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Gas Relief?

“Anything that can go wrong will go wrong”
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By Mary O’KEEFE

COVID-19 is having a bit of a comeback though the number of infections and the number of hospitalizations and deaths are certainly not what we have seen in the past two years. Californians were ready to go back to work, out to eat, to the movies and theaters ... ready for a post-pandemic sort of normal life.

Getting ready to leave the house meant wearing real clothes – not just those that can be seen from a Zoom monitor – and do not include those sweat pants that have been so comfortable for so long. It meant having that mask in your pocket or around your neck (just in case), an extra mask in the car – again, just in case – hand sanitizer, cellphone and wallet. Yes, it was good to go out again and Californians were ready.

The pandemic had thrown them the worst and they survived. Now it was time to celebrate ... the sky was the limit; here we go! But wait – do we really have \$100 to fill the gas tank? Is that restaurant across town (that you promised yourself you’d go to if you could just get out) really worth the cost of driving there? And maybe working from home for a little longer might be the best option.

According to AAA, a year ago California’s average gas price was \$4.238 a gallon; a week ago it was \$6.435 and, as of yesterday, June 22, the average cost of a gallon of gas was \$6.371. California’s average is higher than the national average of \$4.955. The average in Los Angeles County is \$6.395.

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Food Trucks, Inflatables, Music and – Oh, Yes – Fireworks Planned for July 4th

By Mary O’KEEFE

Eyes will look skyward after an afternoon of fun planned by the CV Fireworks Association at CV High School.

The Crescenta Valley July 4th fireworks show is back, returning to the CV High School track and field and opening to the public.

The CV fireworks show has been a local tradition for over three decades, started by the CV Chamber of Commerce, but for the last 15 years the event has been produced by the Crescenta Valley Fireworks Association.

About 2006, the Chamber could no longer sponsor the event. It was assumed that a fireworks display would end in Crescenta Valley; however, a group of residents, including those from Glendale, met at a local restaurant and decided they wanted to continue the annual show. They began to make phone calls to everyone they knew and were able to get the funding for the initial show. Thus the Crescenta Valley Fireworks Association was born.

In 2020 the show was canceled due to the pandemic; in 2021 the fireworks show was



File photo Families will be returning to the track and field at Crescenta Valley High School when Fourth of July festivities return this Independence Day.

adjusted to abide by COVID-19 restrictions. The CVHS field was not open to the public, but the pyrotechnics crew was able to shoot the fireworks very high in the sky allowing people to see them from their homes and by parking along nearby streets.

This year the CVHS track and field will once again host an audience. There will be food trucks, inflatable toys for kids and music.

“It’s at CV [high school] – same as we always did,” said Steve Pierce, member of the CV Fireworks Assn.

The fireworks show as it is now was created by La Cañada Flintridge resident Chuck Hughes, who built the fireworks firing system and designed the show, said Robert “Hutch” Hutchins in a previous interview with CVW. Hutchins is the pyrotechnic technician who

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COVID Vaccines Approved for Younger Children

By Mary O’KEEFE

COVID-19 vaccines are now approved for children from age 6 months to 5 years. This announcement came after a Food and Drug Administration (FDA) panel unanimously voted on June 15 to authorize the use of Moderna and Pfizer/BioNTech COVID-19 vaccines for children. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) also approved the vaccines.

On Wednesday, the CDC held

a webinar on recommendations for Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines for children 6 months through 5 years of age.

“There is a perceived myth that young children have no ill effects from COVID-19,” said Sara Oliver, M.D., MPH of the CDC. Dr. Oliver is a commissioned officer in the U.S. Public Health Services and board certified in pediatrics and pediatric infectious disease.

File photo COVID-19 vaccines are now approved for children from age 6 months to 5 years.

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Having a Sick Pet

One thing about the Crescenta Valley: we love our pets. Take a stroll down Honolulu Avenue and it's not uncommon to see water bowls set out for our four-legged friends and dogs enjoying patio dining with their owners or "pet parents." Over the years it was not uncommon to see the Goldsworthy bunch walking our dogs (we've always had dogs) whether in the foothills near where we live or along Honolulu Avenue. One of our boys – Little Bear – was a party on four paws. He was social boy, always looking for a good time – even if it was outside our backyard. When I worked at another local paper I can't tell you how many times I'd get a call that would begin, "Do you have a dog named Little Bear?" Seems the boy had the urge to go wandering and he would end up in the yards of the nicest people. I'm just fortunate that, with all of his wandering, he never got eaten, lost or hit. Of course, he wasn't a tiny dog; Little Bear was a Chow mix who was named "Little Bear" for a good reason.

A couple of years ago he suffered a stroke and within 48 hours was on the Rainbow Bridge.

His buddies were Riley and Kona. Riley, a senior pup, was adopted by us after his owner (a local resident) came down with dementia and couldn't care for him any longer. He was a good boy; we were lucky to

have him for a couple of years before he, too, died.

On Monday morning this week, Kona woke Steve and me up around 5:30 a.m. He was throwing up and couldn't walk straight. I immediately was afraid that he, like Little Bear, had a stroke though he didn't look as altered as Little Bear had.

I eventually lay down on the couch to keep my eyes on him and before long both he and I fell asleep. When I awoke a couple of hours later he was still wobbly so I called our vet at Crescenta-Cañada Pet Hospital. (Side note: we have been going to the professionals at CC Pet for decades. I can't say enough about the level of service and the kindness shown to our family by their staff.) I took Kona in and left him for a battery of tests.

I was able to pick him up on Monday late afternoon/early evening with a bagful of medications. Rather than a stroke, our boy may have vertigo caused by an inner ear infection. That's fixable and I'm cautiously optimistic that in no time he'll be back to normal.

Now to get those medicines into him...

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Weather in the Foothills

"God, it was hot! Forget about frying an egg on the sidewalk; this kind of heat would fry an egg inside a chicken."

Rachel Caine, pen name of Roxanne Longstreet Conrad, American writer of novels of science fiction, fantasy, mystery, suspense, and horror

We in the Crescenta Valley have been experiencing some intense heat these last few days with temperatures at 98 degrees on Monday and edging past 91 on Tuesday. Early morning Wednesday – just one day into summer – brought some powerful storms with lightning and teeth-rattling thunder that had some crawling under the covers for safety!

The rarity of thunderstorms – much less summer thunderstorms – in Southern California has piqued the interest of local residents who are also asking, "Is this going to continue?" Not likely, according to the National Weather Service – NOAA. "A low system off the coast is bringing monsoonal moisture with showers, thunderstorms, and possible dry lightning ... through Wednesday night. Continued inland heat for the rest of the week with slightly cooler temperatures at the coast as the marine layer returns. Things will calm down significantly Thursday. There will be just enough residual moisture and instability to allow for a slight chance of showers across the interior in the afternoon.

"The coasts will cool one or two degrees due to a slightly stronger sea breeze. Max temps away from the coasts will be eight to 12 degrees above normal."

Today, Thursday, sunny weather is expected with a high near 90 degrees. That forecast takes us into next week with few fluctuations in temperatures.

And who came up with the idea of frying an egg on the sidewalk to test temps? According to Smithsonian Magazine, that has been a summertime pastime for over 100 years!

"One of the earliest references to frying an egg on the sidewalk contained in the Library of Congress dates back to an 1899 issue of the Atlanta Constitution. In a column titled 'How to Keep Cool,' Dr. Francis Henry Wade advises his readers: 'With the thermometer cavorting away up among the 90s, with the bricks of the sidewalks hot enough to fry eggs, with 'heat prostrations' and sun strokes 'filling bodies with anguish and bosoms with fear,' as the poet puts it, the question 'How to keep cool?' becomes an all-absorbing one of the hour in the mind of every one, no matter what his vocation or walk of life."

And a fun fact: Though it has never been hot enough to fry an egg on a sidewalk (or inside a chicken for that matter), July 4th has been designated National Fry an Egg on the Sidewalk Day – the same day when Americans celebrate their independence! So while folks gather in the evening to watch fireworks light up the sky earlier in the day some may have tried cooking some eggs on the hot sidewalk.

By Robin GOLDSWORTHY while Sue KILPATRICK is on vacation. Sue Kilpatrick is a Crescenta Valley resident and Official Skywarn Spotter for the National Weather Service. Reach her at suelkilpatrick@gmail.com.

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NEWS

Farewell to RMS' Greatest Showman



By Bethany BROWN

The “Rosemont Bowl” was held on Saturday evening, June 4, at Rosemont Middle School as parents, students – current and former – and community members gathered in the school amphitheater to listen to a medley of live music performed by the RMS Music Dept. This was also the opportunity to bid farewell to the man who began the program 31 years ago. The event marked the final concert of the 2021-22 school year and the very last show for Rodney Yonkers.

Yonkers recalled his earliest memory of walking onto the campus for the first time and entering his new classroom that was seemingly where old, broken instruments were discarded when they could no longer be used. He said he made it his mission to not only bring the life back into the forgotten instruments but to spread his own passion for music among middle school students for decades to come.

With the green light from the then-principal, he first developed and opened a zero-period at 7 a.m.

for students who were interested in music. He was overjoyed with the large number of students who took interest. It wasn't long before the department blossomed full force and has since offered five different programs: concert band, string ensemble, wind ensemble, advanced orchestra and chorus.

“I have always loved my job and it's going to be strange not being able to go back to school and see the kids again,” Yonkers said regarding his retirement. “I have so many beautiful memories here. It's very bittersweet and I'm sad, but I just know it's time.”

He said that he feels “abundantly grateful” to have had one last year on campus with his students after having to teach remotely for the last two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic, noting that it was difficult not being able to perform in front of an audience as the kids worked so hard all year for really no external reward or gratification.

The Rosemont Bowl serves as a closeout celebration before the summer break. This year Yonkers wanted to make sure it was the most special, memorable experience for

the students and attendees because he knew it was his last performance. He also believed it to be a celebration much-needed for everyone following the uncertainty of the last couple of years.

Each year he has dressed up in costume to surprise his students and this year he made his grand entrance as The Greatest Showman in a 1965 red Cadillac convertible – perfectly complementing his red coat and top hat – that drove him to the stage. The hit song “The Greatest Show” blared from the speakers as he arrived.

“The look on [their] faces were incredible,” he said. “What a beautiful time it was! It was fabulous to be out in front of an audience again and to be able to have fun with the kids one last time.”

The theme of the concert – “Thanks for the Memories” – was reflected in the list of songs. A collection of the favorite pieces Yonkers has performed through the years was played, beginning with “America the Beautiful,” including a “Sound of Music” singalong in which the audience joined. He extended his thanks to the many parents who helped make the event a successful

one and hopes the students will continue to love music and lift each other up as they move along in life as humans and musicians.

“I want them to remember that you don't have to be the best musicians in the world, but to just love what you do unconditionally,” he said. “That's the most important thing. You can only get better by pushing yourself and my goal has always been to make an impact on the kids' lives that they will remember forever.”

He feels positive that the music department will remain an environment that inspires confidence and growth and future students will be in good hands as his replacement takes over this fall. Melody Chu is a “quality person and musician,” he said. She joins Glendale Unified School District after previously working in Whittier and comes from a long familial line of professional musicians.

“What a nice name to have for a music teacher,” Yonkers joked. “I'm thrilled to have such a great replacement. It was clear from her first interview that she shares many of the same values that I have –

putting the kids first, pushing them to reach higher heights and loving what you do.”

On his official last day on campus, Yonkers said he stood in the amphitheater outside the back doors of his classroom and observed the view of the beautiful mountains and scenery surrounding him. He noticed the quiet and the location seemed like a hidden oasis in the middle of nowhere that only those who are lucky enough will find.

“I have been so incredibly blessed to be in this community and to have this job,” he stressed. “I feel like the luckiest guy in the world, and I will never forget my time spent here.”

And surely the community will never forget their greatest showman either.

Photos by Maria GIRACO

LEFT: Yonkers made his grand entrance as The Greatest Showman in a 1965 red Cadillac convertible – perfectly complementing his red coat and top hat – that drove him to the stage.

RIGHT: The Rosemont Middle School amphitheater was filled with students and parents wanting to listen – one last time – to Rod Yonkers.

IN BRIEF

CVCA TO DISCUSS LA CRESCENTA PROJECT

Glendale Public Works Dept., Engineering Division will join the Crescenta Valley Community Association for a presentation on the major infrastructure improvements that are planned for the La Crescenta Avenue project corridor. The meeting will be held tonight, Thursday, June 23 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Contact the CVCA at crescentavalleycommunityassn@gmail.com with questions and for Zoom meeting information. All are welcome.

THE TONGVA PEOPLE IN THE LAND OF PLENTY

Native American Richard Toyon will share information about the Tongva people: their origins, where and how they lived on the land, how canyons like those locally were their supermarkets and, finally, their sad ejection from the Crescenta-Cañada Valley.

Toyon will lead a gentle stroll through Tongva land in the Rosemont Preserve on Saturday, June 25 at 9 a.m.

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 RosemontFriends@gmail.com.

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

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

COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHT

The Balcony of LA is hosting a free movie night in CV Park on Saturday, June 25. Balcony of LA will be screening “Soul.” Food trucks will be on-site. Food service begins 7 p.m. and the movie begins at dusk. This is a family-friendly event.

CV Park is located at 3901 Dunsmore Ave. directly behind the dog park.

NCL HOSTING BLOOD DRIVE

The Glendale Chapter of National Charity League, Inc. will hold its 16th annual “From the Heart” American Red Cross Blood Drive on Sunday, June 26 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Verdugo Hills Hospital (1812 Verdugo Blvd., Glendale, 91208, Council Rooms A-D). Members of the community are encouraged to make an appointment to donate by emailing fromtheheartncl@gmail.com with the requested time or by signing up on the American Red Cross website www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: nclglendale.

FUN WITH ROBOTS

Local youth are invited to join CV robotics this Saturday, June 25 from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the La Crescenta County Public Library meeting room for “Fun with Robots.” This event is intended primarily for youth in third to sixth grade. Participants will build with LEGOS, learn some

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Dr. Suh Returns to CVTC

By Mary O'KEEFE

Crescenta Valley Town Council and Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger met recently at the CV Sheriff's Station community room to swear in council member, third alternate, Dr. Joseph Suh.

In May, President Harry Leon accepted a letter of resignation from then-third alternate CVTC member Paul Barnes who moved out of state. Barnes had been elected in November 2021. Suh previously served on the CVTC for six years and left in 2016. The third alternate seat is a one-year term.

CVTC members took

the opportunity to talk to Supervisor Barger about community issues including concerns about SB9 that went into effect on Jan. 1 of this year. The law requires all cities to comply with new rules for housing, which includes allowing homeowners to construct two units on a single lot and splitting an existing home into two units.

Though many communities and cities have design review boards that have their own housing standards, Barger said SB9 supersedes any rules and regulations established by those boards.

Leon said that residents are concerned that SB9 allows more building in the area

without regard to specific community issues, like wildfire risks. Barger said she is hearing the same concerns from many communities but since SB9 is a state law there is little counties can do.

CVTC has worked with the LA County Dept. of Regional Planning on SB9 and will continue to report on the conversation.

Photos by Mary O'KEEFE

BELOW: CVTC members (from left) Jeffrey Rodriguez, Harry Leon, Kerri Lewin, Supervisor Kathryn Barger, Donna Libra, Dede Mueller, Chris Kilpatrick and Dr. Joseph Suh.

BOTTOM: Supervisor Kathryn Barger, with CVTC President Harry Leon at her side, swears in third alternate Dr. Joseph Suh onto the council.



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Legislation Combatting Catalytic Converter Theft Passes Assembly Committee

Senate Bill 986, a measure authored by State Senator Anthony J. Portantino and Senator Tom Umberg to combat catalytic converter theft, unanimously passed the Assembly Transportation Committee this week.

SB986 tackles catalytic converter theft by requiring dealers to apply a vehicle identification number (VIN) to the catalytic converter of each vehicle listed for sale and is supported by the California District Attorneys Association and Los Angeles Police Dept. Chief Michel Moore.

"For whatever reason, car part thieves are perceived as empty-headed. The reality, however, is that catalytic converter theft can be quite lucrative. This bill is an important step forward in protecting California consumers, aiding our law enforcement agencies with enforcement, and continuing to crack down on illegal and environmentally-degrading car-part and vehicle disposal. We owe it to our communities to be more responsible, as a state, in regulating these illegal activities," Umberg stated.

An imprinted serial number relating to the unique Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) identifies most major parts of vehicles sold in the United States. It is these identification markings that allow law enforcement to establish that parts are stolen, even if the stolen vehicle has already been fully broken down. However, this serial number identification process does not currently apply to catalytic converters. As a result, law enforcement

may make arrests of individuals in possession of dozens or even hundreds of suspect catalytic converters – but be unable to prove a case in court because there is no way to identify the victims of crime to show that these parts are stolen.

The application of a VIN to a catalytic converter is usually done by etching in a process that is both easy and inexpensive.

SB 986 will require dealers to mark the catalytic converters of vehicles up for sale. The measure will also require core recyclers to record the unique identification number on each catalytic converter. Under SB 986, the core recycler's obligation will only be relieved if the used catalytic converter, which was purchased or sold under a specified written agreement, is described with sufficient particularity. Upon request from local law enforcement, the burden will fall on the core recycler to prove that the catalytic converter was purchased under the specified written agreement.

"I am proud to see SB 986 make it through the Assembly Transportation Committee," Portantino stated. "This bill is a common sense and simple solution to catalytic converter theft, a crime that has been on the rise in recent years and is affecting too many families in the 25th State Senate District and across the state."

SB 986 will next be heard in the Assembly Public Safety Committee on Tuesday, June 28.

PET OF THE WEEK



Little Delicious & Helen

Even though they're a couple years older now, when I look at them this is what I still see...

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Update on Local Primary Election Results

The update on June 21 includes 43,533 ballots processed since election night by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's (RR/CC) office. The total number of ballots counted as of Tuesday was 1,613,910, which is 28.36% of registered voters. An estimated outstanding number of ballots to be processed is 13,790 – a majority of those are vote by mail ballots, according to RR/CC.

The results in LA County as of June 22:

US Rep. 28th District
 Judy Chu 66.37%
 Wes Hallman 25.51%

US Rep. 30th District
 Adam Schiff 62.48%
 G "Maebe A. Girl" Pudlo 12.85%

State Assembly – 44th District
 Laura Friedman 73.19%
 Barry Curtis Jacobsen 26.81%

LA County Sheriff
 Alex Villanueva 30.66%
 Robert Luna 25.86%

Judge of the Superior Court Office
 Office No. 60
 Abby Baron 30.30%
 Anna Slotky Reitano 28.13%

Office No. 67
 Elizabeth Lashley-Haynes 37.16%
 Fernanda Maria Barreto 36.14%

Office No. 70
 Holly Hancock 46.71%
 Rennee Yolande Chang 31.86%

Office No. 118
 Melissa Hammond 29.51%
 Carolyn "Jiyoung" Park 22.52%

City of Glendale
 City Clerk
 Suzie Abajian 52.70%
 Greg Krikorian 47.30%

City Council
 Dan Brotman 19.07%
 Elen Asatryan 16.07%
 Ara Najarian 14.50%

Glendale Unified School District
 Trustee Area B
 Ingrid Gunnell 50.83%
 Lerna Amiryans 49.17%

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 Kathleen Cross 51.30%
 Armina Gharpetian 48.70%

Measure T – Limiting GUSD Board Terms to Three Years
 Yes 89.05%
 No 10.95%

LA Mayor
 Karen Bass 43.14%
 Rick Caruso 35.98%

The next update by RR/CC will be on June 24. The California Secretary of State will certify the results on July 15.

Some statewide results as of June 22:
Governor
 Gavin Newsom 62.43%
 Brian Dahle 10.55%

Attorney General
 Rob Bonta 60.38%
 Eric Early 13.94%

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Town Council Announces Events

The Crescenta Valley Town Council & Streets and Transportation is sponsoring a community forum "Slow Down for a Safer Community" on Wednesday, June 29 at 7 p.m. It will be held in the community room of the La Crescenta Library, 2809 Foothill

Bldv. (enter upstairs in the rear of the library). Guest speakers includes members of the CV Sheriff's Station, California Highway Patrol, Glendale Unified School District and LA County Public Works.

On Saturday, June 25, from 8 a.m. to

noon, Burrtec Waste Industries is having a free e-waste recycling event at Two trike Park, 5107 Rosemont Ave., La Crescenta. This event is for Burrtec customers only; proof of account must be shown.

School Safety Covered at GUSD Board Meeting

By Mary O'KEEFE

On Tuesday, the Glendale Unified School District presented information on campus safety measures taken at school campuses.

The district has put several campus safety measures in place over the years and continues to add more safety procedures, said Hagop Eulmessekian, director of Student Support Services.

One improvement is an update of all school maps shared with law enforcement. District administrators have walked through the schools with law enforcement, including members of Los Angeles Sheriff's Dept.

Glendale police are responsible for schools within the city of Glendale; LASD is responsible for schools within GUSD that are located within the unincorporated area of LA County/La Crescenta Montrose.

Sgt. Joseph Funches from LASD - Crescenta Valley Station was at Tuesday's meeting. He spoke of having LASD deputies walking through school sites to become more familiar with the layout of the campuses, including the entrances and exits, as well as meeting school administrators and staff. The deputies work with School Resource Officer (SRO) Dep.

Scott Shinagawa.

"I just learned about the emergency management system Raptor," Funches said. "That helps a lot."

GUSD has in place the Raptor Emergency Management System to help with communications. The district piloted the system at two sites and will now have the system at all sites. According to the Raptor website the system helps simplify drill scheduling, drill management and compliance tracking. It will instantly alert staff and emergency responders of an incident and share real-time status information and location of students and staff members.

In addition, Eulmessekian said there were about 1,200 cameras on campuses and lock blocks on all doors. Lock blocks are designed to allow access whether or not the door handle is locked. If there is a situation, like an active shooter on campus, a student or teacher can slide the lock block and to gain access to a handle-locked room then secure the door once inside.

All middle and high schools have security guards in addition to each high school having one SRO. GUSD Board President Nayiri Nahabedian said she would like to reach out to the

City of Glendale to see if they can get more SROs at the schools. In the past, there was one SRO at Rosemont Middle School and one at Crescenta Valley High School. Due to budget cuts, they were reduced to one SRO to cover both the middle school and high school.

Although recent focus has been on gun violence at schools, school safety also includes emergencies like earthquake and fire response. There are emergency bins at all schools that are checked annually and the district has increased its number of staff members with walkie-talkies to help with communications.

Eulmessekian said the district's program of "see something, say something" has worked well and that the district "investigates every single one of those" incidents reported; however, a GUSD employee who works in facility maintenance had a different viewpoint.

"I did see something and said something to management and I received retaliation," he said.

He explained that he had spoken to "everyone," from management to human resources and, according to him, had faced retaliation for speaking out about his concerns. He was referred to Superintendent Vivian Ekchian.

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CRIME BLOTTER

June 20

600 block of Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge, an employee reported that a male adult, about 40 years old, 5'8" tall and weighing about 160 lbs., entered the front entrance of the store. The suspect was wearing a black T-shirt, black shorts and a black baseball cap. The suspect went to the men's shoe section, took a plastic bag from his pocket and placed two pairs of shoes in the bag. He then took another pair of shoes and placed them in the waistband of his shorts under his shirt. He also took a pair of white sandals and placed them in the bag. He walked out of the store to a waiting silver Buick vehicle, got into the passenger seat and the vehicle drove away from the location at 5:25 p.m.

a witness reported hearing a vehicle drive down the street; this was odd because it is a private street and there is not a lot of traffic. The witness looked out the window of her home to see a black Honda Accord parked across from her home. She witnessed four adult males exit the car and climb over the fence of her neighbor's property. She then saw them bring unknown items over the fence. They then began walking toward her home. She called 9-1-1. Deputies arrived and spoke to the neighbor. She did not hear anyone try to enter her home; she was watching television with her headphones on. She did not report anything stolen at the time.

The incident occurred at 8:20 p.m.

June 9

600 block of Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge, an employee reviewing a store's

camera surveillance observed a female adult and a male adult enter the front door of the store, get a shopping cart and enter the handbag department. Once there, both suspects grabbed numerous handbags and exited the store without attempting to pay for the items.

The female was described as 5'7" tall, about 180 lbs. and wearing a beige romper with white sandals. The male was described as 5'7" tall, weighing about 160 lbs. and wearing a white cap, gray polo shirt, khaki pants and green and yellow running shoes.

The theft occurred at 8:12 p.m.

600 block of Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge, an employee reported witnessing a male adult enter the front of the store and walk to the handbag department. The suspect used an unknown device to cut and remove the security cables from handbags. He then walked out of the store with the handbags without attempting to pay.

The theft occurred at 8:56 p.m.

600 block of Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge, an employee reviewing the store's surveillance camera observed an adult male enter the front of the store and walk to the handbag department. Using an unknown device the suspect cut the security cables to several handbags and walked out of the store without attempted to pay.

The suspect was described as 5'7" tall, weighing about 260 lbs. and wearing a black polo shirt, blue jean shorts and black shoes with white laces. The theft occurred at 9:12 p.m.

GPD REPORTS

Two Arrested with Outstanding Warrants; One for also Carrying a Concealed Weapon

On June 14 at approximately 2:30 p.m., officers assigned to Glendale PD's Special Enforcement Detail (SED) located a vehicle traveling with expired registration on the 200 block of South Central Avenue. Utilizing departmental resources while the officers were about to initiate a traffic enforcement stop, they discovered that the registered owner of the vehicle had a warrant out for his arrest and a suspended driver's license. During this time, the vehicle had parked and a male, later identified as 26-year-old Kylon Grant (transient), exited the vehicle. The officers approached Grant (who was determined to be the registered owner of the vehicle) and the passenger, 36-year-old Jennifer Esqueda of Lake Balboa. During the investigation it was determined that Esqueda also had a warrant out for her arrest.

A search of the vehicle produced a loaded replica ghost gun, debit and credit cards belonging to three other individuals, and a baggie of Psilocybin mushrooms. Grant was arrested and booked for being in possession of a firearm with a prior felony conviction, carrying a concealed weapon with a prior felony conviction, possessing a controlled substance while armed, identity theft and for his outstanding warrants.

Esqueda was arrested for her outstanding warrant.

Three Males Arrested and Booked for Possession of a Firearm and Identity Theft

On June 12 just after 5 p.m., Glendale PD patrol officers responded to a retail store on the 200 block of South Central Avenue regarding a theft that had just occurred. Officers enroute were given suspect descriptions and a sergeant located the suspects traveling near the intersection of Central and Broadway avenues. The sergeant attempted to conduct a traffic enforcement stop on the vehicle;

however, the driver [later identified as 22-year-old Christopher Juarez (transient) who was later discovered to have a prior felony conviction], failed to yield and a vehicle pursuit was initiated. Juarez ultimately yielded near the intersection of Central and Galleria Way and a felony stop was conducted.

Juarez and his two passengers, 22-year-old Kevin Morales of South Gate (who was later discovered to have a prior felony conviction), and 21-year-old Steve Velasquez of Los Angeles, were immediately detained. During the investigation, officers located the merchandise that had been stolen from the retail store inside of the vehicle along with a pistol, loaded magazine, multiple checks addressed to other individuals and a lock pick set.

Juarez, Morales and Velasquez were all arrested and booked for being in possession of firearm with a prior felony conviction and identity theft.

Male with Prior Felony Conviction Arrested for Weapons and Possession Charges

On June 12 at approximately 3:20 a.m., officers assigned to Glendale PD's Patrol Bureau conducted a traffic enforcement stop on a vehicle for moving violations near the intersection of Pacific Avenue and Riverdale Drive. Assisting units arrived and spoke with the driver, 62-year-old David Hawkins of Hollywood. During the investigation, officers learned that Hawkins had an outstanding felony warrant out for his arrest for possession of a firearm.

A subsequent search of the vehicle revealed a loaded revolver, eight plastic bags containing methamphetamine, four bags of plastic bags containing Ecstasy, five small glass bottles containing cocaine, a large amount of cash and a glass pipe with a bulbous end. Hawkins was arrested and booked for possessing a firearm with a prior felony conviction, possessing controlled substances while armed, possessing narcotics and controlled substances for sale and for his outstanding warrant.

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Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony to Celebrate New GCC Athletics Complex

Glendale Community College is inviting the public to attend a ribbon-cutting ceremony this Friday, June 24 from 10 a.m. to noon to celebrate the opening of the new Kinesiology and Vaquero Athletic Complex on the college's Verdugo campus.

The existing Verdugo gymnasium has undergone a seismic retrofit and expansion to modernize the facility, which now includes new locker room facilities and a second competition gymnasium for volleyball, pickleball and badminton. The project also added offices for kinesiology and athletics faculty and staff, including new staff locker rooms with showers. With accessible paths of travel to Sartoris Field, a concession building has been added with public restrooms that will serve students and spectators at the field.

"The new Title IX-compliant spaces will support physical education classes in addition to fostering competition and training spaces for all 16 athletic programs on campus," said Chris Cicuto, associate dean of Athletics. "One major highlight of the upgrades includes a state-of-the-art weight room and shaded outdoor exercise area that will accommodate a variety of fitness course offerings." The project is funded by Measure GC, a \$325 million bond measure approved by 73% of Glendale voters in 2016. The funds allocated under Measure GC have enabled the GCC District to continue to upgrade its educational facilities and add buildings, classrooms and instructional support space at the Verdugo, Garfield and Montrose campuses.

"The Glendale community overwhelming approved Measure GC and now we want to make sure residents see the results of their investment," said GCC superintendent/president Dr. David Viar. "We have been making significant improvements to our campuses, and this is the first major building project to be completed with the new science building and performing and media arts center moving forward."

Southern California based Gafcon, Inc. served as the project manager. Information on the Kinesiology and Vaquero Athletic Complex and other projects can be found at glendale.edu/campusprojects. The GCC Board of Trustees appoints a citizen's bond oversight committee to ensure that Measure GC funds are expended as set forth in the measure.

Obituary

Charles Franklin Fetterhoff Jr.



July 9, 1929 – June 5, 2022

Charles Franklin Fetterhoff Jr. passed away at the venerable age of 92 on June 5. He was the son of Charles Franklin Fetterhoff and Mary Katherine Daniel. He was preceded in death by his wife of 66 years, Elizabeth Cappazola Fetterhoff (Betty).

Charles was deeply committed to his wife throughout her difficult health issues and they were inseparable until her death. He is survived by his two children, Brian Fetterhoff Sr. (wife Ana) and Karen Fetterhoff Thatcher (husband Archpriest David Thatcher). Charles was also survived by eight grandchildren: Brian's four – Lyndsey, Brian Jr., David and Cynthia – as well as Karen's four: David Jr., Charity, Gabriella and Joseph. He has three great grandchildren.

Charles grew up in Los Angeles, specifically the El Sereno area. He served in the Korean War as a staff sergeant, stationed in Hawaii and Japan. After that, he followed in the footsteps of his father and became a fireman. While serving the Los Angeles Fire Dept., his wife Betty encouraged him to use the GI bill and he ultimately graduated from LA City College. He eventually became an electronic technician, working for JPL (Jet Propulsion Laboratory).

He worked on many of JPL projects for NASA, including the Viking and Voyager projects. He most enjoyed the hands-on building of circuit boards and such for these spacecrafts. He in time transitioned to programming with Voyager, and moved to Florida with his family for six months in 1977 to work on that mission at Cape Canaveral. The highlight of his career was launching one of the two Voyager spacecrafts. He worked at the Command Center, punching in commands to program the Voyager craft. On launch day of one of the Voyagers, his supervisor asked if he would like to "press the button" at the count down. Always an unassuming man, David was deeply touched by this. He felt greatly honored to be part of NASA history and it is "the" family story that is most often repeated. We will greatly miss him.

Services were on Wednesday, June 22 at Glendale Funeral Home: the viewing at 10 a.m. followed by the funeral at 10:30 a.m. The burial was at 2:30 p.m. at Riverside National Cemetery.

VACCINES from Cover

In addition, Dr. Oliver is the lead for the Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices COVID-19 Vaccines Work Group.

According to the CDC, there have been more than 2 million cases of COVID-19 among children ages 6 months to 4 years. Children in this age range are at risk of severe illness from COVID-19 and more than half of hospitalized children in this age group had no underlying conditions. Prior infection does not provide broad protection, Oliver added.

The trial for the vaccine ran from December 2021 to February 2022. During the Moderna trial there were no deaths reported in any trial participants; serious adverse events were rare overall, there were no cases of myocarditis in any trial participants and no cases

of vaccine-associated anaphylaxis in any trial participants. The most common reactions were pain at the injection site and, for those 2 years old to 5 years old, there were complaints of fatigue and headache. For those 6 to 23 months, the most common reactions reported by parents were their child's irritability and sleepiness. These symptoms occurred one-to-two days after the injection, Oliver said.

Fevers were more common after the vaccine and more often after the second dose. Most fevers were reported on days one and two after the dose was given and lasted a median of one day. However, fevers are more common with other routine vaccines given to this age group than the COVID-19 vaccine, Oliver said.

The Moderna COVID-19

vaccine will require two doses, 28 days apart.

Similar trials were done for the Pfizer vaccine. Pfizer will require three doses. Dose one and dose two are separated by 21 days; dose two and dose three are separated by at least eight weeks.

"Many parents, caregivers and clinicians have been waiting for a vaccine for younger children and this action will help protect those down to 6 months of age. As we have seen with older age groups, we expect that the vaccines for younger children will provide protection from the most severe outcomes of COVID-19, such as hospitalization and death," said FDA Commissioner Robert M. Califf, MD. "Those trusted with the care of children can have confidence in the safety and effectiveness of these COVID-19

vaccines and can be assured that the agency was thorough in its evaluation of the data."

The American Academy of Pediatrics suggests parents call their child's pediatrician or primary care doctor to talk to them about COVID-19 vaccination. Ask them questions and share any concerns.

There are some parents who have been waiting for this since vaccines were announced, others who are choosing to wait to get their child vaccinated and still others who will not get their child a COVID-19 vaccination at all. Next week CVW will speak to local pediatricians; anyone who has specific questions they would like CVW to ask can email mary@cvweekly.com by Monday, June 27.

Obituary

Mary Josephine Nelson

Aug. 12, 1920 - May 30, 2022

Mary was born in Akron, Ohio. She had two younger brothers and one sister who she adored.

The family moved to Los Angeles when she was 7. The Depression wasn't so bad for them because her father had work and her mother was a seamstress, so they had nice clothes.

After high school Mary worked in downtown Los Angeles in the Jewelry District. Her job was painting or otherwise embellishing watch faces. She loved music and big-bands, but what she really enjoyed was to see Nat King Cole perform live in downtown clubs. She never tired of hearing his songs.

She married in 1942 before her husband Fred signed up for a second tour in the Navy. While he was overseas she moved back with the family to save money. When the war ended they got busy.

They started Nelson Name Plate Co. They had five children: Mary, Freddie, Edith, Barbara and Margaret. They both learned to play golf. She played for 40 years. She also joined a singing and tap dancing group in her 50s. She joined The Cabrini Literary Guild, a group that raises and donates money to Catholic groups. At the time of her passing she was the longest serving member at 44 years.

She enjoyed travel and had made many around the world trips. She has six wonderful grandchildren: Anne, Gina, Laura, Eroll, Stacey and Lenore. She has two loving great-grandchildren: Gwen and Jordan.

Mary was a fun upbeat person with a good heart and was friendly to all. She knew how to make you feel special. She will be sorely missed by all who knew her. She passed away too soon, a young 101 years old.

She will be interred on June 24 at Calvary Cemetery in Los Angeles at a private ceremony for the family. A Memorial Mass at Holy Redeemer Church will be celebrated at 2 p.m. on July 12.

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Obituary

Beverly Ann Frame



Dec. 16, 1931 – June 5, 2022

Beverly Frame, 90, passed away peacefully on June 5. Beverly was born on Dec. 16, 1931 in Burbank to parents Vilate and Nephi Anderson. She had three brothers (Howard, Wally and Blain) and two sisters (Martha and Marilyn).

When she was 15 her family moved to La Cañada where she met Robert Hall Frame (1928-2021). "Bob" was born in Los Angeles and moved to La Cañada when he was 5 years old. In 1952, after Bob graduated from Flintridge Prep and served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, he and Bev were married. They were devoted to each other throughout their 68-year marriage. Bob served in the Navy, became a grading contractor and was a legendary Scoutmaster. Bev worked in real estate, sang in the Town Singers and raised seven children. They loved to work hard, travel, bike and laugh with family. They will be greatly missed.

Bob and Bev are survived by their seven children, 29 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren. There will be a celebration of life for Bob and Bev Frame on June 30 at 10 a.m. at the La Cañada building of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1830 Foothill Blvd. There will be a luncheon following the funeral.

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TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

Glendale Adventist Hospital and the Angel of Death – Part 1

Respiratory therapists are often critical to the recovery of serious illnesses, including recovery from COVID-19. With that in mind, let's take a look at a nasty episode in the history of our community in which a respiratory therapist at Glendale Adventist between 1988 and 1998 eased many of his near-terminal patients into early death. Efrin Saldivar, who killed an untold number of his patients, saw himself as an "angel of death."

The term "angel of death" refers to something or someone who helps the living pass on to death. It has its obvious origins in religion. But there is a real-world history of health care workers who have taken on the role of angels of death. There are indeed some cases of nurses or doctors who have actively pushed their patients through "death's door." Some have done it out of mercy, some for profit, others for the sheer thrill. In the case of Saldivar, his stated

reasons for the murders changed several times, from ethical anger at seeing patients kept alive beyond the point of dignity all the way to the inconvenience of having too many patients assigned to him.

Efrin Saldivar had an unremarkable childhood and education. After high school, he enrolled in a technical school for respiratory therapy, initially because he liked the idea of wearing a uniform and having technical responsibilities. Turns out he had a knack for the position. He was competent and, better yet, he enjoyed interacting with his patients. He lived with his parents in Tujunga and starting in 1989, worked the graveyard shift at Glendale Adventist. At night he was largely unsupervised, able to slip in and out of patients' rooms unnoticed.

Those who worked with Saldivar started to notice that a lot of patients seemed to expire while he was on duty. It didn't

ring any alarm bells as all of those who died were on the edge of death anyway, and it seemed just dumb luck that it happened so often with Saldivar. Nonetheless, it became a dark joke with the staff that Saldivar had the "magic touch."

Things went along without a hitch for several years. By the spring of 1997, a fellow respiratory therapist got suspicious enough to bring it up with his supervisor. He suggested that maybe Saldivar was injecting something into his patients. But there was no proof and personality clashes between Saldivar and this fellow worker were well known. Still, rumors began to spread.

The staff members on graveyard shift were practical jokers. In early 1998, intending to prank Saldivar, they pried open his work locker. Inside the locker they noticed syringes and vials of medication that could be lethal if administered improperly. They knew that

Saldivar was not supposed to have the medication in his locker but they also knew they weren't supposed to be breaking into other people's lockers, and were worried about repercussions. They also were aware that suspicions had been raised about Saldivar the year before and nothing had come of it. They decided to stay quiet about what they had seen.

One of the practical jokers was out drinking a few nights later and told the whole story to a man in the bar, even mentioning Saldivar's name. That guy thought maybe he could angle to make a few bucks off a tip to the hospital. He called his tip into Glendale Adventist. This time the hospital called the police.

Homicide detectives at Glendale PD met with the hospital administrators and tracked down the tip caller. The tip caller was a small-time criminal who was hoping the hospital would pay him off to keep quiet and he denied calling.

A dead end. It would have been easy for the detectives to drop the case right there but to their credit they stayed with the investigation. They chased down some of the rumors going around the hospital about Saldivar and his "magic touch." The detectives decided to question Saldivar just to see what would happen, expecting another dead end. But that was not the case.

Next week we'll hear Saldivar's amazing confession.



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NEWS FROM SACRAMENTO » LAURA FRIEDMAN

California's State Budget – Investing in our Future

Earlier this week, the California Legislature passed our 2022-23 state budget, setting a sustainable course that invests in California and takes steps to protect our resources from future economic downturns. I'm proud that this is a budget that reflects our values with historic levels of funding for our schools and universities and expanded access to health care as well as investments in housing, transportation and economic relief for millions of Californians and small businesses. It's also a responsible budget that allocates a significant portion of revenues to our reserves. In fact, the budget nearly doubles our reserves to \$37.8 billion. I'd like to share with you some highlights from the budget, what it means for you and our community, and our next steps.

The impact of inflation is hitting Californians hard from the grocery store shelves to the gas pump. This budget prioritizes much-needed relief for Californians, small businesses and nonprofits. First and foremost, the Legislature is

proposing \$8 billion to counter costs due to inflation through the Better for Families Rebates, a program to provide \$200 per taxpayer and dependent for taxpayers earning up to \$250,000 in annual income for joint filers and \$125,000 for single filers. This means a family of five could receive a \$1,000 rebate.

We're also providing additional relief for small businesses and nonprofit organizations with an investment of \$1.3 billion. The funding will not only provide grants to offset the costs of paid sick leave and direct assistance for agriculture-related businesses impacted by the severe drought, it will also provide full rebates to cover the upcoming increase in federal unemployment insurance for 99% of all businesses.

Over the past several years, we've been able to make significant investments in our schools. I'm happy to report that in this budget we're continuing to strengthen schools with a \$9.4 billion increase – that's 16% over last year. We're allocating \$9 billion in Proposition 98

funds to assist with learning recovery through grants, as well as a \$1.5 billion investment in arts, music, libraries and instructional materials, and \$700 million in college and career readiness initiatives. These are investments that will make a real difference in schools across the state, but we're also taking the necessary steps to prepare for a rainy day by setting aside specific reserves to help weather the storm that any future downturn might bring.

The COVID-19 pandemic put a spotlight on our health care system and the holes in our safety net. Through this budget, we're building on our work to provide health care for all by expanding Medi-Cal to cover all eligible Californians regardless of immigration status. We're also continuing to bolster our public health system and infrastructure to respond not just to the pandemic, but also our ongoing battle with opioid addiction, mental health and overall health disparities.

We're investing in our health care workforce with over \$296

million as part of our Workforce for a Healthy California for All Program. The funding will recruit, train and certify 25,000 health care workers by 2025 to serve some of our most vulnerable populations, increase the number of nurses across the spectrum, expand the number of social workers and invest in the hospital and nursing facility staff that have worked tirelessly on the front lines of this pandemic for over two years.

We have a clear opportunity to invest in infrastructure that we depend upon every day and through our budget plan we're poised to provide over \$40 billion for projects across the spectrum. While the details are subject to ongoing negotiations, the package is expected to address water resources, active transportation, drought resiliency, wildfire prevention

and response, biodiversity, zero-emission vehicles and many other climate-related items.

These historic and transformative investments are absolutely exciting and it is money we need to steward carefully so that we can leave future generations in the best shape possible. I see these incoming funds as key opportunities to create pivotal, sustainable and lasting change.

In the days and weeks ahead, we'll continue to negotiate with Gov. Newsom on an array of budget issues. We're already starting from a solid position where we have common goals and priorities that continue to move California forward.

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YOUTH

The Show Must Go On

The Annual Lincoln Talent Show took place virtually for the second year in a row due to pandemic restrictions. The Lincoln Auditorium has not been used for the Talent Show for two years, but that did not stop the talented youth of Lincoln from putting on a show.

Nicolas James, first grade teacher, once again sent out letters to all Lincoln students who wanted to participate in the Talent Show asking them to tape their acts and email them in. The Lincoln students did not disappoint.

There were more than 31 talented students who recorded their amazing talents, eager to participate this year. Computer Lab teacher Angie Griffin edited together all the acts with student council members making introductions. The show was broadcast live from



James' home with his son, Lincoln alumnus Peter James, playing a traditional Ukrainian piano piece to begin the show.

The show was enjoyed by the Lincoln Elementary community and, by presenting it on Zoom, grandparents across the nation were able to

watch their grandkids.

Lincoln students played piano, cello, drums, electric guitar and violin; they sang and drew photos in time lapse. The sixth grade girls performed an interpretive dance to "We Don't Talk About Bruno" and, for the first time ever, Olivia Spears

showed off her acrobatics on the ribbon gymnastics.


James is hoping that next year's Talent Show will return to the Lincoln stage but is considering having it broadcast on Zoom simultaneously because of the positive feedback received from out-of-town

grandparents.

Submitted by Nicolas JAMES

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LEFT: Nathan Dai on cello.
MIDDLE: Ryan Kam on Violin.
RIGHT: Ryann Martin sang an original song.



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Local Girls Earn Gold Award Status

Several local Girl Scouts earned their Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest achievement in Girl Scouting, which is the result of many months of work addressing areas of critical need throughout Greater Los Angeles and beyond. In total, 239 young women in the greater Los Angeles area earned their 239 Girl Scout Gold Award.

Among those who earned their Gold Award was Kyra Aitelli. Her Gold Award Project addressed the issue of an outdated and obsolete Children's Library at La Cañada Presbyterian Church. She organized the books, purchased more current Christian early reader and chapter books, and created a computer checkout system that will enable the library to track the books and videos easier. She also created a Parent Education section in the library to attract parents as well as children.

Shahzarah Ali's project, "Building and Sewing Skills for Mental Health & Entrepreneurship" was a Gold Award Project that helped her community by addressing the lack of creative outlets for low income and homeless populations, the lack of opportunities to learn productive skills such as sewing, and how to monetize these skills. She led a series of workshops at Ascencia, a homeless shelter in Glendale, and taught clients and staff how to sew and profit from their creations through online platforms. Considering COVID restrictions, she utilized both in-person and online teaching methods to reach as many people as she could.

Xiomara Chen-Marquez preserved the historical achievements and landmarks of the La Cañada Thursday Club for her Gold Award Project. By sorting, scanning, digitizing and

archiving photos and newspaper articles from the 1950s until now, she helped keep memories from the past alive.

The project by Eleni Menemenlis, "Masks for COVID-19 and Beyond," addressed the issue of PPE shortages at the beginning of the pandemic by repairing one-thousand N-95 masks for doctors at the Verdugo Hills Hospital and teaching her troop mates how to sew masks. She made videos on how to use a sewing machine and she sewed 100 daily-use masks for doctors that included instructions so that they could make more.

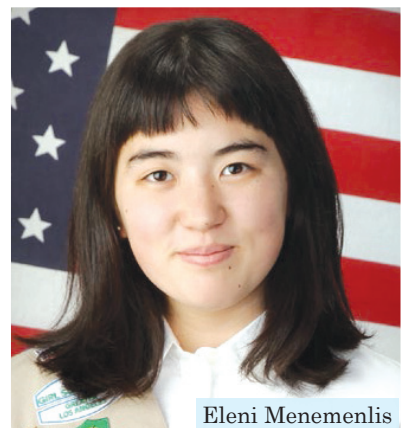
According to GSGLA leadership the 239 girls provided more than 19,120 hours of service through the development and execution of projects of sustainable impact. The projects addressed a need, provided support, found solutions and inspired communities.

Girl Scouts who want to get involved and earn their Gold Award get a team of trusted adults and leaders in their community to guide them through challenges and lead them to success, step-by-step. Earning the Gold Award requires spending at least 80 hours planning and implementing a challenging, large-scale project that is innovative, engages others and has a lasting impact on its targeted community.

The award recognizes senior and ambassador Girl Scouts, girls in grades nine-12, for outstanding accomplishments in leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. Nationwide, only 6% of all

eligible Girl Scouts achieve the Gold Award. Girls who earn their Girl Scout Gold Award automatically enter the military one rank higher, qualify for college scholarships and are eligible for additional national service awards.

To see a complete list of Girl Scout Gold Award recipients, visit www.girlscoutsla.org/goldaward.



Eleni Menemenlis



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Lincoln Elementary Awards Scholarships to Alumni



By Rachele MILLER

On Friday, May 27, Lincoln Elementary School honored 27 high school seniors, previous Lincoln Elementary students, with scholarships. Principal Barbara Fariss said she was “astounded” by the number of applicants and proud of the returning seniors.

This is the highest number of scholarships distributed in Lincoln’s history. Making its debut this year is The Stephen Williams Scholarship, funded by former principal Stephen Williams.

Receiving funds in various amounts by a variety of Lincoln scholarships were:

Elaine Kim and Faith Kim - 6th Grade Committee Scholarship; Karis Yun, Eric Peterson, Daniel Kim, Kaisa Lindman-Marshall and Jorge-Luis Gonzalez – The Lincoln Elementary Foundation Scholarship; Susanna Kim, Omar Pena, Anjali Shah and Griffith Burzynski – Lincoln PTA Scholarship; Anyssa Reyes – Stephen Williams Scholarship; Kiana Arevalo and McKenna Keil – the Pat Kalish Scholarship; Thalia

Miller and Rachel Lee – the Palacios Family Scholarship; Madeline Novak, Easton Caneva and Ella Wilson – Lincoln Teachers And Staff Scholarship; Elizabeth Miller – Cheryl Duncan Scholarship; Chase Becker and Emma Walch – Callister Music Scholarship; Aaron Thomas Agustin, Arthur Movsesyan, Varshit Patel and Nairi Ghazarian – Armenian Parents Club Scholarship.

Photo by Rachele MILLER
This year Lincoln Elementary distributed a record 27 scholarships to local deserving Lincoln alumni.

Crescenta Valley High School JROTC Academic Team heads to the National Academic Bowl Championship

Crescenta Valley High School’s JROTC academic team, composed of Captain Justin Sur, Andrew Jean, Christine Kim and Ethan Kim, will compete in a national championship event in Washington, DC June 24-28 on the campus of The Catholic University of America. This event is sponsored by the U.S. Air Force JROTC and is conducted by the College Options Foundation.

Crescenta Valley’s JROTC academic team earned top scores among the 582 Air Force JROTC academic teams that competed from around the world. The CVHS team is one of only 16 Air Force

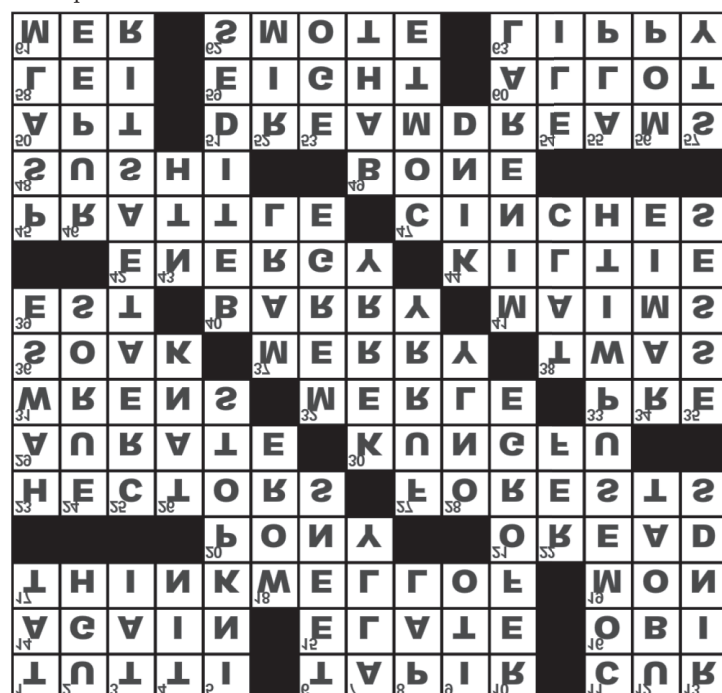
JROTC Academic Bowl teams in the nation to advance to the final competition, which includes an all-expense paid trip to Washington, DC.

During the two fast-paced preliminary rounds and the final competitions, cadets are tested on their knowledge of core curriculum such as math, science and language arts as well as current events, citizenship, leadership skills and financial literacy. The financial literacy videos are sponsored by the USAA Educational Foundation and provided to all cadets.

Questions from the videos were included in Levels I and II of the online competition.

The JROTC Academic Bowl is a nationally recognized competition created exclusively for JROTC students. By participating, cadets learn the values of citizenship, academic competition and college opportunity. The competition creates tremendous opportunities for JROTC cadets by allowing them to demonstrate leadership and academic abilities.

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BETWEEN FRIENDS

Volunteers Water, Prune, Fertilize and Mulch Tujunga Trees Along Foothill Boulevard



Anyone who has recently traveled along Foothill Boulevard in Sunland-Tujunga may notice the trees planted along the sidewalk are looking a bit healthier. There's less overgrowth and many are surrounded by fresh mulch, which helps to preserve moisture from the air. This result is due to a teamwork effort initiated by longtime environmentalist and Sunland resident Pat Kramer and co-sponsored by the Crescenta Valley Group of the Sierra Club, DIY Home Center and the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council's Safe Traffic & Transportation and Beautification committees.

On Saturday, June 11, 28 people from across the Crescenta Valley met at the DIY Home Center, 6300 Foothill Blvd. in Tujunga, to water, fertilize, prune and mulch 70 trees. This effort was made possible by the support provided by the DIY Home Center, which opened its nursery parking lot to this event and donated fertilizer and water. Additionally, the Crescenta Valley Group of the Sierra Club and the STNC provided funding for tools, five-gallon buckets, fertilizer and refreshments and Council District 7 had free mulch delivered from the Lopez Canyon Sanitation site.

"It takes a village to create a successful tree care event," said Kramer, who has organized three tree care events in the past 10 months to water trees along Foothill Boulevard and plans to continue her outreach efforts. "With temperatures rising

and a water shortage upon us, it is imperative for volunteers and business owners to water these trees to help them endure the drought conditions. Healthy trees lower temperatures with their shade, provide oxygen to us, and improve the overall look and feel of our community.

"I created this event in the hopes that people would show up and get involved and I was pleasantly surprised with the turnout of 28 volunteers, including parents with kids. Working on an effort like this brings people together and, at the end of the day, we all felt good about what we accomplished."

To volunteer for future tree care days, contact Kramer at patkramerstnc@gmail.com.

Submitted by STNC



ABOVE: Volunteers donated their time to take care of about 70 trees along Foothill Boulevard.

RIGHT: One of the volunteer crews gather at the parking lot of the DIY Center in Tujunga.

Questions About Today's Real Estate?

Ask Phyllis!

Why Would A Buyer Make An Offer And Then Back Out?

Dear Phyllis,
I love reading your real estate advice! I have a new scenario for you. My son lives in the San Gabriel Valley and has his home in escrow. Like so many other Southern California sellers he received a lot of offers. The highest offer was more than \$100,000.00 over all the others. Of course, he picked that one. When it came time for that buyer to get his money to escrow it never arrived. The money was due three days after he took the offer and when it didn't make it there, it took another couple of days to determine this buyer changed their mind. His agent then needed to scramble back to the other buyers. His Realtor says this happens a lot. I am hoping you can shed some light on why a buyer would make an offer and back out.

Rebecca

Dear Rebecca,
I too have had this happen to me more than once. The real estate contract defaults to allow the buyer three days to get their deposit to escrow. I typically write a counteroffer amending the three days to one business day. When I am particularly skeptical

of a buyer or their agent, I further amend the counteroffer that the buyer needs to provide proof the wire was initiated within one business day.

When representing a La Crescenta buyer several years ago, we were out bid by \$150,000. The seller's agent gave my client the opportunity to match the offer. But I advised my client the home was not worth another \$150,000. Fortunately, the first buyer did exactly what you mention. His deposit never made it to escrow, and my client got the house. So, why does a buyer make an offer and then back out?

In my situation, I believe the first buyer was overly aggressive and then regretted it. Another reason buyers don't perform is that they have made offers on more than one home. Currently, the market is so competitive that buyers feel they need to increase their odds by writing as many offers as they can. With offer deadlines and negotiations, it can take days to learn if your offer is accepted.

It's a shame when buyer's do this, because we are showing our selling clients a high number then taking it away from them. Best of luck to you and your son.

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» DENISE TRABOULSI, MSW

The Road Ahead: Senior Drivers



Some of our fondest memories are the "coming of age" milestones as we enter adulthood: driving at 16, voting at 18 and by age 21 – it's full-fledged adulthood. Interestingly, as we enter the later years in life, there are no maximum age limits on these and other adult rights and privileges.

While driving is allowed for most at the age of 16, there is no exact age when disability and loss of mental acuity affects our ability to drive. According to the Auto Club (AAA), by 2030 there will be more than 70 million people over the age 65 and up to 90% of those will be licensed to drive. Despite the fact that seniors are some of the safest drivers on the road, they are more likely to be injured or killed in a car accident due to age-related fragility. Oftentimes seniors make the decision on their own to give up their driving privilege, but it can be a struggle for others who desperately want to maintain their independence.

The decision to retire from driving is usually a gradual one and there are tools available to seniors to assist them in assessing their abilities and maintaining their skills. AAA members can access senior driver safety and mobility resources through their local office and AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) also has driver safety courses available for its members.

For those individuals in our lives who may need to stop driving but refuse to do so, it is incumbent on family, friends and others in the community to step in and offer some assistance. Encouraging an older adult to speak to their doctor about their ability to continue to drive is one option. If you think someone is a danger to themselves or others while driving, you can also file a report with the DMV to request a driver's re-examination. This report can be made confidentially.

In the Foothill communities there are several transportation resources for seniors such as Dial-A-Ride through the City of Glendale; ACCESS Services is a door-to-door service for persons with disabilities; and there are other private non-medical transportation services. Less traditional options are through informal supports like neighbors or friends or using ride share services such as Uber and Lyft. Hiring a part-time caregiver who drives is another idea for those who might need additional assistance.

The Community Resource Center for Aging (CRCA) at USC Verdugo Hills Hospital has a list of transportation resources available on our website at uscvhh.org/aging-resources or you can call us at (818) 949-4033 to speak with one of our resource specialists to discuss your specific needs. Our assistance is always free.



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TRAVEL & LEISURE

Isaac Pastor-Chermak to Perform for Glendale Noon Concerts

On Wednesday, July 6 at 12:10p.m., the Free Admission Glendale Noon Concerts program will be streamed on Facebook and YouTube. Cellist Isaac Pastor-Chermak will perform J.S. Bach's "Suite No. 6 in D Major." The link to the stream, and additional information, can be found at <http://glendalenoonconcerts.blogspot.com>.

Isaac Pastor-Chermak leads a diverse and active musical life at home in Northern California and around the United States. A quintessential 21st Century artist, he engages deeply as a cellist, teacher, conductor and administrator, motivated by an abiding love of sharing great music with friends and collaborators.

Though he is active in nearly every facet of today's classical music profession, Pastor-Chermak is a career orchestral player. In any given weekend of the season, he can be found performing as principal cellist of the Waterloo-Cedar Falls Symphony; associate principal cellist of the Stockton Symphony; assistant principal cellist of Opera San Jose and Fresno Philharmonic; and as a member of the Berkeley Symphony, Monterey Symphony, Santa Cruz Symphony, Santa Barbara Symphony, and Dayton Philharmonic. During the summer season, he is assistant principal cellist at the Eisenstadt Classical Music Festival in Austria, and principal cellist of the Lake Tahoe Music Festival.

In the world of chamber music, Pastor-Chermak

is the cellist of Black Cedar Trio, the only flute-cello-guitar ensemble in the country. He partners regularly with pianists Alison Lee and Miles Graber in sonata programs. Pastor-Chermak performs more than 100 concerts a year on an 1889 cello by Riccardo Antoniazzi; a 1982 violoncello piccolo by Antonius Garcus Rosius; and a contemporary bow by Ole Kanestrom. He released three CD recordings in the year 2020 alone: the world-premiere recording of Elliott Miles McKinley's "String Quartet No.8" with the Auriga String Quartet; "Backlash Bach" with Red Cedar Chamber Music; and "Preludes and Prologues" with pianist (and fiancée) Alison Lee.

A community leader in the arts, Pastor-Chermak sits on the board of directors of East Bay Music Foundation and Calliope East Bay Music and Arts; through these organizations, he's deeply involved in the cultural life of the region. Finally, he is adjunct professor of Music History at San Francisco Conservatory of Music, where he teaches popular graduate seminars in chamber music literature.

Pastor-Chermak holds degrees from the University of California, Berkeley (B.A. with honors) and San Francisco Conservatory of Music (M.M. with honors). He concluded his formal education in Orchestral Conducting at the University of California, Davis.

For program notes visit <https://tinyurl.com/yvez7k4n>.

THEN & NOW

Deukmejian Park Horse Ring Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV



Then » In the 1970s the Circle J Ranch leased the old Le Mesnager property from a developer who was planning on building homes there. The Ranch operated a robust horse operation. They cleared two equestrian practice rings above the stone barn. Here we see the mounted drill team the Blue Shadows practicing in one of the two upper horse rings.



Now » When the City of Glendale bought the property in the 1980s and developed Deukmejian Wilderness Park, the two horse rings were repurposed. The one farthest up became a repository for rocks and debris, but the next one down became an off-the-beaten-path "hidden park" with a lawn, trees and benches. Many come to it to quietly do yoga, read, picnic or, in the case of this dog, lounge on the lush lawn.

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Eva Huie and Rocio Prieto, licensed massage therapists, will discuss problems caused by cancer surgeries, radiation and other medical conditions.

Cancer Support Community-Pasadena, 76 E. Del Mar Blvd., Suite 215, Pasadena (626) 796-1083 www.cscpasadena.org

FLINTRIDGE BOOKSTORE PRESENTS DAVE LOPEZ

On Thursday, June 23 at 7 p.m., Flintridge Bookstore presents retired KCBS Channel 2

Los Angeles news reporter and now author Dave Lopez. During his decades long career on television, Lopez was a nightly presence in LA living rooms and covered every major story in the Southland. In his new memoir, "It's a Great Life, If You Don't Weaken: Family, Faith and 48 Years on Television," he tells his own personal story. Set against the backdrop of breaking news during the last half century – from Vietnam War protests to the O.J. Simpson trial to countless politicians behaving badly – this book is a vivid remembrance of a life well lived, both on and off camera.

Anative Angeleno, he and his late wife, Elaine, raised two children in Downey, where he was a noted youth coach for many years. He currently lives in Long Beach with wife Diandra, and dotes on his four grandchildren.

Flintridge Bookstore is located at 858 Foothill

Blvd. in La Cañada Flintridge. It is open Monday – Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. There is street parking as well as a lot behind the store off Beulah Drive. For more information, contact Gail Mishkin at gailm@flintridgebooks.com or call the store at (818) 790-0717.

GOT TURTLES?

The California Turtle and Tortoise Club, Foothill Chapter, will resume in-person meetings on Friday, June 24 and continue on the fourth Friday of each month. The Club's mission is to educate about turtle and tortoise care and promote their preservation and conservation. Meetings are held in the Palm Lecture Room at the LA County Arboretum, 301 N. Baldwin Ave. in Arcadia. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m.

This month's program will feature a film about the threat to and the rescue of the Kemp's ridley sea turtle, the smallest sea turtle.

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The event takes place on Saturday, June 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at O'Reilly Auto Parts, 800 E. Valley Blvd. in Alhambra.

'SOUL' SCREENING PLANNED

The Balcony of LA will continue its Movie Night in CV Park on Saturday, June 25 with the screening of "Soul" (Pixar). The most recent screening, "Peter Rabbit," held on Saturday, June 11, was attended by nearly 400 locals.

The free movie screenings will continue every other week, all summer long, and movies are family-friendly and open to all. The screen is 30 feet tall and, according organizers, the sound system "rocks."

Looking ahead, on July 29, "Jurassic Park" (1993) will be shown.

Live music is supplied prior to the show courtesy of local musician Tony DiGiovanni. Food trucks and ice cream trucks are usually on-site.

Learn more at TheBalconyofLA.com; on Instagram @TheBalconyofLA.

JBHS PLANS 60th REUNION

Classmates from 60 years ago will reunite at the Burbank Elks Lodge at 2232 N. Hollywood Way in Burbank on Saturday, June 25. Twelve of the 116 attending are coming from out of state; three of those 12 come from as far as Florida, North Carolina and Tennessee. Others hail from Utah, Idaho, Oregon and Arizona.

To keep the costs for the reunion low, the committee placed the emphasis on "mixing & mingling." Instead of a live band or DJ, handpicked tunes from the '60s will provide background music. There will be wall displays to capture old times: sports highlights, elementary school class photos, Burbank: then & now, alumni memorabilia and lastly an "in memoriam" corner to honor the 102 students who have passed away.

Lincoln Elementary School boasts at having 18 Burroughs graduates who have known each other since kindergarten!

Prior to the reunion, on Friday evening, June 24 there will be a casual gathering of JBHS alumni at Bob's Big Boy. On Sunday morning, June 26, the finale will be breakfast at the Hillside Café.

GLA CELEBRATES HEROES AND SCHOLARS

Glendale Latino Assn. is ready to recognize community leaders who emerged as local heroes over the past two years. Health care workers, essential workers, first responders, educators and more will be recognized for their commitment, dedication and professionalism. The GLA recognition will take place on Saturday, June 25 at 5 p.m. at the "Celebrate Comunidad: Scholarship and Community Awards" presentation at Sparr Heights Community Center, 1613 Glencoe Way in Glendale/Sparr Heights. Student scholarship recipients will also be recognized.

Tickets are \$75 and include food and music; sponsorship opportunities available. To learn more, visit <https://www.glendalelatinoassociation.com>.

FLINTRIDGE BOOKSTORE HOSTS LISA LEWIS

On Thursday, July 7 at 7 p.m., Flintridge Bookstore presents freelance journalist Lisa L. Lewis, author of the book "The Sleep-Deprived Teen: Why Our Teenagers Are So Tired and How Parents and Schools Can Help Them Thrive." Lewis is joined by California State Senator (La Cañada Flintridge) Anthony J. Portantino whose opening remarks emphasize the critical importance of this issue. Bill 328, requiring healthy start times for schools, was introduced to the California State Senate by Portantino, passed in 2019, and was the first law of its kind in the nation. Lewis helped spark Bill 328.

"The Sleep-Deprived Teen" features the see CALENDAR THIS on next page

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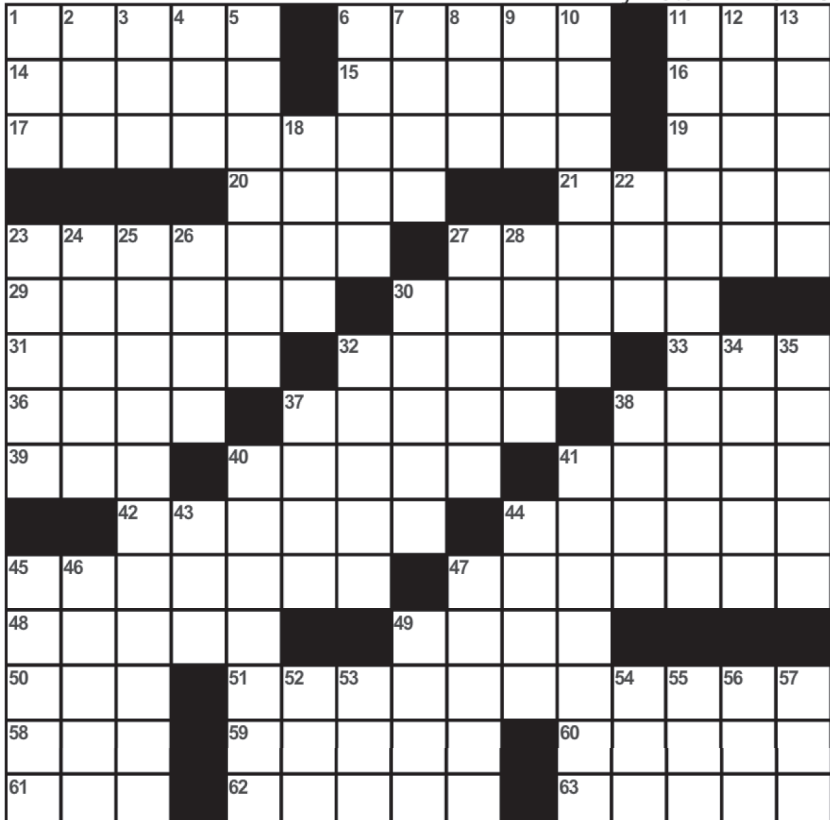
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- 11) Mongrel dog
- 14) "Once more!"
- 15) Make giddy
- 16) Japanese wrap
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- 20) Young one's horse
- 21) Nymph in Greek myth
- 23) Nags or needles
- 27) Smokey's preserves
- 29) Compound of gold
- 30) David Carradine series of the '70s
- 31) Small songbirds
- 32) Country crooner Haggard
- 33) Start for "fab" or "face"
- 36) Good, long bath
- 37) Word before "Christmas"
- 38) First word of "Jabberwocky"
- 39) Suffix with "high"
- 40) Director Levinson
- 41) Injures grievously
- 42) "E," to Einstein
- 44) Highlander, e.g.
- 45) Gab
- 47) Sure things
- 48) Japanese menu item
- 49) Skeleton segment
- 50) Mentally acute
- 51) Be imaginative
- 58) Ring around the collar?
- 59) Black billiard ball
- 60) Apportion
- 61) Debussy's "La ___"
- 62) Clobbered
- 63) Full of back talk

DOWN

- 1) Bit of body art, slangily
- 2) "Yuck" cousin
- 3) Mai ___ (cocktail)
- 4) 10th-anniversary metal
- 5) Calligrapher's containers
- 6) Parenting challenges
- 7) Comrade in arms
- 8) Bud
- 9) "Am ___ blame?"
- 10) Cast anew
- 11) Invents
- 12) Depth charge target
- 13) Orange covers
- 18) Had on
- 22) Call, as a game
- 23) Anchor cable hole
- 24) Continental money
- 25) Shake things up
- 26) Aquarium
- 27) Like many a stuffed animal
- 28) Partner of one?
- 30) Breed of dairy cattle
- 32) Highway directive
- 34) Strong silklike fabric
- 35) Pluralizing letters
- 37) Loose, crumbly deposit
- 38) After-bath powder
- 40) Happens to, old-style
- 41) Twenty questions category
- 43) To the ___ degree
- 44) Good-hearted
- 45) Biblical song
- 46) Indian coin
- 47) French nobleman
- 49) Thai currency
- 52) Backboard attachment
- 53) Swelled head
- 54) One of the NFL's Mannings
- 55) Matterhorn, e.g.
- 56) Scrub the floor
- 57) Pig's home

IMAGINATION STATION

By Peter M. Hollins



ANSWERS on page 11

PROBLEM SOLVED » BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT

Ticketmaster still owes me \$150 for these Jim Gaffigan tickets!

When Diane Ashton asks Ticketmaster for a refund, it returns the money she spent on her Jim Gaffigan event tickets but not her gift cards. Are the cards refundable or not?

Q I have been trying to get a refund from Ticketmaster for two tickets I bought almost three years ago. I purchased two tickets for a Jim Gaffigan show at Radio City Music Hall in October 2019. I used a credit card and a Ticketmaster gift card to pay \$224.

The show was scheduled for April 10, 2020, then rescheduled to July 24, 2020, and finally to Sept. 24, 2021. I could not attend so, on Sept. 8, 2021, I requested a refund via email.

A few weeks later, I received a refund of \$74 on my credit card from Ticketmaster, the amount I paid using my credit card. But Ticketmaster still

owes me \$150, which is the amount I paid using a Ticketmaster gift card.

I have repeatedly asked Ticketmaster to issue a credit to my account. I have submitted numerous requests through the Ticketmaster app and via email, to no avail. I've tried several phone numbers, but none give the option to talk to a real live human. It's extremely frustrating.

If you could help me get the refund, I would be very grateful.

~ Diane Ashton, Morristown, N.J.

A: Jim Gaffigan is funny. Not getting your refund from Ticketmaster? I fail to see

any humor in that.

Ticketmaster should have refunded both the credit card charges and the value of the gift card. Its policy on canceled events is clear: "We will issue a refund to the original method of payment used at time of purchase once funds are received from the Event Organizer." There's no mention of gift cards being nonrefundable.

Why the delay? Part of the problem may have been that you discarded the gift card after you used the credit. But that's just speculation. Ticketmaster could see that you paid for the tickets with a gift card, and it could have easily returned the credit to a new card – if it

had wanted to.

If this were a Jim Gaffigan routine, I could imagine him doing an impression of a Ticketmaster representative. "Oh," he might say, "You want a reeeefund on that?" (OK, maybe it works better on stage.)

Ticketmaster doesn't always refund tickets that are eligible per its policy. I've advocated a lot of cases where customers like you were left with worthless event tickets. You can blame the pandemic for some of it, but not all.

As I read the correspondence between you and Ticketmaster, I felt a little frustrated. You were polite and brief, and it looks like Ticketmaster just

sent you form letters that didn't even answer your question.

I publish the names, numbers and email addresses of the Ticketmaster executives on my consumer advocacy site, Elliott.org. A brief, polite email to one of them might have worked.

I contacted Ticketmaster on your behalf. It sent you a new gift card for \$150.

Christopher Elliott is the chief advocacy officer for Elliott Advocacy. Email him at chris@elliott.org or get help with any consumer problem by

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CALENDAR THIS *previous page*

science of why sleep matters and how it changes during the teen years; an overview of how sleep affects mental health, athletic performance, academic success and more; specific, practical advice for helping teens get more (and better) sleep; an inside look at California's new school-start-time law and how it's expected to address teens' sleep loss and enhance their health and well-being.

Flintridge Bookstore is located at 858 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada Flintridge. It is open Monday–Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. There is street parking as well as a lot behind the store off Beulah Drive. For more information, contact Gail Mishkin at gaiml@flintridgebooks.com or call the store at (818) 790-0717.

LCWC HOLDING A SHOE DRIVE

Members of the La Crescenta Woman's Club will hold a shoe drive on Sunday, July 10 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at their Clubhouse parking lot, 4004 La Crescenta Ave. in La Crescenta.

In 2019 Club members came close to reaching their goal of collecting 1,000 pairs and hope to surpass that this year.

All are invited to drop off new or gently used shoes for the LCWC collection. All sorts of men's, women's, and children's shoes are welcome! The Club is also in need of shipping boxes (preferably manageable sizes at about 12 x 18 x 9 or the size of a 10-ream case of copy paper) and shipping tape if anyone would like to donate some.

Since 2006, Soles4Souls has distributed more than 30 million pairs of shoes in 127 countries and all 50 of the United States, through disaster relief or supporting the homeless.

AFC ANNOUNCES 2022 NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Until Sept. 1, the Arroyo & Foothills Conservancy is accepting entries of the best local photos, featuring natural surroundings and wild neighbors.

Entries may be submitted in any of the following categories: birds, landscapes & plants, mammals and other wildlife, people in nature. A category for young photographers is available for submissions in any of the above five subject matter categories

submitted by photographers aged 13-17.

Photo entries will be judged based on creativity, quality, originality, responsiveness to the prompt and overall impact. The AFC is looking for photos that showcase species, perspectives and settings unique to the local area (i.e. the greater Los Angeles area, and especially our arroyos and foothills).

To learn more or to enter, visit <https://arroyosfoothills.org/photocontest>.

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 cls74reunion@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.

WEEKLY HOROSCOPES
Provided by horoscope.com June 20, 2022 - June 26, 2022

♈ ARIES March 21 - April 19
One of the things you can do for yourself over the coming days is a luxurious aromatherapy treatment. Allow the scent of lavender, rose, or sandalwood to relax and seduce you on every level. This will do more than heal your body. Aromatherapy oils are also excellent for healing the mind and easing you into a restful night's sleep.

♉ TAURUS April 20 - May 20
If you've been working hard lately, allow your family to help out. Tell them that you'd appreciate it if they could help you relax and take some time off. Once you've had a chance to recuperate, you'll be much better company. Keep up your exercise in order to release tension and stay fit.

♊ GEMINI May 21 - June 20
If you're on vacation, you may want to take a break from dieting and sticking to a rigid exercise routine. Time away from this schedule will allow you to relax and consolidate your efforts. It gives your body a chance to recuperate. Stick to easy activities like swimming or walking. You can start the routine again when you return home.

♋ CANCER June 21 - July 22
If you're feeling emotionally and physically toxic, it's time to take a couple days to look after yourself. Even though you're busy, it's a good idea to eat simple foods that will help cleanse your system. Let go of ongoing issues that may be clogging your emotional self. Doing so will give you a sense of lightness and energy. It's worth the effort!

♌ LEO July 23 - August 22
You may now be feeling better than you have in some time. It looks like you'll be doing a lot of socializing. If that's the case, look after yourself. Try not to go overboard with too much alcohol, as you're very sensitive to all kinds of influences. Stick with water or fruit juice to stay at the peak of health.

♍ VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22
You love good food and wine, but don't let all your hard work go to waste. If you've managed to lose pounds over recent months in your bid to get as healthy as you can, don't spoil your efforts. Relax a little, but not too much. Limit yourself to a few luxuries, but don't go to extremes. The middle way is best if you want to stay fit.

♎ LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22
It's important that you pace yourself over the days ahead. Don't try to cram too much into a short space of time. It helps to delegate some of your work to others in order to avoid stress and nervous tension. Take the time to enjoy a relaxing massage, meditate, or go for a yoga session.

♏ SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21
You may need to find other ways to recharge your batteries now. It's important that you not burn yourself out. If you do, you'll find it hard to function in your daily life. Think about taking up a practice like tai chi. It can help dissolve blockages and allow your energy to flow more harmoniously. You'll feel renewed.

♐ SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21
The coming days are especially positive. They will help foster your relaxation. You may also benefit from talking about any difficult issues that may be having a negative effect on your body. It helps to release toxic emotions regularly. Doing so will have a more profound effect on your overall well-being than you may realize.

♑ CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19
Now more than ever you need to be firm in your resolve. This is especially the case if you're going to be doing a lot of socializing. If your diet has been going well, you don't want to put the pounds back on. Try to avoid rich, tempting foods and stick with the nutritious choices instead.

♒ AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18
You may need to take extra care of your health now, since you could be feeling burned out. Think about taking vitamins and minerals on a regular basis in order to boost your immune system and keep strong and fit. Rather than eating too much rich food, stick with simple, nutritious meals. You'll feel much better if you do.

♓ PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20
Why not treat yourself to a couple days at a spa? Give yourself a chance to enjoy the luxury of deep relaxation. Allow those knotted muscles to release and let go of any stress and tension that may be keeping you from being as efficient as you'd like to be. If you do this for yourself, you'll be in the perfect frame of mind to give to others.



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PET OF THE WEEK
CV Weekly loves to hear about your pets!
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RELIGION

Q: For the last over two years, because of COVID, my husband and I haven't seen our three grandchildren and their parents. This was necessary because of underlying physical conditions we both have. For whatever reason, our daughter has pretty much dropped the precautions to stay safe and is in the process of planning a trip to Hawaii. She and our son-in-law want us to join them, but we're not comfortable traveling at this time.

Every time one of us has a conversation with either of them, we hear the inevitable, "Sure you don't want to join us?" We have absolutely no intention of going and try as nicely as we can to tell them no. We always tell them to go, have a good time and send pictures. Is there a nice way of making our position very clear on this issue?

~ Not Traveling

Dear Not Traveling,

I'm sure it's frustrating to not have your family "hear" you and honor your request to not travel now. And it seems important to them to want to include

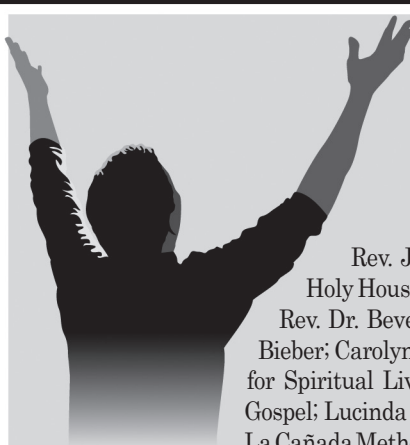
you. Perhaps that is why they continue to ask you – hoping you would change your mind.

That being said, why not talk to them one more time and explain your position and feelings and also acknowledge that you appreciate their offer to include you in their plans. Perhaps there could be a Zoom call or FaceTime call while they are on their trip. That way you would almost be present and part of their trip. Technology now makes it possible to do that and is second best to being there.

Circumstances for people are often accommodated by other means where it's a win-win for all parties involved.

When I have a situation with someone, I always acknowledge that it is God talking to God, and understanding, clarity, patience and love are present in our conversation. God talking to God, spirit talking to spirit – not ego talking to ego, personality vs. personality. No one is right or wrong ... and it always works out for everyone.

Your family loves you. And you have your own boundaries to be honored, with love.



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Responses are offered from the perspective of individual Spiritually Speaking respondents, which may or may not be in agreement with other respondents of Spiritually Speaking nor the editor and staff of the Crescenta Valley Weekly.

Good luck! Enjoy sharing the trip by another means.

Blessings,

Laney Clevenger White,
RScP
laneycl@ca.rr.com

Dear Not Traveling,

In a word, no! Seriously, that may sound a little harsh but sometimes harsh words are the only ones to get through to those who can't or won't listen. My late minister friend Dennis Adams wrote a short book about being honest, direct and respectful. It sounds to me as if you have done all those things with your daughter (you have been honest, direct and respectful) and I'm sure you don't want to create any unnecessary friction in your family.

How about this? The next time your daughter invites you on a trip to Timbuktu or wherever say very nicely that you appreciate her thinking of you (after all, you seem to have raised her right—she is thinking of her parents!), but tell her that your traveling days are over. That may be the truth or it may

not be, but it also might shock your daughter into realizing that you are no longer 30 but (fill in the blank for whatever age you are). If she says, "Oh, Mom, you really aren't that old!" say to her in reply, "Oh yes we are!" And then gently tell her in as nice a way as possible that that is what you have been trying to say every time she asks you to go along with her. You'd like to hear all about the trip when she gets back. But as for tagging along with her, those days are gone. It just could be that your daughter is in denial about the passage of time and she does not want to look at the fact that we all age ... and die! Even her wonderful, loving parents

Yours for truth and honesty and respectfulness,

The Rev. C. L. "Skip"
Lindeman
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Q: I'm twice divorced with two adult children who I seldom see and who rarely call or check up on me. My problem has been trying to live on the

meager Social Security I receive every month. I have a friend who moved to Mexico and is living comfortably in a community with many Americans. Her income is about the same as mine. If I moved there, my monthly income would go a lot further and provide a better lifestyle. When I told my kids I'm thinking of relocating there, they didn't like the idea. I told them they could come and visit and I wouldn't have the financial struggle I have here. I'm serious about the move and will probably go within the next couple of months. Even though I've laid out all the facts, the kids don't seem to be listening. I just don't know what to say when they start in attempting to change my mind. Help!

~Moving Soon


Dear Moving Soon ~

It sounds like you've been thinking about this for a while. It's a big move, but as long as you've done effective research, it may provide a better lifestyle for you. The fears surrounding

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NOTES & NODS

LCIF News
All aboard for Rocky Railway! This year's theme for vacation Bible school at Lutheran Church in the Foothills is sure to excite any train-loving kid. After a two-year pause due to the pandemic, the church is getting ready for the return of its week-long VBS. It all begins Monday, June 27 at 8:45 a.m. for children ages 4 to 12. There is still time to register by visiting the church's website, lcifoohills.org. The cost is \$35 for one child, \$25 each for two or more. Families can also register in person the day the program begins. Visit lcifoohills.org for event details, including small group gatherings and opportunities to serve. For more information or to request/offer help, email office@lcifoohills.org, or call (818) 790-1951. The church is located at 1700 Foothill Blvd in La Cañada Flintridge. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Vacation Bible School at La Crescenta Presbyterian
La Crescenta Presbyterian Church invites families to register for "Jerusalem Marketplace," a vacation Bible school for children Monday through Friday, July 11-15, from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. All children from age 4 to incoming sixth graders are welcome to come and experience what it was like to live at the time of Jesus' earthly ministry. Through stories, games, music and crafts, children will learn about Jesus' own time in the city of Jerusalem, which

changed the world forever.
The cost of this weeklong adventure is per family unit: \$40 for one child; \$70 for two children; \$100 for three or more children; and \$8 per optional T-shirt. Registration for "Jerusalem Marketplace" is now open. Please visit lcpc.net/VBS to sign up. 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
In May, Walk and Word participants will meet in the parking lot of Deukmejian Wilderness Park, 3429 Markridge Road in La Crescenta/Glendale at 8 a.m. on June 26. Participants will walk for the first hour and then gather to read a selection of Scripture. About a half hour will be spent journaling about what was read and then there will be conversation, sharing thoughts. Participants are asked to bring something to write with, anything wanted to eat or drink, and a chair to use for the writing part of the morning. Because people will be outdoors and social distancing will be practiced, masks will be optional. Those with questions can email Jeanne at jlnavieri@earthlink.net. All are welcome. If the hike is too strenuous, there are level paths at the park. There are ramps from the parking lot to the field where the group gathers after the hike.

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moving to another country revolve around safety, security and accessibility. The funny thing about our children is they're less inclined to be amenable to change when it comes to us because it upsets their vision of things – mom or dad won't be where I'm used to anymore. Also, the concept strikes the nerve of how they will reach us if they need us.

All that to say you have every right to make decisions about your life. You're not answerable to your children. As long as you have healthy cognitive abilities and are able-bodied, these are your choices.

Scripture advises in 2 Timothy 1:7: "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind." (NKJV)

Often our children believe that we've lost the capacity to manage ourselves, mainly when we choose to act in a way they feel is unbecoming. It's not their fault, however. We raise them in the faith to be sensitive and compassionate and watch over us in our old age. "Children, obey your parents in the Lord [that is, accept their guidance and discipline as His representatives], for this is right [for obedience teaches wisdom and self-discipline]. Honor [esteem, value as precious] your father and your mother [and be respectful to them] – this is the first commandment with a promise – so that it may be well with you, and that you may have a long life on earth.

"Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger [do not exasperate them to the point of resentment

with demands that are trivial or unreasonable or humiliating or abusive; nor by showing favoritism or indifference to any of them], but bring them up [tenderly, with loving kindness] in the discipline and instruction of the Lord." Ephesians 6:1-4 (AMP)

So, we all have responsibilities, parents and children to care for one another.

I wonder what it would be like for you to approach your children again with the data to support your decision. They still may not listen to you, [but instead provide] you with an opportunity to declare what you're going to do in no uncertain terms. You may want to keep your voice even and not give rise to emotions that might begin to brew inside. Instead, try to listen to their concerns, weigh the value and continue to make the wisest decisions you have for yourself.

Remember to enlist the power of prayer to speak clearly and concisely to their attempts to reason with you. Then, in the same calm and caring manner, share your heart with them adding that you're not trying to get away from them but trying to have a better quality of life with relatable people in a less stressful financial environment.

As you prepare to meet with them and have consulted with the Holy Spirit for guidance and discernment, He will provide ways for you to speak directly to their concerns with conviction. Ultimately, the decision is yours to

make. I suggest a thoughtful and kind approach, but with strength. After all, they're still your children and leaving with an unblemished relationship will bless you and them.

I wish you blessings of peace in your process and happy trails on your next adventure!

Be well & be blessed!

Lucinda Guarino

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Dear Moving Soon,

It certainly is a struggle in today's economy to make ends meet on a limited income like Social Security. Without a significant savings or retirement, it's difficult to think of facing the economic future with any sense of anticipation. I can also understand how the move would help you feel like you have a greater opportunity to maintain somewhat of a normal lifestyle. I would like to suggest some things you might consider when thinking about talking further with your adult children about this decision.

I think it would be helpful to remind them of all the years when they were younger that you lovingly devoted almost all of your time caring for them and providing for them. But when they became adults and took on adult responsibilities, they were no longer dependent on you. And now it's time for you to have the freedom to make wise choices that are in your best interest whether or not they agree with them.



Laney Clevenger White, RScP



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Lucinda Guarino



Pastor Randy Foster

Second, like most adults in retirement, I'm sure you don't want to be a burden to your children and have to rely on them to help provide for you. And the reality is, if they seldom call and check up on you now then staying here probably won't change that to any degree.

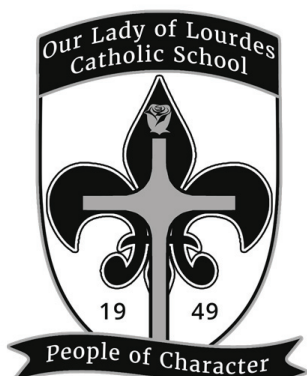
Finally, if you have committed this decision to the Lord and feel good about it, then I suggest you let them know that you've done that. As we face our later years, finding a community of like-minded people and the ability to maintain our independence is one of the most important things to all of us. If your children love you, and I'm sure they

do, they will want what's best for you just like you did for them all the years they were growing up.

Making a move that is in your own best interest might sound selfish but you simply need to follow the instructions of Solomon in Proverbs 3:5-6 to: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him and he will make your paths straight."

Praying God's best to you as you talk with your children and move in the direction you feel the Lord is leading you!

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GAS from COVER

The cost and availability of gas is an issue across the nation and globally. On July 1 the gas tax will rise by 2.8 cents per gallon in California bringing the total tax on gas to 53.9 cents per gallon. Gov. Gavin Newsom had proposed a gas relief plan for the upcoming July 1 increase, which was rejected by legislative leaders. He then proposed a plan that would give a \$400 rebate to each registered vehicle owner, up to two cars, in the form of a debit card, like unemployment insurance. This was debated by state legislative leaders who

preferred instead to give relief to all residents who earn up to \$125,000 annually or jointly \$250,000. Each person would get \$200 of financial help. This is still in debate.

A little relief may come from the federal level. On Wednesday, President Joe Biden called on Congress to "suspend the federal gas tax for the next 90 days, through the busy summer season – busy travel season," the President said in a press conference on Wednesday.

"Here's what that means: Every time you go to the gas station to fill your tank, the

federal government charges an 18-cent tax per gallon of gas that you purchase and at 24-cent tax per gallon of diesel you purchase. It's a tax that's been around for 90 years," President Biden said.

There is debate from economists to politicians on how much this will help and remind the public that this is only a 90-day break – though it is a break.

"I have been in direct touch with the White House to encourage them to temporarily suspend the gas tax and bring immediate relief to families

struggling to make ends meet. But we shouldn't stop there. We should also hold Big Oil accountable for the price-gouging that is driving prices up in the first place, and I've introduced legislation that would tackle these problems at once by suspending the federal gas tax, paid for by a 50% tax on the excess profits of major oil companies, with the revenue going towards roads and highways in our communities. This is just one of several actions the federal government can take to ease pain at the pump," said Rep. Adam Schiff.

President Biden added that he was reaching out to states to "either suspend [the] state gas tax as well or find other ways to deliver some relief."

He also called out to the gas industry to refine more oil into gasoline and to bring down the prices.

"Last week, I sent a letter to the CEOs of the largest oil-refining companies asking them to work with my administration to bring refineries back online to get more gas to the pump at lower prices," he added.

In the meantime, prices at see GAS on page 19

FIREWORKS from Cover

has headed up the CV fireworks display since 2000. “[Hughes] asked me to step in,” Hutch said of his involvement with the show after the former technician was unable to continue spearheading the show.

Hutch has a volunteer staff of between 30 and 50 people.

“Normally, on a show like this, you would have a few days of setup but with a big crew we will show up on the fourth [of July],” Hutchins said.

Glendale Unified School District does have some rules that need to be followed while on the track and field. These include no food eaten on the field and no chairs that have post legs can be used on the field. Lawn chairs or beach type chairs that have rounded legs can be used.

There will be a security company at the event and bags will be checked when people enter. Coolers that contain only water are allowed; no alcohol and no drinks other than water will be allowed onto the field.

The food trucks will be parked along Ramsdell Avenue. A food court seating area will be in the parking lot next to the field accessible from Ramsdell Avenue.

Parking at the school is a fundraiser for CVHS Prom Plus Club with a per car parking space charge of \$5. The funds will go toward Prom Plus and Prom Plus Club. For information on Prom Plus please visit www.promplus.org.

Presale tickets for the fireworks display are on sale now; presale adult tickets are \$9 per ticket; children 7 years and younger are free. Presale tickets can be purchased at J’s Maintenance, 3550 Foothill Blvd., Bob Smith Toyota, 3333 Foothill Blvd., CV Insurance, 3156 Foothill Blvd., the CV Chamber office, 3131 Foothill Blvd. ‘D’ and the offices of CV Weekly, 3800 La Crescenta Ave., Ste. 206.

On the day of the event, tickets can be purchased for \$10 per ticket; there is no charge for children 7 years and younger.

“It’s a good deal,” Pierce said.

Though most prices are increasing, the CV Fireworks Assn. wanted to keep tickets affordable for this family-friendly event.

The Mary Dyer Band will be performing from 6 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Fireworks are scheduled to begin about 9 p.m.

Gates open at 4 p.m. The entrance is at the CVHS track and field in the 4300 block of Ramsdell Avenue. Paid parking is located at the southeast corner of Ramsdell and Community avenues.

CV Fireworks Association is a non-profit organization that pays for the event by fundraising. Those who would like to donate can do so by visiting its website at www.cvfireworks.com or using the donation envelope included with this week’s CV Weekly.

This is a large event that requires a lot of volunteers. CV Fireworks Association is looking for volunteers to help with setup and take down on the Fourth of July. Anyone who can and would like to volunteer can contact Steve Pierce at (818) 259-5195.

IN BRIEFS from page 3

programming fundamentals, and have fun with robots!

All welcome.

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KEEP UP-TO-DATE INFO ON ENVIRONMENTAL LEGISLATION

Join the Sierra Club’s Crescenta Valley Group and the Verdugo Hills Group for a program scheduled for Monday, July 11 at 7 p.m. to learn about environmental legislation being considered in the California Assembly this session. Alondra Lopez, deputy to Assemblymember Laura Friedman, will discuss some of the legislations such as: AB-2026, Recycling Plastic Packaging and Carryout Bags and AB-2344, Wildlife Connectivity and Transportation projects. In addition, she will discuss other legislation now on the Assembly Floor that includes transportation planning and funding and its effects on regional transportation and climate goals, as well as establishing an Integrated Distributed Energy Resources Fund for California.

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GAS from Cover

the pump are going down, ever so slightly, and maybe in the next three months Congress, the Biden Administration and refinery CEOs will actually work together to give relief to everyone who is affected

by the rising gas prices – which is actually everybody because the high rates are being passed on to those even without a vehicle. The rising cost of fuel, especially diesel, means that anything transported on a

truck, train or ship is affected.

Just in case they don’t work it out, maybe Californians should set aside as much savings as they can because the end of this “gas tax holiday” could send us all into sticker shock.

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