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\$50,000 REWARD

Earlier this week, California Governor offered a \$50,000 reward for information that solves any of more than two dozen cold cases across the state, including two each in Los Angeles and Orange counties.

"Every family deserves answers and justice," Gov. Gavin Newsom said in a statement. "These rewards send a message that every case matters, every victim matters, and that we are all working toward increased accountability. If you know something, it is your duty to come forward."

The LA County cases included in the rewards offers are: -- the Nov. 20, 2021, killing of 13-year-old Iran Moreno, who was killed by a stray bullet that came through his bedroom window in the 900 block of North Raymond Avenue in Pasadena. Anyone with information was asked to call Pasadena Police Department Lt. Keith Gomez at 626-744-451; and the January 2022 fatal shooting of Tioni Theus, 16, whose body was found along the Harbor (110) Freeway near Manchester Avenue in South Los Angeles. Authorities said the teen told her family on Jan. 7 she was meeting a friend to go to a party. Her body was found two days later.

Anyone with information was urged to contact the California Highway Patrol at 323-644-9550.

ASSEMBLYMEMBER HARABEDIAN HONORS ARMENIAN GENOCIDE REMEMBRANCE DAY

2026 marks the 111th year since the start of the Armenian Genocide, the systematic massacre and displacement of over 1.5 million Armenians by the Ottoman Empire. In the Capitol and Assembly District 41, Assemblymember John Harabedian (D-Pasadena and Sierra Madre native), stands as one with other descendants of this heinous stain on human history.

The California Armenian Legislative Caucus Foundation gathered on Monday, April 20th in a remembrance luncheon honoring the Armenian community. Harabedian presented the Armenian National Committee of America with a certificate commemorating their advocacy efforts on behalf of the Armenian community.

The only Armenian in the Legislature, Harabedian also presented House Resolution 97, which acknowledges the atrocities of the Armenian Genocide and raises awareness of the warning signs of systematic violence. HR 97 passed the Assembly, recognizing April 24, 2026 as the Day of Commemoration of the 111th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide.

"As an Armenian American and Chair of the



Armenian Caucus, it is critically important that we formally recognize the historical reality of the Armenian Genocide and pay tribute to the 1.5 million Armenians who were murdered," said Harabedian. "As we reflect on this horrific injustice, we also celebrate the strength, resilience, and unity of the Armenian diaspora in California and our many contributions to communities across the state." Honoring the victims of the Armenian Genocide and standing in solidarity with the community, Harabedian's office was also represented at commemorations in Pasadena and Montebello.

LIFELONG SIERRA MADREAN BEN SMITH PASSES AWAY

The Sierra Madre social media pages lit up at the beginning of the week as word spread that lifelong Sierra Madre resident, Ben Smith, passed away on Tuesday, April 21 following an intense battle with leukemia. He was 52 years old. Numerous posts and hundreds of comments were posted by those who knew Ben and wanted to express their grief at the loss. Ben Smith was born March 3rd of 1974. He was the son of Sierra Madresans Ray and Linda Smith. He attended Gooden School in its early years. The years at Gooden influenced Ben well into adulthood. The school, which has a strong reputation for its arts and music programs, surely influenced his passion for karaoke.

Another passion of his was skiing. When the Gooden students were invited to Mt. Waterman to learn to ski, Ben whizzed down the face of Waterman before the rest of the children could figure out how to put their skis on. Ben and his father (a longtime member of Sierra Madre's volunteer fire department and the Sierra Madre Search and Rescue Team) worked for many winters on the Volunteer Ski Patrol at Mt. Waterman. Ben was also an unabashed fan of the Dodgers. Ben's friends will also attest to his love of space, regularly, receiving texts alerting them to satellite launches out of Vandenberg, or that the International Space Station will be visible tonight. A favorite memory for him and his family was camping out with thousands of others to observe the space shuttle Columbia, landing, before being ferried on top of a 747 to return to the Kennedy Space Center.

His love of space was, also, certainly encouraged by his fascination with the weather and meteorology. If the sky looked threatening, it was Ben that his friends went to for the latest in weather, as he, always, stayed apprised of the current weather situation, and due to his schooling, he knew what he was talking about.

Ben attended Maranatha High School, followed by studies at Glendale Community College and Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff and Glendale Community College before matriculating to UC Davis, where he graduated in 1997 with a degree in Atmospheric Science and as a meteorologist.

Following graduation, Ben worked for the National Weather Service and as a support engineer at EarthLink. In 1997, he co-founded Village Domain with Alan Tierney and David Backus. A pioneer during the Internet's era of rapid growth, Village Domain hosted many of Sierra Madre's earliest websites and email addresses. After Tierney and Backus moved on to other ventures, Ben continued operating the business on his own, running it until his passing with a dedicated focus on design and hosting services for his local community.

One person I spoke with told me about the time he noticed her squinting, and he got a pair of reading glasses for her to make it easier. When she was done, he refused to let her return them, as he said he didn't want to see her struggling with reading.

Ben is survived by his parents, longtime SM volunteer fireman Ray Smith, and mother Linda Smith, as well as an older brother, Emile Smith. A memorial will be held sometime in the future at a date to be determined.

Many of the social media mentions commented on what a good man he was, and the depth of his heart and soul. Just a small sampling of those comments posted by those close to him include:

- "He will be so dearly missed. I always loved hearing him sing. Praying for his family."
- "Too many great memories. My heart hurts too much."
- "Ben was such a lovely person. He will be missed."
- "Never easy when someone is taken before their time. It all seems so unfair. Especially a good human who brought joy to all he knew."
- "Ben was good, kind, and a generous friend to all."
- "Great singer, always called and crushed the Karaoke deep cuts. Kind,



welcoming persona."
"Ben, such a beautiful soul. You will be so missed. Rest in love."

Sierra Madre Mayor Kris Lowe, who knew Ben when they were kids, posted: "Can't imagine not growing old with you, but we sure had a great time growing up together! Love you so much and I miss you! Everyone does! City of Hope thought you were someone famous because of the amount (of) loved ones who came to be with you. Leukemia took you way too quickly! Thanks for watching over us from above and be sure to show your parents that you are ok and signal them that you're watching over them! Love you my brother!!"

And from Ben's friend of 37 years, Craig Middlebrook: "Over the years, we shared so much life together. We have skied up and down the great state of California. We backpacked through the High Sierras. We've even Honky Tonked in Nashville, Tennessee and we had a lot of fun—parties, holidays, vacations, and just the simple times of hanging out...I was blessed to live with you for a few years in Sierra Madre. You didn't have to open your home to me—but that's just who you are. You welcomed me in without hesitation...You are loyal, caring, trustworthy, supportive, sincere—and full of love. Those aren't just words; they're the way you lived your life every single day. You will be honored by so many of us, because you meant so much to so many...Life won't be the same without you here. That's something we all feel...I just want to say—thank you, Ben. For your friendship. For your kindness. For the way you made life better just by being in it."

From his brother Emile: "My brother Ben was the kind of person who could make you laugh anywhere – on a ski run, behind a computer, talking about the weather of singing karaoke like he owned the room. He was my first best friend, and I'll carry him with me for the rest of my life." And a final comment from his mother... "Ben is, now, in his Lord's arms and safe. He knew from his birth that he belonged to him and was sealed as his own, forever...."

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Thur	Ptly Cldy	Hi	70s	Lows	50s
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Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service



SIERRA MADRE MOVES TO REGULATE RISING USE OF ELECTRIC MOBILITY DEVICES

By Kevin McGuire

The Sierra Madre City Council is considering new regulations to address the growing use—and associated safety concerns—of electric mobility devices throughout the city. Ordinance No. 1491, introduced for first reading on March 24, 2026, proposes amendments to multiple sections of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code to establish clear definitions and operational rules for devices such as electric bicycles, scooters, and motorized boards.

On April 14, 2026, Council Members had a second first reading after some edits were made. City officials say the ordinance comes in response to a sharp rise in the popularity of electric mobility devices in recent years, particularly among younger residents. While these devices have become a convenient and environmentally friendly mode of transportation, their increased presence on streets, sidewalks, and in public parks has raised concerns about public safety.

According to the staff report submitted to the Council, complaints from residents have centered on issues such as riders operating at high speeds, failure to wear helmets, riding on sidewalks where pedestrians are present, improper parking, and carrying more passengers than devices are designed to accommodate.

The proposed ordinance seeks to address these concerns by aligning local regulations with existing California state law while adding specific provisions tailored to Sierra Madre's needs.

Rising Safety Concerns Backed by Data National and statewide studies highlight the urgency of the issue. A 2024 report by the Consumer Product Safety Commission found that injuries related to micromobility devices—including e-bikes and scooters—increased by 158 percent between 2017 and 2023. The report also noted that children under 14 accounted for approximately 34 percent of injuries, despite representing a smaller portion of the population.

Similarly, a University of California, San Francisco study reported a significant rise in injuries involving electric mobility devices between 2017 and 2022. The study found that riders of electric devices were less likely to wear helmets and more likely to be involved in alcohol-related incidents than traditional bicyclists.

In California, a study by the American College of Surgeons documented an 18.6-fold increase in e-bike injury incidents between 2018 and 2023, with injuries from e-bikes often more severe than those from conventional bicycles.

City officials warn that injuries from these devices can resemble those seen in motor

vehicle accidents, including internal bleeding, fractures, and traumatic brain injuries.

Key Provisions of the Ordinance Ordinance No. 1491 introduces a comprehensive framework for regulating electric mobility devices. Among its primary components:

- **New Definitions:** The ordinance formally defines “electric mobility devices” to include e-bikes, electric scooters, motorized boards, Segways, and low-speed vehicles. It also clarifies the classification of bicycles under state law.
- **Operational Restrictions:**
 - Prohibits riding electric mobility devices on sidewalks within the city's central traffic district.
 - Bans Class 3 e-bikes from all sidewalks.
 - Restricts motorized scooters from operating on sidewalks, roads without bike lanes, and roads with speed limits of 40 mph or higher.
 - Requires riders to operate devices with due care and at safe speeds.
- **Helmet Requirements:** Riders under 18 must wear helmets when using any electric mobility device. Helmets are required for all riders of Class 3 e-bikes, regardless of age

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SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 28, 2026 5:30 pm

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

A copy of the posted agenda and a live video stream of the meeting can be found on the City's website at sierramadrecal.gov on Foothills Media website at foothillsmedia.org sierramadrecal, 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@cityofsierramadrecal.com.

LIBRARY FUNDRAISER
THE SIERRA MADRE 61st ART FAIR
 SAT, MAY 2 – SUN, MAY 3
 10:00 am – 5:00 pm
 SIERRA MADRE MEMORIAL PARK
 222 West Sierra Madre Boulevard

Wander beneath the trees and discover a thoughtfully curated collection of over 80 artists, showing off their original, handcrafted work. Think ceramics, paintings, textiles, jewelry, photography, prints—and plenty of “I didn't know I needed this but now I do” finds. With both seasoned Fine Artists and rising Emerging Artists and Students, there's something to catch every eye.

And it's not just about the art. With live music, a silent auction full of one-of-a-kind treasures, hands-on kids' activities, and an Art Books Sale, the atmosphere is equal parts laid-back and lively. Listen for the following musicians in the park: Ukelele Orchestra of the Western Hemisphere, Richard Bellikoff, Generic Clapton, Sonny Kennedy, The Band

ENJOY THE SIERRA MADRE ART FAIR AND SUPPORT THE LIBRARY

Ready for a weekend that checks all the boxes—art, music, fresh air, and feel-good community vibes? On May 2–3, from 10 am – 5 pm, the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library Art Fair returns to Sierra Madre Memorial Park for a weekend filled with creativity, connection, and local charm.

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with No Name (Led by Khemet McConville), Old California, Evan Marshall, Wild Mountain Mystics, Dusty MacGroovy, and Maggie Moran.

This year, the Art Fair means even more. While the Sierra Madre Public Library is closed for renovations (reopening June 2026), funds from the fair will help keep its programs and services going strong into the future. Every purchase, bid, and visit helps support children's programs, community events, and the resources that make the library such a beloved hub.

Can't make it in person? You can still be part of the impact. The silent auction will also be available online, giving you the opportunity to browse and bid on artwork from anywhere—even your couch. It's a wonderful way to contribute—and you might just find the perfect Mother's Day gift while you're at it! Plan to linger a while—catch some great local music, browse at your own pace, and grab a bite from a local restaurant or bring a picnic and make a day of it.

Whether you're on the hunt for your next favorite artist, a unique gift, or just a really lovely way to spend a spring day, the Art Fair delivers.

May 2–3
 10 AM – 5 PM Sierra Madre Memorial Park
 222 Sierra Madre, CA 91024

Come, Bring Friends For An Afternoon of Games
 Bridge, Bingo, Mah Jong, Rummicub, Gin Rummy, or Share Your OWN Board Game(s)
Wednesday, May 27
 1:00 – 4:00 pm
 \$10 or Sharable Snacks*
 (* Chips, Dips, Nuts, Cookies, Bars, Brownies, Pretzels, etc.)
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WALKING SIERRA MADRE: The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

I may have mentioned that my birthday was earlier this month and, yes, I was 29 again... this is where you get to laugh uproariously! Anyway, my grandson, Michael, and his lovely wife, Alexandra, who live in the Oakland area and have been reporting rain constantly lately, gave me a very generous gift certificate for P F Chang's. I love P F Chang's. I really do. We usually order all the dumplings, the Kung Pao Dragon Roll, Dynamite Shrimp and all the rest of the sushi. Chow mein for the non-spicy folks and Kung Pao shrimp for the fearless spicy people.

Needless to say, it was all delicious and I want to share our fortune cookie fortunes with you as they were all worth keeping:

- The star of riches is shining on you. (Can't complain about that!)
- This week, people in your life will be more cooperative than usual. (We wish!)
- Honesty and kindness will bring prosperity to your family. (Yay!)
- You will soon receive an unexpected gift. (My favorite. I'm still waiting.)

As I was looking for our fortune cookie fortunes, I came across a few other pithy sayings I've set aside for a moment just like this one...

“A lie gets halfway around the world before the truth has a chance to get its pants on.”
 That one makes me think about those verses in the book of James about the tongue... James 3:5-8 describes the tongue as a small but uncontrollable, destructive force, comparing it to a fire and a restless evil full of deadly poison. The passage emphasizes that while humans can tame wild animals, no human can tame the tongue, which often acts as an inconsistent tool for both blessing and cursing! This gets back to that thing our mother used to say to us, “Think before you speak!” Or Thumper's famous line from the 1942 Disney classic, “Bambi”, “If you can't say something nice, don't say nothing at all!”

“Without ice cream, there would be darkness and chaos.” Don Kardong
 Which makes me look longingly at my Cuisinart Automatic Frozen Yogurt-Ice Cream & Sorbet Maker. It makes fabulous ice cream painlessly and quickly, and the Vanilla is so good you could eat it all, as long as nobody is watching. However, I then have to remember that “A moment on the lips, forever on the hips,” thing and I put the recipe book back on the shelf. Just in case you want the best Vanilla ice cream ever, here's the recipe and if you've got this Cuisinart Ice Cream Maker, go for it!!

- 1 cup whole milk
- ¾ cup granulated sugar and a pinch of salt
- 2 cups heavy cream
- 1 TB pure vanilla extract

“A feeling of progress is an exhilarating high. The actual length of the stride forward isn't the point. That it's forward at all—that's a gift wrapped in the shiny paper of hope.”
 That's the picture this week, which you've all seen before, the shovel planted in the ground that's been there so long the wooden handle has sprouted and a bird is perched on top singing joyfully. My Dad did this pencil drawing years ago but it just shouts HOPE to me and, with all that's going on in our world, a little hope is a good thing.

“May is the month of expectation, the month of wishes, the month of hope!”
 Emily Bronte

And just a word or two about hummingbirds... these little guys have been visiting my garden and peering at me through my sliding glass doors. They appear, you blink, and they're gone! Did you know that several species of hummingbirds travel incredible distances between their breeding grounds in North America and their winter homes farther south. They migrate mainly because of food availability. Their diet depends heavily on flower nectar and tiny insects, both of which become scarce during colder months.

Ruby throat hummingbirds only weigh about as much as a penny. Their hearts race as fast as 20 beats per second and their resting body temperature sits at about 102 degrees.

Hummingbird eggs are about the size of a coffee bean and weigh less than 1 gram.

A couple of times a hummingbird has built her nest in the Oleander outside my office window and I've had the joy every day of watching her coming and going and sitting on her nest.

Hope something brings you joy this week, ice cream, hummingbirds, butterflies, flowers, a great fortune cookie fortune and maybe a big hug from someone you love.

Check out my book page: Deanne Davis: Amazon.com
 Great stories there about my granddad searching for gold,
 “The Fever Never Ends”



Pasadena Altadena

News From Your Community For Your Community

Pasadena Celebrates Water Awareness Month in May

Pasadena Water and Power (PWP) announced that during the month of May they will celebrate Water Awareness Month, an annual outreach campaign highlighting one of the world's most precious natural resources: water. All events are free.

Garden Show and Tell

Monday, April 27 through Friday, June 12
Community members are encouraged to share photos and information on their garden transformations from turf to drought-tolerant landscaping. Every week, a garden will be selected and featured on PWP's website as the Garden of the Week. Must be a PWP customer to enter.

Pop-In to Win at Pasadena Farmers Markets

Saturday, May 2, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Victory Park Farmers Market, 2900 Block of North Sierra Madre Blvd

Tuesday, May 12, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Villa Parke Farmers Market, 363 E Villa Street

Learn about water-saving tools and resources. Plus, water-saving giveaways and a chance to win a free native plant.

Garden Design Workshop with The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Thursday, May 7, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Robinson Park Recreation Center, 1081 N. Fair Oaks Avenue

This workshop will walk customers through the process of planning a landscape that captures rainwater and conserves water.

Attendees will learn how to design a rain garden, create hydro zones to improve irrigation efficiency, and select climate-appropriate native and drought tolerant plants. RSVP required.

Water Town Hall (virtual)

Wednesday, May 13, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Via Zoom

Learn about your water: where it comes from, what it takes to deliver it, and how PWP provides sustainable and reliable delivery of safe, high-quality water. This is a virtual event via Zoom.

Preschool Storytime with a Water Treatment Operator

Tuesday, May 19, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Jefferson Branch Library, 1500 E Villa Street

Join PWP for a water-themed story time filled with stories, songs, crafts, and fun. For children ages 3 to 5. See water demonstrations and enjoy a water-wear craft.

Arroyo Seco Public Tour

Friday, May 22, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

JPL Bridge, Explorer Road
Join PWP staff for a tour of the Arroyo Seco watershed. Participants must wear closed-toe shoes, and plan for a two-mile walk on a dirt trail.

Monk Hill Water Facility Tour

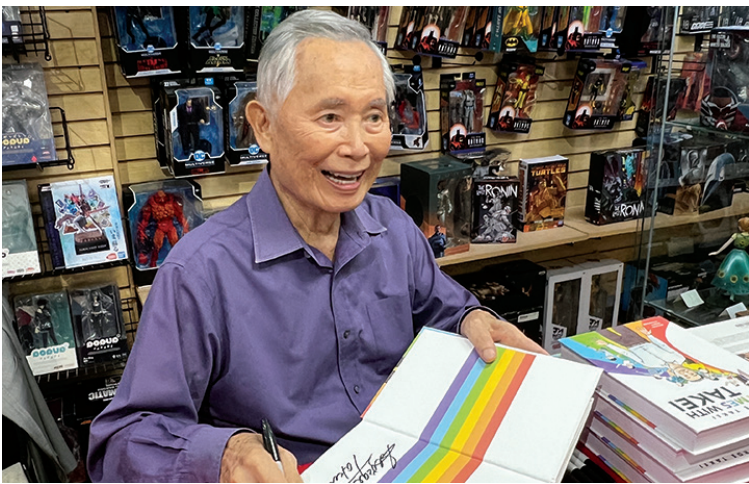
Saturday, May 23, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Registration required. Address provided upon RSVP

Join PWP for a tour of the Monk Hill Water Facility. Participants will learn about water treatment, storage, and delivery as well as the history of Monk Hill, its role in Pasadena's water supply.

For more information visit: PWPweb.com

Pacific Islander & Asian American Heritage Month of May Free Events



The City of Pasadena is celebrating Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month by recognizing the contributions and influence of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders to the history, culture and achievements of the United States with a series of virtual programs, events and activities for all ages. Library programs are sponsored by The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library.

Programs & Events:

Rice in a Pot: A Family Gardening Workshop

Saturday, May 9 • 10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch Library, 55 N. Hill Ave.

Discover the importance of rice across cultures and learn traditional methods of growing and harvesting it in this fun, hands-on workshop. Then decorate your own pot, plant a rice seedling in it, get tips on how to care for it and take it home to grow and thrive. Presented by The Huntington Library. To attend, sign up at CityOfPasadena.net/Library/Calendar/. For ages 8-18.

Japanese Book Binding

Saturday, May 16 • 10:30 a.m. • Jefferson Branch Library, 1500 E. Villa St.

Learn the technique of Japanese book binding. Supplies provided. To attend, sign up at CityOfPasadena.net/Library/Calendar/. For ages 8-18.

Explore the Culture and Craft of Asian Tea

Friday, May 22, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

• Jackie Robinson Community Center, 1020 N. Fair Oaks Ave.

Join us for a journey through the rich history and vibrant culture of teas from across the Asian continent. Discover unique brewing traditions, learn about the origins of different teas, and enjoy a guided tasting featuring selections from several countries. Open to ages 18 and over. Registration is required, reserve your spot today! For more information, call (626) 744-7300.

Bilingual Chinese Storytime

Saturday, May 23 • 10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch Library, 55 N. Hill Ave.

Join us for a special bilingual Chinese/English storytime. Whether you're a native speaker or hoping to learn something new, it's a perfect way to have fun with language, stories and crafts! For ages 3-5 and their caregivers.

Tea Tasting with Callisto Tea House

Saturday, May 30 • 11 a.m. • Hill Avenue Branch Library, 55 N. Hill Ave.

Learn about the history, culture and brewing styles of different teas then give them a taste. To attend, sign up at CityOfPasadena.net/Library/Calendar/. For ages 18+.

AAPI-owned Businesses Spotlight Series

Month-long series | Social Media

The City's Communication and Marketing Division and Economic Development Division under the City Manager's Office will highlight AAPI-owned businesses in Pasadena throughout May. This series will highlight the local heritage of cultures that contribute to making Pasadena a diverse community. Follow along on social media via Facebook and Instagram @CityOfPasadena, and Twitter @PasadenaGov.

ONE BOOK, ONE COAST

One Book, One Coast (OBOC) is a new, multi-state community reading initiative that invites readers across the entire west coast to engage with a shared text through discussion, programs and reflection. Our inaugural selection is *They Called Us Enemy* (2019), a graphic memoir by George Takei that recounts his childhood experience of incarceration alongside more than 120,000 people of Japanese descent, most of whom were U.S. citizens, following Executive Order 9066 in 1942. Books are available in the Pasadena Public Library and are also available in digital formats.

Allendale Book Discussion Group

Saturday, May 9 • 10:30 a.m. • Allendale Branch Library, 1130 S. Marengo Blvd.

Online Book Group

Saturday, May 23 • 10:30 a.m. • Zoom

To attend, sign up at CityOfPasadena.net/Library/Calendar/.

Linda Vista Book Discussion Group

Saturday, May 30 • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista Branch Library, 1281 Bryant St.

A Reader's Guide to They Called Us Enemy

Saturday, May 16 • 3 p.m. • Lamanda Park Library, 140 S.

Altadena Dr.

George Takei's lifelong commitment to truth telling and equal rights was forged in his childhood while unjustly imprisoned in World War II American concentration camps.

Susan H. Kamei, award-winning author of *When Can We Go Back to America?* *Voices of Japanese American Incarceration* during World War II, provides behind-the-scenes context for Takei's firsthand accounts of his family's incarceration in his best-selling graphic novel *They Called Us Enemy*. A descendant of wartime internees, Kamei shares lessons to be learned about the meaning of being American.

Share Your Story: Graphic Memoir

Thursday, May 21 • 3 p.m. • Santa Catalina Branch Library, 999 E. Washington Blvd.

Create a one-page graphic memoir of an important part of your own life. Drawing skills are not required. Collage materials will be available.

Conversation with Author George Takei

Sunday, May 31 • 1-4 p.m. • East Los Angeles County Library, 4837 E. 3rd St., Los Angeles

Celebrate One Book, One Coast with an afternoon of activities, author talk and book signing. 1-2 p.m.:

Book sales, resource partners, art displays, selfie station and snacks

2-3 p.m.:

Author Talk with George Takei, Los Angeles County Library Director Dr. Skye Patrick and Long Beach Public Library Director Cathy de Leon

3-4 p.m.:

Book Signing with George Takei
For more information visit: cityofpasadena.net.



Commodore Computers Super Show

A group of computer devotees are set to celebrate, Today and Sunday, early and modern Commodore and Amiga Computers. The event will be held nearby in the city of Burbank at the VFW 8310 Hall.

The event runs today from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m Sunday. Tickets are \$25.

- Meet other Commodore and Amiga enthusiasts.

- See demos and presentations on and about the Commodore 128, Commodore 64, Ultimate 64, Plus/4-C16, Commodore B series, VIC-20, PET, and Amiga classic and next gen.

The Commodore Los Angeles Super Show (CLASS) is supported by the Southern California Commodore & Amiga Network and the Fresno Commodore User Group.

VFW 8310 is located 1006 W Magnolia Blvd Burbank.

For more information visit: portcommodore.com/sccan.

Pasadena Choral Society to Present 'Life of Mozart'

The Pasadena Choral Society's newest ensemble, the Pasadena Choral Society, invites audiences to experience Mozart like never before in its upcoming concert, *Life of Mozart*, on Wednesday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m. at San Marino Community Church. This innovative performance features an actor playing Mozart, speaking Mozart's own words, and bringing to life the creation of his final masterpiece, the Requiem.



Famously unfinished at the composer's death, Mozart's Requiem has moved and intrigued audiences for 225 years and stands as one of the most iconic and enigmatic works in the choral repertoire. The piece has long been shrouded in mystery, with centuries of speculation surrounding the circumstances of its creation.

In *Life of Mozart*, the Pasadena Choral Society presents a strikingly original interpretation: the Requiem is performed exclusively in the form Mozart himself completed, allowing audiences to hear the work as he left it. Interwoven throughout the performance is a dramatic narrative, brought to life by musician and actor Milo Brody

(pictured), who will portray Mozart. Through excerpts of the composer's own letters, Brody gives voice to Mozart's thoughts, struggles, humor, and humanity, which creates an intimate and immersive experience that transcends the traditional concert format.

This unique production marks a special homecoming for Milo Brody, who is a Pasadena native and alumnus of the Pasadena Choral Society's acclaimed "Listening to the Future" young composer program.

By combining theatrical storytelling with one of the most profound choral works, *Life of Mozart* offers audiences not only a concert, but a moving exploration of artistic legacy, mortality, and the enduring voice of one of history's greatest composers.

Admission is free and open to the public. Tickets can be reserved at pasadenachorale.org.

Statement from Pasadena Heritage on the Potential Closure of PUSD Campuses

For nearly 50 years, Pasadena Heritage's principal purpose has been to preserve and protect Pasadena's historic and cultural resources. Therefore, we have watched with concern the ongoing discussions by the Pasadena Unified School District concerning the potential closure or consolidation of District campuses.

Recognizing the significant, long-term attendance, fiscal and staffing challenges faced by the District, we acknowledge the complexity and difficulty of the decisions that the District may be asked to consider.

As the District explores these choices, Pasadena Heritage asks that you:

Acknowledge and embrace the significant architectural, historical and cultural value attached to many Pasadena Unified School District campuses. Many Pasadena campuses were designed by architects among the most notable practitioners of their generation, with distinctive character and significant historical associations.

Explore the potential for protection, preservation and adaptive reuse of its physical campuses, an increasingly popular alternative to the loss of significant historic fabric. Adaptive reuse offers significant benefits over demolition with respect to climate goals, forming an important element of placemaking.

Ensure that schools remain available to serve all geographic areas, income levels, and communities that make up Pasadena. Our members have reached out to us concerning specific campuses because of a fear that the multiple schools that once populated their neighborhoods may now be shuttered, leaving portions of this community without sufficient public neighborhood schools. These campuses are more than educational centers, as they are communal gathering places, sources of information and recreation, and character-defining elements of the neighborhoods they serve.

As the Pasadena Unified School District faces these challenges, we offer the contribution of professionals with deep knowledge of architecture, construction, preservation, planning and adaptive reuse. We invite you to contact us at any time so that we may assist you in exploring your options for these important components of Pasadena's community identity.



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PASADENA APPEALS COURT BLOCKS LAW BANNING MASKS FOR FEDERAL AGENTS

PASADENA (CNS) - A Pasadena appeals court today temporarily blocked California from enforcing a law limiting when federal agents can wear masks.

The No Vigilantes Act, passed by the Legislature and signed by Gov. Gavin Newsom last year, came in response to the Trump administration's immigration raids in Southern California over the summer, during which masked, unidentified federal officers detained people as part of the president's mass deportation program.

A three-judge panel of the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals determined that the state's attempt to regulate federal law enforcement violates the Constitution.

"We conclude that the No Vigilantes Act attempts to directly regulate the United States in its performance of governmental functions," Judge Mark Bennett, a Trump appointee, wrote in the court's opinion. "The Supremacy Clause forbids the state from enforcing such legislation. The United States is therefore likely to succeed on the merits of its Supremacy Clause claim, and the other preliminary injunction factors also weigh in its favor. Thus, we grant the motion for an injunction pending appeal."

The No Vigilantes Act requires any non-uniformed federal law enforcement officer operating in California, with narrow exceptions, to visibly display identification while performing official duties, and officers who violate the law face criminal prosecution by the state.

Previously, a Los Angeles federal judge rejected the Trump administration's claim that U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents need to wear masks to prevent doxing, meaning the online disclosure of agents' personal information that could lead to harassment or targeting.

However, the judge said in her ruling that California's No Secret Police Act, a separate state law,

appears to discriminate against the federal government because its provisions do not apply to state or local law enforcement officers.

But the judge upheld the No Vigilantes Act, which requires most local, state and federal law enforcement personnel to display their name or badge number while on duty.

First Assistant U.S. Attorney Bill Essayli of the Central District of California applauded the circuit court's ruling. "Huge legal victory this morning in the Ninth Circuit, where the court permanently enjoined California's unconstitutional mask law targeting federal agents," he posted on social media.

The U.S. Department of Justice sued California, Newsom and state Attorney General Rob Bonta in September, challenging what the federal government claimed is an "unconstitutional" attempt to impede federal law enforcement by imposing the mask ban and identification requirement on officers.

The laws made California the first state in the nation to prohibit federal law enforcement, including ICE agents, from hiding their identities, and requiring non-uniformed federal law enforcement to visibly display identification information, including agency, name or badge number during enforcement duties.

The laws took effect Jan. 1, but were not being enforced while their constitutionality was challenged in court.

The DOJ lawsuit, filed in Los Angeles federal court, alleges that the No Secret Police Act and the No Vigilantes Act threaten the safety of officers facing harassment, doxing and violence while carrying out enforcement duties.

"California's anti-law enforcement policies discriminate against the federal government and are designed to create risk for our agents. These laws cannot stand," according to a statement from the department.

The Trump administration's complaint stated that the federal government did not intend to comply with the challenged laws.

LA COUNTY SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER AND LA MAYOR KAREN BASS MEET WITH PRESIDENT TRUMP REGARDING DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS



Mayor Karen Bass, President Trump, and Supervisor Barger after their meeting on April 22, 2026. (Photo credit: The White House)

LA Mayor Karen Bass and county Supervisor Kathryn Barger had "very positive" talks with President Donald Trump last week amid efforts to support fire victims and hold insurers accountable.

Bass and Barger are in Washington D.C. to advocate for families who lost everything due to the January 2025 wildfires. The pair of elected officials met with Trump and administration officials Wednesday afternoon.

"We had a very positive discussion about FEMA and other rebuilding funds as well as the support of the president to continue joining us in pressuring the insurance companies to pay what they owe -- and for the big banks to step up to ease the financial pressure on L.A. families," Bass and Barger said in a joint statement, referring to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

"Our job is to fight for our communities. When it comes to this recovery, our federal partners are essential, and we are grateful for the support of the president," the statement continued.

Bass and Barger's meeting with Trump comes after the president accused insurance companies of abandoning Southern Californians impacted by the devastating wildfires in March.

In a post on Truth Social, Trump's social media platform, he called out State Farm and other insurers. Trump described those companies as "horrendous" for failing homeowners who had paid their premiums.

"People have been paying them large premiums for years, only to find that when tragedy struck, these horrendous companies were not there to help!," Trump wrote on social media.

Trump tasked Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Lee Zeldin with conducting a report on insurers that acted "swiftly, courageously, and bravely" to honor their legal obligations, and those who didn't.

Trump has previously criticized Gov. Gavin Newsom and Bass for their response to the wildfires, blaming them for the disaster and slow-paced efforts to restore Pacific Palisades and Altadena.

Under Trump's direction, Zeldin visited Southern California earlier this year. During his trip, he met with Bass, Barger and county Supervisor Lindsey Horvath.

Discussion between elected officials and the Trump administration, in part, resulted in recognizing the challenges fire survivors face with dealing with insurers.

Fire survivors have described dealing with insurers and filing claims as the biggest hurdle to recovery. Meanwhile, fire survivors, consumer advocates and state legislators conducted a news conference in Sacramento Wednesday morning to highlight a package of insurance reforms bills.

State Sen. Sasha Renée Pérez, D-Pasadena, led the group. She discussed the four bills that expected to be heard by the Senate Insurance Committee. Senate Bill 877 aims to bring transparency to loss estimates, while SB878 aims to penalize insurers for making unnecessary delays in paying claims.

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CHRIS ESKINE, FORMER LOS ANGELES TIMES COLUMNIST TO ADDRESS WOMEN OF EAGLE SCOUTS AT TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SILVER JUBILEE LUNCHEON

Guests at the twenty-sixth annual Silver Jubilee Women of Eagle Scout Brunch, Wind Under Their Wings, will be treated to an entertaining and motivating event on Saturday, May 16, 2026 at a private location in Pasadena. A reception will be held at 10:30 a.m. followed by a brunch, entertainment, and the program at 11:15 a.m. The celebration will conclude at 1:30 p.m.

Local Boy Scouts from Troop 359 in the San Gabriel Valley will greet guests during the hosted reception and will usher them into the venue by a scout bugler for a delicious brunch. Troop 359 will post the colors and I lead the pledge of allegiance.

An Eagle Scout will present the Scout message and will share how their mother influenced their life and encouraged them throughout the road to becoming an Eagle Scout. They will also share information on their Eagle Project.



The Invocation will be presented by Reverend Susanne Wright-Nava, an Associate Rector of St Edmunds Episcopal Church.

Capping the brunch will be a motivating talk presented by Chris Eskine. Chris worked for thirty years at the Los Angeles Times as an editor and writer, covering sports, travel, politics, family and entertainment. He was part of three Pulitzer Prize-winning teams for breaking news for his graphics work on the Northridge quake and the North Hollywood bank robbery. His weekly humor pieces on life in suburban Los Angeles are probably his best-known work. In 2018, he released "Daditude," a collection of his favorite Times columns on fatherhood. He has also written "Man of the House," "Surviving Suburbia" and "What the Bears Know," released in 2023, made The Los Angeles Times' best-seller list. He also contributed to the Vin Scully book, "Perfect Eloquence." He is a native of Chicago and also worked at papers in New Orleans and Miami. He still pens weekly columns for eight papers around the Los Angeles, including The Outlook Newspapers in the San Gabriel Valley. He is the father of four and has been a La Canada resident since 1993. He also organizes local hikes and gin tastings. His humor and wit delights all audiences.

This year's committee under the leadership of Chairman, Robin Puri of Pasadena includes Avery Barth, Janice Conzonire, Vicki Elliott, Mary Falkenbury, Mona Mapel, Patricia Tom Mar, Valerie Gumbiner Weiss, and Julie Wong Tam, Jocelyn Go Young of San Marino; Judith Din, Julie Foong, Jane Laudeman, of Pasadena; Ellen Chiechi, of Arcadia; Vivian Chan of San Gabriel; Suko Gutoh of Glendale, Cindy Sercel of Lakeview Terrace, and Linda Vazquez. The committee welcomes the community to attend and honor the Women Behind the Eagle Scouts. The cost is \$80 per person for brunch, mementos, an Opportunity Drawing, and supports the Greater LAScouting. Reservations, sponsorships, and underwriting opportunities are being taken at [HTTP://GREATERLAScouting.ORG/WINGS](http://GREATERLAScouting.ORG/WINGS). Additional information may be obtained by contacting committee member Robin at (626) 673-7874.

Mountain Views News Saturday, April 25, 2026

DUARTE KIWANIS CELEBRATES KEY CLUB SENIORS



The Duarte Kiwanis Club held their annual celebration of Seniors meeting in April. Key Club members from CS Arts and Duarte High School led the meeting. Mayor Tera Martin del Campo shared a program highlighting the year's accomplishments for the City of Duarte. The mayor is a graduate of Duarte High School, herself illustrating for our graduates the opportunity to continue to serve your own hometown.

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

PASADENA ROTARY TO HONOR 5 PASADENA UNIFIED TEACHERS WITH AWARDS, GRANTS

Teachers of Excellence Awards in-person April 29

Pasadena – Five Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) teachers will be honored beginning at noon Wednesday, April 29, during the Rotary Club of Pasadena's 36th Annual Teachers of Excellence Award Ceremony.

The educators were chosen by a selection committee composed of Rotarians, and community members including members of the Pasadena Educational Foundation. The nomination packages included three essays from each nominee and three essays from their respective principals. Committee members also visited the classrooms to observe and evaluate the finalists.

The five winners who will be honored are: Maria Barajas, second grade, Hamilton Elementary; Michael Birnbryer-Lao, music, Blair High School; Sonia Covarrubias, kindergarten, Willard Elementary; Ani Karapetyan, sixth grade science and math, Eliot Arts Magnet; Jocelyn Strickland, third grade, Jackson Elementary.

PUSD Superintendent Elizabeth Blanco will join the program as a special guest, along with other high-ranking PUSD officials, and representatives from state and local elected officials' offices.

The Rotary Club's annual Teachers of Excellence Award Program fosters, encourages and recognizes excellence in teaching and dedication to public education at PUSD. Each Teacher of Excellence will awarded \$2,300 to use for any purpose they choose, whether personal or professional. This is a substantial increase from the \$1,500 that has been presented to each winner

since the program's inception in 1990, reflecting the Rotary Club's desire to not let inflation render the monetary awards less meaningful than in prior years.

An additional \$500 will be awarded to each winner's school for educational purposes. Funding is provided by the Pasadena Rotary Foundation. The awardees additionally receive recognition from state and local officials.

The program started in 1990, a product of hard work and dedication on the part of Pasadena Rotary's members the late Joe Lonergan, the late Al Lowe, and Christle Balvin, among others.

The 2026 Teachers of Excellence Co-chairs are Rotarians Mary Lou Byrne and Gary W. Kearney.

The April 29 meeting is open to the public with a reservation required; lunch charge is \$45/person, held at the University Club at 12:00 to 1:30 pm. RSVP to office@pasadenarotary.com.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide to provide humanitarian service and help to build goodwill and peace in the world. It is comprised of 1.2 million members working in more than 45,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographic regions providing over 16 million volunteer hours each year.

ROTARY CLUB OF PASADENA celebrated its Centennial year in 2020. We have about 200 members that meet weekly at the University Club Pasadena with amazing, dedicated members contributing to the well-being and growth of the community, region, and world. Committees include: Polio Plus, Dan Stove Music Contest; G. Hensel Ethics Contest; Community Grants; International Projects; Done In A Day; RYLA -Teen Leadership; Shop with a Cop; and Teachers of Excellence to name a few as well as fun social events.

Pasadena is the oldest and largest Rotary Club in the San Gabriel Valley and is part of District 5300. www.pasadenarotary.com

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"404: IDENTITY NOT FOUND."

Arcadia High School's Orchesis Dance Company presents their 2026 spring production, "404: Identity Not Found." Orchesis Dance Company's professional quality production showcases diverse genres, from contemporary to hip-hop to jazz, this show is full of dynamic dances, dramatic music, and passionate emotions.

This is a fully student run production that consists of 29 dancers and 30 backstage crew members that are students of Arcadia High School. There will be featured choreography from the dancers and professional choreographers within the dance industry.

About Orchesis Dance Company

Arcadia High School's Orchesis Dance Company has graced the stages of Arcadia for over 40 years. Originally, Orchesis Dance Company was a club for students who wanted to further their modern dance skills. Over the years, Orchesis has evolved into a unique program that teaches its dancers artistic growth and leadership skills, pushing the boundaries of high school dance to a more professional and elite caliber. Throughout the year, Orchesis hosts and participates in many performances, such as Arcadia High School assemblies, the Charity Dance Show, the Orchesis Dance Department Spring Dance Recital, and multiple outside productions across Southern California. These performances showcase student-choreographed pieces, as well as pieces created by renowned and professional dancers/choreographers in the Los Angeles area. Student choreography is not only incorporated in the Orchesis Dance Company program curriculum, but heavily encouraged. Company members receive choreographic workshops and opportunities, fostering their creativity and growth in their skills as choreographers and dancers. This specialized program allows students to explore and develop into leaders, artists, and individuals. The mission of the Arcadia High School Dance Department and Orchesis Dance Company is to push our dancers, continue their growth, and provide the highest level of dance training and opportunities. Most of all, we strive to create a safe space for our students to be free and open, to feel valued and heard, and to be able to learn and grow.

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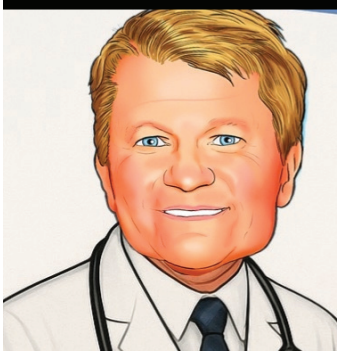


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GAUCHO GRILL – PASADENA



Peter A. Dills

L.A.'s King of Cuisine
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Some locations have history. Others have potential. A few—if they're lucky—get both. The Pasadena home of Gaucho Grill, formerly Paul Martin's, falls into that last category. Good bones, strong visibility—but it needed direction. Sitting down with Kirk Cartozian, you realize quickly this isn't a guy guessing his way through it.



This is a restaurant man. And more than that—an entrepreneur who understands timing.

As part of my "So What's Next?" podcast, I asked Kirk what I've been asking a lot of people lately—bartenders, owners, even a guy teaching guitar on his day off:

"What's next?" Kirk didn't give me a rehearsed answer. He talked about evolution. About staying relevant. About building something that brings people in today—not ten years ago. And then he pointed to the bar. That's where this story really starts. That's because Gaucho Grill Pasadena isn't just rolling out a Happy Hour—they're making a statement.

Now you know me—I don't chase cheap. My father used to say, "If it's not good, I don't care what it costs." I've stuck with that. But when Kirk said, "Peter, try this—we're doing it right," I listened. So we went to work. Everything we ordered—food AND drinks—was under \$10. That's not a promotion—that's a strategy.

We started with the cocktails.

The Margarita—balanced, not syrupy, built like someone behind the bar respects the drink.
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Then the food hit the table.

Chicken sliders—juicy, well put together, no shortcuts.
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At one point I said to Kirk, "This feels like more than a Happy Hour." He didn't hesitate. Because it is. This is about getting people back in the room. Letting them sample, experience, and—if they're like me—start planning the next visit before they leave. And that's the bigger picture.

Kirk isn't just running a restaurant—he's balancing multiple lanes. Gaucho Grill, the tequila business, the realities of today's hospitality world. It's not easy. The margins are tight, the expectations are high, and the customer? Smarter than ever. That's where experience shows.

The room feels better now. More relaxed. Less like it's trying to prove something, more like it knows what it is, and in Pasadena—that matters.

Pro tip (and don't spread this around):
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IN SUMMARY:
 Gaucho Grill Pasadena is finding its groove—and Kirk Cartozian is playing the long game. The new Happy Hour delivers where it counts: quality sliders, legit cocktails, and everything under \$10. Not a gimmick. Not a shortcut. A smart move. And if you're asking what's next?

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THE ANN AND HANNA SHOW

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Two friends, one town, a community built one interview at a time.

By Elizabeth Converse

Ann McKenzie and Hanna Jungbauer host The Ann and Hanna Show, an Instagram-based video series that has become one of Sierra Madre's most recognizable platforms for community storytelling. Born out of their work on the Sierra Madre Rose Float, the show grew into a lifeline for local businesses during the Eaton Fire and has since expanded into a weekly celebration of the foothill communities. They were named the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce's Spirit of Sierra Madre for 2025.

Ann, you grew up in Sierra Madre. What do you love most about this town?

Ann: Community. Sierra Madre has a wonderful, welcoming community, and there are so many ways to be involved here. Growing up here, you see things evolve. And I'm very fortunate that my best friends now are the same people I was best friends with as a little kid. There's nothing like hometown community. It really does feel like Mayberry — but we're close enough to the big city. There's something very special about Sierra Madre. I even have a Sierra Madre tattoo. The wistaria.

How did the two of you find each other, and how did The Ann and Hanna Show get started?

Ann: We met at the Rose Float. Hanna is the volunteer coordinator there, and I'm the lead florist. We had to work in close proximity anyway, and then we started discovering all these things we had in common. It was like, oh my god, we've got lightning in a bottle here. Let's make a power team. Let's take this float that people didn't know much about and set it on fire.

Hanna: The float needed social media — badly. And Ann already had some ideas. So we started doing these little campy, fun interviews with the volunteers, putting personalities to faces people had never seen before. All of a sudden people were saying, oh, I recognize Luis — she likes coffee. That's Kurt, he's good at welding. It just took off.

And then the fires happened.

Ann: When the fires happened, we knew we had to do something. We didn't know exactly what, but something. So we started using our platform to focus attention on what was happening and how people could help. We'd go around interviewing businesses, saying, hey, come support them — buy a gift card, show up. Just because a building is still standing doesn't mean it didn't lose anything. Some of these businesses had 70 percent of their clientele burned out. They had nothing coming in.

Hanna: And that's really where The Ann and Hanna Show got birthed. We saw the real problems after the fire, and we realized we could use what we'd built to actually help.

One of our favorite stories:

There was a gastropub on Foothill, right across from Hastings Ranch. They had no clientele, they were in serious debt, and the landlord was making things very difficult.

We went in, said come on Sierra Madre, and Sierra Madre showed up. They raised over \$20,000 that month — enough to stay afloat for a few more months while they figured out their next move. That was really cool.

Once the immediate fire coverage wound down, where did you go from there?

Hanna: You can't talk about a crisis forever. So we just kept going — oh, you have an event? Cool, we'll come. You have a racehorse? Let's talk about it. There are so many interesting stories, not only in this town but across the whole foothill community. A lot of those people tie right back into the Art Walk — musicians, painters from Altadena. By interviewing them it became almost hand-to-hand: oh, you do this? Do you want to come to Sierra Madre and be part of the Art Walk? It just worked out that way.

Ann: One of Hanna's many gifts is that she can bring people together. You have a band? Great, we know someone who needs a band. You're an artist? We have something coming up. Because she's so open with it, things snowball. And being able to get bands for the Art Walk, to have people performing here who've never performed here before — just seeing everyone's happiness. That's everything.

How did the show get its name?

Hanna: People were being mean to us. Someone said, it's not The Ann and Hanna Show, you know. And we looked at each other and went — you are absolutely correct. It is not The Ann and Hanna Show. Whoever wants to be on camera, please line up. And more people did start participating. But we took that, and sometimes great things are born out of spite. So we went to the Doo Dah Parade as The Ann and Hanna Show, and that's when we knew we really had something.

Ann: We made the Queen's Court. We didn't win, but next year — we're going for the crown.

Hanna, you're a transplant. What surprised you about Sierra Madre when you first came here?

Hanna: I'm from Minnesota, and I came up here on my own early on — no GPS, just wanted to get lost and find my way back. I drove up into the canyon and burst into tears. I thought, oh my god, I'm in Duluth. This is literally Duluth with palm trees. The mountains, the canyon, the air. It felt so much like home. And then you walk down the street and everyone says hi. I love sitting at the coffee shops just watching people.

Ann: It's cultivated a kind of personal freedom. People find themselves here. It's sacred ground in a way. And I think that's why artists have always been drawn to it. It's been an art place for so long — the pottery on Montecito, the artists and musicians up in the canyon. It's always been a unique place.

What is your mission with the show?

Hanna: To highlight the beauty of the foothill communities and the San Gabriel Valley. And when people need to be seen, we want to show them. A lot of people don't know how to say, I need help, or I have an interesting story. We love interesting wildcards. Tell us about it. Showcase the fun — especially in the climate we're in right now. We're so fortunate to have this community. Why aren't we lifting each other up?

Ann: And there's no gatekeeping. That's the whole point. It's all attainable. We work with other platforms — Mr. Pasadena, Everything Pasadena, Next Door. If we know something's opening, we say go there. It's about sharing, not taking the spotlight. Community is the goal.

What do you want people to know about you that they might not?

Hanna: How curious we are. We are tourists in our own town. Get us on a double-decker bus, take us to a museum, show us something we've never seen — we're in. We want to know the backstory, the side story, the weird facts. Because here's the thing: if you go talk to a Michelin Star chef, they'll probably talk about recipes. That's been done. We want to know about the cat at home that's giving them emotional problems. The weird color they painted the bathroom that they can't stand. That's what makes them who they are. That's the recipe.

Ann: We're humanizing the story. When you put a human angle on something that's been told a thousand times, people go — oh, wait. I see it differently now.

Where do you see the show going?

Hanna: COVID taught us you can't make plans, but you can make very hard wishes. I wish for more lights, more cameras, more eyes. And I think we're also showing people that anybody can do this. I didn't know how to edit anything before the float. I'm learning every single day. We'd love to contribute to local TV, to stream, to do more. The 4th of July parade commentary last year — that was one of our favorite things we've ever done. We showed up rogue, dug up facts on everyone in the parade, and just went for it.

Ann: And we're building an archive. All these people we've talked to — Jan's Towing, Chantry, everyone — they're in there. One of the things we plan to do this year is go back and check in: where are they now?

How can people find you?

Ann: Instagram. Our handle is @annandhannashow. That's where we live. Instagram is the fastest, freest form of advertising — it's in everyone's pocket. We're also starting a TikTok. We'll get there.

Hanna: And if anyone wants to be interviewed, we don't discriminate. Reach out. We have mics and we'll travel.

Any last words?

Ann: The Sierra Madre Chamber has awarded Hanna and me the Spirit of Sierra Madre for 2025. We're so honored. That's coming up soon.

Hanna: And to everyone in Sierra Madre with a deck that faces the mountains — it is a cardinal sin not to use it. I live in Monrovia and my front porch faces the mountains, and I am out there in my rocking chair every evening. You have the canyon, the valley, the golden hour. Go outside. Please. I would take the deck. I'd let them keep the house — I just want the deck.

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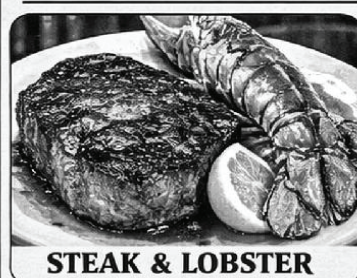
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THE HOME WARRANTY FOR SENIORS

For many seniors who own their homes, maintaining the property can become increasingly challenging—both physically and financially. A home warranty can be a practical tool to help manage unexpected repair costs and provide peace of mind.

A home warranty is a service contract that covers the repair or replacement of major home systems and appliances that break down due to normal wear and tear. This typically includes items such as heating and air conditioning systems, plumbing, electrical systems, water heaters, and kitchen appliances. For seniors living on a fixed income, these unexpected expenses can be disruptive, making a home warranty an appealing option.

One of the key benefits of a home warranty is budgeting predictability. Instead of facing a sudden \$5,000 HVAC replacement, homeowners pay a monthly or annual premium along with a modest service fee when repairs are needed. This structure helps seniors better manage their finances and avoid large, unplanned expenses.

Convenience is another major advantage. Most home warranty companies handle the process of finding qualified service technicians, scheduling repairs, and overseeing the work. This can be especially helpful for seniors who may not have the time, ability, or desire to coordinate home repairs themselves.

However, it's important to read the fine print. Not all repairs are covered, and there may be limits, exclusions, or caps on payouts. Pre-existing conditions, improper maintenance, or certain types of equipment may not be included. Seniors should carefully compare plans and providers to ensure they are getting the coverage that fits their needs.

Ultimately, a home warranty can be a valuable safety net for senior homeowners. While it's not a replacement for homeowners insurance, it can complement it by covering everyday breakdowns—helping seniors remain comfortable, independent, and secure in their homes.



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HOW TO PREPARE TO BE AN EXECUTOR OF AN ESTATE

Dear Savvy Senior,

My uncle recently asked me to be the executor of his will when he dies. I feel honored that he asked me, but I've never done this before and I'm not exactly sure what the job entails. What can you tell me about it?
--Helpful Nephew



Dear Helpful,

Being named executor is indeed an honor. It shows your uncle trusts you. But it can also be a significant responsibility, especially if his estate or family situation is complicated. Here's a look at what the role involves so you can decide if it's something you're comfortable taking on.

Executor Duties

As executor, you'll be responsible for settling your uncle's affairs after his death. Depending on the estate, your duties may include:

- Filing paperwork with the probate court to validate the will and officially open the estate.
- Locating and taking inventory of all assets.
- Paying outstanding bills, funeral expenses, and any taxes owed using estate funds.
- Notifying banks, government agencies (including Social Security), credit card companies, and the post office of his death.
- Preparing and filing his final income tax return.
- Distributing remaining assets to the beneficiaries named in the will.

Keep in mind that executor responsibilities and deadlines vary by state. Most state bar association websites offer probate guides or checklists that outline the rules where you live.

Get Organized

If you agree to serve, one of the best things you can do now is help your uncle get organized. Make sure his will is up to date and find out where important documents are stored – such as deeds, financial account statements, insurance policies, passwords, and contact information for advisors. Having quick access to these items will save you time and stress later.

If the estate is complex, you don't have to handle everything alone. An estate attorney or tax professional can guide you through the process, and their fees are typically paid by the estate. To find qualified help, you can search directories at the National Association of Estate Planners & Councils (naepc.org) and the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (naela.org).

Prevent Family Conflicts

One of the biggest challenges executors face is family tension. Ask your uncle to clearly communicate his wishes to beneficiaries ahead of time, including who will receive personal belongings and family heirlooms. Wills often leave these decisions to the executor, which can create unnecessary friction.

If he hasn't already, suggest he create a written list outlining how personal property should be distributed. Clarity now can prevent conflict later.

Executor Fees

Executors are generally entitled to compensation, which is paid by the estate. In many states, fees are based on a percentage of the estate's value, often ranging from 1 to 5 percent, depending on size and complexity.

However, if you're also a beneficiary, you may choose to waive the fee. Executor compensation is taxable income, while inheritances typically are not subject to income tax.

If you'd like a step-by-step resource to guide you through the process, "The Executor's Guide: Settling a Loved One's Estate or Trust," from Nolo, is a helpful reference and costs about \$32 at nolo.com.

Serving as executor can be time-consuming, but with good organization and clear communication, it's a manageable responsibility, and a meaningful way to honor your uncle's trust.

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OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

MULTITASKING IS NOT MY CUP OF TEA

Usually, I have a lot of work on my desk, from writing to radio programs. Even though I have many projects, I can only do one at a time.

I have often wished I could multitask, which would help me get through many more projects more quickly. But that has never been my style of working. I focus on one project at a time and move on to the next when it is finished.

Some people can multitask, but that is not me. Often, it would be great if I could multitask and get a bunch of projects done at the same time. I have tried that, but it has not worked for me.

Multitasking is not my way of working.

For many years, I looked into multitasking to learn how to do it. I figured out that if I could do that, I could accomplish much more in my life. The more I studied it, the less I understood what it was all about.

When it comes to multitasking The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage is the Queen. I am not sure how many she can do at once, but it is more than I can even think of. When she is doing something, she is doing everything. I only wish I had that skill.

Now that we are retired, her multitasking has grown even bigger. Whenever I walk by her craft room, I see her doing several things at once, and I am not quite sure how she manages it.

As I learn a little more about this multitasking, I begin to understand The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage more.

For example, when she is speaking to me, I really cannot follow all that she is saying because she is talking about at least six things at the same time. In her speaking, she does not have any "periods." Everything flows together, but I do not understand multitasking, so I do not understand what she is talking about.

Often she will say, "Don't you remember what I said yesterday?"

That is completely beyond my mental scope. Because yesterday she probably said a thousand things, and I did not get a handle on any of them.

I do not know if this is true, but I read somewhere that women speak 20,000 words a day, while men speak 7,000. I am not sure where they get that, but I'm not going to doubt that for a moment. It is pretty close to reality.

The reason women speak 20,000 words to a man while he only speaks 7,000 is that they multitask while speaking. A man can never multitask while speaking, whereas a woman can multitask even while speaking.

When I am speaking, for example, I am thinking about one particular thought. I usually do not go beyond that one thought. I have noticed that when The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage is speaking, she has many thoughts at that moment. Because I cannot multitask, I cannot figure out what she is talking about. That is what gets me into trouble all the time.

Don't get me wrong, I would sure enjoy being able to multitask like her. Of course, if I could multitask like her, we would never finish talking because we would be all over the place, not knowing exactly what we were talking about.

Often when she is talking, she will stop and say, "Did you hear what I just said?"

I do not say this, but I am thinking, "Yes, but I haven't been able to sort it out to find what you were talking about."

I listen, but I cannot keep up with everything she says at the time. Much of what she says is unrelated to each other, which is why I am often confused about what she is saying.

What she is saying is good, you can be sure, but it is not related to each other, which is why I get confused when she talks to me like that.

I try to be a thoughtful person and think before I speak. I cannot process half a dozen thoughts at once.

At my stage in life, I will probably never learn to multitask. I have tried studying that for a very long time, and I really have not discovered its secret.

I did find a secret to this multitasking in my relationship with The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage. Now that I know a little bit of how she multitasks, especially when she is talking, I can pretend to understand and go along with it. It does no good for me to try to sort out what she is saying, because by the time I do, she is on to another multitasking talk.

This year, we celebrate our 55th wedding anniversary. After all those years of being married, I have discovered that marital bliss is not about agreeing on everything. Rather, it is not contesting what you do not understand at the time.

A verse of scripture came to my mind on this subject.

James 1:19, "Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath."

This has become an important verse for me. I am trying to focus on hearing and not on speaking. The less I speak the less trouble I get into. What could be better?

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LESSONS FROM THE TONGVA

Earth Day is a good time to think about all the ways in which we can live more lightly on the land. You know, use less electricity, grow some of our own food, compost and recycle our waste, and so on.

I suggest that we also take the time to learn how indigenous people lived here in this land before the Spanish came and took over the land.

If "living lightly on the land" is of concern to you, perhaps you can learn from the people who once lived here hundreds of years ago in a pre-metal, pre-horse society. Gone are their wickiups and villages, but the plants they once used are still here, and the knowledge of their skills lives on. Plus, the modern indigenous people are still here, available to teach their traditions.

When I grew up in this area, I had the regular opportunity to hike these mountains of my "backyard." I had a great interest in the native Indians. How did they live? What did our ancestors eat for centuries if they did not practice agriculture? I wondered if I could find the food plants that the natives regularly used.

But simply identifying these plants was only the first step. I also wanted to taste the foods that had sustained my geographical ancestors. Such personal experience would be invaluable if I ever got lost while hiking.

These plants still grow all around us, in the canyons, river beds, vacant lots, and in the chaparral and mountains.

In July 1769, Father Junipero Serra, writing of the areas near Pasadena, said, "We found vines (wild) of a large size and in some cases quite loaded with grapes. We have seen Indians in immense numbers.... They continue to make a good subsistence from various seeds and by fishing." Wild oats (*Avena fatua*) and various other grasses were harvested for their grain. And the wild grape vines can still be found in some of the foothill canyons, though they rarely produce fruit today.

ACORNS

The main plant staple was the acorn which falls from the oak trees every fall. Acorns are edible, but very bitter when raw due to the presence of tannic acid. To remove the bitterness, the Native Americans first shelled the acorns and ground them in stone mortars. The meal was then put directly in a hollowed-out section of sandy stream bed, or placed in a shallow basket. Then hot water was poured over the meal so that the tannin would wash out. The processed acorn meal was then made into bread, or boiled into a mush-like soup and eaten cold.

PRICKLY PEAR CACTUS

The Indian residents of this area ate the young succulent pads and the sweet fruits of the prickly pear cactus. Stands of the prickly pear cactus are still common. I've eaten the raw pads in salads, or peeled, diced, and cooked in omelettes. The fruits are tasty raw, or made into juice, pie, jam, and even ice cream.

YUCCA

The yucca plant, the most important fibre plant for all the Southwestern Indians, was also a source of food. Both the green and ripened fruits were roasted or boiled, and the newly-emerging yucca flower stalks were also cut down and cooked like a giant asparagus, peeled, and eaten.

The leaves of yucca were one of the most important fibre sources. Once processed to get just the hardy fibre, the leaves were made into rope or braids, which were then used to weave sandals, construct shelters, make packs, bow strings, nets, etc.

BERRIES AND CHERRIES

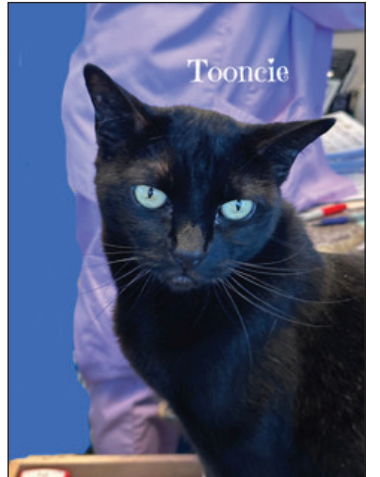
The Gabrielinos ate the native wild berries, such as wild grapes, elderberries, blackberries, currants and gooseberries, manzanitas ("little apple" in Spanish). Another common food was the wild or holly-leaf cherry (*Prunus ilicifolia*). The fruit consists of a large stone wrapped by a thin layer of pulp. These wild cherry pits were dried, ground, and leached in much the same way as acorns, and mixed with other ingredients into a "soup." All of these berries and fruits can still be found throughout the foothills, making good trail snacks for hikers.

Learning the skills and specialized knowledge of our ancestors provides us with one tool to break our unnecessary dependence upon others. Learning these skills instills a deep desire to "live lightly on the earth" as much as possible. Knowing these basic survival skills enhances our day-to-day life, and certainly increases our safety when we travel into the forest. I'm not naive in believing that learning about wild plants is a solution to all our problems, but it is a step in the right direction.



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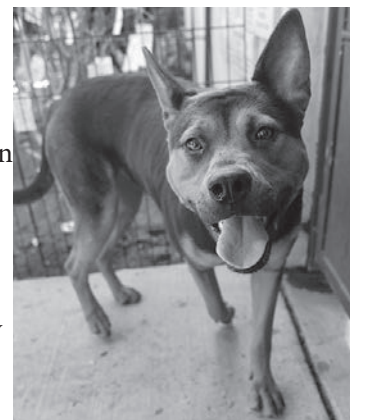
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WHY "NOTHING" HURTS NOW

You reach down to unplug the hair dryer. Nothing heavy. Nothing fast. Just a simple bend. Then it happens. A sharp grab in your back. Now you can't stand up straight. And somehow, that tiny movement turns into days of pain.

People joke about this all the time. They say things like, "I hurt myself sleeping," or "I pulled something tying my shoe." It sounds funny, but it's also frustrating. How can something so small cause so much trouble?

The truth is, your body didn't suddenly become weak. But it did change. Over time, muscles lose some of their stretch. They don't bounce back as quickly. Blood flow slows a bit. Healing takes longer. So when a muscle gets irritated, it sticks around longer than it used to.

But there's another piece that most people don't think about. And it may be the most important one. Your body has a memory.

If you have ever had a certain spot that tightens up—your low back, your neck, your hamstrings—that area has likely been doing extra work for years. Maybe it helped you compensate for something else. Maybe it just became your "go-to" muscle.

Over time, that area becomes your body's default. When you bend, twist, or reach, your body doesn't start from scratch. It follows the same pattern it has used for years. That same muscle kicks in first. It works harder than it should. And now, it doesn't have the same cushion it used to.

That's why the "nothing" movement isn't really nothing. It's the last little bit of stress on a muscle that was already doing too much. When younger your body could handle it. You had more flexibility. More strength. Faster recovery. You could overload a muscle and it would bounce back quickly.

Now, there's less room for error. That same movement pushes the muscle just past its limit. And instead of a quick recovery, the muscle tightens up to protect itself. That tightness is what you feel as a knot or spasm. It's not random. It's not bad luck. It's a pattern.

The muscles that used to get tight before are often the same ones that flare up now. They've been part of your movement habits for years. They've handled extra load again and again. And now, they are quicker to react.

Your body is being protective. When a muscle senses too much strain, it tightens to prevent further injury. That's a good thing. But it can also feel like everything locked up all at once.

And once it tightens, it can stay that way longer than you expect. That's why the pain can last for days. The muscle is guarding the area. Blood flow is slower. The tissue is a little less elastic. So instead of relaxing quickly, it holds on.

The key point is this: it's not about one movement. It's about the history of that muscle.

If a certain spot has always been your "trouble area," it's more likely to act up with each passing year. Not because it's damaged, but because it has been doing extra work for a long time.

So what can you do? First, stop thinking of these episodes as random injuries. They are not coming out of nowhere. They are predictable.

Second, pay attention to your patterns. If your low back always tightens, ask why. Are your hips doing their share of the work? If your neck always gets stiff, are your shoulders helping, or just along for the ride? Often, the muscle that hurts is not the real problem. It's the one doing too much.

Third, do a little regular maintenance so those muscles don't get pushed to their limit. This can be as simple as using a foam roller, rolling on a ball, or getting regular massages. These techniques help release tension, improve blood flow, and keep the muscle from staying tight and overworked. Don't wait until something hurts to give those areas attention. If you know where your body tends to tighten up, make it part of your routine to loosen it and keep it moving. A few minutes can make a big difference in how your body responds to everyday movements.

So the next time you wonder how you could hurt yourself doing nothing, you'll know the truth. It wasn't nothing at all. It was years of the same muscle quietly doing too much—until one small movement finally asked for more than it could give. When you take care of those "trouble spots" ahead of time, you lower the chances that a simple movement turns into days of pain.

UNLOCK YOUR LIFE

CREATION IS FINISHED. OUR RESPONSE IS NOT.



Lori A. Harris

Author and speaker, Neville Goddard, liked to say that "creation is finished." Everything that will ever be created, he suggested, already exists in potential.

April, with its Earth Day and Earth Month proclamations, is a good time to sit with that. If creation is finished and this one shimmering blue planet is all we have, then every day, not just April 22, deserves our reverence, appreciation, and honor.

I think about that sometimes when I remember going to the gym years ago. I'd walk in carrying a portable radio, an MP3 player, and my cell phone. I can still hear myself thinking, I wish I could have all three in one device. I wasn't alone, of course. That possibility was already there; I just didn't know it yet. Before long, smartphones made that wish feel ordinary. Our private little longings turned out to be part of a much larger collective desire, and the world reorganized around it.

I believe the same thing is happening now with the Earth. As a collective, people around the world are longing for solutions and products that are safe for us and for the planet. We may not be able to code an app or design a new material ourselves, but our shared desire is already reshaping what gets invented, funded, and put on the shelf.

We are living with the effects of our inventions. Plastics offer us lightweight, convenient solutions, and yet we never imagined our bodies or oceans laced with microplastics, rivers choked with bottles, or wildlife tangled in the leftovers of our convenience. Fossil fuels give us comfort, speed, and convenience, but they also cause tremendous harm. Creation may be finished, but our understanding of consequences is evolving. Now, we know what our "miracles" set in motion, and a new wave of invention is rising to meet the harm.

Around the world, people are treating environmental damage not as a reason for despair but as raw material for creativity. In Kenya, a young climate engineer, Joseph Nguthiru, looked at mats of invasive water

hyacinth clogging Lake Naivasha. He took that same plant and created a biodegradable packaging solution that replaces single-use plastics, reduces pollution, and creates new jobs. Creation is finished; the plant is the plant. What changes is what we do with it. Most of us won't engineer a breakthrough from a lake plant, but that doesn't mean we're stuck on the sidelines. I've found one small way to close the gap on my own porch. Ridwell picks up what my blue bins can't handle, plastic film, soft plastics, old textiles, burned-out bulbs, and gets them to partners who actually reuse or recycle them. It looks like one little box on my porch.

Not every solution requires a company or a subscription. Some of the most powerful inventions are as old as soil itself. Composting is one of them. You can start for free with nothing more than a corner of dirt and the peels, coffee grounds, and wilted lettuce you were going to throw away. Bury those scraps under leaves or shredded cardboard and, given a little time, the earth quietly turns them into rich, dark soil that feeds next season's tomatoes or flowers. No special bin, no fancy system, just a different relationship with what we used to call "trash."

As a coach, my work is helping people live lives they genuinely love, not someday, but now, in the middle of real-world constraints and imperfect systems. Loving our lives includes loving the earth. And the two are not separate projects.

You get to decide how you'll show up and whether to be a person who composts their coffee grounds, reduces or eliminates single-use plastic, and supports innovators who are healing what we've harmed. When we do that, we're not just "being green." That's identity work. Being proactive, responsible stewards and citizens of this planet.

That's why I'm hosting an online conversation on April 29th, because the same courage it takes to change a habit is the courage it takes to change a life. I'll help you identify one tiny next move, whether that's in your environmental habits, your relationships, or the next chapter of your life. One conversation, one small action, one new consequence. If creation is finished, let's make sure what you're creating within it is a life you're proud to call yours.

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There are things I have lost, and I know that I have lost forever. There are other things though that I still hope to find again and reclaim. Let's start with some of those things that have been forever lost. You know, my hair, my mobility, my teeth, my senses of smell and taste. Of course, many of my old and treasured friends are gone and in the process of going. I know I am fortunate to have reached the age of eighty-two which I will reach hopefully on the twenty-sixth of this month.

I will happily accept all birthday wishes on that date but remind myself that this one day of the year is also the birthdate of an immigrant to our Country, Mrs. Melania Trump. Despite the losses most of which could be expected and accepted, it is the losses associated with Mrs. Trump and her husband, whose name I do not choose to mention, that I did not expect and still refuse to accept.

I am speaking now of a loss of certainty. For my entire life I have felt certain of being proud to be an American. Yes, there have been some difficult times and some seemingly unacceptable realizations. Entering College at UCLA in 1961 I was at least surprised to note that other than football players and famous athletes there were very few persons of color attending the College. Still, I was amazed that sitting right in front of me in my Physics 10 class were the gold and silver medalist winners of the Decathlon at the 1960 Olympics held in Rome, Italy. Perhaps you remember their names. Rafer Johnson and C.K. Yang, a Taiwanese Olympian who also attended college at UCLA.

There at UCLA, together with these world-famous men sitting in class probably also not understanding much physics. Really, that lack of understanding did not surprise me. I was the first person in my family to even graduate High School. What did I care about physics and math anyway? What difference does any of that stuff make? Yes, I had a lot to learn then and am still learning every day as the Artemis voyage has resulted in the presentation of all kinds of scientific advancements gained from the discoveries connected with the quest for space. I am talking about MRI's and CT scans. Examinations involved in keeping me alive today.

Okay back to 1960 - perhaps I was too unaware to notice what was right in front of me. In 1965, after two years at UC Berkeley, I entered UCLA Law School. Now I was sensitized enough to notice there were no females and no persons of color in any of my classes. I noticed and was aware enough to be appalled, and I sought out a work-study job creating a program related to bringing High School students from minority areas to college. As a lawyer, thirty years later, a female Judge called me up to the Bench and said, "Mr. Tolchin. I am glad to have this opportunity to thank you for changing my brother's life." Those were her exact words. I didn't know what she was talking about and said, "Who's your brother?" "He's the mayor," she said. Who knew, as far as I knew, he was just one of the kids who had a shorter name than the mayor. Today he's one of the potential Democratic candidates for Governor. Life goes on.

Yes, life goes on and today at the Law School, there is a female Dean, and I believe the majority of the Law students are female. My point is that changes have occurred but for many, many years there were disparities and discriminations and overall unfairness that had always been a part of this Country. For people like those who had the foresight to be born of the right gender, of the right color, and at the right time this country has provided a workable easy road to a very satisfying life. Like many Sierra Madreans I could not afford my house today or even pay the rent. Yes, I have always been certain that I was pleased, even proud to be an American and very proud of the work as an Immigration Attorney that my daughter practices every one of her hard-working days.

I want to reclaim my hope and certainty in believing the world continues to change. There should be a recognition of all the progress that has taken place and the awareness that progress will continue. Don't despair and don't be overwhelmed by the current negativity. Good things have always been done and now we all must do what we must. Believe we will find a way. Happy Birthday to us all and prepare to see a more humane world on the birthdays to come.



HOWARD Hays As I See It

"First woman: 'I broke up with my boyfriend.' Second woman: 'What happened?' First: 'It was religious incompatibility.' Second: 'How so?' First: 'He thinks he's God, and I don't.'"

Demonstrations broke out around the country following the murder of George Floyd. Donald Trump was concerned they made him look "weak" heading into his 2020 reelection bid. He urged governors to deploy National Guard to "dominate the streets", otherwise U.S. Military would "quickly solve the problem". Chemical grenades, rubber bullets and batons were used against peaceful protestors in Lafayette Square. Trump asked, "Can't you just shoot them? Just shoot them in the legs or something?" Clergy and volunteers were forcibly removed from St. John's Episcopal Church. The New York Times described "a burst of violence unlike any seen in the shadow of the White House in generations". Its purpose was essentially to enable a photo-op for Trump at that church - holding a Bible.

Trump had named the Bible his favorite book, though demurred when asked for a favorite passage - explaining it was "very personal". In 2024, Trump announced, "Happy Holy Week! Let's Make America Pray Again. As we lead into Good Friday and Easter, I encourage you to get a copy of the 'God Bless the USA Bible.'" - available online at \$59.95. He warned that "Christians are under siege", that we can't "allow the media or the left-wing groups to silence, censor or discriminate against us". The website stated no sales proceeds would go to the Trump campaign; that his name, likeness and image were under license from "CIC Ventures LLC". Disclosure forms listed the manager, president, secretary and treasurer of CIC Ventures as one Donald J. Trump.

In 2023, as Trump was facing civil fraud charges in a Manhattan courtroom, he re-posted a doctored courtroom sketch of himself seated next to Jesus. One poster commented, "Amen, I literally cry for what is being done to our beautiful and patriotic leader, President Donald J Trump" while another asked, "Who, exactly, are these MAGA rubes that still support him? All of you should be ashamed of yourselves."

Earlier this month, Trump posted AI slop showing him not with Jesus, but depicted as Jesus himself. Vice President Vance found it unfortunate that "a lot of people weren't understanding his humor". House Speaker Mike Johnson (R-LA) seemed satisfied Trump didn't think it was "sacrilegious at all", noting that he "showed great respect to others by removing it." Trump himself explained he thought he was being depicted as a doctor. More than anything, that comment simply reconfirmed that Trump regards his base as stupid. Another image was subsequently posted, showing Trump being consoled by Jesus. As MAGA faithful would insist, both suffered similar persecution.

All this came in the context of Pope Leo XIV spreading the message of "blessed are the peacemakers", decrying war. Trump took this as a challenge; somehow claiming, "If I wasn't in the White House, Leo wouldn't be in the Vatican.", adding, "Leo should get his act together as Pope, use Common Sense, stop catering to the Radical Left?". As CNN pointed out, Trump went from "a Pope who thinks it's OK for Iran to have a Nuclear Weapon" to "a pope that's gonna say that it's okay to have a nuclear weapon" and ultimately, "The pope made a statement. He says, Iran can have a nuclear weapon." The president, as usual, was just making stuff up - lying.

Pope Leo responded, "I have no fear, neither of the Trump administration nor of speaking out loudly about the message of the gospel." There was the bizarreness of the likes of J.D. Vance ("very important for the Pope to be careful") and Sean Hannity ("more interested in spreading left-wing politics than the actual teachings of Jesus Christ") deigning to school the Vicar of Christ on matters of theology.

For decades, the Archdiocese of Miami's Catholic Charities ran a program for unaccompanied immigrant children - arranging foster care, reuniting families and providing other needed services. Days after Trump launched his spat with Pope Leo, the announcement came of the end of federal funding for the program - with its expected demise. Though the administration blamed declining immigration numbers, Christopher Hale, author of a newsletter on Pope Leo, wrote, "the timing tells you everything about the motive . . . This is the context in which the administration chose to strip funding from a Catholic ministry that cares for traumatized children. The real reason is retaliation."

Archbishop Thomas Wenski wrote to the Miami Herald, "It is baffling that the US government would shut down a program that it would be hard-pressed to replicate at the level of competence and excellence that Catholic Charities has achieved", adding, "You don't cross several borders, you don't walk across Mexico if you are 10 or 12 years old without being exposed and suffering trauma of one type or the other." To get back at the pope, Trump will see that these kids are traumatized further.

On tour in Africa, Pope Leo said, "Woe to those who manipulate religion and the very name of God for their own military, economic and political gain, dragging that which is sacred into darkness and filth". Meanwhile, Trump was scheduled to read a favorite "Christian nationalist" Bible passage from the Oval Office as part of an "America Reads the Bible" event. I managed to miss that. I'd imagine Pope Leo did, too.

RICH JOHNSON



PRESIDENTS ARE PEOPLE TOO!

Would you want to be president? Of the United States?

If you answered yes you might have a screw loose. Or possibly been hit too many times in the head with a basketball.

Go ahead and get elected. Before you are inaugurated half the country can't stand to look at you. They think you're crazy. And the other half? They're undecided. But they'll already have their doubts. At the very least you can't be thinking straight. Let's not jump to conclusions. Rather, let us take a bit deeper dive down this rabbit hole.

We'll take a peek under the hood. In some cases, under the covers if you know what I mean. First one out the chute...Bill Clinton. The young native of Arkansas Bill beat out George Bush Sr. and then 4 years later ...Bob Dole. (Truth be told Bob should have let his wife Elizabeth run. She just might have been elected the first woman president). Other than Monica Lewinski, Clinton's only notable vice was Mickey D's. The closest McDonalds was just three blocks from the White House. Despite Hillary's orders to change the White House menu, Bill still ended up a quadruple bypass surgery in 2004 and the unclogging of a blocked artery in 2010. Bill then went Vegan and he still is today...vegan that he is. And he is is (if you know what I mean).

Lyndon Johnson didn't like to waste time. So, if he was in a conversation with you and he needed to use the bathroom he would drag whomever he was meeting with into the bathroom to keep the conversation going without stopping the flow of...well, you know information among other things.

Franklin Roosevelt entertained the King and Queen of England, threw a private dinner for them in the backyard and fed them hot dogs, soda pop and strawberry shortcake. True Americana.

Ulysses S. Grant remains the only U.S. president arrested while he was president. Grant got busted for speeding down the streets of D.C. Yep, police officer William Henry West pulled the president off to the side of the road and wrote him a ticket. West, a black man and a veteran who fought with an all-Black union regiment during the Civil War actually pulled President Grant over 3 times for speeding. Cut the president slack the first two times, but got tough as nails the third time. Good on ya Officer West.

President Andrew Jackson holds the record for presidential involvement in duels. At the minimum he participated in 5 duels minimum. Some suggest up to 100. Andrew Jackson had a pet parrot named Polly. Polly attended Jackson's funeral and got 86'd for bad language.

Teddy Roosevelt enjoyed boxing and wrestling. He would order young military aides to spar with him.

James Monroe was a serial shopper. Or was it cereal shopper. He bought paid for refurbishing the White House after those nasty British burned it to the ground in 1812. Monroe went near broke refurbishing the White House. He ended up asking Congress to reimburse him. Congress gave him \$30k.

John Kennedy was known to have short affairs with women he wasn't married to...while he was married to Jackie. Marlene Dietrich and Anita Ekberg were two participants which also included White House secretaries and even a Soviet spy.

Warren G. Harding was guilty of hiring his crony friends to be on his cabinet. He knew they weren't perfect but he liked to drink, smoke and play poker with them.

President Eisenhower authorized the CIA to orchestrate the overthrow of Iran's democratically elected government in 1953. In hindsight maybe he should have left them alone! P.S. The British helped us overthrow Iran.

President Ford's greatest dastardly decision in many people's eyes was fully pardoning Richard Nixon for any and all crimes he may have committed as president. As disappointed as many of us were, it was the right thing to do.

Carter was blamed for mishandling the Iranian hostage which ended up lasting 444 days. One of the hostages was Gary Lee, son of the pastor of the First Nazarene Church of Pasadena right next door to Sierra Madre at the time. Interesting to note, all hostages were in the air and out of Iranian airspace on their way home just as Ronald Reagan finished taking the oath of office as the new president. The Ayatollah of Iran was afraid of what Ronald Reagan would do once he became president.

Well, I've run out of room. I'm sure George Senior, George W., Barack, the Donald, and Joe will rest comfortably finding out I didn't out them and their dubious distinctions. Once Michelle Obama is inaugurated in 2029 I may resume the discussion if I'm not in the great beyond. Then I can really stir up the muck. Have a good week.



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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as BENTO YAAT YANA 1214 S. GLENDALE AVE APT #2 GLENDALE, CA. 91205. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JASON SANTIAGO 1214 S. GLENDALE AVE APT #2 GLENDALE, CA. 91205. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JASON SANTIAGO/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/20/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026064097
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CALIFORNIA CAR COMPANY 1735 KINGSLEY DR 108 LOS ANGELES, CA. 90027. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DIMITRI TENIESHVILI 1735 KINGSLEY DR 108 LOS ANGELES, CA. 90027. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: DIMITRI TENIESHVILI/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/23/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2021. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026064068

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DOG RESORT DAYCARE HOTEL & SPA, INC. 11911 VOSE ST NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91605. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DOG RESORT DAYCARE HOTEL & SPA, INC. 11911 VOSE ST NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91605. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: DOG RESORT DAYCARE HOTEL & SPA, INC., TOROS DEMIRCHYAN, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/23/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/2015. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026065818
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ELITE AUTO SALES 172 W VERDUGO AVE BURBANK, CA. 91502. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ELITE COLLISION CARE, INC. 172 W VERDUGO AVE BURBANK, CA. 91502. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: ELITE COLLISION CARE, INC., MKRTICH MIKE ERZEROUMIAN, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/24/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/2025. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026065214
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ELATION MASSAGE & SPA INC. 8126 BEVERLY BLVD LOS ANGELES, CA. 90048. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ELATION MASSAGE & SPA INC. 8126 BEVERLY BLVD LOS ANGELES, CA. 90048. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: ELATION MASSAGE & SPA INC., AHMADSHAH AHMADI, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/24/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2025. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026064072
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CAT RESORT LA 11905 VOSE ST NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91605. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) DOG RESORT DAYCARE HOTEL & SPA, INC. 11905 VOSE ST NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91605. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: DOG RESORT DAYCARE HOTEL & SPA, INC., TOROS DEMIRCHYAN, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/23/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious

Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Publish: ES Mountain Views News Dates Pub: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026064099
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CROWN EXOTIC AUTOS 20224 COHASSET ST UNIT 12 NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91605. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JAKLIN PARSIGHYAN 20224 COHASSET ST UNIT 12, WINNETKA, CA. 91306. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: JAKLIN PARSIGHYAN/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/21/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2021. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026069944
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CHEMIS FLOORING 7317 BECKFORD RESEDA, CA. 91335. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MARCO ANTONIO PURECO CASTRO 7317 BECKFORD RESEDA, CA. 91335; JOSEMARIA PURECO 7317 BECKFORD RESEDA, CA. 91335 This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: MARCO ANTONIO PURECO CASTRO GENERAL PARTNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/31/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2026. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026070531
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PLATINUM ENERGY AND CONSTRUCTION 8728 ZELZAH AVE NORTHRIDGE, CA. 91325 AON 500070734. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) PLATINUM SALES AND MARKETING 8728 ZELZAH AVE NORTHRIDGE, CA. 91325. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: PLATINUM SALES AND MARKETING, HIRON HELMANDI, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/02/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/2026. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026070992
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MONTANO ART TILE 6919 SHIRLEY AVE RESEDA, CA. 91335. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ANDRES MONTANO 6919 SHIRLEY

AVE RESEDA, CA. 91335. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ANDRES MONTANO/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/01/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2025. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026069935
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SUNSET AUTO GALLERY 18340 VENTURA BLVD. SUITE 230 TARZANA, CA. 91356. AON B20260139849. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) SUNSET AUTO GALLERY, INC. 18340 VENTURA BLVD. SUITE 230 TARZANA, CA. 91356. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: SUNSET AUTO GALLERY, INC., PARHAM SHAM ABDAL, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/31/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2026. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026070642
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as YPA ENTERTAINMENT 4833 FULTON AVENUE APT A SHERMAN OAKS, CA. 91423. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) MAURICIO G LA FUENTE 4833 FULTON AVENUE APT A SHERMAN OAKS, CA. 91423. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: MAURICIO G LA FUENTE/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/31/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2026. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026069933
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as EARLY STEPS INTERVENTION 12416 WHITLEY ST WHITTIER, CA. 90601. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) EUGENE LOUIS HERNANDEZ 12416 WHITLEY ST WHITTIER, CA. 90601. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: EUGENE LOUIS HERNANDEZ/OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/31/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2026. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026069164
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as TURNING POINT MONTESSORI 6610 SHOUP AVE WEST HILLS, CA. 91384. AON CS966666. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) WISHING WELL ACADEMY INC. 1329 E THOUSAND OAKS BLVD SUITE 126 THOUSAND OAKS, CA. 91362. This Business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Signed: WISHING WELL ACADEMY INC., URANUS NOORZAY, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/27/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2026. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026069938
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LADBP SERVICES 5955 LANKERSHIM BLVD NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91601. AON B20260108328. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LOS ANGELES DEVELOPMENTAL BEHAVIORAL/PEDIATRIC SERVICES LLC 5955 LANKERSHIM BLVD NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91601. This Business is conducted by: AN LLC. INCORPORATED IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE. Signed: LOS ANGELES DEVELOPMENTAL BEHAVIORAL/PEDIATRIC SERVICES LLC, SAIRAM ANAND KUMAR, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/19/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2026. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026069941
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LADBP MANAGEMENT 5955 LANKERSHIM BLVD NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91601. AON B20260108321. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) LOS ANGELES DEVELOPMENTAL BEHAVIORAL/PEDIATRIC MANAGEMENT LLC 5955 LANKERSHIM BLVD NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA. 91601. This Business is conducted by: AN LLC. INCORPORATED IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE. Signed: LOS ANGELES DEVELOPMENTAL BEHAVIORAL/PEDIATRIC MANAGEMENT LLC, SAIRAM ANAND KUMAR, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/21/2026. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 03/2026. 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: APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 2026

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GEORGE PAUL KISTNER Case No. 24STPB10600

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of GEORGE PAUL KISTNER

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Suzanne Violet Aragon aka Suzanne Violet Kistner in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Suzanne Violet Aragon aka Suzanne Violet Kistner be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held on May 15, 2026 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 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: Suzanne Violet Aragon aka Suzanne Violet Kistner
SUZANNE VIOLET ARAGON
AKA SUZANNE VIOLET KISTNER
670 WOODLAND DR
SIERRA MADRE CA 91024
CN126382 KISTNER APR 18,25, May 2, 2026

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ALHAMBRA COURTHOUSE 150 WEST COMMONWEALTH ALHAMBRA, CA. 91801

SUMMONS

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:
CULTIVA GROUP, et al
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:
5623 Peck Road, LLC., a limited liability company.

CASE NUMBER: 24NNCV01623

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

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

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

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

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

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

CASE NUMBER:
(Número del Caso):
24NNCV01623

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es):
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,
ALHAMBRA COURTHOUSE
150 W COMMONWEALTH
ALHAMBRA, CA. 91801

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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City of Sierra Madre

ORDINANCE NO. 1492

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 5.24 (BINGO GAMES) TO TITLE 5 (BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS) OF THE SIERRA MADRE MUNICIPAL CODE TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE BINGO GAMES

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Section 19(c) of the California Constitution authorizes the Legislature by statute to permit cities to provide bingo games for charitable purposes; and

WHEREAS, California Penal Code Section 326.5 provides that bingo games may be conducted by certain nonprofit organizations when authorized by a local ordinance and conducted in compliance with state law; and

WHEREAS, Section 9.16.010 of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code prohibits gambling within the City except where specifically authorized by law;

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to authorize and regulate bingo games conducted by qualified nonprofit organizations in order to ensure such activities are conducted for charitable purposes and in compliance with applicable law. THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIERRA MADRE, CALIFORNIA, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Recitals. The Recitals above are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 2. Addition. Chapter 5.24 (Bingo Games) of Title 5 (Business Licenses and Regulations) of the Sierra Madre Municipal Code is amended to a read as follows.

Chapter 5.24 – Bingo Games

5.24.010 Authority

This chapter is enacted pursuant to Article IV, Section 19(c) of the California Constitution and California Penal Code Section 326.5 authorizing local governments to permit bingo games conducted for charitable purposes by qualified nonprofit organizations.

5.24.020 Definitions

For purposes of this chapter:

“Bingo game” means a game of chance in which prizes are awarded on the basis of numbers or symbols on a card that correspond to numbers or symbols selected at random and announced by a live caller.

“Organization” means a nonprofit organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code and California Revenue and Taxation Code as specified in California Penal Code Section 326.5.

“Permittee” means an organization authorized by the City to conduct bingo games pursuant to this chapter.

5.24.030 Eligible Organizations

Only the following organizations may apply for a permit to conduct bingo games:

1. Nonprofit organizations exempt from taxation under California Revenue and Taxation Code 23701 et seq. or Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code.
 2. Nonprofit senior citizen organizations.
 3. Charitable organizations affiliated with Pasadena Unified School District.
 4. Charitable organizations associated with private schools within the City of Sierra Madre.
- All bingo proceeds must be used solely for charitable purposes.

5.24.040 Permit Required

A nonprofit organization shall not conduct or operate a bingo game within the City unless it has obtained a bingo permit from the City.

A bingo permit issued pursuant to this chapter shall be valid only for the location specified in the permit.

5.24.050 Application

Applications for bingo permits shall be submitted to the City on forms provided by the City and shall include:

1. Proof of nonprofit tax-exempt status
2. The name and address of the organization
3. The location where bingo games will be conducted
4. The names of persons responsible for conducting the games
5. Any additional information required by the City Manager or Police Chief

5.24.060 Permit Fee

The City may charge a permit fee not to exceed \$50 annually, consistent with California Penal Code Section 326.5(l).

The City may also recover actual costs for law enforcement or public safety services related to bingo activities.

5.24.070 Operational Requirements

All bingo games conducted within the City shall comply with the following:

1. Bingo games shall be open to the public.
2. Games shall be conducted only on property owned, leased, or donated for use by the nonprofit organization or the City of Sierra Madre.
3. The games shall be operated only by members of the organization conducting the games.
4. Members operating the game shall not receive any wage, salary, or profit from the bingo games.
5. Security personnel may be paid from the revenues of bingo games, in accordance with state law.
6. All players must be physically present at the location where the bingo game is conducted.
7. Minors shall not participate in bingo games.
8. The value of prizes shall not exceed \$500 per game.
9. The permittee shall include the identification number of the permit issued on any bingo advertisements.

5.24.080 Financial Controls

Organizations conducting bingo games shall:

1. Maintain accurate records of all bingo receipts and expenditures.
2. Deposit all bingo proceeds in a separate account used solely for bingo operations.
3. Use proceeds only for charitable purposes, prizes, permitted overhead expenses, and license fees as authorized by state law.

5.24.090 Inspection and Enforcement

The City Manager, Police Chief, or their authorized representatives may inspect any bingo game or related records to ensure compliance with this chapter and state law. A bingo permit may be suspended or revoked for:

1. Violation of California Penal Code Section 326.5
2. Violation of any provision of this chapter
3. False statements in the permit application
4. Conduct that is injurious to the public welfare

5.24.110 Relationship to Gambling Prohibition

Nothing in this chapter shall be interpreted to authorize any form of gambling not expressly permitted under California Penal Code Section 326.5. All other gambling activities remain prohibited within the City.

SECTION 3. CEQA. The City Council finds that adoption of this ordinance is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act because per 14 CCR 15378(b)(5) it involves administrative regulatory actions that will not result in physical changes to the environment.

SECTION 4. Severability. If any sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance or any part hereof or exhibit hereto is for any reason held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance or any part thereof or exhibit thereto. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that anyone or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraph, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared invalid.

SECTION 5. Certification. Pursuant to Government Code Section 36932, the City Clerk shall certify the passage, approval, and adoption of this Ordinance by the City Council.

SECTION 6. Publication. Pursuant to Government Code Section 36933, the City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published or posted.

SECTION 7. Records. Pursuant to Government Code Section 40801, proof of certification and publication shall be entered in the book of Ordinances of the City Council.

SECTION 8. Effective Date. Pursuant to Government Code Section 36937, this Ordinance shall take effect thirty days after its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 14th day of April, 2026.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced by first reading on the 24th day of March, 2026, and duly adopted at a regular meeting held on the 14th day of April, 2026, by the City Council of the City of Sierra Madre, California, by the following vote: AYES: Mayor Kristine Lowe, Mayor Pro Tem Gene Goss, Council Members Edward Garcia, Kelly Kriebs, Robert Parkhurst

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

Laura Aguilar, City Clerk
City of Sierra Madre, CA

MOBILITY DEVICES (continued from page 3)

- Age Limits: Consistent with state law, riders must be at least 16 years old to operate Class 3 e-bikes.
- Parking Regulations: Establishes rules to prevent improper parking of vehicles in public rights-of-way.
- Parks and Public Spaces: Expands existing regulations to cover electric mobility devices in parks and recreation areas.
- Enforcement Measures: Violations would follow a progressive enforcement model, beginning with warnings and escalating to administrative citations. Repeat offenders may be required to complete a bicycle safety training course.

The ordinance also includes provisions allowing authorities to impound devices that are abandoned or improperly left in public areas.

Education and Outreach Efforts

In addition to enforcement, the Sierra Madre Police Department is preparing a public education campaign focused on safe riding practices. Planned efforts include school-based presentations, online resources, and community outreach initiatives.

The campaign may also incorporate partnerships with safety experts and will likely be featured during the city's Community Bike Ride Day scheduled for April 18, 2026.

Officials emphasize that education will play a critical role in ensuring compliance and reducing accidents.

Next Steps

If introduced on March 24, the ordinance is expected to return to the City Council for a second reading and potential adoption on April 14, 2026. If approved, it would take effect on May 14, 2026.

City staff notes that the ordinance aligns with Sierra Madre's broader strategic goals of improving traffic safety and promoting active transportation. Officials also stated that the measure will not have an environmental impact and will not require additional funding beyond existing budget allocations.

As cities across California grapple with the rapid growth of micromobility, Sierra Madre's proposed ordinance reflects a local effort to balance innovation and convenience with public safety. The second reading of the Ordinance will take place on April 28 during the next regular City Council meeting.

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Tuesday, May 12
10:30am - 4:00pm
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April Events Around Town!

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One Time Events

- April 3**
Spring Fling at the Arboretum - Enjoy music, crafts, games, and photos. 5pm - 8pm
- April 3**
City of Arcadia Teen Egg Hunt - Middle and High School students enjoy a flashlight egg hunt. 7pm
- April 4**
City of Arcadia Eggstravaganza - Crafts and egg hunts at Arcadia County Park. 10am
- April 4**
Derby Day 5K - Course runs through the Arboretum and Santa Anita Racetrack. Post-race expo with music, food, and more. 8am
- April 4**
Egg Bowl at the Rose Bowl - Egg hunt, arts and crafts, inflatables attractions and more. 11am - 2pm
- April 5**
Huntington Spring Brunch - Festive brunch - Rose Hills Garden Court. 11:30am & 1:30pm
- April 11**
Linoleum Carving Workshop - The Huntington - Teens and adults create greeting cards 10am & 1pm
- April 11**
The Historical Tea and Dance - LA Arboretum - Bring a picnic to the Queen Anne Cottage lawn to watch Victorian dance performances. 2pm - 8pm
- April 12**
Pasadena Festival of Tea - Storrier Stearns Japanese Garden - The festival tea. Enjoy tea ceremony, samples, shops 10am - 4pm
- April 18**
Family Workshop: Wood Sculptures at The Huntington - Adults with children 4 - 7 create hanging mixed media sculptures. 10am - 12pm
- April 18**
Flower Arranging at The Huntington - Create an arrangement with fragrant herbs and flowers. Adults: 10am - 12pm; With child over 7: 1pm - 3pm

- April 18**
Cal Tech Annual Jazz Festival - Enjoy the Cal Tech Jazz Band and guest performers. 12pm - 5pm
- April 19**
Wiggle Waggle Race and Run at Brookside Park - Rose Bowl - Pasadena Humane Society fundraising event with a marketplace and activities including a dog costume contest. 8am - 12pm
- April 19**
Masters of Taste at Rose Bowl Stadium - A premier outdoor luxury food and beverage festival benefits Union Station Homeless Services. Enjoy tastings from restaurants & wineries. 3pm - 7pm
- April 25**
Pasadena Symphony Performs Beethoven Eroica - Concert, held at Ambassador Auditorium, will include the west coast premiere of Jennifer Higdon's Cello Concerto. 2pm and 8pm
- April 25**
Rooted Workshop: Succulent Pots at Descanso Gardens - Create a stunning succulent arrangement. 11am - 12:30pm
- April 26**
Bungalow Heaven Home Tour - Tour eight beautifully restored homes in Pasadena's original Historic Landmark District. Self-guided. 10am - 4pm
- Ongoing Events**
- March 22 - April 19**
Death of a Salesman at A Noise Within - Arthur Miller's powerful play about Willy Loman as he grapples with disillusionment and the gap between his dreams and reality.
- April 4 - 5**
Spring Carnival at Santa Anita Park - Event includes inflatable jumpers, games, & rides.
- April 19 - May 17**
Pasadena Showcase House of Design - Tour the beautiful Baldwin Oaks Estate once owned by Lucky Baldwin's glamorous daughter Clara Baldwin Stocker. Proceeds fund music programs and grants to non-profit organizations.



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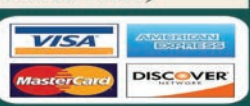
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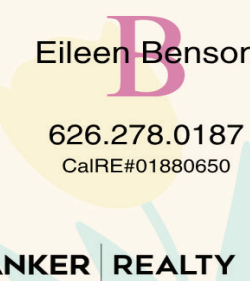
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