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## Accolades and Condemnation at Council Meeting

By Roman INGUANZO

The Glendale City Council meeting opened on Tuesday with a celebration and commendation by council to Glendale Fire Dept. Chief Todd Tucker and Sergeant Sharon Kim for their outstanding performance when a 76-year-old woman lost consciousness on an airplane due to low blood pressure and low blood sugar. Tucker and Kim sprang into action and administered fluids, glucose and oxygen to the patient. As a result of the efforts of Chief Tucker and Sergeant Kim, the patient normalized and was ultimately able to return home and her family.

Chief Tucker and Sergeant Kim went "above and beyond the call of duty" according to Mayor Ardy Kassakhian.

Unfortunately, not every topic was celebratory. After anti-Armenian flyers appeared in Beverly Hills this week, Councilmembers condemned the city's "weak" response and "inappropriate" categorization of the events. Councilmember Ara Najarian met with the mayor of Beverly Hills, Lili Bosse, to discuss the situation in the hopes of inspiring the mayor to take action against the hate speech.

Both the Glendale City Council and the Beverly Hills City Council condemned the flyers. However, Glendale would like to see more done to prevent future hate speech and is reaching out to stakeholders across Los Angeles County. Councilmembers made it clear that the City of Glendale is an ally to Armenian communities and will follow up on this issue in future meetings.

Other topics on the agenda were largely business as usual.

Councilmember Paula Devine nominated Roland Kedikian to fill the vacancy on the Glendale Water and Power Commission citing Kedikian's experience, knowledge and

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## Pruning of the Vineyard at Deukmejian

By Ruth SOWBY

*Armed with pruning shears, volunteers descend on Deukmejian for the annual pruning of the vines.*

Deukmejian Wilderness Park has a secret many don't know: among the hundreds of acres that encompass the park, next to the historic stone barn that was recently reopened and the outdoor amphitheater sits a vineyard. According to the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley, in 1885 two immigrant French winemakers – Georges Le Mesnager and Pierre Durancette – purchased land in Dunsmore Canyon from Dr. Benjamin B. Briggs, the founder of La Crescenta. They had a winery in downtown Los Angeles and planted vines on their new acreage. They then shipped the grapes to Los Angeles for processing.



Photo by Ruth SOWBY Stone Barn Vineyard Conservancy members take a break on Sunday morning from pruning the vines in Deukmejian Wilderness Park. From left are Ned Teitelbaum, Bruce and Jane Campbell, Jerry Burnham, Marie Yeseta, Ashley Semosh, Jesse Mangiage and Stone Barn Vineyard Conservancy director Stuart Byles. The stone barn is in the background.

In 1905, Georges' son Louis began building the two-story stone barn with wine storage on the ground floor. Prohibition stalled the wine business but, after it ended, a disastrous fire in 1933 burned the building, leaving

only the stonework. The City of Glendale in 1986 acquired what is now known as Deukmejian Wilderness Park. The grape vines are maintained by the Stone Barn Vineyard Conservancy, which is an "offshoot"

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## CVHS Campus Trespassing Suspect in Court

By Mary O'KEEFE

The man initially arrested on trespassing charges after he caused a lockdown at Crescenta Valley High School on Wednesday, Feb. 1 was arrested again on Feb. 3. He was in court on Tuesday facing two counts. The first count was for possession of child (individual under the age of 18) pornography and the second count was criminal threats.

At his arraignment in front of Judge Terry Smerling, Brandon Santora, 42, pled not guilty to each charge. His bail was set at \$90,000; he was remanded to authorities and his preliminary trial is set for Feb. 23.

On Feb. 1, Santora entered Crescenta Valley High School without following proper check-in procedures and carrying a large duffel bag. He had no

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File photo A K-9 unit searched the CV High School campus on Wednesday, Feb. 1 after a man, carrying a large duffel bag, entered the campus without first checking in resulting in a campus lockdown.

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» FROM THE DESK OF THE PUBLISHER



# Gearing Up for the Big Depart

Last week, if you remember, was quite busy. On Wednesday (seems it's always on a Wednesday) a trespasser made his way onto the campus of Crescenta Valley High School. Carrying a large duffel bag, the man – who was identified as Brandon Santora, 41, of Torrance – caused a shelter-in-place by students, staff and administration and the eventual evacuation of the school. Santora was eventually arrested nearby, released then taken into custody for other “unrelated crimes,” according to CV Sheriff’s Captain Robert Hahnlein. (I am grateful that Captain Hahnlein and Sgt. John Gilbert responded in a timely manner to questions by CV Weekly regarding the situation.) Mary O’Keefe was in court in Pasadena on Tuesday; you can read her story in this week’s issue.

On Saturday, I hosted the CV Weekly post-holiday party. We typically have a “soiree” after the holidays because the holidays are so busy and it also gives us something to look forward to.

It was a wonderful opportunity for the CV Weekly staff to get together – some of whom have never met each other because some folks work from home and others have no reason to interact. I ordered food from La Cañada Imports (yum), which was beyond plentiful, and had some good wine that we enjoyed. Overall it was a successful evening and I was so happy to see everyone; it made me think we need to have another get together in the summer!

On Sunday I headed down to Solana Beach, across the street from the Del Mar Racetrack, to help my friend who broke her wrist and needed some help to do simple things – like fold the laundry, load and unload the dishwasher, and change the beds – that she relied upon her family to do. It gave them a break and us a chance to visit. I stayed down there overnight and had a great time.

Looking ahead, we’re planning on tenting the house. I’ve seen evidence of termites (yuck!) and having lived in the house over 30 years I guess it’s time. I’m a little nervous because I’ve never done this before – if anyone has suggestions to make this as painless as possible, I welcome them.

Steve and I are also planning a vacation – a real one that lasts more than a long weekend – and I look forward to sharing those details with you in the near future.

Don’t forget that this weekend is pre-Valentine’s Day and in Montrose shoppers (and diners) can receive a long-stemmed rose courtesy of the Montrose Shopping Park Assn. Just look for “Charlie Chaplin” on Saturday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. You can also check out the MSPA ad on page 7 that gives details about the giveaway.

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## » WEATHER WATCH

### Taking A Look Outside Our Window

By Mary O’KEEFE

A recent study in the UK found that eating ultra-processed foods may increase the risk of cancer. Breakfast cereals, mass-produced bread, ready meals, ice cream and ham were among the foods in the study.

The study was funded by Cancer Research UK and the World Cancer Research Fund and researchers were from Imperial College London.

Of course there is more research required but the study gathered extensive data from about 200,000 people in the UK.

When I was a kid in the Midwest I felt my parents and grandma were being unfair because they rarely let us eat store bought cookies and we often had homemade bread rather than Wonder bread. Our canned food was usually my great grandmother’s preserves.

When TV dinners were the big thing, Dad went out and bought TV trays so we could eat dinner and watch television. It was so exciting; we all got to pick out our own individual dinner. My grandma, Bobby, read the instructions and baked them up. Dad took a bite, said, “nope” and took all our meals away. My grandma went in the kitchen, Mom folded up the trays and we all went back to having our meals prepared fresh and ate at the table as a family. Although as a child I was not happy to keep those traditions, I am now very grateful that my grandma lived with us and was a great cook.

When I became a parent I continued habits learned in my upbringing and, although my kids were not always happy with my helicopter mom food traditions, they are ... or at least will be ... grateful for my culinary obsession.

Unfortunately, due to the very busy lives we live processed foods are just a necessity and, although it may be difficult to do, I think this new research is a warning that we do have to

pay attention to what we eat and what that food is made from.

But processed and ultra-processed food may not only be harmful to our bodies, it is also harmful to the Earth.

“An increasingly prominent ‘global diet,’ characterized by an abundance of branded ultra-processed food products made and distributed on an industrial scale, comes at the expense of the cultivation, manufacture and consumption of traditional foods, cuisines and diets, comprising mostly fresh and minimally processed foods,” according to the National Library of Medicine.

Agrobiodiversity is “the variety and variability of animals, plants and microorganisms that are used directly or indirectly for food and agriculture,” and is crucial for resilient and sustainable food systems.

“The contribution of ultra-processed foods to agrobiodiversity loss is significant, but so far has been overlooked in global food systems summits, biodiversity conventions and climate change conferences,” according to the National Library of Medicine.

So once again we can see how the health of our own bodies is linked to the health of our Earth which, of course, brings me to “Soylent Green.”

The 1973 film “Soylent Green,” was loosely based on the Harry Harrison novel “Make Room! Make Room!” The film looks to the future – 2022 – and what overpopulation and climate change has done to the Earth. Temperatures have risen to nearly unbearable heights. Of course the rich live in luxury apartments with women they own/hire, referred to as “furniture.” [Another topic for another time.]

In this tale the rich and powerful have food – real food, not the processed soylent substance produced by the Soylent Corporation. The

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# NEWS

## IN BRIEF

### JAZZ NIGHT IN THE CAFÉ

The community is invited to Jazz Night in the Café featuring the award-winning CV Jazz Band. The event takes place on Friday, Feb. 10 from 7 – 10 p.m. at the Crescenta Valley High School café located at Glenwood and Prospect avenues in La Crescenta.

Tickets are \$15, which includes admission, dessert and dance lesson! Tables for four available by reservation for \$75. Advance purchase from any CVIM student or via Venmo @CVIM-Foundation. Attire is dressy casual, though “jazzy attire” is encouraged.

### ROSEMONT PRESERVE RESTORATION DAY

The community is invited to the Rosemont Preserve Restoration Day on Saturday, Feb. 11 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. to help protect the natural habitat at Rosemont Preserve. Volunteers will be working on trails damaged by recent rains. 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.

### CLOTHING DRIVE FUNDRAISER

The CV Instrumental Music programs are hosting a clothing drive fundraiser on Saturday, Feb. 11 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 12 from noon to 2 p.m. Drop off at the band parking lot (south of Community Avenue on Ramsdell Avenue). Items accepted include purses, backpacks, gloves, hats, belts, towels, sheets, blankets and more. NO undergarments (underwear, used socks and bed pillows).

Bag items in large white kitchen bags and label CVIM. Questions can be directed to 1stvp@falconmusic.org.

### ANNUAL SPEAKERS CLUB CONTEST

The Lions Club is holding its annual Speakers Club Contest on Saturday, Feb. 11. The contest is open to all students in the Crescenta Valley area who are in grades nine-12. The winner of the local club contest will receive \$100 and move on to the Lions Club International Zone Contest held in mid-March.

Those interested in participating or those who would like more information can contact lions91214@gmail.com.

More details and official rules regarding the contest can be found at <https://www.md4lions.org/student-speakers-contest>.

### ETCH EVENT

On Saturday, Feb. 18, the Crescenta Valley Sheriff’s Station will be hosting a catalytic converter etching event at the Highlands Church at 4441 La Crescenta Ave. in La Crescenta. The event will run from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Vehicles should enter the parking lot off Community Avenue and will exit on Mary Street.

It is free to the public. Vehicles will be etched on a first come, first served basis. Note that currently Toyota Prius vehicles are primary targets for catalytic converter thieves. Large trucks and R.V.s cannot be etched because the etching tools cannot accommodate their size and weight.

Questions about this event can be directed to Detective Fletcher at (818) 236-4010.

### ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

On Tuesday, March 7 at 10 a.m. Casa Adobe de San Rafael in Glendale is the location of the observance of Arbor Day by Glendale Beautiful.

Glendale Beautiful, in cooperation with the City of Glendale’s Community Services and Parks Dept., asks the public to attend the annual observance. Take part in this community-wide effort by contributing to the purchase of a tree or by supporting trees throughout the city. For donation and other information, visit [www.glendalebeautiful.org/arbor-day](http://www.glendalebeautiful.org/arbor-day).

In case of rain, the event takes place at Brand Studios, 1601 W. Mountain St. in Glendale.

Casa Adobe de San Rafael is located at 1330 Dorothy Drive in Glendale.

# Crescenta Valley High School Honors Holocaust Remembrance Day

By Lucian KUGLER

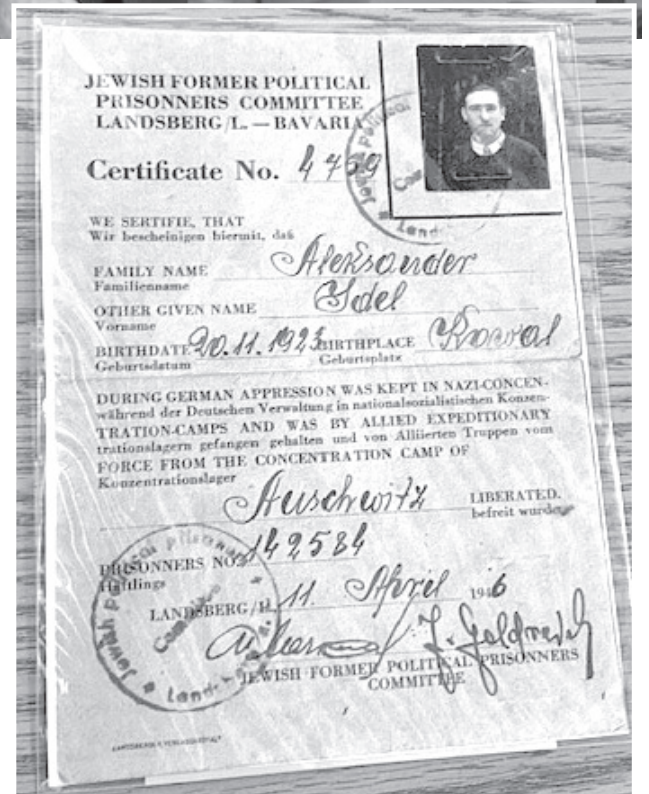
Two weeks ago, the world honored Holocaust Remembrance Day marking the 78th anniversary of the Soviet liberation of the Auschwitz-Birkenau Concentration Camp in Nazi-occupied Poland on Jan. 27, 1945. What was found there, committed at the hands of the German Reich, was so appalling and so unfathomably evil that the Soviet Union, United Kingdom and United States would label these as “crimes against humanity.” Gas chambers, mass graves, inhumane experiments resulting in the torture and deaths of thousands, and more were discovered by the liberating forces in Nazi concentration camps all across Europe. Nothing like this had ever been seen before and, after the victory over fascism, the hope was that it would never be seen again.

Survivors of these camps including Dana Swartz and Joseph Alexander, mediated by David Meyerhof, have spoken at events all over the area, including at Crescenta Valley High School. Their mission is to ensure that their story of survival and overcoming the horrific circumstances imposed by the German Reich, is known by all.

Meyerhof plays a key role in spreading the stories of these survivors. His own mother was a survivor of the Holocaust, escaping from the very capital of the Reich – Berlin – through the Kindertransport rescue program, which helped thousands of Jewish children flee fascism in Europe. At Crescenta Valley High School, Meyerhof elaborated on the goal of speaking at these types of events. He said that Holocaust speakers are important because they help to keep the memory of the Holocaust alive and preserve the lessons that can be learned from this event in history. By sharing their personal experiences, these speakers provide a unique and powerful perspective on the horrors of the Holocaust and the impact it had on individuals and communities. Their testimony serves as a reminder of the human capacity for cruelty and the importance of standing up against hate and discrimination. It provides an opportunity for people to understand the reality of the Holocaust and to listen to the stories of those who lived through it. This can help to foster empathy and a deeper understanding of the consequences of hatred and bigotry.

Furthermore, Holocaust speakers play a critical role in educating future generations about the Holocaust and its impact. Young people today face many challenges and the world can seem overwhelming, but the testimony of Holocaust survivors can provide them with a sense of hope and inspiration. Hearing the stories of people who survived against all odds can be inspiring and motivate young people to work toward creating a better world. Through their testimony, Holocaust speakers can help to ensure that the lessons of the Holocaust are not forgotten, and that future generations understand the importance of fighting against hate and discrimination.

Meyerhof insisted that it is imperative that, as a people, everyone learns from these presentations with hope that it will prevent future atrocities from occurring and create a world that is more just and equitable for future generations.



File photos

TOP: At a previous presentation, Joseph Alexander (standing with a CVHS former assistant principal Jordan Lessem) holds out his arm that was tattooed when he was a prisoner at the Auschwitz camp complex.

BOTTOM: Alexander’s admission papers to Auschwitz.

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### LCIF News

Lutheran Church in the Foothills will mark its 75th anniversary on Sunday, Feb. 19 at 10 a.m. As part of the celebration this month, LCIF will recognize the pastors who have served the congregation since its inception:

- Feb. 18, 1948 – Rev. John P Stump (1957-1959 assisted by Rev. Stanley N. Califf)
- Sept. 1, 1959 – Rev. Franklin H. Schott
- Sept. 1, 1963 – Rev. Vernon Frazier (1965-1966 assisted by Rev. Richard D. Lyons)
- Feb. 1, 1971 – Rev. Roger K. Prescott
- July 1, 1973 – Rev. William L. Dowling
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- March 1990 – Rev. James C. Kniseley
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- Nov. 19, 2000 – Rev. Amon Johnson
- Dec. 1, 2002 – Rev. Bruce Johnson
- Nov. 1, 2014 – Rev. James Bullock
- May 22, 2016 – Rev. Scott Peterson
- Nov. 28, 2021 – Rev. Charles Bunnell

A catered buffet lunch will follow the Feb.19 celebration in the church's fellowship hall. RSVP by contacting the church's office.

In addition, LCIF is encouraging members, and anyone who has been touched by the church, to send in personal stories or photos that can be shared at the event. Email to office@lcifoothills.org or send to 1700 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada.

The celebration of LCIF's 75 years is a homecoming for members past and present and a great opportunity for newcomers to check out what the church has to offer.

All are invited to attend LCIF services each Sunday at 10 a.m., in person or live-streamed 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 six-12.

Visit lcifoothills.org for event details, including small group gatherings and opportunities to serve. 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.

### Class Continues on Emotionally Healthy Relationships

La Crescenta Presbyterian Church is hosting a class on how to build emotionally healthy relationships based on core Biblical principles. The eight-week course, which is open to the community, began Wednesday, Jan. 18 and is from 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

Through weekly videos and small group discussions, participants will develop skills to strengthen relationships with families, spouses, friends and co-workers by exploring such topics as how to stop mind reading and clarify expectations. The cost of course materials is \$25.

The course is part of La Crescenta Presbyterian's weekly Praise and Education for Adults and Kids (PEAK) program, which includes infant care and classes for children and students of all ages.

Each Wednesday, a delicious and nutritious meal will be served beginning at 5:30 p.m., followed by classes beginning at 6:15 p.m. The cost of dinner is \$5 for adults and \$4 for kids sixth grade and younger, with a maximum of \$20 per family.

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

### Walk and Word

In February, 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 Feb. 12, 19 and 26. Participants will walk for the first hour and then gather to read a selection of Scripture. About a half hour will be spent journaling about what was read and then there will be conversation, sharing thoughts.

Participants are asked to bring something to write with, anything wanted to eat or drink, and a chair to use for the writing part of the morning. Because people will be outdoors and social distancing will be practiced, masks will be optional.

Those with questions can email Jeanne at 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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# GPD Substation Looking for a New Home

By Mary O'KEEFE

The Glendale police substation that was located at 3808 Ocean View Blvd. in Montrose has been closed.

The station opened in 1996 in partnership between the GPD and Montrose Shopping Park Association as a way to improve community safety. MSPA paid the rent and utilities for the building. In 2013 renovations were made thanks to the donation from a local resident. At the time it was known as the C.O.P.P.S. (Community Policing Partnership Substation).

"When the building was sold, the new owners raised the rental rate to a level significantly above market rate for the Shopping Park. The MSPA board held dialogue with the new building owner and suggested that a reduced price might be considered," stated Dale Dawson, MSPA business administration and event services. "At the end of the day, the new

building owner held firm."

The MSPA board voted to reject the new agreement with the rent increase, Dawson added.

The substation closed its doors at the end of December and since then has been looking for a new location.

"We are talking to Glendale Community College. They have property in the area," said Sgt. Victor Jackson, spokesman for GPD.

GCC has properties in the 2300 block of Honolulu Avenue.

GPD and GCC are continuing their discussions on finding a new location for the substation. MSPA is working with them as well.

CVW reached out to the owners of the former substation building for comment but did not receive as response as of press time.



Photo by Mary O'KEEFE

A Glendale Police Dept. substation in Montrose was closed because an agreement could not be reached between the Montrose Shopping Park Assn. and the building's new owners regarding an increase in rent.

# Glendale Teachers Vote 'No Confidence' in GUSD Superintendent

Members of the Glendale Teachers Association have issued a "no-confidence" vote on Glendale Unified School District superintendent Dr. Vivian Ekchian.

Results of the vote were shared with GTA members on Monday, Feb. 6, and with the Glendale Unified School District Board of Education on Tuesday, Feb. 7.

Ekchian was hired to serve as superintendent of GUSD in May 2019, after serving as deputy superintendent of LAUSD during the UTLA strike in January 2019. She led the school district in its efforts to return teachers to the

classroom prior to having the full efficacy of vaccines take effect and she has led the district during the more than one-year of unresolved 2020-21 and 2021-22 contract negotiations.

GTA and GUSD bargaining teams began meeting in January 2022 in order to settle wage agreements that date back to the 2020-21 school year. Both sides were close to a wage settlement for 2020-23 until Ekchian attached non-wage related concessions to the wage settlement.

GTA members have expressed frustration with the protracted contract talks and have called on

the superintendent to withdraw proposals that would place limitations on how educators can vote waive contractual provisions, create unnecessary obstacles (red tape) for some teachers who arrive on campus earlier than their contracts require and limit the ability for childcare teachers to adjust their schedules throughout the year. Ekchian is also proposing to end guaranteed daily preparation time for middle and high school teachers.

*Submitted by the GTA  
Next week the GUSD will offer its response.*

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# Valentine's Day Fun for All at Shopping Park

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# Senator Portantino Introduces Bill to Address Emergency Safety Procedures for Special Needs Students

This week Senator Anthony J. Portantino introduced Senate Bill 323, a bill that addresses the need for emergency safety procedures for IEP (individualized education programs) students.

“Our priority is always student wellbeing,” stated Senator Portantino. “School safety and emergency plans should be all inclusive that requires careful planning and coordination.


Special needs of students with disabilities can be unintentionally overlooked, so we are hoping to address that issue with SB 323. I am thankful to Andrea Crissman for bringing attention to this important issue.”

Due to complications that arise when a person is disabled, some individuals are not able to follow an evacuation plan, earthquake or lockdown protocols in the same manner as the general population. Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), schools must provide for the educational needs of students with disabilities and address accessibility on campus for all persons. However, the broad mandate of the ADA does not adequately ensure the safety of students with disabilities during emergencies. The IEP is updated annually by the student’s team and provides an opportunity to identify

necessary accommodations for student safety.

“My son has significant disabilities. He can’t walk, stand or participate in a fire drill or earthquake drill, much less understand what they are and what to do,” said Andrea Crissman, a constituent and Glendale Unified School District parent. “Educators who care about children have said that they are prepared to keep all students safe, and no one would leave a child behind. They are sincere but school safety plans don’t always address the accommodations my son would need during an earthquake or evacuation. We shouldn’t wait to learn from a tragedy. Advance planning and training are key to keeping everyone safe. SB 323 will help teachers and emergency responders keep every student safe. It will save lives.”

If the procedures of a comprehensive school safety plan are insufficient to ensure an IEP student’s safety during an emergency, SB 323 would require the IEP to include a description of the necessary accommodations to those procedures. Under SB 323, the emergency accommodation plan must be transferred within 30 days if the student changes schools. The bill would require a local educational agency to create and maintain an inclusive school emergency plan and would require that those safety procedures be included in the inclusive school emergency plan for any student whose parent provides written consent in compliance with specified federal laws. Additionally, SB 323 also provides guidance for how local educational agencies develop, maintain and use an inclusive school emergency plan.



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## Obituary Kathleen Teresa (Terry) O’Sullivan



Dec. 8, 1924 – Jan. 10, 2023

Kathleen Teresa (Terry) O’Sullivan was born to Roland and Kathleen Cooper on Dec. 8, 1924 in Kettering, Northamptonshire, England. She met her future husband, Timothy, who was stationed at the nearby U.S. Army Air Corps base at Grafton Underwood, and the couple married in Fort Wayne, Indiana in 1946.

Terry was a homemaker and beloved mother of Michael and Patrick O’Sullivan and grandmother of Christopher O’Sullivan, Thomas O’Sullivan, Sean O’Sullivan, Steven Christianson of Toronto, and the late Kathryn O’Sullivan of Los Angeles. Tim preceded Terry in death in 2011.

As a newlywed, Terry worked as a telephone operator in Fort Wayne and, for many years, at Buddy Browns Toys in Studio City and Bartell’s toys on Larchmont Boulevard.

She enjoyed painting and traveling and will be remembered for her quick wit, sharp sense of humor and her selflessness. She always thought of others before herself.

In addition to her sons and grandchildren, Terry is survived by her sister Gabrielle of Victoria, BC; Terry’s sister Anne preceded her in death. She is also survived by a large network of cousins, relatives and lifelong friends in England, Canada and the United States.

Terry passed away in Los Angeles on Jan. 10 at age 98. Her funeral will be held at 11 a.m. on Feb 10 at St. James the Less Catholic Church, 4625 Dunsmore Ave. in La Crescenta. Reception will be held from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. upstairs at Joselito’s, 2345 Honolulu Ave. in Montrose.

## CRIME BLOTTER

Jan. 30

3900 block of Alta Vista Drive in La Cañada Flintridge, a man reported that while he was inside his residence his wife saw an individual looking into their home through a rear sliding glass door. A review of surveillance footage revealed two unknown suspects climbing over a side gate into the backyard. Suspect No. 2 looked at the camera in the backyard, walked up to it and repositioned the camera in an attempt to prevent it from capturing their actions. The suspects walked around the property, both holding cellphones to their ears; they looked through the windows then suddenly began running

back toward the yard gate and exited the area, apparently after seeing the homeowners in the house. The suspects ran to a waiting newer model SUV that was driven by a third suspect.

The incident occurred at 3:48 p.m.

Jan. 29

400 Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge, a man and woman parked their vehicle at the location’s parking lot and went shopping on Jan. 29. The next day the woman searched for her purse and realized she had left it in her vehicle the day before. When they looked for it they discovered it was missing. The couple thought they had

locked the vehicle and when asked if the interior looked ransacked, the man said they have a 5-year-old child so he did not notice any difference to the entire car.

The theft occurred between 6 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

2600 block of Montrose Avenue in Montrose, a catalytic converter was stolen from an RV overnight.

Jan. 7

Angeles Forest Highway in the Angeles National Forest, several items were stolen from a vehicle between 3 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.



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# Kev Orkian to Serve as Armenian American Museum Elevate Gala Master of Ceremonies



The Armenian American Museum and Cultural Center of California has announced that internationally acclaimed and award-winning entertainer Kev Orkian will serve as the master of ceremonies at the Elevate Gala that will be held on Sunday, March 19 at the Fairmont Century Plaza in Los Angeles.

“I am thrilled to serve as the master of ceremonies of the upcoming Elevate Gala and support an incredible project in the Armenian American Museum,” stated Orkian. “It is an honor to support the elevation of an institution where Armenian culture and heritage will be preserved, celebrated and showcased for all.”

Orkian is a notable actor, musician and comedian who earned a reputation as one of the United Kingdom’s finest entertainers. A highly skilled musician, Orkian has honed his art to perfection over many years, from his days as a classical concert pianist to performing stand-up comedy throughout the world. He has starred in numerous musicals, plays, and TV shows during his illustrious career. In 2017, he released his must watch documentary film called “Armenia Uncovered” to tell the world about his homeland and its people.

The Elevate Gala will celebrate the completion of the first phase of construction featuring the museum parking garage and building foundation and mark the next exciting chapter for the Armenian American Museum as the landmark center is elevated to the horizon as a destination for education, enrichment, and inspiration for generations to come.

The Armenian American Museum is a planned world-class educational and cultural institution that is currently under construction on the museum campus at Glendale Central Park. The museum will offer a wide range of public programming through the Permanent Exhibition, Temporary Exhibitions, Auditorium, Learning Center, Demonstration Kitchen, Archives Center and more.

Elevate Gala sponsorship, program book ads and ticket reservations are due by Feb. 15.

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PRUNING from Cover

(to use a pruning term) of the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley. First planted in 2004, initially the city planted Abouriou, Alicante Bouschet and Red Flame grapes. The Stone Barn Vineyard now boasts several

more varieties of grapes. The original Abouriou and Alicante Bouschet grapes are a type of red wine grape, while Red Flame is grown for eating. In 2014, permission was given to add three more rows of grapevines.

La Crescenta resident and volunteer Jane Campbell prunes vines at the Stone Barn vineyard on Sunday.



One of the added rows was for a grape variety that was found at the top of the nearby hills. A cutting was taken for testing and was found to be from a Burger vine, a particularly rare white wine grape. Byles added the cutting to the vineyard and it is now growing along with the other grape varieties.

The recent email invitation to Stone Barn Vineyard Conservancy members read: "Bring a bucket, hand-held pruning shears, water-bottle and a willing attitude." About a dozen volunteers responded, showing up to the vines in Deukmejian Wilderness Park this past cloudy Sunday morning.

The purpose of pruning is to obtain maximum yields of high quality grapes and to allow adequate vegetative growth for the following season. Pruning also removes older (nonproductive) wood, removes diseased or damaged vines, encourages new growth, opens the canopy to sunlight and air flow and keeps the vine size to a manageable level, according to the universities of Nebraska and Wyoming.

The attire of the volunteers was pruning-ready: solid shoes, long sleeves and a hat – clothing that was necessary to protect volunteers eager to tame the 81 grapevines. Leading the charge

was La Crescenta resident Stuart Byles, director of the Stone Barn Vineyard Conservancy.

Byles explained the fine art of pruning to the volunteers: "Go up two nodes to just before the third node, then cut."

Following this direction were volunteers and La Crescenta residents Jane and Bruce Campbell.

"We've been doing this for years with Stuart and [his wife] Marie," said Jane.

In addition to pruning, the grapes need to be harvested and bottled. Harvesting typically

takes place in August/September and bottling in November/December. The number of bottles produced is determined by the harvested grapes, weather and animals, said Byles.

Volunteers are always needed to help with these duties. Annual membership in the Stone Barn Vineyard Conservancy is \$40, which includes two bottles of wine.

For information on joining the Stone Barn Vineyard Conservancy email stonebarnvineyard@gmail.com. Membership donations help fund the vineyard.

CVHS from Cover

reason to be on campus, did not check in after being told to and apparently left the campus after about a half an hour. Though he was on the campus a short time, CVHS staff was concerned what he could have left behind, if anything.

Glendale Unified School District held a webinar on Tuesday night to discuss the facts of the incident. After reviewing the surveillance footage from the school and speaking to staff and students GUSD shared the timeline of the Feb. 1 incident.

The suspect entered the school campus at 7:54 a.m. and exited, according to camera surveillance, at 8:31 a.m.

He walked around the campus and was seen speaking to a few adults and students. According to witnesses, he asked one person for directions to the bathroom, and then asked about how teachers take attendance.

The school's librarian is the person who noticed he did not have the proper identification. She told him to go to the office and then notified the office.

At about 8:45 a.m. the school resource deputy was notified and he, along with staff members, began searching the campus for Santora.

Santora did not go to office but later left the campus via the gate near the swimming pool and music room exiting onto Ramsdell Avenue.

Staff checked with teachers to see if anyone had a guest speaker who matched Santora's description.

At 11 a.m. it was decided by the district as a precautionary step to implement a shelter-in-place. During a shelter-in-place instruction can continue. A lockdown is when a threat is more serious.

At 11:30 a.m. a full lockdown was implemented. The district explained this measure was taken because

during the less restrictive shelter-in-place students were still walking in the hallways and out of their classrooms.

More deputies arrived on campus at 12:15 p.m. They continued searching the campus for anything the suspect could have left behind, and also wanted to make certain he was no longer on the property.

An incident command center was set up away from the campus. A little after 1 p.m. students were moved out of the school to the parking lot at Highlands Church at the corner La Crescenta and Community avenues.

The search continued by sheriff deputies of the campus and throughout the community. A tip was received that Santora was at the Starbucks in the 3500 block of Foothill Boulevard. He was arrested for trespassing.

During the webinar numerous questions were asked and answered, as well as GUSD and CVHS staff sharing more information on what happened, lessons learned and what will be done differently in the future.

Principal Christine Benitez said on any given day the CV campus is very busy. Walk-on coaches, guest speakers, adult members of clubs and others often visit the school.

"We do have systems in place," she said of the check-in procedures.

But she added that there are lessons to be learned from the Feb. 1 incident including ensuring all teachers and staff, including substitute teachers, wear their identification badges that were issued last year. The staff looked at how easy it was to access the campus in the mornings when multiple gates were open. In the future, beginning immediately after the Feb. 1 incident, there will be fewer access points onto the campus and the gates that are open will be monitored. The times for security

guards have been adjusted to fit the on-campus early arrivals.

Benitez added the district's help should have been asked for earlier on the day of the incident. The school's safety committee will review what happened on Feb. 1 and make suggestions for future safety improvements, she said.

During the webinar there was talk that CVHS is an open campus, one of the few in the state, and how that will be looked at in the future. Superintendent Dr. Vivian Ekchian has and will continue to reach out to stakeholders to discuss how to make the campus safer.

The questions that were directed to the CV Sheriff's Station Captain Robert Hahnlein and his deputies/detectives included why they could not hold Santora in custody longer on Feb. 1. He was arrested about 3:45 p.m. and released about 6:45 p.m.

Hahnlein said at the time Santora could only be arrested on a trespassing charge, which is a misdemeanor. However, Santora continued to be investigated. Through the investigation and tips from community members the second arrest was made on two felony counts.

Detectives are continuing their investigation into the suspect's past. Social media had released the suspect's image alongside a composite of a suspect regarding a sexual assault/rape at CV Park on Dec. 12, 2021. It was suggested that Santora was the same person; however, CV detectives said that was not the case.

"We looked at that and we determined that was not the same person," a detective said.

To watch the webinar, visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WFDDh1vpezk>.

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# VIEWPOINTS

TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

## La Tuna Canyon's Belmont Country Club – Part 1

As a history addict, I'm always on the lookout for clues to the past. Whenever I pass an empty lot, I look for old foundations. Whenever I pass a freshly dug hole, I examine the hole and the excavated dirt for old junk. Sometimes what I see leads to a forgotten story of our past. This is one of those times.

For years now, while traveling down La Tuna Canyon Road I've been seeing indications of the hand-of-man in an uninhabited portion of the north side of the canyon. As you head down the road from the Foothill 210 Freeway crossing, you wind down the steep curvy road until you finally reach a flat portion. The "round house" on your left and the debris basin on your right are your landmarks. Directly across from the round house (literally a white two-story house built perfectly round) on the other side of the canyon are indications of some sort of development. A couple of stone wall portions are perched on

the hillside along with a fairly tall cement staircase leading ... nowhere. The eroded edge of a road section hangs on the edge of the streambed. It's intriguing. What was it? Perhaps a large home wrecked by fire or flood?

Turns out these are the only traces of the opulent Belmont Country Club, a playground for wealthy Los Angeles residents built in 1926. The first indication of the club's existence comes from a news article about La Tuna Canyon Road being paved from Vineland in Sun Valley, all the way to the grounds of the country club, in anticipation of its opening. (At that time, La Tuna Canyon Road to La Crescenta didn't exist. La Tuna Canyon Road only went from Vineland to the entrance to the country club. Essentially it was the residents' own private driveway.)

Although it was apparently first begun in 1923, the Belmont Country Club opened to great fanfare in 1926. Initially I imagined this was another high-

end speakeasy, just like our own speakeasy Verdugo Lodge that later became Mountain Oaks. But unlike Verdugo Lodge, which flew below the radar with no advertising, Belmont Lodge was all over the newspapers and it hosted many public events, so maybe it was legit.

The Los Angeles Times began trumpeting the opening of the Belmont in February 1926. A full ad showed photos of the almost completed club building. It was two stories, concrete in construction, and massive, representing an investment of \$100,000. Its Spanish styling included huge arched entryways and windows and the requisite tiled roof. Interior features were a grand ballroom, separate lounges for men and women, dining room and kitchen, along with a number of "sleeping rooms for members that desire to spend occasional nights at the club."

Outdoor activities included tennis on several courts and a large swimming pool. Picnics

and hikes were foremost in the advertising as this was at the tail end of "the golden age of hiking" when hiking was a very popular sport.

"Naturally scenic surroundings and heavily wooded canyons" promised the newspaper. "Spreading shade trees, plenty of tables, cold mountain spring water and miles of interesting trails for hikers make this a wonderful place to spend the day."

But the jewel in the crown was the 18-hole golf course. It was designed by William Watson, the then-famous golf course designer. The Scottish Watson (he grew up on St. Andrews, considered to be the birthplace of golf) began designing top courses at the turn of the century and in his career designed over 100 courses. Among his famous course designs locally are Brentwood, Annandale, Hacienda and Hillcrest, as well as Minikahda and Interlachen in Minnesota and Belvedere in Michigan.

It's not stated in the advertisements how much a membership cost in the Belmont Country Club. It did state, however, that memberships were available "at a very low fee and on easy terms of payment to selected applicants only." Hmm. "Selected applicants only" ... I wonder what that meant?

Next week, more on the spectacular Belmont Country Club and why it isn't there anymore.



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## CV TOWN COUNCIL » PRESIDENT CHRIS KILPATRICK

At our January meeting, I was nominated and confirmed as president of Crescenta Valley Town Council for 2023. This is my great honor and I look forward to leading this very important body. In addition, five winning candidates of the most recent election and our new slate of officers were seated. We congratulate them and thank

them for their commitment.

On behalf of the entire Crescenta Valley Town Council, we look forward to continuing our tradition of service to the community. We will continue to look out for your interests, ensure that all citizens have a voice and will always put this community first.

You may have noticed more

work being performed on Foothill Boulevard at Dyer Street. In the recent large storm, an underground culvert was damaged. Los Angeles County Dept. of Public Works is making emergency repairs that are expected to last until Feb. 24. During this time, Foothill will remain open. Please observe all posted parking restrictions. This work is essential

to help our community stay ready to safely manage future storms.

The CVTC Land Use Committee is composed of community members with experience in various disciplines related to planning and development. They generously dedicate countless hours to tracking major projects as well as issues that impact our community. Currently, the Los Angeles County Dept. of Regional Planning is examining the possibility of eliminating "off street" parking requirements for new multi family developments. This means that new developments wouldn't be required to provide parking for residents who would be required to park on the street instead. Due to very negative impact on the community, the Council has adopted a resolution against this concept. The County is conducting a public hearing on this on March 1. We urge all interested people to attend. For more information on how to attend the meeting, please see our website (thecvcouncil.com).

The Streets and Transportation Committee is led by Councilmember Dede Mueller and is responsible for all concerns related to our roadways including safety and proposed projects. Currently, the Dept. of Public Works is exploring modifications to Foothill Boulevard including the reconfiguration of traffic lanes, curbs, medians and other features. This is called the "Foothill Boulevard Active Transportation Plan." This is of utmost importance to the community as it impacts the main throughfare that we all utilize on a near daily basis. The County Dept. of Public Works will be at our next general meeting for a presentation and to take questions. We invite all members of the community to learn about this impactful project.

We've received multiple traffic safety complaints, particularly related to the area around our schools. We are in the process of addressing these concerns with Public Works, the Los Angeles Sheriff's Dept. and California Highway Patrol (which is responsible for all traffic enforcement in unincorporated Crescenta Valley). We remind everyone to please slow down and observe all traffic laws. The people you are protecting are your neighbors and members of the community.

Although the incident that occurred at CV High School is being handled by GUSD and law enforcement, we would like to remember a fundamental principle in our community. That is that everyone has the right to safety and security. We would like to offer our thanks to those who responded last Wednesday to keep our students safe.

As we begin a very busy year in service to the community, we invite everyone to attend our next meeting at the La Crescenta Library, 2809 Foothill Blvd., on Feb. 16 at 7 p.m.

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# YOUTH/SPORTS

## Local Recipients of Prestigious BSA Awards

The Verdugo Hills Council of Boy Scouts of America held its annual recognition dinner at Homenetmen Ararat Chapter Hall on Feb. 2. Among the awards presented was the North Star Award presented to local civic leader Steve Pierce. Chris Waldheim, last year's recipient, presented the prestigious award to Pierce. The North Star Award is presented by local Councils of the Boy Scouts of America on behalf of the National Court of Honor for non-registered volunteers who have made a significant contribution to Scouting.

For Glendale police chief Carl Povilaitis received the Spurgeon Award, which is presented to volunteers who have rendered outstanding leadership to the Exploring program either as an Explorer post adult leader or as a district, division, or Council Exploring adult volunteer. Povilaitis was presented the award by last year's recipient Michelle Gonzalez.

*Provided by Amy TAYLOR*



LEFT: Chris Waldheim, left, presented Steve Pierce with the North Star Award. Standing next to Pierce is Andrew Sisolak. RIGHT: Michelle Gonzalez presented former police chief Carl Povilaitis with the Spurgeon Award. Next to Povilaitis is Andrew Sisolak.

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### Scholarships Available

La Crescenta Woman's Club is offering scholarships to all graduating seniors who live or attend high school in the Glendale Unified School District (GUSD).

Visit the LCWC Website for application forms: <https://lacrescentawomansclub.org/scholarships-programs/scholarships/>.

There are scholarships for graduating seniors going to four-year colleges but also to trade schools and community colleges. There is a Roberta Kurtz scholarship for fine arts majors

including graphic arts. There is a Richard

Huntwork scholarship for STEM math or engineering majors. LCWC offers a scholarship in memory of recent scholarship chair Deanna Alfeld in history, English, teaching, or accounting and two more in memory of community volunteer Jean Maluccio to a senior for exemplary volunteer contribution. Additionally, there are four regular scholarships being offered.

All graduating seniors are encouraged to apply.

### California Credit Union Looking to Fund Innovative Teacher Projects

California Credit Union, which has branches in Glendale and North Hollywood, invites all Los Angeles County teachers who have a dream class project idea to apply for a credit union grant through its bi-annual teacher grant program.

The California Credit Union spring grant program is available to full-time teachers in Los Angeles and Orange County, or credit union members teaching in California, looking to fund special learning opportunities for their students. The project should have clearly defined learning objectives tied to students' academic needs,

display creativity and benefit a significant number of students. Ten California Credit Union grants of \$500 each will be awarded to area teachers in the spring program.

"As we celebrate 90 years of service to the education community, we're excited to once again offer special grants to support our teachers as they work to create innovative programming for their students," said California Credit Union President/CEO Steve O'Connell. "We encourage any teacher who has a dream program to apply

*see CCU on page 19*

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# BETWEEN FRIENDS

## Membership Open to La Cañada Thursday Club

Last year the La Cañada Thursday Club welcomed 20 new members from La Crescenta, Glendale and La Cañada. The Club is beginning its new year and welcomes new members throughout the year.

The Club is a non-profit public benefit corporation that promotes youth education and scholarships, assists local philanthropies, provides community service and offers members a diverse variety of social, cultural and literary programs and events. Offered are luncheons, teas, Bridge and Mahjong groups, book clubs, contemporary interest gatherings and courtyard cocktail events. The Club also has a comprehensive debutante program and ball for members daughters and granddaughters.

"We award scholarships. We give back to our community and its environs. We make long lasting friendships. We work hard. We play hard. We are unique and we have weathered the test of time!" said Sheri Morton, president of the La Cañada Thursday Club.

For general information about the Club, including membership, check out the website at [laacadathursdayclub@gmail.com](mailto:laacadathursdayclub@gmail.com).

The Club is the oldest women's organization in LCF and was founded in 1912 by Jessie Knight, an early settler in this burgeoning community. It has a long and



Photo provided by Jane NEELY

From left are Thursday Club members Lisa Phelan, Ursula Heimbald, Verna McElderry, Rita Burns, Trice Halin, Angelica Perez, Allison Dolphin and Alison Davitt.

grand history. Morton shared a few historical tidbits:

"As far back as the early 1920s the Thursday Club has made a difference in our community by placing the first traffic signs at the corner of what was known as Michigan Avenue, now Foothill Boulevard, and School Street, now La Cañada Boulevard. Bet you didn't know the Club was responsible for the installation of streetlights along Foothill as well?" Morton said.

The Spanish Hacienda-style clubhouse that is on Woodleigh

Lane was completed in 1927 and is still the meeting place for most Thursday Club activities.

Some of the special events slated for this 2023 Club year are a courtyard sale on Saturday, Feb 11, spring benefit on Thursday, April 20 and scholarship tea on Sunday, April 30.

The Club's Foundation supports scholarships every year. The scholarships are awarded to students based on academic achievement, community service and potential for future success. In addition, the Denise Greenawalt

scholarship, established to honor the memory of former member Denise Greenawalt, is awarded to a student who has met the selection requirements but has triumphed and overcome a significant obstacle, hardship or extenuating circumstance. The scholarship programs are open to residents of 91011 as well as students who attend LCF schools.

In addition to scholarships, the Club supports other philanthropies such as Hillside, a home for children. At Christmas, Club members donate gifts to the

clients of Hillside. In May, the Club makes a monetary donation to the Hillside's Youth Moving On program. This donation supports a deserving client who has aged out of the foster system but wishes to further their education.

Hillside is not the only philanthropy that the Club supports; it also donates to and support Journey House, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and Elizabeth House.

"Come join the fun, the Club would love to see you," Morton added.

## YMCA of the Foothills Welcomes New Community Health & Wellness Coordinator

The YMCA of the Foothills welcomes Monica Percich as its Community Health & Wellness coordinator to better serve the community. Percich will lead day-to-day operations for the Glendale Healthier Community Coalition (GHCC), which is supported by the YMCA of the Foothills and the

YMCA of Glendale. The GHCC serves as a convener, bringing together people, ideas and assets to discuss and play a part in addressing the communities' most pressing health needs.

"We are thrilled to bring Monica Percich on-board as our Community Health & Wellness coordinator

for the YMCA of the Foothills in service to the Glendale Healthier Community Coalition. Monica has years of experience in community building and outreach through the lens of wellbeing," said Vince Iuculano, CEO at the YMCA of the Foothills. "After gaining guidance from community leaders during

our Community Needs Assessment Round Table in October 2022 and our internal work with our board of directors, we are proud to launch this position as part of the larger strategic plan to enrich the lives of all of people through Charity, Community and Commerce."

Percich is a Glendale resident who brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in teaching and leading groups and event production, as well as marketing, and has a profound passion for health and wellness. She is a graduate of Michigan State University with a BA in arts

and holds a teaching certification through Yoga Alliance. She appreciates and admires Glendale's rich history and routinely connects with people of all ages and walks of life, especially through the Go Heart Wellness Program she leads through Adventist Health Glendale.

As part of the GHCC Percich will help bring together people, ideas and assets to discuss and play a part in addressing the most pressing needs in Glendale. To learn more about GHCC and how the organization is impacting the community's well-being, visit [www.theghcc.com](http://www.theghcc.com).

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## Oakmont League Hosts Benefit



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Kim Klosterman, left, and Lydia Trout, right, prepare for Oakmont League's Casino Night, Saturday, March 18, at Oakmont Country Club.

Oakmont League members will host a festive Casino Night on March 18. Co-chairs Kim Klosterman and Lydia Trout are planning a fun-filled evening titled "All In On Oakmont League" that will include dinner, casino tables, boutique and a raffle at Oakmont Country Club.

Two Glendale residents, Carolyn Beaton and Patsy Dewey, will be recognized for their years of dedication and service to Oakmont League.

Both women have generously supported the league's philanthropic efforts since they became members in the mid-'70s and have worked together on fashion shows and social events.

Proceeds from the gala will support the league's involvement with the Glendale YWCA, in addition to providing scholarships for Glendale Community College and local high school students.

Committee members include Mary Broerman, Amanda Duffy, Carol Eldred, Ellen Farewell, Mary Jo Ferrell, Jackie Kubel, Shauna Lehman, Mary Kay Prather, Liz Reed, Pam Sorem, Sharon Swinford, Allison Weir, Mary Wells and Katherine Yamada.

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit Oakmont League's website [www.oakmontleague.com](http://www.oakmontleague.com).

## Public is Encouraged to Submit Nominations for 2022 La Cañadan of the Year

The Kiwanis Club of La Cañada announced that nominations are now open for La Cañadan of the Year. The general public is invited to submit the name of an individual, or a couple, who has provided exemplary service to the La Cañada Flintridge and foothill neighborhoods. For over 70 years, the award has been presented to such recipients as Gil Smith, Dr. William Pickering and, most recently, Michael Davitt, to name a few.

La Cañadan of the Year Nominating Committee Chairperson Terry Piasky said, "We encourage you to submit a nomination so we may recognize the amazing service done by volunteers in our community. It's a great opportunity to honor an individual or couple who have stepped up to make a difference."

The deadline to submit a nomination is Tuesday, Feb. 28. A noontime luncheon celebration will be announced with the final date based on the recipient's availability.

Nomination forms may be picked up at the La Cañada Flintridge City Hall. The forms may also be downloaded by visiting the website [lacadanakiwanis.org](http://lacadanakiwanis.org) and clicking on the "La Cañadan of the Year" tab. Completed forms must be submitted by email to [lacadanakiwanis@gmail.com](mailto:lacadanakiwanis@gmail.com) or mailed to Kiwanis Club of La Cañada - La Cañadan of the Year, c/o Terry Piasky, P.O. Box 33, La Cañada Flintridge, CA 91012. Those who have any questions can call Terry Piasky at (626) 353-6654.

## People Making News

The University of Wisconsin-Madison recognized Tom Oghalai of La Cañada Flintridge, who attends the College of Engineering, as earning a spot on the dean's honor list for the fall semester of the 2021-2022 academic year.

Students who achieve at a high level academically are recognized by the dean at the close of each semester. To be eligible for the dean's list, students must complete a minimum of 12 graded degree credits in that semester. Each university school or college sets its own GPA requirements for students to be eligible to receive the distinction. Most call the honor "dean's list," but some grant the "dean's honor list" and "dean's high honor list."

Ian Camner and Maxwell Blessinger of La Crescenta achieved the dean's list at Belmont University for the fall 2022 semester. Eligibility is based on a minimum course load of 12 hours (exclusive of audit and pass/fail courses this semester) and a quality grade point average of 3.5 with no grade below a C (inclusive of audit, pass/fail courses and zero-credit courses).

Located two miles from downtown Nashville, Tennessee, Belmont University comprises nearly 9,000 students from every state and 33 countries. The University offers more than 115 areas of undergraduate study, 41 master's programs and five doctoral degrees.

For more information, visit [www.belmont.edu](http://www.belmont.edu).

Peter Hovland of Glendale has earned placement on the Gonzaga University president's list for fall semester 2022. Students must earn a 3.85 to 4.0 grade-point average to be listed.

Anissa Olona of Glendale, Katharine Franklin and Blake Rivera of La Cañada Flintridge, Sophia Atin and Allison Lombardo of La Crescenta and Veronica Hunstable of Montrose have earned placement on the Gonzaga University dean's list for fall semester 2022. Students must earn a 3.5 to 3.84 grade-point average to be listed.

Gonzaga University is a humanistic, private Catholic University providing a Jesuit education to more than 7,500 students. Situated along the Spokane River near downtown Spokane, Washington, Gonzaga is routinely recognized among the west's best comprehensive regional universities. Gonzaga offers over 75 fields of study, 24 master's degrees, four doctoral degrees in one college and six schools.

Adam Burnstine of La Cañada Flintridge was named to the dean's list at Lehigh University in the fall 2022 semester. Dean's list status is awarded to students who earned a scholastic average of 3.6 or better while carrying at least 12 hours of regularly graded courses.

For more than 150 years, Lehigh University ([lehigh.edu](http://lehigh.edu)) has combined outstanding academic and learning opportunities with leadership in fostering innovative research. The institution is among the nation's most selective, highly ranked private research universities. Lehigh's five colleges — College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business, College of Education, College of Health, and the P.C. Rossin College of Engineering and Applied Science — provides opportunities to 7,000-plus students to discover and grow in an academically rigorous environment along with a supportive, engaged campus community.

Gabrielle Xena Stanton of Sunland, a sophomore majoring in mechanical engineering, was named a presidential scholar for the fall 2022 semester at Clarkson University.

Presidential scholars must achieve a minimum 3.80 grade-point average and carry at least 14 credit hours.

As a private, national research university, Clarkson has its main campus in Potsdam, New York and additional graduate program and research facilities in the New York Capital Region, Beacon, New York, and New York City. Clarkson educates 4,300 students across 95 programs of study in engineering, business, the arts, education, sciences and health professions. Its alumni earn salaries that are among the top 2.5% in the nation and realize accelerated career growth. One in five already leads as a CEO, senior executive or owner of a company.

Arpy Marutyan of Sunland has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's (SNHU) fall 2022 president's list. The fall terms run from September to December.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 for the reporting term are named to the president's list.

Nikole Alvarez of Montrose has been named to SNHU's fall 2022 dean's list.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.500 to 3.699 for the reporting term are named to the dean's list.

Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired eight-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer.

Southern New Hampshire University is a private, non-profit institution with a 90-year history of educating traditional-aged students and working adults. Now serving more than 170,000 learners worldwide, SNHU offers approximately 200 accredited undergraduate, graduate and certificate programs, available online and on its 300-acre campus in Manchester, New Hampshire.

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# TRAVEL & LEISURE

## White Launches Return to In-Person Performances by GNC



On Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 12:10 p.m., the Free Admission Glendale Noon Concerts program returns to live performance and will be performed in the sanctuary of Glendale City Church.

An all Chopin recital will be performed by pianist Brendan White.

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 orchestras. 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 can be found at <http://glendalenoonconcerts.blogspot.com>.

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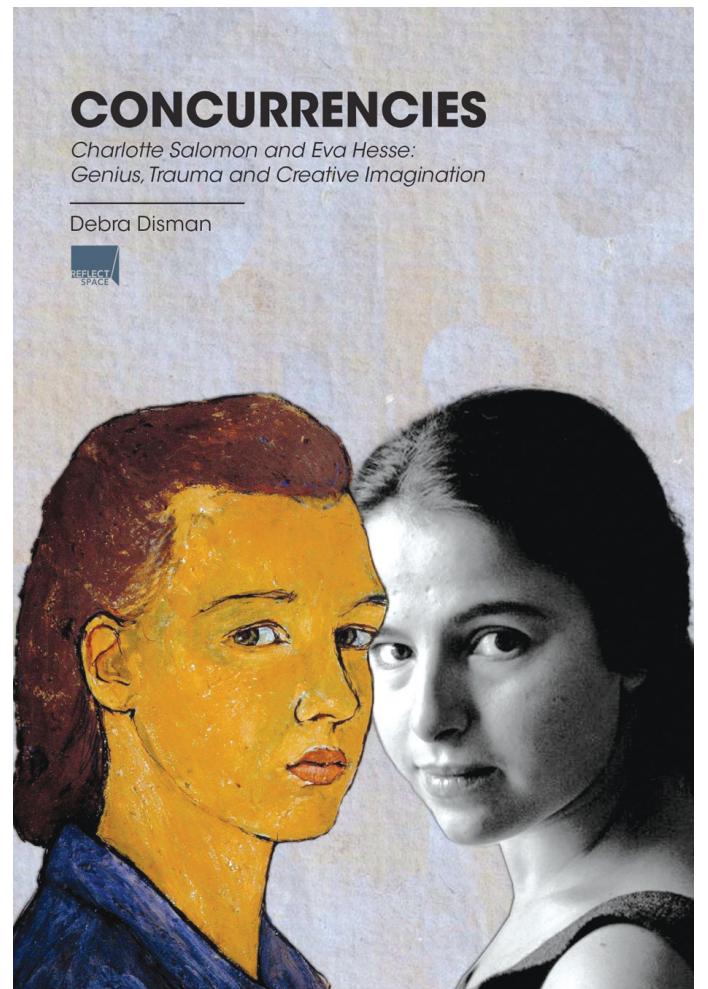
## Solo Exhibition Presented by Debra Disman

Glendale Library, Arts & Culture and ReflectSpace Gallery present "I Can't I Won't I Will I Do," a solo exhibition featuring Los Angeles-based artist Debra Disman. Disman's work is inspired by books, which traverses tapestry, installation and sculpture to push familiar forms and materials into art that bewilder. The exhibition will include new works created in response to Disman's investigation of artists Charlotte Salomon and Eva Hesse and how they employed the creative process to transform traumatic pasts into the creation of new art forms. Disman's tactile works create space for reflection, connection and solace.

"I Can't I Won't I Will I Do" will be on view at Central Library during regular operating hours through March 19.

Disman will also conduct workshops at Central Library at the Be the Change Book Festival on Saturday, Feb. 25 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. and work with the local community to create handmade books designed to engage the hands, heart, mind and soul.

Accompanying the exhibition, ReflectSpace will publish an artist book by Disman titled "Concurrencies: Charlotte Salomon and Eva Hesse: Genius, Trauma and Creative Imagination." The artist book has grown out of Disman's research and is an intuitive and fleeting reflection on the lives, works and imaginations of Salomon and Hesse.



Debra Disman is a Los Angeles-based artist known for her work inspired by books, both as a solo practitioner and in the public sphere of community engagement. As a maker and teaching artist, she creates work and projects that push the book's body and boundaries into new media and

materials, inviting altered ways of viewing the world and how it is inhabited. Her work is shown in multiple museums, galleries, universities and libraries. Disman is the recipient of a 2016-17 WORD: Artist Grant/Bruce Geller Memorial Prize and was a studio resident at the Camera Obscura Art Lab in Santa Monica in 2018. Disman is a local artist-in-residence at 18th Street Arts Center in Santa Monica and a 2021-22 Santa Monica Artist Fellow.

## THEN & NOW



**THEN** » The caption on this photo from a 1967 Ledger Newspaper reads: "The Montrose Shopping Park will cater to the well-being of pedestrians as well as to their vision. Rest stops like the circular one in center above and the bench to the left provide Montrose customers with a 'sidewalk café' type of environment. Trees will create shade as well as enhance the view."

In this view looking northwest in the 2400 block of Honolulu Avenue, we see new trees being planted.

## Montrose Shopping Park Trees Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV



**NOW** » The same shot today show those trees fully matured and fulfilling their promise to "create shade and enhance the view." But what's missing in the "Now" photo? One thing, thankfully, is the billboard that is seen in the center of the "Then" photo. There were several billboards situated on building rooftops in the '50s and '60s that have since been removed. The other is the elaborate neon "character signs" that once hung off the fronts of businesses on Honolulu, but were removed due to seismic concerns.

# LCPC Parent Education Gala

By Amanda BAUGHMAN

LCPC Parent Education is having its annual gala, titled Making Lemons into Lemonade: Living Life with Zest, on Saturday, Feb. 25 at the Chevy Chase Country Club in Glendale. The event will feature a fun-filled night of entertainment, food and merriment. The event will be emceed by author and Rev. Dr. Chuck Osburn, humorist Chris Erskine and beloved auctioneer John Cervenka. The 2021 GMA Dove Award winner Evan Craft will also be attending from Nashville to perform his billboard hit "Be Alright!"

The event will honor 2023 Shining Star Sloan Walsh, who has served families for 20 years as a Parent Education instructor.

Former Board Chair Debra Barsom said, "Sloan Walsh is an extraordinary woman with a beautiful soul. Over the last 20 years, her wisdom and guidance has positively impacted hundreds of families through the Parent Education program, including mine. Sloan has a special talent for teaching. Her warmth and authenticity welcomes parents into her classroom and encourages deeper participation in class discussions. She's a skilled communicator who provides really valuable practical advice for parents and the genuine support so many need. She's a loyal friend with a heart of gold. She is also a loving wife and mother, who so clearly adores her family. This woman is a strong Christian who, by example, inspires people to be better and to do better. I'm blessed to know her, and I know that others feel the same way. Simply put, Sloan is a gift and she is more than deserving of this year's Shining Star award."

Additionally, 10% of all net proceeds will be donated to Young Life Capernaum, an organization supporting families of children with special needs in the local community.



2023 Shining Star Sloan Walsh will be honored for her impact on families.

Tickets are \$125 and can be purchased online by Feb. 15 at <https://bit.ly/PARENTEDGALA23>.

The gala will include a sit-down dinner, wine and open bar, live entertainment, and a live auction. Additionally, Parent Ed will offer a silent auction from Feb. 14-28 (visit <https://bit.ly/PARENTEDAUCION23>). Auction donations are still being accepted; contact the auction committee at [lcpc.pe.auction@gmail.com](mailto:lcpc.pe.auction@gmail.com).

Main Squeeze sponsors are Brad & Ashley Barrett, John & Melissa Schiller, Daniel & Sarah Vargas; Big Squeeze sponsors are Gordon & Dona Crawford, Peter & Carrie Kingston, Doug & Natasha Wood; Fresh Squeeze sponsors are Eva Vargas; and Zest Friends sponsors are Bob & Cathie Bautista, Vincent & Lauren Gallidoro, Brandon & Vanessa Ho, Cindy Olah, Mark & Monica Skeehan, Colin & Mikki Weightman, and Scott & Karen Young. Event underwriters include

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For 44 years, LCPC's Parent Education Program has maintained its legacy of reputable staff and quality education. Currently, the program offers 16 semester daytime classes and 10 express classes for parents and grandparents of children birth to college. Parents of children 0 to 5 years old attend Parent & Child classes, while parents and school-aged children attend Parent Only classes. Express classes current available in four-six week sessions meet in the evening, lunchtime and online. Class listings and online registration are available at [www.lacanadapc.org/parented](http://www.lacanadapc.org/parented). Second semester just began and admission is rolling. Free trial classes are available at any time, just sign up online.

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When a technician came out, he discovered that there was no insulation in the door. All oven doors are supposed to have insulation. There was a product defect.

GE says it is covering the replacement part. It has been two months and the insulation is backordered. I have been without a working oven for two months.

I paid \$800 for a range that never should have made it off the production line. They took my money and gave me a fundamentally defective product. Now I am a hostage, for an indefinite period, to GE's supply chain issues.

My situation is not the same as purchasing a product where a part eventually goes bad. This stove was fundamentally defective when I bought it. I have two renters living

with me. They pay me to have access to certain basic amenities, including an oven. One of my roommates is in culinary school. Can you help me?

—Lauren Butcher, Bentonville, Arkansas

**A**: You're right, this is not a warranty case. GE should have quickly replaced the unit, which should have never passed inspection at the factory.

When you told them you had a housemate in culinary school, GE should have double-timed it. But of course it didn't. Instead, it treated your case like an ordinary warranty case.

This could have ended up so much worse. The shattered glass could have injured someone, potentially turning into an expensive lawsuit. Fortunately, no one was hurt. But being without an oven for two months is a major inconvenience.

I've seen more of these backorder

delays recently. They are probably related to the supply chain issues some companies are having. The problem is, what do you do about it? Do you make your customers wait for weeks or months? Or do you get them a working appliance quickly?

The answer, of course, is you get them a replacement quickly. If you can't nudge the company in the right direction, check out my free guide on replacing your appliance on my advocacy site Elliott.org.

A brief, polite email to one of the company's executives might have done the trick. I list the names, numbers and emails of the top executives at GE on my site. I would start by contacting one of the vice presidents and then work your way up the ladder.

I contacted GE on your behalf. A representative reached out to you and arranged to have a new range delivered.

see PROBLEM SOLVED on page 19

**» ZACK HILL BY JOHN DEERING AND JOHN NEWCOMBE**



### CALENDAR this

**GLENDALE KIWANIS**

The Kiwanis Club of Glendale next meets on Feb. 3. All are invited as the self-proclaimed "greatest Kiwanis president in the world" Ron Baker gives the Club a craft talk—a presentation on his experiences and career.

Meetings are held on Friday at noon. The cost to attend, which includes lunch and program, is \$20.

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

**CALTECH WIND ORCHESTRA PRESENTS 'WORLD-WIDE WINDS'**

The Caltech Wind Orchestra, directed by Dr. Glenn D. Price, presents its winter concert, entitled "World-Wide Winds."

There will be two concerts: on Saturday, Feb. 11 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday, Feb. 12 at 3 p.m., both in Ramo Auditorium. The concerts feature music from around the globe written for wind instruments, including the world premiere of Christian David López's "Despierta Latinoamérica," Edvard Grieg's "Funeral March" and more.

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

**PEO GLENDALE RECIPROCITY FOUNDER'S DAY**

PEO Glendale Reciprocity will hold its Founders' Day on Saturday, Feb. 11 from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 120 E. Colorado St., Glendale. Guests are welcome. To make a reservation, email [Anne Kroll at mme\\_lechat@yahoo.com](mailto:mme_lechat@yahoo.com). Reservation deadline is Feb. 2. Cost is \$35.

"Golden Girls," women who have been members for over 50 years, will be honored. A special speaker and entertainment will highlight the program after a buffet luncheon.

PEO is a Philanthropic Educational Organization whose mission is supporting women's educational goals by providing scholarships, grants and awards. There are 12 chapters in the Glendale area. Three Burbank chapters will also be attending.

For more information about membership and activities, visit <https://www.peocalifornia.org>.

**LCWC HOSTING BINGO**

The La Crescenta Woman's Club is hosting a bingo game on Saturday night, Feb. 11. Proceeds benefit Verdugo Hills Post 288, American Legion. Tickets are \$20 per person and include bingo cards, dauber and the chance at prize money! Each game pays at least \$100. Seating is limited to 150 people.

Check in is 5 p.m. Food available for purchase.

To purchase tickets, contact

Sandra at (661) 436-8745 or stop by the CV Chamber of Commerce office, 3131 Foothill Blvd. 'D' in La Crescenta between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. (call first—[818] 248-4957/)

LCWC is located at 4004 La Crescenta Ave. in La Crescenta.

**JEWEL CITY KNITTERS MONTHLY MEETING**

Jewel City Knitters will hold its monthly JCK Charity Knit and Crochet gathering on Saturday, Feb. 11 from 2-3:30 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Library, 3301 E. Chevy Chase Dr. in Glendale, (818) 548-2046.

Enjoy a relaxed afternoon of knitting, crocheting and conversation.

For more information, email [susandietel@yahoo.com](mailto:susandietel@yahoo.com).

**WARPATH TO CAHUENGA**

On Feb. 11 at 1 p.m., Bolton Hall Museum, Home of Little Landers Historical Society, presents "Warpath To Cahuenga." This program tells the story of Native American participation in the conquest of California during the Mexican-American War of 1846-1848. The California Battalion commanded by John C. Fremont was one of the most ethnically diverse military formations in American history and included about 60 Native Americans from different tribes. The California Battalion accepted the surrender of the last Mexican troops at Campo de Cahuenga in January 1847.

The speaker for this program is Al Knight. Knight has over 40 years of experience in archeological, anthropological and historic fieldwork research and writing and is the author of numerous published and unpublished reports. He has participated in over 250 projects in Southern California, including work leading to the creation of local Stonehurst community HPOZ.

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

Bolton Hall Museum is located at 10110 Commerce Ave. in Tujunga. Additional information is available from Little Landers Historical Society, (818) 352-3420 or [BoltonHall.org](http://BoltonHall.org) or email [llhs@boltonhall.org](mailto:llhs@boltonhall.org).

**GLENDALE OUTDOORS! (GO!) COMMUNITY PROGRAM**

The public is invited to Deukmejian Wilderness Park for an interpretive hike, a nature craft, nature themed games and a tour of the Stone Barn Nature Center. Water, snacks and bus transportation from Pacific Community Center are provided. Free bus transportation! Bus leaves Pacific Community Center at 8:30 a.m. and returns at 12:30 p.m.

For more information, call (818) 937-7428 or visit <https://tinyurl.com/yc77h39e>.

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

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**ACROSS**

- 1 Replenished
- 8 Disco flashers
- 15 Belligerent
- 16 Guise
- 17 What cowlings cover
- 18 Bureaucrat's office supply?
- 19 Brotherly love
- 20 Elk with twisted horns
- 22 "La \_\_\_ en rose"
- 23 Second column, in addition
- 24 Ekland once linked with Rod Stewart

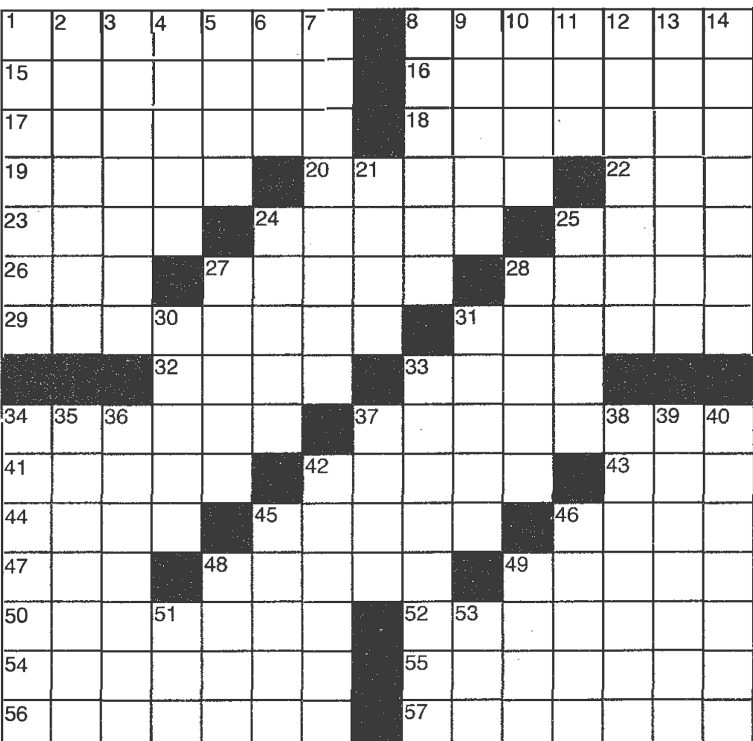
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- 26 Israelite judge
- 27 Sheltered inlets
- 28 Metier
- 29 Healed
- 31 Faltered
- 32 Broke ground?
- 33 Pine
- 34 Was lenient
- 37 Liberality in bestowing gifts
- 41 Carried
- 42 Fashions
- 43 Lacking discipline
- 44 Customary function
- 45 Softened
- 46 Caustic

- 47 "Ça \_\_\_" (patriotic French song)
- 48 Urban transports
- 49 Desi's drum
- 50 Fellow cons?
- 52 Appropriate
- 54 Actress Parsons
- 55 Strife
- 56 Fastened
- 57 Prods

**DOWN**

- 1 Perspired
- 2 Hybrid fruit
- 3 Like produce at the health-food store
- 4 Shears
- 5 Cattle
- 6 Piece out
- 7 Was worthy of
- 8 Small fish

- 9 "Last Case" sleuth
- 10 Comic Foxx
- 11 Giants giant
- 12 Lodge members
- 13 Atone
- 14 Guided
- 21 Was mendacious
- 24 Lacking stimulation
- 25 Stendhal color
- 27 Talked lovey-dovey
- 28 Part of a Dracula costume
- 30 Perfect number, to Pythagoras
- 31 Studied carefully
- 33 Lacustrine locale
- 34 Middle-of-the-road features
- 35 Least affluent
- 36 City burned in 1864
- 37 Pathetic
- 38 Smear job, to a lawyer
- 39 "Madame X" painter
- 40 Bleeds
- 42 Concentrated, as troops
- 45 Delicate netting
- 46 Main body section
- 48 Times Square plunger, once a year
- 49 Nonsense
- 51 Vim
- 53 Turn down



see ANSWERS on page 4



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## MONA ANNOUNCES DISPLAY

The Museum of Neon Art display of "Leticia Maldonado: The Storytellers" continues through Feb. 11. This is the first solo museum exhibition for the artist. Maldonado challenges the conventions of sculpture as well as the constraints of the medium of neon through her multimedia works. In this exhibition, life-size sculptural forms made out of neon, Plexiglass, found objects and vintage technology speak to narratives that bind memory, intimacy and history.

The museum is located at 216 S. Brand Blvd. in Glendale. It is closed Monday and Tuesday; open Wednesday – Saturday from 10:45 a.m. to 7:15 p.m. and on Sunday from 10:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

## CRESCENTA VALLEY SIERRA CLUB PROGRAM

The California Senate recently mandated that residents recycle and redirect organic waste such as food scraps back into compost in an effort to reduce climate pollutants such as methane. Monica Campagna of the Glendale Environmental Coalition will talk about how she as a Glendale resident is dealing with this challenge. A committed environmentalist, she will also speak about other campaigns that she and the Coalition have been involved with such as clean energy, reducing plastics as well as greening and cooling the schools and playgrounds.

The meeting is on Feb. 15; social time is 7 p.m. followed by the program at 7:30 p.m. Meet in person or via Zoom in the meeting room of the La Crescenta Library, 2809 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta. Park in the lot behind the library or on the street. Enter through the rear.

Signup Instructions: No signup needed for in-person or use the link below to register. <https://act.sierraclub.org/events/details?formcampaignid=7013q000002NZZIAAO>.

## BURBANK AFRICAN VIOLET SOCIETY

The Burbank African Violet Society will be having its next monthly club meeting on Thursday morning, Feb. 16 at 10 a.m. at the Little White Chapel Christian Church, 1711 No. Avon St. in Burbank.

The program will be a video presentation on "Growing Texas Size Trailers" by Ben Herring, an A.V.S.A. Convention Program. The learning lab will be the PH balance testing of the African violet potting soil samples that members and guests will bring to the meeting. A discussion with questions, answers and suggestion will follow.

There are raffle and silent auction tables. Refreshments are served and friendships are made. Guests are always welcome to attend the meetings. For more information please telephone (661) 940-3990 or reference our website: [www.burbakfricanviolets.weebly.com](http://www.burbakfricanviolets.weebly.com).

## HUUT CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY SHOW

HUUT – UU short for hootenanny – returns on Saturday, Feb. 18 at 7 p.m. with its fifth anniversary show that is all about love. It includes a fun-filled musical (and comical) evening with choice of beverages and home-baked snacks!

Hosted by Marty Barrett. Performers on Feb. 18 include screenwriter/author Heidi Mastrogianni, "Classics Slacker" author Olivia Negron, bands Magically Delishus, Vampyr 79 and troubadours Carol McArthur, Don Cummings, Justin Curtis, Tom Bishel, Richard Pittpen, Art Stucco, and Dolly Ramirez, among others. There will be a premiere release a song arranged and performed by Tom Bishel and Dolly Ramirez, both favorites on the LA scene.

Tickets at the door are \$15 and \$10 for seniors. Pay at the door or at [verdugohuut.com](http://verdugohuut.com). Mention this blurb for a discount.

COVID precautions are practiced.

UU is located at 4451 Dunsmore Ave. in La Crescenta.

## WILDERNESS WORKDAY

A wilderness workday in Deukmejian Wilderness Park is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 18 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. The bigcone spruce and coast live oaks need to be watered; volunteers are also needed to assist with trail repairs and remove invasive plants. Volunteers should wear sturdy shoes and bring sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat and water. Families, individuals, clubs and students needing community service hours are welcome. In case of rain, this event will be canceled.

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

## LCWC HOSTING GUEST SPEAKER

On Feb. 20 La Crescenta Woman's Club Evening Section will have a guest speaker from Ascencia. Ascencia is a non-profit homeless services agency and emergency shelter located in Glendale that provides a range of services such as enrichment activities, food and housing to help move homeless families and individuals off the streets.

LCWC's monthly Evening Section meeting is held on the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:45 p.m.) at the LCWC Clubhouse, 4004 La Crescenta Ave. in La Crescenta. Programs consist of speakers, philanthropic projects or game nights. Refreshments are served. Opportunities are available to join this organization and help support the local community; for info call (818) 957-9806.

Website: [www.lacrescentawomansclub.org](http://www.lacrescentawomansclub.org)

## INTERPRETIVE PROGRAM

A Friday night lecture titled "Eco-Gardening & Composting" will be given at the Stone Barn Nature Center at Deukmejian Wilderness Park on Friday,

Feb. 24 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Seating is limited. RSVP at [glendaleca.gov/garden](http://glendaleca.gov/garden).

## BINGO NIGHT PLANNED

On Saturday, Feb. 25 the Community Scholarship Foundation of La

Cañada Flintridge (CSF) will host a community bingo night. The benefits will support the needs-based scholarships given annually to seniors attending high schools in La Cañada Flintridge and Crescenta Valley High School. In the past 59 years the organization has awarded over \$1 million in scholarships.

Doors open and food available at 5 p.m.; bingo starts at 6 p.m. at Community Center of La Cañada, 4469 Chevy Chase Drive, La Cañada Flintridge. The cost is \$50 per person and includes 10 bingo games and three Shamrock games; cash prizes ranging from \$100 - \$300 per game;

hamburgers, all the fixins', chips, beverages and dessert. Bring cash for extras (one dollar bills preferred) including 50/50 opportunities.

To purchase tickets, visit <https://www.csflacanada.org/donate>.

## INTERPRETIVE HIKE

"These Boots Are Made For

Walking," an interpretive hike, is planned for

Deukmejian Wilderness Park on Feb. 25 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. This is a moderately difficult hike on the Mummy Rock trail, the Le Mesnager Loop trail and the Vineyard trail. Hikers should bring flashlights (red covers are available), water and wear sturdy shoes. Space is limited. Please RSVP at [glendaleca.gov/hike](http://glendaleca.gov/hike).

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

## LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL – BINGO

The Kiwanis Club of Glendale Foundation is hosting a bingo night on Saturday, March 4 at the Elks Club in Glendale. Doors open at 6 p.m.; first game is 6:30 p.m. No outside food allowed. Individual tickets are \$40, which includes one bingo book and one meal ticket – however, sponsorships are available!

Proceeds benefit programs serving the children, youth, homeless, veterans and other non-profits in the local community.

For more information, including how to sponsor the event or how to buy tickets, visit [www.glendalekiwanis.info](http://www.glendalekiwanis.info) or email [glendalekiwanis@gmail.com](mailto:glendalekiwanis@gmail.com).

## WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

Provided by [horoscope.com](http://horoscope.com) 2.6.23-2.12.23

### ♈ ARIES March 21 - April 19

You may be drawn to work with a personal trainer or other health professional who can guide you on the road to excellent well-being. If you do, you'll find this a most rewarding period. You can set right any problems that may be taking you down the wrong track. Don't be too proud to ask for help.

### ♉ TAURUS April 20 - May 20

Whatever your problem, it can be helped by rediscovering the art of ritual. You might be the kind of person who doesn't like to commit to schedules or anything that ties you down to a time and a place. But it could be tremendously helpful if you set regular times to eat and exercise. You'll benefit if you can establish these daily habits.

### ♊ GEMINI May 21 - June 20

Don't think too much about your health and well-being. More importantly, don't keep changing your mind about the kind of diet you should follow or exercise you should do. It's better to throw yourself wholeheartedly into a regimen and not think about it too much. Keep exercising and eating well. Procrastination won't get you into shape!

### ♋ CANCER June 21 - July 22

Swimming regularly could help you relax when other forms of exercise don't. There's something about floating in a warm pool and allowing the water to support you that creates deep peace and a sense of being at one with the world. This is especially healing if you feel out of touch with your emotions. Try it and see!

### ♌ LEO July 23 - August 22

It's time to use your powerful imagination and see yourself enjoying good health. You're currently straddling the spiritual and material worlds. Allow yourself to be guided by images that spring from your heart's desire. Take action to manifest your goal of good health. A few minutes every day in which you see yourself as you'd like to be will provide all the motivation you need.

### ♍ VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

You're almost there. You're so close to feeling fantastic and ready for anything. Soon you'll feel the dawning of better health, more energy, and greater vitality. But you may need to slow down. It helps to reflect on what you're doing now that's either making you feel wonderful or awful. You know what to do!

### ♎ LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

You may be tempted to indulge as a way to bury certain feelings. Your busy social life can provide a way for you to do this without anyone noticing, but it would be much better if you could work out daily and eliminate inner tension in a healthy manner. If you keep it up, muscle tightness won't be a problem.

### ♏ SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

It's time to find the underlying cause of one health issue that you may have grown used to. Aspects may help you focus your mind on making those necessary changes to your routine in order to bring about healing. Try to relax, too, as you're going to be mentally active now.

### ♐ SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

You may need to make a decision between traditional or alternative methods to treat a particular problem. An inspired idea or even a lucky coincidence over the coming days will give you the answer you need. You'll feel it in your gut as well. Research your options thoroughly.

### ♑ CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

This might be a good time to enjoy a short vacation if you're feeling under the weather. What you need more than anything is some sunshine and a chance to relax. If you can go to a spot that gives you a taste of paradise and allows you to soak up some warm rays, you'll feel much better.

### ♒ AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

Relationships continue to affect your health. You have many opportunities to enjoy health, so don't forget to take a look inside your mind and root out the fears that can cause energy blocks in your body. If you haven't tried acupuncture, it might be worth thinking about to keep you loosened up inside and out.

### ♓ PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

Your health zone is becoming more active. It's time to reflect on your well-being and look for clues as to what makes you sick and what you can do about it. Over the coming days you'll begin to get the picture. One issue will stand out more than the others and you should focus on that.

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## LEGALS

**NOTICE OF NAME CHANGE**

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME: AIDEN JOHN CARRETO (a minor by and through his parents Jasmine Sanchez and John Carreto), Case number 23BCCP00011, Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles North Central District - Burbank, 300 East Olive Avenue, Burbank, CA 91502. To all interested persons: 1. Petitioner JASMINE SANCHEZ AND JOHN CARRETO, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: a. Present Name: AIDEN JOHN CARRETO to Proposed Name: AYDIN JONATHAN CARRETO. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: MARCH 3, 2023 Time: 8:30 AM Dept.: A Room: N/A b. The address of the court is same as noted above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Published Crescenta Valley Weekly February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023.

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preparedness as reasons for her choice.

Councilmember Dan Brotman sought to raise further awareness of the turf rebate program that is offered to Glendale residents and businesses. He encouraged residents to visit <https://tinyurl.com/25mcjtu6> to learn more about the program, which is helping to address the crisis of water in the west.

One humorous moment of the meeting occurred when two men, apparently frustrated by the nation's fixation on the upcoming Super Bowl, asked the council to declare that it is "okay to not be a fan of football." The prank led several members of the council to chuckle and did not cause an unreasonable disruption of the meeting.

Another topic considered during the meeting included a proposition to require certain public benefit amenities in order for developers to obtain conditional use permits for hotels in downtown Glendale. The requirements would ensure that luxury hotels in downtown Glendale would not only create jobs and opportunities in the city, but also would be designed in a manner that promotes opportunities for the entire Glendale community. Amenities include but are not limited to: live entertainment, spa services, fitness facilities and enhanced catering services. Danielle Wilson, a representative of the Unite Here Local 11 hotel workers union, spoke in favor of the development agreement. After much discussion, the council voted in favor of the agreement. The development agreement will be presented in greater detail in an upcoming council meeting.

One topic of particular interest to residents of the Crescenta Valley was the capital improvement program that includes the reconfiguration of La Crescenta

Avenue. Yazdan Emrani, the director of public works, led a presentation on the \$130 million project that will include traffic signal upgrades and bus shelter repairs and improvements as well as increased safety features for people who use bicycle transportation or other forms of alternative or human-powered mobility. The proposed improvements include a protected buffer bike lane on both sides of La Crescenta Avenue.

For more information about current public works projects, or to contact public works staff, visit <https://www.glendaleca.gov/government/departments/public-works>.

The Glendale City Council meets most Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Information on upcoming meetings, including agendas, meeting packets, and links to view the live streams of their meetings, can be found at <https://www.glendaleca.gov/government/public-meeting-portal>.

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poor have choices, though: soylent red and soylent yellow, both advertised as packed full of high-energy vegetable concentrates. The new product—soylent green—is made from high-energy plankton, or so the corporation states.

I know it has probably been a minute since you've seen this film, but it is worth revisiting. You'll marvel how the examples of climate change that were shown were during a period when even mentioning the term was taboo. If you haven't seen it, it's time.

"When I was a kid food was food," said Sol Roth, portrayed by Edward G. Robinson – another reason to watch this film.

Those who have seen it will get this reference; when the planet can no longer sustain its growing population and has polluted the soil, air and water so nothing can grow as it did in the "good old days" then desperate times call for desperate measures.

(Spoiler alert: If you have not seen this movie, stop reading now; watch the film and then come back. The

ending is worth the surprise.)

The desperate measures this company takes is about money, power and control. For some ultra rich people, the power they crave gets them to overlook morality. When I first saw this film I regarded it as a cautionary tale. I thought, "There is no way humanity would go this far." Now that I am older and have seen how far those with money and power will go to stay in control I have looked at "Soylent Green" as a real possibility. Maybe not exactly converting people into food but desperate times ...

We do have an opportunity though to help our planet and ourselves, and all it takes is a look to the past. When my kids were little I did watch everything we ate. I planned menus, made preserves, fresh pasta and bread. I traveled with the kids for my job so all this fresh food preparation was done from hotel rooms. But now, with the kids out of the house, I regularly stop at fast food places. I still don't eat many canned goods but I have stopped canning my own preserves. So I make a pledge

and hope you join in: I will be more aware of what processed and ultra-processed food is and limit eating it everywhere I can. I will shop local for fresh fruits and veggies. I will be as cautious with the food I eat as I was with the food I gave my children. And doing this will not only be good for our health but lessen our carbon footprint, if only by a small step—and every step counts.

The upcoming weather looks like a good time to plant a garden for those homegrown foods. The temperatures will be warmer with the highs in the mid 70s today and Friday, then dipping into the high 50s through next Tuesday.

There may be some slight Santa Ana winds today into Friday but nothing too windy beyond that. The northerly winds expected this week turned to the northeast, reducing our area winds, according to Ryan Kittell, NOAA meteorologist.

Kittell added there is some rain expected on Saturday but less than an inch.

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for a grant and look forward to funding these inspiring projects."

Interested teachers can find more information and apply online at [ccu.com/teachergrant](http://ccu.com/teachergrant). The application deadline is Feb. 28.

Since the creation of the program in 2012, California Credit Union has awarded \$165,000 in teacher grants to benefit students across Southern California. Last year's grant program funded a wide range of projects, including building solar powered ovens, starting a school radio station, hatching chicks, building a genetics lab, and creating a mariachi music program, among others.

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"Our customer service team spoke with Ms. Butcher this morning, and she is all set," a GE representative told me. "This case is now closed."

Maybe. But it would have been interesting to hear how GE is improving its inspections to avoid any more shattering ovens. And I suspect that after this is published, I'll hear from a few more customers with broken ovens. We shall see.

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