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Getting Involved on a Glendale Board or Commission

By Ruth SOWBY

Especially during the election season, many people may ponder how to serve on a City of Glendale board or commission. The process to apply may be easier than a person thinks.

Below is the step-by-step process to apply for a seat on a city board or commission.

First, an application must be obtained from the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, 613 E. Broadway, Room 110. All applicants must be registered to vote and reside in the City of Glendale.

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No individual shall serve on more than one board, commission or committee at the same time.

For more information or to submit an application, email Renia Shahnazarian at Rshahnazarian@glendaleca.gov.

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Dissolved Boards and Commissions are the Blue Ribbon Pension Review Committee and Glendale Oversight Board.

Airshow Presents Helicopters, Recruitment Information and New Citizens

By Mary O'KEEFE

Public can meet on the ground those who they may only see flying overhead.

The American Heroes Air Show is coming back to Hansen Dam on Saturday, Nov. 12 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"It's really to bring the public together with the people in the helicopter communities," said Steve Goldsworthy, event director. He added people see these pilots and crew flying overhead while fighting fires, transporting people to medical centers and working as aerial law enforcement support. This event gives people an opportunity to have a one-on-one discussion with those crewmembers and to see their helicopters up close.

"For a long time it was a way for

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File photo Youngsters check out the sheriff's helicopter at the 2021 event.

2022 General Election is Over ... But Results are Not Official Yet

By Mary O'KEEFE

Election 2022 is over but that doesn't mean we all know how candidates and measures have fared. It takes a while to process and count ballots across the country; however, this is what is known so far in LA County and the state.

The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) Dean Logan announced "semi-final" results for the 2022 General Election.

A total of 1,318,093 ballots were processed and counted with 23.42% of registered voters casting ballots. There are still "many outstanding ballots to be processed and counted in the official election canvass," according to the Registrar Office.

"During the official election

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File photo Voting machines, like this one, were used by many voters to cast their ballots.



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It's Over ... Almost

The election season has been ... enthusiastic ... to say the least. It seemed that just about every commercial on every television station (and on some radio stations as well) were telling voters to vote one way or another, whether for a measure or a person. I'm glad that even if the tallying isn't finished in all areas (Bass or Caruso?) the commercials at least are finished.

Another thing I'm happy about is that I voted on Sunday – the day before the heavy rains came to the foothills. Going out during that storm would have been challenging at best.

And kudos to those polling places that were opened days before Election Day. I want to give a shout-out to the La Crescenta Woman's Club where I cast my ballot. The people there were welcoming and, when they saw my confusion on how to operate the machine, were quick to come over and give instruction. Thank you!

support of other non-profits and performing good works as well. For example, they have an ongoing coat collection. They collect and distribute coats to people in need and, seeing as cold as it got around here (for California), I'm sure those coats were well-received. Last week, Mary O'Keefe spoke to the group regarding the Fire House youth center. After listening to her presentation, the Kiwanis Club of La Cañada La Crescenta-AM presented her with a generous donation to subsidize the work of the Fire House.

I spoke about one of my favorite subjects: the genesis of the CV Weekly. I was able to share my background in the communications industry and how the CV Weekly came about. The group was attentive – and appreciative. Thank you for

see ROBIN on page 6

Robin Goldsworthy is the publisher of the Crescenta Valley Weekly. She can be reached at robin@cvweekly.com or by calling (818) 248-2740.

I had the pleasure of speaking on Wednesday to the Kiwanis Club of La Cañada La Crescenta-AM. A small but mighty Club its members are active in their

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Weather Watch

By Mary O'KEEFE

Taking A Look Outside Our Window

Americans are spoiled in so many ways but, for the purpose of this article, I will be focusing on our expectation of weather prediction.

We no longer have to trust our aching joints, bugs or “the rainmaker” – all we have to do is see what the weather satellites are sharing. And for that we need to thank American ingenuity and the U.S. – Soviet space race.

It all began in 1957 when the former Soviet Union launched Sputnik 1, the first artificial satellite to be successfully placed in orbit around the Earth. And so started the “anything you can do we can do better” U.S. space projects including Explorer 1, which launched in 1958.

Then, on April 1, 1960, NASA launched the Television Infrared Observation Satellite (TIROS-1), the world's first successful weather satellite. It weighed about 270 pounds and carried two television cameras and two video recorders. The satellite provided weather forecasters their first-ever view of cloud formations as they developed around the globe, according to NOAA (National Oceanic Atmosphere Agency).

“Up to that point, we were very local in our understanding and our interpretation of weather phenomena,” stated Stephen Volz, Ph.D. assistant administrator of

NOAA Satellite and Information Service, in a 2020 article.

TIROS-1 orbited 450 miles above Earth and communicated with two command and data acquisition stations. When the satellite was in range of a station and the data was read out, the images were recorded on 35-mm film for making prints, according to NOAA.

The satellite only operated for 78 days but sent back more than 19,000 usable photos and ushered in the new age of weather observing satellites. This was followed by several satellites launched in the 1970s and, in the early 2000s, NASA and its international partners began the A-train of satellites. These were several Earth-observing satellites that closely followed one another along the same, or similar, orbital “tracks.” Satellites Aqua and Aura started this train in 2002 and 2004, which is the “A” part of the train. The purpose of the instruments on these satellites were and are used to improve knowledge of clouds, aerosols, atmospheric chemistry and other elements critical for understanding Earth's environment and changing climate, according to NASA.

There have been many more satellites launched and now orbiting the Earth; of course, not all are for weather or Earth

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NEWS

Local Veterans Day Observations

By Mary O'KEEFE

This Veterans Day, Nov. 11, communities around the country will be celebrating and honoring those who have served in the military.

Veterans Day is an opportunity to thank those who served in the armed forces. On Friday, throughout the area there will be ceremonies celebrating veterans and the contributions they made.

At the McCambridge Park War Memorial in Burbank there will be a pre-ceremony concert by the Burbank Community Band that begins at 10:15 a.m. with the ceremony starting at 10:30 a.m. There will be also be a flyover by the Condor Squadron. The McCambridge War Memorial is at the corner of Amherst Drive and San Fernando Road. For more information, call (818) 238-5378.

The City of Glendale will not be holding a ceremony this year but on Thursday will be thanking employees who have served in the military.

For those in the Crescenta Valley and foothills area, the traditional ceremony at Two Strike Park, 5107 Rosemont Ave., begins at 8 a.m.

This event is presented by American Legion Post 288, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 1614, Boy Scout Troop 288, Los Angeles County Dept. of Parks and Recreation and the Crescenta Valley High School JROTC.

This community event welcomes everyone and will be honoring all veterans and active duty military with a special remembrance of U.S. Army veteran Barry Logan. The event will include an armed forces medley, flag folding ceremony and community flag retirement ceremony.

Although Veterans Day is recognized on Nov. 11 each year the American Legion and VFW work every day to support veterans and active duty military.

Locally, the American Legion and VFW Posts have been serving the communities of La Crescenta and La Cañada Flintridge since the 1930s. When military personnel who have served in the military leave the service they may know they have benefits but many have no idea how to access those benefits. Many feel they have served their country and are



File photo

At Two Strike Park at 8 a.m. on Veterans Day representatives of American Legion Post 288 and VFW Post 1614 will be on-site. Above, members can be seen at a previous Veterans Day ceremony presenting the colors.

now moving on to their private lives and the benefits and support agencies are important for that transition. The American Legion and VFW are two organizations that can help in that transition.

Just some of the areas they can help with include assisting any local veteran seeking Veteran Administration benefits or military records. The person who needs support is not required to be a member of either Post. Navigating the VA is difficult; the Posts have veterans whose focus is to help with military service and post-service issues.

The two local Posts can also assist with veterans' financial needs. In addition, veterans conduct memorial ceremonies at Two Strike Park, provide a free monthly breakfast for veterans in the community every second Saturday of the month, remember and support local military service members deployed

overseas and participate in "Not on Our Watch" sponsored by Wellness Works - Glendale Division.

They also support the community by having toy and food drives, volunteering at numerous events and helping to organize bingo fundraisers for local non-profits.

The American Legion and VFW is a place where veterans, and their families, can get the support they need as well as providing opportunities for veterans to help their community. For more information, visit their Facebook page at Verdugo Hills American Legion or call (818) 541-1336.

Following the ceremony at Two Strike Park, the community is invited to the Montrose Vietnam Memorial at the corner of Honolulu Avenue and Ocean View Boulevard. The Don Jose Verdugo Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will take part in a

wreath-laying ceremony at 9 a.m.

The Wounded Warrior Project is another organization that works tirelessly to help those returning military members who are struggling with transitioning into civilian life.

"We service injured or wounded post 9/11 [military] families and caregivers," said a Wounded Warrior Project spokesperson.

The organization began in 2003 to provide simple care and comfort items to the hospital bedsides of the first wounded service members returning home from the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan. The organization has grown and now offers services including mental health, financial and physical wellness. In addition they help veterans transition into civilian careers.

To find out more about the Wounded Warrior Project go to woundedwarriorproject.org.

IN BRIEF

DAR HOLDING WREATH-LAYING

Representatives from The Don Jose Verdugo Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will participate in a wreath-laying ceremony on Veterans Day on Friday, Nov. 11 at 9 a.m. at the Montrose Vietnam Memorial at the corner of Honolulu Avenue and Ocean View Boulevard. The public is invited to attend. Representing the DAR will be Julianne Ellis-Rainey, Veterans Program director and DAR Regent Caroline Craven.

The public is also invited to attend a veterans family and community event honoring local vets on the same day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the steps of the La Cañada Flintridge City Hall at Olberz Park, One Civic Center Drive. This inaugural event is being organized by community member Kaitzer Puglia in conjunction with the DAR.

ROSEMONT PRESERVE RESTORATION DAY

The community is invited to the Rosemont Preserve Restoration Day on Saturday, Nov. 12 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. to help protect the natural habitat at Rosemont Preserve. Volunteers will be removing invasive, non-native plants that pose a fire danger to the Preserve and weeding the demonstration garden. Wear sturdy shoes, comfortable clothes and garden gloves (long pants and sleeves are recommended). Tools will be available.

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.

CVTC CANDIDATE FORUM AND ELECTIONS

The Crescenta Valley Town Council is hosting a candidate forum on Thursday, Nov. 17 at 7 p.m. at its general meeting at the La Crescenta Library community room, 2809 Foothill Blvd. Taking part is Harry Leon, Aram Ordubegian, Ted Yu, Donna Libra and Dr. Young Suh. It will be moderated by local historian Mike Lawler.

The CVTC elections are on Nov. 18 from 5-8 p.m. and Nov. 19 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Sadler Hall at St. Luke's Church of the Mountains Episcopal Church at 2563 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta.

FOOD DRIVE ON SATURDAY

Crescenta Valley High School's Academy of Science and Medicine is holding a food drive on Saturday, Nov. 12. Donations can be dropped off at the Fire House youth center at 2563 Foothill Blvd. from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The drive benefits the Bailey Center. Non-perishable food items are requested.

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Community Members Helps Refugees



By Ruth SOWBY

Members of the Relief Society of the Church of Latter-day Saints, La Crescenta Ward, sponsored a well-attended community service event on Saturday. Four stations were manned by over 100 LDS members from La Crescenta, La Cañada, Sunland-Tujunga and Glendale. Also participating were representatives from the Bailey Human Care Center, the La Cañada Kiwanis, the United Methodist Church on Tujunga Canyon Boulevard, and the Tujunga Volunteers.

LDS member Marilyn Bayles

welcomed more than 100 community volunteers with songs and videos. Music was provided by Coleen Thatcher, Linda Allen and Linda Fors.

Bayles referenced the high numbers of refugees who have arrived in the United States. Afghans alone make up 74,000 refugees.

Most of the give-away goodies prepared by the Relief Society of the Church of Latter-day Saints, La Crescenta Ward are earmarked for refugees living in Southern California.

After the opening program, busy fingers assembled household kits, painted Welcome to America signs, tied

fleece blankets, sewed cotton pillowcases and filled giant bowls with 66 dozen cookies baked earlier.

Added to the cookies were homemade bread and salads for a big “thank you” to the many volunteers participating.

Photos by Ruth SOWBY
Community leaders for Saturday’s “Community Service Event to Help Refugees” are, from left, Mary Mary Emily Myers, La Canada Presbyterian Church; Trish McRae, La Canada Kiwanis; Linda Fors, Neddy Wilson, Event Chair Marilyn Bayles and Connie Wright. The last four women represent the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

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Local Forums Held on Fentanyl



Photo by Robin GOLDSWORTHY
 Attending the Crescenta Valley Town Council presentation were (from left) Frida Baghdassarian, Kerri Bräutigam, Ed Ternan, Sgt. Axt, Linda Simonian, Officer Boyd, Donna Libra, CV Sheriff's Station Capt. Rob Hahnlein, Dede Mueller, Chris Kilpatrick and Elizabeth Ahlers.

By Robin GOLDSWORTHY and Mary O'KEEFE

The fentanyl crisis was highlighted in two recent events, one held in La Crescenta and the other in Glendale. That two events focused on this synthetic opioid and the tragedy it causes, not only in the local area but also across the entire country, emphasized the importance of learning about the drug and its dangers.

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is similar to morphine but is 50 to 100 times more potent, according to the National Institute on Drug Abuse, a division of the National Institute of Health.

Illegal drug use is nothing new, whether people are using drugs for the first time or the hundredth time. While there is always a risk when using illegal substances the risks surrounding fentanyl are high because many do not even know they are taking the drug ... until it is too late.

The Crescenta Valley Town Council held a town hall meeting on Nov. 3 that focused on the fentanyl epidemic. About 40 people, including students, attended the evening event, which featured presentations by pharmacy representative Linda Simonian, CHP officer Sgt. Axt and Ed Ternan whose son Charlie died after taking a counterfeit tablet that was purchased on social media. Charlie, 22, thought he was purchasing Percocet but instead received a deadly dose of fentanyl.

In response to that tragedy, Ternan and his wife Mary cofounded the website Song for Charlie. The goal of the website is to "share accurate, unbiased information about illicit fentanyl and the fake prescription pills that are easily accessible on social media and elsewhere today," according to Song for Charlie.

Pharmacist Simonian discussed the signs of fentanyl use, which include pinpoint pupils and lethargy, and the importance of administering naloxone (better known by the brand name NARCAN) in the case of a suspected overdose. When questioned whether or not emergency personnel should be called in the case of fentanyl overdose after NARCAN has been administered, Simonian said "definitely."

"NARCAN lasts in the body for about 30 to 40 minutes," she said. "Most ingested opioids last longer meaning that, once NARCAN wears off, the person could once again go into

distress."

Simonian added that, though fentanyl use was being spotlighted, having any expired medication in the house that young people can access is an ongoing danger. She urged homeowners to clean out their medicine cabinets and safely dispose of medications.

Captain Rob Hahnlein of the CV Sheriff's Station was in the audience and sparked a conversation of the sensitivity of being infected with fentanyl, relaying the story of a deputy who came in contact with a small amount of the drug and had adverse reactions. Ternan added to the conversation saying that, while there are dangers to being infected due to casual exposure to the drug, it is rare unless the person has an open cut or inhales the drug.

Kerri Bräutigam is on the CVTC Outreach Committee and is the council's corresponding secretary.

"The goal [of the forum] was to really understand the impact that one pill can have and how we can protect our youth or those who may be susceptible to coming into contact with fentanyl," said Bräutigam.

On Tuesday a meeting sponsored by the Glendale Unified School District, with the support of the Glendale Police Dept., was held at the District office. This meeting included a discussion of what GPD has seen on the streets and in the schools regarding fentanyl and other illegal substances. Detectives Ivan Cornejo, Guillermo Jimenez, Alex Rolando and Matthew Landsberger shared a PowerPoint presentation on what Glendale, and the country, is dealing with when it comes to fentanyl.

Setting the stage for what Glendale has experienced was data that the city had 193 overdoses in 2021 and that a lot of "popular" drugs and pills are being made with fentanyl. Detectives explained that fentanyl is being produced in China and sent to Mexico, and then comes across the border into the U.S.

In 2020 the majority of deaths due to overdoses involved fentanyl use. Deaths decreased slightly from 2020 to 2021; however, detectives said that decrease may be because so many people now carry NARCAN. For example, in 2020 there were 12 fatal and 19 nonfatal overdoses due to fentanyl. In 2021 there were four fatal and 73 nonfatal fentanyl overdoses. While this data showed a decrease in fatalities it also reflected the increase of overdoses overall with 31 occurring

in 2020 and jumping to 77 in 2021.

Fentanyl use is not the only illegal drug used in Glendale. Methamphetamine overdoses have increased from 15 in 2020 to 39 in 2021; synthetic marijuana overdose data shows 14 overdoses occurred in 2020 and 39 in 2021; the number of heroin overdoses in 2020 was eight increasing to 21 in 2021; cocaine overdoses numbered four in 2020 and 14 in 2021; and alcohol overdoses were three, all fatal, in 2020 compared to three, with one fatal, in 2021. Data for 2022 has yet to be completed; however, detectives feel those numbers will continue upward with an increase from 2021.

One of the more powerful moments of the District's presentation was the playing of a 9-1-1 call where the audience heard the frantic yelling, "My brother is dead!"

The caller told the 9-1-1 operator he thought his brother, age 25, had overdosed.

The victim grew up in Glendale and attended GUSD schools.

Detectives spoke of how police follow the evidence and, at times, can make an arrest and get a conviction; however, they focused on how parents need to be aware of what their kids are doing on social media and on their phones. Several examples of how easy it is to order fentanyl online were given: if people know what ads to look for – for example, an advertisement for what appears to be a roof and foundation coating is actually an advertisement for fentanyl. Other ads appeared to be selling board shorts but, again, were advertisements for fentanyl. They told the audience that drugs could be ordered and delivered to a person's door.

One of the questions posed by a parent concerned these types of ads and, even if the parent did look at their child's social media history, they would not recognize the drug threats.

District Superintendent Dr. Vivian Ekchian said she would work with her team to get more information on this subject to share with parents.

Ultimately, the informative discussion showed that fentanyl is a different type of threat. It can be added into any other drug. For example, if people think they are taking cocaine they may find fentanyl has been added, which often leads to an overdose. Fentanyl is being marketed throughout the nation and no one—no family—is immune to the tragedy it can bring.

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Obituary

Colleen “Betty” Jane Munson



Jan. 18, 1924 - Feb. 17, 2022

Known to her friends and family as “Bette,” Colleen was born on Jan. 18, 1924 in Glendale to Cecil and Evelyn Bottrell. Her parents, older brother Richard (Dick) and younger brother Gerald are waiting to welcome her into God’s arms.

She peacefully passed away on Feb.17, 2022 (age 98) in Sacramento, where she lived the past 20 years near her two sons, Michael and Patrick (Rick) Munson.

Colleen grew up and attended Hoover High School, graduating in 1942, and lived in the La Crescenta and Montrose areas. She was a member of the La Crescenta Baptist Church until moving to Sacramento.

Colleen was a beloved daughter, sister, aunt, wife, mother and a good friend. As a mostly stay-at-home mom, she loved the sounds of the great bands of the 1940s as well as watching scary and who-done-it movies, doing crossword puzzles, eating See’s soft center chocolates and dining out at the Old Spaghetti Factory, IHOP and Golden Coral restaurants.

Her biggest regret in her later years was leaving the La Crescenta and Montrose areas.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Nov. 19 at the Hollywood Hills Forest Lawn Cemetery for family only. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to local Alzheimer’s disease, Parkinson’s disease or dementia charities.

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having me, Kiwanis Club of La Cañada La Crescenta-AM.

Finally, I don’t know about you but we here are scratching our heads asking how it is that November already arrived. As you probably understand, we live week to week. While it’s not

AIRSHOW from Cover

the [public] to show their gratitude and to meet the pilots,” said founder Jim Paules.

But over the years it has become so much more.

“For about the last four or five years [the event] has pivoted to be a far stronger [opportunity] for recruiting teams,” Paules said.

The event still focuses on all things helicopters but the recruitment aspect has grown as law enforcement and fire agencies struggle to fill positions.

Paules added he feels movies have shown a distorted version of emergency responders noting the extensive skills responders have, including people with linguistic, science and engineering backgrounds.

“This year we have over 55 recruiting organizations [at the airshow],” he said. “We provide free space for them.”

This is an increase in the number of participating organizations and an increase in the number of recruiters from other states, including those from Oregon and Arizona.

There will also be a special event that has become a tradition at the American Heroes Air Show event – a naturalization ceremony.

The Supreme Court has

surprising that we prepare our readers for upcoming events (and seasons) we sometimes get caught short. It’s not surprising to hear, for example, that our co-workers hurried to the grocery store to pick up Halloween candy. Before I knew that we wouldn’t be home to hand out treats, I filled

with candy a ceramic pumpkin that my mother-in-law made.

Curiously, I looked into that pumpkin a couple of days ago and it was empty. Apparently Steve ate all the candy.

Thank goodness I stashed some away and he didn’t know where.

stated that a “natural-born citizen” is anybody who was born in the United States or derives citizenship at birth from U.S. citizen parents. For those desiring U.S. citizenship but born outside the U.S., they must undertake a long process called naturalization. Criteria includes the applicant is at least 18 years old, has been in the U.S. lawfully for the past three to five years, has a continuous residence and physical presence in the U.S., is able to read, write and speak basic English, demonstrates good moral character, has a knowledge and understanding of U.S. history and government, is loyal to the principles of the U.S. Constitution and is willing to take the Oath of Allegiance, according to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

It takes anywhere from 18 to 24 months to complete this process for most people. Some of those who have completed the process will be taking the Oath of Allegiance at the American Heroes Airshow.

“The naturalization ceremony will be at 10 a.m.,” Paules said. “Five or six of those [taking the Oath] have served in the military.”

Despite the addition of more recruiting opportunities and a naturalization ceremony the foundation of the event

continues to be helicopters.

“I think your average family has no idea what kind of capability helicopters have and how vital they are,” Goldsworthy said. He added this is one of the biggest, if not the biggest, events of its kind taking into account the number of helicopters that have RSVP’d to be at the airshow.

It is also a way to educate the public on the various responsibilities of each agency and how they work together. As Goldsworthy, a member of the Montrose Search and Rescue team, pointed out Los Angeles County has a number of agencies with helicopter support including LA County Sheriff’s Dept., LA County Fire Dept. and multiple local police departments. Other counties must depend on military helicopters for support.

Both Paules and Goldsworthy spoke of their hope that the American Heroes Airshow will inspire young helicopter pilots. Who knows what will happen as kids, and even some adults, get a chance to crawl into a helicopter and dream of flying?

Admission to the American Heroes Airshow and parking are free. Hansen Dam is located at 11770 Foothill Blvd. in Lake View Terrace.

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science. But for us to get those amazing photos of developing hurricanes we must have satellites ... and there’s the rub.

There is no doubt having these satellites are of value,

from warning us of extreme weather or gathering data on climate change to even, at the simplest level, letting us know if we need to cover our plants due to expected frost or grab our umbrella though the sun is shining. But with over 4,500 satellites currently orbiting the Earth how many is too many? It took some time for the first few satellites to be launched and placed in orbit followed by a substantial increase in launchings and orbiting satellites.

According to a Science News article this year, more than 100,000 additional satellites have been proposed with nearly 40,000 proposed just in November 2021 to the U.S. Federal Communications Commission.

Our recent rains were much needed although the downpour was intense at times.

The total rainfall for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Pasadena was 3.14 inches and at the Eagle Rock Reservoir was 2.92 inches, according to David Sweet, meteorologist at NOAA Oxnard.

Locally, on Tuesday the Crescenta Valley area received only 1.13 inches, according to the weather monitor at Rosemont Middle School.

“These rainfall [totals] are pretty high and some areas had record rainfall,” Sweet said.

He added this storm happened early in the season and its type is more commonly seen in January and February.

“It was a relatively strong storm,” he said. “We are looking drier for the future.”

So here it is. We need, and want, the information that satellites bring to us but at what costs? If this trend that started with a hopeful vision is to continue into the future, when we look up at the night sky what twinkles back will be a mechanical twinkle; and “Twinkle, Twinkle Little Satellite” just doesn’t generate the same feeling.

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canvass, all vote by mail, conditional and provisional ballots received on Election Day are processed and verified. Once verified, they will be counted," according to the LA County Registrar Office.

The first post-Election Day ballot count update is scheduled for Friday with another update scheduled on Nov. 15, 18, 22, 25, 29 and Dec. 2 and Dec. 5, if needed.

A reminder that the results below are not the final numbers but those available as of Wednesday: U.S.

Representative District 28 – Judy Chu has 65.75%, Wes Hallman 34.25%; District 30 – Adam Schiff has 72.05% and G. “Maebie A. Girl” Pudlo 27.95%; California State Assembly District 44 – Laura Friedman has 66.30% and Barry Curtis Jacobsen 33.70%.

The LA County Sheriff’s Dept. race has Robert Luna at 56.78% of the vote and Alex Villanueva has 43.22%.

In the governor’s race the statewide results are: Gavin Newsom with 57.6% and Brian Dahle 42.4%. Voters in

LA County semi-results for the governor’s race are: Gavin Newsom 63.45% and Brian Dahle 36.55%.

The LA mayor’s race as of Wednesday had Rick Caruso at 51.25% and Karen Bass at 48.75%.

More semi-final results can be found at lavote.net.

As of Wednesday afternoon there are very close races in many areas of the country including the Arizona governor’s race and a run-off in the senate race in Georgia.

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Pedestrian Fatality

By Mary O’KEEFE

California Highway Patrol responded to a call concerning a vehicle versus pedestrian on Saturday at 10:10 a.m. on the Ocean View Boulevard overpass of the 210 Freeway. “For unknown reasons the pedestrian ran across the northbound lanes of traffic on Ocean View Boulevard and crossed the center median,” according to CHP investigating Officer


Madden. “As he crossed the southbound lanes of traffic he collided with a pickup truck traveling southbound on Ocean View.”

The pedestrian succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at the scene. Los Angeles County Coroner’s Office has released the identity of the pedestrian as Jesse Villarreal, 22.

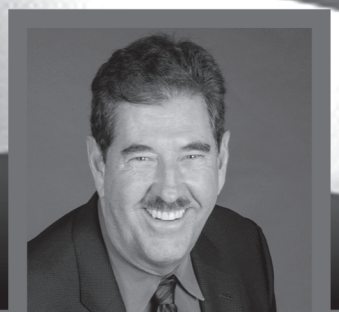
The driver of the truck that struck the victim stopped at the scene as did witnesses.

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TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

The Ancient Bridge Across Pickens Canyon

In the late 1880s, a heavy wagon bridge was constructed across Pickens Canyon high up near Briggs Terrace. We have info about the bridge from a letter that pioneer Winifred Bathey sent to the local paper in 1966.

The Bathey family moved to La Crescenta in 1886 and established a ranch at the top of Briggs Avenue, next door to Dr. Briggs' estate up on Briggs Terrace. (That original ranch of nearly 200 acres is still there today under different ownership.) Two of the sisters, Winifred and Allie, lived on the ranch until the late 1960s and Winifred often contributed her memories to the local paper, The Ledger. In this letter she elaborates on an old story that there had once been a major bridge over the upper end of Pickens Canyon. Here are snippets of Winifred's letter (in quotation marks), along with my comments to clarify.

"The bridge spanned Pickens

Canyon at about the extension of Harmony Place and just south of the Gould barn on the east bank of the canyon. It was about 12 feet wide by 100 feet long and 20 or 30 feet above the creek bed, built of heavy planks."

So, it ran from just below Briggs Terrace, across Pickens Canyon, to the upper part of today's Ocean View Boulevard.

"This bridge was constructed for Dr. Benjamin Briggs and Mrs. E.H. Gould by my father as contractor. They traveled over it to visit each other."

Mrs. E.H. (May) Gould was Dr. Briggs' niece.

"Most of the building blocks used in the construction of the Gould Castle were hewn out of immense boulders strewn upon the land lying between the west bank of the canyon and Briggs Avenue, and they were hauled over this bridge."

The Gould Castle was a true

stone castle that May Gould had constructed on the east bank of Pickens Canyon near the end of today's Canalda Drive. The streets Castle Road and Rock Castle Drive were named for it. It was torn down in 1955.

"Dr. Briggs had a wagon road through his Black Hamburg grape vineyard, thence over a bench of land along the west bank of Pickens Canyon to the bridge."

That wagon road would have been the modern path of Shields Street. Black Hamburg is an older name for Muscat grapes.

"In those days there were no defined streets, although they were defined in the early maps. The shortest road from one place to another was a wagon trail through the tall brush. Briggs Avenue was a winding trail zig-zagging around the boulders. Dr. Briggs had a road cut out from the south end of his vineyard

to Briggs Avenue."

Old aerial views show there were many diagonal shortcuts across empty land until homes filled in the empty lots. Winifred mentions "the tall brush." The valley was covered in head-high sagebrush before it was cleared or burned off in several wildfires. And yes, the initial path of all the straight roads we know today, such as Briggs Avenue and Foothill Boulevard, did zig-zag around the many boulders strewn across the valley. In fact the valley, before it was La Crescenta, was called "Big Rocks." Eventually the boulders were moved aside and the roads straightened. (Where are those rocks today? Dig a hole anywhere and you'll find them.)

"It washed out in the 1913 freshet."

"It" meant the old bridge, and "freshet" meant a flood from a heavy rain. Perhaps Winifred meant 1914 as there was a huge flood that year that killed 43 people in

the Arroyo Seco area. No doubt that storm caused Pickens Canyon to flood as well and take out this bridge. After a repeat flood in 1934, Pickens Canyon was re-engineered with check dams and channelization to avoid future flooding.

Several times over the years, development schemes were floated for further development in the upper reaches of Briggs Terrace and Ocean View. Very often the idea of a major bridge up high was proposed as part of the development but it never happened.

Nothing's new. Turns out there was a bridge there in the past.

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

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HARRY LEON, PRESIDENT
 at CVWeekly.com/VIEWPOINTS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reach Deep, California

Welcome to California, the sanctuary state for everyone!

Everyone? Thanks to "progressive" policies, any woman from another state, where abortion is illegal, is welcome to come to California where luckless taxpayers will foot the bill for some or all of the medical procedure. Ka-ching!

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yet, on the beach and wait in line, like the motely crew in Venice, for a million dollar room with a view. Ka-ching!

No papers? No problem. That was the consensus of Democratic lawmakers, including Assemblyman Chris Holden, Assemblywoman Laura Friedman and Senator Anthony Portantino, when they voted for Assembly Bill 1766, dubbed "California IDs For All."

On Sept. 23, Gov. Gavin Newsom

signed the bill into law. With the stroke of a pen, he turned two million illegal immigrants – pardon me, unauthorized migrants – into California residents. Their official status enables them to access health care, obtain public benefits, open a bank account or qualify for in-state tuition.

Ka-ching!

*Les Hammer
Pasadena*

Questions Evaluation of City Manager

Last year, when the 5% salary increase was approved for the city manager at the council session, there was no mention of any performance objectives met. Shouldn't the evaluation be held in the open, transparently, and with objective measures of performance clearly presented?

If the role of city government is to maintain or improve the

quality of life of the residents of a city, shouldn't there be objective measures of performance? Shouldn't there be an evaluation of the quality of life of the residents of Glendale and a strategic plan to measure the progress towards meeting deficiencies?

The last full quality of life report was conducted in 2001. No formal strategic plan has been completed since about 2008. No comprehensive
see LETTERS on page 19



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I have been honored to serve on the Crescenta Valley Town Council for four years and on the Crescenta Valley Fire Safe Council. I am also a director on the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce and volunteer for the Caltrans offramp clean up.

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ALF Cañada Auxiliary of Professionals Awards \$2,000 Scholarship to Local Student

The Cañada Auxiliary of Professionals, known as CAP, has awarded a \$2,000 scholarship to a local high school graduate attending a two-year college or occupational program. CAP is an auxiliary of the Assistance League of Flintridge (ALF). The award was presented to the recipient at the September 21, 2022 CAP meeting.

Kylie Sears, a La Canada High School graduate, is the scholarship recipient. Kylie is attending Glendale Community College and plans to become a public policy lawyer. CAP found Kylie to be an extraordinarily well-rounded student who played varsity volleyball and basketball, served as Vice President for Girls Who Code, and a recipient of both

the Silver and Gold Awards from the Girl Scouts of America.

Kylie's Silver Award was for completing "chemo care kits" for cancer patients. Her inspiration was a close relationship with a cancer patient undergoing treatment. Kylie's Gold Award focused on educating younger girls on how to get involved in issues facing their communities. Kylie partnered with the National Women's Political Caucus to bring local and state female leaders to age-appropriate seminars she organized. As a result of this project, Kylie was chosen as a member of the Tournament of Roses Troop for 2022 and was invited to accompany the La Cañada Flintridge float in the Rose Parade.

Kylie is involved in her church council, holds two jobs, and participates in rallies for social justice issues. In addition, she has worked as a poll worker through Los Angeles County.

The Cañada Auxiliary of Professionals happily awarded this annual scholarship to Kylie Sears, and wishes her all the best at Glendale Community College and beyond.

CAP members participate in five philanthropic programs. In addition to the Scholarship Program, CAP administers Cappy Bears, SPROUTS, and CAP Care PACs, and works with ALF on Operation School Bell. CAP philanthropies are supported by sales in the Bargain Box, ALF's thrift shop. To learn more about Cañada Auxiliary of Professionals, CAP philanthropic programs, social activities, and membership, visit ALFlintridge.org or call (818) 790-1328.



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history, all eight of MTC's competitors won a gold medal. Six of the students participated in the poomsae (form) event and all six won medals including three and three silver.

Contributed by MTC

(Back row from left): Coach Master Johnearl Abante, Isaiah Manoukian, Ronan Fisher, Maia Ziegler, Gunnar Sumner, Coach Master Jin Yun (Front row from left): Adeline Nguyen, Kira Ziegler, Samantha Manoukian
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BETWEEN FRIENDS

More Halloween Fun Found in the Foothills

The enthusiasm for Halloween is no more evident than in the foothill communities and surrounding areas. Below we wind up our photo montage of those people and places that had a "spooktacularly" good time.

Photos by Mary O'KEEFE and Charly SHELTON and provided by Valley View Elementary School

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CCLCF Collecting Food, Money



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NASA donation drop-bins are located at the Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge and select businesses throughout the area including: Gelson's Market, Sprouts, Bob Smith Toyota, La Cañada Congregational Church, Crescenta Cañada Pet Hospital, Caltech Federal Credit Union, Allen Lund, Citizens Business Bank, Rose Gold Fitness and multiple schools around La Cañada Flintridge. Donations will be distributed to those in need

this holiday season by the Los Angeles Sheriff's Dept. -Crescenta Valley Station.

For those who want to contribute but don't have the time to drop off food products monetary contributions can be made online. Donations will bring much-needed groceries to families experiencing food insecurity in the area.

For questions or to sign up to volunteer, visit the website at CCLCF.org or call the main office at (818) 790-4354.

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Questions About Today's Real Estate?

Ask Phyllis!

What is a Transaction Coordinator?

Dear Phyllis,

I have been following your real estate column for years. And, as a local homeowner, I am relatively savvy regarding real estate. I co-signed for my son to purchase a townhome. It was very well-priced and there were a few other offers. There was a delay in the request being written and another delay when the seller issued a counteroffer to all the buyers.

His Realtor told us that it would be put in DocuSign and for us to look out for it as we had a deadline to respond. This was at 4 p.m. I typically go to bed by 9 p.m. but stayed awake until 10 p.m. but still no email. The following morning, I felt sure it would be there but it didn't turn up until 10 a.m. Although my son's offer was accepted, I was miffed with his Realtor for taking so long. Is it typical for it to take so long to expedite necessary paperwork?

Peggy

Dear Peggy,

I think I know exactly what happened and I find this situation frustrating as well. Your son's Realtor was likely using a Transaction Coordinator (TC).

What is a Transaction Coordinator? They provide administrative support to Realtors from purchase agreement to closing. They sometimes work in an office with real estate agents keeping the office's working hours. In other instances, they work remotely. Likely your real estate agent was waiting for his TC to put the counteroffer in DocuSign. Typically, transaction coordinators work for many agents simultaneously. It seems that in your circumstance they left the office before getting your counteroffer in DocuSign.

Time can be the worst enemy for home buyers because, at any moment, other offers can arrive. Note that your son's agent could have put the counter in DocuSign in about five to 10 minutes. Not too long ago, we had a listing where the buyer's agent did the same thing. By the time the Transaction Coordinator got the counter in DocuSign, another offer was received. The buyer lost the property to a similar offer with better terms.

I don't fault you for being miffed and I am glad more offers didn't materialize during the delay.

Phyllis



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TRAVEL & LEISURE

Pianist Brendan White to Perform for Free Admission Glendale Noon Concerts

On Wednesday, Nov. 16 at 12:10 p.m., the Free Admission Glendale Noon Concerts program will be streamed on Facebook and YouTube.

Pianist Brendan White will perform works by Chopin and Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue." (The video will be available ongoing.)

Born in Jackson, Tennessee, but now based in Los Angeles, pianist Brendan White appears frequently in solo recitals and chamber ensembles and as a soloist with orchestra. As soloist, White has performed with Musica Nova (Eastman School of Music), Vicente Chamber Orchestra, Orchestra of the Verdugos, Crown City Symphony, Delta Symphony Orchestra and Jackson Symphony Orchestra.

As a recording artist, White was featured on Danaë Vlasse's Grammy Award-winning album Mythologies. White's collaborations in Southern California have included the Mühlfeld Trio, which won the prestigious Beverly Hills Auditions, the Speakeasy Society, and Eighteen Squared. He is an original member of the Sunset ChamberFest in Los Angeles. White's repertoire spans many centuries and genres and he has worked with well-known composers such as Thomas Adès, Stephen Cohn, Donald Crockett and Danaë Vlasse.

White is also a composer of original music. Local recital appearances include: Piano Spheres Emerging Artist Series, Soundwaves in Santa Monica, Silicon Beach CO Recital Series, Glendale Noon Concerts, Pasadena Presbyterian Music at Noon, Music@



Mimoda, and Mason Concerts. He attended the Eastman School of Music and the Thornton School of Music, University of Southern California.

More info about the program and artist, the link to the stream, and information on upcoming concerts can be seen at <http://glendalenoconcerts.blogspot.com>.

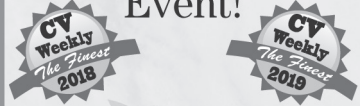
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Then » Recorded memories of CV pioneers relate that many early major roads here were not straight. They zig-zagged through the thick brush, turning to avoid large boulders. This photo from about 1915 shows Briggs Avenue just as it heads up the hill from Foothill Boulevard. Briggs Avenue clearly winds back and forth through the thick sagebrush. The straight line to the left of the wagon track is a pile of rocks.



Now » That same view today shows Briggs Avenue running straight and true up the hill from Foothill. In the bottom left corner is the old La Crescenta Motel (formerly the Maylane). To the right of Briggs Avenue is the CV Sheriff's Station and, further to the right, is Pickens Canyon. Pickens Canyon has been tamed from its intermittent flooding by the addition of a large debris basin, seen here, and concrete channels.

Alissa's Oceanview | BAR & GRILL

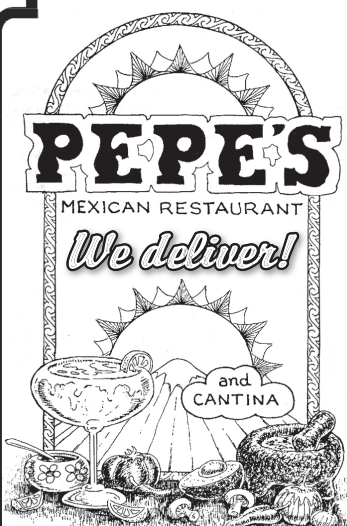


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GLENDALE KIWANIS

The Kiwanis Club of Glendale presents a special program honoring veterans on Friday, Nov. 11. The cost to attend, which includes lunch, is \$15. Meetings start at noon.

The Club meets Friday afternoons at the Elks Lodge, 120 E. Colorado St. in Glendale.

CCLCF ANNOUNCES NEW PROGRAMS

The Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge offers new programs. "Check" out chess on Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Participants will have fun, stay sharp and learn new strategies each week. This event is great for beginners or those wanting to learn new moves.

The new Speaker Series for Seniors kicked off on Nov. 1 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. with the topic "Arthritis and Self-Management."

A new Table Tennis Club has been formed! Pingpong stimulates the brain and promotes quick thinking while improving hand-eye coordination. The Table Tennis Club started on Nov. 1 from 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the Main Room.

Registration is now open. For more info on these and other senior programs, contact the Main Office at (818) 790-4353 or office@cclcf.org and visit the Center's website at www.CCLCF.org.

PSHA ACCEPTING GRANT APPS

Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts announced the launch of its 2022/23 Gifts & Grants program. Each year Gifts & Grants distributes hundreds of thousands of dollars to local non-profit organizations to support music and arts programs including underwriting community performances, academy and conservatory scholarships, music therapy and music education. During the 2021/22 program year, the organization distributed \$500,000. To date, Pasadena Showcase has contributed more than \$24 million to local nonprofit organizations.

The application period is now open and closes on Nov. 30; awardees will be advised in April 2023. For more information and application guidelines, visit pasadenashowcase.org/gifts.

AAUW GLENDALE NOVEMBER BRANCH MEETING

On Nov. 12 at 9 a.m. Trina Ray, an astronomer and systems engineer at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), will be speaking at the AAUW Glendale Chapter. Currently Ray is the deputy science manager and investigation scientist for the ice penetrating radar instrument on NASA's flagship, Europa Clipper.

She will provide an overview of her 30-year career working on major space missions such as Voyager, Cassini and Europa. Ray will also offer advice about careers for women in science and technology. She has received many awards including a NASA medal for exceptional service.

The program will also honor the three Glendale Toll Middle School girls selected to participate in the AAUW Tech Trek camp held at Whittier College in June 2022.

The cost to attend the program is \$35 per person. Contact Marilyn "Susie" Robinson (home: (818) 951-6104, cell (818) 317-5602 or email marilyn_robinson@hotmail.com) by Oct. 28 to make a reservation.

Bring a check payable to AAUW Glendale.

The AAUW meets at the Oakmont Country Club, 3100 Country Club Drive in Glendale.

GROWING UP IN SUNLAND

On Saturday, Nov. 12 at 1 p.m. author and storyteller Tom Gilfoy will be speaking at the Bolton Hall Museum on growing up in Sunland in the 1930s and 1940s. He will offer a look at what life was like in those days in the small community. Tales of Lancaster Lake, Sunland Park amusement rides, adventures in the "wild" with his friends and student life at Verdugo Hills High School are stories that will be shared.

Gilfoy wrote the book about his adventures "Growing Up In Sunland and Other Short Stories," which is available in the Bolton Hall Museum gift shop. All are invited to this presentation of stories about local history. In addition to Gilfoy, special guest Mike Lawler from the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley will be on hand to assist with the presentation.

This event is free and open to the public and everyone is welcome.

Bolton Hall Museum, Home of Little Landers Historical Society, is located at 10110 Commerce Ave. in Tujunga.

Additional information is available from Little Landers Historical Society, (818) 352-3420 or BoltonHall.org or email llhs@boltonhall.org.

CALTECH ORCHESTRA PRESENTS CONCERTS

The Caltech Orchestra, directed by Dr. Glenn D. Price, presents its fall concert entitled "Transformations." The concerts are on Saturday, Nov. 12 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday, Nov. 13 at 3 p.m., both held in Ramo Auditorium, 1200 E California Blvd, Pasadena, featuring the same program of music by Mahler, Honegger and Coleman.

Admission is free and no tickets are required. Social distancing and masks are recommended but not required. For more information visit pva.caltech.edu or call (626) 395-3295.

JEWEL CITY KNITTERS NEWS

Jewel City Knitters will hold its monthly JCK Charity Knit and Crochet gathering on Saturday, Nov. 12 at 1:30 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Library, 3301 E. Chevy Chase Dr., Glendale, (818) 548-2046. Enjoy a relaxed afternoon of knit, crochet and conversation. For more information, email susandietel@yahoo.com.

CROWN CITY SYMPHONY CONCERT

On Sunday, Nov. 13 at 1:30 p.m., the Crown City Symphony, under the direction of conductor Arman Keyvanian, will perform Brahms' "Serenade #1, Op.11" and Brahms' "Hungarian Dance #1 in G minor." Free admission.

The concert takes place at the First Baptist Church, 75 N. Marengo in Pasadena.

» ZACK HILL BY JOHN DEERING AND JOHN NEWCOMBE



PROBLEM SOLVED » BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT

Help! My Whirlpool refrigerator caused \$4,200 in damage to my kitchen.

Steven Pearson's Whirlpool refrigerator doesn't work. It's also leaking and has caused \$4,200 in damage to his kitchen floor. Why won't Whirlpool respond to his request for help?

Q I need help with a Whirlpool refrigerator that has damaged my kitchen. I have experienced nothing but issues with the appliance since I got it in 2020. The ice maker doesn't work. The leaky refrigerator caused \$4,200 of damage to my kitchen floor.

Whirlpool asked me to fill out a claim form, which I did. But I have not heard back from the company. I am a loyal Whirlpool customer. All of my appliances are from Whirlpool. I want Whirlpool to repair my refrigerator and pay for the damages. Can you help me?

—Steven Pearson, Boston, Massachusetts

A Whirlpool should take responsibility for a faulty appliance and cover any damage the appliance causes. Or should it?

Looking at your warranty, there are two things to note: First, it's a one-year warranty, so your ice maker would only be covered if you reported the problem the first year after purchase. And second, it specifically doesn't cover damage resulting from "accident, alteration, misuse, abuse, fire, flood, improper installation, acts of God or use of products not approved by Whirlpool Corporation or Whirlpool Canada Inc."

Now that's what I call a broad

exclusion. All Whirlpool would have to do is say that you misused or altered your refrigerator, and it's off the hook.

But that isn't the problem. I reviewed your paperwork and it looks like you had two requests. First, repair the ice maker. And second, cover the floor damage. That may have confused Whirlpool, which is accustomed to handling claims one at a time.

There's a takeaway for the rest of us here. When you file a claim or complain to a company, stick to one problem at a time. A list of issues may cause a delay. In your situation, see **PROBLEM SOLVED** on page 19

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Edited by Timothy Parker

ACROSS

- 1) Not needing a comb
- 5) Acts the usher
- 10) Old Russian ruler
- 14) Way out there on a yacht
- 15) George W.'s wife
- 16) 4,840 square yards
- 17) Fail to leave
- 18) More than suggests
- 19) Introduction to psychology?
- 20) "Arabian Nights" protagonist
- 23) A common turn
- 24) Advances against earnings
- 25) Go back, as a hairline
- 28) Things noted at the racetrack
- 30) Field of expertise
- 31) Certain baby bird
- 33) Part of some savings plans
- 36) Prove not to be buoyant
- 40) Cat or dog, often
- 41) How some say goodbye
- 42) Be a good Samaritan
- 43) Aphrodite's consort
- 44) Whitecap features
- 46) Red skies, to sailors
- 49) Remove a violin string
- 51) Melodious birthday greeting of old
- 57) Way to get a guaranteed hand
- 58) "All My Children" role
- 59) Tiny amount
- 60) "Theater" ending
- 61) Sponsors
- 62) Blotch
- 63) Goofs
- 64) Type of hit
- 65) Excessive promotion

DOWN

- 1) Barbershop quartet voice
- 2) "Spumante" lead-in
- 3) Having little fat
- 4) Wake-up time, for some
- 5) Drain blocker, sometimes
- 6) Fifth-largest planet
- 7) Old word for "zero"
- 8) Apple source
- 9) Verbal feistiness
- 10) Malayan mammals
- 11) La ___ (Italian opera house)
- 12) It may hit the bull's-eye
- 13) Raises, as children
- 21) Abet's partner
- 22) Build an extension on
- 25) Sound hoarse
- 26) Pennsylvania county, or its lake
- 27) Copper coin
- 28) Music to a matador's ears
- 29) Cotillion star, informally
- 31) ___ Day and the Knights
- 32) Which person?
- 33) Thing on an agenda
- 34) It's played
- 35) Music blasters
- 37) Some bones over a foot
- 38) Type of poem
- 39) Like mobsters with brass knuckles
- 43) Enrages
- 44) Do a belly flop
- 45) Baseball Hall of Famer ___ Wee Reese
- 46) River in Missouri
- 47) Trivial
- 48) Go inside
- 49) Central New York city
- 50) Places for braces
- 52) Bird beaks
- 53) .035 of an ounce
- 54) Not pouring smoothly, as a liquid
- 55) Situated above
- 56) Counterpart in life

REPENT! By Lewis Harper

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see ANSWERS in next issue!

RELIGION

Question: My beloved granddaughter who I'll call Amy, age 23, passed away last July from breast cancer. I took care of her from the time she was an infant and even into her school years while her parents worked. She was a joy to take care of and had just graduated from college, keeping up her grades and attendance throughout all of the surgery and treatments. Her parents loved her very much and are still grieving just as I am. We have a difficult time even mentioning her name without being tearful. The emotional pain from her early departure from this lifetime is just too much to bear.

Does grief have a timeline? Is there a time when we won't feel the pain so deeply?

~Amy's Grandma

Dear Amy's Grandma,

My heart aches with you and the loss of one so young and vibrant. I hope the brief words I share can bring you some comfort, if nothing else in knowing that you are not alone in your grief or questions about its duration. I believe one of the great ironies of life is that though humanity has experienced death for eons, it feels sudden and new each time we encounter it.

I believe that grief remains with us; we can certainly heal from the tenderness of the wound but the scar reminds us of our loss. It's like an old injury that acts up when the weather changes; we will be visited by moments of sadness unbidden. For the first year, you will grieve the most strongly, especially as you celebrate holidays, birthdays, milestones. Beyond that, you might find yourself thinking, "Amy would have loved this" when you celebrate something wonderful in your family's life.

There is no timeline on grief, no proper way to grieve. The depth of the pain may not always be as deep – for some that is one more reason to grieve, that we are able to (at some point) move on. I find the Jewish words of comfort, "May her memory be a blessing" to be a way forward in our grief. We tell stories about those we love, we name the things that remind us of them, we honor their life in the way we live.

Did Amy have a favorite meal or restaurant? Enjoy it on her birthday. Did she have a charity or cause that mattered to her? Give a gift every year in her honor. Her life has been written into your story, and it is a story that can continue to be told.

But, for now, grieve. Find someone to speak with to process your grief (therapy during this time is a godsend). The Christian season of Advent is approaching, a time when we wait for something good to arrive. No matter how we try to force it, hope arrives when it arrives. Our task is to wait, to simply be. Don't feel like you have to rush through it or pretend to be put together. Lament and cry out about how unfair it all is, even as you anticipate the comfort to come.

Rev. Kyle Sears
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Dear Amy's Grandma,

I am so sorry for your loss. Tragedies like the loss of a young adult granddaughter so full of life are devastating. My first response has been to pray for you and Amy's parents. May the Lord's love bring healing grace and peace to the very

depths of your being. Ultimately it is the Lord who restores our souls. (Psalm 23:1)

The first answer to your question is grief is a process that unfolds over time. The second part is that everyone's grief process is their own. Your grief may be similar in some ways with Amy's parents, yet very different in other ways. Such severe hurts can't be faced all at once, so our hearts tend to release their pain in fits and starts. It is a part of healing and self-preservation at the same time. Grief can rise up at seemingly random moments, so give yourself and Amy's parents permission for this.

Whatever your process is like, it is important to release your pain and grief. We aren't made to carry such hurts forever. You may consider joining a grief counseling group. I know one is offered regularly at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church. It can sometimes help to walk through grief with others. I would also recommend prayer. Psalm 23 comes to mind. You may need to pray it over and over again to help you give your grief to God and find his healing. Memorizing it would be helpful so you can pray whenever you need to, like when you go for a walk or a drive. Finally, many churches like ours have prayer ministers available on Sunday. You may want to go to your local church for people to pray for you.

May God's healing graces cover and comfort you and Amy's parents in this time of loss. He makes all things new. (Revelation 21:5).

Mercy, grace and peace,
Fr. Rob Holman
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Question: My dog Rex, who I had for 12 years, had to be put down. I just couldn't have him continue the pain he was in. I then went to a local shelter and adopted a senior dog, age 10, who I named Rex II. I, too, am a senior (82 years old). Rex II is in good health except for minor joint problems that we take care of with medication. We take a short walk every day.

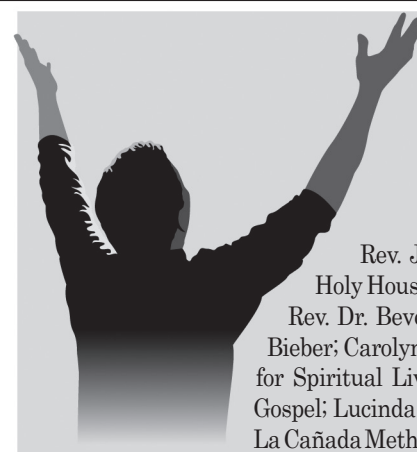
Now my adult children are mad at me. Instead of being happy for me to have a companion, they're concerned that if something happens to me they'd have to take care of the dog. I'm at a loss of what to tell them except I'll try to make arrangements in case I'll not be able to care for him.

I'm disappointed in their behavior and attitude. What do you think?

~Love My Rex

Dear Love My Rex,

I personally believe that animals do have consciousness and I believe that their souls do live on after death. I also admire you for opening your heart after such a loss by adopting a 10-year-old dog that needed a loving home. I, too, am at a loss for words regarding your children's attitude and behavior about your choice. If you were my parent, I would be happy for you to have the companionship of a dog for however long that would be. But rather than condemning them here for their reaction (which wouldn't be very spiritual of me), I would like you to consider the words of author and philosopher Khalil Gibran who said in his book "The Prophet," "Your children are not your children. They are the sons and daughters of life's longing for itself ... you may give them your love, but not your thoughts, for they have



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

their own thoughts."

I suggest that you love, bless and release them to their highest good. Don't take anything they say personally. This is about you, not about them. You have done everything right, according to your heart, and you do not need their approval even though I understand why you would like it. The Buddha said, "Be kind to all creatures, this is the true religion." One doesn't have to be a Buddhist in order to live a life of loving kindness, which you are doing.

May you and Rex II live long and happy lives together and remember what it says in the Bible, in the book of Job, 12:7-10: "For ask the animals, and they will teach you ... in His hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of all mankind."

Rev. Karen Mitchell
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Dear Love My Rex,

I am glad you got a dog. You have given an older dog the opportunity to have a loving, caring home in his last few years of life. And this dog is good for you. You are able to get out and walk the dog, which helps both of you. And I'm sure you are enjoying his company!

As for your children, I hope they are able to see all of the benefits this dog is giving to you. And I hope they see your loving heart as you care for another creature. It might be helpful for them if you are able to make some concrete plans for the dog in the event that you are not able to care for him any longer (and hopefully this will not happen anytime soon). If your children see there is a plan (something like a shelter that will take him in or a friend that will care for him) they might be more accepting of this dog and your decision to love him and care for him. This might reassure them that they will not have to take care of the dog.

Again, I am happy for you and this dog! We are instructed in the Scriptures to care for one another, including the creatures around us. You are loving and caring for one of God's beloved creatures and, for that, you are to be commended! I hope you and Rex II have several happy years together!

Blessings,

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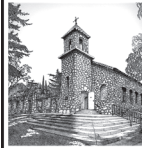
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ICF Celebrates Diversity: Elects New Officers and Selects Phyllis Harb As President

The members of Branch 374 of the Italian Catholic Federation, a diverse evangelical and social organization at St. Bede the Venerable Catholic Church, unanimously elected Phyllis Serra Harb to a two-year term as president. They also selected two new officers of non-Italian heritage as key officers. Harb had previously served for two years as first vice president of the branch led by previous president Mark G. Mannarelli. He was reelected to serve as treasurer, and Robert DePietro was reelected branch auditor and financial secretary.

Elected First Vice President for the upcoming 2023-25 term was Raul Acevedo. A native of Cienfuegos Cuba, he migrated to the United States on Oct. 28, 1961 shortly after the Castro takeover of the island nation. He attended Cal State LA and graduated with an MBA from UCLA. He was employed as an Information Technology Architect at IBM and traveled to 12 countries in his work for the company. He and his wife Liela live in Sun Valley. They have two children, Raul Jr. and Lizette. His son Raul Jr. is a St. Francis H.S. and Annapolis graduate and a US Navy captain. He serves as commanding officer of the USS Stennis, a nuclear Nimitz class aircraft carrier.

Lila Woo Nastro of Chinese ancestry was elected second vice president. Nastro has been employed by Warner Bros. in worldwide logistics for 35 years.

She graduated from USC with a BS in social work and a minor in psychology. She resides in Glendale.

Phyllis Harb was born in Germany to Joyce Schuesser and the late Samuel L. Serra, a retired captain in the LAFire Dept. who served in the US Army in Germany. Raised in Glendale, she worked in positions of increasing responsibility in banking and finance and earned an AA degree from Pierce College. In 1989 she formed Harb and Company, a local realty company that is part of Coldwell Banker Hallmark Company. She has two daughters, Krissy, who owns a yoga studio in Montrose, and Jinan. She and her husband George live in La Cañada Flintridge.

Past President Al Restivo was elected orator and past president Fiorina Murphy will become the organization's sentinel. Josephine Barbera will again serve as recording secretary and Diane Restivo will be responsible

for the various functions of corresponding secretary. Serving as trustees are Joel Wynton, Gloria McGaughey, Robert Barbera and Maria DeSalguero. Harb and a newly elected slate of officers will assume their leadership roles of the branch on Jan. 1, 2023.



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LCIF News

Lutheran Church in the Foothills asks you to check your pantry. Lutheran Church in the Foothills is collecting non-perishable food items to help stock the shelves of local food pantries that serve people in need. LCIF is currently collecting cereal, pasta and canned meat/fruit/vegetables. Items can be dropped off at the church office and will be delivered to local pantries.

This Sunday, Pastor Chuck Bunnell invites the community

to attend worship service at 10 a.m. For those unable to attend, a livestream is available on the church's YouTube channel. Children's church is offered every Sunday for young children and confirmation class is available after worship service beginning at 11:15 a.m. for students in grades 6-12.

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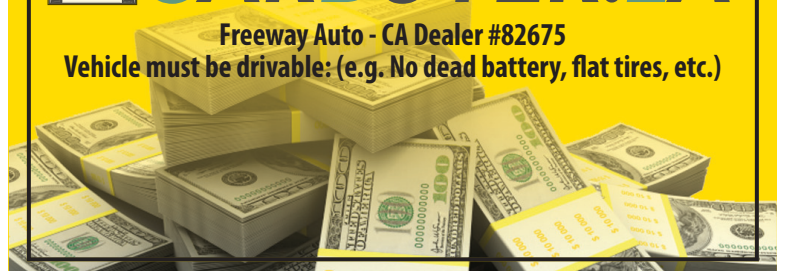
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New Class Offered to Discover Family History

The Church of Latter-day Saints is offering a free family history course on Thursday nights from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. that continues through Nov. 10. It is open to the community at no cost. Participants will learn how to get started in finding their ancestors, how to use the free tools available, how to build a family tree, how to connect with living relatives and how to make a video history of their older living relatives.

Classes are held at The Church of Latter-day Saints, 4550 Raymond Ave. in La Crescenta.

Walk and Word

In November, 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 Nov. 13, 20 & 27. 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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it created a one-year delay. I imagine someone at Whirlpool put the claim in a file with the intention of getting back to you, but never did.

To get things moving again, I recommend a brief polite email sent to one of the executive contacts at Whirlpool. I publish the names, numbers and emails of the Whirlpool managers on my consumer advocacy site, Elliott.org.

I contacted Whirlpool on your behalf. It agreed to repair your refrigerator and cover the cost of your floor.

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formal reports on the state of the infrastructure have been presented to the public that I can remember. (My requests for one earlier this year and the reply by the deputy city manager indicated that no such report currently exists.) The California Auditor's report on the financial condition of cities placed Glendale at the bottom 20% of California cities.

So my question is about accountability. Shouldn't the performance of a city manager be based on objective truths, measurable outcomes, Key Performance Indicators, the financial state of the city and the quality of life of its residents? Shouldn't the city council wait for those reports before evaluating the city manager and consider a performance bonus or pay increase? Shouldn't we have transparency and have those reports presented to the public as a guideline for evaluating both the city manager and the state of the city?

The city experienced a 6.8% increase in property crime in the last 12 months. Is the safety and policing result a valid measure of performance? Should not the city manager and any new police chief be annually responsible for presenting the results and goals for the safety of the city as it pertains to crime?

It is my hope that the members of the city council establish a more exacting way of evaluating the city's top executives and, hopefully, that accountability extends down into the organizational chart that all department heads and managers be expected to meet KPIs and help keep the city financially prudent with an improved quality of life for the city's residents.

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It's Over ... Almost

The election season has been ... enthusiastic ... to say the least. It seemed that just about every commercial on every television station (and on some radio stations as well) were telling voters to vote one way or another, whether for a measure or a person. I'm glad that even if the tallying isn't finished in all areas (Bass or Caruso?) the commercials at least are finished.

Another thing I'm happy about is that I voted on Sunday – the day before the heavy rains came to the foothills. Going out during that storm would have been challenging at best.

And kudos to those polling places that were opened days before Election Day. I want to give a shout-out to the La Crescenta Woman's Club where I cast my ballot. The people there were welcoming and, when they saw my confusion on how to operate the machine, were quick to come over and give instruction. Thank you!

support of other non-profits and performing good works as well. For example, they have an ongoing coat collection. They collect and distribute coats to people in need and, seeing as cold as it got around here (for California), I'm sure those coats were well-received. Last week, Mary O'Keefe spoke to the group regarding the Fire House youth center. After listening to her presentation, the Kiwanis Club of La Cañada La Crescenta-AM presented her with a generous donation to subsidize the work of the Fire House.

I spoke about one of my favorite subjects: the genesis of the CV Weekly. I was able to share my background in the communications industry and how the CV Weekly came about. The group was attentive – and appreciative. Thank you for

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Robin Goldsworthy is the publisher of the Crescenta Valley Weekly. She can be reached at robin@cvweekly.com or by calling (818) 248-2740.

I had the pleasure of speaking on Wednesday to the Kiwanis Club of La Cañada La Crescenta-AM. A small but mighty Club its members are active in their

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Weather Watch

By Mary O'KEEFE

Taking A Look Outside Our Window

Americans are spoiled in so many ways but, for the purpose of this article, I will be focusing on our expectation of weather prediction.

We no longer have to trust our aching joints, bugs or “the rainmaker” – all we have to do is see what the weather satellites are sharing. And for that we need to thank American ingenuity and the U.S. – Soviet space race.

It all began in 1957 when the former Soviet Union launched Sputnik 1, the first artificial satellite to be successfully placed in orbit around the Earth. And so started the “anything you can do we can do better” U.S. space projects including Explorer 1, which launched in 1958.

Then, on April 1, 1960, NASA launched the Television Infrared Observation Satellite (TIROS-1), the world's first successful weather satellite. It weighed about 270 pounds and carried two television cameras and two video recorders. The satellite provided weather forecasters their first-ever view of cloud formations as they developed around the globe, according to NOAA (National Oceanic Atmosphere Agency).

“Up to that point, we were very local in our understanding and our interpretation of weather phenomena,” stated Stephen Volz, Ph.D. assistant administrator of

NOAA Satellite and Information Service, in a 2020 article.

TIROS-1 orbited 450 miles above Earth and communicated with two command and data acquisition stations. When the satellite was in range of a station and the data was read out, the images were recorded on 35-mm film for making prints, according to NOAA.

The satellite only operated for 78 days but sent back more than 19,000 usable photos and ushered in the new age of weather observing satellites. This was followed by several satellites launched in the 1970s and, in the early 2000s, NASA and its international partners began the A-train of satellites. These were several Earth-observing satellites that closely followed one another along the same, or similar, orbital “tracks.” Satellites Aqua and Aura started this train in 2002 and 2004, which is the “A” part of the train. The purpose of the instruments on these satellites were and are used to improve knowledge of clouds, aerosols, atmospheric chemistry and other elements critical for understanding Earth's environment and changing climate, according to NASA.

There have been many more satellites launched and now orbiting the Earth; of course, not all are for weather or Earth

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