult children who can't yet contribute financially, you may still shoulder the responsibility. More than 1 in 3 (35%) people ages 40 and older who live with a parent pay their entire rent or mortgage themselves.

It's also worth factoring in the practical reality of more people in the home. Additional wear and tear can lead to higher repair and insurance costs over time.





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STUART TOLCHIN



my wife drives me over a mile or so to the Eaton Canyon Golf Course where I meet a friend and play nine holes. After that he generally drives me home and comes into the house and has a little conversation with my wife and I. This has been our regular Wednesday for probably 6 months during which time I have been prohibited from driving. My friend coming into the house for conversation has been going on for months also largely because my hearing has gotten so bad that even with hearing aids I cannot hear well enough to maintain a conversation.

Hearing and driving are not my only problems. The reason I am not playing golf this morning is that I had planned to sleep overnight in my son's hospital room. He was changed to a different room yesterday because some procedure is planned for today which made a single room more appropriate. As I have reported in previous articles over the past three weeks, he is now unable to eat or get out of bed or do much of anything. To put it mildly I have been increasingly nuts and have attempted to retain some semblance of sanity by continuing to create and submit these articles as I have been regularly doing since 2008.

After being transferred to a single room my son said that he felt kind of scared and wondered if I could perhaps stay the night with him. You will notice that I am avoiding describing my son's condition which results from diagnostic attempts called endoscopies which resulted in a debilitating condition called pancreatitis. I really don't understand much of his medical condition but understand that today some procedure will be attempted that should allow my son to be able to get food down and gain strength and proceed to recovery. That is what we are all hoping for.

I can't sleep anyway and I had this idea that I could create an article longhand

PUT THE LIGHTS ON

SO WHAT ARE WE DOING?

I am attempting to create this article on Wednesday morning. Regularly on Wednesday's written in my son's room which my wife could then type on the computer and send to the paper. My son's new room has an clear view of Mount Wilson, and I imagined a beautiful sight of the sun rising in the early morning as I created my article as my son hopefully slept. Sure, this all sounds crazy, but that was my idea. There were a few problems with that idea. First, as my wife pointed out, I would probably fall asleep and snore and bother my son and prevent him from sleeping. Next, she pointed out that his new room was far from the bathroom and I would probably get lost and barge into other rooms and cause all kinds of problems.

Next, my wife and I noticed as we walked through the halls, there was all sorts of screaming and disturbances emanating from other rooms and a night on the floor seemed like a pretty horrible idea. Finally, a real clincher was that I noticed that Mount Wilson was to the north and not to the East. In other words, for you directionally challenged readers, this meant that there would be no view of any sunrise through my son's window. So, anyway, here I am Wednesday morning—no golf, but I have already put on my hearing aids, glasses, dentures, sorted out my pills, fed the dog, and created this article. My wife and I are ready to join my daughter at the hospital and be there when this next procedure is attempted. Yes, I am petrified but I am inspired by my son's courage and the medical staff.

This whole business has been an education for me. I imagined that when there were medical problems one simply went to a hospital where you got fixed in the way an automobile gets fixed at a gas station. I knew a little about death but that was something that happened to my parents and not to my son. Now I realize I am a fortunate old man who has lived a very privileged and comfortable life and have not been very prepared for reality. Perhaps this article will provide some service and help others to be more prepared.

I hope I have not completely wasted your time. Now to face the rest of the day!!

HOWARD Hays As I See It -



"I have the right to do anything I want to do. I'm the President of the United States of America." – President Donald Trump

Especially during this second term, the Trump administration has spent an extraordinary amount of time, energy and expense on litigation. Recent figures show 928 separate actions in the courts: 60 having been ruled in favor of plaintiffs suing the administration, 45 rulings in the government's favor, 47 otherwise resolved – leaving 776 still pending. That total number of court cases is half-again larger than the number of days in office so far this term.

Trump's comment above was on deploying armed, federal forces in our communities. In his first term, there were those in his administration who'd remind of constitutional limits and legal restrictions on what he could do. But in this second term, he's limited his circle to those whose primary allegiance is not to our laws and Constitution, but to Donald Trump. He rejects any notion of "checks and balances" between three "separate but equal" branches. Congressional Republicans understand that if they don't accede, they'll be targeted and replaced.

Courts are expected to reflect judges' appreciation and deference to whoever appointed them. When rulings come down otherwise, there's a re-hearing elsewhere. With adverse Supreme Court decisions, there's a tweaked re-filing. But in the past several days, there've been a slew of decisions rebuffing Trump's insistence that, as president, he and his administration can simply "do anything I want to do."

Congress had appropriated funds for a non-profit to provide legal services to unaccompanied migrant children. The firm's contract wasn't renewed when they refused to turn over kids' confidential information to DHS. A new outfit took over, and DHS decided to stiff the previous firm on \$65 million owed for work already done. The non-profit went to court, where a federal judge ordered DHS to pay up.

During Trump's first term, his Department of Education halted review of student claims of having been defrauded by for-profit colleges – a step in having student loans discharged. The process resumed under President Biden, then stopped again in Trump's second term. His team asked the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals to grant further delay in re-starting the process. That request was denied – with \$11 billion awarded to 170,000 defrauded students. Sen. Dick Durbin (D-IL) explained, "While the Trump Administration can quickly greenlight permanent tax breaks for the wealthiest Americans, as in their so-called 'Big, Beautiful Bill,' they hesitated when it came to giving relief to these students who just wanted a fair shot . . . asking for more time so that they could bleed out these

borrowers".

The Appeals Court for D.C. upheld an earlier decision from last December favoring the National Trust for Historical Preservation; ruling that with a \$400 million White House ballroom, it's a decision for Congress – not the president. The earlier ruling stated, "The President of the United States is the steward of the White House . . . He is not, however, its owner!" Now, Trump's taking it to the Supreme Court.

In a lawsuit brought by Katie Phang, Attorney General Todd Blanche was ordered to submit unredacted Epstein files – allowing the court to determine for itself whether names had been properly redacted. While Blanche claims it was to protect the identities of victims, the court found redactions apparently include Epstein pals whose lawyers insisted should be "treated as victims", as well. The judge also asked for notes of FBI interviews with the woman accusing Trump of having abused her when she was thirteen. AG Blanche blew it off. Now, that judge has ordered Blanche to answer in person.

A U.S. District Court blocked Trump's attempt to have Postal Service appointees mess with mail-in ballots; "The executive branch has no authority to regulate elections." As for tweaking unsuccessful filings when the Supreme Court doesn't let Trump do what he wants to do, he's going back to them again for another shot at tariffs, birthright citizenship and getting rid of Federal Reserve Board Governor Lisa Cook.

Another one Trump just can't let go of: In 2022, he filed suit alleging that during the 2016 campaign, Hillary Clinton conspired to "weave a false narrative". The U.S. District Court tossed that suit, slapping on a \$1 million penalty for arguments "indeed frivolous" and for Trump's continuing "pattern of misusing the courts". Last year, the Court of Appeals upheld that decision and the \$1 million penalty. Now, it's one more Trump is taking to the Supreme Court, expecting them to let him do what he wants to do.

Maybe this has something to do with Clinton's recent comment on Trump's White House renovations; saying it reminded her of when, as Senator Clinton, she visited the palace of Saddam Hussein. Or maybe because of her noting that, "you've got the president of the United States obsessing over a failed pool job."

We're months into war with Iran, no off ramp in sight. There's an affordability crisis, nationwide job losses, a ballooning national debt and elections three months away. Our president, meanwhile, has to settle a beef with Hillary Clinton at the Supreme Court. But then, he has "the right to do anything I want to do."

Our Supreme Court, though, likely has matters of more immediate importance to deal with – like having to figure out what to do about a certain ballroom.

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RICH JOHNSON HUMBLE RENAISSANCE MAN

I suppose if I'm going to refer to myself as a "Renaissance Man" I better make my case. My brilliance does not precede me. (In fact I think I lost it. If you find it contact the paper). Renaissance is a French word which means "rebirth". It started in Europe in the 14th century and lasted through the 17th century. For those of us numerically challenged experts tell us it happened starting 1300AD to 1600 AD (no "4" or "7" in the actual dates...go figure!)

Now get this... the Renaissance actually started in Italy. I guess the Italians decided to use a French word to describe what they were starting...just in case it didn't take. Blame the French. That's why Renaissance is a French word (of course) and it literally means "rebirth". Famous for great art, science and learning. Back then "science" meant any organized field of knowledge or learning including theology as much as physical observation.

There were many upsides to the Renaissance. One of the downsides was the focus started shifting from examining a personal God and how he created all of this magnificence to, wait a minute, how do we know there is a God? We can't see him. And we can't find him by doing hands on testing, math and simple physical sight. He must not exist. For the record, I believe God exists. Even though He is a little hard to see using only the five senses.

Information available to the five senses doesn't always give us the full or accurate spicture. Take Aristotle for example. Aristotle taught the Earth was stationary and the rest of the universe revolved around the Earth. Known as the geocentric model. When Aristotle was challenged by others who said the Earth is a moving object and not the center, he responded as they were standing there talking asking, "Are we moving right now?" Compelling argument. Everyone believed Aristotle and later Claudius Ptolemy right up until the 1600's.

Galileo probably got a telescope for Christmas in 1610. He took a long look through it and concluded it was us that were moving through space. Well enough profound and deep scientific observation. I'm already lost. I think I will pass along some pieces of trivia that, if quoted, will show your friends how brilliant you really are:

Ready?

The hashtag symbol you see on a phone (#) is technically called an octothorpe. The unicorn is actually the national animal of Scotland (No really. Methinks the Scottish think unicorns are real after spending a few hours in the local Scottish pub.)

The letters in the candy M&M actually stand for Mars and Murrie. Mars of course was Forest "Mars" son of the Mars Company founder. And Bruce "Murrie" was the son of the Hershey's Chocolate Company) Facebook has a bigger population than China (1.4 billion) and India (1.3 billion) combined. Facebook has 2.89 billion users.

You can hear a blue whale's heartbeat from more than 2 miles away (The heart itself weighs about 400 pounds).

The lyrebird can mimic almost any sound it hears...including chainsaws. How many grapes go into one bottle of wine? 700 Fear of the number 13 is called "triskaidekaphobia" A \$1 dollar bill lasts about 6.6 years. P.S. There is about \$1.79 trillion dollars of U.S. currency in circulation right now. (And \$10 bucks in my wallet.

For you dieters: Chocolate is technically a fruit. Really! The cocoa powder that goes into dark chocolate candy comes from the "beans" or fruit of the cacao tree. No kidding.

And finally a group of bunnies is called a "fluffle".

All of my data was thoroughly researched. Not necessarily carefully and organized but hopefully entertaining.

UNLOCK YOUR LIFE



AM I MY BROTHER'S KEEPER?

By Lori A. Harris

I remember the first time my daughter asked for permission to go off with her friends after school, in a neighborhood

that wasn't ours.

She was in middle school. If she'd asked to go a few blocks from our own house, I would have said yes without a second thought. I know that neighborhood. I know the people on the porches and the ones who'd notice if something was wrong. I have a village there, and I trust my village.

But this was somewhere unfamiliar. And once she left that campus, I couldn't picture where she'd be, who she'd be with, or who would be watching out for her if I wasn't. It wasn't that I didn't trust her. I didn't yet trust that neighborhood to hold her the way mine does.

That gap between the two, between the place where we have a village and the place where we don't. There's opportunity to be it, and to build it.

"Where is your brother Abel?" "I don't know," he replied. "Am I my brother's keeper?" — Genesis 4:9

Many of us who grew up with siblings or younger cousins have heard some version of that same instruction: look out for your brother. Look out for your sister. I'm leaving you in charge.

Imagine responding to that the way Cain did. Imagine telling your parent, "How should I know? Am I his babysitter?" Most of us would have been too afraid to even think it, let alone say it. And yet, in community, we sometimes act as if we owe each other nothing.

As we carry forward Dr. King's vision of the Beloved Community, we're reminded that looking out for one another isn't optional. That's being the village.

Caring for our neighbor is good for the community. It's also good for us.

It's easy to slip into the posture of, "Is it my turn to watch him? Is that my job?" But the truth is, we are all each other's keepers. Holding onto that is part of what it means to hold onto our humanity, and to build safety into the places we live.

As Gwendolyn Brooks wrote in her poem "Paul Robeson":

We are each other's harvest: we are each other's business: we are each other's magnitude and bond.

We are building the Beloved Community Dr. King preached about. And building it means closing the gap between who we are and who we want to be.

The research backs this up Sociologists have a name for this: collective efficacy, social cohesion among neighbors, paired with a willingness to intervene on each other's behalf. The National Institute of Justice, a division of the Department of Justice, has studied it directly: neighborhoods where people call for help on a neighbor's behalf, watch each other's children, and shovel an elderly neighbor's walk tend to have less violence and more stability than neighborhoods where people don't.

Cain's question can be reframed as a measurable social-science question. And the answer researchers keep landing on is yes.

What keeping looks like Here's what it can look like in practice.

On a narrow block in South Philadelphia, three neighbors, Frederick Stahl, Matt Barber, and Anthony Masucci, had a problem. Eighteen kids under 14 played on their street, and after trash day, broken glass and debris littered the pavement. A push broom wasn't cutting it. It kicked up dust and missed the small stuff.

So Anthony went looking for a better tool and found a motorized German push-sweeper built for suburban driveways. He bought one and gave it to the block. Matt kept it on his patio. Now they run it up and down the street together, and the kids run out to help push it or bag up what it collects.

Nobody assigned them that job. No one made them responsible for a street full of somebody else's children. They just decided that the ground their neighbors' kids played on was theirs to look after, and one small tool turned that decision into a habit.

That's the whole practice. It doesn't require a title, a program, or a grant. It starts with looking at what's in front of you and asking what you can already fix.

COVID briefly taught us how connected we already are. Since then, a lot of the culture around us has been pulling the other direction, toward suspicion, toward staying in your own lane, toward deciding other people's wellbeing isn't your business. But that block in Philly didn't need a mandate to remember otherwise.

You don't need one either. Somewhere near you, there's a version of that street. A neighbor who could use a check-in. A stranger who looks lost. A kid who needs an adult to notice. The tool you have might be smaller than a motorized push-sweeper. It only requires your attention.

Where could you put your attention this week?

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August 2026
Events
Calendar

One Time Events

August 4
National Night Out in Arcadia - Gather on the Arcadia City Hall Lawn to enjoy family fun - live music, food, and a car show. 6 – 9pm

August 8
Head in the Clouds Festival: Brookside at the Rose Bowl - Headlined by GRAMMY nominated KATSEYE performances by many popular artists, food & more

August 9
Sunday Afternoon Concerts in the Dome: Jazz - Live music from a jazz trio in an acoustic space that rivals the great cathedrals of Europe. 3pm & 5pm

August 9
Explore Historic Old Pasadena at Twilight - Explore the north section of Old Pasadena starting from Memorial Park. 6:30 – 7:30pm

August 13
Summer Music and Dance at Descanso Gardens
Celebrate Armenian folk culture with Lernazang Ensemble, & the vibrant singing traditions of Southeast Asia with Saura Southeast Asian Choir. 4:45 – 6:45pm

August 15
Jazz and R & B Festival in Monrovia
Enjoy live music at Station Square Park in Monrovia.

August 22
Just Like Heaven at Brookside, Rose Bowl Stadium
Festival with indie rock & electro dance. Noon – 11pm

August 22
Rooted Workshop: Kokedama at Descanso Gardens
Learn the centuries-old style of planting in moss balls and create your own Kokedama-style. 10 – 11:30am

August 30
Summer Camp For Adults: The Spirited Garden at the Arboretum - Raise a glass to nature and enjoy botanical-inspired activities. 5 – 8pm

Ongoing Events

August 6, 13, 20, 27
Wrigley Mansion Tours
Tour the stunning headquarters of the Tournament of Roses and learn it's history. 2pm

August 7, 21, September 11
Arboretum Summer Nights Concert Series - Enjoy live music, food truck food, lawn games, crafts, and specialty drinks from the Peacock Bar. 5 – 8pm

August 7, 21
Sunset Music Series at Kidspac - Discover the sounds of the Philippines on August 7, and enjoy the music of Mexico on August 21. 5 – 8pm

August 8, 9
Arboretum Cactus and Succulent Show and Sale
Explore the largest cactus and succulent show in the country. 9am – 5pm

August 9, 16
Twilight Garden Strolls at The Huntington - Relax, explore the gardens and enjoy family-friendly craft-making. 4:30 – 7:30pm

August 9, 16
Twilight Garden Estate Tours at The Huntington
Learn how Henry and Arabella Huntington turned their ranch into a world-famous cultural landmark. Tours run from 5 – 6pm & 5:30 – 7pm

August 14, 28
Friday Nights at the Gamble House - Explore the first floor of this iconic Craftsman style house, then picnic, listen to live music, & enjoy wine tasting. 5:30 – 7:30pm

August 14, 28
Sunset Sessions: Live Music and Libations at One Colorado - Experience live music and drinks in this lovely Old Town Pasadena Courtyard. 7:30 – 9:30pm

August 14 – 16
626 Night Market at Santa Anita Park
Enjoy exciting food, drink, and entertainment. 3 – 11pm

August 15, 29
Pasadena POPS Summer Concert Series at the Arboretum - Enjoy live music in the beautiful garden.
August 15 – "Remember When Rock Was Young: The Elton John Experience"
August 29 – "Music of The Night: Andrew Lloyd Webber and Friends"
Gates open: 5:30pm for picnics Concert begins: 7:30pm

August 28, 29
Sofar Sounds: Live at Descanso Gardens
Experience live music from emerging Los Angeles artists. 7 – 8:15pm

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