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MOUNT WILSON TRAIL REOPENS TO THE PUBLIC AFTER EATON FIRE DAMAGE - THANKS TO OUR TRAIL MAINTENANCE CREW VOLUNTEERS

BREAKING NEWS!

The Mount Wilson Trail up to Orchard Camp officially re-opened to the public this week after it was closed for more than a year after the Eaton Fire on January 7, 2025. Thank you to the Trail Maintenance Crew volunteers for their hard work, dedication, and determination to make the repairs necessary to enable Mount Wilson Trail to be re-opened to the public. To date, thousands of volunteer hours of trail repair work contributed to this milestone.

Many community members and hikers expressed their happiness, joy, and gratitude to the Trail Maintenance Crew volunteers upon learning the news. Hikers and runners on the Mount Wilson Trail were ecstatic to see the Mount Wilson Trailhead Gate open. Unfortunately, Bailey Canyon Trail continues to be closed to the public, as much work still needs to be done and it is located in the US Forest Service's Eaton Fire Closed Trails Zone.

Because of the Eaton Fire and subsequent atmospheric river rains last February and March, Mount Wilson Trail (MWT) and Bailey Canyon Trail were both severely damaged, with trail washouts, trail failures, rockslides, downed trees, and little, if any, vegetation to hold the dirt. Immediately following the Eaton Fire, the Trail Maintenance Crew volunteers began the task of working to fix and repair the Mount Wilson Trail, initially working seven days per week. Work on the Mount Wilson Trail continues 3 - 4 days per week. To repair & replace the numerous damaged sections of the Mount Wilson Trail, it had to be reinforced and redesigned all along the approximately 3.5 miles from the Mount Wilson Trailhead Gate to Orchard Camp. December's atmosphere river rains caused additional damage, even to sections of the MWT that had previously been fixed.

All labor on Mount Wilson Trail and Bailey Canyon Trail is done by community volunteers, who work continuously to repair and maintain the trails to keep them open and safe for public use. The necessary equipment, supplies and tools used by the volunteers are paid for with tax-deductible community donations to the Fletcher Trail Maintenance Fund, as neither the City of Sierra Madre nor the US Forest Service provides any funds for supplies or labor. Without the dedication, determination, and hard work of the Volunteer Trail Maintenance Crew, both trails would become impassable.

Plans have already begun to deliver the full 2026 Mount Wilson Trail Race (MWTR - 8.2 miles from Kersting Court to Orchard Camp and back) on May 23rd, 2026. The day's "Mount Wilson Trail Race 2026" events, will include the MWTR, a free Kids' Fun Run, special MWTR merchandise for sale, fun Kersting Court booths, free photo booth, and beer garden. Check the Mount Wilson Trail Race website for more details as they become available. The free Mount Wilson Trail Race Training Program, led by Simon Cooper, begins on February 7, 2026, at 7:00 am in Kersting Court. No preregistration is required - just show up in Kersting Court. Anyone ages 14 years and older is welcome to participate in the free MWTR Training Program.

DONATE TO FLETCHER TRAIL MAINTENANCE FUND - HELP REPAIR SIERRA MADRE'S TRAILS

Please join in donating to the "Fletcher Trail Maintenance Fund," which supports our Trail Maintenance Crew volunteers with the necessary equipment, materials, supplies, and tools to continue their work on the repair and restoration of both the Mount Wilson Trail and Bailey Canyon Trail. The Eaton Fire damage and repeated subsequent atmospheric river rains requires that to secure, re-engineer, and replace sections of both trails will require an even greater amount of additional materials and supplies, well beyond what has been needed in the past.

Your donation of any amount is greatly appreciated and will make a real difference in enabling these historic community trails to be deemed safe for public access for the enjoyment of our community of runners, hikers, adults, families, children, and those seeking the tranquility and joy of being in our local Angeles National Forest.



Making a tax-deductible donation to the "Fletcher Trail Maintenance Fund" can be done by using the PayPal QR code below or by sending a check payable to the "Fletcher Fund c/o SMCF." The mailing address is P.O. Box 716, Sierra Madre, CA 91025. All donors to the "Fletcher Trail Maintenance Fund" will receive a written tax-deductible acknowledgement letter. To donate by PayPal, please scan the QR Code below:

Thank you for your support in the protection of these important and valuable community resources. Your donation allows work on the Mount Wilson Trail and Bailey Canyon Trail to continue and to ensure that the trails can be deemed safe and open for public use for years to come.



Mount Wilson Trail washed out toward the bottom of the trail.

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Fri	Sunny	Hi	70s	Lows	50s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service



WALKING SIERRA MADRE:

The Social Side by Deanne Davis

“There is beauty in every January sunrise – A new day, a new opportunity to grow.”
“You can do anything, but not everything at the same time.
You don’t have to figure everything out.
Restart as many times as needed.
Your inner peace is too expensive to be sacrificed.
Do more of what makes you forget about time.
The magic in New Beginnings is truly the most powerful.”

Unbelievably, we’re already halfway through January. The Christmas decorations are all put away, except that one thing that we come across that got left behind. I’ve got a metal pumpkin that’s still sitting out on my patio table. I see it every day and think, “I’ve really got to put that away,” then I walk away and totally forget it’s out there.

The sunrises and sunsets are spectacular, it’s warming up just a bit and I am delighted to report that on January 6th, my refrigerator, which had been out of commission all of December, was repaired. Yes, there was dancing in the streets, champagne was poured and every day I am thrilled that it’s still working. I’m not confident enough yet to put all my frozen food back in it, a lot of that is still residing in the small chest freezer that I am fortunate enough to have. As we all know, rebuilding trust takes a while.

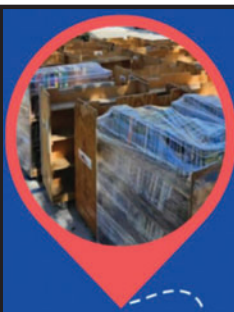
The next big project I am going to tackle is to clear up storage space in my Gmail account. Taking advice from the computer guy in the newspaper, I did the quick wins, i.e., empty my Spam and Trash folders. The next step is to “Hunt Down the Space Hogs.” This means I really need to go through the millions, well, maybe not millions, but hundreds of pictures that are superfluous. How many sunsets and sunrises do I need? How many newspaper articles? As he says, years of full-resolution photos are eating the bulk of my space. This project won’t be quite as arduous as putting away the Christmas decorations, but it will take time. Sigh... The picture this week is totally boastful. The packed-up Christmas decorations all put away.

After months spent reading all the books in the “Candy-Coated Mystery” series, which features a nice girl who inherits the historic McMurphy Hotel and Fudge Shop, and who encounters at least one murder in every book, and then solves them with the help of local residents, her dog, and best friend, an event planner. This all takes place on Mackinac Island. As the book promo says,
“Welcome to the Historic McMurphy Hotel and Fudge Shop where life is sweet, revenge is sweeter, and murder is here to stay.” The author, Nancy CoCo, not only writes a dandy mystery, but she includes incredible fudge recipes in every book. I’ve read all 15 of them and enjoyed every word.

After those came to an end, I moved on to John Grisham’s newest, “The Widow.” This book, like all of Grisham’s, has a lot of lawyers in it and this one is a dandy. Greed takes over a small town lawyer and he gets himself into one heck of a mess. Loved every word and recommend it highly. After that, I moved into a really fun book by James Patterson and Tadd Safran, “The Twelve Topsy-Turvy, Very Messy Days of Christmas.” This is fun, just suspend reality and enjoy it. My sister had a hip replacement, she’s a hairdresser, barista, and bartender and has spent her entire life on her feet, which led to the hip replacement. She has done nothing but read all month and, as she never has time for that, has enjoyed it immensely. Time to read is wonderful, friends and neighbors. Maybe give yourself more of that this year. Our word for 2026 is KIND and you can start by being KIND to yourself and giving yourself time to read.

A few noteworthy days to celebrate in January:

- National Bath Safety Month
- National Blood Donor Month
- Braille Literacy Month
- National Hobby Month
- Hot Tea Month
- National Oatmeal Month



Sierra Madre Public LIBRARY

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WE ARE PREPARING TO MOVE!

There will be no Library programs for the entire month of January 2026. Stop by the Library to check out items before our four month closure. Last day the Library is open is Saturday, January 31, 2026



NO PROGRAMS IN JANUARY!





SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 27, 2026 5:30 pm

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS!

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

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

The meetings will be streamed live on Foothills Media website at 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.

Your event must:

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

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



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This week at the Sierra Madre Public Library

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December 29—January 2

Library Closed for Holiday— No Services

Saturday, January 3

Library hours— 10:00am—6:00pm

Saturday, January 31

Last day library is open at 350 W. Sierra Madre Blvd

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A PERFECT VALENTINE’S DATE: WINE, CUISINE, AND COMMUNITY

Looking for a memorable Valentine’s gift? The Friends of the Sierra Madre Library invite couples and friends to sip, savor, and celebrate at their 51st Wine & Cuisine Tasting on Saturday, February 7, 2026, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Held just days before Valentine’s Day, the event offers an ideal evening out, whether you’re planning a romantic night with a partner or a stylish gathering with friends. The tasting takes place at the Baldwin Avenue Gallery (The BAG), located at 12 N. Baldwin Avenue in the heart of Sierra Madre, where art-filled surroundings set the mood for conversation and connection.

Guests will enjoy a thoughtfully curated selection of wines paired with cuisine tastings, creating a relaxed yet elegant experience that feels tailor-made for a special night. With Valentine’s Day just around the corner, it’s a chance to toast love, friendship, and community all in one place.

Beyond the romance, the Wine & Cuisine Tasting is an important fundraiser supporting the Sierra Madre Public Library. Proceeds help fund library programs, collections, and services that benefit residents of all ages, making this an evening that feels as good as it tastes.

The Friends of the Sierra Madre Library are known for events that blend culture, community, and celebration, and this annual tasting continues that tradition—offering a meaningful way to enjoy a night out while giving back. Community members are encouraged to secure tickets early for this popular event. All proceeds benefit the Sierra Madre Public Library. Learn more about the 51st Wine and Cuisine Tasting, and learn about the library’s Grand Reopening June 6, 2026 at www.sierramadrelibraryfriends.org. Tickets are \$100 each and can be purchased at: <https://auctria.events/51stWineCuisineTasting>

Wine lovers and Valentine’s planners alike are encouraged to secure tickets early for this popular February event, as tickets are limited. All proceeds benefit the Sierra Madre Public Library. Learn more at www.sierramadrelibraryfriends.org.

Pasadena Altadena

News From Your Community For Your Community

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2026

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Martin Luther King Jr. Day Closures & Reminders

Pasadena residents and businesses are reminded that City Hall and many City services will be closed Monday in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

City Council will not meet on Martin Luther King Jr. Day. City Council is scheduled to meet the following Monday. View upcoming meeting agendas.

Pasadena residents and businesses with power emergencies should call Pasadena Water and Power (PWP) at (626) 744-4673. For water-related emergencies, call (626) 744-4138. PWP's Customer Service Call Center will be closed, but customers can access their accounts and make payments by phone at (626) 744-4005 or online at PWPweb.com.

The Municipal Services Payment Center, City Service Center, and Parking Office will be closed. The City of Pasadena WILL collect trash, recycling and yard waste on Monday. Collection will occur on the customers' regular pickup day the entire week.

All parking meters will be free, and parking time limits will not be enforced; however, violations for overnight parking, red curb parking, "No Parking" zones, and blocking fire hydrants will be enforced. All regular enforcement resumes Tuesday.

The Permit Center will also be closed; however, some services will be available via Permit Center Online, where subtrade permits can be obtained, and plans for commercial tenant improvements (new submittals) and accessory dwelling units can be submitted. In-person operations will resume on Tuesday.

Pasadena Transit and Dial-A-Ride buses will operate on regular weekday schedules on Monday.

Pasadena Public Library sites will be closed Sunday and Monday, Jan. 18 & 19, and will reopen Tuesday.

Pasadena Fire and Police Departments will continue to provide patrol, jail, fire, paramedic, and all other emergency services. Residents are advised to always call 9-1-1 for life-threatening emergencies. For all other non-emergencies, call (626) 744-4241. As always, "If You See Something, Say Something." The Police Department's records section will be closed Monday and will reopen Tuesday.

All parks will be open for picnics, fun, and play; however, no site reservations are being accepted for the holiday. Community and recreation centers will also be closed to the public.

The Pasadena Public Health Department (PPHD) will be closed Monday and will resume operations on Tuesday.



TofR Announces 2027 theme 'Welcome'

The Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association's newly installed President Terry Madigan, announced Thursday night the 2027 theme, "Welcome." The theme celebrates the simple joy of belonging—that feeling that you're always welcome, no matter who or where you are. It's the warmth of family—whether related or chosen, the love of good friends, and the welcoming embrace of community.

Madigan said the simple "Welcome" was the first time the Parade has had a one word theme.

Madigan (pictured left) made the announcement with his

husband, Kevin Sommerfield (pictured right).

According to officials, professionally, Madigan is a Certified Personal Chef and owner of Just No Thyme, a personal chef service serving Pasadena and the San Gabriel Valley. Before turning his passion for cooking into a full-time career, he had a career in marketing and communications.

A sixth-generation Californian, Madigan grew up in the San Gabriel Valley. While attending South Pasadena High School, he twice drove the City of South Pasadena's float in the Rose Parade, an experience that deepened his lifelong

connection to the event. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and journalism from the University of Southern California and later received a Diplôme in Le Cordon Bleu Culinary Arts from the California School of Culinary Arts.

Madigan and Sommerfield resides in South Pasadena.

Backyard Composting Workshop

Director of Public Works, Greg de Vinck, announced that the department, in partnership with the Pasadena Public Library, will host a Backyard Composting Workshop Jan. 24 at the Hill Avenue Branch.

This introductory workshop, starting at 2 p.m. will guide participants through the basics of turning everyday kitchen scraps and yard trimmings into nutrient-rich compost that can be used in gardens and landscapes throughout the community. Attendees will learn how to set up a compost bin, what materials to include, and how to maintain a healthy balance that supports natural decomposition.

The workshop highlights how simple practices can make a big difference in reducing household waste while supporting Pasadena's sustainability goals. The workshop also offers residents the opportunity to speak with Public Works staff and gain confidence in starting their own backyard composting system.

As an added benefit, the first 20 registered participants will receive a free backyard compost bin if they attend the workshop. Limit one bin per household; participants must be Pasadena residents to receive a bin. The bin measures 33"x33" when fully constructed and 33"x18" when collapsed for transport.

Registration is required and may be completed at bit.ly/46JxMIJ or by calling 626 744 7264. For accessibility information or to request an accommodation, contact CSC@CityofPasadena.net or 626 744 7311.

Barger Announces \$10K Reward Following Vandalism at Pasadena Jewish Temple



Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger announced Tuesday that Los Angeles County is now offering a \$10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the individual or individuals responsible for the recent vandalism at the Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center.

During today's Board of Supervisors meeting, Supervisor Barger read in a motion to establish the reward. The motion received unanimous approval, reflecting the Board's shared commitment to ensuring accountability for acts that threaten public safety and target faith communities.

"This was a deeply disturbing act targeting a Jewish community that is still working to heal and rebuild," Barger said. "By establishing this reward, we are sending a clear message that intimidation will not be tolerated in Los Angeles County. I urge anyone with information—no matter how small it may seem—to come forward so those responsible can be held accountable. This community deserves answers and justice."

The Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center, which was destroyed during the

Eaton Fire in January 2025, was further traumatized this past weekend by vandalism and antisemitic graffiti. The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is leading the investigation and has confirmed it is being treated as a potential hate crime.

Supervisor Barger has condemned the vandalism and pledged to closely monitor the investigation while standing ready to support both the affected community and law enforcement. The establishment of this reward builds on that commitment by encouraging members of the public to share information that could assist investigators.

Anyone with information related to this crime is urged to contact the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Altadena Station at (626) 798-1131. Tips may also be provided directly to the Sheriff's Department Major Crimes Bureau-Hate Crimes Task Force by contacting Detective Hodaya Doherty at hhdohert@lasd.org or calling the tip line at (562) 946-7893. Information can also be submitted anonymously through the Los Angeles Regional Crime Stoppers Hotline at (800) 222-TIPS (8477).

Pasadena Conservatory of Music Micro Mozart Concerts

Through a special partnership with Pasadena Conservatory of Music (PCM), Pasadena Playhouse, will offer Micro Mozart concerts – a series of 10-minute concerts featuring the music of Mozart before every performance of the Playhouse's lavish revival of Peter Shaffer's Amadeus directed by Tony Award-winner Darko Tresnjak (A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder).

The Micro Mozart concerts will be presented free of charge in the restaurant space at the Playhouse 30 minutes before every performance of Amadeus. PCM's student performers range in age from 9-15, and the concerts will feature instrumental soloists, as well as chamber ensembles.

Amadeus stars Tony Award Winner Jefferson Mays (A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder, I Am My Own Wife) as Salieri and Broadway's Sam Clemmett (Harry Potter and the Cursed Child, Queen Charlotte: A Bridgerton Story) as Mozart.

Joining them are Tony Award Nominee Lauren Worsham (Broadway's A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder) as Constanze, Kenajuan Bentley (Currently recurring as Tim on AppleTV's Shrinking) and others. In Amadeus, the stage is set for a riveting rivalry between two composers: Antonio Salieri, the court's celebrated musician, and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

Tickets and Ticket Package information are available at pasadenaplayhouse.org.

CHEESEBURGER WEEK IS COMING — AND THE PASADENA HOOK STILL DELIVERS By Peter Dills

As we approach Cheeseburger Week, it's worth reminding readers that Pasadena proudly lays claim to being the birthplace of the cheeseburger. With that in mind, I've been revisiting the local cheeseburger scene—some new, some under-the-radar, and some that have simply stood the test of time.

One place that clearly falls into that last category is The Hook.

I first wrote about The Hook nearly ten years ago, and here's the good news: not much has changed—and that's exactly why it still works. The burgers remain dependable, well-built, and most importantly, not sloppy. In a world of towering, overcomplicated burgers that require extra napkins and a strategy, The Hook keeps things refreshingly straightforward.

The Burgers

- The Classic Hook Burger – Juicy, balanced, and satisfying. The bun deserves special mention: soft, lightly toasted, and sturdy enough to hold everything together without stealing attention from the beef.
- The Aloha Burger – A fun variation that actually works. The sweetness plays nicely with the beef and cheese instead of overpowering them.

For the price, these burgers are right up there with the best of the best. You don't walk away thinking corners were cut—or that your wallet took a hit.

Sides, Service & Setting

The sweet potato fries were shared at the table, hot and satisfying. Yes, they're likely out of a bag—and that's perfectly fine. Not everything needs to be reinvented if it's done right.

We sat outside, which made for an easy, relaxed meal. I'm still doing Dry January, but my buddies hoisted a few beers, and it's worth noting that the beer prices are reasonable—no sticker shock here.

Service is friendly without being fawning, a balance that's harder to find than you'd think.

One More Thing

There's plenty—and I mean plenty—of parking, an underrated but crucial detail in Pasadena.

Final Take

Ten years later, The Hook remains exactly what you want in a neighborhood burger spot: consistent, fairly priced, comfortable, and reliable. As Cheeseburger Week approaches and the debates heat up, this is one local cheeseburger that still deserves a seat at the table.

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SURPLUS IT EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

The City has surplus IT equipment and is making it available to local organizations and non-profits.

The City purchased a large commercial building in Old Town (324 S. Myrtle Ave.), which will be used as a temporary facility for the Community Center Renovation Project, scheduled to begin later this year.

The City is making plans to relocate offices to the temporary location and as part of the City's purchase, the building came fully equipped with a large inventory of IT equipment that was never used by the City and has been declared as "surplus IT property." The property includes –

- 62 desktop PCs
- 1 HP Server
- 15 desktop laser printers
- 73 monitors with power supply. These range from 19"-25" wide

Go to the website: Surplus Equipment Inventory.pdf <https://www.monrovia-ca.gov/home/showdocument?id=39377&t=639041476891673854>

The City is offering this surplus property to local non-profits and service providers on a first-come, first-served basis. Please review the list and, if there is any equipment you would like, please email pio@monroviaca.gov as soon as possible. The City will arrange a time in late January for interested parties to stop by and view the surplus property.

SUPERVISOR BARGER ISSUES STATEMENT ON SOIL AND LEAD TESTING EFFORTS FOLLOWING EATON FIRE

In response to reporting published today by the Los Angeles Times regarding internal State deliberations on wildfire soil testing in the Eaton Fire Burn zone, Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger issued the following statement: "The notion that the State could simply reimburse Los Angeles County for conducting soil testing and remediation in the Eaton fire area was never a feasible option.

While that approach may have been discussed internally, it fails to reflect the serious fiscal constraints our County is facing. Los Angeles County is managing ongoing wildfire recovery efforts, the loss of federal funding for core services, and extraordinary financial obligations stemming from AB 218—the Gonzalez bill—including billions of dollars in litigation and settlement costs.

At the same time, property tax losses have reduced County revenues. Under these conditions, asking our County to front the cost of soil testing with the promise of later reimbursement would have placed an unacceptable burden on taxpayers and threatened essential public services.

I am determined to not let Eaton Fire survivors navigate these concerns on their own. I am actively working with nonprofit partners, local researchers, and universities to deploy a pilot soil testing program that can help fill immediate gaps while longer-term solutions are pursued.

Also, Los Angeles County has made lead testing resources available to wildfire survivors, including household lead testing and blood lead testing through our public health system, to ensure families have access to timely information and care.

These efforts reflect my continued commitment to public health, transparency, and supporting communities as they recover."

JEWISH COMMUNITY AND THE CITY OF PASADENA TO HOLD EVERY PERSON HAS A NAME, A 25-HOUR HOLOCAUST COMMEMORATION AND VIGIL

Monrovia, CA – January 14, 2026 – On Saturday, January 24, at 7 p.m. through Sunday, January 25, at 8 p.m., the Jewish Federation of the Greater San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys, with support from the City of Pasadena, will be holding Every Person Has a Name, a 25-hour Holocaust commemoration and vigil on the steps of Pasadena City Hall.

"With the ongoing rise of antisemitic and hate incidents, we have seen as of late, including the recent vandalism that targeted Pasadena Jewish Temple & Center, an event like this is crucial to serving both as a reminder of what can happen when hate goes unchecked and also to remember the people who were murdered because of the same hatred... the hatred for the other," explains Jason Moss, Jewish Federation's Executive Director. "By bringing the community together, we remember that each person killed was someone who lived and whose life was cut short. They are not just part of the six million lives lost but had their own story and their own individual experience. While our readers and those who listen may not know the people they are reading the names for, they are remembered by saying their names aloud. With every passing day, survivors are dying, and with their eyewitness testimony about what they witnessed and experienced. My concern is that their memories will be dying as well."

This annual event has been held in commemoration of UN International Holocaust Remembrance Day (January 27). The event will begin with a commemoration ceremony featuring local elected officials and dignitaries. Immediately following the ceremony, we will start our 24-hour vigil of reading the names of those murdered during the Holocaust. Also featured is an exhibition, made available by Yad Vashem, Israel's National Holocaust

Museum, entitled Stars Without a Heaven: Children in the Holocaust. The exhibition tells some of the unique stories of Jewish children during the Holocaust, providing a moving and exhilarating glimpse at their lives through a selection of drawings, poems, letters, and more. In addition, the Jewish Federation is once again partnering with Pasadena's Armory for the Arts, which is coordinating an art project on Sunday morning while names are being read.

By participating in events like this, we help ensure that the lessons learned as a result of the Holocaust are not forgotten, no matter how many years pass, and serve as a reminder as memories are passed on to the next generation. We hope people will take this opportunity to help our community safeguard the memory of the Holocaust, promote tolerance, and protect the society in which we live.

The event is open to the public. A limited number of 30-minute name-reading blocks (both in-person and virtual) are still available by visiting the Jewish Federation's website (www.jewishsgpv.org) or by calling 626.445.0810.

Those who do not feel like reading can attend the commemoration ceremony, sit and listen as the names are read, walk through the exhibition, and help spread the word about the event. Being present and showing support is part of the power of this event. For more information about this event, please contact the Jewish Federation at 626.445.0810 or email federation@jewishsgpv.org.

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The Jewish Federation of the Greater San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys' mission is to strengthen and enhance our community by promoting and advocating for Jewish values and Jewish life in the greater San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys. We do this by serving as the local Jewish voice on issues that affect the greater Jewish community and through the programs and services that support the needs of the Jewish community in our region, and acts as the Jewish voice on issues that affect the greater Jewish community.

MAJOR ROADWORK SET FOR SOUTH PASADENA

The City of South Pasadena is notifying residents of the Los Angeles County Sanitation District's upcoming sewer line rehabilitation project taking place near the Arroyo Vista Elementary School area. The project duration is estimated to be six to eight weeks, beginning January 19, and ending March 27.

These improvements are crucial to extending the life of critical infrastructure, preventing pollution and sewage overflows, and reducing the need for emergency repairs. The project, which will rehabilitate approximately 3600 feet of sewer line, will be performed by Spiniello Infrastructure West in collaboration with the Los Angeles County Sanitation District.

Work will involve installing temporary above-ground pipes as a bypass system to safely reroute sewer flow while repairs are completed. The bypass will run along the shoulder of Arroyo Drive, turn onto Mission Street through the center of the roadway, continue above ground through the center of the road along Pasadena Avenue, and then transition onto the shoulder of Hawthorne Street, ending at the intersection of Orange Grove Avenue.

What to expect during installation and operation of the bypass system:

- Temporary changes to traffic flow and parking near the school and surrounding streets
- No parking will be permitted on the train-track side of Hawthorne Avenue.
- Right turns only for residents on Pasadena Avenue and Mission Street during the project.
- The intersection of El Centro Street & Pasadena Avenue will have construction, but access will remain for vehicles entering and exiting El Centro Street, and crosswalks will remain safely accessible.
- The intersection of Orange Grove Avenue & Hawthorne Street will be closed for approximately two weeks during work-hours (7:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.).

Spiniello Infrastructure West will make every effort to minimize disruptions and ensure the project is completed as efficiently as possible. For questions or concerns, the public is encouraged to contact the following: Project Contact – Spiniello: • Jeff Trujillo (Superintendent): (973) 651-1809 • Ghalib Abdulla (Project Engineer): (909) 910-1517

Los Angeles County Sanitation District Contact: • Rommel Garcia, Construction Management Supervising Engineer: (310) 701-4924 • Anthony Munoz, Construction Management Engineer : (562) 672-1310

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San Marino Upcoming Events & Programming

Upcoming Closure on MLK Jr. Day

In observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, all City facilities, excluding emergency services, will be closed on Monday, January 19. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, January 20.

No Construction on Monday, January 19

Pursuant to the City of San Marino's Municipal Code Section 25.01.02(D), all construction work and construction activity is prohibited on Monday, January 19, in observance of MLK Jr. Day. Crowell Public Library Open House

Come celebrate 93 years of igniting passion and lifelong learning at the Crowell Public Library's Open House on Saturday, January 24 from 12 – 4 PM! This event is free and open to the public. Be sure to join us at 1 PM in the Barth Community Room for introductions and remarks from the Mayor, recognition of Community Partner of the Year: San Marino Public Library Foundation, announcement of the San Marino Public Library Foundation's Bookmark Contest winners and acknowledgement of sponsors, and recognition of Teen Volunteer of the Year. Registration is not required.

Lunar New Year Festival

Join the community for the San Marino Lunar New Year Festival on Saturday, February 7, 2026, from 10 AM to 3 PM at Lacy Park (1485 Virginia Road, San Marino, CA 91108). This free, family-friendly event will feature festive performances, delicious food, and a variety of activities celebrating the Lunar New Year. Admission is free and all are welcome. For more information, please contact the Chinese Club of San Marino at (626) 796-5190 or email info@ccsm.org.

Events at the Old Mill

Artists' Reception: The Old Mill is thrilled to introduce our upcoming California Art Club exhibit, Nature's Bounty, and invite you to join us for an artist reception on Thursday, January 22nd, from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at The Old Mill. Nature's Bounty features artwork from 28 juried artists of the California Art Club. The exhibition explores the richness of nature and its ability to provide nourishment, beauty, and inspiration. Everyone is welcome and there are no reservations required. Light refreshments will be provided.

California Art Club Paint/Sculpt Out: In conjunction with our upcoming reception, the Old Mill Foundation and the California Art Club invite you to a paint-out and a day of family-friendly activities on Sunday, January 25th, during our open hours from 11 AM - 2 PM. Art tables will be set up with activities designed to engage both kids and adults. No RSVP necessary. If you have any questions, please contact us at oldmill1816@gmail.com or (626) 449-5458.

DIY Winter-ful Challenges

Now through Tuesday, March 31, Children's Room

Stop by the Children's Room this season for a series of monthly interactive DIY challenges and activities! Engage your child's creativity and curiosity, and have fun with other families in the community. Get ready to do puzzles, make art together, and learn about the changing of the seasons. Registration is not required.

Peaceful Puzzling

Thursday, January 22 from 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM, Barth Community Room

Set aside some time to settle in with a fun, new puzzle and some coffee or tea! Work in a group or on your own to complete a puzzle. We will have puzzles of varying sizes (100-300 pieces) for participants to work on. This program is for adults only. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Registration is not required.

Senior Trip: The Getty Villa

Wednesday, February 4 from 10 AM – 6 PM

Cost: R: \$54 / NR: \$63

Spend a beautiful day in Malibu exploring art, history, and seaside charm! The trip begins with a stop at the Malibu Country Mart, where participants can browse upscale boutiques, enjoy the relaxed coastal atmosphere, and have lunch on their own at one of the many inviting cafes or restaurants. After lunch, the group will head to the Getty Villa Museum for a self-guided tour through stunning gardens, ancient Greek and Roman art, and breathtaking ocean views. This leisurely outing offers the perfect mix of culture, relaxation, and scenic beauty along the Pacific Coast. Registration is required by January 21.

Cupid's Family Dance

Friday, February 6 from 6 – 8 PM, Community Center

Cost: R: \$21 / NR: \$25 (non-refundable)

Grab your loved ones and join us for a fun-filled Valentine's Family Dance Party! Enjoy music, games, and dancing for all ages, plus sweet treats and fun activities. It's the perfect way to celebrate love, laughter, and family togetherness! We will also be making Valentine's Day Grams for our San Marino Seniors! Valentine's Day Gram participants will receive a cool activity kit! Registration is required by January 30.

Holiday Tree Trash Pick up

Valley Vista Services will continue to pick up Holiday trees free of charge during your normal trash service day through January 23rd. Trees must not be flocked, have all ornaments and decorations removed, and must be cut into 6ft lengths (if taller than 6ft).

Chu Demands DHS Secretary Kristi Noem's Impeachment

Congresswoman Judy Chu has joined more than 70 of her House Democratic colleagues in cosponsoring articles of impeachment against Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Secretary Kristi Noem. Over the past year, Secretary Noem has executed Donald Trump's violent immigration enforcement agenda that has torn families apart, undermined due process, and violated the most basic constitutional and human rights of people across the country. Last week, one of Secretary Noem's ICE agents shot 37-year-old legal observer Renee Good in the face multiple times, killing her as she attempted to leave the scene.

"Under Secretary Noem's leadership, ICE has descended into a lawless, violent force with zero accountability. Since day one, Secretary Noem's ICE agents have terrorized our communities by driving around in unmarked vehicles, covering their faces, refusing to show ID, and recklessly detaining innocent people without due process. The cruelty we are witnessing is not normal, it is not justified, and it is not acceptable in a democracy," said Chu. "In Minneapolis, an ICE agent shot an American citizen in the face three times as she attempted to leave the scene. In California, ICE agents shot an innocent protestor with a non-lethal weapon, cracked his skull, and dragged him while he was bleeding, leaving him permanently blind in one eye. Secretary Noem is responsible for this violence. She must be held accountable for obstructing Congress, violating the public trust, and using her official position for personal gain. That is why I proudly join my Democratic colleagues in cosponsoring articles of impeachment against Secretary Noem, and I call for her immediate resignation."

Despite the Trump administration's cruel and harmful immigration policies, Chu has continued to use every tool at her disposal to fight back, demand accountability, and advocate for her constituents and immigrant communities in Southern California and across the country.

Last month, Chu intervened and successfully secured the release of Masuma Khan, who was detained during a routine immigration check despite nearly 30 years in the U.S. and no criminal record. In October, Chu helped prevent the deportation of Barbara Gomes Marques May, a Brazilian national with no criminal record, after a judge ruled in her favor. In September, Rep. Chu also successfully advocated for the release of Rami Othmane, a Pasadena resident from Tunisia suffering from a brain tumor.

Beyond individual cases, Chu has introduced and led major legislative and oversight efforts to hold ICE accountable and strengthen protections

for immigrant communities, including: H.R. 4667, Visible Identification Standards for Immigration-Based Law Enforcement (VISIBLE) Act of 2025. This legislation would increase transparency and accountability by requiring immigration enforcement officers to clearly display visible identification during public enforcement actions, prohibiting non-medical face coverings, and requiring accountability when officers violate the law. Demanding Oversight and Protections at the Adelanto ICE Processing Center. Following the deaths of Ismael Ayala-Uribe and Gabriel Garcia-Aviles at the Adelanto ICE Processing Center, both of whom died after being denied timely and adequate medical care, Chu and Dave Min led 43 Members of Congress in a letter to the Department of Homeland Security and ICE demanding accountability for ICE's failure to meet basic medical standards, citing the record-high number of deaths in ICE custody that have occurred since Trump took office. Chu has conducted multiple oversight visits to immigration detention facilities, even as federal officials have repeatedly and unlawfully attempted to block her access. During visits where she was granted entry, she witnessed deeply disturbing conditions and clear evidence of inhumane and unacceptable treatment of detainees. She will continue to conduct oversight and demand transparency, accountability, and compliance with the law.

Chu has also attended more than a dozen rallies this past year to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with constituents calling for accountability from the Trump administration.

"No one in this country should have to live in fear of their own government, all Americans and immigrant communities deserve dignity, due process, and protection under the law, and I will continue to fight back against policies that terrorize families in Southern California and across this country while demanding accountability from Donald Trump and those who carry out his agenda," said Rep. Chu.

Pasadena Heritage Events

Jazz Night at the Historic Blinn House

Join Pasadena Heritage January 22 for an evening of live music, French-inspired bites, and festive beverages at the historic Blinn House. The event is set to start at 6 p.m. and end at 8 p.m.

Step into the 1906 Blinn House as we transform it into an intimate Parisian-style jazz club, featuring live music performed by the Art Deco Entertainment group, The Bohemians. Enjoy a lively reception with excellent music, French-inspired hors d'oeuvres, and festive libations in one of Pasadena's most iconic historic homes.

The Blinn House is located at 160 N Oakland Ave. Pasadena.

For more information and tickets visit: pasadenaheritage.org.

Playhouse Village Walking Tour

Join Pasadena Heritage January 24 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for a walking tour of the Playhouse Village Historic District, which traces Pasadena's eastward expansion during the 1920s and 1930s, when the city transitioned from an agricultural hub to a thriving tourist destination. Shaped by the construction of the grand Civic Center, this area features a variety of architectural styles and several notable landmarks, including the Pasadena Playhouse itself.

The tour will last approximately 1.5 hours and cover a walking distance of about 1 mile. Please note, for the comfort of all guests, dogs are not permitted on Pasadena Heritage walking tours.

For more information and tickets visit: pasadenaheritage.org.

Pasadena Seeks Input for City Manager Recruitment

Following the announcement of City Manager Miguel Márquez retirement, the Pasadena City Council announced Monday they have initiated a nationwide recruitment for the city's next City Manager. To lead this executive recruitment, the Council has engaged WBCP Inc.

City Council members are also inviting the community for input on the core attributes, leadership qualities, and technical strengths the City should prioritize to support our organization, community partnerships, and culture.

Links to the survey in multiple languages can be found at: cityofpasadena.net/

city-manager/news.

Organizers are asking for a response by Monday, January 26. Responses will remain anonymous and will be used to develop interview questions and provide guidance to the City Council on the selection.

Applications for City Manager will be accepted through Thursday, January 29 and the most qualified candidates will be invited to interviews in early March. For more information about the position, view the recruitment brochure.

For questions about recruitment or to provide additional input recruiter Wendi Brown at Wendi@wbcpinc.com

Jefferson Park Stormwater Capture Project Feasibility

The City of Pasadena Public Works Department will be launching the Jefferson Park Stormwater Capture Project Feasibility Study alongside a robust community outreach and engagement effort. Identified as a high priority opportunity for regional stormwater capture, the project will explore innovative approaches to stormwater management while enhancing park amenities and reflecting local community priorities.

In June 2025, the City secured a \$191,180 Public Education and Community Engagement grant from Los Angeles County's Safe, Clean Water (SCWP) Program to support a comprehensive outreach and engagement plan that will accompany the Feasibility Study. The grant funding, awarded through the voter-approved SCWP Program, ensures that residents play a central role in shaping the project's vision and design.

The Feasibility Study will evaluate both underground stormwater capture infrastructure and potential above-ground park enhancements,

focusing on strategies to improve stormwater runoff management and address water quality compliance while creating meaningful park improvements. Potential features and amenities for consideration may include:

- Enhanced urban greening, including tree canopy
- New recreation areas, such as baseball fields and play structures
- Outdoor classrooms and pathways
- Other features that align with community visioning and environmental goals

To ensure broad community participation, the City will host bilingual community events, such as pop-up activities at the park, interested parties' meetings, community surveys, and partnerships with surrounding community partners, with engagement activities beginning in early in the year.

The City invites the community to respond to a short initial survey for the project as an early opportunity to share feedback. Residents interested in providing input can complete the survey at bit.ly/JeffersonParkInitialSurvey.

Pasadena Neighbor Day

The City of Pasadena Economic Development Division and The Nextdoors (Pasadena Band pictured) invite the community to the fourth Annual Pasadena Neighbor Day on Sunday, January 18, 2026, 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., at Wild Parrot Brewing Company, 2302 E. Colorado Blvd. We encourage residents and local businesses to participate in spreading the mission of getting to know their neighbors better and encourage local gatherings.

The event in the Lamanda Park neighborhood will feature four music acts from Pasadena and surrounding communities.

Whether the folks next door, the owners and employees of local businesses, or community representatives, it's a day to remember that we are happier, closer, and safer when we know and appreciate our neighbors.

District 4 Councilmember Gene Masuda notes, "Pasadena Neighbor Day is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our community, strengthen connections, and support local businesses. It's a day to come together, have fun, and remember the power of being good neighbors."

"We are always looking for ways to bring more vitality into our neighborhood commercial districts, and Lamanda Park is a perfect neighborhood to host the main event of the day. We are excited to support Pasadena Neighbor Day which brings business and community together," said City of Pasadena Economic Development Director David Klug.

Pasadena Neighbor Day and Nextdoors co-founder Russell Mark says "the main event at Wild Parrot has become a wonderful tradition and centerpiece to the event. In 2025 the day also served as a de-facto Eaton Fire day of healing and community support, featuring several bands

booked pre-fire who lost their homes but still rallied and played the show, because they felt it was important to feel some normalcy. Never was the importance of knowing your neighbors highlighted more – knowing who may have a disability, sensitive to breathing issues, lacking a car, working nights with pets at home alone – all these things suddenly became vital in a potential life or death scenario."

Wild Parrot co-owner John Jackson says, "a place like ours doesn't just look at success as a ledger book – our purpose is to bring a community together, and help form closer local bonds, never moreso than in 2025. We take an active role in - from our running club to our trivia nights and so much more – Neighbor Day fits in perfectly with that."

The day is also about giving back to the community and the non-profits that make Pasadena a thriving and unique city. Wild Parrot will donate to causes close to their heart – the Pasadena Educational Foundation and Pasadena Fire Foundation. The Nextdoors will donate a percentage of merch sold, in addition to raffle ticket revenue, to the Lightbringer Project, producers of Doo Dah Parade, LitFest, and so much more. Last year over \$1700 was raised for PEF and Pasadena Symphony's fire relief efforts.

Nextdoors co-founder Mika Larson explains, "all these organizations were heavily impacted by the Eaton Fire, and yet rose to the occasion and were powerful agents for assistance, positivity, and perseverance during a chaotic and painful time. They deserve the support of our community..."

Performances include The Nextdoors, Licata Brothers, Nina Lares, and Jason Heath and the Greedy Souls. For more information visit: PasadenaNeighborDay.com

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Seniors Embrace Exercise for Health and Longevity

As the global population ages, the importance of exercise for seniors has never been more evident. Research consistently shows that regular physical activity not only improves physical health but also enhances mental well-being, making it essential for older adults.

Local community centers have seen a surge in senior fitness programs, offering tailored classes such as yoga, tai chi, and water aerobics. These programs are designed to accommodate various fitness levels, promoting both strength and flexibility. "Exercise is crucial for maintaining mobility and independence," says Sarah Jenkins, a fitness instructor specializing in senior wellness. "It helps combat common issues like arthritis and balance problems."

The benefits of exercise extend beyond the physical. Studies indicate that engaging in regular activity can significantly reduce the risk of depression and anxiety in seniors. Many participants report improved mood and social connections through group classes. "I used to feel isolated after my husband passed away, but now I look forward to my weekly classes and the friends I've made," shares Mary Thompson, a 72-year-old participant.

Healthcare professionals emphasize that even moderate exercise, such as walking or gardening, can lead to substantial health improvements. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic activity per week for seniors, alongside muscle-strengthening activities on two or more days.

Communities are encouraged to support senior fitness initiatives, recognizing the profound impact of exercise on quality of life. Local governments are increasingly investing in accessible parks and recreational facilities to promote active lifestyles among older residents.

As more seniors prioritize their health through exercise, they are not only enhancing their longevity but also inspiring younger generations to adopt healthier habits. The message is clear: staying active is key to aging gracefully.



HOW TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON TINNITUS

Dear Savvy Senior,

What treatments are recommended to help with tinnitus? I started noticing a subtle ringing in my ears about 10 years ago, but it's gotten much more bothersome since I turned 60.

Ringing Ronnie

Dear Ronnie,

Tinnitus is actually one of the most common health conditions in the country. According to the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders around 10 percent of the U.S. adult population – over 25 million Americans – experience some form of tinnitus.

For most people tinnitus is merely annoying, but roughly 5 million people struggle with chronic tinnitus and 2 million find it debilitating.

While there's no cure, there are a range of different strategies you can employ to reduce the symptoms to make it less bothersome. Here's what you should know.

What is Tinnitus? Tinnitus (pronounced TIN-a-tus or tin-NIGHT-us) is the sensation of hearing a ringing, buzzing, roaring, hissing or whistling sound in one or both ears when no external sound is present.

The sounds, which can vary in pitch and loudness, are usually worse when background noise is low, so you may be more aware of it at night when you're trying to fall asleep in a quiet room.

Tinnitus itself is not a disease, but rather a symptom of some other underlying health condition. The best way to find out what's causing your tinnitus is to see an audiologist, or an otolaryngologist – a doctor who specializes in ear, nose and throat diseases (commonly called an ENT). The various things that can cause tinnitus are:

Hearing loss, which is the most common cause. Middle ear obstructions usually caused by a build-up of earwax deep in the ear canal. Side effects of many different prescription and over-the-counter medicines like aspirin, ibuprofen, certain blood pressure medicines and diuretics, some antidepressants, cancer medicines and antibiotics. Various medical conditions such as high blood pressure, vascular disease, diabetes, allergies, thyroid problems, ear or sinus infections, Meniere's disease, Lyme disease, fibromyalgia, otosclerosis, temporomandibular joint (TMJ) disorder, a tumor, an injury to the head or neck, traumatic brain injury, depression, stress and more.

Treatment Strategies

There are many ways to treat tinnitus depending on the cause. For example, if your tinnitus is caused by a wax build-up in your ears or a medical condition like high blood pressure or a thyroid problem, treating the problem may reduce or eliminate the noise.

Or, if you're taking a medication that's causing the problem, switching to a different drug or lowering the dosage may provide some relief. If you have hearing loss, getting a hearing aid can help mask your tinnitus by improving your ability to hear actual sounds.

Another strategy that can help suppress or mask the sound so it's less bothersome is "sound therapy." This can be as simple as a fan or white noise machine, or you can use sound therapy apps like ReSound Tinnitus Relief, myNoise or NatureSpace.

Cognitive behavioral therapy and psychological counseling can also be helpful, as can tinnitus retraining therapy (TNT). This combines counseling and sound therapy to train your brain to ignore the sound in your ears. The new MindEar app offers TNT.

There are even new innovations like the FDA approved device Lenire (lenire.com) that uses electrical stimulation of the tongue to alleviate symptoms.

There are also certain medications that may help. While there's no FDA approved drugs specifically designed to treat tinnitus, some antianxiety drugs and antidepressants have been effective in relieving symptoms.

Your audiologist or ENT can help you figure out the best treatment options.

Other things you can do to help quiet the noise is to avoid things that can aggravate the problem like fatty foods, salt, artificial sweeteners, sugar, alcohol, tonic water, tobacco and caffeine. Also be sure to drink plenty of water as dehydration can worsen symptoms. And protect yourself from loud noises by wearing earplugs.

Send your questions or comments to questions@savvysenior.org, or to Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070.



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OUT TO PASTOR
What It Was, Was a Coughing and Sneezing Contest

Dr. James L. Snyder

The New Year started rather nicely for us. After all the exciting holiday activities, it was nice to settle into a more relaxed frame of mind. We had a whole week before us with nothing really to do and no place to go. What could be better?

I like it when there's not much to do, but The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage has a very opposite view. If she's not doing something in her craft room, she can't handle it.

However, some things have a way of changing.

Halfway through the first week of the New Year, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage came down with flu-like symptoms. She was coughing, sneezing, and all that's associated with the Flu.

She was sitting on the couch with her eyes closed, and as lunchtime approached, I said, "Would you like me to make lunch today?"

She always makes lunch, and I thought this was an opportunity to help her out with the lunch plan.

She opened her eyes, looked at me very strangely, and then said, "Heavens no. I'm sick enough as it is, I don't need any more." She then got up, went to the kitchen, and began making lunch. At least I tried to help.

By the time she finished lunch, I started coughing and sneezing. My nose was running so much that I couldn't handle it. It was then that it occurred to me that whatever she had, she gave to me.

It wasn't long before both of us were sick, and I couldn't help but laugh at how our 'Flu' had turned us into a couple of couch potatoes. We were coughing, sneezing, and feeling miserable, but somehow, it made our start of the New Year memorable in a funny way.

I often wonder why they call it "Flu" when it never flies away. I want to say, "Whatever I had, it Flu away. But this Flu has a very exaggerated fascination with me. And of course, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage.

This went on for at least a week. For six days, I never got out of my pajamas. It was like I never got out of bed in the morning. I didn't have the energy to put on my work clothes, so I just stayed in my pajamas.

The only work I was doing was walking into the living room, taking a cup of coffee, and sitting down in my easy chair. It took a lot of work to get here.

Not only did I not change out of my pajamas, but The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage did the same. One thing was quite strange: she never left the house to go shopping. That was the real clue that she was sick.

We couldn't handle much activity, but then The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage invented some game for us to play. She called it the "Cough and Sneeze Challenge." I never heard of that before, but I was in for it. I had nothing else to do, and there was no way I could stop from coughing or sneezing.

It was rather strange that I sneezed three times. I couldn't sneeze just once or even twice, but three times.

At the beginning, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage was far ahead of me in her coughing and sneezing. After all, she got this flulike thing way before I did. But it did not take long for me to catch up with her.

We were sitting together in the living room, coughing and sneezing in turn. I would let her go first, and then I would follow not long after. I tried to be a gentleman about it, but pretty soon I was no longer in control of my coughing and sneezing.

She had a couple of hours ahead of me, but it wasn't long before I caught up.

After my last coughing and sneezing fit, I looked at The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and said, "When will this game be over?"

She coughed and sneezed and then cleared her throat and said, "It will be over when one of us wins the contest."

I really didn't know what she was talking about or how to respond. It went on for five days, and each day seemed worse than the one before. We got up in the morning coughing and sneezing, and it continued throughout the day, and then we went to bed coughing and sneezing.

"I have an idea," I said to her, "if I surrender and let you win can we then call it quits?"

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THE HIGH COST OF FREE SPEECH

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Other lies were meant not just to establish a narrative for the killing of Renee Good, but to set a foundation allowing masked, armed gangs to operate in our neighborhoods with impunity – states and localities barred from holding them accountable for whatever unlawful acts. It's laying the groundwork for the police state Stephen Miller salivates over.

The day after the shooting, FBI Director Kash Patel announced his agency would have sole control over the investigation; banning local police from interviewing witnesses and any cooperation with state investigators. Secretary Noem claimed state authorities “don't have any jurisdiction”. Fordham law professor John Pfaff called that “openly lying”, contradicted by the FBI's own website. Former federal prosecutor Ken White says the Trump Administration's position is that their agents can “kill people and that state and city have no jurisdiction to inquire about it”.

Vance lied again when he claimed ICE agents enjoy “absolute immunity”, a claim repeated by Stephen Miller. It's a claim Minneapolis Mayor Jacob Frey calls “pretty bizarre . . . That's not true in any law school in America”. Norman Ornstein warns, “The notion expressed by Trump, Vance and Noem that there is absolute immunity for a cold-blooded murder if it's carried out by one of their agents is the final straw. If we do not turn this around, we are done as a free society and a decent country.”

Renee's widow Becca Good issued a statement; “On Wednesday, January 7th, we stopped to support our neighbors. We had whistles. They had guns. We were raising our son to believe that no matter where you come from or what you look like, all of us deserve compassion and kindness. Renee lived this belief every day.”

Federal prosecutors in Minneapolis volunteered to work on the investigation into the killing of Renee Good on their own time. But the Justice Department told them there would be no charges pursued against ICE officers. Instead, they were to pursue charges against Becca Good. Four senior officials in the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division and six from the Minneapolis U.S. Attorney's office then resigned.

This story should dominate headlines through the midterms. But now, Trump tells CBS News anchor Tony Dokoupil, “you'll perhaps be very happy” with actions the U.S. will be taking in Iran. Stephen Miller assures, “Nobody's going to fight the United States militarily over Greenland”. For whatever reason, ICE is detaining members of the Oglala Sioux. And still those Epstein files. We're barely at mid-January. It's going to be a long year.

OP ED: SIERRA MADRE SIDEWALKS

Over the past few weeks, I have attempted to bring an increased awareness exposing the public safety hazards that plague our neglected and failing sidewalks and streets. The number of people that have contacted me explaining the injuries and broken bones from trip-and-falls was way greater than I imagined.

One accident even required surgery with metal implants placed in a man's leg that was broken due to a fall. Regarding the legal liability of sidewalk trip-and-fall injuries, it is important to realize that the City is responsible for injuries where the vertical displacement (vertical change in height) in sidewalk trip-hazards is 1/2 “ or greater. Both ADA and OSHA requirements consider a vertical change in level between 1/4” - 1/2” inch a trip-ping hazard.

The good news is that Sierra Madre is not a city filled with residents that keep ambulance-chasing lawyers on speed-dial. The liability payouts would be astronomical. If 1/2” or more is the legal threshold, Sierra Madre's sidewalks are potentially legal and financial landmines ripe for injuries and potential litigation.

What I find extremely concerning is that City Hall and our elected councilmembers continually fail to fund our public works department sufficiently to repair and maintain safe sidewalks.

Last March, 2025, I reached out to the then City Manager and the then Director of Public Woks, (neither of which are currently employed in the City) expressing my concerns after learning of trip-and-fall accidents that resulted in broken bones.

Shortly after, on April 2, 2025, a discussion item was placed on the April 8, 2025's city council agenda titled, SUBJECT: CONTINUATION OF SIDEWALK PROGRAM-IMPLEMENTATION OF ZONES 1 & 3 (FY 2024-2025)Copies of the report can be obtained on the City's website at https:// www.sierramadrec.gov/common/pages/GetFile.ashx? key=Xx-Q9AZ3q.

After reading and rereading the staff report several times I was amazed at the level of gaslighting and, rather frankly, the dishonesty contained in that report.

Whether the report was designed to mislead the city councilmembers or the public at large is uncertain. Regardless, the staff report basically was patting staff on the back stating that they have done a stellar job and that the sidewalks are safe.

The abridged version of that staff report explains the four year \$240,000 contract that was awarded to a contractor to eliminate sidewalk trip-and-fall hazards throughout the entire city. The actual work to be performed was to take place during the first three years and the fourth year was to provide an inspection and status update of the condition of the sidewalks.

The FY 2025-2026 concludes the fourth year but we have yet to be given that status report. As I have mentioned before in other posts, it would be a masterpiece of understatement to say that our sidewalks are dangerous with trip hazards throughout the entire city. But when one reads the staff report, it claims otherwise.

Actually, on Page 2 of the report it reads that this \$240,000 contract was “ensuring that by the end of the cycle all parts of the City receive needed repairs or upgrades.”

Considering all work cycles have been completed, ask yourself if all parts of the City received the needed repairs or upgrades. It would be suspiciously and blatantly dishonest to make that claim. Perhaps the biggest gaslit and dishonest claim in the staff report can be found on Page 4 and it reads that as of summer last year that there is a “...nearly 100% reduction in known tripping hazards on City sidewalks.” Take a stroll on almost any street in Sierra Madre and you realize that nothing could be further from the truth.

Page 4 proves itself to be the mother-load of governmental gaslighting. Claims that read, “...early indications from those completed zones [2 and 4] are very positive.” However just look at the condition of North Baldwin in these zones and the truth reveals a much different story.

In those zones, the sidewalk in front of the Episcopal Church is nothing short of dangerous. Or diagonally across the street from St. Rita's Church on the northwest corner where a senior citizen with a walker would be at an extreme risk.

The gaslighting becomes even more outrageous on Page 4 when it makes the claim that this program “...will ensure that Sierra Madre's sidewalks remain safe and accessible for years to come” or even that “implementing Zone 1 and 3 repairs this year is the capstone of the City's four-year sidewalk safety initiative, reinforcing our commitment to public safety, fiscal prudence, and thoughtful infrastructure stewardship.” I'm just surprised that the City Councilmembers bought into it.

Additionally, in that meeting, the City Manager made the comment that the contractor, “...did an extraordinary job...”, which in my opinion gave his approval of the gaslighting in the staff report. To the public at large, ask yourself, “Were these supposed sidewalk repairs satisfactory and was the staff report accurate and what you expected when you paid \$240,000 of your tax money?”

Do you honestly believe that nearly 100% of the trip hazards were removed or were you duped into believing so? And there is a bit more to the story. At the meeting when this was staff report was presented, I approached the councilmembers and used my 3 minutes of allocated time to address the inaccuracies in the report.

In order to validate my point and concerns, I invited all five councilmembers to spend 15 minutes to meet me on Baldwin and walk one block from Laurel to Grandview and show them how poorly the contractor did, how there was no inspection of their work, how inaccurate the staff report was, and for them to actually see for themselves the hazardous trip hazards that still existed.

A time was set but none of them showed. Several months later, one of the councilmembers approached me and said he eventually went and looked at that section on North Baldwin. He agreed that the hazards still remained and that it would be repaired. As of today, months later, nothing has been done and the hazards still remain, neglected.

Until the council directs the city staff to provide them with a Public Works budget that sufficiently funds the necessary funding requirements to keep our sidewalks, streets, and other infrastructures safe, maintained, and repaired, injuries will continue to plague the City.

Our City budget needs to consider and realize that much of the work our Public Works' boots-on-the-ground crews perform is as critical to public safety as is the Fire Department's and the Police Department's.

It's time for our elected officials and City staff to take a more honest and responsible look at our failing infrastructures and report it honestly, openly, and accurately to the public and fund it appropriately. Sierra Madre deserves nothing less.

Glenn Lambdin, Sierra Madre

City of Sierra Madre

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

To: Property Owners within a 1000-foot Radius
From: The City of Sierra Madre

Subject: TENTATIVE TRACT MAP 65348 AND CERTIFICATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT WITH RELATED MITIGATION MEASURES AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR A PROPOSED NINE (9) LOT RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION

Project Location: 935 and 965 East Grand View Avenue

This notice serves to inform you that the City Council will be conducting a Public Hearing on the date, time, and the location described below regarding the subdivision of land and certification of an environmental impact report, with mitigation measures, to create nine (9) single-family residential lots on approximately 9.06 acres of the property owned by Ginkgo Stonehouse, LLC, referred to as "The Ginkgo Stonehouse Residential Project."

The Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on the project application and recommended that the City Council certify the Environmental Impact Report (EIR), adopt a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and approve Tentative Tract Map 65348 as proposed. Application approval may be made pursuant to applicable findings for each independent action.

The meeting will be streamed live on the City's website at www.sierramadrecalifornia.gov, on Foothills Media website at <http://www.foothillsmidiasite.org/sierramadre> and broadcast on Government Access Channel 3 (Spectrum).

The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting. Public comment may also be made by e-mail to PublicComment@SierraMadreCA.gov by 3 PM on the day of the meeting. For further information on this subject, please contact the Planning and Community Preservation Department at (626) 355-7138.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
City Council meeting
Tuesday, January 27, 2026
(Meeting begins at 5:30 p.m.)

PLACE OF HEARING

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

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

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: State law requires the preparation of an EIR for projects that have the potential for environmental impacts. Public Resources Code Section 21002 requires that an EIR identify the significant effects of a project on the environment and provide measures or alternatives that can mitigate or avoid these effects. The EIR evaluates the environmental effects associated with the development of the project and discusses the manner in which the project's significant effects can be reduced or avoided through the implementation of mitigation measures or feasible alternatives to the proposed project. The Project Public Draft EIR and technical studies can be accessed at <https://ceqa-net.lci.ca.gov/2023100084>. The Project Final EIR (FEIR) containing Responses to Comments, Errata, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) and Revised Public Draft EIR with Errata incorporated can be accessed at <https://www.sierramadrecalifornia.gov/ginkgo>.

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.

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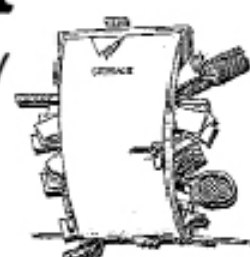
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The iconic New Year's parade. Parade begins at 8 am at the corner of Orange Grove Boulevard and Green Street in Pasadena

January 1
Rose Bowl Game
The Indiana Hoosiers will take on the Alabama Crimson Tide in the College Football Quarterfinal. The game begins at 1pm

January 7
A Concert for Altadena at Pasadena Civic Auditorium
On the one-year anniversary of the Eaton Fire, this benefit concert honors the resilience of the community and raises funds for rebuilding. An amazing lineup of artists will perform. 6:30 pm

January 10
Flower Arranging: Orchids and Camellias at The Huntington
Create stunning arrangements in this wintry workshop. 10 am – 12 pm; 1pm – 3 pm

January 17
Guided Nature Meditations at Descanso Gardens
Experience a peaceful 15-minute meditation in a beautiful natural setting. 9 am; 9:30 am; 10 am

January 17
Guided Walk: Camellia Connections to Asian and Western History at The Huntington
Explore the Camellia Garden and discover the history of the beloved camellia. 9 am – 11 am

January 18
Rose Bowl Half Marathon and 5K Tenth Anniversary
Kick off the new year with a run through picturesque Pasadena and support the mission to cure neurological diseases.

January 24
Pasadena Symphony and Pops at Ambassador Auditorium Performs Mendelssohn and Meyer
A rich musical journey featuring Mendelssohn's "Scottish" Symphony and Meyer's genre-bending Violin Concerto. 2 pm and 8 pm

January 24
Southern California Camellia Society Show and Sale at the Arboretum
The Southern California Camellia Society presents hundreds of camellia blooms 9 am – 4 pm

January 24
Nature Hike with Arcadia Community Center
Enjoy a staff-guided hike to Wisdom Tree. Includes transportation and boxed lunch. 7:30 am

Ongoing Events

January 1 – 3
Floatfest: A Rose Parade Showcase
View a two-mile showcase of stunning Rose Parade Floats on Sierra Madre and Washington Boulevards in Pasadena.

Now – January 11
Winter Frolic at Kidspace Museum
Your little ones can share in the magic of the season with sock-skating, "ice-fishing", and more.

January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Historic Downtown LA Walking Tour with LA Conservancy
Get a great overview of LA's history and architecture on this walking tour. 9:45 am

January 15, 16
Rooted Workshop: Terrariums at Descanso Gardens
Learn the basics of design, planting, and care as you create your own terrarium. 10 am - 11 am


January 26 – 31
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