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Council Districts, Directly Elected Mayor, and Potential Charter Amendments Discussed at Council Meeting

By Roman INGUANZO

At Tuesday's meeting of the Glendale City Council, Mayor Dan Brotman designated April 23 to April 29, 2023 as Medical Laboratory Professionals' Week.

"The health of Americans depends upon educated minds and trained heads," said Brotman. "Laboratory medicine is an honorable profession which should be recognized by all individuals as vital to the high standards of healthcare enjoyed in the city of Glendale."

May 2023 was designated as Older Americans Month. The mayor also commented on the designation, recognizing the contributions of older Americans.

"The City of Glendale includes over 45,000 older Americans who contribute their time, wisdom and experience to our community," said Brotman. "The City of Glendale recognizes the need to create a community that offers the services and support older adults may need to make choices about how they age. The City of Glendale can work to build an even better community for our older residents."

Councilmembers then discussed several events that have happened, and are planned, in the city.

"The mayor and I were at [the] Home Again LA fundraiser, which ... helped so many victims of domestic violence who are on the verge of homelessness find homes and supply support systems for all of them," said Councilmember Paula Devine.

Ardy Kassakhian was also grateful to the number of people who supported the commemoration of the Armenian Genocide, recognized at the Alex Theatre in Glendale.

"The end of April is always a busy time for many Armenian Americans and allies and people who support the cause of universal recognition of the Armenian Genocide and justice," said Councilmember Kassakhian. "Kudos to city staff, to the organizing committee, to all the organizations ... all the committee members, who put it together."

Attention was also given to mental health awareness.

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Prom – and Prom Plus – Season has Arrived

By Roman INGUANZO

Since 1994, a local organization has hosted a post-prom event for Crescenta Valley High School seniors and their guests.

Prom is one of the most highly anticipated events of the year for high school seniors. Typically taking place at the end of the school year, the event is designed for students to celebrate their achievements with their peers. While prom is generally an exciting event for students, it is also often a night for risky behavior – especially at prom after parties. For those who desire an unforgettable night – without the downsides – Prom Plus is for them.

The Prom Plus event takes place on May 13/May 14 at the Crescenta-Cañada YMCA at 1930 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada Flintridge from midnight to 4 a.m. Compared to the cost of a standard prom night, which can cost upwards of a few hundred dollars, Prom Plus provides a great experience at no cost for prom ticket buyers (seniors who choose not to go to prom but want to go to Prom Plus pay only \$20 at the door). The event is staffed by parent volunteers and community members.

Prom Plus was founded after the death of Berlyn Cosman, a CVHS senior



File photo
A full casino has been a staple at Prom Plus.

who was murdered at a prom after-party in 1991.

According to Joy McCreary, president of Prom Plus, "Berlyn Cosman was a member of our Crescenta Valley family... Her death sparked a community response to ensure that such an act of violence would not occur again."

McCreary added, "Prom Plus has been an anchor in the community for the last 30 years. This organization has provided a safe, secure place for seniors after prom nearly every year. Beyond that, the level of service of this organization goes above and beyond. Prom Plus is at most community events throughout the year and is a staple to Crescenta Valley."

McCreary said that Prom Plus has

been a part of her life since she was in at Crescenta Valley High School a decade ago.

"I participated in many of the events [Prom Plus] did, and then attended Prom Plus after my prom as a senior," said McCreary. "Now it's an amazing opportunity to give back and make sure seniors have the same experience I did."

The event boasts a wide range of activities that a typical prom venue simply does not offer. These include casino games, mechanical bull rides, laser tag, zip-lining, rock climbing, Dance Dance Revolution, and a brand new photo booth with Photo360. Food and drinks are available free of charge throughout the night. Quesadillas, hot dogs,

sandwiches, desserts and soft drinks are just a few examples of the many food options available to satisfy a student's late night cravings.

Prom Plus is entirely funded through donations from individuals and local businesses, as well as a percentage received from prom ticket sales, in recognition of the value of providing students with a safe yet unforgettable after-prom party.

Prom Plus has been a significant success since its founding, with hundreds of students participating in the event each year.

Those interested in volunteering or donating to the nonprofit Prom Plus should visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c4cadad2fa7f94-2022/30252284#/>.

K-9 Demonstration Presented

By Mary O'KEEFE

The Alan Schultz State Farm Insurance Agency, located in the 1900 block of West Glenoaks Blvd., played host to some special guests last week – the Glendale Police Dept. K-9 Unit.

Schultz is a supporter of the K-9 Unit and donates to help keep the Unit active. All training, food and equipment for the dogs is provided by donations from the community through the Glendale Police Foundation, a non-profit organization that supports the department. It costs about \$20,000 to \$30,000 per dog for the initial purchasing and training of a dog.

Sgt. Shawn Sholtis, K-9 supervisor, and Sgt. Eric Meyer, K-9 Officer Jeff, Sgt. Paul Shubunka and K-9 Officer Dante came to the parking lot at Alan Schultz State Farm for a demonstration on how the dogs work with their handlers.

"The dog needs to understand how to range [meaning] he has to work in front of his handler,"

Sholtis explained.

Meyer explained how the dogs and police officers work together when conducting investigations. Some dogs are trained to find firearms, others are trained for drug detection and some dogs are trained for area and building searches.

Meyer shared a story of a friend who was an officer with another agency and how he was looking for a suspect he believed was in an area where there were parked vehicles. It was not known if the suspect was in a vehicle or outside the vehicles. While his friend searched, a suspect who was in a vehicle with dark tinted windows attacked the officer.

This is an incident when the K-9s would be valuable because they can search quickly, detect and alert the officer.

The K-9s are an important part of police work for GPD. An example was given of when officers

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Photo by Mary O'KEEFE
Glendale police Sgt. Eric Meyer and his K-9 partner Jeff, a Belgian Malinois, demonstrated the training and precision the dog and his handler go through.

» FROM THE DESK OF THE PUBLISHER



Come Again

Back in the early 2000s I wrote the text for a Taiwanese website that was trying to reach into the American market. While I have learned a lot about grammar these past several years (thank you proofer Anne McNeill), I am confident that the content I wrote then was pretty clean. It was succinct and I know the words were spelled correctly.

Last week I received an email from a company that was launching its redone website. It was very excited about the launch and encouraged visitors, like me, to take a look. Right away I noticed a total misspelling. The sentence had to do with learning the basic tenants behind their product.

Huh? Tenants. Like in people who rent? I'm sure they meant tenets as in "any opinion, principle doctrine, dogma, etc., especially one held as true by members of a profession, group, or movement," according to dictionary.com.

Those kinds of errors drive me nuts. I then circled back to what we do here at CV Weekly.

I understand that not everything in every paper is spelled correctly. I accept those mistakes, rare as they are. And sometimes we get things mixed up. I try to own up to those mistakes as I don't want readers to think that I don't care. Because I do.

I often state one of the key strengths of the paper is the value of correcting an error. For example, let's say something is reported incorrectly in one week's paper, which is read by an estimated

28,000 people. The following week a correction is printed. An estimated 28,000 people will read it. Not so on social media or a website. After those are read once, no one returns to see if there are any corrections. And let's face it: just about anyone can write anything on social media.

I pay writers and photographers to cover events and news that is happening in and affects our community. That doesn't necessarily happen online.

Mary O'Keefe and I weekly review the events going on in our community and those things happening outside our community that affect it.

The paper also includes comments from and bills written by local politicians. It's not because we particularly think these are great bills that we want to promote but instead we think it's our responsibility to share what our elected officials are doing.

I have to laugh when I receive a letter (usually unsigned) by a reader who criticizes the CV Weekly for having a politician write for the paper. It is assumed by some that I, as publisher, endorse the politician. That is not necessarily the case. I try to give a voice to our representatives so, again, our readers (and voters) know what they're up to.

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» WEATHER WATCH

Taking A Look Outside Our Window

By Mary O'KEEFE

On Thursday, ridiculously early in the morning, I was on the road delivering papers for CVW. It was surprisingly clear in the CV area but, as I made my way into Glendale, this thick fog appeared. It was so thick it was difficult at times to see the streetlights. It blocked out the sun as it was rising ... that got me thinking about what fog really is, about how many times I had driven up and down the coast when the fog rolled in so thick I had to pull over and, of course, the 1980s film "The Fog."

First let's start with science. According to the National Weather Service, there are actually different types of fog; here are just a few:

Radiation fog is a type of fog that forms at night under clear skies with calm winds when heat absorbed by the Earth's surface during the day is radiated into space. As the Earth's surface continues to cool, when a deep enough layer of moist air is present near the ground and the humidity reaches 100%, fog will form. It can be in depths from three feet to 1,000 feet.

Then there is advection fog. This looks a lot like radiation fog and is also the result of condensation; however, the condensation in this case is caused not by a reduction in temperature, but rather by the horizontal movement of warm moist air over a cold surface. It's like when warm moist air moves over snow.

Freezing fog occurs when water droplets remain in the liquid state until they come into contact with a surface upon which they can freeze. As a result, any object the freezing fog comes into contact with will become coated in ice. (Think of Mr. Freeze, a Gotham City foe.)

There is evaporation or mixing fog. This type of fog forms when sufficient water vapor is added to the air by evaporation and the moist air mixes with cooler, drier air. This is like when steam fog forms when cold air moves over warm

water. The other type of evaporation fog is known as frontal fog that forms when raindrops evaporate into a cooler drier layer of the air near the ground.

And not to be left out is: hail fog, which usually forms after a heavy hailstorm. The cold balls of ice fall into warm, very moist air near the surface. As the hail accumulates on the ground, it cools the air just above the ground to the dew point, which results in fog.

The fog I experienced on Thursday appeared to be radiation fog ... and it was thick. Now I know there was a remake in 2005 of "The Fog," but my family is more partial to the 1980 version. I am not a horror film fan, like "Halloween." I like science fiction horror, like "Alien," "Invasion of the Body Snatchers" and "The War of the Worlds" but "The Fog," thanks to the brilliance of director/writer John Carpenter and writer Debra Hill, created a great mixture of ghostly revenge, humor and horror. There were so many in-your-face jumps (you know the kind you jump at then try to laugh it off).

For those who haven't seen the film – as always recommended take a moment to watch it. The film's plot dealt with a ship that mysteriously sank 100 years ago in the waters off Antonio Bay, a fictional seaside town in California. Antonio Bay was celebrating its 100th birthday.

The opening starts with all the backstory one needs told by actor John Houseman as Mr. Machen telling the story over a bonfire to children. The ship, as the story goes, had sunk as it was lured onto the rocks by a bonfire they thought was a safety signal. The tortured souls were to come onto shore between midnight and 1 a.m. looking for those who had set the bonfire.

The bay has had fog before but as radio host Stevie Wayne, portrayed by Adrienne Barbeau, said, "There is something different about this fog."

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IN BRIEF

ROSEMONT PRESERVE OPEN GATE MORNING

An “opengate” event is taking place at the Rosemont Preserve on Saturday morning, May 6. This is a chance for residents to visit the Preserve and wander the trail at their own pace and enjoy the tranquil setting, the wildlife and the natural beauty. Photographers: bring your camera to capture the morning light and citizen scientists, bring your iNaturalist and Merlin apps to identify birds and add wildlife sightings!

The gate will be open from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., and Friends of the Rosemont Preserve Committee members will be available to answer questions and present this community resource.

The Preserve is located at the north end of Rosemont Avenue, just past the chain link fence. As street parking is limited, please park at Two Strike Park, 5107 Rosemont Ave. Those with mobility issues who require a closer parking spot should contact the Rosemont Preserve Committee.

Those planning on walking the trails should wear sturdy shoes and bring water to drink.

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

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

WGA ON STRIKE

A strike by the Writers Guild of America West (WGAW) and Writers Guild of America East (WGAE) against all companies signatory to the 2020 MBA (Minimum Basic Agreement – MBA – is the collective bargaining agreement that covers most of the work done by WGA writers) began on Tuesday, May 2 at 12:01 a.m.

All WGA members are obligated to follow the strike rules as outlined at www.wgacontract2023.org.

More information can be found at www.wgacontract2023.org.

FREE NEIGHBORHOOD SHREDDING EVENT

A free neighborhood shredding event takes place on Sunday, May 7 from 10 a.m. to noon at the La Crescenta Woman’s Club, 4004 La Crescenta Ave. All paper will be accepted; no plastic, X-rays or binders).

JEWISH FEDERATION HOSTING CONSUL GENERAL OF ISRAEL FOR A SPECIAL TOWN HALL MEETING

On Monday, May 15, the Jewish Federation of the Greater San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys will host a special town hall meeting with the Consul General of Israel, Dr. Hillel Newman. Jewish

Federation’s Executive Director Jason Moss will moderate the evening program. It will cover topics ranging from the current controversy regarding judicial reforms and the situation on the Temple Mount to Iran, how Israeli innovations are impacting everyday life and addressing worldwide issues, and much more. In addition, attendees will be able to have their questions answered. The event is open to the public but for security reasons people must pre-register by Monday, May 8 by going to www.jewishsgpv.org.

The event will be held at Temple Beth David at 9677 E. Longden Ave. in Temple City at 7:30 p.m.

MONA LAUNCHES BUS TOURS

Museum of Neon Art launches its new season of Neon Cruises® on Saturday, May 20. Participants will board an open-air top of a double-decker bus to get an intimate view of historic neon signs and permanent installations of contemporary neon art through downtown Los Angeles and Hollywood.

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For more information, visit <https://store.neonmona.org/collections/neon-cruises>.

2023 BRAND ASSOCIATES DANCE SERIES

The Brand Associates presents four performances in its 2023 Dance Series at the Brand Library & Art Center this spring. This series, curated by choreographer, teacher, and producer Jamie Nichols, features top dance companies from Southern California performing site-specific work in non-traditional performance spaces around Brand Library. Performances begin at 5 p.m. The 2023 Dance Series includes: Psychopomp Dance Theater on Saturday, May 6; Kenneth Walker Dance Project (KWDP) on Saturday, May 13; and Bernard Brown/bbmoves on Saturday, May 20.

Brand Library & Art Center is located at 1601 W. Mountain St. in Glendale.

PUBLIC MEETING FOR BURRTEC CUSTOMERS

The contract with current county waste hauler Burrtec Waste Industries will expire next year. Within the next few months, Los Angeles County Public Works will request bids to select a waste hauler and award a new contract.

An in-person meeting to discuss options is being held on Saturday, May 6 from 10 a.m. at the La Crescenta Library Community Room, 2809 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta.

» PERSONAL PERSPECTIVE

Feeling Special – as Principal for A Day



By Robin GOLDSWORTHY

I knew that I was in for a special day when I pulled up to Lincoln Elementary on Thursday and saw my name on the school marquee: Welcome, Robin Goldsworthy – Principal for A Day.

The Glendale Educational Foundation has partnered with schools within the Glendale Unified School District to host Principal for a Day every year (except when prevented during the COVID epidemic). Representatives from throughout our community “take the reins” as principal of an elementary, middle or senior high school and discover how difficult it can be to oversee the machinations of school.

I had the privilege of working side-by-side with Lincoln’s principal Barbara Fariss. I joined Mrs. Fariss at the school gate at 7:45 a.m., welcoming the students as they entered the campus. Mrs. Fariss welcomed just about every student by their first name (“Good morning, Mary!” “Hurry up, Bobby, or you’re going to miss the bell!”). With a student body of several hundred kids, this was pretty impressive. Over the course of the morning, I read a fantastic book, “The Magical Yet,” to two classes. It was so inspiring that I shared its message – that we’re all works in progress and may not know how great we can be – yet – at my Kiwanis meeting the next day.

I met some of the wonderful teachers who work daily with an assortment of kids. Teachers Mrs. Burkhart, Mr. James, Mrs. Maynard and Mrs. Mazur, librarian Mrs. Van Amburg, and yard duty leader Mrs. Gaither all welcomed me into their space, giving me the chance to quietly watch or interact with the students.

The afternoon culminated with a luncheon hosted by GEF at the GUSD headquarters in Glendale. There I was able to see many of my “co-principals” for a day.

Joanna Linkhorst, president of Friends of Rockhaven, was one of the lucky ones selected for Principal for a Day. She was over at Fremont Elementary where she worked alongside school principal Vickie Atikian. Joanna also read to some of the classrooms and heard two instrumental concerts.

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TOP LEFT: Robin Goldsworthy with certificate of recognition as principal for a day.

TOP RIGHT: Robin with the editor of the Lincoln Times, student Ryan Kam.

LEFT: Joanna Linkhorst, president of Friends of Rockhaven, with Fremont principal Vickie Atikian. Linkhorst holds the certificate of recognition given to the principals for a day.

MIDDLE: Lincoln Elementary principal Barbara Fariss greets a student arriving at school.

ABOVE: Lincoln buddies make their way up the stairs and onto the campus.

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LCIF News

Lutheran Church in the Foothills invites local children to join the fun this summer as LCIF hosts the “Weird Animals: Take a Walk on the Wild Side” VBS. Vacation Bible School, or VBS, will be June 19 through the 23 from 9 a.m. to noon. It is open to children ages 4 through sixth grade. Registration is \$35 for one child, \$25 each for two

or more kids. There will be lots of singing, dancing, crafts and games, all centered on learning about God in new ways. Families are encouraged to register online through LCIF’s website, or call the church’s office.

All are welcome to join LCIF each Sunday morning for worship with Pastor Chuck Bunnell at 10 a.m., in person and online.

LCIF reminds the community of its weekly Sunday school for children in first through fourth grades. Families should meet in the sanctuary for the 10 a.m. worship service. Following the “children’s sermon,” the kids will head to the Youth Room for crafts, games and a message from the Bible.

Lutheran Church in the Foothills continues to accept canned goods as well for its ongoing food drive to feed the hungry.

Visit lciffoothills.org for event details. For more information or to request/offer help, email office@lciffoothills.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.

Musical Variety Show ‘Strike Up the Band’ Coming May 21

“Strike up the Band,” a musical variety show to benefit the La Crescenta Presbyterian Church Deacons Scholarship Fund, will take place Sunday, May 21 at 2 p.m. in the church’s sanctuary.

The concert will feature a 10-piece professional band and vocalists performing pop, rock, swing, jazz and gospel, as well as theme songs from film and television.

Suggested donation is \$15 per person or \$30 per family. The community is invited to enjoy the show and support the scholarship fund.

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

Walk and Word

In May, Walk and Word participants will meet in the parking lot of Deukmejian Wilderness Park, 3429 Markridge Road in La Crescenta/Glendale at 8 a.m. on May 14, 21 & 28. 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 jlavieri@earthlink.net.

All are welcome. If the hike is too strenuous, there are level paths at the park. There are ramps from the parking lot to the field where the group gathers after the hike.

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Armenian Genocide Stories Shared at Commemorative Event

By Mary O'KEEFE

"What is done cannot be undone, but one can prevent it from happening again." Those are the words of Anne Frank, a teenage girl who gave her voice to the holocaust," said Inna Sahakyan during the Armenian Genocide Commemorative Event that occurred on April 24 at the Alex Theatre.

"Almost nobody knows the story of another teenage girl," she added.

Sahakyan is the director and writer of "Aurora's Sunrise," the story of Aurora Mardiganian.

Aurora Mardiganian was born in 1901 and was a survivor of the Armenian Genocide.

"Aurora was 14; she lost everything. Her whole family was murdered in front of her eyes. She was sold into slavery, she marched through the desert yet through her courage and intelligence she was able to survive," Sahakyan said at the commemorative event.

The tale follows the very personal story of Mardiganian's survival of the Genocide, making her way to the U.S. and sharing her story in book form and then

in a silent movie that she starred in. The film was titled "Auction of the Souls" and it was a box office hit in its day.

A preview of the film that tells her story, "Aurora's Sunrise," was shared with the Alex Theatre audience.

In addition to the preview, there was a film shown that shared the voices of survivors of the Genocide who gave firsthand accounts that were difficult to hear but important to listen to.

Actor Joe Manganiello was part of the "keynote conversation" with moderator Araksya Karapetyan, anchor with Fox 11. Manganiello is not often associated with the Armenian Genocide but, in fact, his connection is extremely personal.

"My mother is the Armenian [connection] in my family," Manganiello said.

He had grown up hearing stories of his great-grandmother who had escaped the Armenian Genocide but did not know much about his lineage beyond those stories until he was part of the program "Finding Your Roots" on PBS.

He shared his great-grandmother's story of strength



Photo by Mary O'KEEFE
Actor Joe Manganiello, with Fox 11 anchor and event moderator Araksya Karapetyan, shared his great grandmother's story of strength and how she escaped the Genocide.

and how she escaped the Genocide. In 1915, a group known as the Young Turks aimed to wipe out the Armenian population in Turkey. By the time the tortures and murders were completed in 1916 an estimated 1.5 million Armenian souls had been lost.

Manganiello's great-

grandmother lived in Harpoot in Turkey at the time of the Genocide. He said she was in her home when the Turks came in. They shot and killed her husband, who dropped to the floor. They shot her; she fell to the floor but

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knew a suspect was hiding under a porch, which was very dark. The officers were not certain if the suspect was armed. If the officer crawled under the porch, using his/her flashlight, s/he could become a target.

Instead the officer was able to stay outside the porch and call to the suspect. He told him to come out and that they had a dog that could be sent in. The suspect then came out.

Sholtis said that technique was used many times when a warning

is first given of a dog being present.

"If we respond to an alarm call and we see a window smashed we can respond and use K-9s to search," Sholtis said.

The K-9s and the agents have a very close relationship that begins with the initial six-week training session. After six months to a year the dog goes in for secondary training; this is usually detection of drugs, guns or explosives. However, the dogs are training as well on a daily basis with their handlers.

"You may see us at the park

throwing a ball [to the dog]. Most people think we are out [just having fun], but we are not," Meyer said. "We are training."

It is important for the dogs to listen to their handlers for many reasons including for the dogs' own safety.

"Let's say a suspect runs across Glenoaks Boulevard. Our dog is not going to look out for cars, he isn't going to do anything except try to get that suspect, so a handler has to be able to stop that dog," Meyer explained.

That is why the handlers spend so much time with their dogs. They're constantly training to make certain the dogs listen to their commands. But it was also evident, as Jeff jumped to greet Meyer, that there is a bond between the dog and handler that comes from long hours and service together.

The K-9 Unit is supported by the community. Anyone who would like to support the K-9 Unit can visit <https://tinyurl.com/2s48sswt>.

Money Won, Ducks Swam and Everyone Had a Good Time at the Duck Splash

By Robin GOLDSWORTHY

The Kiwanis Club of Glendale held its annual Kids Incredible Duck Splash on Saturday afternoon at Verdugo Park. Hundreds of folks were on hand to cheer on the 21,009 adopted ducks as they made their way down "Lake Glendale," a manmade lake created for the event by members of the Glendale Fire Dept.

"It was heartwarming to see the community come together and enjoy the festivities," said Kiwanis Glendale Duck Chair and President Designate 2023-2024 Irma Villegas.

And there was plenty to see. Five game booths with assorted children's games were run by K-Kids, the youth arm of Kiwanis Glendale, from Fremont and Horace Mann elementary schools and Key Club members from Hoover and Holy Family high schools. Additional duck splash sponsor booths provided information to visitors. These included booths from Pacific BMW, which was on-site with its new fully electric BMW iX M60 Sports Activity Vehicle. Also providing information were representatives from Forest Lawn,

Glendale Orthodontics, Glendale YMCA/ YMCA of the Foothills, Pet Rush Inn, Glendale Community College and USC-VHH. Additional

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“May is Mental Health Awareness Month and so I wanted to make sure to give out a national hotline,” said Councilmember Elen Asatryan. “If anybody needs mental health support, [they] can always dial 988 regardless of where [they] live.”

A new agency was established and launched on Wednesday. According to a report last year, the Burbank Glendale Pasadena Regional Housing Trust will be able to receive public funding from other agencies, fund the planning and construction of housing, and issue bonds for the purposes of funding affordable housing.

“This is a new agency that is being set up [Wednesday, May 3],” said Brotman. “It is the first meeting of that agency and I’m the Glendale representative on the board of that agency.” He said there is a representative from the office of Pasadena mayor Victor Gordo, and also a councilmember from Burbank, Nikki Perez.

Mayor Brotman thanked State Senator Anthony Portantino for the \$23 million given as capital to build affordable housing in the three cities.

“The trust is also empowered to raise additional money so it’s not just the \$23 million,” added the mayor. “Ideally we will find other sources of funds such as public funds, state and local government, private funds... we can even potentially issue bonds to raise additional money. So hopefully this will be a new approach that we can all take to develop affordable housing in a region that obviously needs it very, very much.”

A new city permit portal was announced. The new portal will adopt a clean user interface that will ultimately streamline the permit process. The portal went live at 9 p.m. Tuesday night and can be accessed at <https://tinyurl.com/fy9ybdt>.

The council then focused its attention on an ordinance amending Section 2.04.080 of the Glendale Municipal Code, 1995, pertaining to the order of business for council meetings. After much discussion, the council moved to postpone consideration of the ordinance to Tuesday, May 9.

The council then discussed a motion authorizing the city manager,

or his designee, to execute a professional services agreement with Ascend Analytics, LLC to assist Glendale Water and Power with the development of the City of Glendale 2024 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). Chie Valdez – the Integrated Resources planning administrator – and Scott Mellon – the assistant general manager of Power Management at Glendale Water & Power – conducted the presentation. At the end, Valdez and Mellon recommended that the council authorize the agreement “in the not-to-exceed amount of \$245,000, plus a 15% contingency in the amount of \$36,750.” (GWP, 2023)

During the deliberation of the item, the council urged all parties involved to do their best in upholding transparency and involvement with the community, stakeholders and interested parties in the undertaking of this project. After these comments, the council approved the item.

Next on the agenda was consideration of refinement of updating sign regulation pertaining to animated (digital) signs. The motion was passed by the council.

The discussion of council districts and directly elected mayor and discussion of potential amendments to city charter followed next. Note that a final vote was not reached at this point; on Tuesday, the council was only discussing the matter. Among the arguments made by councilmembers was that voters deserve fair and accurate representation. Many councilmembers also favored compensation for representatives because the position is unpaid and lower-income residents are disincentivized from pursuing a position on the council.

“I’ve always been a supporter of districts. I think it creates fair representation from across Glendale, which is very diverse,”

said Councilmember Asatryan. “I would be interested in maybe a six-member body plus a directly elected mayor. I am interested to hear about compensation. I know that there were some comments made about the median household income in Glendale... We have an opportunity to do full time versus part time council positions. I think term limits should be applied both to the council and to the elected mayor position. And then I think, with the directly elected mayor, I would like to see different models.”

Councilmember Ara Najarian expressed concerns about council districts and a directly elected mayor.

“Going to districts will definitely create fiefdoms,” he said. “There’s going to be one person who is elected from a region or community that is going to hold all the power in that community.” He noted that the performance of safety personnel,

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Waterspout Results from Break

By Mary O’KEEFE

Crescenta Valley Water District crews responded to a water main break on the southwest corner of Foothill Boulevard and La Cañada

Plaza Road.

The break caused a waterspout to shoot into the air. Los Angeles Sheriff’s Dept.-Crescenta Valley Station received several calls about 2:04 p.m. and

temporarily blocked traffic on Foothill Boulevard until water crews arrived.

As of 3 p.m. on Wednesday it did not appear that any customers experienced service interruption.



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CRIME BLOTTER

April 30

4300 block Shepherds Lane in La Cañada Flintridge, a resident reported that while she was taking a bath two suspects entered her residence and pointed a handgun at her. Suspect No. 1 was described as a young Black male adult wearing a grey sweater and red sweatpants. Suspect No. 2 was described as a young Black male adult wearing a black sweater and black pants.

The resident stated she was only a guest at the residence and did not know where anything was located. Suspect No. 1 continued to point the handgun at the victim’s head while Suspect No. 2 rummaged through the bedroom adjacent to the bathroom. Suspect No. 1 asked the victim where “the safe” was and demanded she get out of the bathtub. She complied. Suspect No. 1 then guided the victim through the adjacent bedroom and closet while ordering her to show them where the valuables were. Suspect No. 1 ordered the victim to open drawers while they searched for miscellaneous valuables. Throughout the incident the victim

stated she believed she heard an unknown male’s voice over a speakerphone asking the suspects for updates.

Suspect No. 1 ordered the victim to go back into the bathroom and sit down. He grabbed the victim’s cellphone and walked out of the bathroom. The victim heard the suspects arguing about whether or not to give her back the phone before leaving the location. The suspects then left the residence; the victim located her phone that had been left behind and called law enforcement.

The robbery/residential burglary occurred at 4:05 p.m.

April 29

1300 block of Salisbury Road in La Cañada Flintridge, a catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle overnight.

April 28

Angeles Crest Highway, mile marker 34.14 in Angeles National Forest, a woman parked her vehicle, placed her purse and other items in the trunk, locked the door and left the area. When she

returned she discovered the trunk was open and her purse and other items were missing.

The theft occurred between 2 p.m. and 5:20 p.m.

April 27

900 block of Town Center Drive in La Cañada Flintridge, a man reported parking his vehicle on the top level of the parking lot at the location and began his work shift. When he returned to his vehicle he found several music instruments and other items missing. He reported that he had believed he left his vehicle unlocked.

The thefts occurred between 4 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

April 25

2600 block of Foothill Boulevard in La Crescenta, a woman reported that while she was shopping at a local store she placed her purse on the top section of her shopping cart. When she later reached into her purse to get her wallet she realized it was missing.

The theft occurred between 12:45 p.m. and 2:15 p.m.



Good Times Found at Hometown Country Fair



Montrose Search & Rescue team members Danny Hensley and Steve Goldsworthy.



The CVHS jazz band took the stage to entertain guests.



The dog parade had plenty of participants.



A young girl leaps off one of the inflatables at the Fair



Donny Shelton looks at how high he's climbed with mom Sabrina at his side



Seventy-five booths were onsite offering a variety of products and information

By Mary O'KEEFE

The annual Hometown Country Fair was held on Saturday at Crescenta Valley Park. The day-long free admission event was hosted by the CV Chamber of Commerce and was well attended with an estimated 4,000 people coming by. Visitors were able to talk to law enforcement members including members of the California Highway Patrol, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept., Glendale Police Dept. and Montrose Search and Rescue.

Los Angeles County Fire Dept. firefighters and representatives were also on hand to answer questions about the new brush clearance rules and how to stay fire aware.

A variety of organizations, from local non-profits to retail merchants, were found among the 75 booths that dotted the park. The traditional pie-eating contest was a crowd pleaser as was the entertainment found on stage throughout the day.

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Kathryn Barger thanked the crowd for supporting the Chamber and local organizations.

State Senator Anthony Portantino joined in the fun announcing the pie-eating contest; however, before doing that he had a surprise for longtime resident and former CV Chamber executive director Steve Pierce.

The CV community is known for its outreach, its support of local residents and especially children of the community, and its "volunteer spirit." All of that would not be possible without the leadership of Pierce.

"We are going to surprise Steve Pierce, who is retiring as the executive director of the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce," said Portantino. "It is my honor to present Steve with this State Senate resolution. Whereas Steve Pierce is retiring as executive director of the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce after many years of dedicated service it is appropriate at this time to highlight his many achievements and extend

him special public recognition and accommodation for his professional and civic leadership. Known as a dedicated husband, father and grandfather who has sacrificed his time and service to his country and his community, Steve Pierce worked to shape the Crescenta Valley into a wonderful place through his tireless efforts behind the scenes and leadership of numerous volunteer businesses and neighborhood groups.

"Now therefore be it resolved by Senator Anthony J. Portantino that Steve Pierce be commended for his outstanding record of service as executive director of the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce and we extend our sincerest best wishes on his gratifying and wonderful retirement."

The commendation was a highlight of a day that included a petting zoo, dog parade, inflatable games and more.

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such as police and fire personnel, might be affected and how public works money is going to be spent, how parks maintenance money is going to be spent and everything is going to have to go through that person.

"And I know that because that's what I see in Los Angeles," Najarian added. "That's what I see in the City of Pasadena. That's not what we want. We want representatives for the whole city. We shouldn't see a difference between South Glendale and North Glendale, so I'm against districts."

Councilmember Kassakhian also expressed some of his concerns.

"I don't think any system will be ideal," he said. "I will say that I've given a considerable amount of time and thought to this and thinking about how these systems of representation can be improved. One of the reasons I initially even ran for the office at that time of

city clerk was because of its role in elections and opening up the pathways to democracy to under-represented groups. In this city I've lived and seen how groups have been marginalized or disenfranchised and what they've had to go through to get access to sit and have a seat at the decision. ... Unfortunately, we are limited in what we can do in California. And district elections happen to be one way if we are going to move in that direction. I think it's best for us to... control our destiny versus having to go into a system by default. And I believe that expanding this council, allowing more voices to be heard ... is the right way to do it."

Mayor Brotman agreed that there was no ideal solution.

"I don't think there's any perfect structure," he said. "There are potential issues no matter how you set up your

government, but I think we're at a size and a level of complexity that districts would allow for better representation geographically and socio-economically. I think it creates a lower barrier of entry to potential candidates. So I think we will see candidates who may not have the wherewithal to run on a citywide basis. And I think that'll give us more diversity here. And I think diversity is good; diversity leads to better decisions. Ultimately, I ... think we'll get better constituent services if we have council members that are closer to their constituents."

The meeting concluded with a motion to start a study reflecting six council districts and a directly elected mayor. Findings from this study, in addition to the likely presentation of alternatives, will be discussed in a future council meeting.

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Happy Crowd Found at Craft Beer Fest

By Robin GOLDSWORTHY

It was an enthusiastic crowd that filled the 2200 block of Honolulu Avenue on Sunday for the Annual Montrose Craft Beer Fest hosted by the Montrose-Verdugo City Chamber of Commerce.

A total of 738 tickets were sold to the event. According to Mavil Aghadjanian, executive director of the MVCOC, the fundraiser supports the chamber's mission.

"[The Chamber] actively supports and enriches the community, [its] vitality, and helps preserve the historic district and small town atmosphere. [The Chamber strives] to promote economic stability and positive, productive relationships within Montrose and the surrounding communities," said Aghadjanian. "We do this through business mixers, ribbon cutting ceremonies, and through sponsoring community events such as: the Memorial Day ceremony, the Montrose Christmas Parade, and other programs for local youth groups through cooperative advertising."

Ticketholders were greeted by members of the MVCOC at the corner of Honolulu and Ocean View Boulevard. They provided wristbands confirming the age of ticketholders and directed them to the booth hosted by We're Pouring that provided the glasses used for tasting the variety of craft beers.

Thirty-five booths were onsite, offering a taste of their fare. Among these were members of Alissa's Oceanview Bar & Grill.

"It's an enthusiastic crowd of people," said Chris Long of Alissa's, which was serving up fish tacos.

Among the eight restaurants, 22



breweries and five informational/craft booths onsite were some longtime favorites. This was the fifth year that Bottle Logic Brewing was on the avenue. Tim Reider and Mark Lewin manned the taps, providing tastes of their craft beer.

"It's over the top," Reider said of the event.

Sommelier Marcelo Waldheim of 8Wine8 was pouring tastes of several wines. This was the first time that Waldheim has worked at the popular festival.

"It's a misconception that lower quality wines are being offered," he said. "But I brought some good wines."

For those in the mood for something sweet, Keller Williams realtor Justin Jenewein (aka "The Donut Guy") had a booth that drew a lot of attention. Aubree Chavarriga handed out the sweet treats to ticketholders.

Harland Beer Co. rep Adrian Brown welcomed ticketholders as

well, extending an invitation to one of their tasting rooms.

"The Scripps Ranch tasting room is worth the trip south," he said.

Rich Hawkinson was visiting from out of town. His kids live locally. A former media person, Hawkinson thought the MVCOC event was "great."

"People don't appreciate how much work it takes to put on something like this," he said. "It compares well." The challenges of hosting an event of this size was not lost on Aghadjanian.

"We'd like to thank all of the breweries, restaurants, organizations, sponsors and volunteers that came together to help us execute this successful event yet again for its eighth year," she said. "Showcasing and highlighting local breweries and restaurants is always the goal and we're thankful to this community that continuously shares their support."

Photos by Robin GOLDSWORTHY

LEFT: Mark Lewin, with Tim Reider in the background, poured tastes of Bottle Logic.

MIDDLE: Marcelo Waldheim of 8Wine8 introduced a variety of wines to tasters.

RIGHT: Ashley Phillips lent a hand at the tap of Beachwood Brewery in Long Beach.

BELOW: Members of We're Pouring provided glasses to ticketholders.



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did not die. She heard seven more shots that killed her seven children, and then the Turks were gone. They left her baby in his bed; the plan was to have that child starve.

But Manganiello's great-grandmother got up and, with a bullet still in her body, wrapped her baby onto her back and escaped. At one point she swam across a river where her child unfortunately drowned. She lived in a cave with others who had escaped until finally getting to a refugee-type camp that was controlled by German officers. There she worked for a German officer and became pregnant. The officer went back to Germany – and to his wife and kids – leaving Manganiello's great-grandmother, once again, on her own. She was finally able to make it to the U.S. but the family knew little to nothing about Manganiello's German great-grandfather.

"Finding Your Roots" was able to fill in some blanks. It discovered Manganiello's great-grandfather and then found something even more powerful: His great-grandfather had sons, and one of those sons served as a Nazi

in WWII. Manganiello said his family is both the victims and perpetrators of genocide – one in Armenia and one in Germany.

Manganiello said since the genealogy show was aired he has gotten to know many more Armenians.

"I didn't realize how under-represented the Armenian story is," he said. He added how important it was for him to continue to tell his great-grandmother's story.

"It is happening again. How can it happen again in our modern society? But it is," he said, referring to today's isolation and starvation of Armenians in Artsakh.

The Alex Theatre has been the location of a City of Glendale annual commemorative Armenian Genocide event, which was free to attend with tickets and also attended by local supporters and dignitaries.

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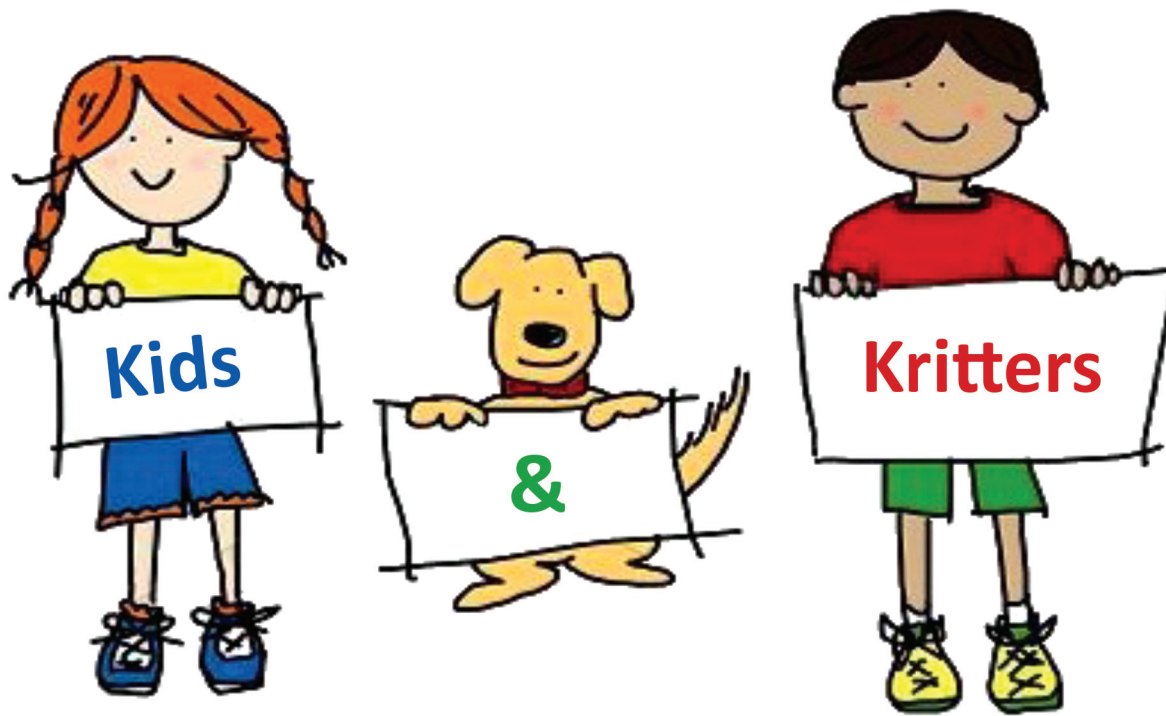
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booths were provided by Assistance League of Glendale, The Campbell Center, Ballet Folklorico Mexico Azteca and Glendale Public Library.

Food was provided by the Kiwanis Club of Simi Valley.

A highlight of the day was the announcement of who won the big money in the duck races. More



than \$13,500 was distributed to duck adoptees. Winners of \$500 were Alejandro Ortiz Cazares, Edna Karinski and Marilyn Guyer. Taking home \$1,000 was

Raymond Morales and Toni Espinoza. The grand prize of \$10,000 was won by Randy Shoup, DDS. Dr. Shoup is a dentist in Indianapolis who said he will use the money for his dental outreach project in Kenya.

The day raised funds – and fun – for an organization that works hard on having a positive impact on the community.

“At the core of our Kiwanis International Objectives lies the belief in prioritizing human and spiritual values over material ones, and promoting a culture of altruistic service and higher standards,” said Villegas. “The Duck Splash event truly embodied these values, and we are proud of what we achieved together.”

ROBIN from page 2

There are many facets to running this local newspaper and I'm grateful knowing that many turn to the CVW for reliable, trustworthy information. I take that responsibility seriously and hope it's reflected in the final product.

WEATHER from page 2

Images of shadows of people in the fog would be briefly seen then a sudden attack would occur.

I love films that take something out of the real world and expand into a completely different universe. This hooks the audience into thinking, “What if?” The best of these types of films, in my opinion, is of course “The Birds” though not all of these reality-and-beyond crossovers work; however, when they do they work really well.

So as I was driving through the fog last week, I tried really hard to convince myself that what I had seen was simply a shadow of a tree – not an ancient mariner from the past with a really big hook.

Not much fog is expected but there was rain expected last night into today with a chance of isolated thunderstorms in the mountains. This rainstorm is expected to bring a half inch to 1 inch of rain in the valley and 1 inch to 2 inches of rain in the foothills. There was a 70% chance of snow expected on the Grapevine last night into today with a 30% chance of up to an inch of snow being received.

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VIEWPOINTS

TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

A Family Connection to Bob's Big Boy

Cindy Redden, owner of the Montrose gift store Twigs and Things, has a two-generation memory of our beloved Montrose Bob's Big Boy. For atmosphere, I got the story from her over a classic Big Boy Combo at the Burbank Bob's.

Cindy was born here in the valley. She grew up in the hills above Montrose near what was then Glenhaven Park. Little is known today about Glenhaven Park. The large park is described by Cindy as having a baseball diamond, four tennis courts and lots of oak trees. It was on the south side of the San Rafaels, below today's Crescenta-Cañada YMCA, bounded by Hilldale and La Granada. The freeway took the park, leaving a postage stamp park that still carries the Glenhaven name.

Cindy's dad, Robert "Bob" T Glassett, joined Bob's Big Boy right after his Navy service. He started as a dishwasher/busboy, and worked all the way up the Bob's hierarchy to

vice president of Personnel. Cindy describes company owner Bob Wian as a generous boss. He wined and dined his corporate people with off-site retreats in Palm Springs and golfing excursions. He was generous to all of his employees, offering a health plan, profit sharing and the opportunity to open a franchise.

And that's just what Cindy's dad had in mind – a Bob's Big Boy of his own. But a heart condition struck him down at only the age of 39. Cindy was 3½ when she lost her father.

When Cindy reached 16, she decided it was her turn to work at Bob's. She applied at Montrose Bob's, but was turned down because of her age. Higher ups in the company caught wind of this and, remembering Cindy's dad, they pulled strings to get her in at Bob's. After hiring, the training was rigorous. One didn't immediately start out working as a waitress at Bob's. A month-long training

period was required, including classroom instruction on subjects from grooming and appearance to holding multiple plates. Cindy shared with me a book given to new employees that detailed Bob's Big Boy history and provided strict guidelines for appearance and deportment for both waitresses and kitchen staff.

Cindy started as a fountain girl, wearing the Bob's uniform: brown skirt, nylons and hair in a bun. The shift started at 6:30 a.m. and was busy all day! The waitresses wrote the orders by hand and had to mentally add up the bill at the end. With her waitress paycheck, Cindy was able to buy her own car, a Mercury Capri.

The Montrose Bob's was relatively small, so it was packed all the time. Everyone wanted to sit at the counter. Of course there were regulars. One of them was voice actor Clarence Nash. Nash was the longtime voice of Donald Duck for

the Disney cartoons. Nash loved to entertain local kids and at Bob's he could often be found quacking away at the bored children who were waiting for a table to open up.

Cindy worked at Bob's in Montrose from 1977 to 1984. This was during the years that Marriot owned the company. Cindy feels that Marriot ran it into the ground. She said there was even a time when Marriot considered ditching the iconic Bob statue, but it was saved by popular demand. Perhaps it was just a gimmick, but we've seen other companies ditch their established icons to the detriment of their businesses.

After she was no longer at Bob's she worked various other waitress and retail jobs, gravitating to gift shops. Creating her own unique floral arrangements and wreaths, she opened Twigs and Things in 1997 on Honolulu. She's now just around the corner on Ocean View, a couple of doors up from Honolulu

where she sells candles, holiday flags and her own wreath and floral designs. Stop in and say hi to Cindy and ask her about her time at Bob's.

Bob's Big Boy was such a big part of our valley's history. In the next couple of weeks, I'll feature some memories of Bob's. I invite you to join in. Send your stories and memories of the Montrose Bob's to lawlerdad@yahoo.com.



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

VIEWS FROM THE VALLEY » SUSAN BOLAN

Need A Vacation From My Vacation

It is rare that I am able to get away for more than a few days at a time. I tend to take on too much and overbook myself between my busywork, home and community schedules. When I do hit the road, I make sure all the balls I have thrown into the air have landed safely where they are supposed to. That means I am never far from my laptop and checking on details while having fun. That doesn't make me a controlling person, just a responsible one who only wants things to run smoothly while away. Knowing that all is well also provides me with the peace of mind to let go.

I am learning to relax a bit more, though. I recently booked a family vacation, a repeat of one we took 14 years ago. We flew to the island of Oahu, stayed a day, then boarded Norwegian's Pride of America and sailed around the rest of the Hawaiian islands. We have been to

Hawaii many times and traveling by ship affords a certain perspective and flexibility. We didn't have to pack and unpack or lose a day at the airport due to flying between the islands. We could stay on the ship and relax by the pool with a tropical drink in hand or rent a car for the day and go exploring. Of course, there are many shore excursions offered by the cruise line but we like to see how the day unfolds on our own, just us.

This trip we adventured on Maui and Kauai by car and enjoyed beautiful beaches, refreshing snorkeling, canyon overlooks, an impromptu storytelling by a native Hawaiian and amazing sunsets. There were colorful chickens everywhere and we were in awe of the couple of sea turtles we saw. On the ship, we delighted in the array of food choices and activities to participate in, if we wished. Our daughter Delaney took a hula class

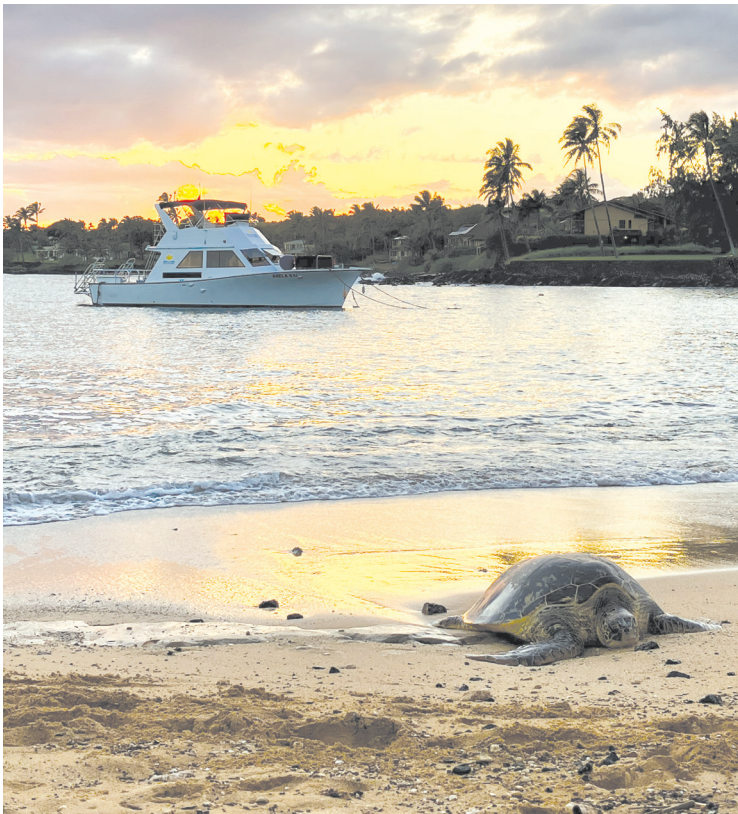
during the week and performed with her classmates on the last day to receive her certificate of completion. She looked so graceful and sweet – the best dancer in our opinion. After that, we were treated to a tour of the Napali Coast as the sun was setting and humpback whales were blowing water to the sky and breaching. What a thrill!

The next day, we disembarked the ship and headed to Waikiki Beach where we swam, snorkeled and had a nice dinner before the early flight in the morning. It was a busy week but we came home tanned and refreshed. I had allowed myself to disconnect from electronics by not paying for the "internet package" and was proud that I only checked my emails twice while in port. I say that's progress.

Of course, when we returned all my obligations came flooding back and I spent the week trying to play catch up. At week's end, though, I had things relatively in order. On Saturday, I was happy to be out in the community again at the Hometown Country Fair. I staffed the Crescenta Valley Community Association booth with fellow volunteer members and shared information about development projects in our area that are of concern. It was great to see neighbors and community groups like the CV Town Council, Friends of Rockhaven and the Historical Society of Crescenta Valley. There are so many people out there doing good in our valley including the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce that, with their sponsors, plan and run the fair each year. Thanks so much for all your hard work, everyone.

I will leave you with these thoughts: Take time for yourself and with your family; be a positive voice for your community; and "May the 4th be with you."

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YOUTH

Taste of Cultures from Around the World Found in Montrose

By Lori BODNAR

The historic Scout House in Montrose was filled with hundreds of happy Girl Scouts who gathered for the 37th Girl Scout Tasting Bee on April 23. The Scouts – and ticket buyers – learned about the customs and cultures from around the world through tastes of traditional food.

Thirteen Girl Scout troops represented different countries for the Tasting Bee having made posters, prepared food and wore outfits relating to their chosen country. Over 150 countries are part of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGS).

The Tasting Bee booths reflected the countries of China, England, France, Germany, Guatemala, India, Italy, Japan, Scotland, Sweden, South Korea, Taiwan and Thailand. Participating Girl Scout troops ranged from the Daisies (in kindergarten and first grade), Brownies (second-third graders), Juniors (fourth and fifth grade), Cadettes (sixth through eighth grade), Seniors (ninth and tenth graders) and Ambassadors (11th-12th graders).

Organizers of the Tasting Bee included Cally Lau, Marisa Gallo and Patti B.

“The Tasting Bee motivates the Girl Scouts to start thinking about travel and awareness of the sisterhood of Girl Guides in different areas,” said Patti B. “Whenever I travel to a new country, I try to meet up with Girl Scouts. There are five World Centers of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.”

The five WAGGS World Centers include Pax Lodge in England, Our Chalet in Switzerland, Our Cabaña in Mexico, Sangam in India, and Kusafiri in Africa. Local MaryJane Craig, a Girl Scout for almost 60 years, has been to four of the World Centers and is part of the Silver Trefoils.



Craig said, “Our chapter of the Silver Trefoils is involved with council, the history and traditions of Girl Scouts; [for example] explaining why we put up three fingers for the Girl Scout promise and law, and the history of our badge. Our membership requirement is 25 years of Girl Scouting. The Silver Trefoils is a great way to continue to stay involved with service and Girl Scouts.”

Troops researched the culture, customs and ethnic food from their chosen country, with some troops having members who may have firsthand knowledge about that culture, such as Scotland.

“I’ve been to Scotland and my husband is Scottish, so our troop thought it would be fun to represent Scotland,” said troop leader Leah Blackley. “Troop 2931 [members have] done the Tasting Bee since they were Daisies so for about eight

years. We spent about two-three months planning and preparing for the Tasting Bee. We are serving Scottish shortbread and the traditional haggis (sheep offal).”

The troop also wore tartan clothing and had set up a mini-golf course for Scouts to play, since Scotland invented the game of golf.

Suzie Bodnar, a Cadette in Troop 2931, said she enjoyed learning how to make Scottish shortbread.

“My favorite taste was the shortbread we made,” Bodnar said. “I also liked the Italian meatballs. I had fun hosting our Scotland booth, learning about other countries and trying their tastes, and collecting stamp stickers from each country. I also liked exchanging SWAPS with other scouts.”

SWAPS, or Special Whatchamacallits Affectionately Pinned Somewhere, are small keepsakes that Girl Scouts exchange

with one another, serving as a reminder of a fun event. SWAPS are unique and hand-made by the girls in each troop. Most troops had special SWAPS that reflected their country, such as flags crafted from beads or laminated tiny pictures of landmarks from their represented country.

Troop 1601 served English scones and “toad in the hole” (sausages in Yorkshire pudding) at their booth representing England. Erin Blackley, a Girl Scout ambassador of Troop 1601, has been part of Girl Scouts for about nine years.

“We chose England because when we graduate we are traveling to England for our Girl Scout senior trip,” Blackley said. “I attended the Girl Scout Tasting Bee before but this is my first time hosting a booth. I like how we can see different cultures and explore the traditional food at the Tasting Bee.”

Photos provided by Lori BODNAR
TOP LEFT: Christie Crahan (impersonator of Juliette Gordon Low) with (seated) Silver Trefoils MaryJane Craig.
TOP RIGHT: Outdoor booths at Tasting Bee.
BOTTOM LEFT: Troop 61 presented information regarding China.
BOTTOM RIGHT: Troop 1051 members Maritza Vogt, Naiga Rothermund, and Maia Vergara were part of the Germany booth.

Sweden was also represented at the Tasting Bee by Troop 846. Junior Girl Scout Emilia Feinberg started Girl Scouts last year.

“Our troop put different country names in a hat and we picked Sweden,” Feinberg explained. “My mom is from Sweden, so she knows a lot about it. We are serving gingersnaps, which is known as pepparkakor in Sweden. One fun fact about Sweden is that the country has a king and queen. Sweden also celebrates St. Lucy on Dec. 13.

“I like learning about the different cultures and tasting the food at the Tasting Bee. I enjoy earning badges in Girl Scouts and my friends are in the troop.”

“Our troop chose Taiwan. Both of my parents come from Taiwan,” said Cadette Katherine Hsias. “We are serving boba milk and pork balls (gong wan). We did the Tasting Bee one time before. I like that we get to eat and learn about a ton of different places at the Tasting Bee. I enjoy making friends and doing activities in Girl Scouts.”

The afternoon culminated with the girls gathering together, holding the flags of their countries. They marched in a Parade of Countries enjoyed by the parents and spectators.

After the march, Christie Crahan, a Juliette Gordon Lowe impersonator (Juliette Gordon Lowe is the founder of Girl Scouts), commended the Scouts for coming together as Scout sisters to learn more about the world.

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Rosemont seventh grade student Soren Cooper, shown with GEF executive director Romie Ruiz, was one of the grant recipients.

GEF 2023 Student Grants Program – Award Recipients

The Glendale Educational Foundation recently awarded \$13,506 in student-driven project grants. Twenty-three students representing 18 projects were awarded funds to propel their projects forward.

- 1) Amna Fadel – The Golden Book Project - \$1,000 – Clark
- 2) Candela Roman Capdevila – Collaboratory - \$1,000 - Hoover
- 3) Mahesh Arunchalam – Youth Capabilities - \$200 - CVHS
- 4) Christina Lambaryan and Andrew Shahvosian – Connect with Coding - \$600 – (both) - Hoover
- 5) Daniel Uvakin - Chess Club - \$500 - Hoover
- 6) Nelly Nikogosova – American Red Cross Club - \$850 - Hoover
- 7) Isabel Maghaguian and Lyra Hunter - Expanding Hoover Art's Future Opportunities - \$1,000 - Hoover
- 8) Elin Ghargheni and Manika Parseghian – Journalism - \$500 - Hoover

- 9) Lucy Levy, Ellie Tatiyants and Wednesday Virk – Learn to Cook - \$1,000 – Keppel ES
- 10) Soren Cooper - Food Waste Pilot Project at Rosemont Middle School - \$1,000 – Rosemont MS
- 11) Dvin Badal Hayrapetian – Puzzle Club - \$200 – Glendale HS
- 12) Penelope Ma – Chalk ROCKS - \$306 – Rosemont MS
- 13) Eva Hovespeyan – Escape Room - \$1,000 – Muir ES
- 14) Leo Tchakerian - Python Programming Class - \$500 – Verdugo Woodlands ES
- 15) Sascha Hagobian - Disc Golf Equipment for Clark Magnet High School - \$850 - Clark
- 16) Ashley Ramirez - Glendale High Sousaphone project - \$1,000 – GLENDALE HS
- 17) Francine Ghazarian - Glendale High String Coach Program - \$1,000 – Glendale HS
- 18) Joseph Meza - Glendale High Instrument Repair program - \$1,000 – Glendale HS

International Competition in Houston

Recently the All-Girls Robotics FTC Team 25 from Pasadena advanced to the world championships in Houston. The team played 11 matches against multiple teams and received helpful feedback on their outreach and connections from the FIRST judges. There were a total 190 FTC teams that came to Houston from all over the world that were then divided

into four divisions.

FTC Team 25 worked and collaborated with those teams and shared the knowledge and experience in the robot build and design process. The team attended the Innovation Fair where they made connections to many universities offering STEM majors. The team also connected with companies that provide innovative robotics

engineering. The team members attended multiple conferences and sessions hosted by industry leaders and FIRST volunteers where they learned ways to improve robot design techniques, outreach and fundraising opportunities and pursue the college path by sharing their FIRST competition journey.

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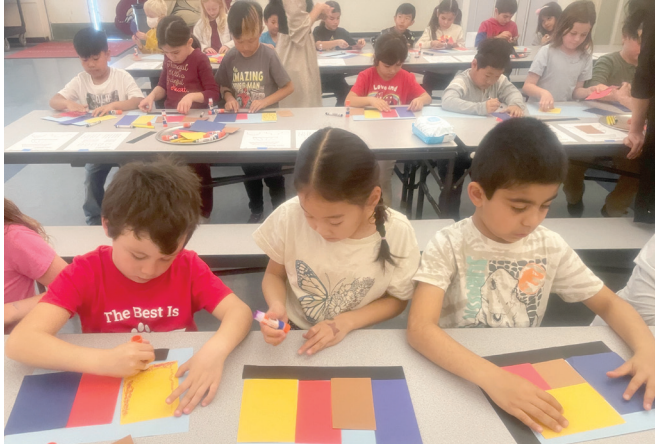
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The Art Room Comes to Lincoln



Some of the students at Abraham Lincoln Elementary School have worked with art teacher Jenna Macho from The Art Room this year as part of their arts education program through the Lincoln Foundation headed by Nicole Moreau.

Kids in TK-sixth grade participated in three arts lessons held during the school year. Students first learned about Jacob Lawrence and his urban paintings of Harlem then created colorful collages in the style of his paintings. Next, they

learned about the process of clay hand-building then made pinch pots and learned about slip and score and glaze techniques.

The year was rounded out with the students learning about the art of Mexican artist Frida Kahlo.

They then drew oil pastel self-portraits complete with personalized headbands.

Jenna Macho of The Art Room in Glendale 91208 can be reached at (818) 261-1185.

Submitted by Nicolas JAMES

Photos provided by Nicolas JAMES
LEFT: First graders work on their Jacob Lawrence collages.
MIDDLE: Art teacher Jenna Macho.

Glendale Youth Orchestra Presents 'An American In Paris'

On May 21, the Glendale Youth Orchestra at the Alex Theatre will be performing a concert entitled "An American in Paris," featuring works inspired by the theatre, ballet and opera. Works will include Mozart's "Magic Flute Overture," Prokofiev's "Romeo & Juliet," Mascagni's "Intermezzo from Cavalliera Rusticana," and Gershwin's "An American In Paris."

Alongside these works, the Glendale Youth Orchestra will also be featuring two of its recent winners of the annual concerto competition. Madeline Son of La Cañada, violin, will be performing Lalo's "Symphonie Espagnole," which helped make Spanish themes in music popular. Associate Concertmaster Valerie Chen of

Valencia will be performing the most popular violin concerto of the Romantic era, "Violin Concerto No. 2" by Wieniawski.

This concert is sponsored by a grant from the Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts.

The GYO is supported, in part, by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors through the Los Angeles County Dept. of Arts and Culture. The GYO is by the California Arts Council through the Creative Youth Development Grant.

Tickets are \$18 and may be purchased from the Alex Theatre box office. Students, children and seniors may purchase tickets for \$16 each. The Alex Theatre is located at 216 N. Brand Blvd., Glendale. For more information, visit www.alextheatre.org.



Madeline Son



Valerie Chen

Open House Auction Benefits Lincoln Elementary

Abraham Lincoln Elementary School is kicking off its 2023 Open House Online Auction on Wednesday, May 10 at <https://ourschool.auction/LincolnLions>.

Supporters can bid online on exciting items like Dodgers tickets, theme park tickets, themed baskets, kids activities and classes through 7 p.m. on May 25. The

money raised supports the Lincoln Elementary School Foundation. Bidders are encouraged to stop by the website to browse, shop or just show support. Anyone

with items to donate can email lincolnfoundationpres@gmail.com.

Submitted by Jade DHATCHAYANGKUL



Food & Bake Sale Made By Youth for Youth

By Ruth SOWBY

The parking lot of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was full on April 15 as dozens of hungry churchgoers arrived early for the best selection of bakery goods made by the youth of the La Crescenta ward at 4550 Raymond Ave. Frosted sugar cookies, chocolate bundt cakes, red velvet cakes, breakfast rolls, dinner rolls, banana nut bread, muffins and fudge were available for sale. All goodies were available for donation.

Offered for sale were vouchers for youth services such as babysitting, homemade meals and yard work. For example, two youth available for two hours of yard work would cost \$50.

All proceeds support girls camp and boys high adventure activities for La Crescenta ward youth, 14 to 17 years old.

Photo by Ruth SOWBY
Baking their way to girls camp are, from left, Caitlyn Hughes, 16; Julia Marriott, 15; and Bethany Lee, 12. All are La Crescenta residents

BETWEEN FRIENDS

Arsen Danielian Awarded Order of Knight Commander by Pope Francis

Arsen Danielian, Glendale attorney and civic leader, was recognized by Pope Francis with one of the most prestigious honors bestowed by the Supreme Pontiff of the Catholic Church – The Papal Order of Knight Commander of Saint Sylvester.

Danielian, a founder and senior partner in the law firm of Danielian, LeCroy & Kolanjian, was awarded the Medal of the Order of Saint Sylvester in April at St. Gregory Armenian Catholic Cathedral in Glendale. The medal was presented by Eparchial Bishop, His Excellency the Most Rev. Mikael Mouradian.

Named for Pope Saint Sylvester I, who served in the years 314-335 and remembered for his leadership during a critical period of the Church's history, the award symbolizes Danielian's "achievement and commitment to

making a positive impact in the world." The knighthood honors laypersons recognized for their service to the Church and society.

"I am deeply honored and humbled by the significance of this award, which is rooted in the history of the Catholic Church," Danielian said. "I wish to express my gratitude to Pope Francis for bestowing this honor upon me."

Born in Tehran, Iran, to an Armenian family, Danielian immigrated to the United States in 1979. He graduated with a J.D. degree from the University of La Verne in 1984 and practiced law in the Los Angeles area before becoming one of the founders of the firm Baker, Olson, LeCroy & Danielian in 1991. He currently serves on the governing board of Adventist Health Glendale and is past chair of the hospital's Healthcare Foundation.

Submitted by Vic PALLOS



Arsen Danielian, Esq., receives Medal of the Order of Saint Sylvester from His Excellency the Most Rev. Bishop Mikael Mouradian, Bishop of the Armenian Catholic Church in the U.S. and Canada, assisted by the Very Rev. Father Parsegh Baghdasarian. Photo provided by Vic PALLOS

Home Again Los Angeles Receives Humanitarian Award

Home Again Los Angeles received the Humanitarian Award at The Valley Economic Alliance (The Alliance) 25th

Valley of the Stars Awards held at The Odyssey in Granada Hills. The Humanitarian Award is given to an individual or

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Millions of men and women live with pelvic floor disorders because, while they are extremely common, there is little awareness that these disorders can be treated. Some can be managed easily and non-invasively with physical therapy, which is why USC-Verdugo Hills Hospital created a team of physical therapists trained specifically to help people with pelvic floor disorders.

The pelvic floor is a network of muscles, ligaments and connective tissue that supports several organs in the lower abdomen and assists in bladder and bowel function. Pelvic floor disorders occur when the pelvic floor is stretched, damaged or weakened so that the muscles and ligaments shift away from their natural alignment. These disorders often result from trauma such as childbirth, falls that damage the hips or pelvis, heavy lifting or abdominal surgery.

Although more common among women, both men and women develop pelvic floor disorders, which can lead to a range of issues. The most common is urinary incontinence, but also includes overactive bladder, constipation, pelvic pain and fecal incontinence.

Though not life-threatening, many conditions that arise from pelvic floor disorders can affect the way people live. Some give up certain activities and avoid going places, like concerts or sporting events, where they might encounter long lines at public restrooms.

USC-VHH has a team of physical therapists who are trained specifically to help

patients with pelvic floor disorders. Using both manual therapy and therapeutic exercises, the physical therapists at USC-VHH can dramatically change the quality of life of people with pelvic floor disorders.

Since launching the physical therapy program for pelvic floor disorders in 2018, the program has grown exponentially as doctors from around the area have learned of the team's success in treating common pelvic floor disorders.

The physical therapists who specialize in pelvic health create personalized programs of care for each patient based on his or her individual needs. The therapists all have multiple specialties and work with both the patient and their doctor to improve their pelvic floor and their quality of life.

"Patients at USC-VHH understand and appreciate the personalized care they receive," said Rashmi Bandekar, PT, DPT, rehabilitation services manager at USC-VHH.

There are times that patients need a higher level of intervention if physical therapy does not help. At USC-VHH, patients can be referred to one of the physicians that work with the team if they need additional treatment.

"It is helpful to our patients that we work in an interdisciplinary team environment," said Bandekar. "If we feel like the patient needs to consult with another type of provider, we help connect them to a physician to get them the help they need."

For more info, visit uscvhh.org/hospital-services/womens-health/pelvic-health.

Elks Installs Officers

The Elks Lodge of Tujunga recently installed its new slates of officers. They include:

Exalted Ruler: Mark Seigel, Leading Knight: Lori Naphen-Bouchard, PER Loyal Knight: Wendy Hart, Lecturing Knight: Steve McLaughlin, Treasurer: Michelle Weaver, Secretary: Pati Potter, Esquire: Diana Gomula, Chaplain: Nina Royal, Inner Guard: Donna Higgins.

Elks Lodge is located at 10137 Commerce in Tujunga. For more information, call (818) 352-2098 or email: Elks2098@yahoo.com.

Submitted by Katie O'BRIEN

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Artin Minaeian, M.D., a board-certified general and vascular neurologist, received his medical degree from St. George's University School of Medicine. He completed his training at Mt. Sinai School of Medicine, a general neurology residency at New York Medical College, and a vascular neurology fellowship at the University of Massachusetts. Dr. Minaeian provides services to patients with neurological disorders such as stroke, headache, seizure disorder, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's and other degenerative disorders, Alzheimer's and other dementia, nerve and muscle disorders, sleep disorders, and traumatic brain injury.



The local chapter of Together Women Rise, a nonprofit organization that consists of 500 plus "giving circles," is celebrating its 10th year of funding grants for organizations that support women and girls in low-income countries. Together Women Rise "Rise" itself, formerly known as Dining for Women, is celebrating 20 years as an organization this year.

Rise is a community of women and allies dedicated to achieving global gender equality. Rise has hundreds of local chapters across the U.S. where members learn about and advocate for gender equality issues, give grants to organizations that empower women and girls in low-income countries, and build community.

To learn more or to join the local chapter, contact Jody Weems at (562) 550-0411.

Submitted by Jody WEEMS

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Pictured back row from left are Caryl Pettit, Sherry Taylor, Dianne Roybal, Lauren McCoy, and Rita LaFace; front row from left are Leah Thompson Snell, Jody Weems and Carol Nakashima.

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TRAVEL & LEISURE

Scene in LA – May 2023

By Steve ZALL and Sid FISH

It's great to see that more of the theatres we feared had been lost during the pandemic closure are opening their doors again with new shows. COVID protocols continue to be dictated by each individual venue, so bring a facemask to wear during the show in case the venue requires it. It's a good idea to check with the theatre before attending an event to find out what is their current policy.

The information presented in this column is the latest available at the time of printing; however, it should be verified with the theatre before definite plans are made.

Here are the shows that have announced opening dates for this month, or are already running:

"Ain't Misbehavin'" is a musical tribute to Fats Waller, the international jazz pianist whose passion for pleasure and play helped create and define American swing. The revue features a five-person cast performing hit songs like "Honeysuckle Rose," "Your Feet's Too Big," "Black and Blue," "I'm Gonna Sit Right Down and Right Myself a Letter," "The Jitterbug Waltz" and the title song, "Ain't Misbehavin'."

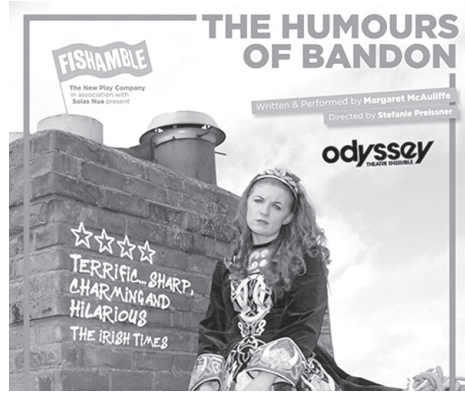
Written by Richard Maltby Jr. and Murray Horowitz, and directed by Wren T. Brown, it runs May 4 through May 28 at the Nate Holden Performing Arts Center in Los Angeles. For tickets, call (323) 964-9766 or visit www.ebonyrep.org.



"Can I Touch It?" Shay Solomon is many things – but there's one thing she's definitely not: a pawn in the bank's efforts to buy up foreclosed real estate. The story examines Black hair politics, the racial inequities faced by Black-owned businesses and the fantastical place women of color have to recede into when they get asked stupid ass questions.

Written by Francisca Da Silveira and directed by Gregg T. Daniel, it runs May

5 through June 11 at the Rogue Machine at the Matrix Theatre in Los Angeles. For tickets, call (855) 585-5185 or visit www.roguemachinetheatre.org.



"The Humours of Bandon" Annie is a 16-year-old Irish dancer from Dublin and we meet her on the eve of the biggest competition of her life, the Irish Open Championships 1999. She charts us through the various successes and disappointments of her Irish dancing life. We share her mind-numbing commitment and burning desire to win the coveted Irish Open title. Will she win and, if so, in what way?

Written by Margaret McAuliffe and directed by Stefanie Preissner, it runs May 6 through May 8 at the Odyssey Theatre in Los Angeles. For tickets, call (310) 477-2055 or visit www.OdysseyTheatre.com.



"On This Side of the World" A woman flies from the Philippines to America with a one-way ticket and a suitcase full of stories. Each story is collected from immigrants who came before her – tales of overseas workers, young lovers and gossipy church ladies, snapshots of undocumented immigrants, millennial princesses and first-generation Americans. Suspended above the ocean, she replays these stories in her mind as she searches for the courage to embrace her future. This world

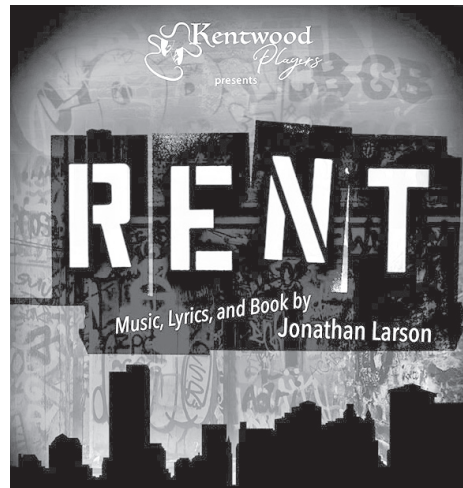
premiere musical gives voices to Filipino immigrants navigating old lives and new beginnings, 8,000 miles from home.

Written and directed by Noam Shapiro, with music by Paulo K Tiról, it runs May 11 through June 4 at the David Henry Hwang Theatre in Little Tokyo. For tickets, call (213) 625-7000 or visit www.eastwestplayers.org.



"Jack Craddock is Having a Party" It's a comedy of contemporary manners set over the course of one turbulent evening. In an Austin, Texas apartment haunted by recent calamity, the unheralded homecoming of a mythic frat star heartthrob brings simmering tensions among a tangled group of friends and ex-lovers to a rolling boil.

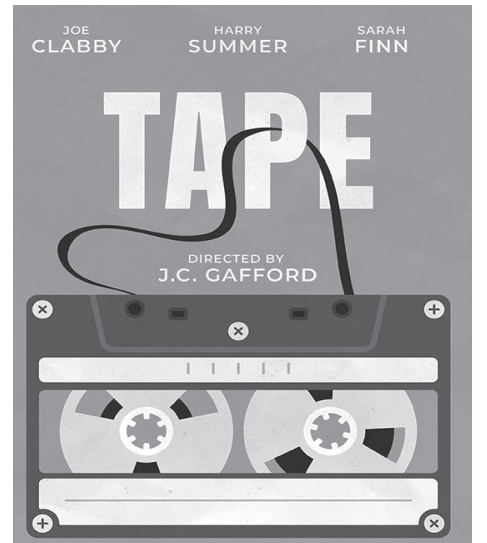
Written by Harrison Harvey and directed by Rachel McBath, it runs May 12 through June 4 at the Moving Arts Theatre in Los Angeles. For tickets, visit www.eventbrite.com/e/jack-craddock-is-having-a-party-tickets-594979719357.



"RENT, A Rock Opera" is set in New York's Lower East Side under the shadow of HIV/AIDS in the late 1980s and early '90s. The story follows Roger Davis, a songwriter-musician who is newly HIV positive; Mimi Márquez, an exotic dancer with HIV and Roger's girlfriend; Mark Cohen, a Jewish filmmaker who is Roger's

roommate; Maureen Johnson, a bisexual performance artist; Joanne Jefferson, a lawyer who is Maureen's girlfriend; Tom Collins, a professor of technology at NYU who is living with AIDS; Angel Dumott Schunard, a transgender street musician who falls for Tom and who is also living with AIDS; and Benjamin Coffin III, Mark and Roger's landlord and former roommate.

Written by Jonathan Larson, with music by Jonathan Larson, and directed by Marcus S. Daniel, it runs May 12 through June 17 at the Westchester Playhouse in Los Angeles. For tickets, visit www.kentwoodplayers.org.

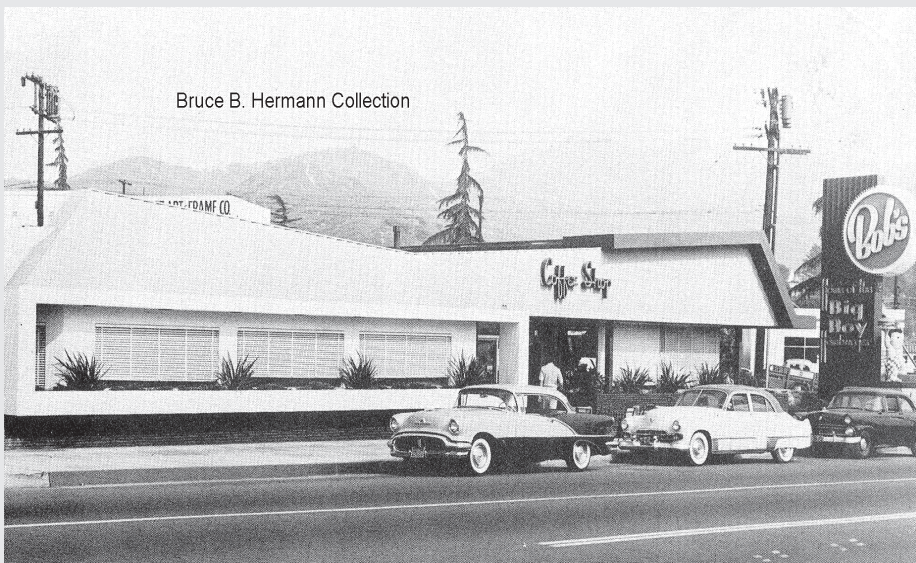


"Tape" Jon, an aspiring filmmaker on the verge of hitting it big, hooks up for the weekend with his best friend from high school Vince, a volunteer fireman who makes his money selling dope. Jon's new film is being shown at a festival in Lansing, Michigan and Vince has come from Oakland to see it. Over the course of the evening, Vince finally gets Jon to admit that 10 years ago he date-raped Amy Randall, a girl whom they both dated in high school – only then to reveal that he's taped their entire conversation. In addition, he has invited Amy to have dinner with them that night. Beneath its suspenseful high-stakes surface, "Tape" examines questions of motive, memory, truth and perception.

Written by Stephen Belber and directed by J.C. Gafford, it runs May 12 through May 14 at the Thymele Arts in Hollywood. For tickets, visit www.eventbrite.com/e/tape-by-stephen-belber-play-tickets-605438251107.

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THEN & NOW



THEN » From the look of the cars parked out front, this is the Montrose Bob's Big Boy Restaurant in the late '50s. Bob's opened at this location in about 1948, and was expanded and remodeled into this beautifully "Googie-style" restaurant in 1953.

Bob's Big Boy Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV



NOW » Bob's closed about 1988, becoming a couple of other short-lived restaurants. It has fortunately retained the signature styling over the years. For the last couple of decades it has been the Bright Start Child Development Center, located at 3212 La Crescenta Ave.

Brand Library & Art Center presents 'Don't Believe Everything You Think'

Brand Library & Art Center presents "Don't Believe Everything You Think," an exhibition exploring how artists manage the universal impulse of negative self-talk through their artistic practice.

What is the role of the artist, especially in moments of great uncertainty and upheaval? Artists are recorders of history. They often expose what is hidden, and they can even offer hope for the future. In the country's current Zeitgeist, which often feels like a seemingly endless cycle of bad news, we may find ourselves focusing

on the negative. "Don't Believe Everything You Think" is an exhibition that features 14 Los Angeles-based artists who exert concerted effort to push past, accept or prevail over their own negative self-talk through their artistic practice. Working across multiple disciplines – painting, collage, sculpture, photography, performance, video, and sound – each artist creates work that is highly personal yet remains relatable and perhaps offers the viewer a path to a positive outcome. Through the sanative process of their art – from genesis to creation and, finally,

presentation – these artists have learned that it is best to not always believe everything you think.

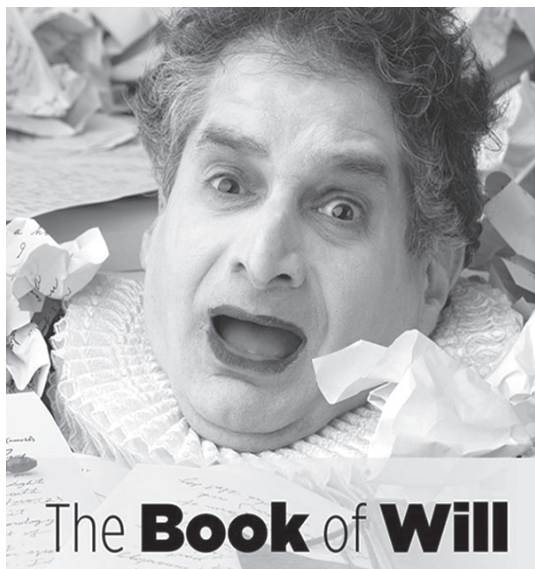
"Don't Believe Everything You Think" is curated by Galia Linn and features the artwork of Sacha Halona Baumann, Adrienne DeVine, Alexandra Grant, Iva Gueorguieva, Bettina Hubby, Janna Ireland, Galia Linn, Amanda Maciel Antunes, Erin Morrison, Jacky Perez, Alicia Piller, Madaline Riley, Elena Stonaker and Camilla Taylor.

The exhibition runs through Friday, June 16.

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"The Book of Will" is a re-imagining of the desperate search to find, preserve and print Shakespeare's words that otherwise might have disappeared forever. Three years after the Bard's death, John Heminges and Henry Condell, former friends and colleagues from Shakespeare's acting troupe the King's Men, contend with egotistical actors, bootleg knockoffs and a ticking clock to ensure that the First Folio gets published and that the works of William Shakespeare don't end up on the trash heap of history. Backstage comedy meets detective adventure as this group of aging actors race against time to reassemble their repertoire – including Lear, Macbeth and Hamlet – some of which may only exist only in the lines they have memorized.

Written by Lauren Gunderson and directed by Geoff Elliott and Julia Rodriguez-Elliott, it runs May 13 through June 7 at the A Noise Within in Pasadena. For tickets, call (626) 356-3100 or visit www.anoisewithin.org.



The **Book of Will**

"The Bottoming Process" is a dark comedy about two writers who meet at a shared co-working space and fall in love – or something like it. One is a famed novelist and the other is a fledgling writer who's mostly funny on Twitter. One is nearing middle age and the other is flailing through their 20s. One is White, and the other is not. As they mate, date and cohabit, they grapple with issues of race, sex, power and the model minority myth, all to find out who's really on top.

Written by Nicholas Pilapil and directed by Rodney To, it runs May 18 through June 12 at the LGBT Center's Lily Tomlin/Jane Wagner Cultural Arts Center Renberg Theatre in Los Angeles. For tickets, call (323) 380-8843 or visit www.iamatheatre.com.

"The Revolutionists" Four beautiful, badass women lose their heads in this irreverent, girl-powered comedy set during the French Revolution's Reign of Terror. Playwright Olympe de Gouges, assassin Charlotte Corday, former

queen (and fan of ribbons) Marie Antoinette, and Haitian rebel Marianne Angelle hang out, murder Marat and try to beat back the extremist insanity in 1793 Paris. This grand and dream-tweaked comedy is about violence and legacy, art and activism, feminism and terrorism, compatriots and chosen sisters, and how we actually go about changing the world. It's a true story. Or total fiction. Or a play about a play. Or a raucous resurrection ... that ends in a song and a scaffold.

Written by Lauren Gunderson and directed by Melanie MacQueen, it runs May 18 through June 18 at the Theatre Forty in Beverly Hills. For tickets, call (310) 364-0535 or visit www.theatre40.org.



"A Heated Discussion – Revisited" Living in these turbulent times of political, social and racial unrest, imagine what would happen if historical icons of the past were summoned by three Yoruba African Orishas to offer their commentary on what is going on in today's world. What would that encounter yield? The icons are Malcolm X, Zora Neale Hurston, Lorraine Hansberry, Dr. Martin Luther King, Maya Angelou, Tupac Shakur, Ida B. Wells, Dr. Francis Cress Welsing, James Baldwin, Bob Marley, Nina Simone, Richard Pryor and, lastly, a mysteriously powerful figure who may offer the solution. Given that they are all very passionate, vocal and controversial their encounter can only be heated when they discuss the status of Black America today.

What will they say? What choices remain for what many feel are the most troubled times for Black people in America since the '60s? It will be a provocative, smoldering urgent discussion that is desperately needed. What solutions will arise to resolve police killings, systemic racism, historical bias and the violent enmity that fuels these acts? Some of the solutions will shock you ... or maybe not.

Written by Levy Lee Simon and directed by Ben Guillory, it runs May 20 through June 18 at the Los Angeles Theatre Center Theatre Four in Los Angeles. For tickets, visit www.theobeytheatrecompany.org.

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The cost to attend, which includes lunch and program, is \$20. All are welcome.

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

ONGOING POSTCARD EXHIBIT AT BOLTON HALL

Bolton Hall Museum's new exhibit, Wish You Were Here - Postcards sent from Sunland-Tujunga, showcases a century of correspondence sent from residents and visitors to the area. The exhibit also features a timeline of the postcard's evolution in America, and an homage to Lee Brown, proprietor of Sunland's Adventure in Postcards shop. The exhibit runs through Sunday, Oct. 8. It may be viewed during the museum's public hours:

Saturdays and Sundays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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

SPRING CONCERTS AT CALTECH

The Caltech Glee Club and Chamber Singers, directed by Nancy Sulahian, presents its spring concerts.

There will be two concerts: on Saturday, May 6 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday, May 7 at 3 p.m. Both are in Ramo Auditorium and will feature the same program of music by Palestrina, Mendelssohn, Brahms, Copland and more. William Schmidt will join as the collaborative pianist.

Admission is free and no reservation is required. Parking is free on weekends. Social distancing and masks are recommended but not required.

For more information, visit pva.caltech.edu or call (626) 395-3295.

FREE ADMISSION CAR SHOW/BBQ

On Sunday, May 7 the Annual Classic Chevys of Southern California Car Show/Barbecue will be held at Rancho San Antonio Boys Home in Chatsworth. On display are an expected 300-plus hot rods, classic, custom and muscle cars and more. Proceeds from the event benefit the Boys Home, 21000 Plummer St. in Chatsworth. (818) 882-6400

FAMILY FUN AT KIDS & KRITTERS DAY

The Montrose Shopping Park host Kids & Kritters Day on May 7. Animals both exotic and domestic to a Kids Fun Zone with inflatable slides and bungee jump for the kids will all be available.

There will also be an farm animal petting zoo allowing children to enjoy gentle creatures up close, while Wild Wonders returns by popular demand with its "Exotic Animals Shows" featuring a hands-on visit with many unusual creatures and three

educational shows at 10:30 a.m., 11:45 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Event activities run from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the 2200 and 2300 blocks of Honolulu Avenue in Montrose.

HOME & GARDEN TOUR

On May 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. the Altadena Guild of Huntington Memorial Hospital presents the 70th Home & Garden Tour benefiting the Huntington Health and the Huntington Medical Research Institutes. Showcased are four historic homes and gardens, café, marketplace, community booths and live entertainment.

Tickets available are at www.altadenaguild.org.

ANNUAL POSTAL FOOD DRIVE

Volunteers are needed to assist the Salvation Army in collecting food for the postal food drive on May 13. Two shifts are available - from 2 to 5 p.m. and from 5 to 8 p.m. - at five locations: the main post office at Broadway and Kenwood, the Verdugo post office at Verdugo and Broadway, the Grand Central post office at San Fernando Road and Justin, the La Cañada post office on Foothill and at the Salvation Army's food pantry, the drop off location, at 801. S. Central in Glendale.

Donations are needed also of dry cereal, rice, beans, pastas, jams, cooking oils, sugar, peanut butter, canned fruits, canned veggies, canned soups and laundry detergent.

For questions and more information, contact Jason.Camacho@usw.salvationarmy.org.

WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

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May 1, 2023 - May 7, 2023

♈ ARIES March 21 - April 19

Expect to be more opinionated than usual and inclined to follow your ideas. You'd be smart to have someone you trust review what you're doing. This is also a lucky time to train others or travel to help your job prospects. This period demands greater seriousness and a narrower focus. Get as much done as possible. Friends at work help boost morale. This is an ideal time for brainstorming or staff development.

♉ TAURUS April 20 - May 20

This can be an especially creative time for you. Be clear about your long-term goals. This is a period for research if you think you need to move in a different direction or get more training. Family concerns can be a distraction. Do your best to balance your time and attention. Team building and social contacts to further your career will go well now. Confidently share your ideas.

♊ GEMINI May 21 - June 20

This is a strong time for teamwork, travel, or training that supports your career interests. Ask for feedback from people you respect. The challenge at this time is to set up systems to help co-workers or clients meet or exceed their expectations. Present yourself in as serious and professional a manner as possible. You could sell heaters in the tropics now, so decide carefully where to focus your attention.

♋ CANCER June 21 - July 22

The energy at this time helps you build better relationships on the job or with customers. An upbeat attitude brings opportunities now. This is a positive time to upgrade the technology you regularly use. You can be an outstanding trainer in any area of interest. If you feel restless or need a new job, this period is powerfully lucky for improving your situation. Stubborn or emotional people could be frustrating now.

♌ LEO July 23 - August 22

The best thing for you to do is jump in and get moving. Pay close attention to what other people say now. At the same time, don't take any criticism personally. Allow others to talk without resisting what they say. This period is lucky for any new start. If you're in a leadership position, the energy can help you build morale. Consider planning some training for new people in your organization.

♍ VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

You're likely to enjoy the support of people who are as active and direct as you. Talk to people. This is a powerful time to expand your sphere of influence. Co-workers and clients are more willing to go along with a plan or idea when they feel they have input and ownership of it. These are lucky days for teamwork. Be sure everyone understands the goals and expectations.

♎ LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

You generally know what you want. You can help morale and your own position by asking

questions even when you know the answers. The best teams are built when everyone feels involved. Draw others out and build morale. Edit and simplify any written work or financial document. Be open to suggestions for modifying your schedule or plans. Avoid insisting on business as usual.

♏ SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

This is a lucky period for work-related travel, training, or anything that expands your knowledge. Read more, take notes when you get a good idea, and ask questions of people you respect. Do all you can to get along with your boss now. Anything that makes a superior's life easier is in your best interests and will help your prospects. Friends at work can be great fun and a true source of support.

♐ SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Do your best at this time to start a project or assignment long before the deadline. Careful preparation will save time and aggravation later. Be aware that office flirtations at this time can make things both exciting and complex. Get enough sleep and stay as calm as possible. Conflict over who is boss may mask a deeper issue. This period is ideal for a group presentation or team-building effort.

♑ CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

This is a lucky time to polish your skills. Look for ways to educate yourself in any area where you want to shine. When explaining things to others, speak in the simplest terms without talking down to them. This is important to remember, especially when dealing with clients and superiors. Your encouragement and enthusiasm will help any struggling co-worker. Look for ways to honor what others contribute.

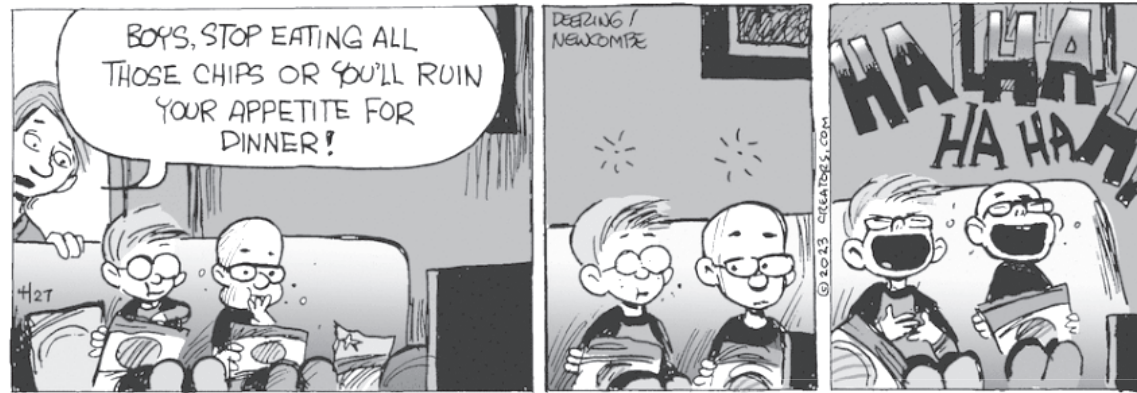
♒ AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

Although you're a natural in a support position behind the power brokers, this time you can do more by being direct and courageous. Step up to help a co-worker who may be struggling or just in need of a hand. It's important to speak up if people are behaving badly. These are easy days if you have clear objectives. The energy is scattered now. It helps to focus on one thing at a time.

♓ PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

You could waste time in casual conversations now. This could bring you to the attention of superiors or just leave you feeling frustrated. This period is lucky for sharing your skills or long-distance networking. The energy now demands a serious and focused approach. It's best to try to do a few things well. You will feel more relaxed soon. Bringing people together for a meal can help build morale. This period's energy supports the confidence to further your ambitions. "When in doubt, cut it out" is a good motto for you now. The more you simplify your schedule and the use of technology, the easier it will be to focus on what's most important. This time can bring important information from an unexpected source. You will be most successful working on a team. Try to make your boss look good.

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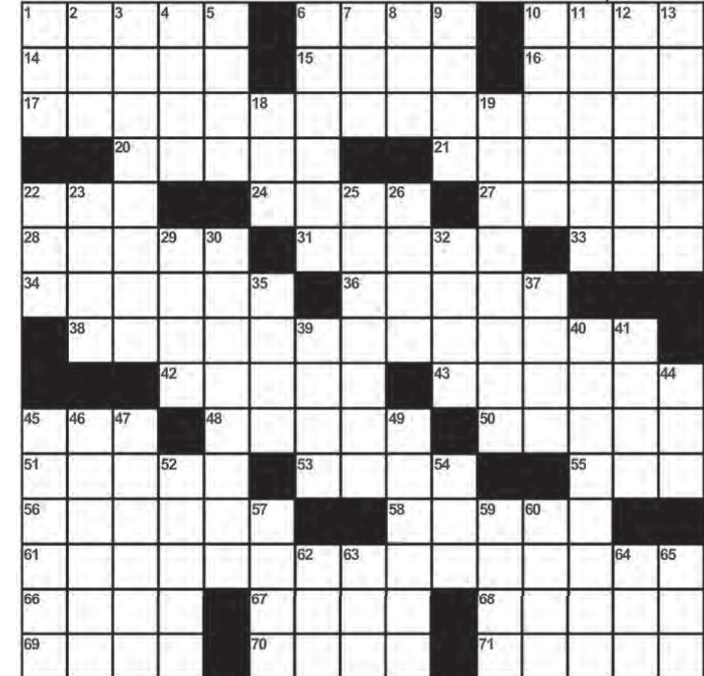
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ACROSS

- 1) Hole for a ship's anchor rope
- 6) Have an edge against
- 10) Accessories for a touring band
- 14) "___ a Grecian Urn" (Keats)
- 15) Noted rocket launchers
- 16) Bondsmen provide it
- 17) Exactly what's expected
- 20) Tripod for art
- 21) At the scene
- 22) Not sooner or later
- 24) Musician's calling card
- 27) Article of faith
- 28) 10,000,000 rupees, in India
- 31) Arm's length
- 33) Horse kin
- 34) Give in
- 36) Furnished with footgear
- 38) Not relevant
- 42) Noted ventriloquist Lewis
- 43) Word with security or networking
- 45) Type of shot taken in winter
- 48) Vertical section between treads
- 50) Beatnik's drum
- 51) Printing proof
- 53) Grove item
- 55) Ending for the very best
- 56) Colorless fuel gas
- 58) Gloomy, to the Bard
- 61) Was dignified in a tough situation
- 66) Word with role or house
- 67) Bursting star
- 68) Laughing matter
- 69) Make no longer made
- 70) Thicke of sitcoms
- 71) Certain rial spender

NOT DISMISSED

By Rob Lee



DOWN

- 1) Emulate a bunny
- 2) Toothpaste box abbr.
- 3) It's not always a beast
- 4) Parlor seat
- 5) Baseball's Slaughter
- 6) Bullwinkle feature
- 7) "A Christmas Carol" cry
- 8) Take unfair advantage of
- 9) Fried, folded and filled food
- 10) Handle without care
- 11) Boat dock
- 12) Some downhill ski runs
- 13) Precipitates, in a way
- 18) Scarlet or crimson
- 19) Type of training
- 22) Money machine-making co.
- 23) Cookie atop a sundae, sometimes
- 25) More disorderly
- 26) Most populous Hawaiian island
- 29) TKO callers
- 30) Make king or queen
- 32) Middle ears?
- 35) Bangkok citizen
- 37) Art ___ (retro style)
- 39) Beginning for while, once
- 40) Wide-screen technique
- 41) Issues of the DMV
- 44) Land parcel
- 45) Michelangelo painting
- 46) Deadly
- 47) Support, as a ruling
- 49) St. John's player
- 52) Soulful crooner Lou
- 54) Homophone for air
- 57) Cartoon character Krabappel
- 59) Yodeler's feedback
- 60) Many a homecoming fan
- 62) Costa del ___
- 63) Donated eggs?
- 64) "That's my boy!" recipient
- 65) ___ Lanka

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Fun Blooms At This Year's Fair

Celebrate the Fair's second year with its new May schedule with a refreshing theme that welcomes everything spring – blossoms, buds and blooms; bees and butterflies; reinvention and innovation; pleasant weather; and the birth of four-legged babies in The Farm. Tiptoe through the tulips and stop and smell the corn dogs on your way to fun, food and entertainment as Fairplex Presents the 2023 LA County Fair with Spring Into Fair: Where Fun Blooms, May 5-29!

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Hello, Crescenta Valley! You were forewarned April would be a busy month, and busy it was.

First off, we had a great mixer at the Crescenta Valley Chamber office, 3131 Foothill Blvd. 'D,' on April 13. There was a great crowd, great networking energy, really good food and a good time was had by all. Then, of course, we held the 17th Annual Hometown Country Fair at Crescenta Valley Park this past Saturday. The park was filled with throngs of happy fair-goers all day long. The Sardo Brothers, CVHS jazz band, Rosemont Middle School jazz band and Rosemont Cheer kept the stage hopping with good homespun entertainment. Over 60 vendors were there, both commercial booths with a wide variety of crafts and wares and nonprofit groups getting their message out to all attendees of the fair. With beautiful La Crescenta weather, it was a fun, very successful Hometown Country Fair. Get excited for the 18th annual fair in April '24!

A huge "thank you" to all of our sponsors and all the volunteers who helped put on the fair. The crews from American Legion Post 288 and VFW Post 1614 are all incredible. The Prom Plus Club members and CVHS baseball teams were right on task. A huge effort again by the Chamber board and membership was greatly appreciated.

But the biggest thank is extended to State Senator Anthony Portantino when he presented a Senate Proclamation recognizing Steve Pierce – not only for all of his efforts with this year's fair, but for his years of service to the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce and

our surrounding communities. Steve tells me he'd like to scale back some. We'll see what that looks like, but I think we should start naming freeways, streets, buildings and airports in his honor. Or maybe we round up 20 community-minded individuals to try to fill his shoes! We are all grateful for what he's done!

Okay, now we are ready to move forward with the rest of the year's events. Our May mixer will be held on May 16 at the Chamber office, 3131 Foothill Blvd. 'D' in La Crescenta from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Bring yourself and a friend for an excellent networking opportunity to promote yourself and your business, enjoy some excellent food and help nurture the fine community spirit we all share as we live and work in our wonderful environs.

Monday, June 12 is the date of the annual Crescenta Valley Chamber Scholarship Golf Tournament that will be held at Scholl Canyon Golf Course, 3800 E. Glenoaks Blvd. in Glendale. Entry forms can be found at the Chamber website or at the office. Put a team together or join us as a solo player and we can create a team. Bring extra socks because you might get a hole in one!

Please open and read all of your emails from the Chamber. We'll keep you up-to-date on all the local events and activities.

Have a great May and don't forget to stop and smell the flowers!

JD Speas, DVM
CVoC President

NEWS FROM THE MV CHAMBER
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Business Continues to Bloom in Montrose

It has been one busy springtime with our 3rd Annual MVCC Egg My Home event and the 8th Annual Montrose Craft Beer Fest wrapping up the month. All of this in addition to my return from maternity leave plus business mixers and ribbon cutting ceremonies.

I am delighted to be back in my position as executive director and want to give a big thanks to Molly Burke for filling in for me while I was away bonding with my newborn baby girl. Molly and I look forward to working as a team alongside our MVCC board of directors to highlight our business members while continuing to push forward the MVCC mission. Stay tuned for information on our centennial and installation and awards dinner this summer!

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Admission for members is \$10, guests are \$15.

On Sunday, May 7 from 10 a.m.-noon - MVCC, Think Real Estate Neighborhood, & La Crescenta Woman's Club offers a free shredding event. The MVCC has partnered again with Nicole Schlueter and Dave Robles from Think Real Estate and the La Crescenta Woman's Club to host a free shredding event in the La Crescenta Woman's Club parking lot, 4004 La Crescenta Ave. There will be a mobile shredding truck that will accept any paper (no plastics, X-rays, or binders, please) and will shred while you watch to ensure security. To reserve a spot, text/call Nicole Schlueter at (760) 420-5181 or email her at thinknicoles@gmail.com.

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Mavil Aghadjanian
Executive Director

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