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## CLOSE TO A COMPROMISE? ALVERNO AND NEIGHBORS MEET BEFORE CITY COUNCIL IN HOPES OF SETTLING THE DISPUTE.

By Kevin McGuire

During their regular meeting on Tuesday, May 9, City Council met once again to discuss the issues surrounding the approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and an Addendum to the Mitigating Negative Declaration to update the Master Plan for Alverno Heights Academy (AHA).

City staff recommended that City Council modify the action of the Planning Commission to strengthen the administrative record and impose conditions of approval, approve the CUP and the Addendum to the Mitigating Negative Declaration.

On April 11, during a hearing, City Council directed the City Attorney to amend Resolution 23-13 and approved the Master Plan update before a final was drafted. This was a procedural error, as City Council voted for the Resolution before knowing what they were voting on. To correct this error, a Public Notice was sent out to properties within 300 feet of AHA; meeting minutes were adjusted. During the May 9 meeting, City Council was presented with two versions of the Resolution: the Alverno and Appellant. The differences between the two were highlighted in yellow.

The highlighted areas appear under the Planning and Community Preservation Department section of Resolution 23-13.

**Highlight 1 of the Appellant Version:** 6A discusses the Phasing Plan, the construction of two sports courts, and time extension allowances at the City Manager's discretion. The appellant wants to add the wording, "The Applicant may not request an extension under this permit condition. Rather the consideration of an extension under this subsection is made on the City Manager's own volition."

The change in wording to 6A was added by the appellant's attorney, Jason Sanders, who had a chance to comment on his requested edits before the City Council discussed the item. Alverno's attorney, Sunny Soltani, objected to Sander's edits, noting that it violated Alverno's constitutional rights to petition the government.

Sierra Madre City Attorney Aleks Giragosian edited 6A during the May 9 meeting to read: "Notice of the reason for any requested extension shall be mailed to the properties within 300 feet of the campus. The City Manager shall make his determination within 30 days of the mailing of the notice. Notice will be given to the public of the determination."

**Highlight 2 of the Appellant Version:** 11B discusses noise attenuation at Michillinda Parking Lot, specifically play/recess and physical activity where the landscape contractor has determined that the Multi-Purpose-Sports-Field is unsafe due to weather conditions. The Appellant wants to add this wording, "For a period of 15 months from the date of the approval of this conditional use permit/entitlement (subject to extensions granted by the City Manager under Planning and Community Preservation Department Condition No. 6(A) and subject to condition."

Fifteen months is the allotted time for the two sports courts to be completed. The Appellant believes that the Michillinda parking should no longer be used for play, recess, and sporting activities after this period.

Contrary to this, Alverno wants to use the Michillinda parking lot for play, recess, and physical activity when the Multi-purpose field is unsafe. They want this to be an option for the life of the CUP.

City Council members expressed that kids should be allowed time outside for recess and physical activities and that rain events affecting the fields would be minimal. The City Attorney changed the wording to say: "play, recess, and sporting activities during play or recess on days where the Applicant's landscaping contractor makes the determination that the Multi-purpose sports field is unsafe for those uses to occur on the Multi-purpose field due to weather conditions, including but not limited to rain, flooding, or aeration."

City Council voted unanimously to amend Resolution 23-13, hoping they are one step closer to resolving this "neighbor dispute."

### History

In December 2022, the Planning Commission approved the CUP and Addendum to allow AHA to move forward with demolition and construction plans. Still, those plans stopped after neighbors filed an appeal to revoke these approvals.

The appellants, Kristin and Keith Stephens, and their attorney appeared for a hearing before City Council on February 14, 2023. The claim alleged that the Planning Commission "erred and abused its discretion in approving the project and that the application failed to meet qualifications and standards outlined in the Municipal Code and other applicable law." In addition, the Appeal letter cited "land use" and "noise" concerns.

Alverno, located at 200 N. Michillinda, is citing low admission numbers for the reason it will close the all-girls high school in June but plans to demolish the Upper School Faculty Office Building and add a 12,860 square-foot multi-purpose building for worship services, sporting events, and performances.

The appellants claimed these modifications violated noise ordinances and CEQA guidelines.

Neighbors have complained about this issue over the years regarding AHA, often used for wedding events and TV/movie filming projects.

## SIERRA MADRE VOTERS SHOW THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE MEADOWS AT BAILEY CANYON AT THE BALLOT BOX FOR THE SECOND TIME

First there was Measure HR which sought to stop the 42 Home Project known as the Meadows at Bailey Canyon (or the Monastery Project). The Measure was on the General Election Ballot in November 2022 and was soundly defeated - 58.9% to 45.48%.

Then less than a month after the election opponents of the project demanded using the referendum process, that the issue be taken up again which subsequently led to a Special Election in hopes of stopping the project. Measure M was placed on the ballot and that election was held Tuesday, May 9th.

According to the LA County Registrar of Voters office, as of Friday, May 12th, the supporters of the project had once again prevailed by a margin of more than 300 votes. (54.52% Voting YES to support the project and 45.48% of voters voting NO to stop the project.)

The last count was 2,249 YES votes vs 1,876 NO votes. It is expected that the results will be certified within the week and Ordinance 1461 authorizing the project to move forward will be ratified by the City Council.

The Special Election for Measure M cost Sierra Madre taxpayers more \$325,000.

As a result of the election, it appears that the project will move forward and Sierra Madre will benefit from it with a new park, \$250,000 towards the new police facility, over \$900,000 from the development's water conservation program and more. Stay tuned.

S. Henderson/MVNews

## MOUNTAIN VIEWS NEWS TO HONOR 2023 GRADUATES

The June 3rd edition of this paper will be dedicated to the Class of 2023! In order to be included, please send your graduates picture, their full name, age and school. These grads are making history, and the Mountain Views News wants to give them something else to remember! Send to: [editor@mtnewsnews.com](mailto:editor@mtnewsnews.com) Subject: Class of 2023

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### City of Sierra Madre

#### PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

**From:** The City of Sierra Madre

**Subject:** General Plan Amendment (GPA 23-01) for the Safety Element of the General Plan to include language specific to the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) to direct the reader to the online location of the LHMP.

**Applicant:** City of Sierra Madre

**Project Location:** Properties in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California  
SCH Number: 2021040369

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the City Council will conduct a public hearing for the General Plan Amendment regarding an update to the Safety Element of the General Plan to ensure compliance status with Assembly Bill No. 2140 (AB 2140). Passed in 2006, AB 2140 allows California counties and cities to adopt their current, FEMA-approved local hazard mitigation plans (LHMPs) into the Safety Element of their General Plans. Counties and cities that are AB 2140 compliant are eligible to be considered for part or all its local-share costs on eligible Public Assistance funding to be provided by the state through the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA). In order to meet AB2140 compliance, the Safety Element of the General Plan must be updated to include language specific to the LHMP to direct the reader to the online location of the LHMP.

| DATE AND TIME OF HEARING   | PLACE OF HEARING   |
|--|--|
| City of Sierra Madre<br>City Council meeting<br>Tuesday, May 23, 2023<br>(Hearing begins at 5:30 p.m.) | City of Sierra Madre<br>City Council Chambers<br>232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.<br>Sierra Madre, CA 91024 |

The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting. Public comment may also be made by e-mail to [PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com](mailto:PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com) by 3:00PM on the day of the meeting. Emails will be acknowledged at the Council meeting and filed into public record.

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

For more information please contact the City Clerk's Office via email at [CityClerk@cityofsierramadre.com](mailto:CityClerk@cityofsierramadre.com) or by telephone at (626)355-7135 for more information.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** The Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) and 2021-2029 Housing Element, which includes updates to the Safety Element of the General Plan, are available for review at City Hall front counter, City Library, and on the City's website (under the Planning and Community Preservation Department) at <http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/housingelement>.

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

### City of Sierra Madre

#### PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

**To:** Property Owners within a 300-foot radius

**From:** The City of Sierra Madre

**Subject:** TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP 22-01

**Applicant:** Cynthia Li

**Project Location:** 182 W. Highland Avenue, in the 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 City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider a request for a tentative parcel map for the property at 182 West Highland Avenue. The applicant is proposing to subdivide the existing 11,904-square-foot parcel into three-unit (3) condominium.

| DATE AND TIME OF HEARING   | PLACE OF HEARING   |
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| City of Sierra Madre<br>City Council meeting<br>Tuesday, May 23, 2023<br>(Hearing begins at 5:30 p.m.) | City of Sierra Madre<br>City Council Chambers<br>232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.<br>Sierra Madre, CA 91024 |

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

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** The project qualifies for Class 15 Categorical Exemption (Minor Land Division), pursuant to Section 15315 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

**APPEAL:** If in the future anyone wishes to challenge the decision of the City Council in court, one may be limited to raising the issues that were raised or presented in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or before, the scheduled public hearing. For further information on this subject, please contact the Planning and Community Preservation Department at 626-355-7138. (GOV. CODE SEC. 65009)

### NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS SIERRA MADRE BOULEVARD WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT AND STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT SPECIFICATION NO. ST82304 IN THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE, CALIFORNIA

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City of Sierra Madre, as CITY, invites sealed bids for the above-stated project and will receive such bids in the office of the City Clerk, 232 W. Sierra Madre Boulevard, Sierra Madre, California, 91024, up to the hour of 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, the 6th day of June 2023, at which time the bids will be publicly read aloud in the Sierra Madre City Hall Council Chambers.

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The project consists of water main replacement and street improvements for a stretch of 1,300 LF of street, in the City of Sierra Madre. The work is shown on the Plans, which are provided separately.

#### ACCESS TO CONTRACT DOCUMENTS:

Copies of the plans, specifications, and contract documents are available for download in the Public Works section of the City's website: [www.cityofsierramadre.com](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com). Bidders downloading plans from the website must sign up and follow the instructions, having done so bidders will be placed on the plan holders' list and receive addendums. The City may be contacted at (626) 355-6615, or by email at [ecimino@cityofsierramadre.com](mailto:ecimino@cityofsierramadre.com).

[https://www.cityofsierramadre.com/business/requests\\_for\\_proposals/construction\\_projects](https://www.cityofsierramadre.com/business/requests_for_proposals/construction_projects)

Bidders downloading plans from either the City's website will be added to the plan holders' list and receive addendums. Notwithstanding, it is the Bidder's responsibility to check for updates, and verify if any and all addendums have been posted. The City may be contacted at (626) 355-6615, or by email at [ecimino@cityofsierramadre.com](mailto:ecimino@cityofsierramadre.com).

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## WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

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The beating of our mother's heart,  
The first sound that we hear.  
Love and peace surround us...  
And God...is very near.  
Your mother, my mother,  
And Mary...the mother of...God." \**



*\*Lyrics from "Your Mother, My Mother" - Star of Wonder - A Christmas Musical  
Book & Lyrics by Deanne Davis, Music by David Wheatley.*

Tomorrow is Mother's Day, a joyful time to get together with family and celebrate all the mothers we know. Several of the mothers in my family are on a Princess cruise ship looking at glaciers, experiencing sunsets beyond belief, not seeing whales just yet, and killing it at ping pong. I'm also seeing glasses of champagne. My granddaughter, Ashley, is about to become a mother for the third time as the baby boy she is carrying may arrive before this newspaper comes out.

I'm doing a whole bunch of Blue Mountain cards to all the moms in our family and I have kept some of my Mother's Day cards from previous years. The words on these are so encouraging, so loving, so worth repeating...

"To my mother. We all need someone to believe in us...in who we are and in all we can become. Someone to cheer, encourage, comfort and guide us...to give us the confidence we need to believe in ourselves and in our potential to reach our dreams. Thank you for being my someone. May you know how much your love and support mean to me and always will."

"Family is love and laughter, strength and smiles, hope and happiness. Every Mother's Day is a gift - a chance to go back through the memories of the heart and say thank you; for a home that was warm and welcoming and filled with life and laughter - where every day seemed to hold some small adventure and something new to learn. For a family that loves being together - cares for each other and helps one another through all the big and little ups and downs of life, for a connection that gives meaning, purpose and joy to every day."

I will miss being with all the mothers in my family, who are numerous, probably just like your family. But, dear friends and neighbors, our hearts are always connected. We are never truly apart as the ties of love are very strong. God made us that way. And, speaking of God, I think the best essay ever about mothers was written by Erma Bombeck around 1974. I share this with you each year as I think it's just the perfect thing to say on Mother's Day.

"When the Good Lord was creating mothers, He was into His sixth day of "overtime" when one of His angels appeared and said, "You're doing a lot of fiddling around on this one." And God said, "Have you read the specs on this order?" She has to be completely washable, but not plastic. Have 180 moveable parts...all replaceable. Run on black coffee and leftovers. Have a lap that disappears when she stands up. A kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair. And six pairs of hands."

The angel shook her head slowly and said, "Six pairs of hands.... no way." "It's not the hands that are causing me problems," God remarked, "it's the three pairs of eyes that mothers have to have." "That's on the standard model?" asked the angel. God nodded. "One pair that sees through closed doors when she asks, 'What are you kids doing in there?' when she already knows. Another here in the back of her head that sees what she shouldn't but what she has to know, and, of course, the ones here in front that can look at a child when he goofs up and say, 'I understand and I love you' without so much as uttering a word."

"God," said the angel touching his sleeve gently, "Get some rest and look at it again tomorrow..." "I can't," said God, "I'm so close to creating something so close to myself. Already I have one who heals herself when she is sick...can feed a family of six on one pound of hamburger...and can get a nine-year-old to stand under a shower."

The angel circled the model of a mother very slowly. "It's too soft," she sighed. "But tough!" said God excitedly. "You can't imagine what this mother can do or endure." "Can it think?"

"Not only can it think, but it can reason and compromise," said the Creator. Finally, the angel bent over and ran her finger across the cheek. "There's a leak," she pronounced. "I told You that You were trying to put too much into this model."

"It's not a leak," said the Lord, "It's a tear." "What's it for?"

"It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness, and pride." "You are a genius," said the angel. Somberly, God said, "I didn't put it there." Erma Bombeck, *When God Created Mothers*

I'm wishing each of you a Happy Mother's Day. Make phone calls, send a beautiful bouquet, send texts, and say I love you! Say it a lot! May God bless all the mothers we know.

"A mother is a person who, seeing there are only four pieces of pie for five people, promptly announces she never did care for pie." Tenneva Jordan

*My book page: Amazon.com: Deanne Davis  
Where you'll find the Emma Gainsworth Kindle novelettes,  
Along with other goodies like "A Treasure Map, A Drunken Owl  
And 47 Rattlers in A Bag" True Tales of Early California*



## SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

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

### Monday, May 1 - Residential Burglary

At approximately 10 pm, officers responded to the 500 block of Santa Anita Court regarding a residential burglary. Upon arrival, officers determined that from 8:50 pm to 9:50 pm, an unknown suspect(s) cut the power to the residence and used a blunt object to force entry into the residence. Once inside, the suspect(s) ransacked multiple rooms stealing property. After the theft, the suspect(s) fled the area in a vehicle. The Detective Bureau is following up on this incident.

### Tuesday, May 2 Arrest for Trespass

At approximately 11 am, officers responded to the 700 block of Woodland Dr regarding a trespass. Upon arrival, an officer met with the City Code Enforcement Officer, who saw a subject inside a red-tagged residence. Officers eventually contacted a subject, a transient. Officers later arrested the subject and later released a citation for trespassing.

### Thursday, May 4 Grand Theft

A resident completed an online report regarding the theft of packages in the 200 block of W. Montecito Ave. The resident stated their package deliveries were stolen from their porch between 2:30 pm to 9:30 pm. The Detective Bureau is following up on this incident

### Friday, May 5 Arrest for Assault with a Deadly Weapon

At approximately 2 pm, officers responded to the 100 block of N. Grove St. regarding a fight. Upon arrival, officers determined that there was a fight between family members. One subject was arrested and booked at the Pasadena City Jail for assault with a deadly weapon.

### Saturday, May 6 Exhibiting a Deadly Weapon

At approximately 11:50 pm, officers responded to the 00 block W. Sierra Madre Blvd, the Buccaneer Lounge, for reports of a subject brandishing a knife in a deadly manner. Upon arrival, an officer determined that a male subject brandished a knife and threatened several patrons of the business. The subject fled the area before officers arrived and was not located. The Detective Bureau is following up on this incident



# Sierra Madre Kiwanis

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SAVE THE DATE: July 1, 2023 Boot Skootin' Chili Cook Off  
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## Weather Wise



6-Day Forecast Sierra Madre, Ca.

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

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

### SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 23, 2023 5:30pm

#### THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS!

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

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

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

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

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

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

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# Pasadena Altadena

News From Your Community For Your Community

## City Brings Attention to Importance of Mental Health

Pasadena Public Health Department (PPHD) announced the recognition of Mental Health Awareness Month in May to bring attention to the importance of mental health and promote resources for well-being.

Mental illness is a widespread issue that affects people of all ages, backgrounds and socioeconomic status. According to the National Alliance on Mental Illness, one in five U.S. adults and one in six children between the ages of six and 17 experience mental illness each year. Additionally, the stigma surrounding mental illness causes many to face their mental health challenges for years without help.

"For someone in need of help, raising awareness can be a turning point for acceptance, improved understanding and access to support," said Manuel Carmona, acting public health director. "When someone shares a mental health concern with you, it is a critical opportunity to let them know it is okay to not be okay and help them connect to important resources."

PPHD encourages anyone who needs mental health support to seek help. Crisis counseling services are available to Pasadena residents including:

### Pacific Clinics

Call (877) PC-CARES for emergency mental health services, Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### LA County Crisis Text Line

Text LA to 741741 for services available 24/7.

### Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH) ACCESS Program

Call (800) 854-7771, available 24/7. This serves as the main entry point to emergency mental health services in the county, including in Pasadena. **988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline** Call 9-8-8 to access a 24/7 national network of local crisis centers that provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress. 988 text messaging and online chat is also available.

If you or a loved one is in immediate danger, call 9-1-1 and ask the operator for an officer trained in crisis intervention for a psychiatric emergency.

There are several specialized mental health assistance programs offering non-emergency services in the greater Pasadena area. A list of local resources can be found in the Pasadena Emotional Health and Well-Being Resource Guide. Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) offers families additional mental health resources through the Mental Health Services Department. Additionally, individuals are encouraged to contact their primary care provider or health insurance to access a list of providers in their insurance network.

PPHD receives limited funding from LACDMH to support programs that link transitional-age youth and older adults experiencing homelessness to community-based mental health services. The department is not currently funded to offer emergency mental health services or direct patient care. For the Resource Guide or more information visit: [cityofpasadena.net](http://cityofpasadena.net).



## New Residential Care Facility Proposed

The Pasadena city council is set Monday to hear a Predevelopment Plan Review asking to build a six story residential care facility on East Walnut Street near Lake Avenue, the site of the now shuttered Conrad's restaurant.

According to the city council's staff report, Harbert South Bay, LLC, has submitted plans for a new six-story, 95-room, residential care facility with 60 subterranean parking spaces.

"The existing restaurant [Conrad's] building, and surface parking lot would be demolished to accommodate the project," city staff said.

The proposal calls for combining three parcels to create one project site measuring

27,762 square feet with a height of up to 75 feet,

A total of 67 rooms would be designated for assisted living, and an additional 28 rooms will be for memory care.

The plans also include covered patios, a swimming pool, courtyards, terraces, several common and private dining rooms, a theater, an arts and crafts room and a private piano lounge/library.

The project site is bordered by a two-story, 28 foot tall, commercial office building to the north, a seven-story, 76 foot tall, mixed-use building to the east, across Lake Avenue, and a six-story, 90 foot tall, commercial office building to the south, across Walnut Avenue.

A five-story, 70 foot tall multi-family development borders the project site to the west. A Ralphs supermarket is kitty-corner to the site.

The report also states that the facility would receive a license from the State of California, Department of Social Services prior to operation. The facility would provide hospitality, wellness, health and fitness programs led by full-time staff.

The council meets at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Pasadena City Hall 100 North Garfield Avenue, Room S249. There will be opportunity for public comment.

## Celebrity Guests to Read Original Sci-Fi by Teens

Celebrity guests are set to gather at Vroman's Bookstore to dramatically read the best in original new science fiction writing by Los Angeles County high school students for "The Tomorrow Prize and The Green Feather Award Celebrity Readings and Honors."

The event will take place on Saturday, May 20 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

This event is free to attend with registration. Register on Eventbrite at: [bit.ly/tomorrow-gfa-honors](http://bit.ly/tomorrow-gfa-honors)

Featured celebrity guests include: Yasmine Al-Bustami (The Originals, NCIS: Hawai'i, Orbital Redux), Rico E. Anderson (The Orville, Star Trek, Truth Be Told), Jasika Nicole (Fringe, The Good Doctor, Punky Brewster), Phil Anthony Rodriguez (Star Wars: Rebels, Grimm), Leilani Shiu (The Madalorian, The Book of Boba Fett), Amy Tolsky (Trust), and more.

"We are so excited to hear original sci-fi by this year's student honorees be brought to life on stage," Omega Sci-Fi Awards Director Rosalind Helfand said.

The Tomorrow Prize is an opportunity for students to shine as the thinkers of the future! Teen writers are encouraged to explore scientific, social, technological, environmental, moral and philosophical themes and issues in their writing and always, at the core, to master the art of great storytelling.

The show will feature dramatic readings of seven compelling short stories. These include five Finalists for The Tomorrow Prize: Rafael Chavez for "What Lies Beyond" (Port of Los Angeles High School), Barrie Komsky for "Burn the World, Build with the Ashes" (Cleveland Charter High School), Miguel Lujan for "Nights in the City" (Downtown Magnets High School), Evin Manlapaz for "The Blanket" (John Marshall High School), and Jasmine Sov for "Obsolete" (Pasadena High School).

Celebrities will also read two eco-themed short sci-fi

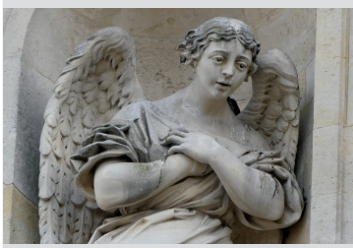
stories by the winners of The Green Feather Award, which is a special prize co-sponsored by the Nature Nexus Institute. The writers weave themes of social and environmental justice into their stories and envision futures where the world looks very different than it does today. The Green Feather Award Winners are: Diana Pena for "Painting the Way Through the Future" (Downtown Magnets High School) and Haifa Maung and Fia Layne for "Connections with Sage the Fungi" (Culver City High School).

The Tomorrow Prize Honorable Mentions will be honored on stage with certificate and include: Hayden Blocker for "Curse of the God King" (Hollywood High School), Acaju Gastelum for "Ocean Crash" (Port of Los Angeles High School), Isaac Graham for "Oh Kanada" (Pasadena High School), Sadik Mahmud for "Gehenna's Sanctum" (Downtown Magnets High School), Luis Martinez for "Time" (Hollywood High School), Natalie Martinez for "Digital" (Port of Los Angeles High School), and Valery Rodriguez for "Valiente" (Downtown Magnets High School). The Green Feather Award Honorable Mentions include: Trotsky Cartagena for "Dirty Waters" (Port of Los Angeles High School), Abida Chowdhury for "Our Second Earth" (Orthopaedic Medical Magnet High School), Nafisa Islam for "Aqua" (Downtown Magnets High School), Adam Kim / Bennett Kim / Brandon Brozagal for "A Manatee's Hope" (Culver City High School), Giovanni Lorenzo for "The Box" (Downtown Magnets High School), and Aryan Punj / Hambee Makinoda / Bato Euol for "Evolution is the Solution" (Culver City High School).

Following the readings, the students will be honored and the three top prize winners announced. This year's special guest presenters include American playwright and director Elizabeth Wong.

More Information: [lightbringerproject.org/science-fiction-competitions](http://lightbringerproject.org/science-fiction-competitions).

## Discover Paris in Springtime



As part of the Pasadena Senior Center's Cultural Thursdays series, Annie Laskey, director of special events, will share photos and tell tales about her recent adventures in the greater Paris area Thursday, May 25, at 2 p.m. via Zoom.

In addition to a few obligatory locations such as the Louvre, Notre Dame and Versailles, Laskey and a friend mostly visited lesser known historic churches, small museums and out-of-the-way cafes that ordinarily are not patronized by tourists.

Laskey shot 1,100 photos and will feature some of her favorites for this presentation, which she will narrate.

The event is free for members of the Pasadena Senior Center and only \$5 for nonmembers. Anyone 50 and older can become a member of the Pasadena Senior Center by visiting the website and clicking on Donation & Membership.

In addition to online classes, onsite events and other activities, members and nonmembers of the Pasadena Senior Center are encouraged to visit the website regularly for a quarterly online magazine, free food delivery for older adults in need, COVID updates specifically for older adults and more.

To register or for more information, visit: [pasadenaseniorecenter.org](http://pasadenaseniorecenter.org) or call 626-795-4331. Everyone who registers will receive a link to the Zoom presentation.

## City Honors Fallen Police Officers and Firefighters



The City of Pasadena hosted their annual Police and Fire Memorial Service Wednesday in front of City Hall. The event is held during National Police Week and marks the 12th year that City officials, police and fire personnel, and community members come together to honor the bravery and sacrifice of Pasadena's first responders who died in the line of duty.

"Thank you to everyone who

attended this morning's Police and Fire Memorial Service as we honored the bravery and sacrifice of the seven Pasadena police officers and 12 firefighters who died in the line of duty over the last 115 years," officials said.

Family members of the fallen heroes were honored with a public reading of their loved one's name and year of passing, an important tribute to the many families who return year after year.

## Symphony Announces PYSO Music Education Expansion



The Pasadena Symphony Association announced the expansion of the Pasadena Youth Symphony Orchestras (PYSO). The PYSO will expand its programming threefold - the organization will launch a summer intensive program for students in grades 5-8, the All City Orchestra (ACO), a no-cost ensemble for underserved PUSD students. This expansion is made possible by generous support from the Helen and Will Webster Foundation.

The PYSO expansion will kick-off with the 2023/24 school year by adding McKinley School as the third site for the All City Orchestra (ACO), a no-cost ensemble for underserved PUSD students in grades 3-5, currently housed at Jackson Elementary and Field Elementary Schools. ACO will also increase staffing for weekly rehearsals, adding one conductor and four coaches per instrument.

Also beginning in the Fall 2023 semester, PYSO will provide instruments on loan to PUSD students who wouldn't otherwise have access to them. The organization will invest more than \$30,000 into PUSD to build a music instrument library, so that kids can have their own instrument while on their musical learning journey. This money will also facilitate the purchase of a stage timpani for Pasadena High School for

rehearsals and performances.

In summer 2024, PYSO will launch its new summer intensive - a two-week, daily program providing instruction for beginner/intermediate students in grades 5-8, so that students can have year-round access to music education. This expanded programming will allow the PYSO to continue their commitment to providing music education far beyond the weekly instruction they offer students, in shaping today's youth to become community leaders of tomorrow.

The Pasadena Youth Symphony Orchestras (PYSO) has been training tomorrow's leaders since 1972. As a centerpiece of the Pasadena Symphony Association's education initiatives, PYSO has continually offered robust musical training and personal development for young musicians throughout the San Gabriel Valley. Now in its 52nd season, PYSO is considered among the finest youth orchestras in the country and is the centerpiece of the Pasadena Symphony Association's education program.

The PYSO serves students from 29 cities throughout Los Angeles County and the San Gabriel Valley.

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## San Marino Upcoming Events & Programming

### Coffee & Crammin'

Monday-Wednesday, May 22-24 from 3:30 – 8:30 PM, Barth Community Room

Drinks and study snacks will be provided for students in grades 9-12 using the Community Room to prepare for finals. Registration is not required. Note: the session on Monday, May 22 will be held in the Thornton Conference Room.

### San Marino Historical Society: Chuck Thornton

Monday, May 22 from 7 – 8 PM, Barth Community Room

In its Speakers Series, the San Marino Historical Society presents quarterly history talks focusing on topics specially selected for our town. Join us to hear from Chuck Thornton! Thornton will show a film and speak about the Thornton Estate, a local historical landmark formerly known as the Katherine Emery Estate. His video presentation will take us on a journey of preservation and perseverance and chronicle the rich history of the house and the people who have lived there since its construction in 1928. Registration is not required.

### Coffee, Tea, and Chat

Friday, May 26 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.

### Memorial Day Service

Monday, May 29 at 9 AM, Lacy Park

Please join us as we pay tribute to the dedication and sacrifices the men and women of our Nation's Armed Forces have made. The ceremony will include recognition of Veterans, special guest speakers, and patriotic music. The event is free and open to the public.

### Meetings

#### Public Safety Commission

Monday, May 15 at 6:00 PM; City Hall Council Chambers and Zoom (Public Access)

#### Library Board of Trustees

Monday, May 22 at 8:00 AM; Barth Room Crowell Public Library and Zoom (Public Access)

#### Planning Commission Meeting

Wednesday, May 24 at 6:00 PM; City Hall Council Chambers and Zoom (Public Access)

#### Fire Department Recent Happenings

On Monday, May 1 and Tuesday, May 2, the Fire Department hosted the Valentine Elementary 1st grade classes for a fire safety demonstration and station tour. The Fire Department regularly provides educational demonstrations for non-profit organizations such as schools and local youth programs. The department also provides quarterly first aid and preparedness workshops for San Marino residents of all ages. The next first-aid workshop is tentatively scheduled for June 2023.

Training during the week of May 1 to May 8 included continuing education with the department's nurse educator, driver operator training, hose lays, ropes, knots, and low-angle rescue. Fire Department personnel continue to focus training efforts on the department's probationary firefighters. Two probationary firefighters have recently completed their 12-month evaluation. They will each be assigned a special project for their remaining four months of probation, and complete Driver Operator 1A and 1B certification.

#### Gate Upgrades at Lacy Park

Modifications to three existing metal gates on the north side of Lacy Park along Virginia Road were recently completed. 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 Musical Performance at the San Marino Library

Marc Berger's critically acclaimed album "RIDE," a collection of romance songs about the West, has received national airplay and been licensed by STARBUCKS for worldwide in-store airplay. At this special concert, Marc will perform songs from the album and share some unforgettable stories about his experiences as an Easterner in remote parts of the American West. Registration is required. Register online at [CityofSanMarino.org/Registration](http://CityofSanMarino.org/Registration). The Crowell Public Library Barth Community Room is located 1890 Huntington Dr San Marino. See flyer below.

## PWP Celebrates May as Water Awareness Month



Throughout the month of May, Pasadena Water and Power (PWP) is promoting water awareness through educational events, facility tours and the reaffirmation of the summer outdoor watering schedule. PWP urges the public to continue water-wise practices to help soften the severity of future droughts.

Water Awareness Month is a statewide annual outreach campaign to spread the word about the value of conserving water, one of our most precious natural resources. This month, PWP reminds customers that Pasadena is now on the summer watering schedule as outlined by the Level 2 Water Supply Shortage Plan. Even-numbered addresses can water on Mondays and Thursdays, while odd-numbered addresses can water on Tuesdays and Fridays. Trees are also a precious natural resource. Direct hand-watering is the ideal way to keep up tree care and maintenance.

"Pasadena residents and businesses continue to embrace water conservation in our great city. Since proactively implementing Level 2 of Pasadena's Water Supply Shortage Plan in August 2021, community members have saved more than two billion gallons of water," says PWP General Manager Sidney Jackson. "We are thankful for their ongoing impactful actions to save water."

In support of Water Awareness Month, PWP will be holding "Water Cooler Talks," a weekly

Tuesday evening webinar on water conservation topics ranging from turf rebates to soil regeneration. On May 20, PWP will also host an open house at the Monk Hill Water Treatment Facility. For more information on these events, including details on how to RSVP, visit [PWPweb.com/May](http://PWPweb.com/May).

PWP is also accepting submissions for the annual "Water is Life" Student Art Contest, sponsored by PWP and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD). All K-12 students attending school in Pasadena are encouraged to submit artwork portraying a water-wise theme, along with a short message about water conservation. All entries must be submitted by June 2. For contest guidelines, visit [PWPweb.com/ArtContest](http://PWPweb.com/ArtContest).

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## Pasadena Celebrates AAPI Heritage Month

The City of Pasadena is set to celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month in May. This is a time to honor and recognize the contributions of the AAPI community that shapes the rich cultural tapestry of our city and nation. Pasadena Public Library, Pasadena Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department, and The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library are offering a month-long series of in-person and virtual activities and events to celebrate AAPI heritage, history and achievements. All programs and events are free.

Programs and events include cultural and educational activities, workshops, and take-home craft projects—all of which aim to promote understanding, appreciation and respect for the AAPI community and their contributions to the city of Pasadena.

**Chai & Conversation**  
Thursday, May 18 • 7 p.m. • Zoom  
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for a chat about Indian tea culture, then learn how to make traditional chai. Sign up now to attend. Program registration includes a kit you can pick up beforehand that will let you taste a shortcut version and tea accompaniment. For ages 9+.

#### Create Your Own Miniature Zen Garden

Thursday, May 25 • 4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch Library, 1355 N. Raymond Ave.  
Using recycled materials, create your own miniature Zen garden. All materials provided. To register, call La Pintoresca Branch Library (626) 744-7268. For all ages.

#### Just Yesterday – Stories from the Past

Saturday, May 27 • 10 a.m. • Hastings Branch Library, 3325 E. Orange Grove Blvd.

Join us and discover the past through the personal memories and stories of Pasadena's Nisei generation.

#### Ikebana, the Art of Japanese Flower Arrangement

Saturday, May 27 • 3 p.m. • Lamanda Park Branch Library, 140 N. Altadena Dr.

Join us for an afternoon of Ikebana led by instructor Jessica Tang, who will introduce you to this classical Japanese floral art, then demonstrate freestyle Ikebana. Create your own flower arrangement to take home. All materials provided. Sign up now to attend or call (626) 744-7266. For ages 18+.

#### TAIKO Project

Tuesday, May 30 • 4 p.m. • La Pintoresca Branch Library, 1355 N. Raymond Ave.

Hear the powerful drums and electrifying rhythms that have played an important role in Japan's festivals since ancient times. TAIKOPROJECT! is presented by The Music Center. For all ages.

#### Tapa Cloth

Wednesday, May 31 • 4 p.m. • Villa Parke Branch Library, 363 E. Villa St., 2nd Floor

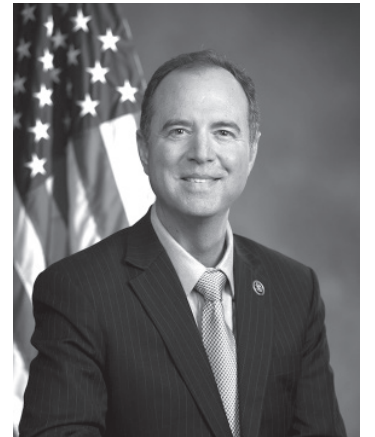
Make your own "tapa cloth" out of construction paper. Tapa cloth or tapa is a barkcloth made in the islands of the Pacific Ocean, primarily Tonga, Samoa and Fiji. All materials provided. For ages 5-12.

For more information or to make an accessibility request, contact (626) 744-7311 or [CSC@CityOfPasadena.net](mailto:CSC@CityOfPasadena.net). Providing at least 72 hours advance notice will help ensure availability.

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## Schiff Introduces Hotels to Housing Conversion Act

Congressman Adam Schiff, last week, introduced the Hotels to Housing Conversion Act. This legislation would authorize \$750 million in funding for state governments and housing authorities to work with local governments and community organizations to convert hotels, motels, and unused residential properties into emergency shelters, and transitional and permanent housing for people experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity. The legislation would also fund wrap-around services like job placement, mental health resources, and legal help.



Homelessness continues to be a growing crisis in California. According to the Public Policy Institute of California, 30% of all people experiencing homelessness in the United States were living in California. A recent report from the RAND Center on Housing and Homelessness in Los Angeles surveyed over 400 unsheltered people and found that 90% of respondents indicated interest in receiving housing, and 29% reported currently being on a waitlist for housing. Around 85% of respondents said they would accept offers of placement into permanent supportive housing, a hotel or motel, or a private shelter—however, two of the most common reasons respondents cited for not moving into housing were lack of privacy and housing safety.

Additional challenges for the unhoused include mental health, physical health, job instability, and the housing shortage. The Hotels to Housing Conversion Act

would help mitigate some of the barriers to housing by providing solutions that are private, safe, supportive, and responsive to community needs.

"Solving the homelessness crisis in California and around the nation requires an aggressive and collaborative effort at the federal, state, and local levels. The rising costs of living coupled with a shortage of affordable housing means we must use a range of strategies to get people into transitional and permanent housing. By converting hotels and motels into housing, and providing support services, we can help get people off the street and back on their feet," said Rep. Schiff. "While converting hotels into housing is not a panacea, we should take solutions that work and put more federal funding behind those efforts."

The Hotels to Housing Conversion Act is endorsed by the Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP) and the National Community Development Association. The bill is cosponsored by Reps. Juan Vargas (D-Calif.) and Kevin Mullin (D-Calif.).

The full bill text is available at: [schiff.house.gov](http://schiff.house.gov).

## The Reward Increased for Altadena Boy's Murder

LA County Supervisor Kathryn Barger introduced a motion Tuesday to increase and extend the reward offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person responsible for the murder of four-year-old Salvador "Chavita" Esparza III.

The young boy was shot while standing on the porch of a home he was visiting in unincorporated Altadena on July 5, 2016. The County of Los Angeles will now offer a \$75,000 reward.

"Six years ago, little Salvador's life was violently and tragically ended," said Supervisor Kathryn Barger. "I am extending and increasing the reward amount because I have faith that there's someone out there who can help bring justice for the Esparza family. Every bit of information

helps, so don't hesitate to reach out. Help us identify the perpetrator who robbed Salvador of his future and left an unfillable void in his family's heart."

Pasadena Mayor Victor Gordo also weighed in, asking the community to do their part.

"Little Chavita Esparza would have been 11 years-old this year," Mayor Gordo said. "Instead, he was shot and killed when he was just 4 years-old in July 2016. He has not been forgotten and we are appealing to the public, once again, to step up and provide needed information to help us solve the horrific killing of this innocent little boy. We are grateful to Supervisor Barger for her leadership and support in increasing and extending the reward monies to help identify and arrest those responsible for this heinous crime."

The murder is being investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Homicide Division. To report a tip contact Sergeant Dominick Recchia at (323) 890-5500.

## Pasadena Celebrates Older Americans With Free Event

The City of Pasadena Senior Commission will host the City's second annual Older Americans Month celebration on Tuesday, May 23, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at McDonald Park, 1000 E. Mountain St. The free event will highlight Pasadena's range of resources for older adults and offer giveaways, food, presentations and more!

May is Older Americans Month as proclaimed by the federal Administration for Community Living. This year's theme, Aging Unbound, provides an opportunity to explore diverse aging experiences and discuss how communities can combat stereotypes.

Pasadena resources for older adults include world-class healthcare facilities, a vibrant art and culture community, accessible public transportation, numerous senior living communities, and many organizations

focused on maintaining the health and well-being of older residents. Organizations representing these sectors and more will be at the May 23 celebration.

Pasadena Transit Dial-A-Ride is offering free rides to residents ages 60+ who are Dial-a-Ride members. To apply for Dial-A-Ride membership, call (626) 791-7200. For all transportation inquiries, visit the Pasadena Transit website.

This event is made possible with the support of Pasadena Village, Home Instead Pasadena, Villa Gardens, Forest Lawn Memorial-Parks & Mortuaries, Pegasus Home Health Care, Han Research Lab, and Anthem Blue Cross.

For more information about the event, visit

[CityOfPasadena.net/OAM](http://CityOfPasadena.net/OAM) or call (626) 744-7300. For accessibility information and requests, contact (626) 744-7311. Provide at least 72 hours advance notice will help ensure availability.

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## ARCADIA PERFORMING ARTS CENTER PRESENTS:

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**Saturday, June 10, 2023**  
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This choral performance will be complemented by an entertaining narrative that highlights the performance, and some beautiful and fascinating video imagery.

Location: Arcadia Performing Arts Center 188 Campus Drive. - Arcadia

Tickets: Available thru Websites: <http://TowneSingers.org> with an additional \$1 per ticket PayPal processing fee Adults - \$25 Children (3-12) - \$10

The Towne Singers is an organization supported, in part, by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors through Los Angeles County Arts Commission.

## MONROVIA FOOTNOTES SIDEWALK POETRY CONTEST

The City of Monrovia, Art in Public Places is excited to announce the return of the annual Foot-notes Sidewalk Poetry Contest. Residents of all ages are invited to submit small poems that will be stamped into newly poured sidewalks throughout the community.

The program was designed with the goal of utilizing "word" art as a vehicle to encourage walkability and celebrate the poetic talents of community members. Applications are available on the City of Monrovia website and will be accepted through Thursday, June 29, 2023. Please contact Kerri Zes-sau at 626-932-5564 or [kzessau@ci.monrovia.ca.us](mailto:kzessau@ci.monrovia.ca.us) for questions.

## MONROVIA DAYS IS BACK!

The City of Monrovia, Monrovia Unified School District, and Centre Stage are excited to announce the three-day Monrovia Days celebration, Friday, May 19 - Sunday, May 21, 2023! Throughout the weekend, celebration activities will include a Youth Performance from the Monrovia Unified School District and Centre Stage, a parade, live music, a beer garden, Merengue's Famous Pie Eating Con-test, a carnival, and so much more!

If you're interested in joining the Pie Eating contest, please complete the application and return to the Monrovia Community Center (119 W. Palm Ave). The contest allows teams of 5 members to participate, 1st place will win \$300, 2nd place will win \$150, and third place will win \$50!

The Monrovia Days Parade will take place on Saturday, May 20, 2023, at 10 a.m., featuring our local youth, "Scholars and Champions." If you or someone you know is interested in participating in the parade, please submit an application by next Friday, May 12, 2023. Make sure you purchase your carnival wristband today! Please visit [www.monroviadays.org](http://www.monroviadays.org) for more information.

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## Free Caltech Events for May

### William & Myrtle Harris Distinguished Lectureship in Science and Civilization

On Meerkats and Marmots: Long-term Research and the Birth of Behavioral Ecology  
 Erika L. Milam, Charles C. and Emily R. Gillispie Professor in the History of Science and Professor of History, Princeton University

THURSDAY, May 18, at 5 p.m. PT  
 Noyes 147 (J. Holmes Sturdivant Lecture Hall)

By investing in long-term projects, ecologists have crafted living archives of animal behavior that now constitute decades of data on chimpanzees, marmots, scrub jays, meerkats, bottlenose dolphins, and more. Through a historical lens, this talk explores the importance of such long-term thinking in a world that exalts quick innovation.

### Francis Bacon Keynote Lecture: Babylonian Horoscopy and Genethliology

Francesca Rochberg, Francis Bacon Visiting Professor of History, Caltech; Catherine and William L. Magistretti Distinguished Professor of Near Eastern Studies, UC Berkeley  
 FRIDAY, MAY 19, at 4 p.m. PT  
 Baxter Lecture Hall

This talk addresses the question of horoscopy in late Babylonian astral sciences and discusses its place in the larger framework of the history of astrology.

### Watson Lecture: Artificial Intelligence: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly

Yaser Abu-Mostafa (PhD '83), Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science  
 WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, at 7:30 p.m. PT  
 In person: Beckman Auditorium  
 Online: [caltech.edu/watson](http://caltech.edu/watson)

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is a fast-evolving technology with stunning success stories such as the recent application called ChatGPT. AI now beats humans at many of their own

games. How did this happen? In this lecture, Abu-Mostafa will explain how AI works and will describe the scientific journey of AI since the 1980s, including Caltech's foundational role in its development. He will also address the hype that surrounds AI, both positive and negative, and put it in scientific perspective.

Friends of Beckman Auditorium are invited to the Beckman Lounge beginning at 6:30 p.m. to enjoy complimentary refreshments before the lecture. RSVP to [fob@caltech.edu](mailto:fob@caltech.edu) or (626) 395-6400.

This lecture will be presented in a hybrid format, allowing for both virtual viewers and in-person attendees. No advance registration is required for either format.

### Behind the Book: Caltech Magazine Edition

Jess Adkins, Caltech's Smits Family Professor of Geochemistry and Global Environmental Science and CEO of Calcareo

Julie Schoenfeld, Caltech's Entrepreneur in Residence for Physical Sciences in conversation with Lori Dajose (BS '15), Caltech Science Writer  
 WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, at 5 p.m. PT  
 Online

"From Scientist to CEO" is the inaugural Behind the Book: Caltech Magazine Edition panel discussion. This new event series aims to delve deeper into the issues and stories included in each print issue of Caltech magazine, which is published in the spring and fall of each calendar year. During the event, Adkins and Schoenfeld will discuss the process of taking an idea from the lab into the commercial sector, the learning curve involved with running a company after working in academia, and the ways in which Caltech can assist entrepreneurs across campus.

Sign up at: [events.caltech.edu](http://events.caltech.edu).

## Pasadena Chalk Fest Moved to the Convention Center



Just days after fist announcing that the 30th Annual Pasadena Chalk Festival would be canceled this year, organized reversed course Tuesday saying that the Chalk Festival is back on—the event will now be held at the Pasadena Convention Center Father's Day weekend.

For years the Festival was co-sponsored by and held at the Paseo, an open-air shopping center.

Light Bringer Project, Board Chair, Tom Coston said that "Light Bringer Project will hold the 2023 Pasadena Chalk Festival this coming father's Day weekend on the Plaza of the Pasadena Convention Center. We are very grateful to The Pasadena Convention & Visitors Bureau, The Pasadena Convention Center, and the City of Pasadena who have partnered together with us to preserve this year's event."

Over the years, the Chalk Festival had used the Convention Center as an overflow for the artists. In a statement April 27, Coston had said, "The Paseo, host for

the festival for more than fifteen years, is now under the auspices of its new owner, real estate developer Onni Group. We have been apprised by Onni that the previous financial and labor resources the festival has always relied upon will not be provided to us."

Coston added that they had been inquiring with other venues, including the Convention Center.

The Pasadena Chalk Festival brings together more than 600 dedicated and talented artists from Southern California and around the world with about 25,000 pieces of colorful chalk to showcase this unique centuries-old art form.

In 2010, the event took its place in the Guinness Book of World Records as the largest public art event of its kind.

During the weekend, the Pasadena Police will also showcase their Annual Pasadena Police Classic Car Show Sunday across Colorado Blvd. at Pasadena City Hall. For festival information visit: [pasadenachalkfestival.com](http://pasadenachalkfestival.com).

## Pasadena New 'Text Before Tow' Program

The City of Pasadena's Department of Transportation announced Tuesday the rollout of a new program to provide motorists a better parking experience. The Text Before Tow program notifies enrolled participants via text and email of an impending tow due to blocked driveway, temporary no parking and 72-hour parking violations.

According to officials, in some situations, motorists may be unaware that they're at risk of being towed and simply

need to be alerted. One of the lesser known violations is the 72-hour parking violation. Traditionally, the City leaves a courtesy note when a car is tagged for removal due to violation; however, not everyone sees the note. To help residents avoid a costly tow, Pasadena adopted San Francisco's Text Before Tow program, launched in 2022. After a few months of development by the City's Department of Information Technology, the program is ready to launch here in Pasadena.

Anyone who would like to sign up for the Text Before Tow program may do so for free using this web form. For additional information, contact the Department of Transportation's Parking Services Division at (626) 744-7665.

## Chamber to Hold Networking Connection Breakfast at NOOR

Join the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, May 17 at 7:30am for our networking Connection Breakfast. Beginning in May, we are moving the breakfast to NOOR in the Paseo at 300 East Colorado in downtown Pasadena.

Dr. Dennis Buckley of Health Advantage Physical Medicine moderates the breakfast networking event. Join Pasadena Chamber members to promote your business, make new contacts, visit with friends and enjoy breakfast at Noor.

"Everyone who attends the Connection Breakfast has the chance to briefly present their business to the room and there is plenty of time for networking," said Chamber President and CEO Paul Little. "It is a great opportunity to expand contacts, promote a service or product and make connections that can lead to business in the future."

Cost is \$35 for Pasadena Chamber members and \$40 for non-members.

To attend, you must register and pay online by the close of business the Thursday before.

Register online at: [pasadena-chamber.org/other/breakfast-connection](http://pasadena-chamber.org/other/breakfast-connection).

There is 90 minutes of

validated parking available in the Marengo structure at 45 South Marengo Avenue. (Park on the top level and walk across the short pedestrian bridge over Marengo Avenue to get to NOOR.) Please be sure to bring your parking ticket with you. NOOR will validate so the first 90 minutes of parking is free.

"We are very excited to be moving our networking Connection Breakfast to Noor," said Mr. Little. "It is a wonderful venue, well suited to our needs, with great staff, terrific food and an easily accessible location in downtown Pasadena. We anticipate a very successful event and hope to see a lot of new faces."

The Pasadena Chamber of Commerce and Civic Association is a professional business organization. Since the earliest days of Pasadena, the Chamber has played a major role in the development of this internationally renowned city. Founded in 1888 as the Board of Trade, the Chamber's primary purpose has been the enhancement of the economy, business climate and the quality of life in Pasadena. The Pasadena Chamber of Commerce currently serves more than 1250 members.



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## Peter Dills Knows

### Happy Mother's Day 2023

The phenomenon of Mother's Day goes well back to ancient Greek times, and really only in the past 100 years have we celebrated here in the United States (in Mexico it's celebrated on Thursday May 10th). I heard on a radio commercial "don't get mom a card this year, get her something she really wants." Okay, it didn't say, "get her a bottle of wine", but for the sake of this article let's get her a bottle of wine. Here are three wines that I have enjoyed with my mom.

For sparkling wine fans, I really like the Domaine Carneros - affordable and easily found in your local supermarket aisles. This wine is as close to real champagne that I ever had!! Planning a backyard/Virtual BBQ for mom? This sparkler is perfect.. At Vons Pasadena around \$29.

I see the billboards all over town, "come Stellabrate". Stella Rosa Prosecco is the perfect wine for the pre-meal toast. The wine is full of mousse (bubbles) and goes well with light appetizers such as cheese and crackers. I've lost count of how many Stella Rosa products are on the shelves, but they are all light on calories and alcohol content. The price point is about \$11 so you could afford two.

Last but not least, a chardonnay. Moms love chardonnay - they can put a little ice in the glass or drink at room temperature. The Pouilly Fuisse, Louis Jadot's white wine made with chardonnay grapes, is the pick here. It's from Burgundy, France, but not bad on the wallet, and has a crispness that makes it an exceptional wine. It retails for about \$22. There are white wines from the same region for a few dollars more, but hey - it's mom we are talking here. Don't be stingy! Whatever direction you take, have a great Mother's Day!

My mom just recently passed, but I will hoist this glass in her honor and for that matter to you as well.

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### UNMASKING THE HIGH

In the age of increasing acceptance and legalization of cannabis, we find ourselves standing on the ridge of a potentially slippery slope. The pink-eyed elephant in the room that we, as a society, need to address is the surge of the psychoactive ingredient, tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) concentrations in cannabis products, and its implications on our health, specifically our cognitive functions and mental well-being.

Far from the days of three-finger lids and a thirty-minute head change, it's disconcerting to see the shift in societal perception of high-powered cannabis usage, especially given the potential fallout on brain health.

Last year, a group of Canadian Epidemiologists studied 7390 participants aged 12-65 and their cannabis usage. They concluded that individuals using cannabis frequently are at increased risk of psychosis. With their developing brains, our young generations stand at the frontline of this possible crisis.

Another Swiss study supported that regular cannabis use is associated with reduced gray matter volume in regions rich in cannabinoid CB1 receptors that are functionally linked to motivational, emotional, and affective processing. Similar to the effects of excessive consumption of short-form content on popular social media platforms.

With the march toward legalization of cannabis gaining momentum, we're witnessing a corresponding rise in the time spent consuming these products. The "Woodstock Weed" of the 70s contained roughly 1-3% THC, which grew to 4% in the early 90s. Now, modern vape pens may have as much as 99% THC. This correlation is a massive red flag that demands our immediate attention.

A most recent study, published May 2023 in the journal Psychological Medicine, involved data from more than 6.9 million people in Denmark aged 16 to 49. The researchers tracked the participants' cannabis use and correlated those diagnosed with schizophrenia. The study found one-fifth of cases of schizophrenia among young males might be prevented by averting cannabis use disorder (CUD).

We must share these findings as we continue to witness cannabis abuse rise in our American youth. This is no wonder, as its use has become discreet and easy as eating candy or taking a pill.

Recognizing the signs of CUD might include spending a lot of time obtaining or using cannabis, stating a strong desire to use it, failing to manage usage, neglecting responsibilities at work, school, or home due to prioritizing cannabis, and continuing to use regardless when it causes problems in relationships or psychological harm.

It's important to encourage an open conversation with children or peers about the potential dangers of cannabis use. Make sure they feel comfortable in the discussion without feeling judged.

Suppose you suspect a loved one may be struggling with CUD. In that case, it may be necessary to seek support from a professional to provide guidance and resources for managing and treating the disorder. Having supported youth and adults in this matter, please get in touch with me. I'll do my best to help anyone overcome these challenges and lead a healthier, fulfilling life.

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<https://ONETAKEACTION-SOUTHPASADENA.eventbrite.com>

**May 11, 2023 - 6:30-8:30 PM. Santa Monica High School - Barnum Hall.**  
Dr. Timothy Fong leads an expert panel with Dr. Don Grant on how cannabis and other addictions impact the individual as well as the family system. Featuring John Lieberman.  
<https://ONETAKEACTION-SAMOH.eventbrite.com>


**May 16, 2023 - 6:30-8:30 PM. Calabasas High School - The Lecture Hall.**  
Dr. Bob Gabbay and Dr. Don Grant lead an expert panel on social media and its relationship to mental health, addiction, and the family. Featuring Angela Carrillo. (LVUSD not affiliated)  
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**May 18, 2023 - 7:00-9:00 PM. El Segundo High School - Auditorium.**  
Candy Finnigan of A&E's Intervention leads an expert panel on Accidental Overdose with signs, symptoms, and solutions. Featuring Jodi Barber.  
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**May 22, 2023 - 6:30-8:30 PM. Alverno Heights Academy - The Villa.**  
Dr. Don Grant leads an expert panel on the impact of social media on teen mental health, body image, and addictive behaviors.  
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**June 1, 2023 - 6:30-8:30 PM. Fairfax High School - Auditorium.**  
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**BETHANY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS: "THE SOUND OF MUSIC"**



Bethany Christian School middle school students performed the musical *The Sound of Music* to full houses on April 21 and 22, 2023. It was the school's first middle school's musical since the pandemic and was warmly received. This heart-warming show was directed by Mr. Daniel Northrop, music teacher at Bethany Christian School.

The show starred Samuel Byrnes as Captain Von Trapp, Caelyn Foster as Maria, and Lucy Crabb as Mother Abbess, Lilianna Patterson as Liesel, Kiera Tkach as Louisa, Lila Pearson as Brigitta, Danielle Choi as Marta, Elise Jakobsen as Gretl, McKinnon Alden as Freidrich, Mathias Jakobsen as Kurt, Isla Stach as Max, Emma Spinelli as Frau Schmidt, Deann McKellop as Sister Berthe, Lexi Adams as Sister Sophia, Joseph Torres as Franz, Sebastian Angelina as Herr Zeller, Nathaniel Behzadi as Von Schneider, Beckett Gohrick as Rolf, and Grant Beck as Elberfeld.

The ensemble included Emily Flores, Mila Soltero, and Lucy Varvel. Audiences enjoyed show favorites such as "Do Re Mi," "Edelweiss," and "Climb Every Mountain." Sets were made by middle school students under the direction of art teacher Rica Rudio. The crew included Ben DiGillio, Emma Crossen, Eva Magallon, Luke Hanrahan, Nathan King, Julia Patterson, and Jaylyn Sayegh.

The show, written by Rodgers and Hammerstein, was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience.



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All forms must be postmarked or sent by email to [scholarship@sierramadrerosefloat.org](mailto:scholarship@sierramadrerosefloat.org) NO LATER than May 17, 2023.

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**BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESIDENT TO DELIVER 2023 STATE OF SCHOOLS**

Pasadena, CA — Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) Board of Education President Michelle Bailey will deliver the 2023 State of the Schools on May 18, 2023, at 6 p.m. at John Muir Early College Magnet High School (1905 N. Lincoln Ave., Pasadena). The annual speech about the state of PUSD schools will include the status of the District's finances, student achievement, and goals for the future.

The PUSD Board President is required by the Pasadena City Charter to deliver a State of the Schools address each year.

Interpretation into Spanish and ASL will be available.

The State of Schools will be streamed live at [www.pusd.us/stateofschools](http://www.pusd.us/stateofschools) and aired on District's KLRN-TV (Ch. 95 on Charter Spectrum and Ch. 99 on AT&T U-Verse).

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Kids: color stuff in!



My Dad and I are digging sand and using it to fill bags. We pile bags two layers deep to keep rising creek water away from our garage. Who would think that a bear would enjoy digging? I also like to watch huge machines moving on roadsides and digging on construction sites. I'd like to learn to operate all of them and be part of a team that builds roads, bridges and buildings.

**Read the clues to fill in the puzzle with tools or machines that dig:**

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a hand tool with a V-shaped blade used to break up soil or lumps when gardening.
2. One special machine, called a \_\_\_\_\_ excavator, digs by drawing the dirt from the earth like a vacuum.
3. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a machine used to dig long, narrow ditches for pipes.
4. The huge \_\_\_\_\_ can cut holes the entire width of a subway passage.
5. An \_\_\_\_\_ can be seen on many construction sites. It is the machine with the powerful tilting bucket to scoop up dirt.
6. The old style \_\_\_\_\_ was powered by boiling water. It was used to dig canals and basements for skyscrapers.
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ is a vehicle that has a bulldozer front and a strong scooping bucket in the back.
8. A \_\_\_\_\_ digs up dirt under the water.
9. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a hand tool used for chipping away rock and soil.
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ excavator is the largest vehicle in the world. Its rotating scoops shave away mountains in mining projects.
11. The \_\_\_\_\_ is a long-handled hand tool with a thin, flat blade used for breaking up or moving small amounts of soil.
12. A \_\_\_\_\_ can force metal poles deep into soil.
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**Katnip News!**



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He was abandoned early on, but luckily was rescued by his very caring foster parents. Teddie would make a wonderful companion for a stay-at-home person or for someone who works from home, because he gets a little sad if he's alone too long.

See more pix of Teddie on our Young Adult page, and submit your application for this sweet boy! [www.lifelineforpets.org](http://www.lifelineforpets.org).

**Pet of the Week**

Gus is an active young dog who is eager to please. He is always up for a hike or a game of fetch, but his favorite thing is to just hang out with his people. He is friendly and affectionate with people and is clearly ready to have a BFF. Because Gus is so clever and people-centric, the trainers at Pasadena Humane have been working on giving him activities that make him think and problem-solve. He loves it! Gus is also working hard on settling down on his bed. He gets to hang out while his people sit nearby and enjoy a tasty treat- the best things ever! Come meet this smart guy today!



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. View photos of adoptable pets and schedule an adoption appointment at [pasadenahumane.org](http://pasadenahumane.org).

Adoptions are by appointment only, and new adoption appointments are available every Sunday and Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. Pets may not be available for adoption and cannot be held for potential adopters by phone calls or email.



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WHAT: Love, Dolly. A musical entertainment celebrating the life and career of Dolly Parton.

WHO: Starring Kim Eberhardt, David Kirk Grant and Chris Booke. Presented by Sierra Madre Playhouse.

WHERE: Sierra Madre Playhouse, 87 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. This is just east of Pasadena. Ample free parking is available in lots behind the Playhouse and across the street, as well as street parking.

WHEN: June 9- June 18, 2023. Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m.

ADMISSION: \$45. Seniors (65+) \$40. Youth (21 and under) \$25. DISCOUNTS: Teen tickets (age 13-19) are available at \$5.00 through the TeenTix Pass program. Go to our website to learn more. Group discounts are available for groups of ten or more. Go to our website to learn more.

RESERVATIONS: (626) 355-4318.

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CONSUMER ADVISORY: Suitable for all ages. Covid-19 information: The wearing of masks is recommended.

For the first time ever, Sierra Madre Playhouse presents Love, Dolly, the #1 Dolly Parton tribute act on the West Coast, on its stage! Kim Eberhardt talks and sings like country legend Dolly Parton, and performs her beloved hits

like "9 to 5," "Jolene," "Islands in the Stream," and "I Will Always Love You" with her live band of musicians. This is a country party you've just got to see!

Audiences call Love, Dolly "Perfection!" "An awesome show with heartfelt stories and toe-tapping songs!" "A wonderful, uplifting evening!" "A definite must-see!" "It's the BEST!"

Kim Eberhardt's love of Dolly Parton began young, early in her performing life, and was only enriched when she was cast as the Dolly Parton role in the stage musical 9 to 5. Kim's award-winning show business career as a multi-talented singer, actress, dancer, and cho-reographer has taken her all over the world.

Also starring in Love, Dolly are professional musicians David Kirk Grant on Guitar/Vocals and Chris Booke on Bass. David has over 30 years of experience performing in live bands and in musical theater all over the world. Chris has performed with some of the most re-nowned musicians in the best jazz clubs, regional theaters, and cruise ships.

Kim says "This show is my love letter to Dolly. It's an honor to perform some of the best-known and most beloved Dolly songs while sharing wonderful and inspiring stories about Dolly's life and career. She is a national treasure!"

The Sierra Madre Playhouse, a non-profit organization, is a performing arts center. It has widened its range from plays and musicals to also include presentations of classical and popular music, films, storytelling, solo shows and dance.


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## HOW MEDICARE COVERS PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES

Dear Savvy Senior:

Does Medicare cover physical therapy, and if so, how much coverage do they provide? My 66-year-old husband was recently diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and will need ongoing physical therapy to help keep him moving. Worried Wife

Dear Worried:

Yes, Medicare does indeed pay for physical therapy along with occupational and speech therapy too, if he needs it, as long as it's prescribed by his doctor. You'll also be happy to know that Medicare has no limits on how much it will pay for therapy services, but there is an annual coverage threshold you should be aware of. Here's what you should know.

Outpatient Therapy

To get Medicare Part B – which covers outpatient care – to help cover your husband's physical therapy, it must be considered medically necessary and will need to be ordered by his doctor. The same holds true for occupational and speech therapy.

He can get these services as an outpatient at a number of places like a doctor or therapist office; in a hospital outpatient department; at an outpatient rehabilitation facility; at skilled nursing facilities if he is being treated as an outpatient; and at home through a therapist connected with a home health agency when he is ineligible for Medicare's home health benefit.

For outpatient therapy, Medicare will pay 80 percent of the Medicare-approved amount after you meet your Part B deductible (\$226 in 2023). You will be responsible for the remaining 20 percent unless you have supplemental insurance.

But be aware that if his therapy costs reach \$2,230 in a calendar year (2023), Medicare will require his provider to confirm that his therapy is still medically necessary. Medicare used to set annual limits on what it would pay for outpatient therapeutic services, but the cap was eliminated a few years back.

You also need to know that treatment recommended by a physical therapy provider but not ordered by a doctor is not covered. In this situation, the therapist is required to give your husband a written notice, called an Advance Beneficiary Notice of Noncoverage or ABN, that Medicare may not pay for the service. If he chooses to proceed with the therapy, he is agreeing to pay in full.



Inpatient Therapy

If your husband happens to need physical therapy at an inpatient rehabilitation facility like at a skilled nursing facility or at your home after a hospitalization lasting at least three days, Medicare Part A – which provides hospital coverage – will pick up the tab.

To be eligible, his doctor will need to certify that he has a medical condition that requires rehabilitation, continued medical supervision, and coordinated care that comes from his doctors and therapists working together.

Whether you incur out-of-pocket costs such as deductibles and coinsurance, and how much they are, will depend on the setting for the treatment and how long it lasts. For more information on inpatient therapy out-of-pocket costs see Medicare.gov/coverage/inpatient-rehabilitation-care.

Medicare Advantage Coverage

If your husband is enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan (like an HMO or PPO), these plans must cover everything that's included in original Medicare Part A and Part B coverage. However, some Advantage plans may require a person to use services from physical therapy practices within an agreed network. If he has an Advantage plan, you'll need to contact his specific plan before selecting a physical therapy provider to confirm they're within the network.

More Questions?

If you have other questions about coverage and costs for therapeutic services, call Medicare at 800-633-4227 or contact your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), which provides free Medicare counseling. Visit ShipHelp.org or call 877-839-2675 to connect with a local SHIP counselor.

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.

## FAMILY MATTERS



## WHY "JUST A WILL" IS NEVER ENOUGH

When someone thinks of estate planning, a Will is usually the first thing that comes to mind. In fact, many people who contact me tell me they don't need anything complicated for their estate—just a Will. Indeed, Wills have a reputation as the number one estate planning tool and can be seen all over TV shows and movies, from the dramatic "reading of the Will" (which rarely happens in real life) to characters plotting how best to defraud their billionaire uncle's Will to inherit his lavish estate.

But although Wills are a key part of your estate plan – and a big part of the movies – relying on a Will alone likely won't solve your real life estate planning needs – no matter what Hollywood says. Instead, using just a Will to plan your final wishes is likely to leave your loved ones with an expensive mess that won't distribute your assets in the way you intended.

What's more, a Will alone won't ensure that you're taken care of in the event of incapacity, and contrary to what you might think, relying on only a Will guarantees that your family will need to go to court when you die.

If you don't want to leave your family with a mess if something happens to you, it's important to know how a Will works and when it can be used to benefit you and your family.

What Exactly Is a Will and How Does it Work?

A Will is a written document that directs how the creator of the will wants their possessions disposed of after their death. The creator of the Will is called the testator or testatrix. In your Will you can name someone you trust to manage the distribution of your assets, called your personal representative or executor. You can also write out what you want to have happen to your property, what charitable gifts you want to make, and who will receive them.

A Will can be a complex document or a very simple document. But a Will isn't a legally binding document unless it's executed according to the laws of the state where you reside. In California, you generally need to sign your will in front of two witnesses – neither of whom have anything to gain from your estate.

A Will Requires Probate Court

One of the biggest estate planning myths I hear from people is the belief that by having a Will, their loved ones won't need to go to court after they die.

This is sadly the opposite of the truth.

If you use only a Will as your main method of estate planning, you are actually guaranteeing your loved ones will go to court after you die because a Will is required by law to go through the court system called probate before any of your assets can be distributed. In fact, a will is only effective within the probate court.

Once your Will is admitted to the court after your death, your personal representative or executor will be given official authority to move your assets under the court's supervision. This ensures your property is distributed according to your wishes and that the court can intervene if there are any disputes over who gets what.

While court oversight can be helpful if there is any confusion or disagreement about your estate, the probate process is long and expensive. For most estates, the process can take 18 months or sometimes even more.

Due to the length and complexity of the process, going through probate can easily cost your family tens of thousands of dollars. In fact, California probates often cost between 5 and 10 percent of the total value of the estate. In addition, because probate is a public court proceeding, your Will becomes part of the public record upon your death, allowing everyone to see the contents of your estate, who your beneficiaries are, and what they'll receive. Unfortunately, it's not uncommon for scammers to use

this information to try to take advantage of young or vulnerable beneficiaries who just inherited money from you.

A Will Does Not Apply to All of Your Assets or All of Your Needs

Although movies make it seem like you can and should leave all your property to your loved ones through your Will, a Will only covers certain items of your property, including any property owned solely in your name and any property that doesn't have a beneficiary designation. A Will does not cover property co-owned by you with others listed as joint tenants or owned as marital property, meaning there are restrictions on your ability to give away those assets.

Also, any assets with a beneficiary designation, like retirement accounts or life insurance, are not controlled by your Will at all but will instead be paid out to the person listed as your beneficiary on each account. Because of this, it's especially important to make sure your account beneficiaries are up to date.

In addition, a Will has no power until you die, so you can't use it to give someone you trust the power to make decisions for you if you're incapacitated due to illness or injury. Even if you named someone in your Will to manage your estate or watch over your children, that person will have no authority to do so while you're alive.

Don't Just Get a Will, Get an Estate Plan

With all the issues that using a Will for estate planning can create, you might be wondering why a Will is even used at all. The thing is, a Will isn't the one-and-done solution that most people are led to believe by TV shows and even some lawyers.

Instead, a Will should be used as a piece of your overall estate plan, not as the entire plan itself. And ideally, your Will shouldn't even need to be used at all.

How can that be? Well, an estate plan isn't just one or two documents – it's a range of tools and coordinated planning that makes sure everything and everyone you love is taken care of.

And by using other tools like a Trust (instead of just a Will as your main tool for estate planning), you can direct what happens to your property while avoiding probate court entirely and ensuring the people you want to can step in and manage your assets immediately if you become incapacitated because of an illness or injury. In addition, any assets you put in the name of your Trust are entirely private, meaning the court and the public need never know what you own or who will inherit it after you're gone.

When using a Trust-based estate plan, you'll still want a Will, but your Will should only serve as a backup and safety net to make sure that any assets accidentally left out of your Trust at your death are added back into your Trust.

And another important, but often overlooked, part of an estate plan, is an inventory of your assets so your family knows what you have, where it is, and how to find it when you become incapacitated or die. Without an inventory of your assets, your family will be lost when something happens to you. A comprehensive inventory updated throughout your lifetime is a critical piece of a comprehensive estate plan.

Remember, it's your family who will benefit if you have an estate plan which is more than "just a Will." So, take the time to do things right.

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## SENIOR HAPPENINGS



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Wednesday, 4/12 and 4/26 9:00 am Hart Park House

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**HULA AND POLYNESIAN DANCE**  
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## OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

## I'D RATHER KISS A GOAT



There are very few things in my life I regret; at least that I can remember.

One of the good things about getting old is that you can forget many things. The important thing is to forget the right thing, which is a challenge. You can be sure I work on this all the time. It takes a really good memory to forget the right things.

What I regret the most is that The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage never met my good old Uncle Fred. If she had met him, she would understand me more than she does today. She would understand why I am as crazy as I am. The problem is, she still would want to try to fix me.

One phrase I remember the most about Uncle Fred is, "I'd rather kiss a goat." I cannot tell you how many times I heard him say this. Where he got this phrase is a mystery to every-one who knew him.

If someone invited him to an activity he did not want to attend, he usually would respond by saying, "I'd rather kiss a goat."

People would smile because nobody had any idea what he was saying.

A friend once asked him, "Fred, will you watch the football game tonight?"

Looking at him as seriously as possible, Fred said, "I'd rather kiss a goat."

Knowing him as I did, he was not anti-social; he just liked to get under people's skin. Eve-rything was a joke to him, and most people did not realize it. So they always took Uncle Fred seriously, which he wanted.

As a teenager, I spent time with him working in his garden one summer. He had a fantasy for garden work. If it could be planted, he would plant it. He had the best garden in the whole neighborhood at the time. Some plants in his garden I could not identify. Years later, much to my dismay, I found what some were, which explained a lot.

While spending time with him, I asked, "Uncle Fred, what do you mean when you say, I would rather kiss a goat? Do you really mean that?"

I had been thinking about this question for a long time, and at this point, I had the opportunity to ask him.

"Well, son," he said rather slowly, "it's a very interesting thing. I have no idea what it means, and the people I say it to have no idea what I mean." He fin-ished by laughing hysterically.

Then he explained that it was better to confuse people sometimes than try to explain something.

"For instance, if somebody wants you to do something and you don't want to do it but don't want to hurt their feelings, it's best to confuse them. That's where I come in and say, I'd rather kiss a goat."

According to him, he got out of many sticky situations by saying that.

"Just don't tell anybody I said that." He

looked at me and then winked. I wondered if he was telling me the truth or just what he wanted me to know.

It was his way of getting along with people he liked but not doing what they wanted him to do.

It was the summer before Uncle Fred died that we had our family reunion. Just about eve-ryone was there, and it was the last one that I got to go to.

Everyone was there except my grandfather. He was Fred's brother. Nobody knew where he was and was concerned because he never missed a family reunion.

Then, out of nowhere, my grandfather drove in, and in his truck was a goat. So he got out of the truck, brought the goat out, walked over to Fred, and said, "How about kissing this goat?"

Of course, Uncle Fred was stunned by the action, and everyone except Uncle Fred broke out in almost uncontrollable laughter.

Only my grandfather could pull one on Uncle Fred. I'm unsure how long it took him to put this kind of plan together, and he surely deserves credit.

I sure do miss Uncle Fred and wish The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage would've had an opportunity to meet him. I'm afraid, though, she might've given him a goat to kiss but not what he had in mind.

Sometimes you don't really appreciate a person until after they're gone. The more I think of Uncle Fred, the more I appreciate his phrase, "I'd rather kiss a goat."

It all came to a head when the other day, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage came into my office and said, "Would you like to go shopping with the girls and me?"

Trying not to smile, I looked at her and said, "I'd rather kiss a goat."

Glaring at me with one of "those glares," she said, "What did you say? Did you just call me a goat?"

Oh boy, do I have some 'splainin' to do!

As I was trying to figure out my defense, I was reminded of what Jesus said in Matthew 12:36-37, "But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned."

The most important thing is to understand that God will hold me accountable for every word I speak, even those idle words.

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## STUART TOLCHIN PUT THE LIGHTS ON IT'S A BATTLE



Already I'm losing! Last week I wrote about my continual need for validation. Reciting my birthday number allows me to feel as if I really have accomplished something. In fact many of my closest friends have already passed 79 and I have started looking up names in the obituary section. I know that doesn't sound so great but there is something validating about my survival although I really can't take much credit for it happening, it just happened.

I sent a copy of last week's article to this lady I met at a restaurant on Monday. She replied by Email telling me "the most secure validation is inside, in our own hearts. That is the well-spring of unconditional love and acceptance. It's never too late to start the journey inward." Those are nice words but how do I do it? Besides being "unconditionally accepting" (those words are a bit much) relating to my age how do I start the journey inward? About 15 years ago, when I first began writing these articles and having them published, I sent one to a female lawyer who I didn't know very well, but when I next saw her, her only comment was "go deeper". Well I have tried! All my articles are honest; I am not trying to impress anybody but myself and I do experience satisfaction, but we all know that this is not the satisfaction, the deep experience of myself that I am looking for.

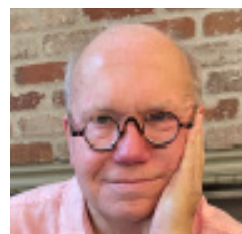
Another friend, a couple of weeks ago asked about my objectives. We met on the golf course and I was playing my usual terrible golf often losing balls and not keeping score. My friend asked me what I was doing and I just laughed and said I was having a good time just hitting the balls, and being outside breathing the oxygen, talking to a friend, and enjoying looking at the sky. I could tell that this explanation was unacceptable to my friend who wanted to know what was my actual "objective". He, and most other people I meet on the course, keep score religiously, always hunt for lost balls, and their satisfaction is invariably linked with how well they play.

Surprisingly, I have taken his direction seriously. A couple of mornings later pursuant to my Doctor's suggestion that I do a lot of walking on flat ground, I found myself strolling around looking at the plants, flowers, and trees at the nearby Arboretum. I thought of my friend's direction that rather than just wandering around through life it would be a proper objective to learn a little something and be more able to appreciate my surroundings. I spoke to some volunteers at the Arboretum and I have become a Volunteer with a badge and everything. I went to the first three hour Orientation meeting last Thursday and was absolutely amazed at how much knowledge everyone seemed to have about growing cycles and plant predators and all kinds of horticultural knowledge. What also amazed me was how little information people had about the history of the adjacent area. I mentioned that we were right across the way from Santa Anita and someone said that they had heard that the Racetrack had been used as a kind of prison during World War II. None of the Volunteers knew about the Japanese internment in the stalls of the Racetrack. Also no one knew much about the indigenous people who had inhabited the area for thousands of years and what their culture was like.

Importantly, I have volunteered to make a presentation at the general meeting of all staff and volunteers and I plan to put together my own syllabus. I am very excited about this opportunity and it has given me a clear objective. Tomorrow I will talk to the Director of Volunteers about the details of my presentation which I hope will be part of my newly begun "inward journey".

Another objective I hope to reach after a little editing is to stay within my word limit. If achieved this will be a personal validation notwithstanding the merits of the article.

## RICH JOHNSON NOW THAT'S RICH MOTHER'S DAY 2023



Well, here we are again...Mother's Day. Mother's Day is only one day long! A travesty. Mothers deserve at least a month. There is a reason Mother's Day is limited to 24 hours. If mothers were taken off the job for longer than 24 hours civilization would collapse.

Read the second chapter of Genesis, You will see God can make mistakes: BIG mistakes. You see Adam was the first creature God created with a free will. Adam could make his own decisions. God quickly learned man needed adult supervision. And not another guy. They'd probably just become drinking buddies. So God created woman. And we all know who ruled the roost. Who called the shots. Yep, without women, civilization was done for before it got off the ground.

Enter Mothers! Their sacrifice to society is unparalleled. Men come in a distant second. Maybe third behind our faithful canine friends. Young mothers have one primary function and goal: "Keep the tiny humans alive!" (Dad, you are a distant second...maybe third)

Who's the superior of every species...and more dangerous, Male or Female? Try coming between a mama bear and her cub. You'll find out. Go bother dad. It's safer.

Man would say to the woman: "I wrestled a bear." The woman would say, "Cool. I removed a splinter from a two year-old's finger. Wanna trade? I didn't think so."

"If at first you don't succeed, try doing it the way your mom told you to do it from the start?"

"Mom's learn having a second child is like riding a bike...except the bike has no brakes, it is speeding down a hill, and the tires are on fire."

"Motherhood is putting the same 7 objects away 30 times a day."

"The quickest way for a parent to get a child's attention is to sit down and look comfortable."

"Mom's will tell you the dinner menu consists of two choice: Take it or leave it."

Actress Reese Witherspoon said about motherhood: "I always say, 'If you aren't yelling at your kids, you're not spending enough time with them.'"

A mother will tell you: "You know your life has changed when... going to the grocery store by yourself is a vacation."

Mothers will tell you with the force of conviction: "People who say they sleep like a baby usually don't have one."

My humorist friend Malcolm Kushner told me: "There are three ways to get something done: do it yourself, hire someone to do it, or ask your kids not to do it."

Humorist Calvin Trillin tells us: "The most remarkable thing about my mother is that for thirty years she served the family nothing but leftovers. The original meal has never been found."

Someone named "Anonymous" (who has penned thousands of quotes) said: "You never realize how weird you are until you have a kid that acts just like you."

On a serious note a couple of truly meaningful and true quotes:

"There is only one pretty child in the world, and every mother has it." Chinese Proverb

And one quote I know from personal experience. "You will always be your child's favorite toy."

Moms (and Dads) I hope you are remembered by your children as their favorite toy. It is the greatest compliment you can receive.

## TOM PURCELL A GOOD DAY TO CELEBRATE AN EXTRAORDINARY MOTHER



She was only 18 when rheumatic fever damaged her heart.

The doctors said she'd be lucky to live into her 40s — that she was no longer strong enough to bear children.

Lucky for my five sisters and me, she ignored them!

When we were babies in her womb she never took so much as an aspirin for a headache. She never put anything into her body but the nutrients that would help us flourish.

As a child, my world was rock solid because of her. Her devotion filled me with an incredible sense of security that is with me still.

She loved us without condition. I was so unaware of the fear and pain less fortunate children suffer that I wouldn't know for years that such concepts existed.

She was extraordinarily moral. I still can't tell a fib, thanks to her, and I even blush when I'm innocent and people think I'm fibbing.

The only thing she hated more than dishonesty was phoniness. She made sure we were, above all, authentic — a task made easier for us because our father was one of the most authentic men on the planet.

She prized graciousness and friendliness. She taught us to treat everyone the way we wanted to be treated.

She is still full of incredible compassion and understanding. The phone still rings constantly at her apartment, people calling for consolation, reassurance or just to be cheered up on a down day.

She taught us to enjoy the little things. The smell of a flower could send her into fits. The silliness of a child could make her laugh for days.

Laughter was one of her most important lessons. We laughed constantly growing up, and I was drawn to friends who all have an incredible sense of humor. Nobody makes me laugh harder than my family and my friends.

Yet the laughter is not so common now that she lost her husband of 66 years last August.

That big authentic man left a massive void that can never be filled. My mother struggles with this loss every moment of every day — struggles to be cheerful, happy and hopeful, her natural state for all the years I have known her.

When others look at my mother and father, they probably see good, ordinary people who were blessed with a nice family, a long marriage and good health for most of their lives.

When I examine my mother's and father's lives and marriage, I see two ordinary people who have lived extraordinary lives.



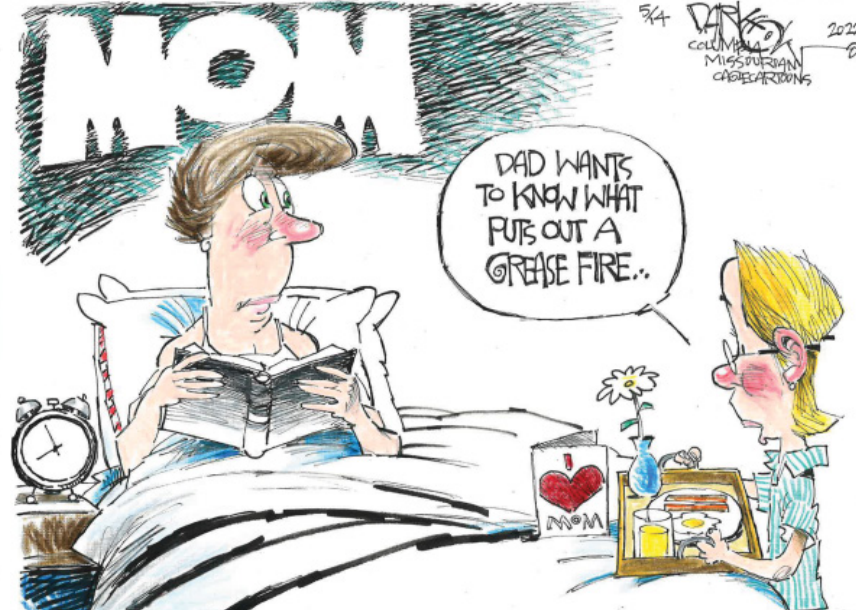
They lived extraordinarily right. They were the good citizens, good neighbors and decent, generous, hardworking people who are the heart of all great civilizations.

Their legacy is the six children, 17 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren — the most recent, Mia, joining us just a few weeks ago — who are all good citizens, or will be, and who are all out in the world doing good deeds.

I know my mother will be reunited with my father in time, but I pray that in the here and now she may enjoy easily again the sweet smell of flowers and laugh out loud at the silliness of a child.

It is all I wish for this extraordinary human being who I am incredibly blessed to have as my mother.

Happy Mother's Day, Mom!



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY











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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2023085223  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: M & S CONSULTING SERVICES 7016 MAMMOTH AVE, VAN NUYS, CA. 91405. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MASIS HAKOBYAN 7016 MAMMOTH AVE, VAN NUYS, CA. 91405. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MASIS HAKOBYAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/14/2023. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/2017. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 2023

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2023083483  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CALABRIAN 511 E HARVARD ROAD #103, BURBANK, CA. 91005. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) NORIK SHIHNAZARYAN 511 E HARVARD ROAD #103, BURBANK, CA. 91005. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: NORIK SHIHNAZARYAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/14/2023. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/2019. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 2023

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2023083481  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BLUE EYES ANOUSH 135 W CALIFORNIA BLVD PASADENA, CA. 91105. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ANOUSH PZTIKYAN 135 W CALIFORNIA BLVD, PASADENA, CA. 91105. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ANOUSH PZTIKYAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/14/2023. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/2023. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 2023

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2023083479  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: RICE BALLS OF FIRE 9142 SANDUSKY AVE, ARLETA, CA. 91331. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ANSELMO HERRERA FERNANDEZ 9142 SANDUSKY AVE, ARLETA, CA. 91331. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ANSELMO HERRERA FERNANDEZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/14/2023. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2023. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 2023

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2023085936  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SEA TO SEA LOGISTICS 12333 COHASSET ST NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91605. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) EDVARD ASLANYAN 12333 COHASSET ST NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91605. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: EDVARD ASLANYAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/18/2023. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/2023. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 2023

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2023085936  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: OPPOSITE MOTORS 2187 W 30th ST LOS ANGELES, 90018. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MAKSIM DRANCHUK 2187 W 30th ST LOS ANGELES, 90018. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MAKSIM DRANCHUK, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/17/2023. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/2018. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 2023

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2023083875  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: A & E REFRIGERATION 16529 VICTORY BLVD 209, VAN NUYS, CA. 91406. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) AARON ESTRADA 16529 VICTORY BLVD 209, VAN NUYS, CA. 91405. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: AARON ESTRADA, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/17/2023. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/2018. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 2023

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2023083873  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LILLY G 8283 WILLIS AVE #16, PANORAMA CITY, CA. 91402. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LILLY A GAZIZOVA 8283 WILLIS AVE #16, PANORAMA CITY, CA. 91402. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: LILLY A GAZIZOVA, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/17/2023. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/2019. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 2023

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2023089344  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CARNITAS MICHIOACAN 26972 RAINBOW GLEN DRIVE SUITE C, CANYON COUNTY, CA. 91351. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JOSE GONZALEZ FAJARDO 26972 RAINBOW GLEN DRIVE SUITE C, CANYON COUNTY, CA. 91351. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JOSE GONZALEZ FAJARDO, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/21/2023. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/2023. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 2023

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: JOSE C. LIM**  
CASE NO. 23STPB04168  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of JOSE C. LIM. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JESSICA B. LIM in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JESSICA B. LIM be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 06/01/23 at 8:30AM in Dept. 11 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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**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](http://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](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://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](http://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](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, ([www.sucorte.ca.gov](http://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 desechar 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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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: DESIREE MARIE MEGUERDITCHIAN FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION**  
CASE NO. 22STPB06987

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of DESIREE MARIE MEGUERDITCHIAN.

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

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

THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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

THE PETITION requests that LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION be granted to HOVIG MEGUERDITCHIAN to administer the estate of the decedent.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 06/15/23 at 8:30AM in Dept. 11 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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

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

Petitioner Appearing Pro Per  
HOVIG MEGUERDITCHIAN  
99 W. Grandview Ave  
Sierra Madre, CA. 91024  
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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**  
 TS No. CA-22-950435-SH Order No.: 220690742-CA-VOO

**YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/8/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.**

A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): CHRISTOPHER D. RETTIG AND SUZANNE M. RETTIG, HUSBAND AND WIFE** Recorded: 11/21/2005 as Instrument No. 05 2819911 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California; Date of Sale: 6/21/2023 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$606,643.54 The purported property address is: **51 E BONITA AVE, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024 Assessor's Parcel No.: 5767-038-011**

**NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 619-846-7649 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-22-950435-SH. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. **NOTICE TO TENANT:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 619-846-7649, or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-22-950435-SH to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. **NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OWNER-OCCUPANT:** Any prospective owner-occupant as defined in Section 2924m of the California Civil Code who is the last and highest bidder at the trustee's sale shall provide the required affidavit or declaration of eligibility to the auctioneer at the trustee's sale or shall have it delivered to **QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION** by 5 p.m. on the next business day following the trustee's sale at the address set forth in the below signature block. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only.

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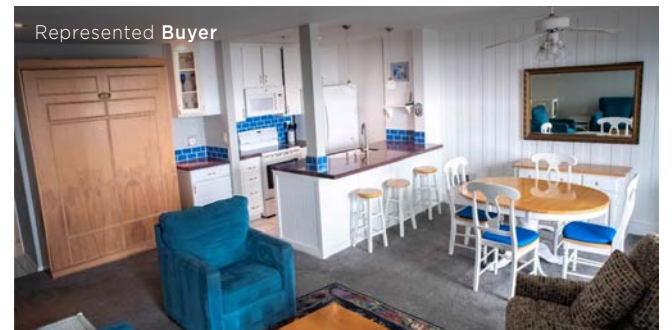
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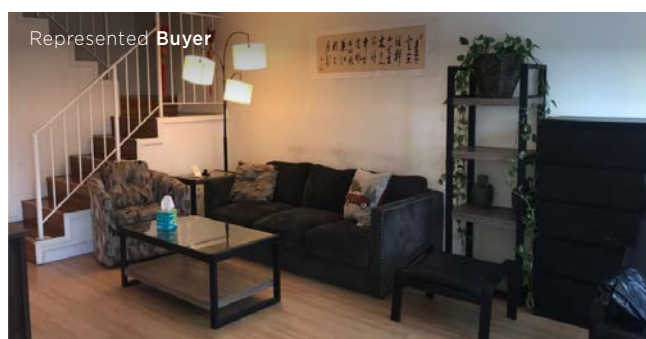
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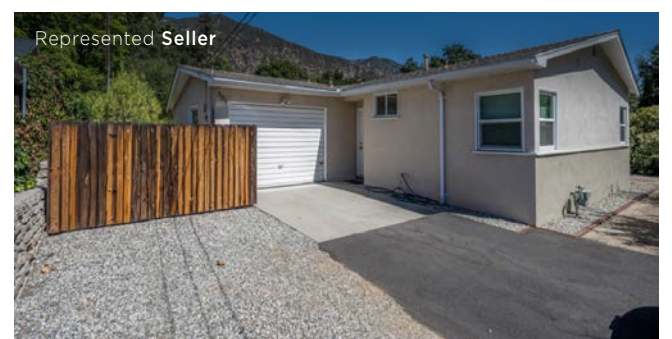
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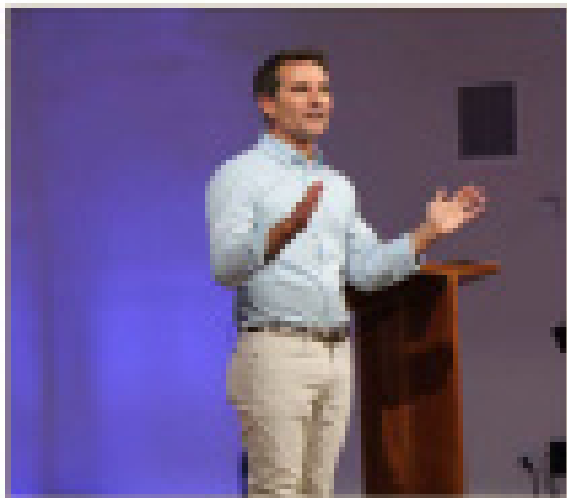


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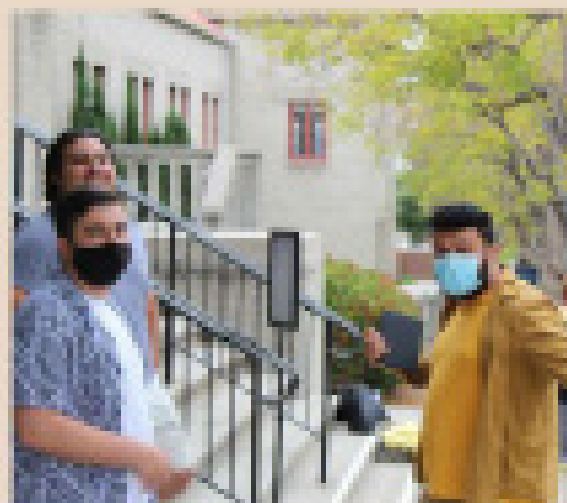


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