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Burglary Prevention Tips from a Crescenta Valley Sheriff's Station Detective

By LASD Detective Salvador Ponce

Deputies at Crescenta Valley Sheriff's station are often asked what types of crimes are commonly committed in the station's jurisdiction. Burglaries and other thefts account for approximately 60 percent of the reports received daily. The question has been raised to law enforcement: how can we prevent these crimes from occurring? The truth is we cannot always prevent crime from occurring; however, here are certain precautions that can be taken by residents to avoid becoming a victim of residential burglaries.

Below are some simple, but effective, tips that can help prevent your home from being burglarized:

Lock your doors. As simple as this sounds, we have contacted several burglary victims who indicated they do not lock their homes because they believe they should not have to. In today's culture, we do not believe leaving the doors unlocked is a viable option.

Install a monitored alarm or similar alert device(s). A monitored alarm system alerts the security company of window breaks, motion, or other trespass events that can be monitored to alert law enforcement prompting a response. Another less costly alternative is the use of a non-monitored system which can activate a siren to deter burglars. Lastly, the use of noise simulation devices, such as motion-activated barking dogs, people, or television can assist deterring would-be burglars from targeting your home.

Get security cameras. Criminals often look to see if there are cameras on the house. If the suspect sees a location has security cameras, he or she

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Advancing Mankind: Perseverance's Second Year On Mars

BY Roman INGUANZO

On Saturday, February 18, the Perseverance rover celebrated its second anniversary on the surface of Mars. Since its arrival on the Red Planet, the rover has successfully carried out an array of scientific research using her suite of seven instruments. Most recently, the rover deposited a collection of samples that will eventually be brought back to Earth via the Mars Sample Return Campaign for further study. Now, the rover is on its way to explore the Delta Top - an unexplored location where scientists believe ancient rivers used to flow. By investigating the Delta Top, NASA hopes to uncover signs of ancient microbial life that may have lived in the ancient river.

The CVW recently conducted a Zoom interview with Perseverance Project Manager Art Thompson at Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) to discuss the project in greater detail.

Given his 30 years of experience, Thompson is well aware of the risks and challenges that Perseverance will face as she traverses her way to the Delta Top.



"We're driving up and out of a crater...that will be a challenge," Thompson said. "We're going to see some steeper terrain than we had encountered down in the floor of the crater and we'll see some ripples and sand dunes that we'll have to

either navigate over or around."

The Perseverance the continuation Mars exploration by rovers.

"We'll be going to an area that's not quite as well identified from aerial imaging, so we'll have to do a lot of that imaging in real time as

Photo by NASA/JPL-Caltech
This image of the floor of Jezero Crater was taken by one of the Navcam imagers aboard NASA's Perseverance Mars rover on Feb. 5, the 698th Martian day, or sol, of the mission.

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Humanitarianism Without Borders

By Lucian KUGLER

On February 6, a massive and destructive 7.8 earthquake devastated Southern and Central Turkey as well as parts of Northern Syria. Entire cities were leveled, millions were displaced and close to 50,000 lives have been lost as a result. Despite being stationed over 6,800 miles across the planet, seven members of the Montrose Search and Rescue (MSAR) team went to Hatay, Turkey in a six day humanitarian mission to locate and rescue individuals trapped beneath the destruction.

Mike Leum, LA County Sheriff's Department and MSAR volunteer, described the first steps of taken to help the rescue effort in Turkey.

"The first thing I did was handpick the six individuals to go, and every one of them immediately said yes. Then my next call was to a friend of mine with connections [to the rescue

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Photos by Mike LEUM
Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, Montrose Search and Rescue team members along with other search and rescue members traveled to Turkey to join in the international effort to help after the devastating earthquake in Turkey.



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Learning the Ins & Outs

Steve and I boarded the Emerald Princess last Thursday for the sunny shores of lands south of La Crescenta. This trip, which will culminate with passing through the Panama Canal, has been more than a year in the planning and execution. We were hoping to take this voyage last year - same time of year - but COVID still wasn't at a level with which we were comfortable. Consequently, we postponed our trip by a year. Turned out to be a good idea - at least for us.

Mask wearing is at a minimum, providing a more relaxing experience, and with a renewed sense of appreciation for our fellow passengers Steve and I boarded the Emerald. It didn't take long for us to settle right in. Our stateroom - which features a generous sized balcony - was a temptation to just park ourselves there and order in. But there was a ship - a big one at that - to explore.

And exploring is what we've done since we boarded. We've discovered outdoor movies "Under the Stars," secret-like decks that haven't (yet) been discovered by other passengers. One of the first places I found was the Lotus Spa - where I have already booked a healing seaweed wrap and massage to help with my recovering knee (remember I had surgery to repair a torn meniscus in December? I deserve this massage). Bars are just about everywhere we look yet I haven't encountered anyone who appears to have been "over served." And the food! Every wonderful thing

is true that you've heard about the variety and abundance of food on a ship. Main dining rooms, specialized dining, a renowned buffet - all are available. Hungering for a snack? Ice cream, pizza, hot dogs, hamburgers and more are at the ready. Thankfully the fitness center also has extended hours.

But for me the ability to quickly wind down and just relax has been awesome. For that, I'm eternally grateful to the crew back home that is keeping up the high standards of the paper - writing, proofing, editing, building, etc. I couldn't leave without being confident in their abilities. And I'm happy to report, Steve seems to be getting into the relaxation groove, too.

Now, if you'll excuse me, I'm in need of an ice cream cone.



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Taking A Look Outside Our Window

By Mary O'KEEFE

Over the weekend it was released that former President Jimmy Carter is now in hospice care at his home in Georgia surrounded by family. Mr. Carter had a series of short hospital stays, according to statement. He decided to spend his remaining time at home with his family.

I was lucky to have met Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter when I was in high school. The Iowa caucuses in my home state had always played a huge role in mine and my friends lives. Caucuses are a series of meetings between not just voters but all residents, including those too young to vote. There was a kind of "the circus is coming to town" feeling when the events began. Candidates whose campaign may have ended in Iowa were still full of hope and opinions as they walked through local diners and tromped through farms. I think the caucus is why I still have a hope for the American election process because it brought politicians to our level, not on a stage yelling at us but actually having a cup of coffee and talking to us. It seemed slower than the campaigns I have seen in other states, more personal. There is something about looking someone directly in their eyes, asking them a question and watching them come up with an answer that allows you see this candidate as a person. Now I know a lot of that has changed and that people seemed to have made up their minds of who is "good" and who is "evil" but when I was in high school and met Mr. Carter, at least from my experience, Iowa minds were open and their concerns were honest.

I had this amazing teacher named Terry Sheesley. He was the type of teacher who would dress up as historical figures and challenge your ideas of the world. He arranged to take our class to a big Democrat caucus gathering in Des Moines where I got to meet the many candidates running in the 1976 Presidential election. I was

on the floor of the convention center with my friend Mark as we were trying to ask candidate Carter a question. His was about legalizing marijuana, mine was about overpopulation and environmental concerns. Climate Change and Global Warming weren't well known terms back then but environmental concerns, especially for a farming community, had been a topic for quite some time. I had my hand up to ask a question when suddenly someone took my hand, pulled me out of the crowd and placed me next to Mr. Carter. He was smiling and nice but there was so much commotion around us I couldn't hear what he was saying, and I am certain he couldn't hear me. I did hear one of his campaign people direct a comment to me about "youth." Mr. Carter shook my hand, cameras began going off and then it was over. He was whisked away and I went back to my friend Mark who laughed, hugged me and said welcome to politics.

We continued the night meeting and greeting, but the campaign machine that surrounded candidate Carter really bothered me. A few days later we heard he was coming to our hometown and this time it was completely different. We had tea with Mr. Carter and his wife, Rosalynn, and he listened to residents. He even answered my questions on the environment and spoke about how important protecting the environment was for my future. He is very smart and that could have been intimidating but he had this kindness about him. He and his wife really listened to everyone that was there. His faith was also very evident. He felt the Earth was a gift from God.

As president, Jimmy Carter really was an environmental leader, at least for the 1970s. In 1979 the Carter administration installed solar panels at the White House and used the power to heat water.

At the time President Carter said, "In the year

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CVCA HOLDS MEETING

The Crescenta Valley Community Association will have its monthly meeting tonight, Thursday, Feb. 23 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. The meeting will include discussion on local issues as well as an opportunity for Foothill area residents to bring their own concerns.

Contact the CVCA at crescentavalleycommunityassn@gmail.com with questions and for Zoom meeting information. All are welcome.

CRESCENTA VALLEY PARK- BLACK HISTORY CELEBRATION

All are welcomed at a Black History Celebration on Friday, Feb. 24, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Crescenta Valley Park, 3901 Dunsmore Avenue. There will be soul food, live music, performances and poetry. For more information call (818) 249-5940.

BIRDING AT THE ROSEMONT PRESERVE

On Saturday, Feb. 25 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., the community is invited to tour the Rosemont Preserve with Jodhan Fine, who'll help attendees learn about the birds that are seen and heard during a walk. Jodhan is an Occidental College student and a member of the Moore Laboratory of Zoology. He has a keen interest in birds and has published research papers on unusual bird sightings. Bring binoculars and consider downloading the free Merlin bird app in advance by accessing <https://merlin.allaboutbirds.org/download/>. Be sure to download Merlin's "US: West Coast" bird information.

Attendance will be limited to 15. To attend, please RSVP to RosemontFriends@gmail.com.

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

The Preserve is located at the north end of Rosemont Avenue, just past the chain link fence. Please park at Two Strike Park, 5107 Rosemont Ave. Those with mobility issues who require a closer parking spot can contact the Friends of the Rosemont Preserve at rosemontfriends@gmail.com. Please wear sturdy shoes to walk the trail and bring water.

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.

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.

The Show of the Season Opens Its Doors This Week at CVHS



By Jabe BELL

“Mamma Mia!” It's that time of year for the CVHS musical.

Indeed, it's nearly time for the talented and creative minds at Crescenta Valley High School (CVHS) to premiere their spring musical, "Mamma Mia!" to the general public. Since the fall, the members of CVHS's theater, stage and music departments have worked together to create an unforgettable showing, and starting on Friday, February 24, the general public will be able to watch it live in the school's MacDonald Auditorium. After that, there will be additional performances throughout the weekend and again on March 4 and 5.

It's a labor of love that puts together a unique array of CVHS Falcon talent; not only are there skilled actors taking the stage, but there's a pit orchestra that will give them a harmony and beat to sing along to. Featuring songs are by ABBA, a selection of CV Instrumental Music (CVIM) percussionists, keyboardists and guitarists have spent the last four months rehearsing what is soon to become a stellar performance.

Recently, the musicians and singers met up to make the play's music happen for the first time.

"I did the musical my freshman year and had a great time bonding with the upperclassmen," said Luzy Nazarian, CVHS student and keyboard player in the pit ensemble, "I wanted to do it this year to be that upperclassman and connect with others."

As rehearsals grew more frequent and demanding, the students behind this production were pushed to their limits. Along the way, they learned what it's like to be part of such a large performing body with so many moving parts.

Following "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" production, this is the second year in a row the theater department has put on a musical since the pandemic. It is the first year since 2019 CVIM has supplied live music.

Although many accolades go to those performing on stage, it is important to realize the backstage work that is as essential.

Kathi Chaplar, the director of the play and the theater program at CVHS, is instrumental in the production's success.

"It's the first big return for the arts. We finally have a full pit orchestra and stage crew, and the kids aren't wearing masks," she said. "It's really exciting."

All are invited to a great night at the theater, show support to

CVHS arts and enjoy "Mamma Mia!"

"Mamma Mia!" Performances are:

Feb. 24 and 25 at 7 p.m.

Feb. 26 at 2 p.m.

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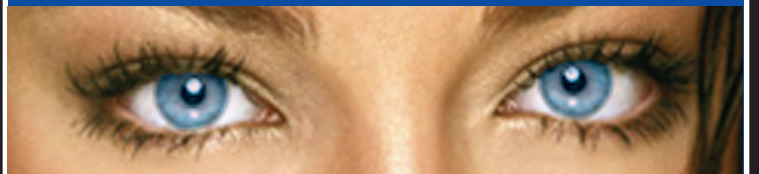
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LCIF News

Lutheran Church in the Foothills (LCIF) celebrated its 75th anniversary Sunday, February 19 with a special worship service and catered luncheon. Special guests included former longtime LCIF pastor Bruce Johnson (2002-2014) who delivered the sermon, as well as Rev. Brenda Bos, Bishop of the Southwest California Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and Rev. Dok Go Won of the La Cañada Korean Church.

LCIF was formally organized in 1948. It all started with services at the American Legion Hall in Verdugo City. LCIF has been at its current home on Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada for more than 50 years.

Sunday's celebration was also an opportunity to collect food for the hungry. LCIF encouraged attendees to bring canned goods. Donations to food pantries typically drop after Christmas and, according to LCIF, there is a particular need in Lake View Terrace at this time. The food collected will be delivered to Heart of the Canyon Church for distribution. Canned goods are still

being accepted and can be dropped off at LCIF's office during Sunday's anytime during the week.

Visit lcifoothills.org for event details. Weekly Sunday worship is held at 10 a.m. in person and online. 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.

Wahlberg To Make Presentation

Melanie Wahlberg, practitioner of Christian Science healing and international speaker, will present her talk, "Giving Freely of Ourselves and What We All Gain" on Saturday, March 11 at 3 p.m. at 2406 Honolulu Ave. The talk will focus on universal healing precepts found in the Holy Bible, especially in Christ Jesus' life and teachings, and show how they are available for anyone to understand and experience.

The event is free, open to the community and is sponsored by two Churches of Christ, Scientist - in Montrose and Glendale.

For additional information call (818) 249-8807. csmontrose.org; fccsglendale.com.

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. 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.



Photo Courtesy LCIF

LCIF pastor Chuck Bunnell, Rev. Brenda Bos—Bishop of SW Calif. ELCA Synod, and Rev. Bruce Johnson



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PERSEVERANCE from Cover

we're driving up," he said. Space offers limitless possibilities. However, with limitless possibilities often come with limitless challenges. According to Thompson, the dangers that Perseverance will encounter are not limiting. Rather, they are an opportunity to learn and improve. "Every time we go to a new place, it's a new environment for us to have some science rich targets," he said. Throughout human existence, we have looked to the stars - wondering if life exists beyond our planet. This curiosity built the foundation for one of Perseverance's primary

objectives: to determine whether or not life existed on Mars. So what would happen if scientists were able to confirm ancient life on Mars? "I imagine that it would be a big boost to space exploration if we could bring home samples that actually showed that there was biotic life on Mars. I think the drive to actually get there and try to find more developed life would basically be improved," Thompson said. Thompson is confident that humanity's inherent desire to discover will drive the space program ever-forward in its search for extraterrestrial life.

Agencies such as JPL and NASA are ultimately dependent on the public to operate. Without public support and interest, these agencies would be unable to fully pursue humanity's fundamental questions. "Going all the way back to Pathfinder and Sojourner, we always joked about finding a dinosaur bone just on the other side of the next rock - this desire to explore and discover is really one of the biggest arguments for having a mobile vehicle on the surface," he said. "Let's say you have a static lander on the surface, and a big boulder can be seen five meters away... this leads one to

ask 'what's on the back side of that Boulder?' However, you don't know the answer unless you drive around it." In order to manage the ambitious projects that NASA and JPL takes on, it is essential to continuously improve. In order to design the next generation of space technologies, they must apply the lessons they learn from the Perseverance rover to new projects. Thompson, having worked on all five rovers sent to Mars, provided his insight on the advancements made following each consecutive generation of mars-bound rovers. "Every rover stands on the shoulders of the preceding rovers. So, the things we've learned from operations on Sojourner (the first rover to land and travel on Mars) where, if we got a few meters on in a day... that was a wonderful drive for us. Now, we're talking a few hundred meters in a day and... we do what's called an Auto-Nav (automatic navigation). So...

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MSAR from Cover

effort] and within a few hours he called me back and said he was able to get us transport there via Turkish Airlines," Leum said. The team members were not certain what their job might be when they arrived but once they landed they went to the international rescue check-in and registered. "They [those at the check in] were ecstatic to see us," he said. The destruction was brutal, Leum said. "Buildings meant to be ten stories tall were reduced to 30-foot piles of rubble," he said. "I've been a part of clean-up efforts for two hurricanes and this was far worse than anything I'd ever seen," said Collin Lievense, another member of the MSAR crew that traveled to Turkey. "At first we thought we would primarily be dealing with medical relief, but once we got there it was abundantly clear that there

was just so much help needed in literally unburying people... We got a very quick crash course in urban search and rescue." The crew spent six days of intensive rescue efforts, driving two and a half hours to and from the site each day, working ten-hour shifts and only having time for one meal a day. The team included four members of the MSAR Leum, Lievense, Robert Sheedy and Cindy England as well as Brad Lyon of the Santa Clarita Search and Rescue, Marcos Rubio from Altadena Search and Rescue and LASD retired sergeant Joe Larios. Their team joined volunteers and rescuers from around the world. "There was rarely a common language, but there was always a common goal, that being to rescue as many people as we could," Lievense said. The team learned a lot from their humanitarian mission

including how Californians need to be prepared for an earthquake. "There's far more people in the Los Angeles area than our search and rescue teams, fire departments and [law enforcement] can initially reach. There will be neighbors helping neighbors," Leum said of the "not if but when" California earthquake. Lievense advised people to prepare for these kinds of disasters before they happen. "Every household needs an emergency kit with food, water or water purification, medication and the survival essentials," he said. "Have a plan." For the individuals who would like to help the efforts in Turkey and MSAR you can donate to the American Red Cross and/or Montrose Search and Rescue Team on its website montrosesar.org.

MSAR Hiking

By Mary O'KEEFE

Once again CVW reminds all those who love the outdoors to think twice, before going on a hike this weekend into the Angeles National Forest (ANF)—as well as other wilderness areas. There is a storm coming. Rain is expected today through Saturday, but it is the cold and snow levels that are the real concern. "The snow level has jumped up and down the last few days," said Kristan Lund, a meteorologist with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). It was expected that snow levels were done to 1,500 feet from last night through this morning, then today and Friday increase to 2,500 to 3,000 feet. The upper elevations in the ANF, 8,000 to 10,000 feet, could see up to seven feet of snow. It will be cold with highs in the low 40s to upper 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Rainfall totals are expected to be two inches in lower elevations, two to four inches in the foothills and possibly ten inches of snow/rain perception in the mountains. Lund added roads that are not normally closed in the

mountains will most likely be closed due to snow and ice conditions. "We have concerns for the higher elevations, hopefully everyone will be off the mountains and the mountain roads," said Sgt. John Gilbert, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department/Crescenta Valley Station, Montrose Search and Rescue coordinator, Search and Rescue teams have been responding to several lost hikers in recent storms. Two hikers in San Bernardino County were recently rescued while hiking the Cucamonga Peak Trail. According to reports their ice equipment had failed. The body of 62-year-old hiker was found on Mount Islip on Feb. 18. He had been missing for about a month. Actor Julian Sands is still missing in Mt. Baldy area. He went missing on Jan. 13. Storms will always affect the trails in the ANF and other wilderness areas however with the recent big storms that included high rainfall totals and snow, even those who are avid hikers can and will face challenges they never expected. Gilbert said people often become complacent as they may have hiked the same areas 99

times, it is the "100th" time you can find yourself in a dangerous situation. Small creeks can become fast moving rivers as the snow melts, or as more rain falls in higher elevations. "And in the higher elevations in the mountains avalanche [conditions] are a concern," he said. "With snow and ice at the right angle with the right conditions, we could see avalanches." But even in areas of the mountains that do not have a lot of snow, the rainfall can loosen the rocks which also become a hazard for hikers. "You have to [ask yourself] if you want to go on a hike during this storm is this the risk you want to take," he said. In addition to hiking there is the issue with just driving into the ANF during the storm. As Gilbert and NOAA has warned, many roads could be closed due to ice and rain. Gilbert has seen people driving into ANF when roads have ice and snow with vehicles that are not equipped for those conditions. "Roads ice up quickly here," he added. "This is not the weekend to go up to [ANF],"



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Obituary

Carmen Cookson



Carmen Cookson, age 94, went to be with the Lord on February 10, 2023, at St. Luke's Hospice in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Carmen was born in Brawley, California in March 1928 to Ramon Ponce of Cuba and Maria Manzanero Ponce of Spain. She grew up in Denver, Colorado and Coachella, California. Carmen was crowned the first "Miss Coachella" in 1949. After attending the University of Mexico & Conservatory of Music, she returned to Coachella where she met and married Logan Cookson in 1957. They had four children. Carmen owned a successful dance studio and began her teaching career before the family relocated to La Crescenta in 1967. She continued teaching - first Spanish at Mt. Olive Lutheran School and then elementary at St. James for the next fifteen years. After the death of her husband she began teaching at Apperson Street Elementary School in Sunland and earned her teaching credential at the University of Northridge. In addition to teaching, she was the director of The Apperson Choraleers. She retired from Apperson at age 80. She always described teaching as her calling from God, and she was wholly dedicated to educating and nurturing her students. In 2012, she relocated to Pennsylvania and established her home base with her daughter Ana and family. Carmen was saved in 1983 and later attended Faith Baptist Church in Canoga Park where she was baptized and was a faithful member for many years. She also considered Lehigh Valley Baptist in Pennsylvania and Berean Baptist in Georgia as her unofficial church homes. She was much loved by all 3 congregations. Carmen survived, and will be greatly missed, by her children, Mark Cookson of Illinois, Ana (Matthew) Connors of Pennsylvania, Rachel (Brendan) Foley of North Carolina, John Cookson and Chris Gurniak Cookson of California; 19 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; many nieces and nephews. Carmen's home going service will be held on Saturday, February 25, 11:30 a.m. in Faith Baptist Church, South Campus, 22222 Saticoy St., Canoga Park, 91304. Interment will be on March 2, at 12 p.m. in Coachella Valley Public Cemetery District, 82925 Avenue 52, Coachella, 92236. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Carmen's memory to the Roland Rasmussen Scholarship Fund via faithbaptist.org/give

CRIME BLOTTER

Feb. 15 2900 block of Fairway Avenue in La Crescenta, a catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle overnight. enforcement was able to talk to the suspect and persuade him to leave the shed without incident. The suspect asked to be taken to the metro station in Pasadena, deputies transported him to the gold line train station at 5:30p.m.

Feb. 6 900 block of Town Center Drive in La Cañada Flintridge, a suspect described as a heavy set male, 5'10" tall and at the time was wearing a black sweater with red "NIKE" log on it, a black surgeon face mask and dark colored jeans entered a store at the location. He browsed the electronic aisle until he stopped at a display case that contained several sealed "earbuds." He took a screwdriver he had in possession and began using it to break into a secured display case. He then began grabbing all the "earbuds" in the display case and placed them into a black trash bin, which he had in a shopping cart. He then exited the store through a door that triggered a door alarm. The theft occurred between 8 p.m. and 9:17 p.m.

Feb. 13 2300 block of Florencita Drive in Montrose, the driver's side window of a vehicle was smashed, nothing was reported stolen overnight.

Feb. 12 2300 block of Florencita Drive in Montrose, the rear hatchback window was shattered and several items were stolen from a vehicle between Feb. 12 and 14. 2400 block of Cross Street in La Crescenta, deputies responded to a report concerning trespassing. Deputies reported that as the victim/resident was being evaluated by LA County Fire Dept. personnel regarding a medical emergency, a man [suspect] attempted to enter the home but was stopped by a family member. The suspect was described as a white male and apparently stated he owned the residence and wanted everyone out. The suspect did not own the property. When deputies arrived they found the suspect had locked himself inside a backyard shed on the property. Law

Jan. 24 2400 block of Florencita Avenue in Montrose, a resident received a debit credit card in the mail that she had not ordered. She called the bank and found that someone had fraudulently opened an account in her name, had obtained an IRS check also in her and her husband's name and had cashed that check. The bank is conducting an investigation. The incident occurred at 1 p.m.

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Bailey Center Seeks Donations



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Bailey Center volunteers lead cars to the spot where donations can be picked up.

By Mary O'KEEFE

The Bailey Center food bank in Tujunga continues asking for the public's help for donations. For years the Bailey Center food bank, a service of the United Methodist Church of Tujunga, has been helping those in need.

This Saturday there will be two food donation opportunities for the Bailey Center both located at St. Luke's of the Mountains Episcopal Church. The Crescenta Cañada Lions Club will be collecting items near the church's parking lot on Cross Street just east of Rosemont Avenue from 10 a.m. to noon. Crescenta Valley High School's Academy of Science and Medicine will also be collecting donations in front of the Fire House youth center at 2563 Foothill Blvd. from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic volunteers were serving about 300 individuals. They provided food, clothing and toiletries. They also had scheduled mobile showers for the unhoused. When the pandemic hit, volunteers at the Bailey Center saw an increase in need. Because of pandemic restrictions they could no longer offer its free clothing store and the mobile showers were not available. So volunteers turned their focus on food.

Bailey Center went from providing food to 300 individuals to, most recently, giving groceries to over 350 families, equalling over 1,000 individuals.

The Bailey Center gives those struggling individuals and families a little relief by packing up grocery bags and handing them out every Wednesday; however, keeping the food

shelves full has been a challenge. In addition to non-perishable items like canned goods, cereal, pasta and spaghetti sauce, plastic grocery bags are also needed to contain the items.

Anyone who can and would like to donate but cannot make the Saturday donation events can do so by bringing their items to the Bailey Center, which is supported by the United Methodist Church, at 9901 Tujunga Canyon Blvd. in Tujunga. Volunteers are there to receive donations on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Items can also be dropped off at the CVW office, 3800 La Crescenta Ave. #206, La Crescenta/Glendale. Donors can call the office at (818) 248-2740 during regular office hours (M-F, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) to be directed where to drop off donations.

BURGLARY from Cover

may move onto another location. If the suspect does break into the home, the cameras may help law enforcement identify suspects and make arrests. When investing in cameras, you should invest in cameras that have enough visual quality to be helpful in identifying the suspect(s) as well as other identifiable information (such as car color, license plates, etc.).

Consider a house sitter if you leave town for an extended period. Suspects tend to look for homes that appear as though no one is home. By having someone in your home, the suspect will be less likely to target the home. If you are not able to have a house sitter, leave the lights on and park a vehicle in an area where it appears that someone is home.

Simulate people are home or there is activity in the household. For example a resident can watch their home remotely by installing a

doorbell camera. The doorbell camera alerts the resident of any activity at the front door. The resident can respond through the doorbell camera with two-way audio via a cell phone or mobile device. This gives the impression someone is either home or actively monitoring. This method has helped prevent homeowners and businesses from getting burglarized.

Get a large dog. The crime of burglarizing homes is a crime of opportunity in which criminals want a quick and easy location. If they see a large dog in the front or back yard, they are less likely to attempt to get into that home.

By using as many of these tips as possible, you will reduce your chances of being the next victim of burglary. The California Penal Code Section 459 defines burglary as every person who enters any house, room, apartment, tenement, shop, warehouse, store, mill,

barn, stable, outhouse or other building, tent, vessel, floating home, railroad car, locked or sealed cargo container, whether or not mounted on a vehicle, trailer coach, any house car, inhabited camper, when the doors are locked, or mine or any underground portion thereof, with intent to commit grand or petty larceny or any felony is guilty of burglary.

Detective Salvador Ponce is a 21-year veteran of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. He had worked nine years of patrol at Century Station and had been a Detective for two years at Compton Station. He has been assigned to Crescenta Valley Station Detective Bureau for the last year and specializes in burglaries and catalytic converter thefts.

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VIEWPOINTS

TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

Montrose Is 110 Years Old This Week

On February 22, 1913, land sales were kicked off in the new town of Montrose. A free barbecue attracted 4000 people to see the wonders of Montrose. The developers hoped many would buy home site lots.

In 1910, LA-based development company Holmes and Walton teamed with financier J. Frank Walters to purchase a big chunk of land from Benjamin Briggs' daughter Irene. They hired teams of Eastern European laborers to clear the development. The men camped on the land while they pulled out all the thick sagebrush, leveled the dry stream-beds, and stacked thousands of boulders into piles for later use by home-builders. The streets were laid out in a unique circular pattern.

In the days before everyone owned a car, a trolley line was essential to sell land in a new development. The developers purchased the tiny trolley line that ran between Eagle Rock and Glendale. They started the process of laying track up the Verdugo Canyon toward Montrose, and renamed it the Glendale & Montrose Railway. (That's why Verdugo Road and Montrose Avenue are so wide, to accommodate a rail line in the center.)

By February of 1913, the developers were ready to sell, although Montrose itself was not fully developed. The land was completely bare dirt, as were all the roads. Honolulu had sidewalks in the 2200 block, but the street was

unpaved. Utilities were still being worked out and the trolley line had not yet reached the town. As well, many of the advertised features, the clubhouse and the Japanese Gardens were not there.

They went ahead anyway. J. Romero, a chef who was working many LA-area barbecues, was employed to feed the anticipated crowd. Tables were set up in an area that had a couple of oak trees, just east of what we consider Montrose today, where Clifton Place is.

Let's take a look at some of the flowery advertisements for the event and for Montrose:

"Motor to Montrose on Washington's Birthday. We'll give you a picture of old-time California

days, a delicious barbecue luncheon, cooked out-of-doors, beneath the oaks, by Senor J. Romero, the famous Spanish chef."

"No fog up here. You're right between the grand Sierra Madres and the verdure-clad Verdugo Mountains, where the air is sweet and balmy, pungent with the health-giving scents of the mountains."

"The townsite of Montrose lies upon even ground, gradually sloping to the south, hugged on three sides by the green Verdugo Hills and catching the sun glint from the snowy heads of Mt. Wilson and Mt. Lowe at the north."

"From this promontory, we gaze down southward upon miles of verdant valley gardens with their

multi-colored hues, and out beyond upon the blue Pacific and to the ragged skyline of Catalina Island. You are comfortably above the haze, the smoke and the fog of the lowlands."

"Up at an elevation of 1400 feet, where there's neither mud, nor fear of flooded cellars. Up where the hills and mountains are not miles away from you, but right at your back door, inviting you to many a ramble on a Sunday afternoon."

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NEWS FROM WASHINGTON » REP. ADAM SCHIFF

McCain Feingold Act

Throughout our history, we have taken comfort in the belief that the brilliance of our Constitution, the security provided by our oceans, our natural resources and general good fortune have protected the United States from democratic backsliding. But during the last several years, we have discovered how truly fragile our democracy turns out to be, how norms that we thought were inviolate could be broken with seeming impunity, and how vulnerable our system is to the deluge of special interest money.

For this reason, I have made strengthening our democracy and

ending dark money expenditures a hallmark of my service in Congress. One of the very first pieces of legislation I introduced when I came to Congress was the House version of the landmark McCain-Feingold Act — the bill banning soft money and setting reasonable limits on contributions.

That bipartisan bill closed a gaping hole in campaign finance law that allowed outside groups to spend unlimited amounts of "soft" money on so-called issue ads that were, for all intents and purposes, campaign ads. But as we closed one loophole in the campaign finance laws,

large corporations and PACs found new ways in: through dark and anonymous money funneled into our elections via Super PACs. This was a practice made possible by a long line of misguided Supreme Court decisions going back to Buckley v. Valeo.

In that case, the Supreme Court ruled that money was the equivalent of speech, and that Congress needed a compelling state interest to limit campaign expenditures. It upheld contribution limits to candidates, but allowed unlimited spending on independent expenditures on behalf see SCHIFF on page 18

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

GPD SUBSTATION CLOSING that I can remember. In April So, according to a February 9 CV Weekly article, the GPD Substation in Montrose is closing. Why? Because the new owners of the building raised the rent to a higher than market rate and refused to negotiate a reduced price. Welcome to the new and improved Montrose. That station was opened in 1996 in partnership with the GPD and the Montrose Shopping Park Association. Its purpose was simply to maintain a presence in the area and to prevent crime. That station has been successful in doing just that. In a heavily commercial area like Montrose there has been little serious crime

1997, I volunteered a month's rent to keep that station open and still have the wall plaque from the GPD in thanks. I would do it again if necessary. We have a neighborhood area that is safe for our families, to have a meal, to have events like the Xmas Parade, Octoberfest, etc. or just to stroll with a cup of coffee. We need to keep it that way and need the cooperation of ALL the merchants in Montrose. If that merchant will not cut the GPD a price break, some other business needs to do that and both businesses need to be well publicized.

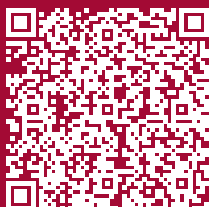
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THE BENEFITS OF SUMMER CAMP

by Roman Inguanzo



We currently live in an age where many people spend more time with their computers than with other people. As such, developing interpersonal relationships is more important than ever - especially for children. According

to the Martin Pitt Association for Children, socialization promotes your child's ability to "... manage stress, resolve conflict, and fit in by communicating with others in their surroundings." While many understand the importance of socialization during their child's development, many parents struggle to find a place where their child can effectively and safely learn these essential skills - especially with the continued utilization of online schooling. Luckily, summer camps in the Crescenta Valley area offer children a space to learn and grow in a fun and safe way. If you are considering summer camp for your kid(s), then you may find the benefits listed below to be helpful in making your decision.

Summer camp is a beneficial experience for children in many ways. This includes...

Learning Independence: Children will be away from their parents during their time at summer camp. As such, they will learn to take care of themselves and problem solve on their own.

Building Confidence and Resilience: Summer camp helps children develop self confidence by providing

them opportunities to try new things in a safe and supportive environment. By participating in various activities, children can discover new interests and talents. As is the case with anyone trying something new, children will have to confront challenges and overcome them. Building resilience is essential for dealing with adversity in life, and summer camp allows your child to develop this skill in a safe and constructive manner.

Fostering Social Skills and Teamwork: Summer camp gives children the opportunity to socialize with one another over an extended period of time. As such, they learn the importance that communication and collaboration play in achieving common goals.

Promoting Exercise and Physical Health: Summer camp helps children stay active and healthy by promoting physical activity. Activities such as swimming, hiking, and other outdoor adventures allow campers to engage in physical activity and establish a positive relationship with exercise along the way.

Nurturing Creativity: Summer camp provides children with opportunities to explore their creativity and express themselves through art, music, drama, and other creative endeavors.

Fosters Environmental Awareness: Camp counselors will teach children about the importance of conservation, sustainability, and the impact of human activity on the environment during their stay at summer camp.

Summer camp provides a fun and educational experience that can have a positive impact on a child's personal and social development. Most importantly, summer camp offers your child an outlet to expand their understanding of who they are - an essential part of growing up that can only be realized through lived experience, not through a screen.

THE HISTORY OF S'MORES

By Karen Harris from HistoryDaily.com

As soon as warm weather hits, people gather around the bonfire for a relaxing evening with friends. The star of the bonfire is, of course, s'mores. Although s'mores may seem like a simple and humble treat, they actually have a long and interesting history. It may have started with a group of outdoorsy girls, but the ingredients date back hundreds of years. In fact, each of s'mores three ingredients each are reputed to have medicinal properties so we could consider our bonfire s'more to be a wholesome cocktail of goodness.

The Girl Scouts of America

The first time the recipe for s'mores appeared in print was in 1927 in a guidebook published the Girl Scouts of America called Tramping and Trailing with the Girl Scouts. This guidebook gave tips for spending time in the wilderness and included some recipes for food that can be prepared in the woods and cooked over an open campfire. Many years later, troop leader Loretta Scoot Crew was given the credit for the s'mores recipe, which called for 16 graham crackers, 16 marshmallows, and 8 bars of chocolate. According to the book, when you toast marshmallows until they are gooey and melty and place them between graham crackers and add a chocolate bar, you get a tasty treat that is so good you will want 'some more.'

Marshmallows

Not surprisingly, marshmallows originally came from a variety of mallow plant that grows in swamps or marshes near salt water, hence it is known as a marshmallow. It was commonly found in Egypt and was exclusively used as a food of the Pharaohs and the royal families. The plant itself could reach up to four feet in height. The roots and leaves of this plant exude a gooey, gelatinous substance that the

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THE HISTORY OF S'MORES (continued)



Graham Crackers

Graham crackers are the most recent s'mores ingredient to hit the scene. It was developed in the early 1800s by Sylvester Graham, a minister from New Jersey who was committed to reversing the moral decline he observed in society. He had some pretty radical ideas for his day, including daily showers, drinking plenty of water, eating lots of fruits and vegetables, and exercising every day. In addition to these concepts, which are now commonplace, Graham had some other, stranger ideas. He suggested people sleep on hard mattresses and with their bedroom windows open, and that each meal should be consumed with a cheerful attitude. He also believed that immoral sexual desire was linked to the foods that one ate, therefore he advocated for a bland, plain diet which he outlined in an 1847 document. He created a cookie that now bears his name, made from wheat bran, wheat germ, and finely-ground wheat flour.

Chocolate

Chocolate hails from Mesoamerica, dating back as far as 350 B.C. Derived from the cacao bean, the ancient Aztecs considered chocolate to be a gift of the Gods, specifically the god of wisdom, Quetzalcoatl. Such a high value was placed on the cacao seeds that they were used as currency. The Aztec made chocolate into a beverage that they drank to give them strength, but they did not explore other uses for the delicacy. The cacao plant was brought to Europe from early explorers,

including Christopher Columbus and the Spanish Conquistador Cortez. A group of Spanish friars were the first to experiment with different uses for chocolate and they added sugar and honey to it to sweeten the bitter taste. When they introduced it to the Spanish court, the ruling class loved it. Soon chocolate was a favorite treat all across Europe. Europeans discovered what the Aztecs knew...chocolate could invigorate you, help relieve constipation and cure a headache.

European chefs added cacao butter to the liquid chocolate and press it into molds to form bars. In 1893, an entrepreneur named Milton S. Hershey purchased a chocolate press left over from the World's Colombian Exposition in Chicago and moved it to his factory in Pennsylvania where he began making his plain Hershey's chocolate bars. Portable and easy to snap into pieces, the Hershey bar became a key ingredient in s'mores. It may not be the best chocolate in the world, but it is certainly among the best chocolates for s'mores, since they are very much an American tradition.

Today, we may look at s'more as a fun and simple treat that is easy to prepare while sitting around the bonfire, but each of the recipes three ingredients - marshmallows, Graham crackers, and chocolate - had earned reputations for providing health benefits to consumers long before the Girl Scouts of America united the three together in a tasty snack that leaves you asking for 'some more.

ancient Greeks used as an anti-inflammatory and to soothe irritated coughs. Hundreds of years later, a French candy maker used the mallow goo to make a sweet treat by adding sugar and eggs and formed them into small balls that one could easily pop into the mouth to calm a cough and soothe the throat. Eventually, the juicy mallow substance was replaced in the sweet treats with gelatin, which was more economical and less labor-intensive. The name marshmallow stuck, however.

ALF SUMMER SCHOOL STARTS JUNE 19

Assistance League of Flintridge will provide their 45th annual Summer School program in person at Palm Crest Elementary School from June 19 to July 14. Children entering grades 1-6 can enroll in 1, 2, or 3 classes in a wide range of topics including STEAM into Summer, Writers Workshop, Mad Science, and Draw It! Assistance League Summer School Chairmen Nancy Gunther, Julia Hastings and Kim Westhoff are excited to again provide this opportunity for local children to explore subjects that are challenging, enriching, and creative "for the joy of learning" without homework. All La Cañada Unified School District safety protocols will be followed.

For more information, go to the ALF website at ALFlintridge.org or call 818-790-2211. Online registration begins at noon on Monday, March 6th.

Two boys with plates - What's Cooking John Panossian, Graham Shanas, July 2022

Girl holding paper lion - Sensible Critters Claire Park, July 2022

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My name is Candice and I am the school age coordinator here at Center for Children. Whether as a day camp director, teacher or an assistant, this will be summer day camp number 12 for me! I love running into families throughout the year who tell me, "My child can't wait for summer to start and go to CFC!"

Campers arrive with such excitement every summer and we do our best to match that energy! We strive to create an environment that welcomes a timid first grader as well as a rambunctious veteran sixth or seventh grade camper... and everyone in between.

We believe the best summer camp experience is about balance. We offer exciting field trips and water play followed by relaxing days with crafts or food activities! We find a balance between indoor and outdoor play as well as on-campus and off-campus fun. Field trips are local and also include the greater Los Angeles area. Once a week we take a trip to a different local park. We also participate in Vacation Bible School through La Crescenta Presbyterian Church for one week in July. Campers will find classic summer activities like making friendship bracelets and playing with water balloons and will be encouraged to try new activities! We will have themed weeks including exploring outer space, time travel, art, S.T.E.M. and movement.

We are open during GUSD's spring break for a week of day camp, March 13-20. Join us and your child can get a sneak peak of what our summer program is like! A trip to Coldwater Canyon Park is already set for a guided EcoTour with the Tree People.

Please visit center4children.com to learn more about spring and summer camps!

CELEBRATING 65 YEARS OF ADVENTURE AT THE Y'S SUMMER CAMPS

Summer Camps at the Y are coming soon, and registration is already open for single-day camps! This summer marks 65 Years of Adventure, and YMCA of the Foothills Camps continue to offer an enriching environment for children in the community to have fun while staying active and social. Each week campers will engage in swimming, physical activities, arts and crafts, plus weekly off-site adventures (field trips) and more.

For campers interested in bigger adventures, choose between two resident camp options - Camp Bear in Big Bear and Camp Fox at Catalina Island. Campers will spend the week engaging in fun-filled activities such as swimming, kayaking, fishing, snorkeling, paddle boarding, archery, tubing, ropes courses, gaga ball, and more. Both camps provide a perfect setting to disconnect from the distractions of home and tune into the sun, lake, campfire, active lifestyle, and friends.

There's something to fit every interest and schedule, along with extended care options for those who need more flexibility. Teens wanting to develop leadership skills and become a future camp counselor should explore the Y's LIT Program (Leadership in Training) at Camp Bear

this summer. The opportunities are endless! Did you know there's a non-school day-camp on March 20th and 31st designed to keep kids in kindergarten through 8th grade intellectually stimulated while they're not in school? Activities include art and crafts, sports, swimming, games, and lots of socialization. Spring Camp is also around the corner with similar activities for the selected weeks of March 13-17 and April 3-7. Registration for both camps are NOW OPEN!

Camp Sign-Up Day for Summer is Saturday, March 4th at Crescenta-Cañada Family YMCA from 10am-1pm. Online registration opens at 2pm. The YMCA of the Foothills Camps are accredited by the American Camp Association and adhere to all current Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Covid-19 required protocols. For more camp details, please visit ymcafoothills.org/camp..



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Lincoln Talent Show is Back and Live on Stage



Chloe Oh and her mom Hannah Oh.



A sold out crowd cheered on the performers.



Elin Marghosian and Macey de Guzman



Sunny Swenson, Tatum Arntson & Melanie Cady

By Lori BODNAR

After three years on Zoom, the annual Lincoln Talent Show returned to the Lincoln auditorium to a sold-out crowd of parents, grandparents, friends and students. Nicolas James, first grade teacher, organized the event with the help of the Lincoln Student Council, Principal Barbie Fariss, second grade teacher Yelana Cady, assistant Maral Belian and PTA moms Michelle Murphy, Kimmie Brown and Seungyeon Brandenburg, who assisted with the

talent show bake sale. Student council members Dax Brown, Abby Jones, Samantha Garnica, Noah Brandenburg, Eleanor Leamy, Aarav Patel, Aileen Kim, Tina Sarkisyan, Mackenzie Herring, Claire Kamarzarian and Valerie Capito helped run the show by organizing the talent, handling the back stage props and announcing the acts.

A special thanks is extended to the amazing custodian Larry Bojorquez who made sure all the microphones and the sound system were in working order and to PTA mom

Lorita Meg, who was the night's musical director.

There was a variety of talent during the 90-minute show that featured singing by Zoe Poiley, Nathan Dai, Melanie Cady, Sunny Swenson, Tatum Arntson, Samantha Garnica, Eileen Temple and James' first graders; comedy acts featuring Sadie Miller, Sidney Besser, Zeve Caluya and Sebastian Shamamian.

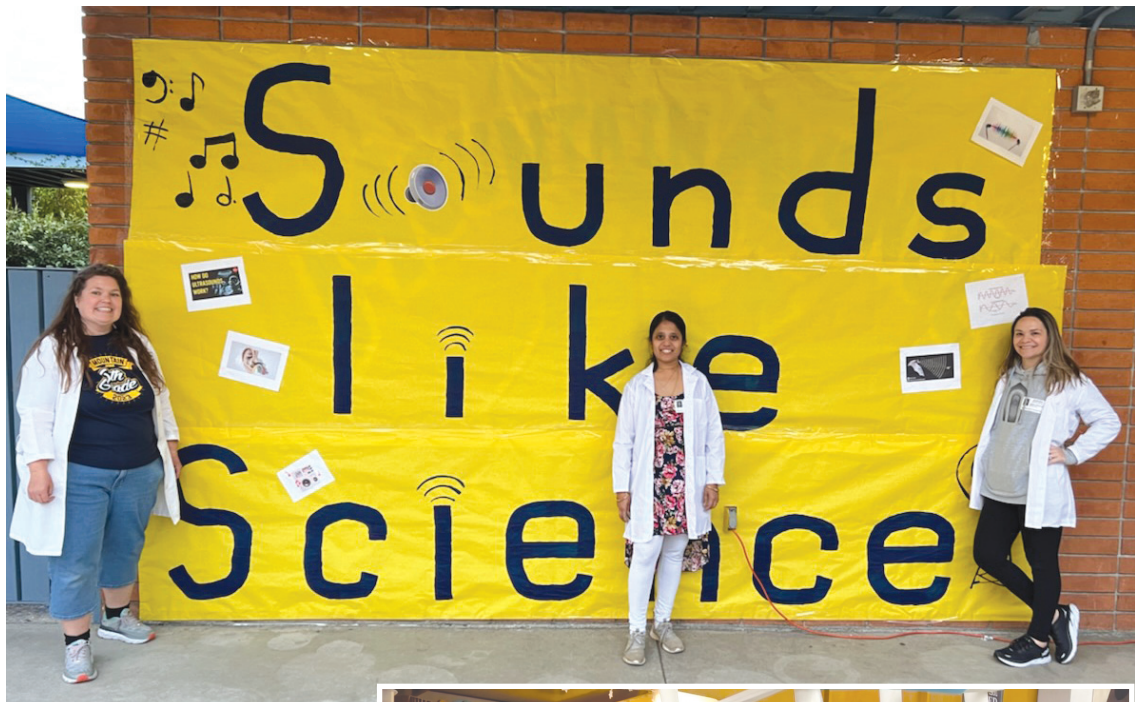
The Passionate Piano players were Leo Jung, Olivia Madadi, Artem Iakovlev, Christopher Charalambous, Maneh Gevorkyan, Evan Khajkian, Elin Marghosian and Makaio Ortiz; violin players Chloe Oh and Ryan Kam were accompanied on piano by Hannah Oh. London Jaramilla dazzled with her dancing; and the evening's rockers were Michael Gharibian on

drums and Thomas Capetanos on electric guitar. Olivia Spears thrilled the crowd with her silks gymnastics and Jacob, Aaron and Oliver Lee gave an amazing Taekwondo Poomsae Koryo demonstration.

The show ended with a fun-filled confetti explosion over the audience, courtesy of the Lincoln Student Council.

Photos by Lori BODNAR

Robots, Rovers and More at Mountain Avenue Science Fun Fair



By Lori BODNAR

Hundreds of students and families filled the auditorium and courtyard at Mountain Avenue Elementary on February 3 to enjoy the first in-person Science Fun Fair Family Night since the pandemic. Nearly 200 students showcased their science fair projects to schoolmates, teachers, families and friends.

In addition to the science fair projects, 53 sixth grade students raced their paper roller coasters at Family Night. The students worked in teams for over two weeks at recess to engineer paper coaster marble runs that were built from cardstock paper, tape, and foam board base to compete for the "Longest Ride". The winning coaster, "Messi World's Cup" made by Jacob Rodriguez, James Christie and Nico Gutierrez-Bravo kept a marble rolling continuously for 38 seconds. The "Best Theme" winning coaster was made by students Christian Moon, H. Micah Kim and Tommy Hong. Their "Jurassic Coaster" incorporated a dinosaur, volcano and a red rising phoenix.



Photos by Lori BODNAR

ABOVE: Winning roller coaster with Jacob Rodriguez, James Christie, and Nico Gutierrez-Bravo. Their "Messi World's Cup" coaster kept a marble rolling continuously for 38 seconds.

TOP: Science fair organizers Jackie Bodnar, Meena Arunachalam and Jessica Escobar.

"Sounds Like Science" was the theme for the Science Fun Fair and Family Night this year that included science activities that explored sound, such as a theremin (a musical instrument played

without touching it), Chladni plates (metal plates that reveal sound oscillations from sand patterns) and an ultrasonic machine that could

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» ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

Free Opera Singing Competition Showcases Rising Stars in San Marino

The Pasadena Vocal Competition presents its final round of performances featuring a national cast of eight young rising stars of the opera world on Saturday, Feb. 25 at 7 p.m. at the San Marino Community Church, 1750 Virginia Road in San Marino. The event is free and open to the public.

Each singer will be accompanied at the piano by artistic director Catherine Miller and will perform for three distinguished judges – all professionals in the operatic world: Daniel Mallampalli, senior programming manager at the Los Angeles Philharmonic, maestro Kostis Protopapas, music director for Opera Santa Barbara, and Alfreynn Roberts, chorus mistress of Fort Worth Opera in Texas. At stake is \$25,000 in prize money, which the judges will decide on how to distribute. The Pasadena Area Opera Trust funds the awards along with the support of the Barbera Foundation, led by Robert Barbera of San Marino.

The Pasadena Vocal Competition is a non-profit arts organization promoting community interest in opera and financially supports the next generation of operatic talent. Former first place winners from 2021 and 2022, baritone Blake Denson and soprano Magdalena Kuźma respectively, are already enjoying international careers on the world's greatest stages. Denson, a graduate of the prestigious Houston Grand Opera Young Artist Program, was awarded a yearlong contract singing in Hamburg, Germany and has made debuts with the Washington National Opera, the English National Opera and the Bayrische Staatsoper. Kuźma is a young artist in the prestigious Lindemann Young Artist program at the Metropolitan Opera and has made her debut as Pamina



from “Die Zauberflöte” with Opera Orlando. She will make her Santa Fe Opera debut as Frasquita from “Carmen” this summer.

This year’s competition is hosted by the PVC mistress of ceremonies soprano Jamie Chamberlin who will also entertain during the judge’s deliberations.

For more information visit pasadenavocalcompetition.org.

People Making News

Thea Stefan from La Cañada Flintridge was named to the Miami University fall 2022-23 president’s list.

Miami University students who are ranked in the top 3% of undergraduate students within each division for the fall semester 2022-23 have been named to the president’s list recognizing academic excellence.

Stefan is earning a Bachelor of Science degree in biology.

Nationally recognized as one of the most outstanding undergraduate institutions, Miami University is a public university located in Oxford, Ohio.

Miami boasts a student body of nearly 19,000.

Aurora University has named Kelly Helton of La Crescenta to the dean’s list for the fall 2022 semester. Helton is majoring in parks and recreation leadership, environmental studies and sustainability.

The dean’s list recognizes full-time undergraduate students who have earned a 3.6 GPA or higher.

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Veterans Corner February 2023 VA Housed More Than 40,000 Homeless Veterans in 2022

During 2022, the Dept. of Veterans Affairs permanently housed 40,401 homeless veterans, providing them with the safe and stable homes that they deserve. This exceeded the department’s goal to house 38,000 veterans in 2022 by 6.3%. Nationally, the total number of veterans experiencing homelessness has decreased by 11% since January 2020. In total, the estimated number of veterans experiencing homelessness in America has declined by 55.3% since 2010.

This success is a result of VA efforts to reach out to every veteran experiencing homelessness, understand their unique needs, and address them. These efforts are grounded in the evidenced-based “housing first” approach, which prioritizes getting a veteran into housing then provides the veteran with the wraparound support they need to stay housed – including health care, job training, legal and education assistance and more.

“There are thousands of formerly

homeless veterans who are going to sleep tonight in good, safe, stable homes – and there’s nothing more important than that,” said VA Secretary Denis McDonough via a press release. “This is great progress, but it’s just the beginning: we at VA will not rest until the phrase ‘homeless veteran’ is a thing of the past.”

Ending veteran homelessness is a top priority of VA and the Biden-Harris Administration. Earlier this year, the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness released “All In: The Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness,” which set forth President Biden’s ambitious goal to reduce all homelessness by 25% by 2025. As a part of that effort, the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development, which closely partners with VA in the fight to end homelessness, announced recently that, through HUD and USICH’s House America initiative, communities have housed over 100,000 households since September 2021.

Throughout 2022, VA staff

helped veterans find permanent housing such as apartments or houses that veterans could rent or own, often with a subsidy to help make the housing affordable. VA staff also helped some veterans end their homelessness by reuniting them with family and friends. VA also continues to focus on combating veteran homelessness in the Greater Los Angeles area. During 2022, VA provided 1,301 permanent housing placements to formerly homeless veterans in LA, the most of any city in America.

If you are a veteran or know a veteran who is experiencing homelessness or at risk for homelessness, call the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans at 877-4AID-VET (877-424-3838). Visit the VA Homeless Program website to learn about housing initiatives and other programs for veterans exiting homelessness.

Provided by Blake Hyfield, post service officer for the local VFW and American Legion posts. He can be reached at bhpegleg@yahoo.com.



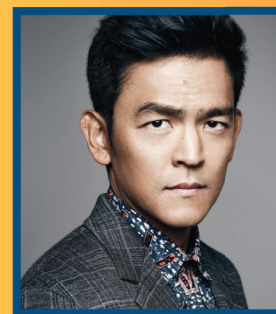
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Super Nintendo World



The highest point of the land, Mount Beanpole, is full of life and motion from several animated characters.



The Super Star Lemon Squash (\$8) is Toadstool Cafe's signature drink. It's sweet and full of tropical flavors with star-shaped mango pieces and popping boba.



Balconies provide great views of the land as guests traverse the different areas.



Interior of the dining area of Toadstool Cafe, with the kitchen-view digital windows beyond.



The ? Block Tiramisu (\$9.99) features a tiramisu cake surrounded by delicious sugar cookie sides to create the iconic block from the Mario games. And it's not only cute, this dessert is actually delicious to boot.



The entrance to Super Nintendo World from the Lower Lot of Universal Studios Hollywood.

By Charly SHELTON

For anyone who has ever wished they could travel down a Warp Pipe and into the fantastical world of Super Mario, Universal Studios Hollywood has a new experience for you. A new land, a new ride and a new restaurant bring this dream to life in Super Nintendo World, which opened last week to a massive and delighted crowd.

The new land is located on the Lower Lot of the theme park, right next to Transformers: The Ride - 3D. Although guests enter off the lot from between giant soundstage buildings, once inside the land the guests feel entirely transported to a

new world. It's not that the sight lines are completely clear - a giant Minion can be seen from the Upper Lot and the giant sound stages are still somewhat visible. But there is so much going on inside the land that all the distractions of the real world encroaching seem to go unnoticed. The walls and hillsides are alive with motion, whether from Yoshi circling a tree in search of fruit or the gliding mushrooms that have been freed from ? blocks, or the Thwomp blocks crashing down in between Goombas marching and Piranha Plants swaying. Every surface above where the guests walk is filled with activity, giving the land the same feeling as a Super

Mario Bros level waiting to be explored.

The land is home to a new attraction, a new store and a new restaurant. Toadstool Cafe is the land's eatery, in which Chef Toad invites guests to dine inside a giant mushroom. Upon entering, Chef Toad himself welcomes guests via windows to the kitchen as he prepares some of the dishes available. These windows, as with all the windows of the restaurant, are digital extensions and feature characters and sets from the Super Mario Bros world brought to life, which are active as guests dine. Various Toad cooks can be seen working in the kitchen on one side of the dining area, and the other sides

show views out into the land as the citizens go about their lives, interacting with Mario and Luigi, until

Bowser's airship attacks and Mario has to step up to defend against it. The setup for the dining area is unique, in that guests place their order at a counter and are given drinks there, before being escorted to an assigned table for their food to be brought out from the kitchen by waitstaff. It is basically a counter service restaurant, but with a step up to be slightly nicer than the average. The fare is what's to be expected from theme park food - burgers, chicken sandwich, spaghetti, salad, and cakes or tiramisu for dessert.

One standout is the Short Rib entree, and another entree that is coming soon - Bowser's

Fireball Challenge - promises to be interesting as well. But the environment is so fun and immersive that the food doesn't need to be the star of the show, it's more than worth a visit just to experience the space.

Next week, we'll dive in to more on this amazing land and take a look at the new attraction - Mario Kart: Bowser's Challenge. Super Nintendo World is open now at Universal Studios Hollywood.

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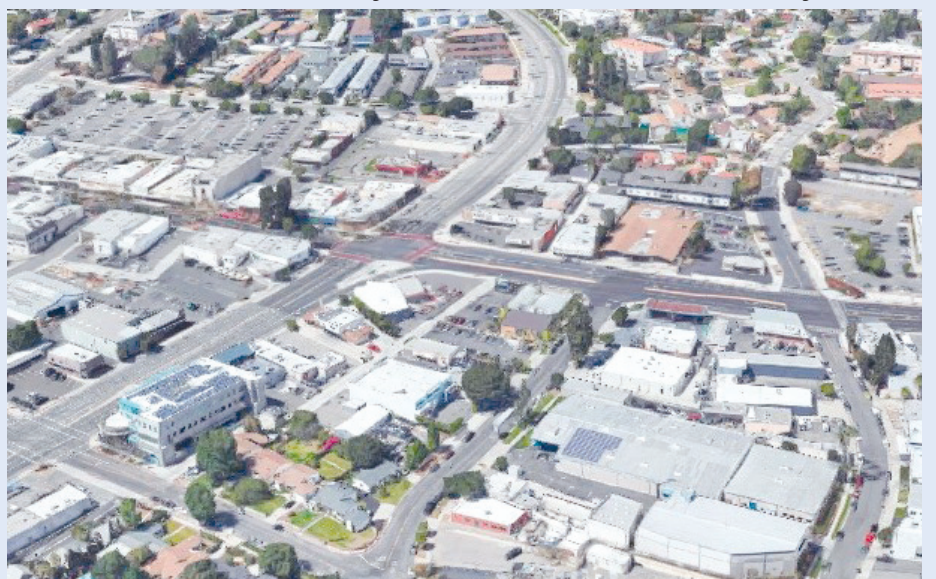
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THEN & NOW

Montrose's Opening Day Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV



THEN » On February 22, 1913, 4,000 people came by car and wagon for the opening day event at the new town of Montrose. A free barbecue was held under some oak trees. Montrose Avenue can be seen curving around in the top of the photo, with poles being installed in the roadway for the coming electric trolley.



NOW » Here's that same spot today, now all stores and businesses. It's much changed after over a century. Clifton Place in the lower center of the photo is about where the barbecue was held. And Montrose Avenue still curves around in the top of the photo. Montrose is 110 years old this week!

Zoppo, Michot to Perform for GNC

The Free Admission Glendale Noon Concerts series has returned to live performance at the sanctuary of Glendale City Church, 610 E. California Ave. in Glendale.

On March 1, Ergo Musica with Adriana Zoppo and Frederic Michot will perform baroque and new works for the viola d'amore by Louis Toussaint Milandre and Frederic Michot.

Adriana Zoppo performs on violin, viola, baroque violin, baroque viola and the unusual and rarely heard viola d'amore and appears frequently on the Glendale Noon Concerts series where she is director of its early music sub-series. In addition to performing in the string sections of symphony orchestras, chamber ensembles, early music groups and numerous other ensembles in the Southern California area, she also plays for motion pictures, television shows, solo artist recordings, Broadway musicals and live shows encompassing styles from classical to jazz. Zoppo performs and records with husband Frederic Michot under their label ilymusic.com.

Frederic Michot is a prize-winning French songwriter and composer who also worked for many years as a synthesizer music programmer for many famous French singers and bands. He is also specialized in programming vintage synthesizers such as the Synclavier 9600 DTD, Fairlight IIX, Fairlight series III, Moog, Prophet, Oberheim, Yamaha, Roland, Korg, etc.

Michot's song "As de coeur" was used in the movie "Grigris," which won the Vulcan Award at the 2013 Cannes Film Festival, and two of his songs won awards in the FNAC Record Company Songwriting Competition. His film score for "Les Vagabonds" won the only prize for best original music score given at the International Sens Short Film Festival in France and his New Age relaxing music



concept album Mystery of Creation was personally endorsed by the famous grand couturier Pierre Cardin. The collection of CDs for children he produced, arranged and performed, distributed by Polygram and Universal Music, won the Collection d'or

Award and, in collaboration with Adriana Zoppo, Michot produced and arranged a collection of educational music CDs for children distributed by Warner Music.

In total, Frederic Michot's discography is more than 20 albums, short film scores, documentary

music and hundreds of pieces of music published and registered with SACEM (France) and ASCAP. This year his New Age album Awaken Asteroid 459, with violin solos by Adriana Zoppo, was submitted for consideration for the Grammy Awards. His music is also released on his and Adriana's ilymusic YouTube channel and on their label ilymusic.com.

Cristal is Michot's latest music project.

More info about the program and artists can be found at <http://glendalenoonconcerts.blogspot.com>.

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I've been without a refrigerator for three months. Why won't GE help me?

Christy Prince's new GE refrigerator hasn't worked for three months. Should GE replace the appliance?

Q I purchased a new GE refrigerator three months ago. The refrigerator portion stopped cooling approximately 60 days later.

The retailer only allows returns before 30 days. But my GE warranty still covers the appliance since it is almost new. I contacted GE and it scheduled a service call. I had to wait three weeks for a technician because there was only one person who services my area.

When the technician finally came, he determined the fan was faulty. But the part he needed was on backorder and wouldn't arrive for another two months.

I told him I couldn't wait that long for a refrigerator, especially after purchasing this recently. The technician gave me the customer service number to call to see if GE would switch out the entire refrigerator.

I spoke to an agent who said she would have to reach out to their parts department to see if they could get the part sooner. A week later, GE contacted me to say it has been able to locate one part and can get it shipped out sooner, but they are still checking on some other parts that they need for my

repair. This is getting ridiculous! I haven't had a working refrigerator for three months. Please help!

— Christy Prince, Cartersville, Georgia

A: Your GE refrigerator should still work. I don't care about the retailer's warranty or the manufacturer's warranty. Both companies should be getting you a working refrigerator on the double!

But that's not how warranties work. As I note in my guide to appliance warranties, companies strictly limit their warranties. They also reserve the right to repair, replace or refund, and they almost always attempt a repair.

I list the names, numbers and email addresses of GE's customer service executives on my consumer advocacy site, Elliott.org. I think a quick, polite email to one of them might have helped.

There's really only one way to avoid a problem like this. You have to research your appliance purchase carefully. Read the customer reviews and run an online search for recalls. I've received several GE appliance cases recently and I'm certain some of

them could have been avoided with a little homework.

It's reasonable to give a company a month to repair a problem. But by the time you contacted me, you had been three months without a refrigerator, which is unacceptable.

I contacted the company and asked if it could help you. GE expedited a part to your technician, who attempted a repair.

"GE changed out the three parts and it worked as of the moment they repaired it," you told me. "However, it did not continue past Friday. So we are now back at square one without a refrigerator."

I spoke with GE again. And this time, the company got it right.

"They ended up completely replacing the unit," you reported. "The new unit is much colder than the other one ever was so I think the original one was just faulty from the beginning."

Christopher Elliott is the founder of Elliott Advocacy, a nonprofit organization that helps consumers solve their problems. Email him at chris@elliott.org or get help by contacting him on his site.

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MARCELO BUCATER QUARTET FREE CONCERT

There will be a free concert by the Marcelo Bucater Quartet on Friday, Feb. 24 from 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Garage at LACM, 300 S. Fair Oaks Ave. in Pasadena. <https://lacm.edu/>

Marcelo Bucater is a drummer/percussionist from Brazil based in Los Angeles since 2013. Currently, as part of the Drum Faculty at Los Angeles College of Music (LACM), Bucater has also worked as a session and touring musician for several years, recording and performing live with different artists all over the world. The quartet plays mostly Bucater's compositions bringing a variety of Brazilian rhythms, jazz and odd meters.

To learn more, visit <https://lacm.edu/2023/01/20/marcelo-bucater-quartet-2-24/>.

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 or email glendalekiwanis@gmail.com.

TUESDAY MUSICALE FREE CONCERT

On Tuesday, March 7 at 12:30 p.m. a free concert will be performed at Altadena Baptist Church, 791 E. Calaveras St. in Altadena.

On the roster is "Trio" by Mozart. Emily Denney will be on clarinet, Sue Reinecke on viola, Sharon Chan on piano. "Violin Sonata" by Grieg will be performed by Ann Levi on violin and Louise Earhart on piano. Piano soloist Anna Ching will perform "Nocturne" by Chopin. A duet from "Aida" by Verdi will be performed by Diana Briscoe and Bernice Brightbill, vocalists and Geraldine Keeling on piano.

LIFE ON THE SHELF

Eden Ahbez, composer of the pre-flower-power anthem "Nature Boy" (made popular in 1948 by Nat King Cole), released his lone LP, Eden's Island, in 1960. Soon thereafter he wrote a dozen more songs intended to be the creative content of his second album. But because Eden's Island sold less than 100 copies in its initial release, and because his wife Anna contracted bone cancer in 1961, Eden's second album never got past the sheet music stage. In 1995, Eden passed away at the age of 86.

In 2009, fan turned researcher Brian Chidester found, tucked away on a shelf in the Library of Congress, more than a dozen hand-written lead-sheets of never recorded Ahbez compositions. In 2021, collaborating with the Swedish Band Ixtahuele, many of these songs were recorded and released.

Eden Ahbez had lived much of his time in the local Big Tujunga Canyon. This suite of new music was very much concerned with the spiritual qualities of this landscape.

Local history hunter Craig Durst will introduce the sights and sounds of the local canyons in the form of music by Eden Ahbez.

This free presentation is on March 11 at 1 p.m. at Bolton Hall Museum, home of the Little Landers Historical Society, 10110 Commerce Ave. in Tujunga. Suggested donation is \$3 per person.

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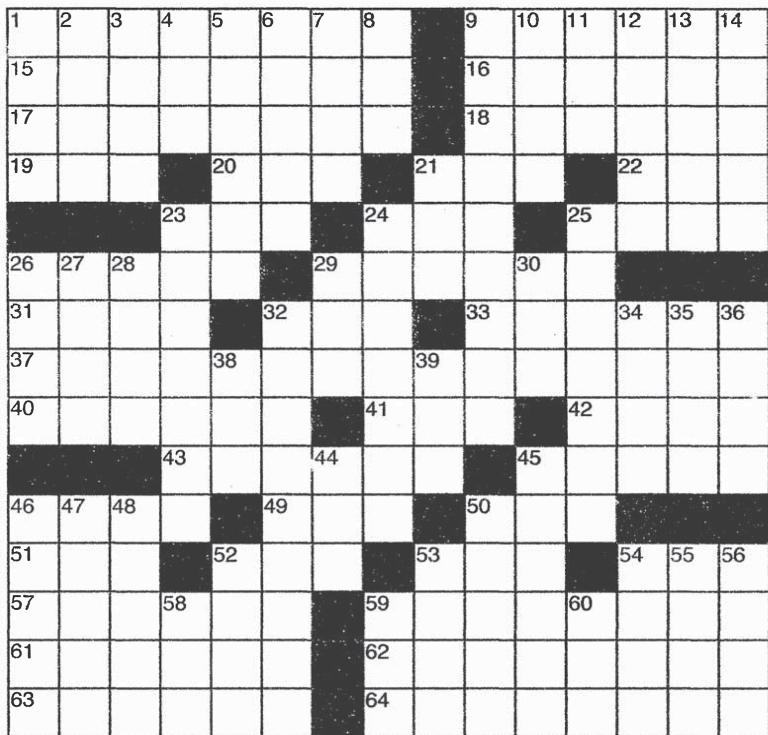
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levitate Styrofoam balls in midair in the nodes of the acoustic wave. There was also an instrument to measure distance using sound, and a vacuum chamber with a ringing clock to demonstrate how sound can't be heard in a vacuum.

In one room, kids could play unusual instruments like thunder tubes, palm pipes, boomwhackers, tuning forks and a steel drum.

Another room had sound-related arts-and-crafts activities such as making a kazoo, a cup-a-phone, or rice and bean shakers. People could also listen to their heart with stethoscopes and learn more about how hearts and ears work from models of both.

In the open courtyard there were giant slinkies to explore types of waves, as well as whistling sound tubes. A crowd favorite was the ball-launching robot brought by Team 589 Falkon Robotics from Crescenta Valley High School (CVHS). The robot launched basketballs into the hands of excited kids.

"I like Falkon Robotics because I can be part of something bigger, a huge system of different parts: communication, electronics system, software and making the ultimate product. At first, I joined Robotics because it looked [fun], but the people are great and robotics is fun. We don't just build good robots, we build good people," said Joseph Kim, CVHS sophomore.

"I first joined Falkon Robotics because of Lego League at Mountain Avenue and it was so much fun. I had a busy schedule

at first and the Falkon Robotics community helped with [handling] stress," said Mahesh Arunachalam, CVHS junior.

CVHS Academy of Science and Medicine student volunteers ran science activities at the event including a Van de Graaf generator that literally caused students' hair to stand on end through the repulsion of like charges.

California Institute of Technology (Caltech) also had 14 volunteer scientists come to engage the elementary students in a variety of science activities ranging from the computer science behind Pokémon to astronomy.

"The activities were all made by Caltech students in computer science education in K-12 settings. They learned about the science of how to teach students and explain the topics they are learning to an elementary school student. The activities we have are themed around Pokémon Programming such as Catch 'Em All, Power Up Pokémon, Help the Pokémon Center, and Program Pikachu," said Claire Ralph, Caltech Computing and Mathematical Sciences Lecturer.

Students lined up by the dozens to be run over by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) Mars Rover, maneuvered by parent volunteer and JPL scientist Liz Johnson.

"The Mars Rover felt like a spider and was a lot of fun," said Ali Moore, sixth grader.

"The PTA Science Fair brings our school community together and highlights the amazing learning

of our students. I am incredibly appreciative to the Science Fair Committee of volunteers for organizing this beautiful event.

There were different sound-making devices as well as professional scientists and engineers to share their work. We are so appreciative of our partners from Caltech and JPL for sharing their knowledge with our students and families," said Mountain Avenue Principal Jaelyn Scott. "What makes our science fair so special are the hands-on activities to experience. This year, the projects were excellent."

The Science Fun Fair organizers include Jackie Bodnar, Meena Arunachalam, Jessica Escobar and Euncheol Shin. After 14 years as co-chair for the science fair Bodnar said this was her last year.

"Science Fair benefits the community because it piques the interest of the students. Books are a way to learn but this hands-on experience also helps the students' creativity. We don't judge the science fair, but for the roller coasters, we have Best Theme and Longest Ride," Arunachalam added.

"I think the science fair really benefits the community by encouraging families to work together on things that will inspire their growth and interest in science. Our daughter made a volcano for her science fair project. All of us, including her younger brother got in on the fun," Escobar said.

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GAMES PEOPLE PLAY

The community is invited to play games with supporters of Bolton Hall Museum on March 25 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The afternoon of exploring and playing family friendly board and card games is suitable for ages 6 to 96. Based on the Museum's current exhibit, Toys & Games, Past & Present, young people are invited to see and learn vintage games and adults will relive the games of their youth.

This event is co-sponsored by the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council and is free and open to the public and everyone is welcome.

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

Additional information is available from Little Landers Historical Society, (818) 352-3420 or by visiting BoltonHall.org.

ASCENCIA ANNOUNCES ANNUAL GALA

Sponsorships and tickets are now available for the April 22 Ascencia gala We Rise Together. Held at the City Club LA from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., the event will raise funds for the Ascencia programs.

For more information, visit https://one.bidpal.net/ascenciagala2023/welcome.

VHHS PLANS REUNION

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

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

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

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

LA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA PRESENTS TWO PROGRAMS IN MAY 2023

May 2023 programs presented by Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra (LACO) include Masterworks for String Orchestra, spotlighting members of Orchestra's celebrated string section on

composition spanning more than 800 years; and the season finale featuring a LACO Sound Investment commissioned world premiere by Marc Lowenstein and the LACO debut of sitarist Anoushka Shankar performing Concerto No. 3 for Sitar composed by her legendary father, the late Ravi Shankar.

On Tuesday, May 2 at 7:30 p.m. in Rothenberg Hall, The

Huntington at 1151 Oxford Road in San Marino, 91108, and on Saturday, May 6, 7:30 p.m. at Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, 9390 N. Santa Monica Boulevard, Beverly Hills, 90210.

Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra Presents: Masterworks for String Orchestra

Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra (LACO) caps its chamber series with Masterworks for String Orchestra, featuring a selection of rich and varied compositions for string orchestra spanning more than 800 years. The program includes 12th century German Saint Hildegard Von Bingen's "O Virtus Sapientiae"; Britten's enchanting Simple Symphony, rife with sophisticated orchestration; the compact and lively 10th Symphony in B minor composed by a teenaged Mendelssohn; Hindemith's compelling Five Pieces for Strings; and Grieg's popular Holberg Suite, which blends baroque-style dance with melodic Nordic harmonies.

TICKET PRICES: \$58, Rothenberg Hall; \$79, \$59, \$39, \$29, The Wallis

Saturday, May 20, at 8 p.m., Alex Theatre, 216 North Brand Boulevard, Glendale and Sunday, May 21, 7 p.m., Royce Hall, 340 Royce Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90095

Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra Presents: Shankar Plays Shankar

Jaime Martín, conductor Anoushka Shankar, sitar

Family figures prominently in Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra's season finale when sitarist Anoushka Shankar makes her LACO debut, under Music Director Jaime Martín's baton, with a performance of Concerto No. 3 for Sitar composed by her legendary father, the late Ravi Shankar, who brought the sitar into the mainstream through his pop music collaborations with The Beatles and others. Anoushka, heralded for her "lush meditations... dazzling runs and leaps," has forged a "Grammy-nominated career (that) has carried the family business to new cross-cultural heights" (New York Classical Review). LACO also presents a world premiere by 2022-23 Sound Investment composer Marc Lowenstein, the founding music director of The Industry, Los Angeles' groundbreaking and widely acclaimed experimental opera company, whose music is infused with a searching sense of narrative and mysticism. De Falla's colorful The Three-Cornered Hat Suite No.1 opens the program, which wraps with Bizet's Symphony No. 1 in C Major, written when the composer was just 17-years-old.

TICKET PRICES: \$29 - \$133

WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

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ARIES March 21 - April 19

With a harmonious aspect now, you may be tempted to celebrate first. But with all the lucky energy around, it's best to find a way to profit from it first. The astral activity will affect travel, learning, and spirituality, indicating a time of looking for ways to broaden your market. If you offer a product or service that could be sold abroad, make it happen now. Consult a sales agent if you need help.

TAURUS April 20 - May 20

You may have been trying to figure out a way to raise money for a new venture, and now it may well be possible. This is a great time to clear up any final payments you may need to make while also finding ways to connect with possible investors. Fundraising efforts should include an online and e-mailing component.

GEMINI May 21 - June 20

A feeling of expansion and sudden insight could give you an idea that simply can't be contained now. Since there's activity in your house of serious relationships and marriage, the best moneymaking notions may come from these areas. Brainstorm around marriage and family issues and you could come up with an idea for a book, coaching program, or other helpful product. Selling it won't be hard.

CANCER June 21 - July 22

You have a healthy dose of support from the Universe as you try to make more money and establish more structure in your life. Aspects affecting your money and values make it a good time to not only make more money through increased opportunities but also research how to invest it in the future. Do your due diligence and start cautiously, then branch out when you feel more comfortable.

LEO July 23 - August 22

You have the go-ahead to change the way you look and act. That, in turn, will help you move up the ladder and make more cash. If you've wanted to change your wardrobe, look, or manner, this is supported and even encouraged now. Emulate a trusted mentor or forge your own path. The Universe brings beauty, attraction, and a kind of healthy assertion of your needs. Together they increase your power on the job.

VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

This period is about aspects affecting past lives, karma, and institutions. You may suddenly be seized with a desire to change jobs, start a charity, or develop a new business. Do some research when you can and then create a business plan that looks at least five years into the future. It's possible to make it work.

LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Creative works, action, and assertion come together now. This will change the way you connect with social groups, and it may start you thinking about becoming self-employed in the near future. This aspect says your ideas are solid. All you need is the gumption to make this transition and see it through. Money comes when you follow up on what you've been fortunate enough to create.

SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

Now you have a good news/bad news situation on your hands. The good news is that your house of career and authority figures is positively affected, indicating a time of better opportunities and greater access to cash flow. The bad news is that you may not believe that you should have to change. Try to move forward by cooperating, not fighting.

SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

The Universe brings your money life into a delicate balance. Your creative ideas and focus are admirable now, and they'll directly affect travel, learning, and metaphysics. If you feel you need to augment your education, don't hesitate to spend the money on a class or seminar. It's all for your future betterment, and it will yield monetary fruit before long.

CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

For you, money may be more than a reward for work well done. Now money may become a way to connect to past lives, dreams, and the ephemeral parts of life. If you've been harboring an idea for something you'd rather do for a living, this time may provide just the impetus to make it happen in your "real" life. Dreams can come true under these conditions.

AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

This period is about groups, politics, and self-employment. If you've been seeking ways to earn more and create added stability, the Universe gives you the luck and chance to make this happen. Turn to friends and networking groups to help build your clientele while you transition from your current employment. Make sure to protect your ideas and products with copyrights and trademarks to ensure your future profits.

PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

You're poised to take advantage of a new moneymaking endeavor. Luck and expansion come together with opportunity, meaning that you'll need to be ready to accept offers from employers or investors who want to make sure your ideas and products will succeed. The window of opportunity could be small, so have everything prepared. Update that resume and print out that business plan.

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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.

NOTICE OF SELF STORAGE SALE
 Please take notice US Storage Centers - La Crescenta located at 4454 Lowell Ave La Crescenta, CA 91214 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagecenters.com on 3/16/2023 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Varuzhan Reganyan; Teresia Dejesus Navarro; Joyce Ronnette Snow. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details. Published in the Crescenta Valley Weekly, February 23, and March 2, 2023.

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 of the same candidates. Sadly, this has become a distinction without much of a difference, and the practice has been made far worse by the Court's subsequent decision in Citizens United, unleashing unlimited spending by special interests and without any transparency.
 This is why I have introduced the Democracy For All Amendment, a landmark constitutional amendment which would overturn the court decisions that have permitted unrestricted political spending and dark money to poison American democracy. My amendment would distinguish between people and corporations, prohibiting the latter from spending unlimited amounts of money to

influence elections, allow limits on expenditures, and ensure states can enact public campaign financing systems to restrict the influence of corporations or wealthy individuals.
 In short, the amendment would make clear the Constitution does not limit Congress' or the states' power to set reasonable limits on the raising and spending of money by candidates and others.
 The 2020 federal elections included at least \$100 million in dark money expenditures. As we approach the 2024 election cycle that number is only projected to grow. The Democracy for All Amendment can help stop this escalating trend in dark money spending, and return power to the voters.

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Montrose Harvest Market, the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley will celebrate Montrose's birthday. We'll have old photos of Montrose on display and local history books for sale. Best of all, we'll have a bell from a real Glendale & Montrose Railroad trolley car. We invite you to come and ring the bell. It'll bring you good luck! If there is rain the celebration will be rescheduled.
 Mike Lawler is the former president of the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley and loves local history. Reach him at lawlerdad@yahoo.com.

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WEATHER from page 2

2000, the solar water heater behind me, which is being dedicated today, will still be here supplying cheap, efficient energy. A generation from now, this solar heater can either be a curiosity, a museum piece, an example of a road not taken or it can be just a small part of one of the greatest and most exciting adventures ever undertaken by the American people: harnessing the power of the Sun to enrich our lives as we move away from our crippling dependence on foreign oil."

President Ronald Reagan dismantled the solar panels when he took office but President George W. Bush brought solar back and President Barrack Obama added more solar power to the White House.

It was the 70s though and although the dream may have been to move away from fossil fuels, the reality was oil was still the lifeline of the country and it was needed. President Carter had to walk that fine line between the present need vs future consequences. The 1977 Climate Change Memo crossed the desk of the President. It was written by Frank Press, the President's chief scientific advisor, and warned with accuracy what would happen if we continued to ignore the signs of climate change. You can find a copy of the memo with this article online at www.cvweekly.com

Although President Carter couldn't save the planet in the four years he was in office, he did sign 14 major pieces of environmental legislation that included the first ever funding of alternative energy, the first federal toxic waste cleanup, known as the Super Fund and the first fuel economy standards. He also protected open spaces including 100 million acres of protected land in the Alaska Lands bill, which doubled the size of the National Park Service.

And anyone who has driven through the Redwood National Park should know they have President Carter to thank for the protection of many of the majestic trees. In 1978 he signed into law the addition of 48,000 acres to the Redwood park.

"I have never been happier, more exhilarated, at peace, rested, inspired and aware of the grandeur of the universe and the greatness of God than when I find myself in a natural setting not much changed from the way He made it," from "An Outdoor Journal" by Jimmy Carter.

Mr. Carter did so much for humanity itself, he was someone who cared about people and about peace. He won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2002, and we all know his volunteer spirit that included Habitat for Humanity.

I know every President has their supporters and their doubters, but I think in this world of very loud campaigning, name calling and just plain meanness it might be a good time to take a look back at a time when the White House was home to an intelligent farmer who respected humans and the Earth as a gift from God, and didn't judge you if you didn't agree.

For us now, the weather continues to be a constant canary in coal mines warning us of what the future holds if

we ignore the signs.

We are looking at many rainy days from today through Saturday, then a bit of a break on Sunday into Monday with more rain possible beginning on Tuesday into Wednesday, according to Kristan Lund, NOAA meteorologist.

"It's a slow moving [storm]," she added. "It's a trough coming down the coast, low pressure, gusty winds but doesn't have much moisture."

This slow moving storm is predicted to bring about 1.75 to two inches of rain, with wind gusts in the mountains to reach 60 to 70 mph. Snow level is expected to be at 1,500, although the snow is not expected to accumulate at that level. However altitudes from 2,500 to 4000 and higher could see quite a bit of accumulated snow.

"Higher eastern San Gabriel [mountains] could see five feet of snow," Lund said. "Roads not normally seen closed could be closed due to [ice] especially overnight."

Lund added that the storm is changing quickly so continue to monitor either with noaa.gov or other weather services.

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Founded in 1893, Aurora University is a four-year, private, non-profit, accredited higher education institution located on a 39-acre campus in Aurora, the second largest city in Illinois. The university serves more than 4,100 undergraduate and approximately 2,000 graduate students across more than 50 majors and programs. Learn more at aurora.edu.

Colin Fong Suehiro of La Canada Flintridge earned a Bachelor of Science in computer networks and cybersecurity from University of Maryland Global Campus in fall 2022.

Suehiro was one of more than 7,600 students worldwide who earned degrees from UMGC in the fall. Graduates came from all 50 states, five U.S. territories and 18 countries.

Celebrating its 75th anniversary, University of Maryland Global Campus (UMGC) was established in 1947 to serve adults in the workforce. Today, UMGC enrolls

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The following students earned a place on the scholastic honor roll fall 2022 at Oregon State University.

A total of 12,220 earned a B-plus (3.5) or better to make the listing. To be on the honor roll, students must carry at least six graded hours of course work.

Students on the honor roll included: From Burbank – Kaylee Chiang, sophomore, majoring in art; Emma K. Grill, junior,

majoring in merchandising management; Lucy Heine, freshman, majoring in university exploratory studies; Timothy M. Johansen, post baccalaureate, majoring in computer science; from Glendale – Colene Encarnado, post baccalaureate, majoring in computer science; Robinson Ibarra, senior, majoring in computer science; Jason H. Lee, senior, majoring in economics; Aidan J. Schmitigal, freshman, majoring in general engineering; from La Cañada Flintridge – Hayden N. Henderson, freshman, majoring in computer science; Gregory R. Navasarkian, post baccalaureate, majoring in computer science; from La Crescenta – Michelle P. Lee, post baccalaureate, majoring in computer science; from Montrose Georgina Martinez, senior, majoring in fish, wildlife & conserv science; from Tujunga Aspyr R. Park, senior, majoring in psychology; from Sunland – Arman Manukyan, post baccalaureate, majoring in computer science.

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