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THERE IS HIGH DEMAND AND BUYERS ARE STILL WILLING TO PAY PREMIUM FOR THE RIGHT PROPERTY.

LET'S CHAT!

Jan-March 2023

Single-Family Homes

	2022	2023
Average Sold Price:	\$1,685,789	\$1,418,162
Average Sq. Ft.	2,124	1,949
Average Price Per Sq. Ft.	\$879	\$749
Units Sold	17	19

Condo/Townhomes

	2022	2023
Average Sold Price:	\$788,750	\$842,933
Average Sq. Ft.	1,213	1,512
Average Price Per Sq. Ft.	\$650	\$561
Units Sold	3	3

KEEPING SIERRA MADRE SAFE



By Former Mayor Glenn Lambdin

For Sierra Madre's City Council and other legislators, creating legislation should ALWAYS strive to seek the absolute best case scenario. Legislation should be the result of critical thought that never is satisfied with a "second best" or a "good enough" outcome. Laws, Resolutions, and Ordinances should always place public health and safety above all other concerns using every available resource. While it's not uncommon to observe legislators falling prey to public outcry and squeaky wheels, public safety, without exception, should always be a

higher priority than public outcry.

Sierra Madre has a growing public safety threat from the increasing urbanized bear population, resulting in increased bear home intrusions, injurious human/bear contacts, increasingly aggressive bears, and elementary school intrusions during school hours.

Through years of documented wildlife mismanagement and failures, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has lost control of the bear population in the natural habitat allowing the bear population in

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CONGRATULATIONS CLEM & NINA BARTOLAI

Sierra Madre Older Americans 2023

The Senior Community Commission, City of Sierra Madre, met on April 13, 2023, at their regular meeting and was tasked with selecting the 2023 Older American of the Year Award. There were six nominations submitted and the Commission discussed each application in detail. All nominations submitted were all deserving of the Award. After the discussions were concluded the Senior Community Commission voted unanimously in selecting Clem and Nina Bartolai as the Older Americans of the Year for 2023.

Clem and Nina have been married for 63 years and Nina has lived in Sierra Madre for 82 years and Clem has lived in Sierra Madre for 63 years. They have two daughters, Lisa and husband David Brandley, and Renee and husband Jim Smith. They also have two granddaughters, Madison and Taylor and a great grandson.

In her career, Nina was a registered nurse, worked at Arnold's hardware and delivered flowers for Leanora Moss. Clem's career was at JPL as a technical illustrator for 9 years and an office administrator for an office furniture company for 34 years. Clem was a renown cyclist and won numerous awards in competition. He participated in 62 races of 200 miles or more and is in the Triple Crown of cycling in the State of California. He would cycle over 200 miles within a 24 hour period and everyone in the cycle world knew Clem or knew of him.

Clem was extremely active in Sierra Madre's city council, commissions, Rose Float, Lion's Club, 4th of July Parade, Parks and Recreation Commission, Planning Commission, Kiwanis Club, Community Foundation, Friends of the Library, Historical Society, SMEAC, and was Mayor for three terms and on City Council for 12 years.



Nina was also very active in Sierra Madre Rose Float Association, Historical Society, Friends of the Library, Senior Community Commission and Chair of the Commission and most noteworthy was her participation in the oldest civic club in Sierra Madre, the Priscilla's. The Priscilla's was founded in the 1800's and is still active today. The Priscilla's, as a civic club, raised funds that eventually contributed to the first City Hall and the Episcopal Church being built in Sierra Madre. In order to be a member of the Priscilla's Club, you have to be voted in, not just join.

We are very proud that the Bartolai's have been honored as the 2023 Older Americans of the Year.

For your Earth Day Consideration:

VOTE YES ON MEASURE M: BETTER FOR OUR CITY AND OUR ENVIRONMENT

By Robert Parkhurst

Whether we like it or not, the land owned by the Mater Dolorosa Monastery, a landmark in our community, will be developed. On Tuesday, May 9, we are empowered to vote on two development options for the site. As a Sierra Madre City Council member and lifelong environmental advocate, I am voting YES for Measure M.

Here's why. The Monastery and the developer it hired negotiated for more than three years with the City of Sierra Madre—incorporating extensive public input from more than 15 public meetings—to develop the most environmentally friendly plan for the Mater Dolorosa site. In contrast, an alternative application submitted under the state law SB 330 would significantly limit public input

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MEASURE M DEBATE

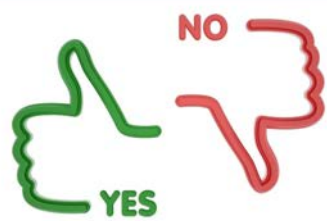
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Days on Market	32 +190.9%	14 +27.3%	15 +50.0%	30 +233.3%
Closed Sales	9 +28.6%	19 -13.6%	62 -19.5%	13 -39.5%

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Sierra Madre is a town that thrives primarily because of the commitment of the residents, business owners and employees who go above and beyond the call of duty to make the town the most enchanted city in the San Gabriel Valley, or maybe in all of Los Angeles County, or even the State of California or in the United States or maybe even the world! Once a year the City and the Chamber of Commerce take a few moments to say thank you to some of the most extraordinary people in town. On Wednesday, the annual honors dinner was held to provide a public platform to thank some of the towns leading volunteers. More than 150 people attended, including the families of the honorees. Here are a few highlights:



Above Left: George Maurer Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient Charlie Bell - age 91 years young, Presenter: Bob Spears Honoree: Charlie Bell; Above right, Mayor Edward Garcia with the evenings Youth Service Awardee, Abbott Flukey.. Photos MVNews.City of Sierra Madre

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Right a special presentation to Four Seasons Tea Room proprietor Rosa Jaime who is retiring after 20 years. with Catherine Adde



Above, Citizen of the Year with SM Chamber President Luther Tsinglou presenting a Proclamation for State Senator Anthony Portantino.

Left: Troop 110 presenting the flag.

Right: Chamber Director and MVNews Editor Susan Henderson with Wistaria Vine owners Kevin and Wendy Kwan and Mayor Garcia.



On the left, Chamber VP Carol Canterbury presents the Business of the Year to Basil Kruger owner of Arnolds Hardware. Right, former SMPD Rod Armalin presented Sgt. Kyle Bailey with the Public Safety Award. The dinner was catered by Corfu Restaurant shown below left to right, two gracious Corfu staffers, Former Mayor Rachele Arizmendi and Corfu owner Vic Sa,ata,oam/ Lower right, city staff pose for the camera before sitting down to dinner, withformer Chief Armalin, Deputy City Manager Aguilar and Captain Henry Amos on the far right. Photos by Arizmendi!



SIERRA MADRE SPECIAL ELECTION: MAY 9, 2023

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YES on M

-  Parks
-  Public Safety
-  Fewer New Homes

Community leaders stand united in support of YES on M:

Sierra Madre Mayor & City Council



Sierra Madre Professional Firefighters Association



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Mountain Views News



Sierra Madre Little League



Sierra Madre Girls Softball Association



Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce

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Pat Alcorn, Citizens of the Year, CERT Founders, Older American of the Year, Community Services Commission, Friends of the Library Wine Tasting Chairperson, Pres of the Civic Club 1971, 1972, 2005, Civic Club Honorary Life Member, UUT Oversight Committee, Current President SM CERT, President SM Priscillas, SM Cemetery Board Secretary,

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Tara Allen

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Fr. Michael Bamberger, Church of the Ascension Very Reverend Canon, Ret. SMFD Battalion Chief and Deacon

Sue Behrens, Ret. Alverno School Staff

Dan Bell, Hometown Hero, Mary's Market Family

Becky Bickel, SME Teacher, 4th of July Parade Committee

Steve Bickel, Ret. SMFD Captain, 4th of July Parade Committee

John Bradley

Margie Bradley

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Teri Buchanan

Bob Burnett, Ret. SMFD Battalion Chief, Ret SM Kiwanis Club, Ret. Citizens Bank President

Rosemary Burnett, SM Women's Club

Carol Canterbury, Citizen of the Year, Hometown Hero, Senior Commission, Chamber of Commerce, SM Community Foundation Board, City of Hope Wine Walk

Tom Canterbury

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Judie Cimino, SM Civic Club, Ret Sierra Madre Teacher

Bill Coburn, Sierra Madre News

Katie Coburn

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Natasha Comer, Sierra Madre Thnves 4th of July Parade Grand Marshalls, SMMS Teacher

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THE HOW TO GUIDE FOR DEVELOPERS IN SIERRA MADRE

Here's how to get a massive development project approved in Sierra Madre despite wide-spread community opposition:

Step 1 - Begin the process during a worldwide crisis like a pandemic so that people will be too distracted to pay attention as the vetting process moves forward.

Step 2 - Get around a City's General Plan regulating development in the City, with rules that all the residents have to follow, by coming up with a Specific Plan with rules that apply only to you.

Step 3 - Hire a public relations firm that has already used focus groups to find the best messaging to influence the public. Step 4 - If your headquarters is located outside the city like in say, Santa Monica, and you have a property owner who is located in a place like Chicago, you have an optics problem. Overcome that obstacle by getting a small group of local residents on your side and give the group a catchy name like "Neighbors for Fairness".

Step 5 - Funnel money through the local group because it looks bad if all the flyers and ads are coming directly from you. You legally have to disclose "Major funding by..." in all your ads but it's in the fine print at the bottom so hopefully no one will notice where the money is coming from.

Step 6 - If your property has some steep hillside and fire hazard areas, simply offer to donate that unusable land to the City. It takes the liability and maintenance for that land off your hands, puts it on the City and makes you look like a conservationist rather than an exploitative and greedy developer.

Step 7 - When your project is so large that it requires you to leave a large area undeveloped for a water collection basin, turn lemons into lemonade by calling it a "park" and add a few benches and play equipment to your plan. It allows you to turn something mandatory into a "concession". You can then use "Yes for a New Park" on your yard signs.

Step 8 - Throw a bone towards the police department and you will be sure to get the endorsement of the police union and probably the fire union too. You can then use "Yes to Public Safety" on your yard signs.

Step 9 - You won't have enough local residents motivated to support your project so get people who live outside the city to attend critical City Council meetings by buying them dinner at a local restaurant and handing them matching shirts and buttons to wear with slogans supporting your project.

Step 10 - Scare the City Council into supporting your project by threatening a lawsuit. It's frivolous and costs nothing but it's also very effective at influencing them.

Step 11 - Despite any widespread opposition you encounter, dismiss them as a small group of malcontents. Repetition is key.

Step 12 - Spend a lot of money to overwhelm the opposition and influence the public. Use your deep pockets!

Step 13 - Now comes the best and final step: Start an application for another and bigger project in the same location that is much worse than your actual project. Then threaten the residents that if they don't approve your project, they will be punished with a worse project. It doesn't matter that the alternative project has no chance of approval. It sounds scary and takes attention away from the disastrous consequences of your actual project. An added benefit is that you can then use "Yes to Fewer Homes" on your yard signs.

It's a great plan but it all hinges on whether the locals will be fooled. If all this sounds familiar, its because I'm describing the game plan used for the "Meadows" project.

Matt Bryant
Sierra Madre Resident

NOTICE OF DESIGNATION OF TALLY CENTER LOCATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office located at the Downey Tally Center, 9150 Imperial Highway, Downey, California 90242, will be the central tally location for the CITY OF SIERRA MADRE SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION scheduled to be held on TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023.

For voting in person, please visit our website at <https://lavote.gov/home/voting-elections/voting-options/voting-in-person> to find open vote center locations and hours.

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SIERRA MADRE FOR PARKS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

YES ON M: BETTING AGAINST THE STATE

Measure M is the only way to secure Sierra Madre's negotiated concessions from the Meadows Project. At risk is a new 3-acre park, \$250,000 for public safety, 40 hillside acres placed in conservancy, and almost \$1 million to offset the project's water use for the next 50 years.

If Measure M does not pass, the city loses all of those negotiated concessions only to have them replaced by eight additional houses. "Protect" Sierra Madre is gambling with our future by thinking they can somehow stop the state-protected SB 330 project. You will notice that they never say HOW they will stop the 50 homes. This is what we call wishful thinking.

The alternate project, submitted by the Passionists in December only after Protect Sierra Madre's referendum made it possible, will allow at least 50 homes to be built on their property. They can build 10+ additional homes if they take advantage of the State's Density Bonus. This project is as real as the Meadows Specific Plan, both of which have been legally accepted by the city and have a maximum of five meetings left to make sure they meet the city's state-adjusted objective standards.

Oddly enough, Protect Sierra Madre released a list of endorsers that include a former city council member whose council voted to ADD the low-density residential option to the Passionists' property in 1996, five General Plan Steering Committee members who in 2013 did NOT vote to remove the housing option on the Passionists' institutional property, a former Community Services Commissioner who is now supporting the city NOT getting a free park, the chair of Protect Sierra Madre - Stop the Housing Project who recently and ironically claimed they do not oppose housing when their name literally says "STOP the Housing Project," real estate agents who are arguing AGAINST houses and parks as if they are bad for Sierra Madre, and the Chair of Preserve Sierra Madre who during the Measure HR campaign was arguing for allowing 6,500 sq. ft. Arcadia-style MANSIONS to be built.

These "endorsers" sound more like liabilities who can't decide what they stand for.

The Meadows Project, on the other hand, is endorsed by many civic leaders including the current and previous City Council, Planning Commission, nine mayors, the Fire and Police Associations, Sierra Madre Little League and Girls Softball Associations, the Mountain Views News, the Chamber of Commerce, plus 100 other civic leaders and volunteers.

There is no arguing that Yes on M is what most of Sierra Madre's leaders know is best for the city, and that betting against the state is a fool's errand.

Vote Yes on M - Sierra Madre for Parks and Public Safety



Councilman Robert Parkhurst

waivers or reductions of development standards and limited discretion by the Planning Commission.

The proposed Meadows project will feature fewer homes - 42 vs. 50 - than the development submitted to the city under SB 330. The Meadows development will include a three-acre public park featuring trees and plants specifically chosen to attract wildlife, including birds, rabbits and deer.

The Monastery agreed to pay the city

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and provides the developer with substantial rights, such as unlimited number of

\$983,500 for citywide water conservation measures, including homeowner incentives to install high-efficiency fixtures, plant drought-tolerant and native landscaping, and build grey-water irrigation systems. These benefits will be available for all Sierra Madrans if the Meadows project is approved. Installing high efficiency toilets can save up to 35 gallons per day and smart sprinkler controllers, drip irrigation, and efficient sprinklers can save more than 50 gallons of water a day.

In addition, all the homes in the new Meadows project will be designed with all electric appliances, which are safer for our residents and our environment. Buildings are currently the fourth largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in California. This is because we use natural gas for heating and cooking. When natural gas is burned, it generates carbon dioxide,

which contributes to climate change. Sierra Madre receives more than 90 percent of its electricity from renewable sources, eliminating these emissions. Besides being bad for the environment, the burning of natural gas emits pollutants that damage our lungs. Use of natural gas increases the odds of children developing respiratory illnesses by nearly 20 percent. The SB 330 project would likely include polluting natural gas appliances.

The alternative to the Meadows development, the SB 330 project, has none of these benefits. It will not have a public park, does not offer innovative water efficiency incentives available to all homeowners, and the development will not be all electric.

This Earth Day, please join me in making the best environmental choice. Vote YES on the Meadows project. Vote YES on Measure M.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

NO ON MEASURE M AGREE / DISAGREE

There weren't many points of agreement between opposing sides on Measure M in last week's paper - but towards the end, I did find a couple.

In the piece from "Sierra Madre for Parks and Public Safety and by the way a 42-McMansion Housing Development" (okay - I added that last part), they state there are two projects "under discussion", one for 42 and the other for 50 houses. The one for 42, "The Meadows", has been under discussion for years, with a finalized proposal approved by our City Council last fall.

As for the 50-house alternative, a preliminary application has been received. That's it. We don't even know that the developer ever intended to take it further, since it was meant as a threat to get us to cave on the 42.

There's only one proposed development on the ballot May 9 - for the 42 McMansions - which we'll be stopping with our NO vote on Measure M.

In Councilman Gene Goss' article, he claims we voted "to support the Meadows Project" last November. In fact, this coming election will be the first opportunity we've had to cast a simple up-or-down vote on it. Last fall, there was an attempt to bring the site under Hillside Management restrictions. It would've allowed for bigger homes, but at much less density - maybe 7 or 8 houses rather than 42 crammed into the 17 acres. The developer framed their campaign as, "Do you want bigger homes?" - and voters made clear they didn't. Now, it's "Do you want more homes?". But this time, voters are far less likely to fall for it.

In Jeff Tapper's letter, he suggests that with the Los Angeles National Forest nearby we shouldn't be bothered by environmental concerns - while in fact the impacts would

be significant, permanent and, for those of us living here, close to home. He points out that alarm over the project initially came from those adjacent to the site, but doesn't seem to get how a project permanently altering the character of our entire community would be of concern to all of us.

Mr. Tapper repeats the line about McMansion opponents "forcing" this special election on the city. But it was our City Council that voted to rush the election (with significant cost) at the behest of a developer fearful of losing investors with further delay.

But when he says, "in Sierra Madre, quite literally every single vote does count" - right on, Jeff!

In the letter from Fr. Clemente Barron, he complains of "unfairly limiting property rights". All property rights are limited by applicable zoning restrictions. It's allowing any developer exemption from rules the rest of us abide by that's unfair.

I agree with him, though, that those trying to push the McMansions on us are up against "people who do not believe the word of the authorities", who haven't "acknowledged the correctness and benefits of our plans." And yes, we are sending "a message to the San Gabriel Valley, who are watching us".

Our message is that ultimate authority rests with those who live here - and vote. That's why over 1,400 of us got together to put this referendum on the ballot to stop these McMansions. It's why we'll be voting NO on Measure M to Protect and Preserve our treasured Sierra Madre. Howard Hayes



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WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

“Self-care is giving the world the best of you, instead of what’s left of you.” Katie Reed
 “Talk to yourself like you would to someone you love.” Brene Brown
 “Self-care means giving yourself permission to pause.” Cecilia Tran



I suddenly noticed that several people I know are just not well. My next-door neighbor has had bronchitis. Another friend is in the hospital with a knee replacement. One other is about to have eye surgery. Holy moly! So I thought about talking about taking care of ourselves. I’m totally addicted to my step counter and try every day to hit that magical 10,000 steps and occasionally I actually get there. The morning walk, the evening treadmill (I try to do a mile every night) while watching something on TV.

I came across a nice essay about self-care by a Dr. Yazhini Srivathsal. He starts right off by talking about Valentine’s Day and how we select this particular day to appreciate and recognize the people in our lives we love. He goes on to say it’s equally, if not more important, to focus on self-love as love of ourselves is what allows us to empathize and connect with others on a deeper level. In short, an empty tank will take you exactly nowhere. We need to take time to refuel.

This is hard to do. We feel guilty if we’re not perpetually occupied doing something productive, useful, or for somebody else. The very idea of sitting down somewhere pleasant, reading and having a cup of tea makes us feel guilty. It’s that old Puritan work ethic.

Here are a few of the points that Dr. Srivathsal listed:

- Know you are worthy – no matter what. Our worthiness does not depend on anything we do or don’t do. It doesn’t have anything to do with how we look. We deserve to treat ourselves with respect, compassion and genuinely love ourselves for who we are in this moment, flaws and all. Kind of like the way God views us: With love, flaws and all.
- Treat yourself like you would treat your best friend – If our best friend is upset or feeling just plain crummy, we don’t go out of our way to make them feel worse, do we? I hope not. We need to treat ourselves with love and compassion...especially in one of those moments when things didn’t go as planned.
- Don’t compare yourself to anyone else – That’s hard. We want to have this person’s body, that person’s hair, this person’s ability to play the piano, that person’s singing voice, and on and on. We are who we are and that’s a lot to be grateful for.
- Try to live intentionally every day – Little steps that will help us get where we want to be. You saw this coming, right? Eat good food that will help your body. More veggies, less cheesecake. More fresh fruit, and put down those Girl Scout cookies that are everywhere currently. Do things that make you happy like walking and looking at everybody’s flowers. Notice all the tiny green leaves that have appeared, signaling the arrival of Spring!

Be your own cheerleader – There’s nothing like the feeling of accomplishing something new, maybe something you never thought you could do. My friend, Marilyn Williams, started taking piano lessons when she was well into her 50’s and it has given her more pleasure and enjoyment as she practices and improves than she ever imagined. She’s always wanted to play the piano, and now she does. I’ve started doing jigsaw puzzles. These are somewhat addictive as you sit down for a minute and discover two hours have evaporated while you fit a piece here and a piece there.

Make sure you have at least a few minutes of “me time” every day – Another tough one for us guilt embracers. This can be part of that walk you’re going to start taking. Thanking the Creator for the beauty of His creation is a nice way to spend some of that “me time.”

Surround yourself with people who support you and lift you up – Learn about the grace of saying, “No.” There are people in all our lives who are negative, needy, whiny, and who we wish we could avoid. So let’s avoid them. We can’t fix everybody and some people just need to be in someone else’s life. So let’s let them be with someone else. Also, just because someone tells us we’d be perfect for this committee or job doesn’t mean we have to say yes.

Love yourself as you are right now – Not when you’ve lost ten pounds, learned to speak French, gotten a promotion or bought a Lexus. Loving ourselves as we are this minute, even if the dishes are still in the sink, the laundry isn’t done, the lawn isn’t mowed and there’s nothing for dinner, means we are still splendid people, worthy of love.

Dr. Srivathsal winds up by saying that self-love and self-care are important parts of being a happy and healthy individual. Do something loving for yourself this week. It will be good for your health. Honest. Trust me.

My daughter, Leah, did something wonderful for herself a few days ago; she hiked partway up the Mt. Wilson Trail. The picture here is a spot on the Trail, which looks incredible. She said the part of the Trail she saw was in fabulous shape. It has been widened in a lot of places, which will help the Trail racers. She sent me pictures of all the beautiful foliage and wildflowers that have grown along the Trail, making it even more of a pleasure to hike.

I was so sorry to see that the Four Seasons Tea Room will be closing April 30th. I’ve been to so many nice parties there and had lovely moments over tea and delicious treats. Hard to believe they’ve been part of Sierra Madre for almost twenty years. And, another loss to our community, dear friend, Chris Hovland, is retiring and closing Sierra Madre Independent Honda Service. Chris worked on all my Hondas and was unfailingly kind and helpful and kept me on the road for years. Thanks, Chris for all you’ve done and best to you in all you do in the years to come.

The Art Fair is coming May 2 and 3! The Mt. Wilson Trail Race is May 27th! Good times, friends and neighbors!

My book page: Amazon.com: Deanne Davis
 Where you’ll find a delightful story: “Noah and The Unicorns.”

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City of Sierra Madre

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

From: The City of Sierra Madre
 Subject: HISTORIC CULTURAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION
 Applicant: Sarah and Jeff DeFlorio
 Project Location: 617 and 619 W. Montecito Avenue, City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider, as recommendation for approval by the City Council, the nomination for local historic cultural landmark status to designate the property located at 617 and 619 West Montecito Avenue as the "Osgood House" in the City's Register of Historic Resources. The Osgood House is a Craftsman home with design and workmanship retained since its original construction. The property is also associated with the productive life of the Osgood family; Captain J.A. Osgood contributed as land surveyor and Mrs. Caroline L. Osgood contributed as founder and first president of the Sierra Madre Woman's Club. Pursuant to Sierra Madre Municipal Code Section 17.82.050, a property may be designated a historic landmark if it meets prescribed historic or architectural criteria.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING PLACE OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre Planning Commission Thursday, May 4, 2023 (Hearing begins at 7:00 p.m.)	City of Sierra Madre City Council Chambers 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, CA
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All interested persons may attend this meeting and the Planning Commission will hear them with respect thereto.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The request for designation qualifies for a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to Sections 15301 and 15331 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as it involves no expansion of an existing structure and pertains to preservation of a historic resource.

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

BEARS

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 the wilderness to increase beyond what CDFW can manage and what the wilderness can sustain. As a result, wild bears were forced to populate, and eventually habituate, in established urban residential neighborhoods. These multi-generational urbanized bears, according to CDFW, are now unable to survive in natural habitats which is why the CDFW refuses to relocate these bears into the wilderness landscape. Instead of attempting to regain control and striving for a healthy and ideal bear population, in both numbers and location, the CDFW now tries to sell their "co-existence" strategies to vulnerable cities throughout the state, including Sierra Madre.

"Coexistence" is reckless, irresponsible, and a glaring admission by the CDFW that they have failed to manage healthy bear populations in the natural habitats. "Coexistence" is not in the bear's best interest and is a dangerous threat to public safety. "Coexistence" only illustrates how the CDFW has completely lost control of the bear populations. For just a moment, try to rationalize the absurdity of convincing residential neighborhoods within existing well established urban neighborhoods that they need to now learn how to coexist with wild bears. Instead of making any efforts to correct their loss of control, mismanagement, and failed policies, CDFW now expects residential neighborhoods to host the very same wild bears CDFW has failed

to manage and maintain in a healthy wilderness environment.

For bears, their best case scenario is to live in a natural wilderness habitat that can sustain a healthy bear population, the way their bodies were designed, and not in urban cities being reduced to garbage scavengers that roam city streets. Bears that can only scavenge on human garbage live an unhealthy life often ingesting plastics and other harmful materials that their bodies are incapable of processing. For the CDFW to facilitate and support an urban bear population is, simply, animal cruelty.

The best case scenario for both public safety and the bear population would be to remove the entire urbanized bear population and reduce the bear population in the wilderness to a healthy level that the natural habitat can sustain.

Tuesday night, the Sierra Madre City Council are being asked to adopt RESOLUTION 23-12 DECLARING THE MISMANAGEMENT OF LOCAL BEAR POPULATIONS A THREAT TO PUBLIC SAFETY. In my 27 years of being involved in local politics, I believe this is the single most courageous Resolution ever adopted in Sierra Madre. Sierra Madre will be the David against the Goliath State in a fight that is only just getting started. Congratulations and gratitude to our City Council and City Manager for your efforts to keep Sierra Madre safe.



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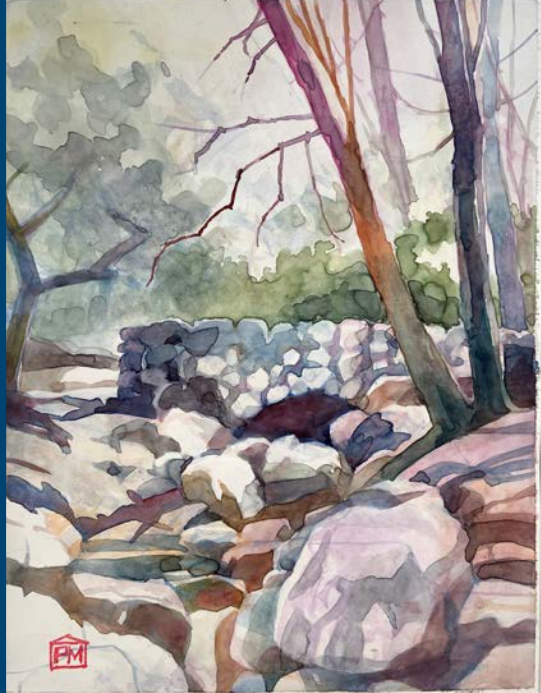
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APRIL 25, 2023 5:30pm

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As part of the City of Sierra Madre's COVID-19 transparency efforts and The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting. Public comment may also be made by e-mail to PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting.

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

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

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Pasadena Man Gets 10 Years for EDD Fraud

The Department of Justice announced Thursday that a Pasadena man had been sentenced to 120 months in federal prison for using dozens of fraudulently obtained debit and credit cards as part of a scheme to defraud the state's unemployment insurance program out of nearly \$1 million, and for possessing methamphetamine and ammunition.

Robert Sloan Mateer, 32, of Pasadena, was sentenced by United States District Judge Otis D. Wright II, who also ordered him to pay \$937,173 in restitution.

Mateer pleaded guilty in November 2022 to one count of use of unauthorized access devices, one count of possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine, and one count of being a felon in possession of ammunition.

On October 1, 2020, Mateer – whose criminal history includes a felony conviction in Los Angeles Superior Court in March 2020 for driving or taking a vehicle without consent – and co-defendant Sarah Taylor Brown, 36, of Los Angeles, were stopped in Pasadena for a traffic violation and his vehicle was searched. The search of Mateer's Maserati SUV revealed: approximately 85 grams of methamphetamine; two cellphones with debit and credit cards in names belonging to persons other than Mateer and Brown; a 9mm-caliber pistol with no serial number and loaded with two rounds of ammunition; an additional round of 9mm-caliber ammunition in the driver's side pocket of the car; 17 California Employment Development Department (EDD) cards in the names of third parties; five credit and debit cards in other people's names; and approximately \$197,711 in cash.

Mateer admitted in his plea agreement that he fraudulently obtained EDD debit cards by applying for unemployment insurance benefits using another individual's personal identifying information on the EDD website.

In total, the conspiracy caused actual losses to the EDD program of approximately \$937,173. Brown was captured on ATM surveillance footage making at least \$54,740 in withdrawals.

Wright in November 2021 ordered the Maserati SUV and the \$197,711 in cash forfeited to the United States.

Wright sentenced Brown to time served, after she had served nearly 20 months, to be followed by supervised release for three years, and ordered her to pay \$54,740 in restitution, to be held jointly and severally liable with Mateer.



Independent Auditor Recommends 27 Pasadena Police Policy Changes

Pasadena police officials announced Thursday that the Office of Independent Review (OIR) has recommended 27 police department policy changes after finishing its review of the officer-involved shooting of Anthony McClain August 15, 2020.

"This process was thorough, professional and transparent by all who participated," said Pasadena police Chief Eugene Harris. "I wish to thank the OIR group for their attention and partnership."

In a public statement officials said that the proposed recommendations have been in place either pre-incident, post-incident, post-initial review, or will be implemented in the near future.

"Pasadena police personnel have analyzed the recommendations and developed a plan for implementation," they said.

Of the recommendations, Harris, agreed with most of them including that the department "should revise its force review policies to require formal evaluation of any attendant foot pursuits and evaluating whether or not officers' actions align with the Department's Foot Pursuit Policy," and that they "should conduct frequent and regular training on the Foot Pursuit Policy, including the

preference for surveillance and containment over engagement in foot pursuits."

Harris disagreed with a recommendation that, "In the recommended training, PPD [Pasadena Police Department] should make clear that witnesses are not suspects: officers should not run a witness' identity or vehicle plates unless officers can articulate a rationale for doing so."

Harris said that witnesses can become suspects after gathering information, "Either way, officers and investigators treat witnesses and suspects with professionalism and respect." He also said the department would review their policy on handcuffing severely injured suspects and consider training as part of the OIR recommendations.

According to the report, McClain was handcuffed after stating, "I'm passing out." and in need of medical help.

Officials said the report would be presented to the Public Safety Committee and/or the full City Council in May, when a meeting can be scheduled.

McClain was shot by police after a traffic stop, near Raymond Avenue and Grandview Street, for a minor infraction —no front

Pasadena Heritage to Bring Back Bridge Party



Pasadena Heritage announced this week the return, after a five year hiatus, of uniquely Pasadena Colorado Street Bridge Party Saturday, July 15. "Help us bring back the best party in town as we celebrate the magnificent Colorado Street Bridge and its preservation with music, dancing, delicious food, specialty cocktails, children's activities and more."

It's a party of the ages for all ages.

"We want everyone to enjoy a fun-filled, family-friendly night over the Arroyo Seco with live music, dancing, delicious food,

craft beer, specialty cocktails, children's activities, and more."

Pasadena Heritage is asking for sponsorships that provide critical support for this monumental undertaking in celebration of the magnificent Colorado Street Bridge and thier efforts to preserve it.

There are also many exciting opportunities to volunteer at the Bridge Party. Shifts of three hours or more receive free admission to the Bridge Party.

The Bridge Party takes place from 6 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

For more information visit: pasadenaheritage.org/bridgeparty.

license plate. McClain was a passenger in the vehicle and ran from officers after being asked to get out the vehicle.

Last year in April, District Attorney George Gascon declines to file charges against the officers saying "the evidence presented strongly supports that McClain possessed a firearm."

In 2021 the city settled a lawsuit for \$7.5 million filed by the family of McClain

Harris was appointed to the position of Police Chief in January.

The full report and Harris' responses can be found at: cityofpasadena.net/police.

Public Invited to 'Spring Into Wellness' Health Festival

The public is invited to Spring Into Wellness, a free community health festival on Saturday, April 29 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Robinson Park Recreation Center. The festival will feature free food, family-fun activities, health screenings, educational workshops, a COVID-19 vaccine clinic, and information on programs and services for well-being.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to bring our community together again," said Manuel Carmona, acting public health director. "PPHD staff are excited to share practical ways for community members to maintain and improve health and well-being. We want Pasadena families to know that their local public health department is a resource to them."

In addition to activities provided by PPHD, the event is scheduled to include oral health screenings provided by Young & Healthy Pasadena and health screenings provided by Huntington Health. Free food will be provided by the Pasadena Firefighters Association, Local 809. Robinson Park Recreation Center is located 1081 N. Fair Oaks Ave. This event is sponsored by Pasadena Public Health Department (PPHD) and community partners.

For more information or to register as a vendor, please contact PPHD at (626) 744-6097 or CPinedo@CityOfPasadena.net.

Pasadena Public Libraries to Celebrate Library Week

Recognizing the importance of libraries, the American Library Association began National Library Week in 1958 and continues to celebrate it annually.

Although libraries are known for their wealth of stories, from picture books and popular fiction to audiobooks and eBooks, there is so much more to the story of libraries. If you haven't visited a library in a while, National Library Week, April 23-29, is the week to do so and explore all that libraries have to offer.

Libraries are welcoming spaces that bring communities together for connection, education, and companionship through book clubs, storytimes, crafting classes, author talks, and more. As a trusted resource, libraries play a key role in strengthening communities by supplying internet and technology access, literacy skills, and support for job seekers, small businesses, and entrepreneurs. Libraries help the community thrive.

Pasadena Public Library has ten branches located throughout the city and offers a wide array of programs, classes, and resources to its residents, including: LinkedIn Learning



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If you have not checked them out lately, you are missing the full story. Stop by and pick up a National Library Week bookmark to celebrate with us. Follow @PasadenaPublicLibrary and the hashtag #NationalLibraryWeek to join the online celebration.

For more information, visit the library's website at: PasadenaPublicLibrary.net

South Pasadena Library to Open Late on Wednesday

The South Pasadena Public Library will be closed from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, to enable all staff to participate in a strategic plan implementation workshop.

The Library has traditionally undertaken a strategic planning process every five years. Between June and December 2022, consulting firm Berry Dunn led the Library's strategic planning effort and conducted community and staff engagement. A draft Library Strategic Plan 2023-2027 was approved by the Library Board of Trustees on February 9, 2023. The Strategic Plan will be presented and discussed at a special joint study session of the City Council and Library Board of Trustees on May 3, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers (1414 Mission Street). Members of the public are encouraged to attend. For



more information about the Library strategic planning, visit: southpasadenaca.gov/librarystrategicplan.

The Library is located at 1100 Oxley Street in South Pasadena. For information about services and programs, visit the website at: southpasadenaca.gov/library. The Library is open Monday, Friday, Saturday 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. and Sunday 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

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Joyful Living Happy Life

Sunday, April 23 from 2:00 – 4:30 PM, Barth Community Room

This workshop gives you tools to face challenges in the workplace, social life, and family life. Join the Unified Charity Foundation as they talk about the customs and traditions in a new land and how to remove cultural obstacles to prosperity. Registration is not required.

Smarter Living Series: Estate Planning

Wednesday, April 26 at 1 PM, Barth Community Room

This free workshop will help to educate participants about estate planning, issues to be aware of, and different estate planning tools. Registration is not required.

Coffee, Tea, and Chat

Friday, April 28 from 9:30 – 11:30 AM, Thornton Conference Room

Connect with your neighbors to learn more about the community and its traditions. This program is presented in Mandarin by the United Charity Foundation for ages 18+. Registration is not required.

Tree Planting Ceremony on May 4

The Chinese Club of San Marino has generously donated a tree to be planted in Lacy Park. Join us for a tree planting ceremony to take place on Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 10 AM. For any questions, please call (626) 300-0788.

Girl Scout Flag Retirement Ceremony

Join the Girl Scouts for a beautiful ceremony to help properly dispose of used, worn and damaged American flags. It will take place on Thursday, April 27, from 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM at Hill Harbison House. You may drop off worn American flags at Hill Harbison House before April 24th. Please place them inside the collection bin on the front porch. For questions, please email joycenosser@gmail.com.

Improvements to Lacy Park Gates

On Monday April 24, a contractor will be at Lacy Park performing modifications to three existing metal gates on the north side of the Park along Virginia Road. The modifications to the gates include changing existing hinges to reverse the direction of opening towards the street, installation of panic hardware with solid panel and kick-plate, addition of a privacy screen, and repainting of the repaired gates. These upgrades were approved at the March 8th meeting of the City Council, and will improve the safety and security of the park's entry/exit routes for daily park users as well as for ingress and egress during special events held at Lacy Park.

Free Compost for Residents

On Saturday, April 29, the City and Athens Services will hold a free compost giveaway for San Marino residents in the west (St. Albans) parking lot of Lacy Park. The event will be from 9 AM to 12 PM, and is first-come first-serve for interested residents. As the event is self-serve, residents are advised to bring shovels and sturdy containers to assist in loading the material, as well as eye protection and gloves. For more information, please see this flyer.

Recent Happenings

Over the past week, Parks and Public Works maintenance staff worked on the following tasks: removing fallen tree branches, palm fronds, and other debris from the public right-of-way; replacing streetlight bulbs and street signs; performing minor trimming of hanging tree limbs; repairing pavement; and picking up fallen street light globes. Public Works staff also participated in a training for the installation of thermoplastic striping, which is used at numerous intersections throughout the City. Residents who wish to report non-emergency issues in the public right-of-way or City streets may do so via the San Marino Service Request Center: cityofsanmarino.org/report.

Meetings

Planning Commission Meeting

Wednesday, April 26 at 6:00 PM; City Hall Council Chambers and Zoom (Public Access)

City Council Meeting

Friday, April 28 at 8:30 AM; Barth Room and Zoom (Public Access)

For more information on any of these events or the city of San Marino visit: cityofsanmarino.org.

NASA-Led Project Tracks Changes to Water, Ecosystems, Land Surface



A new JPL project will make it possible for anyone with an internet connection to begin to answer these questions and more about changes to our dynamic planet.

The OPERA (Observational Products for End-Users from Remote Sensing Analysis) project is managed by NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, with partners from NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), the University of Maryland, the University of Alaska Fairbanks, and Southern Methodist University. Scientists conceived OPERA in 2020 to address satellite data needs across different federal agencies and to enable better access to information on everything from water management to wildfire monitoring. The goal is to make specific satellite-based observations free and timely for users. The first offerings will be available in April 2023, with more to follow.

"Quite often satellite missions are driven by science, applications, or technology demonstration. In OPERA, we focus on fulfilling the operational needs identified by federal agencies who rely on our work," said David Bekaert, OPERA project manager based at JPL. "We leverage cloud computing to turn massive amounts of satellite observations into analysis-ready products relevant to our federal stakeholders. Shortening the path from satellite observation to stakeholder decision is a key driver behind the overall implementation and execution of OPERA."

OPERA is aggregating a unique combination of user-friendly data about Earth's dynamic surface water and land, noted John Jones, a USGS scientist and OPERA project partner.

"The magic of OPERA is that it transcends any one space mission," said Gerald Bawden, program scientist at NASA Headquarters in Washington, who helped envision the project as part of the interagency Satellite Needs Working Group. Created by the Office of Management and Budget and the U.S. Group on Earth Observations, the Satellite Needs Working Group seeks to identify the satellite needs of U.S. federal agencies

and develop new remote sensing products that fulfill their observational gaps.

The first round of OPERA products ties together visible and infrared measurements from the ESA (European Space Agency) Sentinel-2 A/B satellites and from Landsat 8, built by NASA and operated by the USGS. These instruments will soon be augmented by data from the cloud-penetrating radars on ESA's Sentinel-1 A/B satellites and the recently launched Surface Water and Ocean Topography (SWOT) satellite, a partnership between NASA and the French space agency CNES (Centre National d'Études Spatiales). OPERA will eventually ingest satellite radar data from the NASA-Indian Space Research Organisation Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR) satellite, planned for launch in 2024.

Mapping Surface Water

OPERA's Dynamic Surface Water eXtent product suite offers what may be the most comprehensive data source for monitoring lakes, rivers, reservoirs, and streams. The first phase relies on Harmonized Landsat Sentinel-2 (HLS) optical data to generate near-global surface water mapping every few days at a 30-meter spatial resolution. Subsequent phases will use Sentinel-1, SWOT, and NISAR radar observations to map surface water more often (because radar can penetrate cloud cover).

For example, when a series of nine atmospheric river events brought heavy rain and snow to California in the winter of 2022-23, several flood-control dams faced risks of overflowing. OPERA's surface water maps chronicled the dramatic filling of these reservoirs.

Monitoring Surface Disturbance

OPERA's products offer new insights into both environmental and geological processes taking place on Earth's land surfaces. Complementing its water product suite, OPERA's Surface Disturbance product uses HLS data to map changes in vegetation cover. It could be used to observe the scars and regrowth after wildfires, track growing cities, or even discover insect infestations in forests.

"We are very excited to employ integrated Landsat and Sentinel-2 data," said Matt Hansen, a professor at the University of Maryland and OPERA project partner. "The combined observations provide an unprecedented capability and, we expect, an unprecedented record of global land change."

For example, the Mosquito Fire was detected on Sept. 6, 2022, and burned predominantly in the Tahoe and Eldorado National Forests. OPERA's surface disturbance data product shows vegetation losses due to the fire – California's largest of the year – which covered some 76,788 acres and lasted for 50 days.

Measuring North America Surface Displacement

OPERA's third product, slated for release in late 2024, will provide a history of how much land surfaces in North America have moved, or deformed, due to geologic and human activities. The surface displacement product will map surface motion that is otherwise imperceptible without a vast network of GPS instruments.

"This is a transformative product for detecting landslides, sinkholes, earthquakes, volcanoes – anything that is changing the land surface," said Bawden. "Using these satellites, we're able to measure motions on the ground surface less than an inch. And we can begin to explore how those motions are impacting everything living there."

All OPERA products are publicly accessible. The surface water and surface disturbance products are currently available through NASA Distributed Active Archive Centers, Physical Oceanography Distributed Active Archive Center and Land Processes Distributed Active Archive Center, respectively.

Learn more and find product samples and quick guides: jpl.nasa.gov/go/opera.

LitFest in the Dena Returns



LitFest in the Dena presents 2 days of panel discussions, readings, workshops, and interactive literary experiences from 12:30pm to 6:00pm each day.

This year LitFest in the Dena has a theme, celebrating Books That Make a Difference. On Saturday, May 6 at 6:00pm, LitFest in the Dena's Special Guest is author of the critically acclaimed *A Student of History* and philanthropic activist Nina Revoyr. Her depiction of our cities and historical roots of race and economic division informs us, enlightens us, and tells us why the written words matters. She'll share her observations, perspective and learned experiences followed by a Q&A. As always, this year's event is free to the public.

LitFest in the Dena is best known for its focus on writers, the power of the written word, and how literature manifests change in our world, our communities and ourselves. Some books do this head-on. Some explore how we handle change. Others can unsettle and challenge us by presenting a new or unfamiliar point of view. Whether mystery writers delve into their genre or authors of color discuss "surviving the literary life," books have made a difference, personally, culturally, socially, politically, historically, and within our community, and even the world.

LitFest in the Dena begins on Tuesday, May 2 at Altadena Library with a tribute to Eric Priestley, alum of the original Watts Writers Workshop who created fierce, unsparring, and heartfelt poetry. Erin Aubry Kaplan, Pam Ward, and Jervey Tervalon, friends who he also mentored, lead the evening's dramatic readings with actor Lorne Green and a discussion on the enduring legacy of Black culture and the arts. This is followed by "Surviving the Literary Life," a discussion with Pat Alderete, Janet Fitch, Lorne Green, Gary Phillips, Lisa Teasley, and Jervey Tervalon.

The weekend of May 6 and 7, LitFest in the Dena heads to Mountain View Mausoleum with five locations for panel discussions, workshops, readings, and other literary events.

Friday, May 5, Thomas Backer, PhD, opens LitFest in the Dena with his remarks on human creativity. This is followed by a VIP Authors and Participants reception and a performance of LA's oldest crime reading series *Noir* at the Bar.

Saturday, May 6, offers panel discussions, readings, and interactive literary events such as "Talk Story to Me," "The Art of Literary Translation," "Queer Writers Tracing Literary Ancestries," "Book Talk and Literary Podcasting," "Not-Quite Silenced Voices: Overcoming Abuse of Authority," "Writing Trauma," "Biblio Sinensis: A Tea and Book Discussion," and "Debut Women Over 60."

Debut mystery novelist Lauren Thoman joins veterans Eric Beetner, Rachel Howzell Hall, Jordan Harper and Walter Mosley in "A Life of Crime" followed by Joe Ide's "Writing the Killer Crime Novel" workshop.

"Required Love" brings together authors Lian Dolan, Erin Judge, Suzanne Park, Kate Spencer, and Elissa Sussman to discuss how romantic comedies are alive and well in fiction with deeper characters and more inclusive storylines, as well as what makes a great romance, how comedy makes it sing, and why we still love a happy ending.

LitFest in the Dena partners with Children's Literature Council of Southern California to present *Book Banning* and the *Gatekeepers: Curation vs. Censorship* featuring authors Ernesto Cisneros and Benson Shum, author and educator Sharon Langley, librarian Candice Mack, and Lynn

Kysch, CLCSC president. Children, middle grade, and YA enthusiasts can enjoy "Making a Picture Book: From Process to Publication" and "Walking Through Fire: Hope and Resilience in Middle Grade and YA Fiction."

Sunday, May 7, offers "Comic Disruption," a look at how comic writers and illustrators have pushed toward more inclusive characters and storylines, even among the big publishers like Marvel and DC Comics. With Shing Yin Khor, Jarrett Williams, and Josh Trujillo, co-writer for the character Aaron Fischer, the first teen, gay Captain America and current writer for the third iteration of *Blue Beetle*, this time as Jaime Reyes, the first Mexican American superhero.

"Crafting the Future" with Kate Maruyama, Cody Sisco, and Sherri L. Smith explores science fiction where books touch on climate change, AI, mental illness, and a future through a queer lens, and how sci fi teaches us how we can go wrong, but also where we can go right, so we can imagine and then create a better world.

Sunday also brings together the stories and activism of our community with "Bells Toll Ad Infinitum," a group of BIPOC seniors and women who created an anthology to preserve their stories and "Power of One," which for 20 years has chronicled the untold stories – and accomplishments – of everyday citizens working to improve their communities and create real change.

LitFest in the Dena partners once again with Open Book, a program of the Pasadena Literary Alliance, as they present "Culinary Culture: How Food Connects Us to Our Wellbeing" with authors Kim Fay, Maite Gomez-Rejón, Fanny Singer, and Lian Dolan, moderator.

A writing life is often challenging to create and to successfully navigate. Along the way many odd, exciting, alarming, and often very funny moments are experienced. In "Outrageous Literary Stories" these writers try to top each other in telling the most compelling, entertaining, and awkward moments of their literary lives. With Jean Guerrero, Gary Phillips, Tim Stiles, and Jervey Tervalon.

LitFest revives "Bookstores We Love," this time focusing on owners creating and finding their niche with Flintridge Bookstore, North Figueroa Bookshop, The Ripped Bodice, Octavia's Bookshelf, and Zibby's Bookshop. Moderated by Erin Judge.

Sandra Tsing Loh and producer Samantha Dunn bring their podcast *BOOKISH* to LitFest in the Dena to talk book trends; funny, awkward, and inspiring moments; and to interview Diane Marie Brown about her debut novel *Black Candle Women*.

"In the Belly of the Beast: Understanding Los Angeles" has authors Rosecrans Baldwin, Jim Dawson, Natasha Deón, and Mike Sonksen dissecting and analyzing what makes LA tick, what is the truth below longstanding stereotypes, and how does living here influence the stories they create.

"Reclaiming Witches and Monstrous Women" shifts the lens from female archetypes that vilify and victimize to re-writing and reclaiming, embracing and celebrating.

Local publicists Megan Beatie, Laura Segal Stegman and Holly Watson explain what they actually do and why it benefits an author to have one. And for the more home grown, the "San Gabriel Valley Food Club" reveals how over a shared meal community members come together to support one another in the publishing industry, from planning events to creating a speakers bureau, all with an egalitarian mindset. Finally, learn how to get your work out in the world at "How to Get Published" with representatives from Doppelhouse Press, Lil' Libros, Red Hen Press, The Unnamed Press, and Tsehali Publishers. Moderated by Julia Callahan, sales rep for the distributor Independent Publishers Group.

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ARCADIA'S 2022 SENIOR OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to the 2022 Senior of The Year, Marilyn Daleo. Since the early 70s Marilyn has been willing to take on any project, the "Daleo Way"! From her early volunteering days in the Junior Woman's Club, she always wanted to support the women of Arcadia keeping all members positive. Marilyn volunteered countless hours for the Arcadia Unified School District as PTA president and as a founding member of the Arcadia Educational Foundation.



She also volunteered for many events such as Red Ribbon Week, band activities, Penny Carnival, and at the Performing Arts Center. Marilyn has also been a lifelong supporter of the Arcadia Police Department.

She joined the Arcadia Elks Lodge and chaired many successful projects over the years. She is an active member of the Assistance League and volunteered for many years at the Bargain Box. Marilyn is currently serving on the Friends of the Gilb Museum of Arcadia Heritage Board. She is one of the founding members, has served as Treasurer, currently serves as a host for community events, and helps digitize special exhibits. Marilyn served as the Director of the Women's Club, she planned the 90th Anniversary celebration, and was instrumental in leading the charge to designate the Woman's Club as Arcadia's first Historical Landmark. Marilyn is a passionate volunteer who goes above and beyond!

CITY OF MONROVIA NAMED 2023 ALL-AMERICA CITY FINALIST

MONROVIA, CA – The City of Monrovia has been named a 2023 All-America City finalist by the National Civic League.

The theme of this year's community recognition program is "Creating Thriving Community through Youth Engagement, and the National Civic League recognized 20 cities working to improve the health and well-being of young people, with particular attention to efforts that engage young people in this work. While the finalist communities represent 12 states and have population size ranges from 4,700 to over 8 million, the finalists all share a common thread of building the civic capacity of young people. The City will strategically send a delegation comprised of residents, nonprofits, businesses, government leaders, young people, and staff to present Monrovia's story and make a case to a jury of civic leaders.

"This is very exciting opportunity for us as a lot has changed since 1995, when the City of Monrovia was last recognized as an All-America City. The City has progressed so much in the last 28 years, and I cannot wait to share our story with other cities and nationally recognized civic leaders. Everything we do concentrates on serving the people of Monrovia to create a community that offers a premier quality of life. It truly takes an entire community to support and encourage the success of our youth, and I am proud of what we've accomplished and am equally proud that the City of Monrovia is a finalist for the All-America City Award once again," said Dylan Feik, City Manager.

The All-America City judges seek to recognize communities eliminating barriers to meaningful youth involvement and delivering programs that will enhance the quality of life for youth. According to the National Civic League, finalists were selected after a competitive review process based on the criteria of shared vision, civic engagement, inclusiveness and equity, collaboration, innovation, and impact. In addition, each finalist submitted an extensive application discussing the strengths of their city's civic capital, collaborative efforts to enrich programs and services, and examples of three community-driven projects or programs that have adapted and transformed the community.

Monrovia's application focused on our annual Youth Employment Services Internship Program, the citizen and staff-driven ad hoc Committee on Equity and Inclusion, our youth engagement activities, including Art in Public Places, Neighborhood Treasures Program, the Citywide Park Master Plan, Monrovia Renewal and other programs and services invaluable to our youth and community.

The City of Monrovia will showcase the highlighted programs in Denver, Colorado, from June 9 – 11, 2023 for the first in-person event in three years. The National Civic League will announce the winning cities on June 11, 2023.

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SUPERVISOR BARGER AND COMMUNITY CELEBRATE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF WWII VETERAN IN SIERRA MADRE



Today, Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger joined a festive 100th birthday celebration at the home of Sierra Madre resident and World War II veteran Kenneth Anhalt.

Mr. Anhalt was all smiles as various members of the community stopped by to share their well-wishes and pay tribute to his extraordinary military career achievements during World War II.

"Being able to honor Kenneth Anhalt on his 100th birthday and personally thank him for his military service is something I will never forget," said Supervisor Kathryn Barger. "His bravery and resilience is inspiring, as is his ongoing local community service that persisted well after his military service ended. I am very happy that our community has gathered around Kenneth on his special day to show him how appreciated he is."

Congresswoman Judy Chu, along with Jim Zenner, Director of Los Angeles County's Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, and members of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department from the American Legion STAR Post and Temple Station were also on hand to share their congratulations.

"Our World War II veterans fought valiantly for our country against an enemy that would have undoubtedly stripped us of our American identity and way of life," stated Jim Zenner, L.A. County's Department of Military and Veterans Affairs Director. "Because of Americans like Mr. Anhalt who have answered the call to serve, we are able to live free and enjoy our way of life."

Mr. Anhalt served in the U.S. Air Forces, also referred to colloquially as the U.S. Army Air Corp, from 1943 through 1945. During those two years, he flew 28 bombing missions as a tail-gunner on a B-25 Liberator against Nazi-occupied Europe and Germany.

Mr. Anhalt was awarded the Air Medal with two clusters (act of heroism or meritorious achievement) while participating in aerial flight. He also received a battle star that is earned by members of organizations taking part in certain battles or other wartime operations.

He is a native of the Bronx and Queens and has been married for 76 years to his wife Shirley Abbney Miller. He attended Pasadena City College, became a quality engineer, and worked at JPL until his retirement. He also served on the Sierra Madre Police Commission and is a member of the Kiwanis Club and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3208 in Sierra Madre.

Mr. Anhalt's family shared the following message today, expressing their reaction to the celebration of their family's patriarch:

"Our father, Kenneth Jay Anhalt, exemplifies what being a wonderful man really is. He has always been an example of a patriot, has served God, country, his community and of course his family. He has been an inspiration to all of us in so many ways. The world is a much better place because he has been part of our lives. He has left his mark on us by not only his accomplishments, but also by the family he helped to raise. We are so honored today to be part of this auspicious celebration."



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WHEN? Thursday, May 11 @ 6pm

WHERE? PUSD Ed Center Board Room
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WHY? To get input from the public before the Strategic plan is finalized.

WHO'S INVITED? You, and all members of the PUSD community (parents, teachers, staff, students, neighbors, elected officials, family, friends, everyone!).

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WHY I WROTE MY BOOKS

"Foraging Wild Edible Plants of North America"

NEW SECOND EDITION JUST RELEASED

Since my youth, I have been extremely interested in the ethno-botany of native Americans, and how food was obtained before modern agriculture. I learned that in Southern California, "passive agriculture" was practiced where native plants were tended to get maximum production. I put my notes in order and in 1978, my first book, "Guide to Wild Foods," was released. That book led to a request by Stackpole books to write a recipe book based upon my first book.

Of course I said yes. I included the plants that are most common over most of North America, and began compiling all my recipes, as well as testing new ones. In addition, I added various stories about cooking on the trail, and the types of gear and condiments you should always carry if you want a good meal. Then I spent considerable time trying to come up with catchy names for the various recipes. The result a year later was "Wild Greens and Salads." The book sold a few thousand copies a year and was never reprinted after the first edition.

Thirty years later, I started writing foraging books for the Falcon Guides. They were aware of my previous cook book, and wondered if I could revise it with full color photos and lots of new information. Of course, I said yes.

I worked for another year to update the text, to delete some plants and to add new ones. Also, I once again spent considerable time coming up with catchy names to the recipes, usually recalling the first time I tried the recipe. This is somewhat ironic too, coming from a guy who hardly uses recipes, and generally just follows the basics of cooking that was taught to me by mother. For those who wonder if there is actually any food value to plants found in the wild, there is a chart at the end of the book detailed the nutritional analysis of many of the wild foods in the book, based upon the USDA's "Analysis of Foods." You'll be amazed that wild foods are generally more nutritious than much of what you buy at the supermarket.

This revised book was released in 2016, "Foraging Edible Wild Plants of North America," focusing primarily on leafy greens for salads, soups, and other dishes.

Now, in 2023, the second expanded edition includes the wild nuts and berries that are found widely in North America, not just in a given locale.

I was really happy with the latest result, and the way the color photos turned out. It's 228 pages full of wild recipes, and various ways to

use wild foods, their nutritional value, and the ways to process the plants, with lot of new color photos of every plant. The books has lots of interesting recipes. Those of you who have come to my wild food classes know the ways I prepared wild foods, so many of the recipes in this book will seem familiar.

This new edition includes a new appendix about how I was influenced by Euell Gibbons (author of "Stalking the Wild Asparagus") in the 1970s, and there is also a section about Enrique Villaseñor, the defacto Ambassador of the Prickly Pear.

This was a very enjoyable book for me to write, full of photos showing people preparing the various wild food dishes.

Some of the recipes' names incorporate some memory of when I first came up with that recipe: Chardon Crepes (from when I lived in Chardon, Ohio), Big Bend Breakfast (a cattaill dish my brother and I cooked up in Texas), the David Ashley Special (a salad of wild greens devised by David, and I wonder if David even remembers this?), Crisptado Fantastico (my unique chickweed tostada), and many many more.

The 2023 second edition includes a section on berries, and a section of nuts and seeds, with plenty of recipes for those who are challenged in the kitchen.

EARTH BREAD

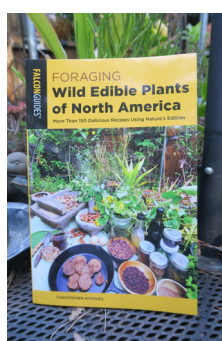
Perhaps my favorite recipes are the Lamb's Quarter recipes, because I use that plant nearly every day, both the leaf and seed. It's a relative of the now-popular quinoa.

Lamb's quarter can be made into salads, soups, stews, and even bread when you use the seed. You might like my Earth Bread made from the seeds. From the reviews of those who have tasted it, some like it, some do not.

According to the book, "I've served this Earth Bread to many foragers and have had mixed responses. A few people did not like it and said it tasted like dirt. There have also been ecstatic responses from people who found the bread 'virile,' 'deliciously wholesome and amazing,' and 'primitive.'" You'll have to try it for yourself and see what you think.

The cheapest way to get a copy is through Amazon. The retail is \$24.95, and you can also get an autographed copy at www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com.

[Nyerges is the author of many foraging books, including "Foraging Wild Edible Plants of North America," "Guide to Wild Foods," and others. He has also been teaching ethno-botany for many years, in the field and classroom. Information about his books and classes is available from www.SchoolofSelf-Reliance.com.]



Katnip News!



Handsome BRISTOL

Bristol, age 4, is an American golden buff short-hair tabby, (aka "Mister Pink Ears, Golden Flash, Prancer-Dancer, Spectacular Cat").

He is neutered, fully vaccinated, and in excellent health. He has been a foster cat for the past three years, since his "temporary parents" through Lifeline for Pets afforded him respite from his initial life in a cramped cage. Bristol's foster parents are leaving the area in early May. He urgently needs a loving forever home.

Before: Bristol had under-developed muscles, no light in his eyes, and a hunger for affection. Now: He is strong and healthy, ever-so-polite, litter box perfect, eager, extroverted, curious, and friendly. Bristol's favorite activities include racing around the house, watching birds from the window, playing with his toys, taking naps in the sun, doing paw dances on the bed, and curling up beside us while we work or sleep. Bristol is, in a word, a singularly WONDERFUL companion. He deserves a loving, affirming, appreciative new home. Bristol will come with a carpeted cat tree, a vast array of toys, and a month's supply of cat food. See his adorable video and more pix of him on our website's Adult Cats page, www.lifelineforpets.org. If you can't adopt yet, please share with others who can. We would also consider a long-term foster.



Pet of the Week

Mello is a young Shepherd mix whose energy level may only be matched by his love of life! This happy-go-lucky pup loves nothing more than zooming around our play yard and trying out every toy he can get to find the best one. Once he's decided on the best toy, it's time for a game of fetch! He has been working on the "drop it" command and has become quite the master. He knows it's just the way to get more fetch! Mello was out with our mobile adoption team recently and had a great day. He learned how to sit politely for treats and started to work on "down". Like many shepherds, he's a quick study and loves to please! Mello will benefit from a training class or two to polish his skills and learn more. If you're an active home with just a pinch of patience, this guy will be a wonderful dog for you! All dogs over 40 pounds like Mello have 50% reduced adoption fees through the end of April! The adoption fee for dogs is \$150. All dog adoptions include spay or neuter, microchip, and age-appropriate vaccines.



New adopters will receive a complimentary health-and-wellness exam from VCA Animal Hospitals, as well as a goody bag filled with information about how to care for your pet. Pets may not be available for adoption and cannot be held for potential adopters by phone calls or email.

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There are many reasons in working with us. At Safe Path for Seniors, we will assess the senior and depending on their care needs and budget, make recommendations. For example, we may suggest that the right fit is a Board and Care Home (normally a 6-bedroom house) as opposed to an Assisted Living Community or a Memory Support Facility. You will work with an experienced agent who knows the industry well and will give you recommendations. The good news is that there is no cost for this service.

If you have any questions about placing a loved one, visit www.safepathforseniors.com or call Steve at 626-999-6913

HOW TO PREPARE A WILL

Dear Savvy Senior,
I would like to make my last will and testament and would like to know if I can do it myself, or do I need to hire a lawyer?
Don't Have Much

Dear Don't,
Very good question! Almost everyone needs a will, but only around one-third of American have actually prepared one. Having a last will and testament is important because it ensures your money and property will be distributed to the people you want to receive it after your death.

If you die without a will (a.k.a. dying "intestate"), your estate will be settled in accordance with state law. Details vary by state, but assets typically are distributed using a hierarchy of survivors i.e., first to a spouse, then to children, then your siblings, and so on.

You also need to be aware that certain accounts take precedence over a will. If you jointly own a home or a bank account, for example, the house, and the funds in the account, will go to the joint holder, even if your will directs otherwise. Similarly, retirement accounts and life insurance policies are distributed to the beneficiaries you designate, so it is important to keep them up to date too.

Do You Need a Lawyer?

Not necessarily. Creating a will with a do-it-yourself software program may be acceptable in some cases, particularly if you have a simple, straightforward estate and an uncomplicated family situation. Otherwise, it's best to seek professional advice. An experienced lawyer can make sure you cover all your bases, which can help avoid family confusion and squabbles after you're gone.

If you need help finding someone the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA.org), the National Association of Estate Planners & Councils (NAEPC.org) and the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC.org) websites are good resources that have online directories to help you search.



Costs will vary depending on your location and the complexity of your situation, but you can expect to pay somewhere between \$200 and \$1,000 or more to get your will made. To help you save, shop around and get price quotes from several different firms. And before you meet with an attorney, make a detailed list of your assets and accounts to help make your visit more efficient.

If money is tight, check with your state's bar association (see FindLegalHelp.org) to find low-cost legal help in your area. Or call the Elder-care Locator at 800-677-1116 for a referral.

If you are interested in a do-it-yourself will, some top options to consider are Nolo's Quick-WillMaker & Trust (Nolo.com, \$99) and Trust & Will (TrustandWill.com, \$159). Or, if that's more than you're willing to pay, you can make your will for free at FreeWill.com or DoYourOwnWill.com.

It's also recommended that if you do create your own will, have a lawyer review it to make sure it covers all the important bases.

Where to Store it?

Once your will is written, the best place to keep it is either in a fireproof safe or file cabinet at home, in a safe deposit box in your bank or online at sites like Everplans.com. But make sure your executor knows where it is and has access to it. Or, if a professional prepares your will, keep the original document at your lawyer's office. Also, be sure to update your will if your family or financial circumstances change, or if you move to another state.

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

SENIOR HAPPENINGS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ...APRIL Birthdays*

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OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

THE PRINCESS HATH SPOKEN



In December of last year, our second great-grandchild entered our family. Our first great-grandchild was a boy, and this one is a girl.

Like all our children, grandchildren and great-grandson, this great-granddaughter was a blessing to our family. If only children would stay young for the rest of their life! I have learned that the thing is to enjoy them while they are young. Being retired, we have more time to spend with our grandchildren and great-grandchildren. I'm sure this is one of the great blessings that our Heavenly Father bestows upon us.

Because the mother of this great-grandchild, our granddaughter, is a working nurse, she went back to work following her maternity leave. That being the case, the grandma (mother) and great-grandma daycare operation kicked in.

These relationships get confusing, and I try to keep them separated. Still, the grandmother, our daughter, is also a working nurse and therefore does not have that much time for the daycare operation.

The great-grandmother, which is the Matriarch-Hierarchy, has more time for the daycare operation. That means the great-granddaughter is in our home quite often during the week.

I was pretty pleased with this arrangement and was glad to have a little great-granddaughter in our home as much as possible. Of course, you can never have too many of these little great-granddaughters. After a few weeks I began to understand life as it is; I assumed things, but not always understanding, how they came into being.

At our family gathering, the new great-granddaughter was there and we were having our family dinner. Then something began to happen that at first, I did not quite understand, but later began to comprehend the whole issue in a different light.

The little great-granddaughter was sleeping in her bassinet in one of our bedrooms. We were chatting around the table, and then suddenly, we heard it. Waa, Waa, Waa, Waa, Waa.

Being a man, I didn't quite understand what that noise was about. All of the ladies around the table got up and marched back to the bedroom with the little baby crying.

In a few moments, they all came out, and one was holding the baby while the rest were following. They all gathered in the living room, and I watched as they passed the baby around, and everybody had a chance to hold her.

It wasn't long before that little Princess stopped crying. And if I saw that right, if not smiling, at least she was snickering. At first, I did not quite understand what that was all about. That was just the beginning.

Whenever The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage babysat the great-grandbaby, I noticed a similar routine.

The great-grandmother got the great-grandbaby settled down, fed her, then quietly take her back, and put her in the bassinet in the bedroom. She fell asleep, and the great-grandmother tiptoed out of the bedroom and went to the kitchen to resume her work.

Then came that familiar sound from the bedroom. Waa, Waa, Waa, Waa, Waa. Before the second "Waa" got out, the great-grandmother turned her back on the kitchen and scooted back into the bedroom to bow before the great-granddaughter.

As she brought the little baby out, the baby looked at me and gave me one of her snickers. I am not sure, but I think she winked at me. Just do not let this get back to the great-grandmother. So the great-grandmother cared for the baby, rocked it, and did everything babies need at that stage of life.

She finally went to sleep, and The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage took the baby back to its bassinet to sleep for a little while.

When she came back, I was tempted, but I did not yield to that temptation, to ask her what all that crying was about. I was tempted, but I did not yield to that temptation, to tell her what I thought was going on.

It did not take long for the little Princess to do it all over again.

Waa, Waa, Waa, Waa, Waa.

Again, the great-grandmother dropped what she was doing and went back, got the baby out of the bassinet, brought her out, and fixed up a bottle for her lunch. So all the time, the little baby was smiling and giggling and then looking at me and winked; it seemed that way, at least from my perspective.

What I saw was the little Princess taking charge of her environment. How someone that young could know how to manipulate her environment is well beyond me. I should take a few notes from her. Then I began thinking that perhaps this was the little Princess preparing to be a wife and mother, with the emphasis on the wife. If that is true, she has a great start at that.

I wonder what it is going to be like when this little Princess graduates to a teenager. Those are going to be the days, and I'm looking forward to them.

As I was pondering this situation I could not help but think of what that wise old man, Solomon, said in, Proverbs 22:6, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

That wise old man understood that what a child becomes is a result of training. Too often the child dominates the training chair which predicts what happens when that child is old.

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FAMILY MATTERS



3 SIMPLE MISTAKES THAT CAN DERAIL YOUR ESTATE PLAN

If you're tempted to use a DIY estate planning service or have already created a plan you aren't 100% confident in, be sure to read how these three simple mistakes can derail your estate plan and leave

your family with an expensive mess.

We regularly meet with clients who ask us to review an estate plan they created online or with an attorney who isn't experienced with estate planning. You see, these clients usually think they found a faster and cheaper solution to estate planning, but once the plan is signed and done, they're often left wondering whether this "cheap" plan will actually accomplish their goals, or if it will leave their family with a big mess instead. And what I see time and again when I review these estate plans are poorly designed plans with simple but devastating mistakes.

While it might seem simple enough to put together a trust online or have your tax attorney prepare your will, it can be very difficult to create an estate plan that works without the proper training and experience. What might seem like minor details to the inexperienced eye can often have major effects on your plan's final outcome.

More often than not, clients who meet with us to review a DIY plan find that instead of saving money on their estate plan, they've actually cost themselves much more by buying a mistake-ridden plan. And if these mistakes aren't caught by you while you're alive and well, your loved ones will be paying the price to resolve them after you're gone. Here are the three biggest mistakes I see when reviewing DIY and low-cost estate plans:

1. Leaving Assets Outright to Loved Ones
One of the simplest mistakes you can make in estate planning is distributing your assets directly to your beneficiaries upon your death. This can be a bad idea for several reasons:

The assets have no protection from your beneficiaries' creditors once they leave your estate
The money can be squandered and used however the beneficiary wants

If the beneficiary is a minor, a court will decide who manages the assets and how they'll be used
Instead of gifting your assets directly to your beneficiaries, it may be better to distribute your assets into a trust for them. When creating a trust, you can choose who will manage your assets for your beneficiaries while also sheltering those assets from your beneficiaries' creditors or their own poor money-management skills.

Setting up a trust to hold your assets is especially important if you have minor children. Minors cannot own money on their own, which means they can't receive any assets from you directly on your death. Instead, a court will need to appoint a trustee or conservator to manage the assets you leave for your children. There's a high chance the person the court appoints will not be the person you would have chosen yourself. And if the court appoints a professional trustee, your assets will be reduced by expensive trust administration fees.

A court-appointed trustee will distribute the assets to your children outright when they reach the age of 18, putting the assets at risk. Few young adults have the maturity or knowledge to manage a large sum of money responsibly so it can grow and support them over time. Even if your adult child is responsible or has guidance from someone you trust, those assets are still susceptible to any lawsuits, divorces, and unforeseen financial or legal troubles your child may experience in the future.
Instead of leaving assets outright to a minor or young

adult, leaving your assets in a trust, established for the child's benefit, allows you to choose the person who will manage the assets you leave for them, helps the assets grow through careful financial management, and protects the assets from your child's lack of experience and future risk.

2. Not Creating a Lifetime Asset Protection Trust
Creating a trust to hold your assets can provide years of asset protection for your loved ones, but that protection only exists so long as the assets are held in the name of the trust. The second big mistake I see are trusts that direct the assets to be taken out of the trust's protection and given to your child or beneficiary at a specific age. You might not see the problem with this scenario at first, but even if your child or beneficiary is mature enough to manage a sum of money, doing this still leaves those assets susceptible to future legal and financial risks.

Instead, everyone should consider creating a Lifetime Asset Protection Trust to hold their beneficiaries' assets indefinitely. This gives the assets lifelong protection while still providing financial support to your beneficiaries. Unfortunately, most lawyers do not understand how to use trusts to establish this kind of protection for the inheritance you are leaving behind, and some may even try to dissuade you from using a trust at all unless you have a very large estate. Even if you are leaving behind a small number of assets, protecting those assets and helping them grow can make a huge difference in the future well-being of your loved ones.

3. Forgetting to Update Beneficiary Designations
This final mistake is so simple yet so easily forgotten when creating a DIY plan or using an inexperienced estate planner: forgetting to update your insurance policies and retirement beneficiary designations so they complement your estate plan. While your will and trust are important parts of your estate plan, it can be just as vital to update your insurance policies and retirement accounts to pay out to your trust instead of directly to your beneficiaries. Leaving the names of your beneficiaries on your insurance and retirement accounts instead of the name of your trust ensures the largest assets you own won't be a part of the plan you just created. Instead, the assets will be distributed directly to the beneficiaries listed on the account, to do with however they want, even if you had other plans for protecting the funds under your trust. We've even seen cases where the beneficiaries named on a life insurance or retirement account are so outdated that the person named on the account isn't even a part of the client's life anymore!

Estate Planning That Works
In order to make sure your estate plan truly works the way you intend it to, it's essential that all of your assets are reviewed to make sure any accounts you have reflect the name of your trust or other estate plan method.

If you're thinking about using a DIY estate planning service or had an estate plan created by an attorney in a different practice area, it's crucial to check your plan for these three simple but potentially major mistakes. Otherwise, your estate plan might end up causing more problems than it solves, leaving your family in court and conflict long after you're gone.

Don't let a simple estate planning mistake derail your plans for your family. Make the extra effort now to ensure your plan doesn't leave anything to chance. Your loved ones will thank you for it!

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STUART TOLCHIN PUT THE LIGHTS ON



FREE SPEECH

In 1964 I was a College Student at the University of California Berkeley, a big-time University putting me in contact with all kinds of influences. I was a very sheltered person who almost had never had a date and never had attended a play or musical. Sheltered me became caught up in the Free Speech Movement (FSM) which was the first mass act of civil disobedience on an American College Campus in the 1960's. FSM was an organized student protest to abolish restrictions on student free speech rights throughout the University of California system. I became absorbed in a quest to receive information and ideas; the struggle to have the right to impart this information and my own ideas is a continuing part of my responsibilities connected to this quest. Perhaps this responsibility explains my continuing effort to write these unpaid and possibly unappreciated articles for the past fifteen years.

Amazingly, the FSM protests were so huge and famous that even today, almost sixty years later, there are pictures of the demonstrators right on the corner of Colorado and El Molina in Pasadena, California, about 2 blocks from my daughter's law office. In fact her office, the office of a respected progressive attorney, is where I am right now. I walked over here after parking the car near the corner where the picture still stands.

The point is that these public huge demonstrations influenced my life, my daughter's life and the subsequent life of the nation. The demonstrations centered on the need for student free expression which really melded into anti-war protests and Civil Rights Protests. The next year, 1965, I entered UCLA Law School, still intending to avoid the Draft but now already certain of my own political values. UCLA was hardly a hot-bed of radicalism at that time. Most of our class discussions concerned the possibility of connecting with big firms and how to schedule interviews. I never did such a thing. I was dissatisfied with the state of the legal profession which at that time was prohibited from exercising free speech to advertise so as to reach the less wealthy. I was an unpaid volunteer with the Lawyers Guild assisting clients fighting the draft. We represented a great many potential draftees and I am sad to admit that almost all of our clients were well-off white kids. Who else went to lawyers then?

Classmates of mine then were, Len Jacoby and Steve Myers who decided to do something about the lack of availability of lawyers for the non-wealthy. Len Jacoby pioneered the idea (perhaps you have heard of him) of fair-priced Legal Clinics who could exercise their right of free speech by advertising. Every day as you drive the streets and freeways you see (perhaps too much) the results of their efforts. The unrestricted right to Free Speech is the underlying issue in the recently settled (not litigated) case of Dominion v Fox News which yesterday settled with the agreement that Fox News pay \$785.5 million thereby averting a trial which would have made public their willful, knowing connection to a fictitious plot to steal the 2020 election. Damn! We have the right to know and that right to know goes right along with the right to the free exercise of free speech and I don't believe it was necessary to go to Berkeley or go to Law School to understand that. Just like many of us, I am very disappointed by the settlement. Part of our quest and responsibility is to obtain information and we have been prevented from hearing the whole story.

Of course news media are not governmental agencies. Their responsibilities are primarily to their stockholders and that responsibility is to MAKE MONEY and KEEP MAKING MONEY. WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT? Lots!! The huge settlement satisfies both sides. Dominion gains an incredible amount of money and Fox News gets to go on just as it has. So who's hurt? WE ALL ARE. The entire electorate has been confused and undermined. Is there anyone or any source that can ever be trusted; or is it all about money for everyone?

TOM PURCELL



WHAT WE NEED THIS EARTH DAY IS MORE

Earth Day is coming April 22, and I can't think of a better opportunity for Americans to get their hands dirty.

When Earth Day became an annual event in 1970 its purpose was to demonstrate support for protecting the environment.

Today, more than 1 billion people in almost 200 countries will celebrate with events coordinated globally by EarthDay.org.

One of the most common activities — one that I am thinking of doing myself this year — is to plant a garden.

If you can grow and harvest tomatoes and cucumbers in your own backyard, after all, you won't need to buy these items in a store — items that have to be transported through the burning of fossil fuel.

I'm in favor of anything that can help all of us be better stewards of the environment, but I see additional psychological benefits from gardening that our country desperately needs.

To wit: we need to become more "down to earth," a term that is not used much anymore.

According to Merriam-Webster, "down to earth" is defined as "demure, humble and unpretentious." It also means "earthy," which Merriam defines as "plain and simple in style."

The origin of these terms is not clear, but the act of getting our hands dirty in garden topsoil sure does have the effect of making you more humble and unpretentious.

I grew up in the suburbs with a large yard. We grew tomatoes every summer and they were much larger, redder and sweeter than anything bought at the store.

Our neighbor, Mr. Bennet, had a magnificent garden that was 12x30-foot big.

He grew such an abundance of beautiful lettuce, tomatoes and zucchinis that he often shared his bounty with us and we enjoyed the most delicious salads you will ever enjoy.

Managing a garden of that size required quite a commitment.

Mr. Bennet toiled every day to nurture his vegetables. He had to pluck the weeds to protect his prized plants and he built a fence to keep the deer out.

His toil and the sweat — and the lessons he learned from nature to help his plants flourish — connected him to the realities of the natural world and brought him a peace and calm that only gardeners can know.

That is to say, Mr. Bennet was down to earth!

Unfortunately, though, as Americans have moved from the countryside to large metros, millions of us have lost any sensual connection with topsoil and nature — but even a small garden on your apartment building rooftop can fix that.

Wherever or however we can, let's all start gardening this year.

Taking care of even a few plants will humble us, and the sounds, smells and other realities of nature will bring us back to our "common senses."

The people who founded our country and crafted our Constitution were farmers who were closely aligned with the realities of nature — what they called the Natural Law. It is no accident that our Constitution is "plain and simple" in style.

They knew they had to understand the basic, unforgetting realities of nature if they wanted to keep their crops and animals from dying — and to help them all survive and flourish.

Down-to-earth people truly in touch with nature enjoy the gift of common sense or "horse sense" — something our country is running short of these days.

So this Earth Day, let's begin to address this important matter — and bring calm to our souls — by planting a garden!

RICH JOHNSON



NOW THAT'S RICH THE LAST BRITISH INVASION 1964

Undoubtedly you have heard it said "Music soothes the savage beast". While often quoted, the quote is actually a misquote from a play written just few years before...in 1697.

The play "The Mourning Bride" and the quote reads, "Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast. To soften rocks, or bend the knotted oak."

If you know me personally, you know music has played, and continues to play a gigantic role in my life. On Saturday night you may run into me and my band, JJ Jukebox, performing songs from the 1950's, 60's, 70's and 80's at Nano Café here in Sierra Madre.

Sunday morning you may also find me playing 12 string guitar or bass during the church service at Bethany Church also here in Sierra Madre.

Music soothes this savage beast! And I can tell you the exact moment I caught the music bug: Sunday evening, February 9, 1964. The Ed Sullivan Show. Me and 73 million other viewers witnessed the first attack of the British Invasion. There were 50,000 requests for seats at the Ed Sullivan Theater (it has 728 chairs). That night the Beatles, described as four mop-tops from Liverpool, performed 5 songs, the last one being their first big hit, "I Want to Hold Your Hand".

"I Want to Hold Your Hand" was number one here in America for 7 weeks, "She Loves You" was number one next for two weeks and then the musical miracle took place.

On April 4th, 1964, the Beatles held the top 5 spots on Billboards top 10:

1. "Can't Buy Me Love"
2. "Twist and Shout"
3. "She Loves You"
4. "I Want to Hold Your Hand"
5. "Please, Please Me"

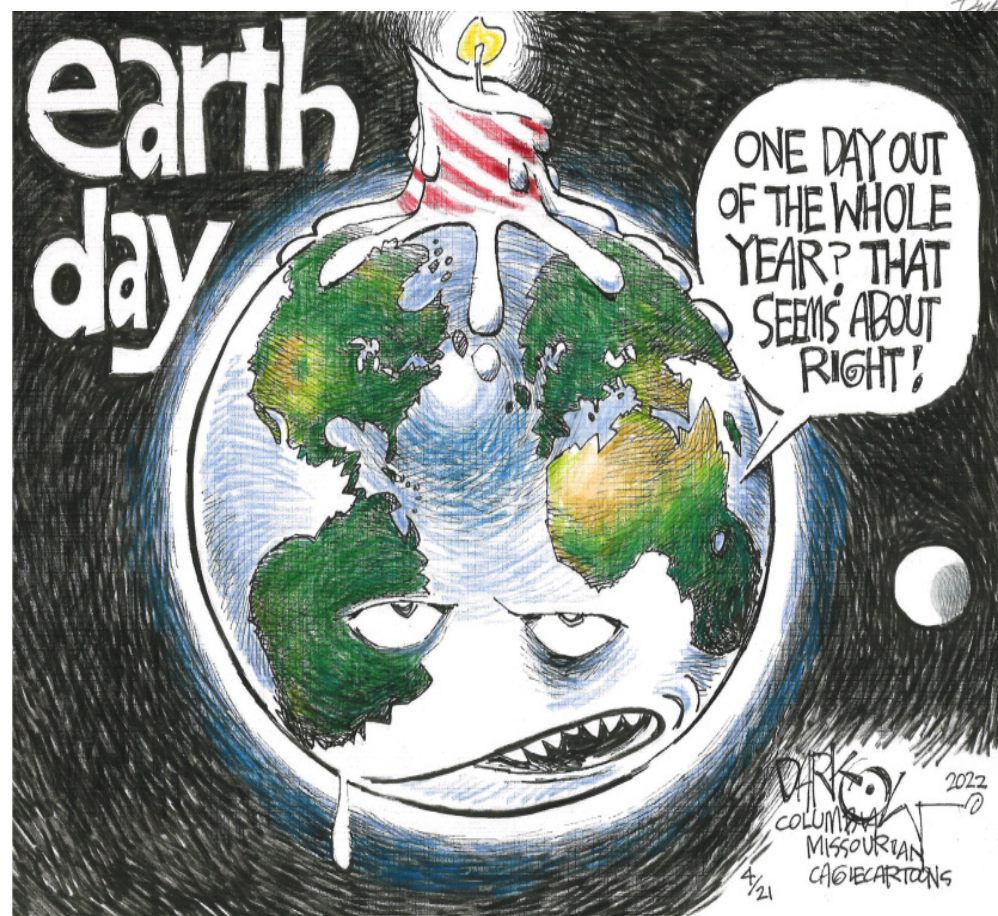
The Beatles also broke records having 14 songs in the Billboard top 100 songs. So who knocked the Beatles out of the number one song? "Satchmo". Louis Armstrong with his classic song "Hello Dolly".

Two years earlier, on New Years Day 1962, the Beatles drove to London to audition for the most prestigious record company in the UK, Decca Records. Dick Rowe was Decca's Talent Spotter who turned down the Beatles telling their manager, "Guitar groups are on their way out, Mr. Epstein".

A year later Dick Rowe signed a group. Whether it be urban myth or true, the story is George Harrison became a friend of Dick Rowes and gave Dick the tip of going down and signing this new group. Their lead singer's name was Mick Jagger and the band of course, was the Rolling Stones. All's well that ends well.

My band, JJ Jukebox will be back at Nano Café Saturday, May 6. Tonight is M&M and next Saturday night Mercy and the Merketts are performing at Nano Café. Make reservations by calling (626) 325-3334. Nano's is at 322 W. Sierra Madre Blvd, Sierra Madre

-Rich



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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CHEX RATING 6607 SHERIDAN AVE, WEST HILLS, CA. 91307. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MOISES ALFREDO VASQUEZ 6607 SHERIDAN AVE, WEST HILLS, CA. 91307. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MOISES ALFREDO VASQUEZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/28/2023. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/20/2023. 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)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2023071367
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MAKEFX 916 N MARIPOSA AVE APT 30, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90029. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MARSEL KALMAGAMBETOV 916 N MARIPOSA AVE APT 30, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90029. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MARSEL KALMAGAMBETOV, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/31/2023. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/20/23. 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)
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2023071562
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: A 2 PLUMBING & ROOTER 8675 NAGLE AVE., PANORAMA CITY, 91402. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) AZAT NALBANDYAN 8675 NAGLE AVE., PANORAMA

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
STANLEY MOSK COURTHOUSE
111 N. HILL STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA.. 90012

SUMMONS

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: BRUCE KUYPER, AN INDIVIDUAL; TEODORA MANOLOVA, AN INDIVIDUAL; DOES 2 through 20, inclusive

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:

GK CONSTRUCTION, INC. A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION
CASE NUMBER: 228TLC05122

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below:

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.

¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en

esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al de

mandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desear el caso.

CASE NUMBER:
(Número del Caso):
228TLC05122

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es):
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,
STANLEY MOSK COURTHOUSE
111 N. HILL STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA. 90012

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NO. 23NWCP00102

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

PETITIONER ROBERT A RODRIGUEZ FOR MINOR LUNA ROSALIE LUIS FLORES HAS FILED A PETITION WITH THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT - SOUTHWEST JUDICIAL DISTRICT - NORWALK COURTHOUSE FOR A DECREE CHANGING NAMES AS FOLLOWS:

Present Name: LUNA ROSALIE LUIS FLORES

Proposed Name: LUNA ROSALIE RODRIGUEZ FLORES

A HEARING on the petition will be held on 05/31/2023 at 9:30 A.M. in Dept. C ROOM 312 at NORWALK COURTHOUSE 12720 NORWALK BLVD NORWALK, CA. 90650

THE COURT ORDERS that all interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

ROBERT A RODRIGUEZ
FOR MINOR LUNA ROSALIE LUIS FLORES
Petitioner Appearing Pro Per
14417 CABRILLO AVE
NORWALK, CA. 90650
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HOMEWORK CLUB

7 WEEKS
JUNE 12TH -
JULY 28TH

2023

SUMMER

PROGRAM

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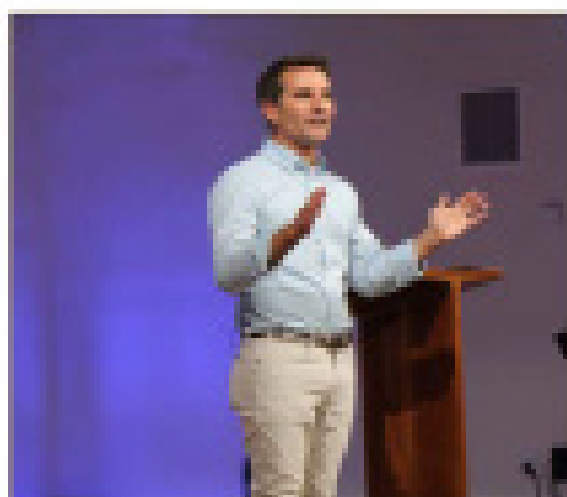
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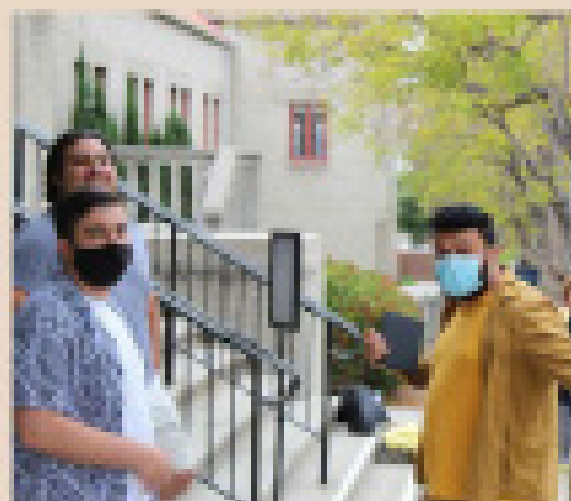


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