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Council Lauds Fireworks Display

By Ruth SOWBY

At its meeting on Tuesday of the Glendale City Council, Mayor Ardy Kassakhian recognized CV organizers for their “excellent fireworks program.” He continued, “People showed up in record numbers.” He also offered a reminder of this Saturday’s 27th Annual Cruise Night on Brand Boulevard. The Night will feature the “Sounds of Santana” and is being promoted as “The Coolest Luau in Glendale.”

Councilmember Paula Devine announced the rollout of the city’s composting program. Free containers to store household organics are available for pickup at 548 W. Chevy Chase in Glendale.

Councilmember Ara Najarian announced a \$34.6 million grant received by the City of Glendale to electrify the blue bus line with 20 battery-operated electric busses and a new parking deck.

Items were acted upon and seconded. Of note was a resolution of the appropriation of \$1,405,456 to provide funding for the memorandum of understanding between the city and the Glendale Police Officers’ Association for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Oral communications commenced with public comments limited to three minutes. An issue was brought up by neighbors on the 1400 block of Cleveland Road concerning a home health care business operating without permits. It was decided by councilmembers that the city manager might refer the matter to the appropriate department for investigation and subsequent report.

With no new business the council meeting adjourned.

Following a brief recess a reorganization ceremony was held recognizing incoming and outgoing councilmembers and other city officers. State Senator Anthony Portantino administered the oath of office to City Treasurer Rafi Manoukian, City Clerk Suzie Abajian and newly elected city councilmembers Elen Asatryan, Dan Brotman and Ara Najarian. Councilman Najarian is the longest serving councilmember, having been elected to five terms on the council. He was also recognized as the new chair of the Los Angeles Metro Board of Directors, in addition to his ongoing chairmanship of Los Angeles Metrolink.

In his remarks Najarian said, “I bring my decades of experience ... that no other person could bring to the dais. This is our city. Let’s make it sparkle.”

Having The Best People in their Corner

Supporters of IFLA gather to remember the organization’s namesake while looking to helping others.

By Mary O’KEEFE

On June 30, The Chace Taylor Malone Impact Foundation Los Angeles (IFLA) held a ribbon cutting where a tree was planted in memory of Chace, for whom the Foundation was formed. The event was held at Montrose Park and community members, elected official representatives and organizations all showed their support of this year-old organization.

IFLA has its roots in the tragic loss of Chace Malone Taylor, who was 27 years old when he died of substance abuse in January 2021.

Sometimes the best way to heal is to help others and that is what Chace’s parents, Victoria and Michael, and his friends wanted to do. They wanted to be the place those who need help could reach out to and receive non-judgmental guidance to a healthy return from the brink of despair.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recently released information that shows how prevalent substance abuse is and what a huge role fentanyl plays. According to the CDC, there were 109,000 fatal drug overdoses in the U.S. from February 2021 to February 2022. Two thirds of those deaths can be linked to fentanyl and one third was due to methamphetamine and other psychostimulants (sympathomimetic drugs including cocaine).



Photo by Mary O’KEEFE
 IFLA board members and supporters gather around founder Victoria Malone (center in white) as she prepares to cut the ribbon at Montrose Park.

lants (sympathomimetic drugs including cocaine).

“Chace had struggles with anxiety and depression, which also led to substance abuse for many years,” according to the IFLA website.

The IFLA is based on the concept of being a place with a holistic approach that helps the entire person, not just their addiction, and creating a path away from the one the person is on and helping him/her with a healthy path forward. IFLA does this by helping to navigate the red tape typically found in getting help and coping with the overwhelming stress that often accompanies finding assistance.

IFLA president Jerry Butt, who also was a

friend of Chace’s, said that although he may be the president and there are others on the board it was Victoria’s constant work that pushed the Foundation forward.

“To see this turnout for IFLA really means so much and shows we are starting off in the best direction with the best people in our corner,” he told the audience at the ribbon cutting. “Our goal is to create outlets for those suffering in our community so that they know where they can turn for help, know who they can talk to for guidance and support and to know they are not alone.”

He added his hope is that, through IFLA’s

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Advice on Recognizing – and Avoiding – Scams

By Mary O’KEEFE

Scams are cyclical. There may be a rash of calls concerning IRS payments needing to be made or threats of utilities being turned off due to false claims surrounding a lack of payment. CVW wants to remind readers once again that if something feels wrong or seems suspicious, take time to verify.

“There is a huge variety of [scams],” said Sgt. Brian Young, Glendale Police Dept. - Financial Crimes Unit.

Lately a lot of scam calls concerned Glendale Water and Power. Scammers would call residents claiming to represent GWP and threaten to shut off their power because a bill hadn’t been paid. The victims who received the fraudulent calls are surprised because they either thought their bill was paid in full or had made arrangements to make payment.

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Photo courtesy of GWP
 Glendale Water & Power impersonators may use “spoofing software” that lets them falsely display the name and phone number of GWP on a customer’s caller ID. To learn more, visit <https://tinyurl.com/4wj3r3p6>.

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Helping Out A Friend to the Community

As most of you know, I have been involved with the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce for nearly 20 years (give or take a year or two). I am proud of how the chamber hosts ribbon cuttings to let the community know of new area businesses, of the networking mixers it holds to better engage business owners and the way the executive board comes together to host a variety of community events, like the annual Hometown Country Fair.

To me the success of the chamber not only rests on the executive board but also its leadership. And over the years there have been all types of leaders, from those who had more of a hands-off approach to their duties to those who are much more engaged with their community. Former CV Chamber president Calvin "Kaipo" Chock was one of the presidents who was totally engaged with the community.

He owned JR Hardware in the 2900 block of Foothill Boulevard and, despite having his own business and being busy with all that entailed he was at the forefront of everything the chamber did. Bingo game? Kaipo was right there, handing out winnings, greeting folks who came in and calling out games. At the Hometown Country Fair, he and his wife Bobbi got plants on loan from OSH to decorate the Fair's stage.

He came to several (pre-pandemic) Prom Plus meetings, ready to help out where and how he could. One year, when Mary O'Keefe and I were the chairs of the American Cancer Society Relay for Life event, Kaipo brought his motorhome so folks could rest. It was also a "safe place" for organizers to meet. He and Bobbi

also hosted chamber parties at their home and I had them at my house a couple of times when I needed some guidance.

A student at St. Francis High School, Kaipo was a local guy but a couple of years ago, unexpectedly, Kaipo and his family moved to Arizona. Kaipo was such an intrinsic part of our community; I knew we'd feel the loss.

That was in 2020 and though we texted now and again we weren't in constant contact. Fast forward to today.

I heard rumors that Kaipo's health had taken a downward turn. According to his son Tyler, Kaipo was diagnosed and living with FTD (frontotemporal dementia). This is a rare state of dementia that causes severe problems with behavior, communication, emotions, and motor function, along with memory loss and loss of bodily control.

In December, Bobbi quit her job to help with Kaipo's care; unfortunately he's now past the point of living at home and has been admitted to a hospital. The family has set up a GoFundMe page so people can help with the expenses that are piling up. Donations are urgently needed. I urge everyone who can to donate to the GoFundMe at <https://tinyurl.com/bddr59u4>.

Kaipo Chock did so much for the Crescenta Valley; now is the time the Crescenta Valley can do something for him.

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Weather Watch

Taking A Look Outside Our Window

"Far on the desert rim the thunder breaks
And white clouds turn to steel above the plain.
Now it will rain."

~ Sylvia Lewis Kinney, "August,"
Arizona Highways, 1968

We have all seen those iconic paintings of the lone cowboy on his horse in the desert with big puffy clouds behind him. Anyone who has spent any time in the desert know those big beautiful clouds often will, without warning, begin to dump buckets of rain onto the desert floor.

Now is what is known as monsoon season, which is from June 15 to Sept. 30. The term monsoon generally refers to the seasonal reversal in atmospheric low-level circulations, particularly the surface winds and associated precipitation, resulting in a pattern of wet summers and dry winters, according to National Weather Service.

California's mountains and deserts have this type of monsoon season; in fact, Southern California had its first seasonal monsoon weather event in June with rain accompanied by thunder and lightning.

"It's like a very hot pot on the stove and the steam that comes up and interacts with the terrain," said meteorologist Todd Hall, NWS.

While California does have monsoonal weather in the mountains and deserts there is one area that has an uncanny season that is so exact you can almost set your clock by it.

Sierra Vista, Arizona is about three hours from Phoenix, an

hour outside of Tucson, 20 miles from the Mexico border and about 20 miles from Tombstone. Sierra Vista has a lot of desert, cactus and mesquite. It is the type of landscape that can be found in all of those iconic paintings. The white puffy clouds float in a light blue sky that causes desert lovers to look up letting the sun wash over their faces. They close their eyes and, without warning, rainwater is dumped on them so fast they can hardly breathe.

And being in a car is not that much better, especially if you are on your way

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Photo by Jeff KEEFE
In Sierra Vista clouds come in fast ultimately dumping buckets of water on unsuspecting heads.



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PHOTOGRAPHING THE NATURAL WORLD AT ROSEMONT PRESERVE

On Saturday, July 23 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., the community is invited to join naturalist/professional photographer Althea Edwards as she shares techniques to improve photography skills while exploring the Rosemont Preserve. She will share ideas and approaches to creating images that reflect not only the beauty of the natural world but the details and narratives within it.

Participants will look for potential subject matter ranging from plant forms and textures to crawling and flying creatures – perhaps even see tarantula hawk wasps in action! Topics will include composition, color vs. black & white, using natural light, and “seeing” with more than just the eyes.

All are invited to join in the search for the flora and fauna that best depict summer at the Preserve! To provide participants with the most rewarding experience, this event is limited to 10 attendees. Please RSVP to RosemontFriends@gmail.com to attend.

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.

CERTIFIED ELECTION RESULTS RELEASED

Certified election results were released this week. In the City of Glendale races, the office of Glendale City Clerk was won by Suzie Abajian with 52.70% of the vote (16,456 ballots); Greg Krikorian received 47.30% of the vote (14,771 ballots).

In the race for Glendale City Council, the top three seats were won by Dan Brotman, who received 19.06% of the vote (15,621 ballots), Elen Asatryan, who received 16.06% of the vote (13,165 ballots) and Ara Najarian, who received 14.50% of the vote (11,881 ballots).

CITY REPORTS SUCCESSFUL WATER SAVING

On July 8, Glendale Water & Power submitted its monthly water use report to the State Water Resources Control Board and the data shows that Glendale’s residents and businesses are responding to drought conservation messaging and successfully conserving water. Glendale’s City Council pro-actively moved into Phase II of mandatory conservation in August 2020, and to Phase III of mandatory water conservation effective Feb. 1, 2022, which limits outdoor watering to Tuesdays and Saturdays for no more than 10 minutes per station.

Water use in Glendale was down almost 12% in June 2022 compared to June 2021, and water use was 26% lower than in June 2013. Since moving to mandatory conservation in August 2020, Glendale’s residents and businesses have saved nearly 500 million gallons of water.

Most customers’ water usage is used for outside landscaping. The easiest way to conserve is to curtail outdoor watering as much as possible. Customers can visit <http://saveourh2o.org/>, www.GlendaleWaterAndPower.com, or www.Bewaterwise.com for more tips and information on conserving water.

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Exciting Changes Coming to Montrose Bowl

By Mary O’KEEFE

Montrose Bowl at 2334 Honolulu Ave. has been in Montrose since 1940 and it has not gone unnoticed by CV Weekly readers that there has been construction occurring at the historic location. The bowling alley was purchased and is being refurbished and remodeled; however, take heart! The new owners respect the building’s past and will continue to host those who love to bowl by mixing the old and the new.

“We bought the [property] early on during COVID,” said Tzvi Ratner-Stauber, owner of the Montrose Bowl property.

Ratner-Stauber is part of a longtime California family that has been doing business in the San Fernando Valley since 1910. So not only does he and his family know history they also respect it.

“We have a great appreciation for LA history,” he said. “I grew up going to Montrose Bowl.”

He and his friends had birthday parties at the bowling alley and he has many fond memories of the time spent there. When he heard the business was for sale he was concerned that a developer might come in and turn it into another type of business, so the family purchased it.

“[Our family] loves Honolulu Avenue [but] we knew this was outside our comfort zone. This could be a passion project and not just [approached] from a landlord’s standpoint,” he said.

And he thought bringing the building back to its glory would be “a lot of fun.”

Of course part of that fun is dealing with City of Glendale permitting which, as CVW has often reported is not always easy; however, the work on the building does appear to be moving forward ... at least as of this week.

Robert Grigoryan, who will be hosting the new restaurant inside the bowling alley, said they have been working with the City and hopes they will be ready to open this fall despite a lot of work that had to be done to the interior of the building.

“There may have been some updates in the 1980s/90, but nothing since then,” Grigoryan said. “We had to replace everything.”

That included all the plumbing, electrical and walls. The interior is pretty much gone except for the very protected area that houses the bowling alley and ball machines. Except for the needed modernization of equipment everything else will be left to its historic past. The flooring is being repaired in places but will be pretty much the same. The scoring equipment is being replaced “so it actually works.”

To say both Ratner-Stauber and Grigoryan respect the history of the bowling alley is an understatement.

“I came here when I was a kid,” Grigoryan said.

He is a graduate of Glendale High School and spent many happy birthdays, both his and his friends’, bowling at Montrose Bowl.

“The theme of the bowling alley will stay the same,” he assured.

Grigoryan plans to open a vegan restaurant, something that he felt was lacking in Montrose; however, there is still talk about how to add non-vegan pizza to the menu. They know a lot of kids will come to the bowling alley and may want a traditional pizza.

The Montrose restaurant inside the bowling alley will be similar to Grigoryan’s restaurant Never Caged in Los Angeles. He has seen people who were not familiar with a vegan menu pleasantly surprised at his restaurant’s fare.

“Now people are more conscious of vegan dining,” Ratner-Stauber said.

The idea to purchase the property and keep Montrose Bowl was not an easy one but “after a lot of deliberation” they decided to renovate and keep the “real vintage” style of the property, Ratner-Stauber said.

“It is going to be exactly like it [has been] with eight lanes and handwritten scoring but with a new sound system,” he said.

The exterior will remain the same and, although there will still be bowling, the focus will be on the restaurant.

“Before it was the restaurant that complemented





the bowling. Now it will be the bowling that complements the restaurant,” he said.

They are hoping for a fall opening – if all permitting and inspections go well. The one thing that will change will be the hours of operation. They plan on being open Mondays through Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.

For information on the history of Montrose Bowl, visit www.cvweekly.com and search Montrose Bowl by Mike Lawler.


Photos by Mary O’KEEFE
TOP: Robert Grigoryan stands in the interior of the Montrose Bowl, which is undergoing extensive renovations with an expected reopening in the fall.
ABOVE: The interior of Montrose Bowl is unrecognizable as renovations continue.

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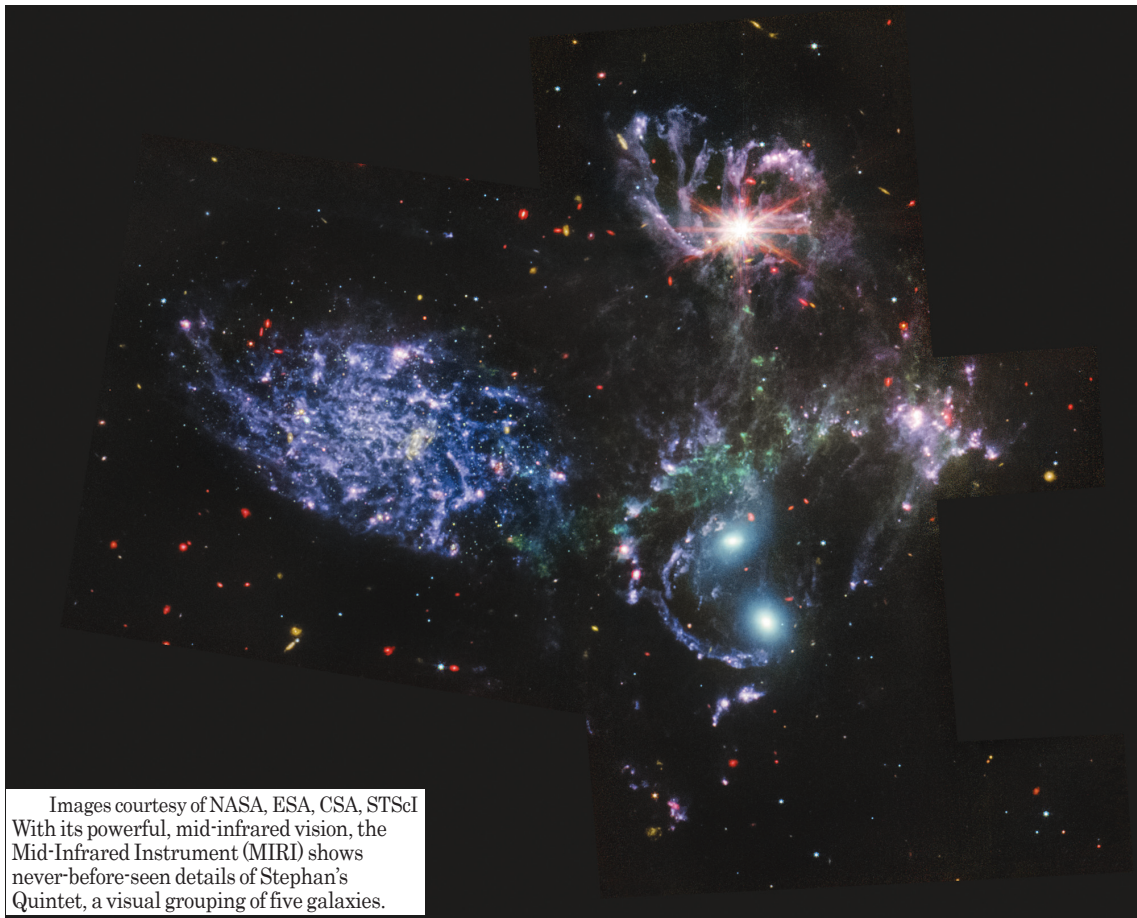


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By Mary O'KEEFE

"All truths are easy to understand once they are discovered; the point is to discover them." ~ Galileo Galilei

On Tuesday the first photos/data from the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) were revealed to

the general public and to many of those who worked on the project.

One of those photos revealed Stephan's Quintet.

"Stephan's Quintet, a visual grouping of five galaxies, is best known for being prominently
see JPL on page 8

NOTES & NODS

LCIF News

The recent weeklong vacation Bible school at Lutheran Church in the Foothills left dozens of kids with fun-filled memories. It also helped raise money to purchase desperately needed medical supplies for people in war torn Ukraine. VBS participants, volunteers and their families donated more than \$400 through daily offerings. LCIF is partnering with St. Andrews Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Elysian Park to get the medical supplies where they are needed.

This Sunday at 10 a.m., Pastor Chuck Bunnell will preach from the Gospel of Luke 10:38-42. Worship service is held in-person as well as live-streamed on the church's YouTube channel.

A link to the online service can be found on LCIF's website. All are welcome – including anyone who enjoys singing! Summer choir is informal – just show up and sing. No experience required.

LCIF reminds the community of summer activities that are open to all: Bible study groups, knitting, quilting and more! Check the church's website for in-person meeting times. Many activities are also offered via Zoom. Sunday school continues throughout the summer. Families should meet in the worship center at 10 a.m. after the children's sermon, kids head to the Youth Room for a time of play.

For more information or to request/offer help, email office@lcifoothills.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 through Friday, July 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 lpcp.net/VBS to sign up.

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

Walk and Word

In July, 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 July 17, 24 & 31. 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 jnlavieri@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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Barger Announces LA County Contract with Pasadena Humane for Animal Care and Control Services in Targeted Regions

Supervisor Kathryn Barger announced the unanimous approval by the Board of Supervisors for the Los Angeles County Dept. of Animal Care and Control to enter into a contract with Pasadena Humane to provide regional animal care services to the residents of Altadena and unincorporated La Crescenta, East Pasadena and

San Pasqual.

“The proximity of Pasadena Humane to these areas will help pet owners reclaim lost pets more quickly, and facilitate drop offs for residents who find lost pets,” said Barger. “In addition, this partnership should help improve public safety responses as officers will be readily available to respond to calls regarding aggressive

dogs, animal abuse or neglect, law enforcement assistance and other animal emergencies.”

Under the contract approved by the Board of Supervisors, residents in these targeted regions will continue to receive regionally uniform and localized animal care and control services 24 hours a day, seven days a week from Pasadena Humane.

The LA County Dept. of Animal Care and Control’s closest animal care center is currently located in Baldwin Park – 18 miles from Altadena, 26 miles from unincorporated La Crescenta, and 14 miles from East Pasadena/San Pasqual. This distance is a burden for County residents who need essential animal and pet services such as retrieving

lost pets, dealing with aggressive animals and animal emergencies. Currently, Pasadena Humane provides similar services to the adjacent cities of Arcadia, Bradbury, Glendale, La Cañada Flintridge, Monrovia, Pasadena, San Marino, Sierra Madre and South Pasadena. Its shelter is located at 361 S. Raymond Ave. in Pasadena.

A Conversation with Adam Schiff: Part 2

By Mary O’KEEFE

On a morning in June 1972 the headquarters of the Democratic National Committee was broken into. The headquarters was located in the Watergate complex in Washington, DC. The break-in was not an ordinary burglary; the suspects were caught wiretapping phones and stealing documents. We now know it was a comedy of errors as the five suspects had to return to the Watergate more than once to repair and replace the original non-working wiretapping equipment. At first the break-in was not even a blip on the political radar. In fact, Richard M. Nixon easily won the presidency over George McGovern in November, but shortly after the win the Watergate break-in became not just a blip but a political tsunami that would see a President resign and many of those in his inner circle serving prison time.

A U.S. Senate Watergate Committee was formed in February 1973. Its findings and investigations were televised during the afternoon and repeated during prime time on PBS stations across the nation. An estimated 20 million people watched the hearings during primetime alone, not including those who tuned in during the day to watch them live. President Nixon had won reelection in 1972 by a landslide and had a 68% Gallup poll approval rating in January 1973; however, in April 1973 as the news spread of Watergate and the hearings, 83% Americans had heard or read about Watergate. When the President accepted the resignations of his top aides John Ehrlichman and H.R. Haldeman, Nixon’s approval rating fell to 48%.

The public, along with many high ranking Republicans including Senator Barry Goldwater, were in favor of Nixon resigning from the presidency.

But that was then and this is now ...

“The Watergate break-in was like a Cub Scout meeting compared to this assault on our people and our institutions,” said Rep. Jamie Raskin at the end of Tuesday’s Jan. 6 Committee hearing.

On Jan. 6, 2021 a mob of about 2,500 people stormed into the Capitol in an effort to stop the certification of the November 2020 election, which Joe Biden won. Many protestors – most in fact – believed the election was stolen, which it was not. There was no evidence that there was widespread election fraud. Over 60 lawsuits filed by former President Donald Trump or his allies have failed before both Democrat and Republican appointed judges.

On June 30, 2021, a resolution was approved to form a Jan. 6 Committee to investigate the insurrection that occurred. The committee has heard from numerous witnesses and viewed thousands of hours of tape from Jan. 6 as well as reviewing texts; it has analyzed other evidence like texts and notes from witnesses.

Rep. Adam Schiff is part of the Jan. 6 Committee.

“I think this has been the closest we have come to the Watergate hearings in the sense they have had an extraordinary reach,” Schiff said of the televised hearings.

Times have changed as has the average attention span of the public since Watergate so the hearings regarding Jan. 6 only last a few hours with a break taken in the middle.

“It is a different world than the time of Watergate,” he said.


One of the big differences is the media and social media coverage; some agencies, like national Fox News, decided not to even run the first airing of the public Jan. 6 Committee hearings that aired in prime time. After that the news outlet decided to broadcast the hearings during

its afternoon airings. Many social media sites continue to promote false information about the Committee’s purpose and the outcome of the hearings.

During Watergate the nation watched the major news agencies that all reported what they saw and there was no social media rabbit hole to fall into.

There have been witness testimonies as to what happened during the days and weeks leading up to Jan. 6. More witnesses continue to come forward to speak to the Committee, which is on a timetable to complete its duties

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Notice of Election 2022 District Election

Preparations are currently underway for the November 8, 2022, Statewide General Election. Crescenta Valley Water District’s (CVWD) general election will be consolidated with the statewide general election on that date.

Board of Directors
CVWD has a five-member Board who are elected to represent the community and set District policy.

Board Meetings
CVWD Board Meetings are generally held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm

Open Seats
Three (3) Director Positions for CVWD will be up for election.

Qualifications
Candidates for Director are to be registered voters residing within the boundaries of the District.


Term of Office
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The nomination period for the November 8th election is July 18th through August 12th, 2022.

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before the end of the year though there is concern about the November 2022 elections.

There are two Republicans on the Committee: Adam Kinzinger and Liz Cheney. Kinzinger, who has released recordings of death threats he and his family have received due to his involvement on the Committee, has stated he will not run for office again. Cheney is considered the underdog in the

August primary in her home state of Wyoming.

"We feel a little sense of urgency driving us by the fact that the [fraudulent election] lie is being used to change election laws," Schiff said. "There is a sense of urgency if [Democrats] don't hold the House. [Rep. Speaker of the House Kevin McCarthy] said he will do away with the Jan. 6 Committee."

So far, there has not been

the bombshell of Presidential recordings/tapes in the Jan. 6 Committee hearings that were revealed in the Watergate hearings; however, there have been a number of texts and witness accounts that paint a picture of what happened that day leading up to the insurrection.

Schiff said the Committee plans to finish its work by the end of the year.

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CRIME BLOTTER

July 11

4500 block of Viro Road in La Cañada Flintridge, a catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle. A witness reported observing a four-door dark sedan parked in the middle of the street in front of his home. He heard the sound of power tools coming from a neighbor's Toyota. The man appeared to be working on the vehicle. The witness yelled at the man; the man yelled something back then got into the parked vehicle and left the area at 4 a.m.

July 10

5500 block of Godbey Drive in La Cañada Flintridge, a man reported parking his vehicle and locking the doors. When he returned he found the driver's side keyhole was punched. He had left his wallet in the vehicle; he discovered his credit cards were stolen.

The incident occurred between 10 a.m. and 2:45 p.m.

July 9

4900 block of Revlon Drive in La Cañada Flintridge, residents returned to find a gate to their yard and a door to their home open. The screen to a window was also missing. Several rooms were ransacked and numerous personal items were stolen between 11:30 a.m. and 3:40 p.m.

July 8

600 block of Foothill Boulevard

in La Cañada Flintridge, a woman reported that as she was shopping she placed her purse in the child seat area of the shopping cart but later found it had been stolen. "It should be noted," according to a witness, that a male, described as White, about 20 years old, 5'7" tall, with a thin build with black hair who at the time was wearing a red soccer jersey and a female described as White, about 20 years old, 5'4" tall, with a thin build with black hair who at the time was wearing a white/green shirt and white/green hat, approached the woman prior to her noticing her purse was gone. They asked questions about the groceries at the store and if she spoke Spanish. She did not see them take her purse.

The theft occurred between 4:30 p.m. and 5 p.m.

July 7

600 block of Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge, an employee reported witnessing, through her own experience and via surveillance footage, four juveniles described as Black teenagers enter the store and grab several articles of women's clothing. They then ran out of the store without attempting to pay.

They entered a black BMW 3281 and fled the area at 2:44 p.m.

2900 block of Fairmount Avenue in La Crescenta, a man reported coming home to find the side doors of his vehicle open; it did not appear that anything was stolen. He checked his girlfriend's vehicle, which was parked in the same parking lot, and found the driver's side door keyhole had been punched. The vehicle was still locked.

Deputies reviewed the surveillance footage and saw an adult male described as Caucasian and, at the time, wearing a baseball cap with a black bill, light colored hooded sweatshirt and light-colored shirt, move out from behind the victim's vehicle and walk to the driver's side door out of view.

The incident occurred at 3:45 a.m.

July 6

900 block of Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge, deputies responded to a call regarding a burglary. The glass door was found shattered, the cash register was opened and paperwork was scattered on the floor. The burglary occurred overnight.

Obituary

James Edward Rinder



Dec. 30, 1933 - April 29, 2022

James Edward Rinder 88, a longtime Glendale resident, passed away at his home on Friday, April 29. He is survived by seven beautiful children: Sheryl Bush (69), Victoria Wilmot (66), Jeannie Hunt (63), and their families and four younger children with Kay, who passed in 2018: Lisa Salas (60) and husband Gil; Darel Rinder (58) and wife Sandy; Debbie Rinder (58) mother of our children Corky; and Kim Mosher (56) and husband Chris; 10 outstanding grandchildren: Kevin Rinder (41), John Salas (31), Christopher Mosher (30), Nicole Salas (29), Kaitlyn Rinder (29), Michael Rinder (28), Kaylyne Mosher (27), Brendan Rinder-O'Rourke (27), Kelly Rinder-O'Rourke (25) and Timmy Rinder-O'Rourke (23); two awesome great-grandchildren: Alexis Rinder (11), Parker Hamilton (9 months); and Kaylyne's twin girls (in utero) coming July 27.

A celebration of life for Jim will be held on Saturday, July 23 at the First United Methodist Church (Carlson Fellowship Hall) located at 134 N. Kenwood Road in Glendale. Lunch will be at 11:45 a.m. and celebration at 1 p.m.

Jim was born in San Diego in 1933, one of 13 children. He was all about family and outlived all but one of his siblings, William Rinder, 92. He was an outstanding baseball player who played semi-pro, loved to tell stories about growing up during the Depression (saved everything), told everyone they should join the Army as he did (to toughen up), collected guns, created Rinder's Parachute Loft after jumping out of planes, and worked in the beer business (Budweiser) for many years. He retired at 55 years young from Passino Distributing and quickly volunteered to watch, transport and love his grandchildren for years to come.

Jim was an outstanding father, husband, Grandpa "Jim" and friend to everyone. He would give you the shirt off his back and the last dollar in his pocket (and we all know how he loved his money). Time with his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and everyone's dogs, wheeling and dealing along with gambling were favorite pastimes for Jim. He always believed he was going to hit the "megabucks" slot machine or win the lottery. Instead, he settled for his second home in Yuma, Arizona where he loved to hang out with his nephews Jeff, Tommy and John to name a few. His imagination, crazy ideas, ability to dream big and storytelling skills kept people laughing and Jim going the last few months. These stories, memories and traditions will continue in the Rinder family for generations to come.

Obituary

Judy K. Morey



March 17, 1947 - March 23, 2022

Judy K. Morey, 75, daughter of the late John Edward and Wilma Walker Strough, was born and raised in Los Angeles and graduated from John Marshall High School in 1965.

She lived her entire life in the Los Angeles/Foothills area, marrying her high school sweetheart Stephen Gary Morey on April 30, 1966, and raising two sons: Bryan Matthew Morey and Gary Michael Morey (deceased).

Judy was a people person who was active in the community and began a 30-year career in real estate with Dilbeck Real Estate La Cañada/Flintridge in 1990.

She often said she "loved making people's dreams come true" and quoted Freud: "The two most important things in life are work and love. If you're lucky enough to love your work, the results are good."

Although Judy was serious about business, she also was fun. She had a great love of the '60s and '70s rock music and kept the radio tuned to vintage rock and roll. She enjoyed keeping up with friends from that era and assisted in planning the reunions for the John Marshall High School Class of '65, working on every detail to ensure a memorable event.

Judy also loved the holidays when each year she would bake hundreds of cookies with her son Bryan, including peanut butter and chocolate chip, and her famous peanut brittle. Even the Union 76 gas station owner at the corner of Foothill and Descanso Drive received a bag of sweets.

Judy leaves many loving family members who will mourn her passing including her son Bryan Morey (La Crescenta); sisters Dee Anne Butcher (Santa Rosa) and Nancy Carnes (Kingwood, Texas); and niece and nephews Lisa Carnes Dempsey, John Carnes, Ron Butcher, Daniel Butcher and wife Sara, and Dean Butcher, as well as great-nieces and nephews.

Judy is preceded in death by her son Gary Michael Morey and former husband Stephen Gary Morey.

A memorial gathering will be held at the Old North Church at Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills at 2:30 p.m. on Aug. 5. A private gathering for the family will follow.

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featured in the holiday classic film, 'It's a Wonderful Life.' Today, NASA's James Webb Space Telescope reveals Stephan's Quintet in a new light. This enormous mosaic is Webb's largest image to date, covering about one-fifth of the Moon's diameter. It contains over 150 million pixels and is constructed from almost 1,000 separate image files. The information from Webb provides new insights into how galactic interactions may have driven galaxy evolution in the early universe," according to NASA.

And this is just the first five days of science that has come from the JWST.

Very early on Tuesday morning the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) hosted a viewing of the first photos.

"We are going to see some incredible images," said JPL director Dr. Laurie Leshin. "[We are] part of the global event. We are doing this together."

There were viewing parties throughout the world including those involved in the JWST mission and those who were just interested in this history-making new step in scientific discovery.

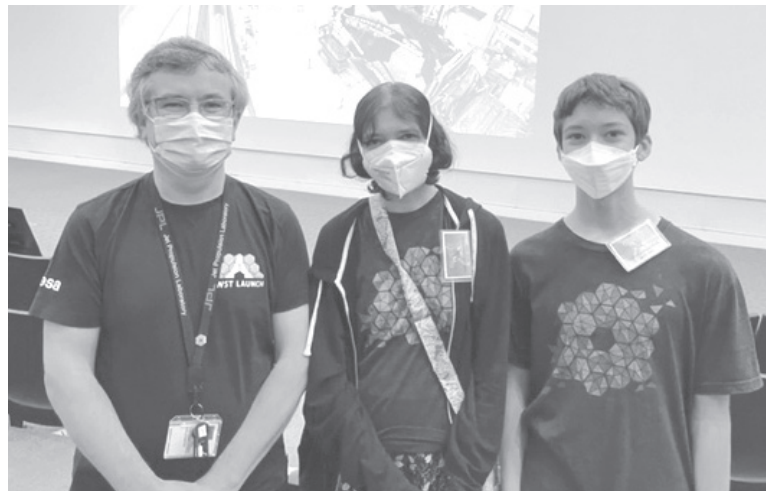
"This is a global mission. Science doesn't know national boundaries,

discovery doesn't care where you live," she said.

Before the viewing began, Michael Ressler, U.S. project scientist for MIRI (Mid-Infrared Instrument), a JPL project, spoke to the audience.

Ressler had started with JWST in 1997 when NASA put out a call for concept studies for instruments for the next generation telescope. He worked with others at JPL to create a concept and submitted a proposal on Sept. 10, 2001.

You can read more at CVWeekly.com/NEWS



Cryo-cooler specialist for MIRI at JPL is Konstantin Penanen shown with his wife Shilpa Jain and son Tanmay. The family was excited and happy on Tuesday to see the first photos from the JWST.

» UPDATE

By Mary O'KEEFE

On June 23, CVW published an article titled "Gas Relief?" The article covered the issue of gas costs in California. CVW had reached out to Assemblymember Laura Friedman. Her comment came in after press deadline; below is her response to the question of a proposed "gas holiday."

"The math is simple – a three-month gas tax holiday

would maybe save a family \$130 and that's assuming the oil industry passes along the savings instead of padding their profit margin," said Assemblymember Laura Friedman. "Our inflation rebate provides up to \$1,050 in cash that goes directly to Californians. It's fair and it's far more effective."

In October, millions of California residents will begin to receive a one-time inflation relief tax rebate. Gov. Gavin Newsom

wanted to give California drivers relief from the state gas tax and a \$400 per vehicle debit card, much like the state's unemployment credit card system. Lawmakers did not like this suggestion so they worked on a compromise that resulted in the Middle Class Tax Refund.

Some residents could see as much as \$1,050, depending on tax filing status, household size and income. For those filing a joint return and reported making

\$150,000 or less on their 2020 tax return with dependents will get \$1050; without dependents \$700. Those who make \$150,000 to \$250,000 with a dependent will receive \$750; without a dependent \$500. For those making \$250,000 to \$500,000, with a dependent, \$600 and without \$400.

The amount varies depending on how residents filed their 2020 tax return; for example, head of household or surviving spouse.

To receive the payment, California residents must have filed a complete 2020 tax return by Oct. 15, 2021.

Although it may not feel like it, at the pump gas prices are dropping ever so slowly. According to AAA, as of July 13 the average price per gallon in California was \$6.027 for regular; on July 12 it was \$6.058 and a month ago it was \$6.436. Of course, a year ago the average was \$4.313 per gallon for regular.

Gas Relief?

Two Arrested for Identity Theft

On July 7 at about 6 p.m., officers assigned to Glendale Police Dept.'s Special Enforcement Detail (SED) conducted a traffic stop in the 400 block of East Broadway. Assisting units arrived and officers spoke with the driver, 39-year-old Davida Parks of Los Angeles, and passenger, 26-year-old Adam Russell (who initially provided officers with false identification) of Buena Park. Officers observed a methamphetamine pipe

in plain view and a vehicle search produced credit and identification cards belonging to other individuals, counterfeit money and two bindles of methamphetamine.

Parks and Russell were both arrested and booked for identity theft and possessing a controlled substance. Russell was also arrested for providing a false name and identification to officers.

» UPDATE

Traffic Issues in the Area

By Mary O'KEEFE

On July 7, CVW published an article titled, "Traffic Safety Discussed at Community Meeting." Crescenta Valley Town Council hosted the meeting and some of the attendees were not under the jurisdiction of the law enforcement represented on the panel. One of those in attendance resides in the far north Glendale area and shared his concerns about New York Avenue and the area around Clark Magnet High School. Below is a response and update from the Glendale Police Dept.

GPD conducted a joint operation with the Burbank Police Dept. where they saturated both cities with law enforcement. Within a six-hour period 200 citations were issued.

"The message we are giving was, 'We are not tolerating [traffic infractions] anymore,'" said Capt. Toby Darby.

GPD has been focusing on other areas including the Glendale portion of Crescenta Valley. Darby said he was told of the concerns about the New York Avenue area voiced at the CV traffic meeting.

"We concentrated on New York,"

Darby said. "We have been sending [traffic officers] up there and they have been productive."

He added he is aware of the issues and will continue to follow up. The department has also been in touch with the member of the public who had originally voiced his concerns about speed and modified exhausts.

Darby said they are not just handing out citations but also working to let people know why they are being stopped.

"Our stance is not to enforce our way out of this [problem]," he said. "We are educating drivers."

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My decision to give back to my community began in 2012 with an application submitted to the Los Angeles County Sheriffs Dept. (LASD) volunteer coordinator at the Crescenta Valley Station. After completing my recruitment process, I was invited to the monthly volunteer meetings where I was introduced to my peers to discuss ongoing projects and issues pertinent to our community.

My volunteer coordinator then scheduled me to attend the approximately month-long VOP (Volunteers on Patrol) Academy to receive official training on patrolling guidelines, radio communications, proper attire and a variety of other policies and procedures, in addition to attending the civilian EVO (Emergency Vehicle Operator Certification), which enables a volunteer to drive a county vehicle.

Upon completion of these requirements, I was paired with a veteran volunteer to go on patrol in a marked volunteer vehicle, dressed in uniform and armed with a radio to assist the field deputies as an additional set of eyes and ears in the community, write non-moving citations, conduct traffic control or any other field-requested duties directed by deputies or other sheriff staff, and conduct vacation checks for residents.

Volunteers perform a variety of non-hazardous duties that may vary with each unit or station. By performing duties that once necessitated the use of sworn and professional staff, volunteers have enabled more deputies to perform vital law enforcement functions. Volunteers also represent the LASD at city/county events or functions as ambassadors of the station. Their assistance is much appreciated.

On occasion I also go on a ride-along with deputies to experience firsthand the valuable service they provide in the field. During my time I have met wonderful, helpful people at the station, and built wonderful relationships with my peers, sworn and non-sworn personnel from our captain to clerk. Not to mention the valuable knowledge I gained throughout my service. Our mission provides an excellent benefit through relationships that build trust, create a safe environment, and enhance the quality of life in our communities within a "Tradition of Service."

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Volunteer Nisan Kazman

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Barger Issues Statement Regarding Proposed Charter Amendment Seeking Approval to Remove Elected Sheriff

Supervisor Kathryn Barger issued the following statement today regarding her lone opposing vote on a proposed Charter Amendment that would shift authority from the voters to the Board of Supervisors to remove the elected Sheriff:

"This proposed Charter Amendment sets a dangerous precedent and creates a slippery slope for the Board of Supervisors to override the will of the voters. The

Sheriff of Los Angeles County, as in all other counties across California, is a constitutionally elected officer, democratically elected every four years. Considering that the current Sheriff is less than four months away from their election, the timing of this action seems highly political.

"If the goal of this Board is 'Promoting Accountability and Community Safety Through Checks and Balances,' then this

action should include all County elected officials – the Assessor, the District Attorney and the Supervisors themselves. A Charter Amendment focused on only one office undermines the credibility of the Board and its underlying intentions.

"I remain concerned that this action, as approved by the Board today, dilutes the voice of Los Angeles County voters and deepens voter apathy."

SCAMS from Cover

The scammer on the other end of the phone call can at times be aggressive with their threats, often causing the victims to feel a false sense of urgency.

Young added that in recent scams the victims have been told to pay the bill via gift cards or crypto currency like bitcoin.

Even though the crypto currency machines have huge signs warning people not to send currency to someone they don't know, people still do it, he said.

There are other scams that are investment-type crimes that fool people into thinking they are investing in legitimate businesses.

"[Scammers] will have a fraudulent website where people will invest a little bit of money, see a small return and then the suspect will have the [victim] put larger amounts in," Young said.

So an initial supposed investment of \$100 could yield \$1,000, which the scammers

will then tell investors if they invest another \$10,000 they could get close to \$100,000. The victims then give the scammer \$10,000 but don't see a return. That may be when they realize it is a scam.

In some cases these suspects will work to get their victims to continue to invest, even after they lost some money, promising more money coming to them in the end. That promise is, of course, empty and the victims can lose their life savings.

"For the scams that [reference a] businesses [like GWP], instead of calling the number they are given, residents should call the number that is on their bill," Young advised.

Another ploy is when scammers "spoof" a phone number. For example, the caller identification that comes up on the victim's phone may show the business that is supposedly calling, but the caller is actually not related to that business.

Scammers often use fear and intimidation to get victims to comply with whatever they are asking for.

"Or they sometimes use kindness," Young said.

Suspects can tell their victims they understand their concern and "want to help them" by reducing the initial charge to a lower charge when in fact the victims owe nothing.

Young said most of the time the scammers are from out of the country, which makes it almost impossible for law enforcement to find and arrest them. Regardless, prospective victims should call law enforcement if they have received a phone call or contact from someone they feel is suspicious or if they have a question about a contact that has been made.

Young said he would rather have someone call concerned about a scam than to receive a call after they have been victimized.

WEATHER from page 2

to or from Tombstone. The rollercoaster-inspired road has high hills and low dips that when the monsoon storm hits fill up with water ... a lot of water.

Sierra Vista has had a really strong monsoon season so far. As of July 11, they have recorded 2.42 inches of rain; its average is 1.16 inches.

The daily downpour seems to happen around 4 p.m. almost every afternoon during monsoon season. And it appears no matter how long you live there and are used to this phenomenon

there are some who continue to forget and get caught in the rain (love you little brother).

Local foothills may be seeing monsoon-like rain on Thursday depending on where the high pressure is; however, it does look like Big Bear will more than likely be experiencing that monsoonal rain on Thursday evening, according to Hall.

Local temperatures will be near 90 today, Thursday, and in the mid 90s on Friday and Saturday, and a little cooler on Sunday though still near 90.

CHACE from Cover

example, other communities can do something to help those struggling with addiction and mental health issues in today's society.

He spoke about being back at Montrose Park where he and Chace formed a strong brotherhood as they played baseball.

"[There was] a belongingness of truly not

having a care in the world other than hitting that ball as far as you could in front of your friends and parents," he said.

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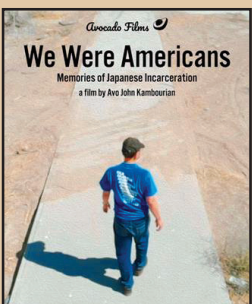
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Glenn Yamada, a retired ophthalmologist, is a long-time Glendale resident and a community leader. He will be joined by his wife, respected Glendale historian Katherine Yamada.

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TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

Van Halen Played La Cañada and Montrose – The La Cañada High Show

Van Halen was a largely unknown band in the early 1970s. The band played backyard parties, parks and small festivals all over LA, but mainly in the San Gabriel Valley area where bandmembers lived.

I recently spoke to Dan Sullivan, who promoted several local concerts by Van Halen in our area in 1975-76, just before the band hit it big in about mid-1976. Dan grew up in La Cañada. In junior high, Dan got involved with a local band, Tales, basically serving as its roadie as it played local parties. It was his intro to rock music, and Dan began to focus on photography at the various concerts he attended.

Dan graduated from La Cañada High School in 1975 and in the fall started photography studies at Pasadena City College. Anyone who knows Van Halen history knows that its members were students at PCC as well.

Dan told me: "I had already seen

Eddie Van Halen, David Lee Roth walking around the campus. David Lee Roth—you couldn't miss him. He walked around like he was already a rock star. He had open Hawaiian shirts, tied off, and bells and whistles, chains and hair. He just had this attitude. He'd walk through the quad area of Pasadena City College like a peacock, spreading his feathers."

Dan had seen Van Halen at a local venue and taken some photos of the band. Dan was amazed at the crowd's enthusiastic reaction to a band that was basically doing cover songs. He decided to approach the band about doing some concerts.

The band reluctantly agreed. David Lee Roth said something to the effect of: "Maybe we need someone out there doing the grunt work, putting these gigs together."

So Dan got to work. He planned a concert at the Lanterman Auditorium with his band Tales as the headliner

and Van Halen and another group to open the show.

Dan remembered: "But I was worried that we wouldn't sell enough tickets. No one in La Cañada knew of them [Van Halen], maybe a few people did who had been to these backyard parties. I hadn't heard of them."

To build up enthusiasm for the upcoming Lanterman Auditorium show, Van Halen agreed to do a free concert at La Cañada High.

"They allowed the band to come in around 10 o'clock and set up on the steps of the gymnasium. A lot of kids would come out and have lunch in that area. As soon as the bell rang for the lunch break, kids started gathering [and] they started off playing. And it was phenomenal. It was just amazing. Kids were just like, 'Wow.' It was like a real rock show. It was loud as hell.

"One of the things that Van Halen did back then, inside and at this

outside show, was Alex Van Halen, the drummer, would take old tuna cans and he'd pop holes through the bottom and put a plug and he'd put a little trip wire, a very thin copper wire ... They took the cord to a battery [where] he had a switch under his drum kit. He'd push the button and it would connect the current of the 12-volt battery. That little wire would trip. On top of it he had poured gunpowder or some kind of black powder, with some sulphur to make different colors. He would hit it at certain moments and these giant plumes of smoke would blow up, blue and red, and it was just unbelievable. That was mostly at the end of the show. It was just unbelievable. It was like Kiss or something.

"This was a high school free show at lunch so the kids were just going berserk. They wouldn't go back to class. They were trying to get the kids back into classrooms. It became local

lore.

"That sealed the deal. We sold out the (Lanterman) show. We probably could have done another show, probably should have done another show. Probably should have had Van Halen as the headliner because they were pissed that they were opening for this other band."

Next week, the Lanterman Auditorium show.



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NEWS FROM SACRAMENTO » ASSEMBLY MEMBER LAURA FRIEDMAN

The 2022 State Budget Moves California Forward

Every year, the state of California goes through a lengthy process between the governor's Office, the Senate and the Assembly to finalize an annual budget. In last month's column, I gave a preview of what was on the table. This month, I'm happy to share where we landed and some key victories for the 43rd District.

Through the budget plan, California is investing \$47 billion in infrastructure projects across the state. With these investments, along with what's expected to be a generous share of the funds from the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, we have an exciting opportunity to accelerate our success in sustainable and clean transportation

and infrastructure. My office has been closely involved in a broad range of negotiations, from historic projects – such as high-speed rail – to securing record-level funding for active transportation across California and upgrades, improvements and preservation efforts in our 43rd Assembly District. Here are some of the highlights for our district:

Griffith Park I'm happy to share that we have secured over \$1.5 million for transportation infrastructure and facility improvements in Griffith Park and surrounding areas. These funds will enhance safety and center active transportation (biking, walking, etc.) by investing in measures to reduce speed, protect cyclists and

pedestrians, and improve visibility. In the near future, we should see improvements and new features such as protected bike lanes for Riverside Drive Bridge and Zoo Drive, and speed humps on the road alongside Ferraro Fields.

Los Angeles Zoo I am proud to have secured \$2.2 million for efforts to renovate and create exhibits and gardens at the Los Angeles Zoo. The funds will also be used to improve access to the zoo's facilities, which sees nearly 2 million visitors annually, and is home to thousands of plants and animals. Many of the zoo's inhabitants are considered endangered species and have been saved from extinction because of the institution's solid work. The funds will help maintain and update the facilities.

Investments toward Zero Emissions and Green Space Our \$1 million funding request for charging infrastructure along the I-5 and 134 Freeway corridors in Burbank was met in full. This will pay for the design, engineering, utility costs, installation and other costs related to electric-vehicle charging stations.

For the San Fernando/downtown area of Burbank, \$1 million was secured for permanent outdoor parklets, removable bollards and other upgrades to improve amenities for the community.

In Glendale, the Verdugo Wash Visioning Project will receive \$1 million to advance its vision of a linear city park of 9.4 miles. The park would facilitate walking and cycling with connections to business, entertainment and dining.

Additionally, \$2.5 million has been allocated to preserve open space in La Crescenta. The funding will help protect natural habitat and potentially add recreational space for hiking and other activities in the community.

Active Transportation Infrastructure The budget outlines an ambitious and historic \$15 billion investment in transportation infrastructure across the state for transit, freight, ports, active transportation and climate adaptation. The funding will help keep California and our economy moving with an emphasis on sustainability.

We've made great strides here in the district to build and incorporate safe options for bicyclists, pedestrians

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Witnessing 'Political Showboating'

The Crescenta Valley Weekly reported in 2014 Los Angeles County Supervisor Michael Antonovich (Rep - 5th District) took aggressive action to stop the deadly hemorrhaging demise of the movie industry in Los Angeles County impacting many people, jobs and business, including those in Glendale and Burbank.

On June 15, 2022 in Sacramento at the Sacramento Capitol building I attended the Assembly Committee On Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media hearing where I witnessed State Senator Anthony Portantino (Dem - 25th District) step into the shoes of the Hon. Antonovich to champion in front of the committee two bills, SB-485 and SB-1116, to prop up the California entertainment industry and its showbiz folks.

SB-485 extends for another five years through June 2030 the

California Film Commission's authority to dole out mucho film and television tax credits to keep Hollywood the global entertainment leader and wheeler-dealer. This bill permits this strategy predictability through the rest of this decade.

SB-1116 mandates the Office of (California) Small Business Advocate to establish and run a grant program funded by the Performing Arts Equitable Payroll Fund. This will let small and underfunded small nonprofit performing arts groups to hire and hold onto both workers and management personnel.

By the way, State Assemblywoman Laura Friedman (Dem - 43rd District), who sits on the committee, also walked in the footsteps of the Hon. Antonovich by favoring the two bills.

This Republican witnessed this political showboating in person.

Emzy Veazy III
Burbank

The Challenges of 'Rising Above Politics'

Congresswoman Liz Cheney (R-Wyoming), a member of the House panel investigating the Jan. 6, 2021 break-in at the U.S. Capitol, urged fellow Republicans to rise above politics.

"We must love our country," the veteran lawmaker told supporters on June 29 at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley, "and stand above politics to protect her."

Yes, Liz, I promise to rise above cancel culture, critical race theory, homelessness, hyper-inflation, open borders, rampant crime and woke politics.

I cannot promise but I will try, like our beloved President Joe Biden, to remember where I am and who I am talking to.

Les Hammer
Pasadena
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THE VIEWS EXPRESSED DON'T NECESSARILY REPRESENT THOSE OF CV WEEKLY.

YOUTH

Hospital Benefits from Silver Award

Kelcie Peterson and Joanna Mikel recently completed their requirements for the Silver Award for Girl Scouts. The requirements included completing 50 hours of work. They spent this time learning about the Silver Award and investigating ideas for their project. They decided to create 100 backpacks for USC Verdugo Hills Hospital for children being admitted into the Emergency Room. Part of the project meant securing items for the backpacks through donations, shopping with donated money, making fliers, filling the backpacks, and, finally, delivering them to the hospital.

The girls were passionate about this project as it had personal importance. When Kelcie

went in for an emergency appendectomy, there was little to help take her mind off the situation. Kelcie and Joanna hoped these backpacks would help ease the fears of those going into the Emergency Room.

Each backpack contains a sketchbook, puzzle book, and an assortment of crayons, colored pencils and markers, a pen, pencil, eraser and a letter to the patient along with a picture of the girls. According to Kelcie's dad, this is a project that Kelcie and Joanna will remember for years.

Photo provided by Richard PETERSON
Receiving the backpacks were members of the VHH staff that included director Cecilia Pyzow and Emergency Room staff Shannon Slater and Constance William.



CVHS Students Win Second Place in SkillsUSA National Championship

By Lori BODNAR

Crescenta Valley High School (CVHS) Academy of Science and Medicine students traveled to Atlanta, Georgia for the SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference. The trip was worth it: the CVHS science research team won second place in the National SkillsUSA competition held June 20-24.

Nearly 1,700 schools were represented. More than 6,500 state contest winners competed in 108 different trade, technical and leadership fields. Some leadership contestants directed meetings with parliamentary procedure; other contestants gave extemporaneous speeches based on a question related to current events with some research but very little preparation. Over 850 committee members from different

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Photos provided by Orenda TUASON
ABOVE: CVHS Academy of Science and Medicine students stand by their bus.
RIGHT: CVHS science research team members show off their medals.



LASD – CV Station Looking for Explorer Students

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept. - Crescenta Valley station is having its next Explorer Academy beginning Aug. 27 at the STARS Center in Whittier. Students will make an 18-week commitment for the Explorer Academy, which is held every Saturday.

Requirements needed include students having a GPA of 2.0 or higher; no serious criminal record/probation; ability to pass a drug screening; and submitting to a background check.

The Explorers will be trained in laws, searching/handcuffing, writing reports, handling calls for service (domestic violence, family disturbance, felony traffic stops, active shooters, assaults, etc.). When trained, they can go on "ride-a-longs" with full time deputies on patrol in La Cañada Flintridge or La Crescenta. As Explorers gain experience, they have the opportunity to go on ride-a-longs at other stations throughout the county.

The Crescenta Valley Station Explorers assist with numerous events such as the La Cañada Fiesta Days Parade, La Cañada Turkey Trot, Station Open House,

Haunted Jail and Volunteer Rummage Sale.

The Crescenta Valley Explorer Post has attended over 100 competitions. The Explorers have earned hundreds of trophies and certificates for their participation in these competitions. During the competitions the Explorers compete against other Explorer posts from across the United States.

Meetings are usually held every second and fourth Monday of each month excluding holidays, school commitments, family obligations, etc.

Over the years local Explorers have gone onto the Naval Academy, Marine Corps Officer Candidate School, Marine Corps and the Coast Guard. Several Explorers have graduated the Sheriff's Academy and became Los Angeles County deputy sheriffs, San Diego County deputy sheriffs, Glendale police officers, and Los Angeles police officers.

Those who are between the ages of 14 and 20 and are interested in law enforcement can contact the Explorer coordinator Deputy Marcelo Ruiz at (818) 236-4026.

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Assistance League Glendale Helps Santa With Annual 'Christmas in July' Sale



With 26 weeks left until Christmas, Santa's smartest elves will be shopping July 14-15-16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Assistance League Glendale's Annual "Christmas in July" sale.

Savvy shoppers will be able to select from an amazing collection of ornaments, holiday accessories, dinnerware, books, jewelry,

silverware, linens, craft supplies, fabric, lights, toys, dolls, holiday clothing, trees, baskets and bags and pictures.

Whether shoppers travel by reindeer, sleigh or SUV, they should make sure to visit the ALG® headquarters at 314-A E. Harvard St. in Glendale. Rudolph, Buddy the Elf and even the Grinch agree: this is one holiday

sale that shouldn't be missed!

Assistance League Glendale is a non-profit philanthropic organization mostly made up of volunteers. Proceeds from sales benefit local school children and provide college scholarships to high school seniors and a literacy program and donations to local elementary school libraries. A monthly lunch

for senior citizens in the local area is also provided.

Photos provided ALG Glendale

LEFT: President Carol Svatora (left) with member Tamara Hughes.

MIDDLE: Hospitality Chair Teri Ghaemmaghami (left) and member Lucille Horejsi are busy setting up Santa's toyshop.

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Make Your Wishes Known: Preparing an Advanced Health Care Directive

Most of us know what we want for ourselves when the time comes to making decisions about our medical care but the question is, do our family and friends know?

One way we can protect our right to self-determination is to prepare an Advanced Health Care Directive (AHCD). An AHCD is a legal document that clearly states a person's health care decisions and preferences in advance of needing such care or treatment.

Preparing an AHCD can be a little uncomfortable as it requires people to consider their own mortality and what type of lifesaving and life-sustaining measures they might want in the event of an accident, illness or disease. But what can be even more uncomfortable is being unprepared and placing the burden of those decisions on a family member or friend who may not know what to do.

One of the most common forms of an AHCD is a Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care (DPOAHC) and it only takes effect when a person becomes incapacitated due to physical or cognitive impairment. This determination is usually made by a physician or medical team. A DPOAHC does two things: 1) designates a person who will be responsible for making health care decisions when you are unable to, and 2) specifies the type of care and treatment you want for yourself. In most cases, a DPOAHC does not have to be notarized but must be signed by at least two adult witnesses.

Other types of AHCDs are living wills, pre-hospitalization DNR (Do Not Resuscitate) forms and POLSTS (Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment). You can speak with your primary care physician about these types of AHCDs.

Not only are the choices you make about your care important, but who you choose to be your designee is also a big decision. It is advisable you ask someone who can best represent your wishes when you are unable to do so. It's also important to select an alternate person in the event your designee is unavailable during your time of need. Keep your AHCD in a safe place where family or friends can find it. Also make sure to give copies to your designee(s) and your primary care physician. Advanced health care directives can be changed or revoked at any time and should be reviewed periodically.

Online forms and instructions for preparing a DPOAHC are available through the California Office of Attorney General at <https://oag.ca.gov>. If you'd like more in-depth information about Advanced Health Care Directives, USC Verdugo Hills Hospital and the YMCA of the Foothills are hosting a workshop that will cover this topic, as well as planned giving, on Tuesday, July 19 at the Crescenta Cañada YMCA, 1930 Foothill Blvd., from noon to 1 p.m. with lunch served prior. RSVP by calling (818) 583-4731.

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In the July 7 Business section, the price of Bingo & BBQ on July 23 (hosted by the CV Chamber of Commerce) was listed incorrectly. The cost is \$35 per person.

Kiwanis Club of La Cañada Members Honored with Distinguished Service Awards

When Kiwanis International CA-NEV-HA District-Division 3 hosted the governor's official visit, a highlight of the program was the awards ceremony to recognize members of each club who serve the community in multiple capacities. At the event, the Kiwanis Club of La Cañada members Joe Radabaugh and Georgina Mueller were honored with the 2021-2022 Distinguished Service Awards.

Attended by almost 100 guests, CAL-NEV-HA 2021-22 District Governor Margo Dutton made the award presentations with 2021-2022 Lt. Gov. Jose Sierra serving as master of ceremonies.

Joe Radabaugh, Kiwanis Club of La Cañada vice president, was acknowledged for his dedicated work in assisting Kiwanis Club of La Cañada President Terry Piasky with weekly programs

focusing on essential topics for the club members. In addition to lending his volunteer acumen to the Kiwanis and many other activities, he serves as the LCUSD Board of Education vice president.

Photo courtesy of Trish McRAE
Kiwanis Distinguished Service Award recipients Joe Radabaugh and Georgina Mueller.

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GCC Celebrates Opening of New Athletics Complex

More than one hundred people gathered on Glendale Community College's Verdugo Campus on Friday morning, June 24 to officially open the new Kinesiology and Vaquero Athletic Complex and take a tour inside the impressive facility.

The multi-year project featured a seismic retrofit of the existing Verdugo Gymnasium and an 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. 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 while overlooking Sartoris Field.

The project is funded by Measure GC, a \$325 million bond measure approved in 2016 by 73% of Glendale voters. 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.

This is the first major building project to be completed using Measure GC funds with the new science building and performing

and media arts center projects moving forward.

Information on the Kinesiology and Vaquero Athletic Complex

and other projects can be found at glendale.edu/campusprojects.

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‘Thor: Love and Thunder’ in ScreenX

By Charly SHELTON

The Mighty Thor can be found again on screen and with him comes another, also mighty, Thor. With this many Thors, one movie theater screen just isn't enough.

ScreenX is a new movie theater format that takes over the whole room with 270 degrees of projection. In a normal theater, the front wall is a screen. But in ScreenX, the front wall and the two side walls are all projection surfaces, bringing the widest of widescreen views. For certain scenes in each film, the action extends beyond the traditional one-screen show and fills the whole theater. For those in the back rows, it becomes the ultimate widescreen. And for those in the middle or front rows, it becomes a surrounding, immersive experience that knocks their socks off the first time it's experienced.

CV Weekly was recently invited to try this new style of movie theater experience at the Regal Edwards Alhambra Renaissance theater at a screening of "Thor: Love and Thunder." And, honestly, it was an amazing show. When Thor taps his ax on the ground and suits up to go into battle, the lightning burns away the walls of the theater and theater-goers are surrounded by the battlefield. And for some of the sequences that are less about action and more about appreciating the cinematography in a quiet moment on screen the extended projection surfaces become even more impressive.

And if there's one film to see in ScreenX, it's this one. There's Thor, God of Thunder (Chris Hemsworth); Stormbreaker, his Thanos-killing lightning ax that summons the Bifrost; Dr. Jane Foster (Natalie Portman) who picked up Thor's hammer Mjolnir and now possesses the power to become The Mighty Thor. Also there's one of the all-time greatest villain performances in Gorr, the God Butcher (Christian Bale) and two giant, immortal, incessantly-screaming goats that pull a Viking

longboat through space to reach the Shadow Realm. All of this is set to a soundtrack featuring the likes of Dio, Kiss, Guns N' Roses and Abba. This is nuts. It's a crazy, fun ride that is so much better for theater-goers when wrapped 270 degrees around them like a warm blanket.

Side note on the film: The promotional materials for the film feature the Guardians of the Galaxy heavily but they barely make an appearance. Don't get your hopes up. It's one scene and a quick flashback montage then they are off to save the galaxy, leaving Thor to do the film without them. That's not a bad thing – the cast carries the film ably and the Guardians are really unnecessary. When there is already a hot, quippy, man-child hero to lead the team named Thor, Star Lord becomes second fiddle. Only Spider-Man can handle having multiples of the same hero archetype around in one film (see "Spider-Man: No Way Home"). Here, Star Lord has to change and become more serious and responsible, a straight man to Thor's funny man. And that's not something people want to see in Star Lord; it corrupts his persona. It was the same problem in "Avengers: Infinity War" when the quippiest cool guy characters were thrown together on one ship. In order to differentiate them, Iron Man got to stay cool quippy, Dr. Strange was angry quippy, Spider-Man was childish quippy, and Star Lord was dumb quippy. It's too many quips. You can't have the same character four times in one scene; they all start to run together a bit in their personalities.

So, luckily, in this outing the Guardians read the room and split before it got too weird. Thor can quip with the best of them and, while this film maybe isn't as funny as it thinks it is, it is still a sure sight better in



tone and comedy than were the first two films. It may not be poetry in motion, but this film still satisfies that "comic book movie" itch that we all get from time-to-time.

For those in the mood for a rock 'n' roll, lightning ax, hammer-smashing, popcorn movie ride on the back of a giant screaming space goat, then they'll want to see it in ScreenX. These theaters can be found exclusively in Regal cinemas across the country with several close to home in the LA area.

Photo by Charly SHELTON ABOVE: Relaxing in his seat at the ScreenX theater waiting for "Thor: Love and Thunder" to start is reporter Charly Shelton.

Photo by Marvel Studios RIGHT: "Thor: Love and Thunder" is in theaters now.



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THEN & NOW



Then » In November 1975, Van Halen played a short half-hour set on the steps of the gym at La Cañada High School. The band was largely unknown at that point but within a year would hit the big time. Dan Sullivan, who had arranged the concert, can be seen walking up the steps in front of the speakers on the left side.

Van Halen at La Cañada High Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV



Now » That concert was extremely loud and it blew the minds of the kids that day. But today that same spot is very quiet. It's been almost 50 years since that concert, nearly half a century. Van Halen went on to be one of the greatest rock bands of all time, but these steps to the gym at La Cañada High School haven't changed at all.

Summer Music Series Returns

The 2022 Brand Summer Music Series will consist of outdoor concerts at Brand Library & Art Center (1601 W. Mountain St. Glendale) on Fridays through Sept. 16. These concerts begin at 7 p.m. and feature music groups from Southern California and beyond. Seating is not

provided; visitors are welcome to bring a chair or blanket and picnic on the grassy hillsides of Brand Park behind the library. Performances run approximately 60 - 90 minutes without intermission.

The Glendale Arts and Culture Commission sponsors the concerts through funding

from the Urban Art Program and the Brand Associates, with support from Glendale Library, Arts & Culture, and Glendale Community Services and Parks.

On July 15 String Harmonies will be performing focusing on Armenian/Middle Eastern music.

'Generations' at Brand Library & Art Center

Brand Library & Art Center presents "Generations," an exhibition exploring abstract art in Los Angeles over four generations.

Abstract art thrives in Los Angeles - whether minimal,

geometric or material - always has someone making abstractions. "Generations" attempts to document a line of inheritance passing from parent to child, teacher to students, older to younger.

Fifty-two artists have been assembled by three observers and participants of the Los Angeles art scene: Alain Rogier, Laddie John Dill and Katie Kirk. They have put together an exhibition not to propose a

textbook compendium of historical figures, but to provide an alert as to the persistence of interest in, and devotion to, classic media and permanently established visual languages. The exhibition invites viewers to explore dialog between Los Angeles based abstract artists over a period that spans roughly 80 years.

The exhibition opened to the public on July 9 and runs through Sept. 2. A free public opening reception will be held on Saturday, July 16 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Brand Library & Art Center, 1601 W. Mountain St. in Glendale. The curators and many of the artists will be in attendance.

A catalogue with an essay by Peter Frank will be published for the exhibition and available free to the public.

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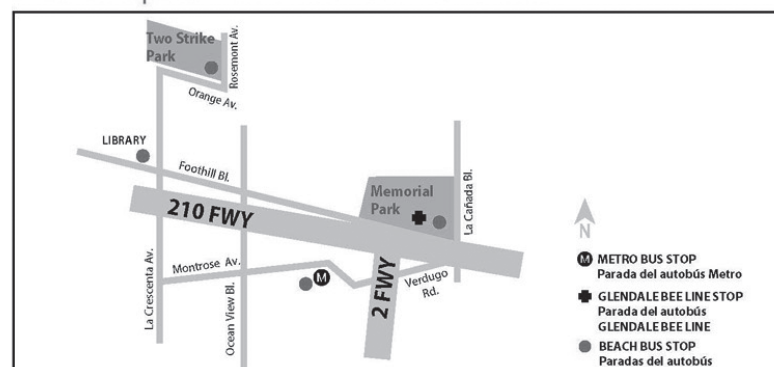
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WILDERNESS WORKDAY AT DEUKMEJIAN

Volunteers are needed to water big cone spruce and coast live oaks, assist with trail repairs and remove invasive plants

from Deukmejian Wilderness Park. The wilderness workday is on Saturday, July 16 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Volunteers should wear sturdy shoes and bring sunscreen, sunglasses and a hat. Families, individuals, clubs and students needing community service hours are welcome. In case of rain, this event will be canceled.

To learn more, visit tinyurl.com/yhpsyek.

Deukmejian Wilderness Park, 3429 Markridge Road, La Crescenta/Glendale

'MEMORIES OF JAPANESE INCARCERATION' SUBJECT OF HSCV MEETING

Glenn Yamada, born in 1943 in a

Japanese American internment camp, will show his film "We Were Americans: Memories of Japanese Incarceration" at the July 18 meeting of the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley.

The film chronicles his family's experience before, during and after their internment, and gives some personal reflections. The documentary "We Were Americans" was filmed on location at the relocation center ruins in Poston, Arizones, and was directed, produced and edited by filmmaker Avo Kambourian.

Yamada, a retired ophthalmologist, is a longtime Glendale resident and a community leader. He will be joined by his wife Glendale historian Katherine Yamada.

The monthly meeting of the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley is on July 18 at 7 p.m. at the Center for Spiritual Living - La Crescenta (at the corner of Dunsmore).

WRITING FOR CANCER PATIENTS

A program to help cancer patients in writing about their cancer experiences will be given by the Cancer Support Community-Pasadena on Tuesday, July 19 from 5.30 p.m. to 7 p.m. The program is free of charge.

Holly Sidell will use prompts to guide patients in writing about their experiences with cancer and with healing.

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

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BURBANK AFRICAN VIOLET SOCIETY

The Burbank African Violet Society will be having its next club meeting on Thursday morning, July 21, at 10 a.m. at The Little White Chapel Christian Church, 1711 N. Avon St. in Burbank.

The program will be presented by club members John Hershey and Wanda Penner: "Revisiting Growing African Violets From Leaves Planted Last January Including a Slide Presentation." Members and guests are being asked to bring to the meeting the leaves planted last January to see their progress. Questions and answers will follow.

There are raffle and silent auction tables. Refreshments are served and friendships are made. For more information, call (661) 940-3990 or reference website: www.burbankafriaviolets.weebly.com.

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.

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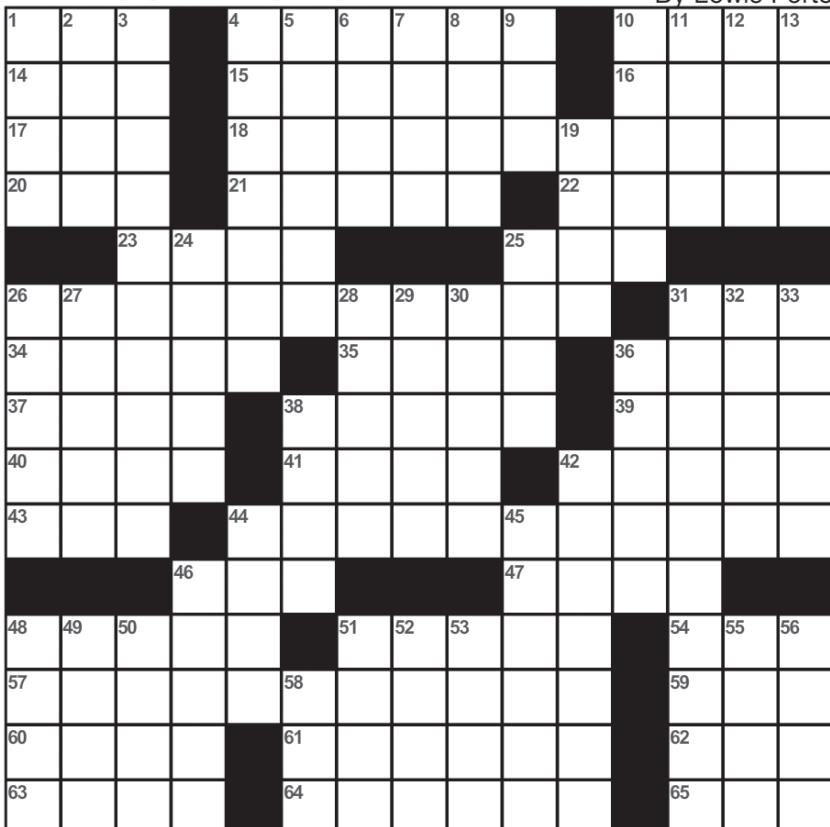
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- 17) Place for travelers
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- 20) Grassland
- 21) Atlas enlargement
- 22) Acclaim
- 23) Artist Chagall
- 25) The max.
- 26) Display in a fancy restaurant, sometimes
- 31) Engine speed, for short
- 34) Comedic tribute
- 35) Dead-end jobs
- 36) Andean land
- 37) Pulpit of yore
- 38) Aquarium fish
- 39) John of "Roots"
- 40) Brown seaweed
- 41) Dry riverbed
- 42) Hackneyed
- 43) Buck chaser?
- 44) Amateur radio enthusiast
- 46) ___ de deux
- 47) Bringing up the rear
- 48) Razor sharpener
- 51) Arafat's successor
- 54) Mobile software, briefly
- 57) Loosely woven cotton fabric
- 59) 'easter starter
- 60) "Iliad" warrior god
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- 62) Bill's partner in love
- 63) How some things are noted
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- 1) Depraved or wicked
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- 3) Too sacred to be uttered
- 4) ___ for knowledge
- 5) 1998 World Cup host
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- 8) Convene
- 9) "To ___ is human ..."
- 10) Bumper sticker word
- 11) Kind of income
- 12) Nursery call
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- 19) In custody
- 24) Fable teller of note
- 25) ___ Major (constellation)
- 26) Short-billed bird
- 27) Familiar and cozy
- 28) Bluegill fish
- 29) Best
- 30) Take ___ (travel)
- 31) Mail-in payment
- 32) Prefix with "type" or "plasm"
- 33) Person deep in thought
- 36) Law firm assistants, for short
- 38) "Jabberwocky" opener
- 42) Bad-mouths
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- 45) Flying high
- 46) Where "e'en" is seen
- 48) Bunch
- 49) By way of, briefly
- 50) Casting need
- 51) Exotic berry
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- 53) Tree trunk
- 55) Coordinate, as efforts
- 56) University instructor, informally
- 58) Emulate a tide

MAKING SANDWICHES

By Lewis Forte



PROBLEM SOLVED » BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT

Ticket Liquidator liquidated her Rolling Stones tickets – can she get any satisfaction?

Sandra McLean can't access her Rolling Stones tickets online and misses the concert. Does she deserve a refund?

Q: In 2020, I paid \$637 to Ticket Liquidator for Rolling Stones concert tickets at the Dallas Cotton Bowl. The show was postponed because of COVID. Since it was not canceled, I could not get a refund.

Finally, a year and a half later, the Rolling Stones rescheduled the show. My tickets were encrypted on a computer and made available to me a day before the performance. When I tried to access the tickets, I couldn't.

My son came to my condo to help, but he couldn't access the tickets either. I called customer service, and a representative told me I had a "corrupted" link. She promised to expedite my request to tech support to get our tickets by the next day.

But tech support never came

through. I had no tickets and I missed the Rolling Stones. Ticket Liquidator would not refund the tickets. I tried to file a chargeback with my credit card, but that didn't work either. They took my money. Can you help me get it back? – Sandra McLean, Rockwall, Texas

A: I see your problem and, despite all of your efforts, you can't get no satisfaction from Ticket Liquidator. Of course the company should have given you access to a ticket that you could use.

But the pandemic complicated your case. Ticket Liquidator transferred the tickets to you online back in 2020 when you ordered them. At that point, if you had clicked on the link, you could have accessed them. Instead, it looks like you waited

until you needed to use them, which was almost a year and a half later, a day before the concert. By then, the link had expired and neither wild horses nor Ticket Liquidator's tech support team could bring them back.

It's a real shame you missed the show. It was one of the last Charlie Watts performances.

You should have had the option of a refund after the first Rolling Stones show cancellation, and you probably did, but you wanted to see the band. And I can't blame you – I'm also a fan. But you can't always get what you want. (How many Stones references have you counted already?)

According to Ticket Liquidator, it tried to reissue the tickets through Ticketmaster but ran into some problems with

Ticketmaster's restrictive system.

"Had they been issued in a format that allows for consumer-friendly transferability without restriction from the original vendor, there would have been no issue to speak of," said Sean Burns, a spokesman for Ticket Liquidator.

But you could have also prevented this by opening the link when you received the tickets. If you'd done that, then you wouldn't have run out of time and missed the concert. Links to tickets often expire online for security reasons. Of course, your instructions should have noted that, but apparently didn't.

Burns said several states, including New York, Connecticut, Illinois, Colorado, Virginia and Utah, have passed legislation

requiring that ticket sellers offer a choice of format in tickets they purchase rather than forcing customers into mobile-restricted systems controlled by the primary seller.

"Based on marketplace policies agreed to at the time of sale, this order would not qualify for a refund," Burns told me. "However, in the interest of helping get them back out to a show after this disappointment, we are offering this client a credit good towards a future purchase."

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WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

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July 11, 2022 - July 17, 2022

♈ ARIES March 21 - April 19

Family members may have coughs, colds, or flu bugs. If you aren't careful, you could be next in line. Stay fit, get out in the fresh air, and exercise daily. Above all, make sure to eat good food and take vitamins and minerals regularly. You can avoid all these problems if your immune system and mental state are strong.

♉ TAURUS April 20 - May 20

Just as you're feeling at the peak of health, you may come down with symptoms that are hard to pinpoint. You may be sabotaging your well-being and progress. Deeper issues could cause you to get ill just as you're about to try something spectacular or bold. Meditate on this and see what you come up with.

♊ GEMINI May 21 - June 20

Don't allow too much pressure and stress to affect you. If you have a major project or big deadline, try to prepare for it in advance. It will help you feel more peaceful, energized, and lively. Your health is your most important resource, so put your well-being at the top of the list.

♋ CANCER June 21 - July 22

There's a strong tendency to forget about your health because you're too busy to bother. You function best when you look after your diet and work in harmony with your metabolism. If you can find such a rhythm, it will ensure that you feel vital and energetic and stay in peak condition.

♌ LEO July 23 - August 22

If you're going away on vacation, try to avoid restaurants or eating places that may not be as clean as they should be. This period can bring stomach bugs or some kind of sickness. Use your common sense and do whatever you can to stay safe and well.

♍ VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

You're feeling much lighter and brighter. Whatever health issues you've been dealing with, you're now certain to see them in a more philosophical light. You'll feel more active, too, but you may have a few doubts. It's time to rise above them. If you haven't yet had your symptoms checked by a professional, do it now.

♎ LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

This may be a challenging period for your health. A situation could call for urgent action. Whether this is an issue involving you or someone you know, it helps to try and see the warning

signs in advance. Be especially vigilant over the days ahead. If you're having a problem, get it checked by your health professional.

♏ SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

If any symptoms have been showing up, don't just hope they'll go away. Be safe and get your health professional's opinion. This may be a good time to take an allergy test and check for wheat, lactose, or other food intolerances.

♐ SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Be more careful when preparing food for the family. Aspects could be associated with digestive disorders or food poisoning. If you're eating out, choose your restaurant with care. You tend to rebound from health setbacks fairly quickly. This is one you can avoid altogether.

♑ CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

You have inner resilience, and you'll need it now. The main issue seems to be doubt or disillusionment. Don't let negative thinking get in the way of

your recovery. Do anything you can lift your spirits and come to the realization that your healing is very much in your hands.

♒ AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

Whatever you do, make sure you take your vitamins and minerals as a way to boost your immune system. You may be more open to catching a cold or other infection now. If you feel overworked, try to lighten your schedule. This will help you rest and recuperate and avoid coming down with anything.

♓ PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

Your social life is going to be a major focus for a while. You may be wine and dining, so have a plan that enables you to stay in shape and still enjoy wonderful times with friends and business associates. Build healthy strategies into your daily schedule. Make sure to drink plenty of water and exercise regularly. You'll be rewarded if you can be disciplined.



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and equestrians. In fact, over the past three years I've been able to secure \$35 million for transformative projects along the LA River that will connect communities and neighborhoods with parks, recreation and job centers.

Throughout the budget negotiations this year, I led the effort to build on that success and invest more in active transportation infrastructure. I'm proud that we've secured a record level of funding – \$1 billion – to invest in active transportation statewide. The funding will

open the door for innovative projects that reduce emissions and congestion, all while better connecting Californians.

High-Speed Rail and the Office of Inspector General As chair of the Assembly Committee on Transportation, I have had strong reservations about the appropriation of large sums of money without proper oversight for high-speed rail. However, I am very proud to announce that we have been able to ensure that the Bakersfield to Merced segment, the first phase of the broader vision for the largest infrastructure

project in California history, will now move forward in a way that is respectful of taxpayers' dollars.

The budget allocates the remaining \$4.2 billion in bond funding for high-speed rail. One of the most important actions to come out of our negotiations with the governor is the establishment of the Office of the Inspector General, specifically assigned to oversee the budget for the High-Speed Rail Authority. That means funding for this historic, visionary endeavor will be responsibly managed going forward. Having the inspector general in place to

audit and investigate the ongoing project will reduce waste and promote more efficiency and effectiveness. As climate change spurs us to address infrastructure issues all over the state, using our money wisely is critical to achieving our sustainability goals. Having the inspector general as a trustee in this effort will allow the legislature to manage money and timeline expectations, and advance the project with more confidence on behalf of Californians.

All in all, it's a budget that strikes the right balance of

investing in California, while setting aside \$37 billion in reserves to help us withstand any economic downturn that may lie ahead. I'll continue to report on any major budget issues as we continue our discussions with Gov. Newsom. And, as always, please feel free to reach out with your thoughts on our budget, legislation or any general comments or concerns. You can reach my district office at (818) 558-3043 or by email at Assemblymember.Friedman@Assembly.ca.gov.

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industries helped plan the competitions.

From CVHS Academy of Science and Medicine the science research team of Rosalia Park, Michelle Chung and Riley Keum brought home the silver medal in the SkillsUSA Career Pathway Showcase in health services. Other CVHS SkillsUSA national finalists who competed were Stella Kim and Eric Eubank.

The project of the CVHS science research team was titled, "Thirdhand Smoke Pollution Detected in a High School With Smoking Prohibitions." Science research team member Park, who will be the senior co-president of the Academy for the 2022-23 school year and was previously the sophomore and junior co-president, said, "My project focused on thirdhand smoke, which is the toxic residue that remains and lingers onto indoor surfaces after smoke clears."

To support their research Park and her team collected samples from the student bathrooms at Crescenta Valley High School.

"After collecting these samples, they were taken to the Public Health laboratory at San Diego State University [so they could be analyzed] for the amounts of nicotine found in each sample," she explained. "The data proved there had been a great accumulation of thirdhand smoke pollution on the indoor surfaces of the student-used bathrooms, causing an immediate draw to health concerns."

The students enjoyed competing in National SkillsUSA.

LETTERS from page 10

A Great Find – the Summer Beach Bus

Thanks to the article in the CV Weekly about the return of the summer beach bus, I went online and made a reservation for my wife and me, our daughter and her daughter (Evie our great-granddaughter) for Thursday, July 7. Sure enough, the beach bus showed up at Two Strike Park at 9:15 a.m. as scheduled. The driver, Jose, was exceptionally warm and receptive to everyone (12 persons boarded the bus).

Here is the shocking part of the trip: It cost me \$4.50 (yes, I said \$4.50) for the round trip bus ride from Two Strike Park in La Crescenta to Santa Monica

Beach (by the famous Pier) and return. Four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50) is the ticket price for three seniors. Considering the economically elevated cost of everything today (gasoline, diesel, food at the store and eating out) I am shocked this bus service was still available to our community. I do understand that this bus service is subsidized via government funds by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

Here is the bottom line: we three seniors and one 2-year-old great-granddaughter had an absolutely wonderful five (5) hour Santa Monica Beach experience thanks to your article bringing the beach bus to our attention. There were all kinds of entertainment (merry-go-round, arcade, roller coaster, Ferris wheel, individual performances, etc.) for all ages on the Santa Monica Pier to enjoy. The ocean beach topped them all and there were literally thousands of folks out enjoying the full sunshine, 70-degree weather and the magnetism of the endless waving motion of the sea.

There are not enough words to describe the entertaining fun and pleasure that the three (3) generations had as they set about constructing a sand castle along the Pacific shoreline.

Phil Downs
La Crescenta

"Meeting people from all 50 states was the best part of the National SkillsUSA competition in Atlanta," said Park. "The excitement that I felt from the different participants really helped me build up the drive to perform my best. The competition part of nationals was probably the most nerve-wracking part, but the most rewarding at the same time. Being able to present my research project at a national level was an experience like none other."

The CVHS Academy of Science and Medicine helped prepare the students for the SkillsUSA national competition.

"The science research class of the Academy of Science and Medicine really prepared my team and me for the SkillsUSA National Competition," Park said. "The continuous feedback from [teachers] Orenda Tuason and Alamelu Arunachalam and our coaches helped us to be extremely successful. We also did practice run-throughs of our presentation in front of different audiences through the Academy, which helped us as well."

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An avid sports fan, he has coached in the La Cañada Baseball Softball Association for the past nine years while serving the foothills neighborhoods.

In addition, Georgina Mueller was recognized for helping the members' meeting experience by overseeing weekly trivia games and prizes. She also served as an LCF Girl Scout troop leader. In 2020, Mueller was awarded the distinction of being Rookie of the Year. She is a member of the La Cañada Flintridge Chamber of Commerce and Community Association, Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce, the Community Scholarship Foundation of La Cañada Flintridge, the LC Junior Women's Club, and the LCUSD PTA.

Anyone interested in helping kids while making friends and having fun is invited to attend, or Zoom in on, a Kiwanis Club of La Cañada meeting held each Wednesday at noon, featuring the guest speaker of the week program." To receive an invitation, email lacanadakiwanis@gmail.com or visit lacanadakiwanis.org.



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