Council Talks

### Council Talks Trash, Parklets at Meeting

By Julie BUTCHER

Mayor Paula Devine reported at the Tuesday night meeting of the Glendale City Council that the Montrose Shopping Park Association (MSPA) has asked the city to rescind existing regulations regarding parklets while the MSPA works on alternatives for encouraging sidewalk dining.

The main topic on the agenda, however, was the approval by the council of a series of ordinance changes and the finalization of contract details with four trash haulers to implement a new exclusive franchising system for collecting the city's trash from commercial and multi-family properties (five or more units).

Moving forward, instead of the 31 trash companies that service Glendale businesses and apartments, four selected haulers will service the city — one for each of four quadrants. The main reasons for the change, public works director Yazdan Emrani summarized, are to ensure consistent pricing and to enable the city to comply with burdensome and ever-increasing requirements from the state regarding the collection and processing of waste.

"As a city, complying with state mandates and coordinating with four trash haulers is a lot simpler – we're also transferring liability for complying with these regulations to them (even though we're ultimately responsible) – it's a lot easier to manage. If there are performance is sues, there are mechanisms in place to address them," Emrani assured the council.

Glendale resident Annette Galstian called into the meeting to oppose the action.

"While I understand that various state regulations and mandates have necessitated the need for changing policies, I am very disappointed at what appears to be the tentative result. According to the staff summary, the city currently has 31 haulers and is proposing going to only one for a particular area, providing no alternatives. Going from one extreme to another does not appear on its face to be a reasonable or rational alternative. By mandating commercial businesses and multi-family property owners not to have any option in selecting a trash company of their choice essentially results in a monopoly by

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# Time to Laugh Again

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By Mary O'KEEFE

The masters of silent movie comedy will come to life again thanks to the magic of Joe Rinaudo.

Ithough the path to normalcy has hit a bump in the road due to the high case rate of the Delta variant of COVID-19, especially among the unvaccinated, that doesn't mean that traditional events are not coming back.

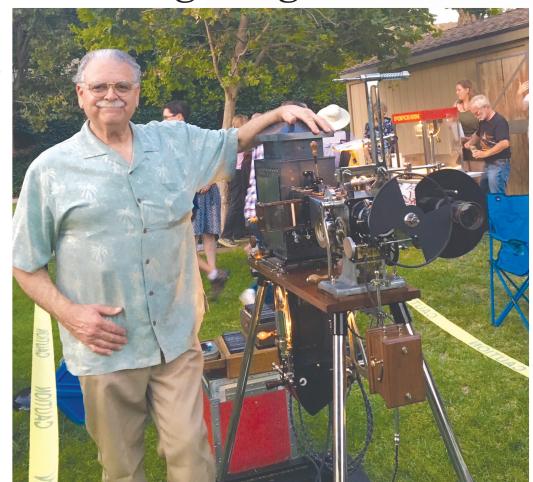
One of Crescenta Valley's most beloved events will return on Saturday, July 31 at 8:30 p.m. at Two Strike Park. Silent Movie Night, sponsored by the Historical Society of Crescenta Valley and Los Angeles County Parks Dept., will once again have audiences laughing as they watch master performers of silent films like Buster Keaton and Laurel and Hardy.

This event was canceled last year due to the pandemic and was facing cancelation again this year but was rescued, just like in the silent movies, in the nick of time.

"The Historical Society and the County Parks Department have been partnering for several years to offer a free night in the park watching silent movies presented by local hero Joe Rinaudo," said Mike Lawler, of the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley.

Rinaudo is the founder of Silent Cinema Society, and a movie hero because he has literally saved hundreds of films.

The Historical Society contacted the powersthat-be at the County, as they had for the past several years, to get the proper permits for the



File photo

Projectionist and silent movie aficionado Joe Rinaudo will bring his special hand-cranked projector to Two Strike Park on Saturday night.

silent movie event at Two Strike Park.

"The County is a massive bureaucracy, sometimes unwieldy to work with, but they had been enthusiastic partners and things had always, eventually, worked out to make a successful event," Lawler said.

But this year, perhaps because of COVID, there see SILENT MOVIES on page 8

# Outdoor Dining Parklets to Stay a Little Longer in Montrose

By Mary O'KEEFE

Since the implementation of parklets, or Glendale's al fresco dining program, local restaurants were given a lifeline when restrictions were imposed due to CO-VID-19 with most people seeming to enjoy outdoor dining.

Recently, though, there has been a difference of opinions between the board of directors of the Montrose Shopping Park Association (MSPA) and many of the Honolulu Avenue restaurant owners. MSPA had wanted the parklets, which are defined by the K-rails that were placed along some of the parking areas on Honolulu Avenue, gone by Sept. 7 – several months earlier than what the Glendale City Council had proposed for downtown Glendale.

But that appeared to change yesterday when, as reported in Julie Butcher's story on the Glendale City Council meeting, Mayor Paula Devine said the MSPA had asked the City to rescind its request to end al fresco dining while they work on an alternative to encourage sidewalk dining.

"Everybody agrees on the ben-



efit of outdoor dining. It brings a lot more people to Montrose," said Jim Collins, owner of Town Kitchen and Grill at 2276 Honolulu Ave. "There's more life on the street."

Collins has been a supporter of

outdoor dining and wants to keep this option available.

"It is all good for business," he said. "It takes about 22 parking spaces for the parklets program out of the about 600 total spaces in the

Montrose area."

Collins reached out to other restaurants, as well as to retail businesses, especially those located

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PUBLISHER

# Inching Our Way Toward 'Normal'

in person, with my fellow Kiwanians at our weekly meeting in Glendale. For over a year we met virtually just about every Friday at noon. While it was a welcome way to stay connected especially with some of our members who have since moved away - it wasn't the same as getting together in person. Friday's meeting was the second in-person meeting (I couldn't attend the first) and it was heartwarming to see so many people who I consider "friends."

We meet at the Elks Lodge on Colorado. Our meeting is always a lunch meeting and our \$15 fee included salad, a choice of croissant sandwiches, apple pie and a drink. After collecting our name badge, we check in and are welcomed by our official "greeters." These folks typically know just about everyone in our large club and warmly greet their fellow club members. After getting lunch, we pick a table where to sit and either join the conversation or introduce ourselves if there are people there we don't know.

The meetings begin with a patriotic song, the flag salute and a note of inspiration from one of our members. The mic is passed so some members share some good news that they want their Kiwanis family to hear. There's usually a program, too. Past presenters have included Dr. David Viar, superintendent/president of Glendale Community College, members of the Montrose Search and Rescue team and the K-9 Unit of the Glendale Police Dept.

The Kiwanis is a youth-centered, servicedriven organization meaning that when it chooses its outreach activities, they are typically activities that help young people. For example, an upcoming outreach in which Kiwanis members can help is a back to school shopping spree for 15 children enrolled at Family Promise of the Verdugos. Family Promise, a local homeless service provider, offers an array of services for families with children experiencing homelessness.

The Glendale Kiwanis appropriated funding that will provide \$100 per child for school supplies and clothing. With some of

On Friday, I had the opportunity to gather, the COVID-19 restrictions recently lifted Glendale Kiwanis Club members can now volunteer and serve the children in Glendale. During the upcoming shopping spree, Kiwanians are matched up with children and their parents who will then go shopping for essential items to help prepare the children for the upcoming school year. (Note that the Kiwanis Club always follows COVID-19 guidelines.)

> The club has helped other organizations, including Prom Plus, by providing volunteers and funding for different events.

> As an aside, the Kiwanis Club of Glendale is accepting applications for membership. To learn more, visit https://www.glendalekiwanis.

> Attending the Kiwanis meeting was something akin to normal. Another was listening to Dave Blasucci at The New Moon on Friday

> Steve and I have been listening to Dave play weekly at the "concrete concerts" held locally on Saturday nights but it was nice to head to The New Moon on Friday night after I learned that he was appearing there. We grabbed a table outside on the patio and settled in for some great live music with other aficionados.

> During a break Dave came over and said hello to us and others who he knew. We enjoyed a delicious dinner (is there any other kind at The New Moon?) and some live music by an in-person, unmasked guitarist.

> Moving the needle a little more towards

However, my mask is always nearby as I, like everyone else, make my way through the current situation.

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# CV Weekly On The Move!!



The Bell family took CV Weekly along on their family trip to Mt. Rushmore! Holding onto a recent edition is Leila Bell with her kids Lucy and Jabe.

CV Weekly loves to travel! Take us along on your next trip and send us a photo. You may find yourselves on the pages of the community's favorite newspaper.



"Don't knock the weather; nine-tenths of the people couldn't start a conversation if it didn't change once in a while."

> ~ Frank McKinney Hubbard, a1868-1930, American journalist, humorist and cartoonist

The words "summer" and "hot," based on where you live, are synonymous. Merriam (and Webster, too) give the meaning "...suggesting a particular quality..." It's doubtful if in 1831 the East Coast publishers could imagine their definitions being used to explain Southern California where summer is hot.

In recent years, TV weather reporters and meteorologists have turned scientific, using terms straight off their Meteorology 101 notes. The once heard, "It's going to rain tomorrow" is now "A low-pressure system has split into a cut-off low. While heading south it will tap into tropical moisture fed atmospheric river. Along the foothills orographic lift will enhance precipitation amounts." Please repeat ... What's it all mean?

Here are just a few, but frequently used, terms:

Catalina Eddy: Local name for a cutoff low. A detached part of the system, which spins around and around, off our coast. The behavior is unpredictable with heavy rain possible.

Pineapple Express: A type of atmospheric river as moisture capable of bringing heavy rain is transported from the Hawaiian Islands to the California coastline and inland.

The Doppler: Named for Austrian physicist Christian Doppler. Uses radar to track storm movement and intensity.

Low Pressure: Air in a low-pressure area rises and cools as it ascends. Clouds form and temperatures drop, making for storm development and rain.

High-pressure: Air in a high-pressure area compresses and warms as it descends. The warming prevents the formation of clouds, leaving the sky clear with warm temperatures. When a high-pressure ridge is off the West Coast, it blocks incoming storms from the Pacific Ocean. Those over the Four Corners cause heat, low humidity and frequently Santa Anas.

Orographic Lift: As wind hits a mountain, it is forced to rise. The air cools and moisture condenses forming rain and snow. Our San Gabriel Mountains make for the perfect scenario.

*Inside-slider:* A storm that drops directly down from the north to the south and turns inland at Point Conception. Not much rain here. Most Pacific storms come off the Pacific Ocean and move west to east.

Partly Cloudy/Partly Sunny: According to the National Weather Service, both terms refer to opaque cloud coverage of three-eighths to five-eighths.

Onshore Flow: A wind pattern bringing cooler air and fog inland.

Offshore Flow: A wind pattern bringing warm and dry air off the desert. Often turn into Santa Ana winds.

Heat Wave: At least two days with temperatures above historical average. Jet Stream: Intense winds blowing west to east at the highest reach of the atmosphere. During the summer they remain far north and typically in the winter they drop south. These "rivers of air" transport weather conditions; for us, it means winter storms -hopefully!

Back to the simple weather ... High pressure over the region will keep the mercury hoovering around the 100 degrees point. Watch for the fluffy white thunderheads over the mountains – the icons of summer – in the southwest.

> Sue Kilpatrick is a Crescenta Valley resident and Official Skywarn Spotter for the National Weather Service Reach her at suelkilpatrick@gmail.com.

# US Olympic Team Takes Lead in verall Medal Count

Team USA moved into the top slot in overall medal count on Tuesday night with 31 medals, surpassing China (27) and the athletes from the Russian Olympic Committee (23). Team USA also moved up in the gold medal count and was third as of press time, with 11 gold medals, just one behind China and two off the leader, Japan. Among the gold medalists was swimmer Katie Ledecky,

who not only took gold in the women's 1500-meter freestyle, but did so while competing in multiple events and swimming approximately 4,000 meters (~2.5 miles) in less than 48 hours. Ledecky is favored to win gold again later this week when she races in the 800-meter. Only 339 medals are awarded each Olympiad across

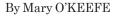
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# NEWS

# Harvest Market Continues to Evolve in Wake of COVID-19





he Harvest Market in Montrose has been many things to many people, from a place for kids of all ages to promote their business during Young Entrepreneurs to the location of a marriage proposal [in 2016] but at its base is its sense of community.

The Harvest Market is one of the events overseen and supported by the Montrose Shopping Park Association. The market is on Sundays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the 2300 block of Honolulu Avenue and offers fresh harvested fruits and vegetables along with healthy packaged foods.

The market was closed during the Stay At Home order from Los Angeles County but opened again last year when outdoor venues were allowed. They are back though some of the family favorites have yet to return, including pony rides and the popular Kids' Corner.

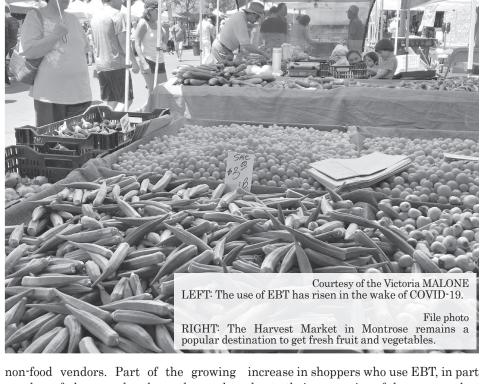
"The community wants the [Kids'

Corner] back but it is pretty high contact stuff," said Mark Sheridan, Harvest Market manager.

Prior to the pandemic, the Harvest Market had a section - The Montrose Marketplace - for vendors that sold nonfood items, including clothing and arts and crafts, but those vendors have not returned as the market continues to exercise caution regarding safety protocols.

The County does not require people to wear face coverings at outdoor events and market management conducted a survey and found that 95% of their farmers and employees have been vaccinated. However, many of the farmers and their workers choose to continue to wear face coverings because they travel from market to market and, with the Delta variant and COVID numbers once again on the rise, they want

The Harvest Market has continued to maintain its numbers of visitors each Sunday despite not having some of the



number of shoppers has been those who use EBT (Electronic Benefit Transfer] cards. This is public assistance issued to qualified individuals who are part of as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP] or CalWORKs.

Each family/individual is allotted a certain amount of money depending on their income and number of family members. They then get the funds transferred onto their EBT debit card. At the Harvest Market they can come to the information desk and use their debit card to redeem the funds for wooden tokens. Those tokens are a dollar-to-dollar match and can also be used at the food vendors.

"At the [day's] end of the market, the famers/merchants who have taken in EBT tokens can redeem them [with the Harvest Market]," said Victoria Malone of the marketplace management.

due to their promotion of the program but also as a sign of the pandemic times.

"We have seen a huge increase of [EBT] users. When I first started [about a year programs like CalFresh [federally known ago] we would redeem about 25 to 30 tokens every Sunday but now we are [averaging] 260 to 270 tokens every Sunday," Malone

> She added she thinks this is good for those who use EBT because they can get good, fresh food.

> "[Customers] are excited because our farmers are fantastic and [we] are really curating the food purveyors and finding food that is healthy," Malone added.

> Malone added she is really proud of their work in letting people know they can use EBT and can get healthful food at the

"The MSPA board is behind us," she said. Keeping safety in the forefront, after the tokens are returned, Malone makes She and Sheridan said they have seen an certain they are sanitized between usages.

### BRIEF

### **ROSEMONT PRESERVE OPEN GATE MORNING**

This is a chance for residents to visit the Preserve and wander the trail at their own pace and enjoy the tranquil setting, the wildlife and the natural beauty. Photographers: bring your camera to capture the morning light and citizen scientists, bring your iNaturalist app to add wildlife sightings!

The gate will be open from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., and Friends of the Rosemont Preserve Committee members will be available to answer questions and present this community resource.

The Preserve is located at the north end of Rosemont Avenue, just past the chain link fence. As street parking is limited, please park at Two Strike Park, 5107 Rosemont Ave. Those with mobility issues who require a closer parking spot should contact the Rosemont Preserve Committee.

Those planning on walking the trails should wear sturdy shoes.

This event is free to the public and suitable for all ages; no reservations required. Rain cancels. Sorry, no pets please.

For further information, contact the Friends of the Rosemont Preserve at RosemontFriends@gmail.

### **NNO PLANNED FOR AUG. 3**

Several neighborhoods in the City of Glendale An "open gate" event is taking place at the are planning National Night Out events on Tuesday Rosemont Preserve on Saturday morning, July 31. night from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. To see a list of NNO neighborhoods, visit https://tinyurl.com/2z48hdhs.

> National Night Out is a community-driven event where neighbors get to know each other and share concerns, strategies, and ideas for safer communities. The Glendale Police Department, the Glendale Fire Department, members of the Glendale City Council and city officials will visit these events to hear concerns, ideas, and explore how they might work together to improve the safety of their neighborhoods, according to the city website.

### **CV CHAMBER HOSTING MIXER**

The Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce is hosting its first mixer of the year. The networking event takes place on Thursday, Aug. 5 at 6 p.m. at Alissa's Ocean View Bar and Grill, 3826 Ocean View Blvd. in Montrose. There will be a members-only drawing (members must be present to win), food, beverages and entertainment by Tony DiGiovanni.

The cost to attend is \$10 for chamber members, \$15 for non-members.

For more information, contact the CV Chamber at (818) 248-4957.

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# Get Ready for the Unexpected With a Disaster Go Bag

Flashlights, jugs of bottled water, a first aid kit, and everyone safely into the car." ready-to-eat meal packs line the Parseghian family's living room floor. The family isn't going camping – they're preparing for disaster by putting together a "go bag."

Preparing in advance with a disaster-ready kit has helped families nationwide through extreme and abnormal weather events, which experts warn are on

In Glendale, Daniel Parseghian and his daughter, Alexandra, know what it is like to live in an area where earthquakes can occur without warning.

"Having experienced multiple earthquakes of magnitude 6.0 and greater, I understand the importance of having a go-bag ready at all times," Parseghian said, adding, "(The website) JW.org has helped me with my disaster preparedness plans."

"Having a personal preparedness plan increases your chances of staying safe," according to a training program from the Columbia University's National Center for Disaster Preparedness.

Jolted awake by a neighbor's urgent knocking, Aaron and Jacqueline Pate were horrified to see the encroaching flames of the fast-moving Woolsey Fire that had been miles away when they went to bed. It burned to within 100 feet of their Westlake Village home in 2018 as part of California's deadliest wildfire season on record.

"Because we had go bags, we weren't running around trying to pack things at the last minute," said Jacqueline. "We had the time we needed to comfort our kids and get

The Pates credited the disaster-preparedness help they received as Jehovah's Witnesses, both through periodic reminders at their congregation meetings and from tips for putting together go bags on the organization's website, www.jw.org.

"Life is precious, so we encourage all to heed the Bible's advice to take practical steps to protect ourselves from danger," said Robert Hendriks III, spokesman for Jehovah's Witnesses in the United States.

Go bags also have proven useful in the opposite circumstances as "stay bags."

Disaster preparedness suggestions and tips for putting together a go bag are available from FEMA at ready.gov and from Jehovah's Witnesses at https://www.jw.org/ en/library/magazines/awake-no5-2017-october/disastersteps-that-can-save-lives/.



Daniel Parseghian and his daughter, Alexandra, prepare necessities in their go bags well in advance of a disaster.

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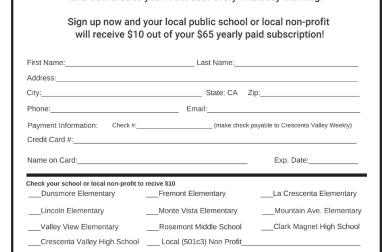
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### This Week at LCIF

Lutheran Church in the Foothills invites the community to worship in the church's Worship Center. On Sunday, Aug. 1 at 10 a.m. Guest Pastor Deborah Andersen will lead worship with a message from her series in Ephesians titled "The Times: What Do We Hold On To?"

The service will also be livestreamed at 10 a.m. on the church's YouTube channel. For those unable to attend or watch live, the videos will be available on the website, Facebook page and YouTube channel after 11 a.m.

Visit the church's website at lcifoothills.org for details on all of the events happening including small group gatherings and opportunities to serve.

The church is collecting nonperishable food and clean, gently used clothing to distribute to local

people in need. Please bring the items to the church office lobby during office hours.

The church office is located at 1700 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada Flintridge and is generally open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Contact the office via email at office@lcifoothills.org or call (818) 790-1951 for details, information, offering help or requesting help.

### **Indoor Worship Services at La** Crescenta Presbyterian

The community is invited to join La Crescenta Presbyterian Church for worship services in the church sanctuary every Sunday at 10 a.m.

Come for live music, prayer time and an inspiring message, surrounded by the church's historic stained-glass windows that were beautifully restored last summer.

Sunday services also feature

special programs for children and youth from preschool age to high

COVID-safe practices in line with Los Angeles County public health guidelines will be observed.

For those who prefer to worship from home, LCPC's online services are available at lcpc.net every Sunday at 9 a.m.

La Crescenta Presbyterian is located at 2902 Montrose Ave. in La Crescenta. For more information, visit lcpc.net or call (818) 249-6137.

### Walk and Word

Walk and Word on Sunday mornings, a time to discover Scripture while hiking Deukmejian Park, is on hiatus until further

For more information, contact Jean Lavieri at (818) 383-3137 or email inlavieri@earthlink.net.

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# Portantino Delivers for Southern California's Film and Television Production Industry

By Justin HAGER

Senator Anthony Portantino delivered big last week for Southern California's trademark film and television industry after Gov. Gavin Newsom signed SB 144, legislation by Portantino that authorizes a \$330 million expansion of California's film and television tax incentive

program. It's the largest expansion of the 12-year-old program since 2014, when then-Assemblymember Mike Gatto successfully passed an expansion of the program from \$100 million annually to \$330 million annually. Portantino's provides legislation additional \$90 million annually to the current program for the next two years, including \$75

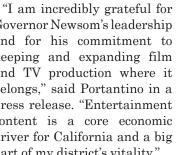
million for recurring TV series and \$15 million for relocating TV series.

Governor Newsom's leadership and for his commitment to keeping and expanding film and TV production where it belongs," said Portantino in a press release. "Entertainment content is a core economic driver for California and a big part of my district's vitality."

In addition to the expansion of funding for the current film television production program, Portantino's bill also takes an innovative approach to securing the longterm vitality of the industry by creating an entirely new, 10-year, \$150 million fund for the construction of new soundstages in the state. According to the California Commission, film tax credit program has generated nearly \$18 billion in economic benefit, 146,000 cast supported and crew, and led to 26 television series relocating to California.

The state invested \$2.4 billion in taxpayer dollars fund the tax-credit program. As a result of that expenditure, the state has received \$18 billion in economic benefit.

But according to Senator Portantino, construction



"Investing in new soundstage construction is a critical addition to our efforts to increase filming in the Golden State," said the Senator. "Modernizing studio infrastructure will ensure that future entertainment careers will flourish here and generations of people from across the country will continue to see our state as the entertainment capital of the world."

of soundstages has not kept

pace with the growth in film

production, scripted television

and streaming content, leading

him to team up with the State

Building and Construction

Trades Council to address the

issue and author SB 144.

Another innovative aspect of SB 144 is the legislation's approach to ensuring that incentives reach workers who reflect the diverse array of racial and gender identities in California's population. The bill requires productions receiving a tax credit to submit a diversity work plan, which includes diversity goals for workers, and ties an additional tax incentive to meeting those goals. It follows up on those goals by requiring the California Film Commission to report annually on diversity in the film industry, and for the Legislative Analyst's Office to provide a summary report in 2025 evaluating the effectiveness of the diversity bonus credit. The bill became effective immediately upon signing.



Courtesy of the Office of Senator Anthony Portantino Gov. Newsom shakes hands with Senator Anthony Portantino after signing SB 144.

# An Apology to the Community

By Mary O'KEEFE

On Jan. 24, 2011, Lang Patrick Martinez walked into the former Orchard Hardware Supply [3100 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta] and stole several items. He got into his vehicle and drove away. A California Highway Patrol unit attempted to stop Martinez's vehicle but he did not pull over and a chase ensued. Martinez rear-ended a vehicle on La Crescenta Avenue and drove into a neighborhood in the 3700 block of Cloud Avenue, where he stopped his vehicle and fled on foot. The local Neighborhood Watch neighbors worked with police when they saw the suspect but eventually law enforcement called off the search. Then in February 2011, Martinez was spotted by Burbank police in his vehicle outside of a Target store. Officers attempted to pull him over but he again fled from them, then collided with a vehicle and fled on foot. However, this time Burbank police captured him.

There are often reports on incidents like Martinez's that includes a suspect being arrested but seldom is there follow up on that suspect. But a few weeks ago CVW was contacted by Martinez, who said he has turned a page in his life and wants to talk.

He didn't ask for his story to be removed from the newspaper's website; all he wanted to do was apologize to the community and to share a bit of his story.

"I am sorry," he started. "I was so sorry when I read I had hit an elderly couple. I was glad to read they were okay."

Martinez said he didn't realize what had happened during the La Crescenta and Burbank car chases.

"To be honest, when I saw the [police unit's] lights behind me I just hit the gas," he said. "[At that moment] you are being selfish ... you are in the present moment and will go to any length to get away even though you know you won't. I jeopardized the whole community."

He said he only thought of himself, only thought of getting away. During that day in the Crescenta Valley, when he had eluded officers in the local neighborhood, he said he hid in an outdoor "laundry room."

"I waited there in the corner. I heard the dogs. I stayed there until I heard the helicopter and the police leave," he said. "Then I stole a bike and rode [away]."

He said he wasn't aware that he had a traffic collision in either the CV or the Burbank chase. Martinez had been an addict for a very long time; in 2011 the drug he

commonly used was crack cocaine, but it wasn't the drug he had exclusively become addicted to ... methamphetamine was also one of the many demons he has fought.

After he got out of jail he found himself homeless and very sick. He was in Ventura then and tried to get help at rehabilitation centers but they required insurance, which he did not have. So he cycled back into wanting to get clean and stay clean, but living on the streets wasn't helpful in that endeavor. He said those were some of his lowest points, and there were many, where he found himself sick physically and mentally.

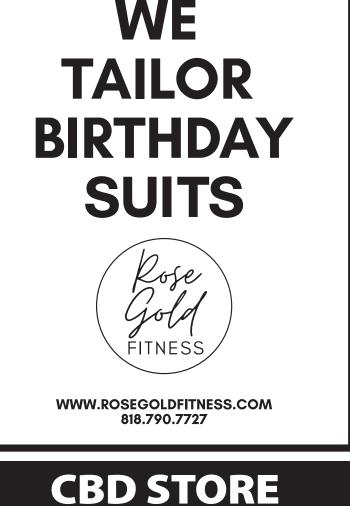
"I was spiritually bankrupt," he

One day he found himself on Vernon and Western avenues in Los Angeles. He was very sick and had a dangerously low heart rate, and decided to get help.

"My heart was beating 17 beats a minute," he said. "I said, 'God if you save my life I will give it all back to you."

This is a promise often made in the darkest times of life but not always followed through on once there is a positive turn in circumstances; however, according to Martinez, this is a promise he

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# CRIME BLOTTER

Big Tujunga Canyon Road/ Trail Canyon in Angeles National Forest, the back passenger side window was smashed and several items were stolen from a vehicle between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

### July 22

600 block of Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge, a woman allegedly removed the magnetic security tags off of handbags and walked out of the store. The woman was described as being in her 40s to 50s and at the time of the theft was wearing a blue shirt

and blue pants. She and another suspect got into a blue Toyota 4 Runner and left the area at 3:41

### July 21

2300 block of Del Mar Road in Montrose, the rear tire of a vehicle was punctured on a vehicle between July 21 at 5 p.m. and July 22 at 9:30 a.m.

### July 20

1000 block of Salisbury Court in La Cañada Flintridge, a catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle overnight.

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wants to keep. It is a struggle every day but the difference this time is he has hope.

"There is nothing more paralyzing than an attitude that things can never change," he wrote in an article titled "Turn the Page" in the newspaper Keys to Recovery.

Once he was released from the hospital he went through a rehabilitation program that helped him and he continues to part of that program. He now works with organizations that help those who are homeless in Ventura. On July 25 he celebrated three years from when he "turned the page."

And now he is reading articles and finding out the things he has done - some he was aware of and some, due to his drug use, he has no memory of.

He has a long history of crimes, including abusing his

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### Obituary **Boren Charles**

Cook



Aug. 8, 1944 - July 16, 2021

Boren Cook, a retired Cummins diesel mechanic and a lifelong resident of La Cañada, passed away unexpectedly on July 16 at the age of 76.

Boren is survived by his sister Nona Cook Weatherbee; children Alex, Bryan and Billy Cook, Sandi Stevenson Bouchard and Susan Stevenson Seccombe; grandchildren Christopher, Matthew, Sydney, Jacob and Brandon Cook, Chelsee and Kaylynn Seccombe. He is predeceased by his brother Sydney B. Cook Jr. and his wife Carol "Sam" Cook.

Boren was born in Phoenix, Arizona on Aug. 8, 1944 to Sydney B. Cook and Julia R. Cook. He graduated from John Muir High School, "Mighty Mustang," Class of 1963.

Boren was a devoted father and an avid outdoors man. He enjoyed riding his horse, fishing, water- and snow-skiing, car racing, camping and dirt bike riding. He enjoyed and valued the time spent with his family and friends. He will be deeply missed by his family, friends and all who knew him.

Service is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 30 at La Cañada Presbyterian Church, 626 Foothill Blvd.

wife, now his ex-wife, who has not forgiven him. He has reconnected with some family members but others are still not ready to forgive much less forget.

He said he just wanted to apologize for "terrorizing" the foothills community.

"I am accountable and responsible for what took place, not because I was a drug addict," he said. "I don't make excuses."

# Obituary

### Robert L. Petersen



Dec. 20, 1941 - July 18, 2021

Robert "Bob" Petersen was born and raised in Glendale to loving and supportive parents Harry and LaVerne Petersen. He was a student at John Muir Elementary and Roosevelt Junior High before graduating from Glendale High School. Following high school, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and continued to serve for several years in the reserves. He received an Associates of Arts degree from Glendale College before transferring to California State University, Los Angeles, graduating with a degree in sociology with an emphasis in social welfare and corrections. Bob also served two years as a missionary throughout Montana and Wyoming for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He viewed his mission as the most influential experience in his personal development and it created a sound foundation for his belief, life skills and standards for the remainder of his life.

His lifetime of service to people and his community included 31 years with the LA County Probation Dept. and serving in various church positions including teacher, youth advisor and most recently as an advisor to the Addiction Recovery Program and chaplain at the Los Angeles County Men's Central Jail and Twin Towers Correction Facilities.

Bob is survived by his brother Edward (JoAnn) Petersen; children Maren (Aaron) Woolley, Kathleen (Matthew) Sweeney, Carolyn (David) Smith, Aaron (Rebekah) Petersen, David (Diane) Petersen; and 13 grandchildren, Kaelan, Tristan, Elizabeth, Jacob, Nathan, Sean, Andrew, Emma, Tad, Megan, Maxwell, Spencer and Clark.

Services are scheduled for July 31 at 1101 N. Central Ave. Glendale at 11 a.m.

Funeral Directors: Crippen Mortuary (www.crippenmortuary.

### Obituary

### Albert P. Pugliese



Dec. 24, 1946 - July 24, 2021

Albert P. Pugliese, age 74, died Saturday morning, July 24 at USC Verdugo Hills Hospital due to complications from COVDID-19.

Albert Pasquale Pugliese was born on Dec. 24, 1946 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Albert L. Pugliese and Bernice Joan Woods; his sisters were Lydia, Susan and Bunny. He graduated from Holy Cross High School and came out to California to pursue an education in the theatre. He started at Los Angeles Valley College in 1973, then graduated from California State University, Northridge in 1977, and finally studied theatre arts at UCLA until 1979.

He was an American actor for over 30 years and performed extensively in television, theatre, and film. On television, fans knew him from his recurring role as Detective Kavanaugh in "Law & Order: Los Angeles." He had also guest starred and co-starred in many other hit TV shows: "American Horror Story," "Castle," "Glee," "Community," "Everybody Hates Chris," "Las Vegas," "Firefly," "King of Queens," "Judging Amy" and "Cold Case" just to name a few.

Although acting was his career, his life's work was focused on the Lord Jesus Christ and shining His light for all to witness. All taught the fundamentals of the Christian faith for over 13 years at Grace Community Church. He had started a small house church and online ministry named Behold the Lamb Christian Church. Al's main mission was to bring the good news of Jesus Christ to a lost and dying world. The ministry focused on the Hebraic roots of the Christian faith and went back to the ideals of the first century church, centered around Biblical principles, the true faith that was once for all delivered to the saints, and the message of the salvation that comes from the savior who died on the cross at Calvary for all of our sins and rose again on the third day.

Al leaves behind his "loving and beautiful wife" of 40 years Caroline Pugliese and two sons Albert Julian Pugliese and Gregory Thomas Pugliese. His twins were the apple of his eye as he always wanted boys to carry on the Pugliese name. He homeschooled them for 12 years of their education, brought them up to know the Lord Jesus Christ, and led them to pursue righteousness.

He also leaves behind his two sisters Bunny and Susan along with many neighbors, friends, doctors and others whose lives he blessed and impacted in a positive way. He will be forever missed and always loved.

Visitation and prayers will be held at Crippen Mortuary, 2900 Honolulu Ave. in Glendale on Aug. 9 at 11 a.m. Funeral Directors: CrippenMortuary.

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# Obituary Laurel Ann Wiley



July 21, 1944 - May 25, 2021

In the early evening of May 25, surrounded by her husband and children, our graceful, beautiful, funny Laurel Ann Wiley passed, having lived a life filled with laughter, service to others and her fair share of See's chocolate Bordeaux.

Laurel was born to Dr. Laurence Underwood and Ella Underwood on July 21, 1944 – far too soon after her older brother Dick and understandably long before her younger brother Ron.

Laurel spent her early years in Minnesota before the family moved back to Los Angeles, eventually settling in Glendale where Laurence established his medical practice and Laurel

established a practice of driving boys crazy. The student body of Glendale's Hoover High was made up of kids from Glendale proper, as well as riffraff and hillbillies from the nearby "town" La Crescenta. One such bumpkin, 15-year-old Webster Wiley, found himself both a new student at Hoover and a new admirer of the girl he would often refer to as "the cutest girl in the whole school."

At Hoover High Laurel was a drill team member, a song leader and class president as well as alumni vice president, but royal blood also ran in her veins. She reigned benevolently over her subjects as Scroll Day Queen and Prom Queen, among others. A true ruler of the people.

Laurel moved through life with tremendous grace, helping others and leading by example while never boasting or bragging. Few people, for example, are aware of her windfall on TV's "Let's Make A Deal:" a lifetime supply of Dixie paper products that ensured her family never went without. She rarely spoke of it, but always

offered to provide paper plates for each family gettogether.

Laurel truly loved to serve others and especially loved the camaraderie she found in service organizations. Boy, did she love a good guild, league or association! Laurel served for 32 years in the Assistance League of Flintridge, as La Cañada PTA president, as a member of the Charity League, the Flintridge Guild of Children's Hospital, the Trojan League of Los Angeles and with AFS-USA.

Laurel was known for her quick wit, a trait she inherited from her mother and passed down in triplicate to her children. Even in her final days, while battling a cruel onetwo punch of dementia and cancer, she loved to banter, always quick with a joke.

Music played a big part in Laurel's life, as a listener but also as a beautiful pianist and as an alto in groups like the ALFie Singers. Even in her last days, with dementia eroding her memory, she would sit at the piano and conjure up some song she'd

learned decades before.

What else did Laurel love? A good meal, though it seems like all we can remember as her favorite foods are frosting, chocolates, ice cream and Boston Baked Beans. Any beach was her favorite. Water-skiing, snow-skiing, walking and horseback riding all brought her joy. She loved driving, much to the delight of Bistagne Bros. Body Shop. One look at her Instagram account (@lwiley721) and you'd see she loved ping pong, traveling and a good sunset. (You'd also learn that she didn't totally understand technology.)

She loved her family so much. She was a fantastic, loving wife and mother and an equally fanatic and adoring grandmother, attentive to whatever her grandchildren down on the carpet playing with them, reading books, laughing them, playing a game called Waterfall (in which she dragged kids around the house on a towel, including a bumpy trip down three wooden stairs), bantering back and forth

with sarcastic teenagers. Whatever made them tick made her tick, too.

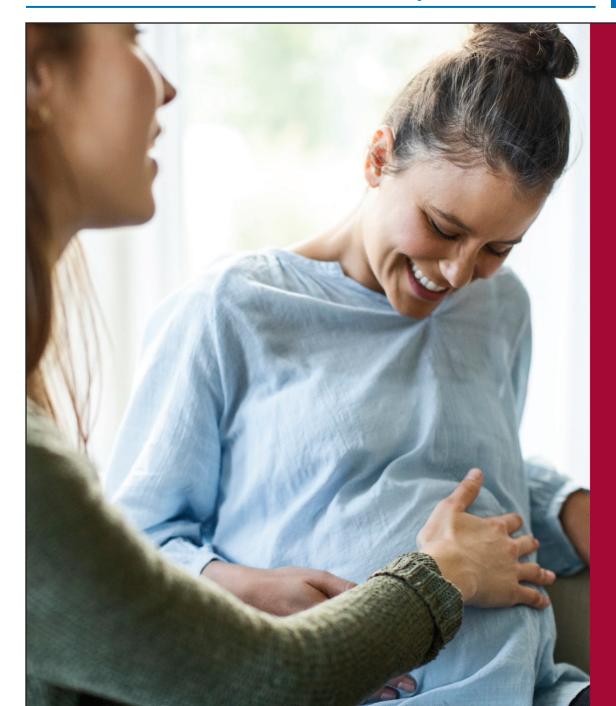
Laurel temporarily leaves behind that family: her loving husband Webb, daughter Stephanie with fiancé Steve Gascoigne grandson Peter Saliamonas, her son Scott and his wife Sarah and grandchildren Brenden, Oliver, June, Huck and Truman, her son Brett and his wife Lindsay, brothers Dick and Ron Underwood and their wives Norma and Sandy and many nieces and nephews. We know she is currently enjoying the wonderful company of her parents and grandparents, aunts and uncles and her ever-loving grandson Tommy, who will undoubtedly greet her with his megawatt smile, one of his trademark hugs and her nickname "GROMLIN!"

Mom, we know if you'd written your own obituary it would've been funnier. We miss you.

A service was held on July 21 at La Cañada Presbyterian church.

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appeared to be more layers of bureaucracy than ever before so much so that the organizers felt they had run out of patience and time to get past the growing numbers of permission levels and forms that needed to be filed.

Feeling defeated, Lawler contacted the County Parks Department to let it know there was still no answer to their requests for a silent movie night and the show would not go on. But, like any good story, just when our protagonist sees no hope in sight, hope arrived – this time in the form of a phone call.

"Hello, this is Kathryn Barger," Lawler said of the phone call he

Barger, LA county supervisor for the 5th district, told Lawler she had heard of his issues with the event and understood his frustration.

"Don't cancel [it]. We're going to make this work," said Barger, according to Lawler.

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With all the big issues the county supervisor has to deal with on a daily basis, Lawler was amazed that she would call him about this comparatively small community

"But she made time for us," he

He worked with Sussy Nemer from Barger's office, and the event was approved.

Silent Movie Night may not seem like an earth-changing event but for those who have attended this movie night it has always been a special time. These films, which have been saved over the years by Rinaudo, are works of art that give the audience a glimpse into a time long past. These films were created on perishable plastic and, over the years if not stored properly, they would decay. Some films are preserved by the Library of Congress, but many have faded into history. That is where organizations like Silent Cinema Society come in.

were made of "Most [films] nitrates and weren't stored [properly]," Rinaudo said. "[Industry studios] let them decompose on the shelves."

Cellulose nitrate degrades when not protected from heat and humidity.

Rinaudo was 8 years old when he discovered Charlie Chaplin during one of his family's movie nights.

"My [dad] slipped in a Charlie Chaplin movie he bought for 99 cents," Rinaudo recalled.

From that point on he was hooked. He began collecting silent movies; one of the films being shown at Two Strike Park on Saturday is a film Rinaudo purchased when he was 12 years old. He is always on the search for silent films and shares his knowledge of the movies and the talent that created them.

But saving films is not the only thing Rinaudo is interested in; it is the entire history of these bygone days of early film. As part of the authentic experience he brings to audiences, the films are viewed via a 1909 hand-cranked projector, refurbished by Rinaudo. He found the projector on eBay in a Connecticut chicken coop.

Like the days of the traveling projectionists who took their

equipment to rural places that couldn't didn't have their own theatre, Rinaudo travels to communities like Crescenta Valley to share the silent films.

"I used to [travel] until COVID shut [me] down," Rinaudo said.

The return of Silent Movie Night not only gives Rinaudo a chance to share his love of film history but also gives a community the chance to enjoy a sense of normalcy.

This year's Silent Movie Night focuses on comedies. Silent Comedies in the Park is an outdoor event at Two Strike Park, 5107 Rosemont Ave. that begins at 8:30 p.m. Those who plan to attend are advised to arrive a little early and to bring a blanket and picnic basket, if they wish. Popcorn, baked goods and other refreshments will be available. The proceeds will support the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley and the Silent Cinema Society.

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### **EPORTS**

### **Member Arrested for** Possession of Ghost Gun / **Female Arrested for Narcotics**

On July 22 just after 1:30 a.m., a Glendale police officer on patrol observed a vehicle traveling northbound on Brand Boulevard at a high rate of speed. The officer conducted a traffic stop and contacted the driver, later identified as 31-year-old Tigran Tsaturyan of Tujunga, and passenger, 22-yearold Evelyn Castillo of Canoga Park.

While speaking with Tsaturyan, the officer observed a plastic bundle and can of butane in the vehicle.

Assisting officers arrived and a search of the vehicle produced a loaded ghost gun, a box of ammunition, three credit cards in someone else's name, what resembled heroin, what resembled methamphetamine and other drugrelated paraphernalia.

During the investigation officers learned that Tsaturyan was a gang member with multiple felony convictions and that Castillo was on active probation.

Tsaturyan was arrested for being weapon, carrying a loaded firearm in public, owning ammunition while prohibited and several narcotics-related charges.

Castillo had initially provided a false name to officers and was subsequently arrested for providing false identification, misappropriation of lost property and possession of controlled substance paraphernalia.

### **Male Arrested for Possession of Ghost Gun After Double Parking Vehicle**

On July 20 at approximately 9 p.m., a Glendale PD officer on patrol noticed a vehicle double parked on the wrong side of the street along the 600 block of Ivy Street. The vehicle was unoccupied and during the officer's investigation a male approached the officer and claimed

the vehicle belonged to him. The male, later identified as 33-yearold Robert Pena (transient), was discovered to be on Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS).

In plain view, the officer noticed a glass pipe and several knives in the vehicle. A search of the vehicle produced two handguns without serial numbers on them (one of which was loaded with over 20 rounds), a loaded magazine, a bag containing what resembled methamphetamine and other narcotics, a loaded magazine, and a large sum of cash. The officer also located in Pena's wallet two access cards belonging to other people.

Pena was subsequently arrested and booked for multiple felony charges including being a felon in possession of a concealed firearm in a vehicle, possessing ammunition while prohibited, possessing a large capacity magazine, identity theft and possessing controlled substances for sale.

### **Male Arrested for Possessing a Loaded Handgun**

On July 15 at approximately a felon in possession of a concealed 10 p.m., a Glendale PD patrol officer conducted a records check of a vehicle driving in the area of Glenoaks Boulevard and Highland Avenue and discovered the vehicle's registration had expired in 2020; however, the license plate had a 2021 expiration tab attached to it.

The officer conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle for the violation and contacted the driver, identified as 28-year-old Vahagn Vardanyan of North Hollywood, regarding the violation. Vardanyan stated he had just recently purchased the vehicle and was unaware of the violation. Officers asked Vardanyan and his front passenger, identified as 27-year-old Carlos Meza-Hernandez of Glendale, to exit the vehicle so they could further investigate the violation. During a search of Meza-Hernandez, officers recovered a loaded handgun

concealed in one of his pockets.

The recovered firearm had a serial number on it; however, a records check of the serial number revealed it was unregistered. Vardanyan was arrested for displaying a false registration tab. Meza-Hernandez was arrested and booked for illegal possession of a concealed firearm.

### **Two Males Arrested for Vehicle** Theft and Possession of **Narcotics**

On July 15 at approximately 3 p.m., Glendale PD officers on patrol located a stolen vehicle in a parking lot on the corner of Foothill Bouelvard and Lauderdale Avenue. Two males were seen walking away from the vehicle heading eastbound on Foothill Boulevard.

Additional officers arrived and located the males nearby, identified as 29-year-old Robert Vanderhyde of Bakersfield and 40-year-old Brandon Steffan of Bakersfield who was discovered to be on probation.

An investigation confirmed that Vanderhyde and Steffan arrived in the parking lot in the stolen vehicle.

search revealed Vanderhyde was in possession of a methamphetamine pipe and what resembled methamphetamine, a substance resembling heroin, several credit cards not in his name, a window punch, utility knife and various other tools commonly used for vehicle burglary; Steffan was found to be in possession of a partially shaved vehicle key.

A further search of the vehicle produced additional narcotics, large knives, and a screwdriver. Vanderhyde was arrested for vehicle theft, possessing controlled substances, possessing burglary tools and misappropriation of lost property. Steffan was arrested and booked for vehicle theft and possessing controlled substances.

# VIEWPOINTS

TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

# Pioneer Memories: N.W. Zimmer

that were recorded in 1938. Our local newspaper, The Ledger, contacted as many "old-timers" as they could find and asked them to either be interviewed or to submit their memories in writing. It's proven to be a vast treasure trove of eyewitness info of what the valley was like for early residents, as well as sharing exciting events that most cases, I am quoting what the for his home.] newspaper wrote. But I'm including my own comments in brackets [ ] to clarify or add info to the quotes. This week's memories come from Mr. N.W. Zimmer, who first came to the valley as a tourist at the turn of the century. He later moved here, started a family, and became a real estate agent.

summation of his interview: "According to N.W. Zimmer the most enjoyable vacation of his life

memories of several early residents Hotel in 1900. He was later to call the place his home. [The hotel was one of the 19th century grand resort hotels designed to accommodate wealthy easterners. Built of redwood on the northwest corner of Foothill and Rosemont in 1888, it was three stories, with 36 luxurious rooms. It declined as the years went on, and the economic crash of 1929 allowed Mr. Zimmer until now we had never heard. In to buy the entire massive structure

"On this occasion he came out from Pasadena with a team [of horses] and the road [Foothill Boulevard] was so narrow that the vegetation bordering it brushed against the sides of the buggy. La Crescenta seemed so remote but that night when he saw the lights of Los Angeles twinkling below he The newspaper wrote up a thought that, after all, the place was not far from the busy haunts of man.

"In those days there were horses

travelled the valley trails. A favorite outing was to Briggs Terrace where there were luscious grapes. It took a day to go there and back. [There was a lot to see on Briggs Terrace in 1900. Bejamin Briggs had built rock terraces all across the area, with extensive gardens and orchards. Next door, across Pickens Canyon, was the abandoned Gould Castle, a massive stone structure built in the style of a Spanish castle. As well, visitors could watch hardrock miners in Pickens and Goss Canyons, digging long tunnels through solid granite to reach pockets of water trapped deep below the mountains.]

"On one occasion while he was visiting there, a fire broke out in the vicinity of Sycamore Avenue and spread rapidly to Foothill Boulevard. All the hotel guests were ordered out to fight the fire. [Brush fires were an "all-hands" event, since there was no organized fire

We're continuing with the was spent at the old La Crescenta and burros for the hotel guests who department. Any able-bodied person murders and mayhem committed had to fight fires – no excuses. Even travelers were stopped, ordered out of their carriages, handed a shovel and pointed toward the fire line.]

> "Mr. Zimmer owned several fine horses and once when he and a male friend were returning home through Verdugo Canyon ... a rough crowd of Mexicans chased them without rhyme or reason. They had a team with which they attempted to run the Americans down. These two men with fleet steeds gradually outdistanced their molesters." [The Verdugo Canyon, where today Cañada Boulevard and Verdugo Road run past beautiful homes, could be a lawless place back then. The area was frequented by bands of itinerant woodcutters, a rough and often desperate crowd. They scratched out a living cutting oak trees and chaparral roots to sell in fuel-hungry Los Angeles. In newspapers of that time, several stories can be found of alcohol-fueled

by woodcutters and laborers in both Verdugo Canyon and La Cañada. And when Mr. Zimmer speaks of "Mexicans," the term should be weighed in the context of the time, an era of racial prejudice.]

The Zimmer family stayed on in the valley. Mr. Zimmer ran a successful real estate business and his descendants still live here in the valley today.



Mike Lawler is the former president of the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley and loves local history. Reach him at lawlerdad@yahoo.com.

# Roadmap

Crescenta Valley Water District (CVWD) oldest pipelines as they exceed their life quality, reliable and cost-efficient water the board has elected to present a threeand wastewater services to our 33,000 customers. As we uphold our mission to long-term planning and infrastructure statement "To provide quality water and wastewater services to the Crescenta Valley community in a dependable and economically responsible manner," it the future of our District.

CVWD, as well as many other water providers throughout California, continue notice will outline the proposed rates and to face increasing operational and financial challenges to maintain and update infrastructure. Contributing to these challenges are escalating energy costs, expanding regulatory costs, rising imported water costs, increasing costs of construction and the growing costs of deferred facility maintenance. It's imperative to recognize the District's key challenges and develop and implement a proactive and aggressive might impact your bi-monthly bill. action plan to immediately address

these challenges. The CVWD board of directors and the community have discussed

the Long-Term Infrastructure and Funding Roadmap since early 2020. Through the Roadmap process, participants became acutely aware of a significant issue the District is facing and the estimated cost to address it. With much of our infrastructure built in the 1950s, a considerable portion of it is approaching or has exceeded its life expectancy. The CVWD board is committed to a long-term plan to address the problem of deferred work on pipelines, wells, reservoirs and other infrastructure to continue providing safe and reliable service to our customers.

Pipelines are the backbone of our infrastructure as they convey water to customers, and pipelines represent the most significant replacement costs. Based on this, the District is implementing a replacement program over the next 20 years that will replace the

takes great pride in delivering high expectancy. This plan needs funding, and year rate schedule to support a commitment reliability.

218 the District is required to hold a protest is important that we recognize our key hearing for the creation or increase of any challenges and develop solutions now to rates and fees ("property-related fees"). secure our mission and reach our vision for As part of those regulations, the District is required to provide written notice by mail of the proposed fees or charges. The let customers know how to file a protest and when they can attend the public hearing. The public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2021 at 6 p.m. This will be a virtual meeting.

In the next couple of weeks, you will find detailed information on the CVWD website as well as an online bill calculator so that you can estimate how the proposed rates

CVWD board meetings are typically held on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Board meetings are easier than ever to participate in as they are being held virtually via Zoom.

Throughout this Roadmap process, The District will soon be mailing a Prop the District has worked with Raftelis 218 notice to customers. Under Proposition Financial Consultants to complete the Water and Wastewater Cost of Service Study. The study determines equitable water and wastewater rates for all of CVWD's customers based on compliance with industry-accepted cost of service principles and state law requirements. The methodology, results and rationale are detailed in the study, and the draft report was reviewed through a series of committee and board meetings. A copy of this draft report is available at www.cvwd.com.

> The District welcomes and encourages public feedback. In addition to making public comments at board and committee meetings, customers may email comments to ccolby@cvwd.com or drop off written comments at the main office.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### **Update from Streets and Transportation Committee Chair**

As the Streets and Transportation Committee chair, I'm pleased to say your transportation dollars are at work. I want to share our progress over the past eight years in bringing safer, active living streets and projects to improve the quality of life.

We have a committee of council members and residents to identify and report local and sub-regional issues, requests and suggestions to the County Public Works Department ("County") and Supervisor's Barger's District 5 office. The County staff works closely and collaboratively with the CV Town Council and attends our monthly Committee meetings. Much discussion is dedicated to identifying opportunities for funding and services that will provide better public transportation services, infrastructure, street and safe connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists, and vehicle traffic. I have highlighted two projects of the current nine that are either underway or in the planning stages for priority consideration.

One of our main projects is the soundwall program. It is underway with Measure R funding for \$9 million for design and partial construction of four walls of 15 that were prioritized based on noise decibel and the length of the wall along the I-210 Foothill from Pennsylvania to

 $see\ LETTERS\ on\ page\ 15$ 

### SILENT MOVIES in Two Strike Park

SATURDAY, JULY 31ST, 8 P.M. 5107 Rosemont Ave., La Crescenta

Local celebrity Joe Rinaudo, with his 100-year-old hand-cranked projector, will show some of his favorite silent movies under the stars, with live musical accompaniment by special guest musician Cliff Retallick.

Bring a blanket or lawn chair, picnic or snacks, and a flashlight to help light your way out when event is over.

Step back 100 years in time, when traveling projectionists brought movies to towns too small to have a theater.

This program is free and brought to you by the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley and Los Angeles County Parks, with a very special thank you to Supervisor Kathryn Barger for saving this event from cancellation due to complications, which she quickly resolved.



Join us on Saturday, July 31st, 8 p.m. cvhistory.org

# BETWEEN FRIENDS



# The DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses Presented to Adventist Health - Glendale

atoul Salameh, a nurse at express gratitude to nurses and to enable matter how crazy a shift gets," the was recently honored with the thank and honor their special nurses. DAISY Award. The DAISY Award is started in memory of J. Patrick Barnes. Barnes' family experienced first-hand the difference his nurses made in his care through clinical excellence and outstanding compassionate care. The family created The DAISY Award to attitude in the way she leads and no

Adventist Health - Glendale, other patients, families, and staff to nominating party added. "Thanks to

an international recognition program being on top of things" and "making sure makes our working environment much that every patient and staff is well taken more manageable." care of," according to the nomination made on her behalf by another charge org to learn more about Pat Barnes' story

"She has such a graceful and positive extraordinary nurses.

Batoul, we get through it. Her hard work Salameh was recognized for "always" and dedication to our patients and staff

> To learn more, visit DAISYFoundation. and how The DAISY Award recognizes

# People Making News

Wheaton College student Sarah Lee of La Crescenta was recently inducted into Pi Sigma Alpha National Political Science Honor Society. This honor was announced by the Politics and International Relations Dept. as part of Wheaton College's Honors Convocation.

Pi Sigma Alpha is the national honor society for undergraduate political science majors with high academic achievement. The Wheaton chapter promotes dialogue on issues related to the study and practice of politics.

The Dept. of Politics and International Relations at Wheaton College offers a wide range of courses, events, and programs all designed to give students the analytical, conceptual, and theological tools crucial for Christians who seek to understand and act faithfully in a rapidly changing political world.

Wheaton College, located in Wheaton, Illinois, is a coeducational Christian liberal arts college noted for its rigorous academics, integration of faith and learning, and consistent ranking among the top liberal arts colleges in the country. For more information, visit wheaton.edu.

Elizabeth Crotty from Glendale recently graduated from the College of William & Mary with a Bachelor of Arts degree.

Founded by royal charter in 1693, William & Mary is

the second oldest educational institution in the nation. William & Mary is currently ranked among the nation's top 10 public universities and has been designated a "Public Ivy."

Ithaca College student Leo

Gonta of La Crescenta was named to the dean's list for the spring 2021 semester.

Founded in 1892, Ithaca College is a residential college dedicated to building knowledge and confidence through a continuous cycle of theory, practice and performance. Home to some 5,000 students, the college offers more than 100 degree programs in its schools of business, communications, humanities and health sciences and human performance, and music.

### Veterans Corner July 2021 New Presumptive Conditions for Agent Orange Telehealth and Online VA Medical Appointments

NDAA, is the inclusion of a veterans suffering from three new The three new conditions are:

- affects the cells of the bladder.
- Hypothyroidism: A condition in to the list. which the thyroid gland does crucial hormones.
- impaired speech and muscle stiffness that Parkinson's disease but is not formally diagnosed as such.

provision that will affect Vietnam conditions are determined by the VA, based on significant presumptive conditions thought supporting evidence from scientific to be caused by exposure to the studies. However, by including this chemical herbicide Agent Orange. measure in the NDAA, Congress the effectively bypassed the VA and · Bladder Cancer: Cancer that determined, by statute, that the three conditions should be added

Veterans and/or their survivors not produce enough of certain who previously filed and were denied benefits for one of these • Parkinson's-like symptoms: A three new presumptive conditions condition with symptoms such automatically reviewed with the as tremors, slow movement, need to refile a claim. The VA will send letters to impacted veterans resembles and survivors.

Telehealth and online medical An estimated 34,000 Vietnam appointments will remain a key

officials may need Congress' help to ensure that.

During an appearance before Senate Appropriations Committee, VA Secretary Denis McDonough noted that online video appointments between department physicians patients are about 18 times higher now than at the start of the coronavirus pandemic in spring

"There were almost 230,000 visits at the end of February this year," he said. "Nearly 2 million vets have had one or more episodes of video care. That tells us that there's massive demand."

That said, the department has

Included in the annual National War veterans suffering from these part of veteran health care even delayed or canceled more than Defense Authorization Act, or conditions may now be eligible for after the pandemic disappears, 19 million medical appointments benefits. Typically, presumptive the Veterans Affairs secretary over the last year but hopes to promised recently. But department reschedule them in the months ahead. But McDonough noted there has been reluctance to embrace the change among some staffers accustomed to in-person meetings, something he said he will work to address.

> "We're institutionalizing that," he said. "We want to maintain it because it's ease of access for vets who don't need to be seen in person. There's going to continue to need to be things that are done in person, but I think as a system we recognize the huge efficiency gains and huge satisfaction gains [that] come from vets spending less time traveling to our facilities while still getting good care."

# Enhancing Health Through Reliable Communicat

By Dr. Adria Navarro, USC

As we age, in addition to health care providers, we often need to access supportive services.

"Mr. Smith," a 78-year-old divorced gentleman, was recently referred to me by his physician following an office visit. A renter at his house brought him to the appointment and noted he lacked help with meal preparation, safe showering (as he utilizes a walker), housekeeping and the like. With the help of this tenant, an in-home meeting was set up with Mr. Smith where we spent time discussing his situation, including his strong desire to

remain in his own home, which indicated that they had not a program referred he has dedicated more than four decades to building and restoring himself.

By visiting Mr. Smith in his home, I observed uneven flooring, steep stairs and a poorly lit path of travel to the restroom. This impressed upon me the need for home health professionals and private duty home care to support and address his needs. In discussing home health, I learned that his physician had already ordered home health and his insurance company had already approved this service with a specific provider. Mr. Smith was not clear about this,

been able to reach Mr. Smith to the arrange their visits. Mr. Smith then recalled that the phone by his bed was not working. This easily fixable communication problem could have potentially caused a much bigger health and safety problem.

Continuity of health care becomes fractured by poor channels of communication. This means different things for different folks, yet in Mr. Smith's situation it was as basic as having a phone within reach that he could independently and reliably operate.

In California the Public

California Access Program (CTAP) www. californiaphones.org. goal of CTAP is to bridge communications as hearing, vision, mobility, speaking and cognition There challenges. age, income or insurance requirements to access this free equipment. While equipment can be mailed out, there is also a local CTAP Service Center (425 W. Broadway, Suite 105, Glendale) where one can try different options to decide which phone best meets their needs.

This resource made it easy for so the provider was called and Utilities Commission supports Mr. Smith to obtain an adapted

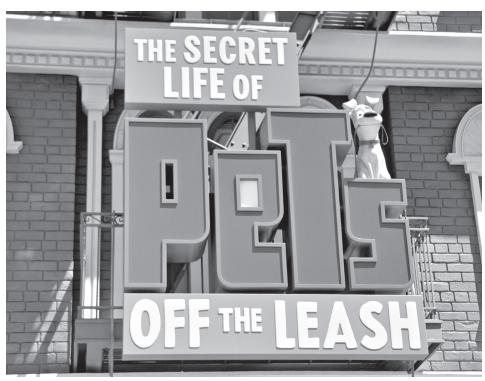
Telephone reliable for him to use so he can arrange to have providers visit him at home.



Dr. Adria Navarro, USC Verdugo Hills Hospital Community Resource Center for Aging uscvhh.org/aging-resources

# TRAVEL & LEISURE

# 'Secret Life of Pets: Off the Leash' at Universal Studios Hollywood





Photos by Charly SHELTON

ABOVE: At the fireworks factory, projections and animatronics are used. LEFT: Universal Studios Hollywood invites visitors to it newest attraction.

By Charly SHELTON

with the local theme parks reopened to guests, we finally get to experience the best new rides that summer 2020 was expected to offer. Disneyland opened "WEB Slingers: A Spider-Man Adventure." Knott's Berry Farm opened "Bear-y Tales: Return to the Fair." And Universal Studios Hollywood kept pace in offering a new, technologically advanced ride with a colon in the name as well – "Secret Life of Pets: Off the Leash."

The new ride was set to open just two weeks after the park was shut down due to the approaching COVID-19 pandemic in midMarch 2020. Now reopened and accommodating the summer swells of a (hopefully) vaccinated population swarming back to a theme park for the first time in over a year, Universal Studios Hollywood feels just as it always has. The crowds are thick, the weather is warm and stepping into that first blast of air conditioning after standing in an outdoor ride queue for an hour was a feeling sorely missed by this reporter.

The only difference with "Secret Life of Pets" is that there is hardly any outdoor queue. And although that "first blast" sensation after an outdoor queue is great, it's even better when you don't have to stand in

the sun first. The indoor queue for the new ride is so extensive and cute that the time passes much more quickly with the several pre-shows setting up the premise of the ride and entertaining guests in the same family-fun tone and feel of the films the ride is based on.

The ride invites guests, who the other animals see as puppies, to board alleyway boxes and shuttle across town to get to the adoption fair and find families to love them. It's a pretty standard dark ride (think Mr. Toad's Wild Ride or Peter Pan's Flight) but with several new tech additions. The big selling point is the camera that turns guests into puppies as

they ride past mirrors, making dog lookalikes in real time. But honestly, more impressive is the use of projected set extensions to bring the world to life. When the guests roll through a fireworks factory, the animals from the film shoot all over the room in both projections and animatronic form, giving speed and life to the scene. Then, later at the groomers, Max the dog is seen swimming above the bathtub as an animatronic and then diving below as a projection, synced up perfectly to make the 2D and 3D elements combine into one effect. This is really well done and, despite the seemingly simple effect, it is a very complex task to pull off effectively.

Universal has always done some amazing things with projected set extensions (as in the "Transformers" ride and the new Mosasaur scene in "Jurassic World the Ride"), so it's no surprise to see the technique used here on a more traditional ride type.

The whole experience is a good time, if not super intense, and makes for a fun outing for kids of the park who can't ride much else. It's nice to see a good ole fashioned dark ride keep pace in the world of "bigger, badder and more teeth" rides.

"Secret Life of Pets: Off the Leash" is open now at Universal Studios Hollywood.

### THEN & NOW |

# ANDERSONS THE MENS SHOP THE MENS SH

**Then** "> The Reinhard Building on Honolulu Avenue in Montrose, built in the '20s, was typical of the brick construction used on most business buildings of that era. The business district of Montrose was lined with examples of this geometric art form that made each building unique.

### Brick Buildings of Montrose Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV



**Now** » One of the unfortunate aftershocks of the '71 Sylmar Earthquake was the disappearance of the majority of the brick facings on the businesses of Montrose. Faced with expensive seismic retrofitting requirements, most building owners opted to encase their brick facades in stucco. This gave structural stability to the brickwork, and lent a modern look to their buildings before the "retro" look of old brick was fashionable as it is now.

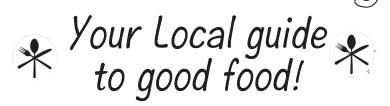
The stucco-covered Reinhart Building is now home to the successful Black Cow Café, which makes use of the "old look" of their interior as part of their décor.

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# Lumpen Station Comes to Adams Square Mini Park Gas Station

Artists Beck+Col's installation, Lumpen Station, will be on display at the Adams Square Mini Park Gas Station from July 12 – Aug. 20.

Lumpen Station is based off the series "The Revolting Lumpen" by artists Beck+Col, which features bright, colorful, multidisciplinary experiences combining wearable sculpture, performance, dance, music and live operatic vocalizations. The versatility of textiles allows the artists to build elaborate worlds and the themes running through them. The entire installation was created using three textiles: velvet, cotton and mesh, as well as wood, foam and pex for structure.

Beck+Col are a Los Angeles based artist duo that has been working exclusively in collaboration since 2014.

According to their website, Beck+Col have performed at numerous venues including Hammer Museum, REDCAT, and JOAN Los Angeles. They have had multiple solo exhibitions at Human Resources and their work has been exhibited worldwide including the Royal College of Music in Sweden, Colección AMALITA in Buenos Aires and at Biquini WAX EPS in Mexico City. Beck+Col have received multiple FCA grants and were nominated for a Rema Hort Mann Emerging artist grant in 2019. They have been invited to host art education workshops and lectures with the Hammer Museum, the Craft Contemporary Museum, 18th Street Art Center and the City of Santa Monica. In spring 2020, Beck+Col were the artists in residence for the San Diego International Airport Performing Arts Residency and represented LACE at the Art Los Angeles Contemporary fair. They are the current Virtual Artists in Residence at UNLV.

The installation at Adams Square Mini Park Gas Station is overseen by the Glendale Arts and Culture Commission. The mission of the Glendale Arts and Culture Commission is to enrich the human experience, reinforce Glendale's identity and civic pride through arts and culture, and to recognize the importance of arts to our quality of life and to the local economy. This is accomplished by consciously integrating arts and culture into the daily life of the people of Glendale through urban design, planning, economic development, and education.

For more information about the Glendale Arts and Culture Commission, visit https://www.glendaleartsandculture.org/.







# JUST FOR FUN



# by John Deering and John Newcombe



### WEEKLY HOROSCOPES Provided by horoscope.com June 26, 2021 - August 1, 2021

### ARIES March 21 - April 19

Routines work wonders for you. Don't jeopardize your health by hoping you'll remember. Assign time every day for exercise, eating the right foods, and taking any vitamins you need. It isn't going to happen by itself. It will make a big difference if you focus on it. You can change your life in a positive way. Make your health your priority.

### TAURUS April 20 - May 20

Stay present and mindful. Don't let difficult issues create a buildup of emotion that you then try to suppress. Keep flowing and moving and you'll move through the days ahead with poise and grace. Especially beneficial will be any method that helps you clear hidden tension from your body and melt subtle blockages. When you feel stressed, emotional, or down, release it for abundant good health.

### **★★ GEMINI** *May 21 - June 20*

No matter what happens to you, you're convinced that you can get over it. This is perhaps your greatest gift. You have such faith in your own powers of recovery that this seems to be half the battle. You may have some reservations about this now, but put them aside. Believe in your ability to be well.

### CANCER June 21 - July 22

Sometimes you have to be honest and admit you don't feel completely well. You don't want to let anyone down, so you cover up fatigue or the onset of a cold with a few excuses. If you feel tired this week, it doesn't mean just carry on. It means that you need to rest. Give yourself a break, especially when it's hard to go at your usual pace.

### LEO July 23 - August 22

If you're experiencing conflict, it will show up in your body. There are some powerful ongoing influences that could cause you to work or work out too much. The trick is to find the right balance and not strain yourself. Relaxation is essential. Take time for a massage. Exercise away the tension, but go easy!

### **VIRGO** August 23 - Sept. 22

If the usual type of exercise doesn't work for you, try something a little gentler on your system. Now it might be best to focus on exercises that promote relaxation and conserve energy, such as yoga or tai chi. There are some powerful influences around. Even though you want to let off steam, you could overdo it.

### **LIBRA** Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Frustration could be your main problem, so be good to yourself. Perhaps you've had to deal with many issues in a short space of time. Things are getting easier. Acknowledge how well you did. Schedule a relaxing massage or get pampered in a way that makes you feel good. Getting to the source of certain issues will be liberating. It's time to take stock and make some changes.

### **≪ SCORPIO** 0ct. 23 - Nov. 21

You like things to synchronize, like meshing gears. If you sense that a relationship, situation, or project isn't working, it affects your energy. It's essential that you create firm boundaries in your relationships. This will help you feel more secure, less threatened, and more physically fit. The cosmos might encourage you to read up on the latest diet.

### SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

There's no reason why you can't make progress on your health issues in a positive, uplifting way. The cosmos is encouraging you to focus on your body and well-being and be optimistic about the results you can achieve. Laziness is the only potential problem you could encounter. Don't waste your chance to be really healthy. Do your

### A CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

You might have such big aspirations that you can't keep up with them. Life looks potentially magnificent, but you can't rely on a wing and a prayer to stay well if you aren't looking after yourself. Although you may feel as though you can do anything, it would help to regulate your days so you have time to enjoy eating, exercising, and looking after yourself.

### AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

Once again your imagination is going to have a powerful effect on the way you feel. If you think you have a cold coming on, you may just make it manifest. Imagine your body as filled with energy and this, too, will become true for you. Be sure to use the power of your mind's eye to create optimum health. See yourself as you want to be seen!

### PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

There are many philosophies that advocate exercise and diet routines to bring optimum health benefits. Take a look at such disciplines if you haven't already. Maintain a calm, peaceful mind in a body full of vital energy. Yoga or any similar body/mind discipline will bring you exceptional rewards if you stick with it. The proof is in the doing.

### **CALENDAR this**

### ART INTIMES OF WAR

She Loves Collective, an alliance of female artists who share a strong belief in the power of creating social change through art, present a recap of MY RELIC (three pop-up exhibits displayed in downtown Glendale in the spring) and HER RELIC (an immersive installation currently on display through Aug. 15 at ReflectSpace Gallery located inside the Glendale Central Library). Both exhibits came together in the wake of unprovoked aggressions and destruction waged by Azerbaijan and its closest ally, Turkey, against the Armenian enclave of Artsakh and the Armenian people. In a time of unrest and uncertainty, with the majority of the collective members identifying as Armenian, the female "artivists" channeled their trauma, pain and anger through their art.

This event will be broadcast live from the ReflectSpace at Glendale Central Library.

This event is tonight, Thursday, July 29 at 7 p.m. It is free to attend but RSVP is necessary. Visit https://tinyurl.com/ysrjr6mc.

### **BOLTON HALL MUSEUM IS OPEN**

At long last, permission to reopen Bolton Hall Museum to visitors has been granted by Los Angeles Recreations and Parks Dept.

Bolton Hall Museum is now open on Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 1-4 p.m. and will observe all safety guidelines specified by the LA County Dept. of Public Health as we go along into the weeks and months ahead.

As determinations are made regarding scheduling of future programs and events, the information will be available on our website: http://boltonhall.org/ and Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/ boltonhallmuseum/

### **AUTHORS SHARE INSIGHTS ON NAVIGATING COLLEGE AT FLINTRIDGE BOOKSTORE**

On Thursday, Aug. 19 at 7 p.m., Flintridge Bookstore presents authors and high school coaches Jill and Dave Henry who will share

winning book "The Greatest College Health Guide You Never Knew You Needed: How to Manage Food, Booze, Stress, Sex, Sleep, and Exercise on Campus." This is a "no BS-guide to managing physical and mental health on campus, featuring hilariously powerful stories of personal triumph and inevitable struggle." The book helps students avoid the freshman 15, sophomore slump, crippling anxiety and the worst hangover and also how to de-stress throughout undergrad years and beyond.

For this event: Seating is limited. Reservations are recommended. Masks are required

Flintridge Bookstore is located at 858 Foothill Blvd. La Cañada Flintridge and is open Monday - Friday, from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. There is street parking as well as a lot behind the store off Beulah Drive. To make reservations for Jill and Dave Henry's free event, stop in the store to sign up, call (818) 790-0717, or register on the event page on the https://tinyurl. com/5c2jsnen (scroll down to the bottom of the page and fill out the form).

### MOTOR CLASSIC BENEFITS CANCER PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Cancer Support Community Pasadena (CSCP) will once again be a beneficiary of proceeds from the San Marino Motor Classic's upcoming Symphony of Cars Gala on Aug. 21.

This year's motor classic has a weekend full of unique events, including an automotive art exhibit and sale, a gala and an exhibit of autothemed watches, as well as the outstanding automotive exhibit and contest.

For tickets and more info about the San Marino Motor Classic, visit www. sanmarinomotorclassic.com.

Founded in 1990, Cancer Support Community Pasadena is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization providing professionally facilitated support groups, educational workshops, and healthy lifestyle classes for cancer patients and their families, survivors, and those bereaved having lost someone to cancer. All of its programs are offered free of insights and advice from their award- charge. For more information on CSCP, visit

cscpasadena.org or call 626-796-1083.

### MAKING MUSIC THE SUZUKI WAY

The Suzuki Music Program of Los Angeles (SMPLA) will hold its "Making Music the Suzuki Way – Every Child Can Learn!" parent information night on Thursday, Sept. 2 from 7:30 - 9 p.m. in Encino. All adults are invited to attend. For more information and the exact address and to RSVP, visit www. SuzukiMusicofLA.org.

The Suzuki Music Education philosophy and method, child development issues, and the SMPLA program will be discussed in

The Suzuki Method is renowned for helping children develop musically, especially from a young age, and SMPLA offers music education in violin and guitar. Early musical education significantly enhances a child's brain development, motor coordination and speech, and also increases a child's level of discipline, awareness, and character.

### **VHHS PLANS REUNION**

"Team 74" is planning a 50th high school reunion in 2024. Friends and graduates of Verdugo Hills High School are invited to attend to trade stories of family, careers, adventures and anything else.

Currently Team 74 is in the planning phase of collecting names and numbers of classmates and putting together a database; emails from classmates can be received at clsof74reunion@yahoo.com. Information should include a mailing address, cell number and graduate's name at graduation (if different than now).

A list of frequently asked questions will be provided to keep everyone updated as the reunion plans move forward. Those who belong to various VHHS groups will see redundant information to ensure all classmates are notified and have an opportunity to attend.

At this time the FB VHHS groups will be the reunion information outlet until a more focused site is created.

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### ACROSS

- 1) Bamboo-eater
- 6) Close call
- 11) Faux
- 14) Words following "bend" or "lend"
- 15) Ankle bone
- 16) Tiny terror 17) Some glands
- 19) IRS hiree
- 20) Television innovator John 21) Engaged in a diatribe
- 23) Weightlifting units
- 26) Need for a new arrival
- welcome!"
- 29) Midafternoon, on a sundial 30) Gallery contents
- 32) Bauxite and others
- 33) Dungeons & Dragons
- monster 34) Type of mathematical
- function
- 38) Meteorite remains

- 40) Slightly tart apple
- 43) Empty shells in the kitchen
- 45) It follows status?
- 46) Fitted with footwear
- 48) Masculine pronoun 49) Vessel with a spigot
- 50) Drug-yielding plants
- 52) Difficult to grasp
- 55) Be atop the standings 56) Girl's short sock
- 58) A bit eccentric
- 60) Shad-to-be?
- 61) A sorry state
- 66) Increasingly rare PC part 67) Bind, as a fowl
- 68) Recycled metal
- 69) Superman's letter 70) Taste or smell
- 71) Fraternity letter

Edited by Timothy Parker

### **DOWN**

- 1) Fare for the toothless 2) Young Darth Vader's nickname
- 3) Butterfly catcher
- 4) Paints roughly
- 5) Opera highlight 6) Drummer Ringo
- 7) Kind of arrest 8) Great heavyweight
- 9) Remorseful one
- 10) Certain homework assignment 11) Visually attractive
- 12) Unit of electric current 13) Bidding card game
- 18) Tiny spasm
- 22) Wild West loop 23) Quite a card
- 24) Michael Collins' land
- 25) Some thieves
- 27) Concocts 31) Pain in the neck
- 34) Little Jack Horner's dessert
- 35) Seven-year affliction
- 36) Like campfire stories
- 37) The newly-elected
- 39) Kind of basin or wave 41) Invisible atmosphere
- 42) Home for some lilies
- 44) Not worth keeping
- 46) Rare
- 47) A-student's classification 51) Clan units
- 53) Set free 54) "This One's For \_
- 55) Type of mob
- 57) Michelin product 59) Wordless summons
- 62) 252-gallon barrel
- 63) Palindromic preposition 64) Took a chair
- 65) Health-and-beauty center

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### **LEGALS**

### NOTICE OF NAME CHANGE

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME: ARMAN GRIGORIAN. Case number 21GDCP00289. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles 600 East Broadway Glendale, CA 91206 Glendale Courthouse. To all interested persons: 1. Petitioner ARMAN GRIGORIAN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: a. Present Name: ARMAN GRIGORIAN to Proposed Name: ARMAN GRIGOFYAN. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: JANUARY 5, 2022 Time: 830AM Dept.: D b. The address of the court is same as noted above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Published Crescenta Valley Weekly July 8, 15, 22, 29, 2021.

### NOTICE OF SELF STORAGE SALE

NOTICE OF SELF-STORAGE SALE

Please take notice US Storage Centers - La Crescenta located at 4454 Lowell Ave La Crescenta, CA 91214 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenant at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagetreasures.com on 8/19/2021 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Karina Bennett. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details. Published in the Crescenta Valley Weekly July 29, August 5, 2021.

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close to his restaurant. The

"What I love about [outdoor dining] is during busy nights, which is almost every night now, we watch people sitting at tables connecting, talking and laughing with friends walking by. It is a whole different level of life that we are starting to

experience," he said.

Although some restaurant and retail business owners started out opposite the MSPA board regarding the parklets issue, Collins praised the board for taking another look at the

include [Montrose] in the al fresco program," Collins said. "That is the way it is supposed

to work. The board gets input from a lot of people, they listened and responded, I think, in the right way."

Collins said the plan now is for a group to get together with the City of Glendale to see how to make outdoor dining in Montrose and Glendale permanent.

The Council has plans to invest money and time throughout the city to come up with the best way to keep outdoor dining possible.

This is an issue that not only

Montrose and Glendale are looking at but also cities nationwide are realizing the importance of outdoor dining to their local businesses, and seeing how customers are feeling about the changes.

A survey conducted by OpenTable in partnership with the James Beard Foundation found that 74% of diners feel eating outdoors is a lower risk for COVID-19 and 82% want restaurants to continue to increase outdoor seating.

Restaurants in Montrose have started their own survey in the form of a petition asking for signatures in favor of supporting the alfresco option with Save the Outdoor Dining Parklets in Montrose. To sign the petition, go to https://tinyurl. com/95eywrfj.

Attempts were made to contact the MSPA board president and executive director and the City of Glendale for this story but CVW did not receive a response as of press time.

### PARKLETS from Cover

general consensus was that outdoor dining breathed new life into the Montrose Shopping Park, not just for the restaurants but for retail businesses as well. Collins said.

"The [MSPA] listened to the input of the community and merchants. They stepped up and asked the City Council to

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the four trash companies that will be serving Glendale exclusively," said Galstian. "What this will ultimately cause is an exorbitant rate hike, especially for those customers of the city's public works program."

"By way of example," she added, "I served on an HOA board for a condo building in the City of Los Angeles prior to the city's 'Recycle LA' program rollout and where we were paying \$450 a month before, we were forced to change companies and the bill jumped \$1,200 overnight, a 300% increase. Rate increases of 200%-300% are unreasonable especially when the city has prohibited rent increases over 7%. You are essentially promoting rent increases to the fullest extent of the law to residential and commercial tenants and even rate hikes for other commercial businesses. I'd urge you to reconsider the financial repercussions of this on the end user and offer at least some options in the selection of the haulers."

Councilmember Vrej Agajanian asked for clarification of the process by which costs are contained.

"It says here that the maximum rate will be adjusted annually, each July," said Agajanian. "Having voted

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the SR 2 Freeway. Caltrans completed a Soundwall Noise Barrier Scope Report in November 2018. The report recommended the number of walls and length and cost estimates based on the inherent right of way impacts. This project is a partnership between Caltrans, Metro and County. Estimated design 2021 and construction 2022-23.

Our second project is the Foothill Boulevard, Sub-regional Complete Streets Planning Study initiated by the County Public Works in January 2021. The Committee submitted this project in 2018 through a variety of unsuccessful grant applications. However, the County budgeted transportation funds to address the community's needs. The Foothill Boulevard study area includes analysis from partnering cities of Glendale to La Cañada with a program design involves infrastructure improvements at intersections, crosswalks, connectivity to bike lanes, improving access to public transit, and reducing vehicular conflicts. The first milestone is an existing conditions report scheduled for release in late summer for community input. Outreach meeting notices will be posted on social and print media. The final study report will be in fall/winter 2021-22 with program recommendations. Measure M funds are identified for capital infrastructure improvements based on the report's recommended improvements.

Next month's topics will be the La Crescenta-Montrose Pavement Resurfacing and Pedestrian improvements and Metro NextGen Bus Study related to the 90/91 bus route.

If you have suggestions or want to know more, please join us on the last Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. virtually via Zoom (https://occidental.zoom.us/j/95698128070. Call by dialing (877) 853-5257 Meeting ID: 956 9812 8070, Password: 750226). Or contact me, Desiree Portillo Rabinov, at desiree@thecvcouncil.com.

Desiree Portillo Rabinov La Crescenta for this, I'm not happy with just one hauler. Thirty years ago, I had trouble with a trash company and I had the choice to replace him. When I'm not happy with him now, tell me what will happen?"

Councilmember Ara Najarian questioned city staff about city workers.

"Are any city employees losing their jobs as a result of this?"

"No. Absolutely not," city manager Roubik Golanian responded. "Because we've been operating in a deficit situation we're able to move workers on the commercial side to the residential side. We've gone through the process and every one of them will be accommodated."

Councilmember Dan Brotman acknowledged that even if the city were able to do all that is required itself, rates are going to go up. He asked about cost comparisons with similarly situated cities in the region.

Staff replied that, based on its overall cost of service analysis, customers should expect to see increases of 106%-110% after the

transition to a franchise scheme. Rates have reportedly not increased in 11 years.

Comparing costs for a standard three-yard bin picked up once a week, Glendale's costs are expected to be approximately 10% below the average of the surveyed cities. Glendale is at \$162.50 while Pasadena is at \$170.24 and Burbank at \$304 per bin per week.

"Change is difficult. There's a lot of concern about this and it is understandable," Councilmember Ardy Kassakhian noted.

"You have been open and transparent with the employees and with the apartment owners," Mayor Devine commended staff working on the matter. "Rate increases are inevitable. They'll be taking care of organics and recycling and food recovery and that is important; rate increases are capped."

Glendale City Employee Association (GCEA) union president Orlando Urquidez Jr. recalled "just shy of nine years ago, the city met with our members informing them of the

direction they intended to go. Since that day, our members have lived with this pressure and instability, wondering if they would soon be losing their jobs. Many of those original workers are fortunate to have retired; others have left the organization to pursue other opportunities. Meanwhile the burden has fallen to the remnants and, throughout all these years, they have consistently shown up, day after day, facing mandatory overtime and short staffing, then as front-line workers throughout the pandemic. Imagine how the burn-out, exhaustion and continuing injuries have piled up while the city figured it out," Urquidez said. "Finally we are here. Thank you specifically to Yazdan Emrani who recognized the importance of this finalization and recognized the toll this has taken on our employees. Through many conversations, he's made good on his word to make integrated waste a priority and to remove the weight hanging over our members' heads. And to Matt Doyle and the HR team that assured us they would leave no stone unturned to

ensure our members remain employed by the city and for facilitating the signing of an agreement guaranteeing no jobs would be lost and no positions eliminated. Given all this division has endured, a small salary increase – at least to the average of the 10 cities surveyed – would have made this agreement all the more agreeable – you all can still make that happen.

"Lastly thank you, city council, for your meticulous oversight of this venture. While we know the employees working in integrated waste would better serve the commercial account community - we know this because of the many times affected customers have approached our drivers and said as much – the GCEA is happy knowing our employees are safe and there will be no attempt to remove them from their positions. We look forward to seeing the quality of their work lives improve following this transition and we will always be ready to have city employees service our commercial accounts again in the future."

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