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Fatal Accident on the 210

By Mary O'KEEFE

California Highway Patrol has released a statement regarding the traffic collision on the Foothill (210) Freeway that involved three vehicles on May 9 at 2:47 p.m.

CHP officers were dispatched to $the {\it traffic collision \, on \, the \, west bound}$ 210 just west of Briggs Avenue.

"[Our] preliminary investigation revealed a 2006 Honda Accord was traveling in the No. 4 lane when the [75-year-old female] driver lost control of her vehicle for reasons still under investigation, causing the Honda to spin out of control and collide with a 2023 Freightliner tractor trailer combination and a 2017 Freightliner tractor trailer combination," according to the CHP statement.

The 65-year-old male passenger who was traveling in the front passenger seat of the Honda sustained fatal injuries due to the traffic collision and was pronounced dead at the scene at 3:05 p.m.

The driver of the Honda was taken to Huntington Hospital for possible injuries. The drivers of the Freightliners remained on the scene and cooperated with officials.

For about three hours the CHP closed the 210 Freeway westbound 4, 5 and 6 lanes west of Briggs Avenue. The westbound exit onto Ocean View Boulevard was also closed. A Sigalert was issued that lasted until about 6:30 p.m.

Los Angeles County Fire Dept. responded to the traffic collision. The driver of the Honda is from Canyon Country as was the passenger. The 38-year-old driver of the 2023 Freightliner was from Mendota, California and the 37-year-old driver of the 2017 Freightliner was from Coalinga, California.

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BY Mary O'KEEFE

This Saturday, May 20, Armed Forces Day will be celebrated at Crescenta Valley Park from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

This is the sixth year that Armed Forces Day is being recognized in the Crescenta

Valley. On Saturday, American Legion Post 288, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 1614 and Moose Lodge 641 are sponsoring this fun event that includes a display of classic autos, hot rods and military vehicles. Also expected are first responders including Montrose Search and Rescue. This year the event will have a special salute to the United States Army, which was established in 1777.

Armed Forces Day is a fun family-friendly day where adults and kids get to see their favorite cars and trucks, including fire engines.

"On Aug. 31, 1949 the Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson announced the creation of Armed Forces Day to replace the separate Army, Navy and Air Force Day," according to the U.S. Dept. of Defense (DOD).

Recognizing all branches on a single day coincided with the unification of the Armed Forces under the DOD.

In a speech announcing the formation of the day,



see ARMED FORCES on page 19 At a previous Armed Forces Day celebration, plenty of vehicles were on display.



Apparently the AMPTP refused some key components in the nego-On May 1 the Writers Guild of Amer- tiations. They reportedly refused to ca (WGA) officially went on strike guarantee any level of weekly employment in episodic television and to create a "day rate" in the comedy-variety genre. A deal breaker for the negotiators from WGA included requests that would protect writers from potentially being replaced with artificial intelligence – AI.



The initial information that was released by CHP stated the incident appeared to be a vehicle pursuit; however, that appears to be incorrect.

Anyone with information or inquiries regarding this traffic collision is encouraged to contact CHP Officer Dean, 022526, at the CHP Altadena Area Office at (626) 296-8100.

both in New York City and Los Angeles. The WGA Negotiating Committee unanimously rejected the final offer of the Alliance of Motion Picture & Television Producers (AMPTP) before the midnight deadline. WGA members were told by the Negotiating Committee, "Though your strike vote gave us the leverage to make some gains - the ers will want to use AI to jumpstart studios' responses to our proposals scripts, in which case they would be have been wholly insufficient."

Writers are afraid that produc-

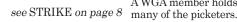


Photo by Lynn SHER A WGA member holds a sign that reflects the frustration felt by



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DESK OF THE PUBLISHER



The Value of 'Influencers'

are promoted by actors and actresses who swear to their value. On the web I've Products." Seems that just about anyone can be bought.

to USA Today, include Tom Brady as the spokesperson for Uggs, Chrissy Teigen promotes Blue Apron and actress Gina Rodriguez pimps FabFitFun.

are some consumers who buy stuff based solely on the endorsement by a celebrity. I mean do they have that much influence? Apparently so - and they always have.

They're now defined as influencers - people who can sway another person's actions. Of course, today there are many more platforms where opinion can be swayed -especially on social media, which is a scary idea considering that just about anything can be written - and believed - on social media.

So is the CV Weekly an influencer? I mean this newspaper has promoted food drives, prom dress collection and all types of events. Of course,

For decades, people have looked to we typically promote those things that we recommendations from "trusted sources." believe in. And our advertisers understand This is a common practice in advertising that we have worked hard to build a for example; we've all seen products that reputation of being a trusted resource for our local communities.

While I won't go out on a limb and say actually found a site that reads, "Choose that yes, CVW is an influencer, I will say the Right Celebrity ... to Promote Your what I've repeatedly said: the goal of CV Weekly is to provide trusted information to our readers who are intelligent and, given Some celebrity endorsements, according reliable information, can make their own decisions.

Steve and I had a great time in Cambria last weekend. And from what I understand I think it's a sad commentary that there the kids who attended Prom Plus on Saturday night/Sunday morning also had a great time. Whether it was hanging out and learning to play games in the casino, riding the zip line or ascending the climbing wall, they all seemed happy to have made Prom Plus part of the night's (or morning's) plans.

> Many people over the years have asked how the date of prom (and consequently Prom Plus) is chosen. From what I see ROBIN on page 8

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» WEATHER WATCH

Taking A Look Outside Our Window

By Mary O'KEEFE

Whenever the movie "Twister" is on I watch it. I don't know why; I have seen it so many times and I know it stretched reality for the purpose of the story but I just can't stop watching.

For those who have not seen this 1996 film, written by Michael Crichton and Anne-Marie Martin and directed by Jan de Bont, the film follows a group of tornado chasers. One team is led by Helen Hunt's character Jo Harding and her estranged husband Bill (portrayed by Bill Paxton). The more financially sponsored team is led by Dr. Jonas Miller, portrayed by Cary Elwes.

There was criticism when the film was released about its depiction of what is a looks like a bomb had gone off with pieces tornado. I am always wary of those types of criticisms because this was a movie not a documentary; however, this film, from my point of view, really captured the fear and fascination of a tornado. The tornado, especially the last one of the film, was made into a true monster in the dark.

The characters spoke about an F5 tornado, the Moby Dick of twisters that really does seem like time stopped. I used "just one of us saw," according to Bill Harding. He was talking about Jo.

According to the National Weather Service, "When tornado-related damage is surveyed, it is compared to a list of Damage Indicators and Degrees of Damage, which help estimate the range of wind speeds the tornado likely produced. From that, a rating from Enhanced Fujita Scale (EF Scale) 0 to EF5 is assigned."

An EF Scale sees three-second wind gusts from an EF0 at 65 to 85 mph to an EF5 that has winds over 200 mph.

I am from Iowa and tornadoes were a

part of life. During school we had tornado drills, like here there are earthquake drills. A couple of kids in the classroom would be assigned to slightly open the windows prior to hurrying to the basement. The thought - back then - was to open the windows to counteract the pressure of the coming tornado. This is no longer the practice; a tornado is going to blast through a window no matter what. However, when I was in school and was the kid assigned the job of windows it was a job that was taken seriously. When I lived there my town never saw a tornado touch down in the town limits; however, several towns around us were devastated by tornadoes that ripped

I have seen what a tornado can do. It of houses and barns scattered across fields. However, I understand the fascination that was so well done by the writers and actors in "Twister." What I think they missed, though, was the real quiet before the storm.

through neighborhoods.

Before the storm you noticed a lack of chirping birds, the leaves in the trees turned a funny yellow/green color and it to love this time before the smaller storms when you smelled the rain coming. It made $me\,feel\,small\,as\,the\,power\,of\,Mother\,Nature$ was all around. But the quiet only lasted a short time as soon everyone was running home making sure all lawn furniture was secured before making their way to the basement.

Like Dorothy in "The Wizard of Oz," there have been people and animals that survived tornadoes. In 2006, Matt Suter was sucked up into a EF2 tornado and thrown 1,307 feet in the Missouri Ozark. see WEATHER on page 8

As one of the top real estate agents in La Crescenta, I make it a priority to analyze the housing numbers for the 91214 zip code every month.

		La Crescenta By	v The N	Numbers QTR1	2023		
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Month	# Sold Homes	Avg. Price Per SQ FT	DOM	Avg. Sale Price	SP%LP	Abs. Rate	Median
January	14	\$755.31	46	\$1,269,929	98.54%	1.43%	\$1,245,000
February	12	\$862.67	46	\$1,207,333	103.58%	1.42%	\$1,157,500
March	10	\$767.91	21	\$1,121,500	96.97%	1.10%	\$1,075,000
April	17	\$833.71	44	\$1,243,912	103.67%	0.82%	\$1,160,000

Last month, the least expensive home sold was a three-bedroom, one-bathroom, 960-square-foot property located at 3647 3rd Ave, initially listed at \$879,000, and sold for \$808,000 in just twenty-one days. On the other end of the spectrum, the most expensive home sold was a stunning four-bedroom, three-bathroom, 2,241 square-foot home located at 2435 Orange Ave, listed for \$3,000,000 and sold for an impressive \$3,100,000 off-market.

In total, nine La Crescenta homes sold over the asking price, with only one sold at the list price and seven sold for less than the asking price. A 1176-square-foot home located on Fairesta, listed for \$895,000, was sold for an impressive \$1,100,000.

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IN BRIEF

CVWD HOSTING INFORMATION COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Crescenta Valley Water District will be hosting a Coffee and Conversation gathering on this evening, Thursday, May 18 from 6 p.m. to 6: 30 p.m. at the Crescenta Commons at the intersection of Orange and Rosemont avenues. This meeting will provide an opportunity to discuss with staff members and the contractor the upcoming pipeline project on the 2600-2700 block of Orange Avenue.

CVCA TO MEET MAY 25

The Crescenta Valley Community Association will have its monthly meeting on Thursday, May 25 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. The meeting will include discussion on local issues as well as an opportunity for Foothill area residents to bring their own concerns. Contact the CVCA at crescentavalleycommunityassn@gmail.com with questions and for Zoom meeting information. All are welcome.

FOOD DRIVE

The Crescenta Valley Lions Club is hosting a food drive fundraiser for the Bailey Center of Tujunga from 10 a.m. to noon on May 20 at St. Luke's of the Mountains. Especially needed are dry pasta, canned soup, canned meat/tuna, canned chili, Spaghetti O's, granola bars crackers, cereal/oatmeal, dry mac & cheese, Rice A Roni, dry stuffing, canned fruit and canned vegetables.

Monetary donations also accepted. For more information, contact Diana Tyson at lions91214@ gmail.com or call (818) 625-5221.

St. Luke's of the Mountains, 2563 Foothill Blvd, in La Crescenta (at the corner of Rosemont).

ROSEMONT PRESERVE OPEN GATE MORNING

An "open gate" event is taking place at the Rosemont Preserve on Sunday morning, May 21. 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.

Strike Up The Band: Part II – Jazz Orchestra Returns to La Crescenta Presbyterian Church

By Lynn SHER

Trike Up the Band: Part II, a musical performance and fundraiser benefiting the La Crescenta Presbyterian Church Higher Education Scholarship Fund, is on Sunday, May 21 at 2 p.m.

For the second consecutive year, congregation member Noel Collins is musical director. A retired music teacher and trumpet player, Collins has chosen classics from the Great American Songbook along with songs from select musicals and films that many people are sure to recognize. The arrangements are exciting and energetic and paired with vocal performances that are sure to thrill.

Collins chose the repertoire, wrote the orchestral arrangements, hired the jazz musicians (many returning from last year) and has steadfastly rehearsed them along

with four singers handpicked from the congregation: Shawn Kelly, Jennifer Clem, Geoff Bryan and Larry Helscher. He even designed the costumes!

Deacons from the LCPC were inspired to start the La Crescenta Presbyterian Church Higher Education Scholarship Fund in 2020 as the skyrocketing costs of higher education became increasingly apparent. People either couldn't afford to go to school or were forced to take out loans that were burdensome or near impossible to repay. The National Center for Education Statistics revealed that from 1980 to 2020, tuition for undergraduate studies increased by 180% and similar inflation plagued masters' and certificate programs as well.

Hilary Norton, a deacon who's been a member of LCPC since 1992, said that the term "higher education" is defined broadly. She said the scholarships issued could be used for graduate degree.

"We can use these opportunities [fundraisers] to really forward in their life."

congregation who have the financial need and the desire to further themselves through education. Previous educational merits like GPAs are not taken into consideration in determining who receives the awards. Fourteen \$1,000 scholarships have been awarded thus far.

Jen Ning Quan Bozich was a scholarship recipient last year and has been working toward a Master of Arts Degree in Spiritual Formation at Biola University, Talbot School of Theology. She is very grateful for the help she received from the church.

"This has been a blessing," she said. "[I've learned] invaluable skills from all of the classes I've taken in the past few semesters."



Tickets to Sunday's performance are \$15 per person and \$30 per family. They earning the credentials needed to become a firefighter or are available electronically through the LCPC website https://www.lcpc.net/ hairdresser, just as they could be used for an undergrad or events until Friday, May 19 and will be available, cash only, at the door.

Quan Bozich encourages all who can to come to the performance.

"Come because there will be lovely music and lovely performances done by share with our community things that are very special," dedicated and lovely people who love doing what they do," she said. "Also come to she said, "and support people that want to continue to move support the students and education in our local community."

The show takes place at La Crescenta Presbyterian Church, 2902 Montrose The scholarships are available for members of the Ave. Complimentary childcare will be available for children 3 and under. Photos by Lynn SHER

TOP: LCPC congregation member Noel Collins (left), who is directing most aspects of the May 21 performance of Strike Up The Band: Part II, works with the musicians who will be performing in Sunday's show. ABOVE: Musicians practice for Sunday's performance.



GOLF TOURNAMENT PLANNED

The CV Chamber of Commerce is hosting a golf tournament at Scholl Canyon Golf Course on the morning of Monday, June 12. Proceeds benefit Crescenta Valley students. Entry fee is \$150 per person; check-in is 7 a.m. with putting contest at 7:30 a.m. Shotgun start at 8:30 a.m.

To register for more information, call (818) 248-4957 or visit Crescentavalleychamber.org/golf.

DOCENTS NEEDED

The Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy is opening an upcoming exhibit, "Living in a Wildlife Corridor," at Descanso Gardens. Volunteers are needed to become docents for this immersive exhibit. Trainings will be held on May 24 and May 27 at Descanso. To sign up, visit https://tinyurl.com/mr2cj5c8.

"Living In A Wildlife Corridor" will run from June 3 - Sept. 30 and will feature an array of art pieces, educational displays and various ways that community members can participate in conservation action. Docents will need to be comfortable talking and engaging with the many different visitors of the exhibition and gardens.

Biola University recognizes church contributions and matches them up to \$1,000. So Quan Bozich's initial scholarship was doubled.

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LCIF NEWS

On Sunday, May 21, Rev. Charles "Chuck" Bunnell will be joined by Rev. Richard "Rick" Hall at worship as part of discerning who will be the next LCIF pastor. The community is invited to hear from Pastor Rick during 10 a.m. worship and stay for fellowship afterward. There is a congregational meeting on June 4 to consider pastoral leadership.

Bunnell, in the meantime, continues

to serve and is available to anyone needing help, including visitation at home or in the hospital. The congregation is especially grateful to Pastor Chuck for coming out of retirement to serve LCIF during the lengthy call process.

LCIF encourages the community to donate blood at its upcoming blood drive on Thursday, May 25 in the church's Fellowship Hall from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Visit lcifoothills.

org for event details. For more information or to request/offer help, email office@lcifoothills.org or call (818) 790-1951.

The church is located at 1700 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada Flintridge. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

METAPHYSICAL AND ARTISAN FAIR

A diverse group of healing arts practitioners, artists and vendors will gather in La Crescenta for "A Day of Healing" at the Spring 2023 Metaphysical and Artisan Fair.

The fair includes over 40 talented and diverse artists and vendors selected to showcase their talents and crafts of handmade and metaphysical products as well as healing arts services. Attendees are invited to explore, engage in healing services, shop, enjoy delicious food, participate in a relaxing group sound bath meditation as well as energy healing and drum circle meditation.

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Photo by Daniel PARSEGHIAN From her home in Sunland, Mary Hicks stays connected with friends and family through video conferencing.

In March 2020, the COVID-19 in Montrose. However, during the declared that the pandemic is no pandemic shut down the world, pandemic Hicks was isolated at longer a global health emergency. bringing social connection to a Jehovah's Witnesses have retained home – one of 13.8 million seniors in grinding halt. Over three years the United States who live alone. a hybrid meeting format to accommodate elderly members who later, the majority is regaining their Despite this challenge, Hicks never had time to feel lonely, continue to rely on Zoom to attend. footing. However, a silent minority, still especially after she was introduced Hicks still keeps busy in much largely shut away, faces an even to a new innovation: the iPad. the same ways as before, working on jigsaw puzzles when not writing greater underground pandemic: Although she initially used the letters as part of her ministry or loneliness. device to play solitaire, Mary's According to the National curiosity was piqued: "This thing is playing trivia with her family. Yet it was learning to use technology Academies of Sciences, Engineering really interesting. What else can it andMedicine(NASEM),43%ofadults that kept Hicks connected during a do?" aged 60 and older reported feeling "Then I started using it a lot," she volatile time. That same technology lonely in 2020. While the pandemic said. "I realized it was a useful thing." continues to help keep her connected and rejuvenated.

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exacerbated general feelings of abandonment and isolation, the elderly are at heightened risk due to living alone, chronic sickness and the loss of loved ones.

Prior to the pandemic, 97-yearold Sunland resident Mary Hicks enjoyed visits with her family and many friends. As one of Jehovah's Witnesses, she never missed a

With help from her grandchildren, Hicks became an adept iPad user. When the pandemic drove Jehovah's Witnesses out of their Kingdom Halls and onto virtual platforms, her spiritual routine continued with little interruption. She learned to attend and participate in weekly meetings virtually with her congregation. While the World meeting at the local Kingdom Hall Health Organization has since

Understanding the value of staying connected, she said, "I think to be with friends is one of the most important things I can do."

More information on the activities of Jehovah's Witnesses, including resources for assisting the elderly and coping with isolation, can be found on the official website, jw.org.



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:

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Erik Ingvar Lindberg



Jan. 15, 1927 - May 10, 2023

Erik Ingvar Lindberg of Glendale passed away May 10 at the age of 96 due to natural causes. He was born Jan. 15, 1927 in Sundborn, Sweden.

After high school and college, he served one-year compulsory service in the Swedish Army assigned to artillery. In the fall of 1949 he left his mother, father and three brothers and immigrated to the United States. As a legal

immigrant he worked in 1950 in construction as well as doing odd jobs. Not long after, the Korean War started in June 1950 and he was inducted into the U.S. Army and entered service on Jan. 9, 1951. It was while taking basic training at Ford Ord in California that he married Daisy Birgit Johnson on March 17, 1951. Together they raised two daughters.

Once he finished basic training, and due to his degree in engineering from Sweden, he was assigned to the Corps of Engineers. He was first stationed at Fort Belvoir in Virginia where he wrote and illustrated technical manuals. While stationed there he arranged for his wife to join him on the east coast. She obtained a job as a secretary with Corps of Engineers at Fort Belvoir. Since Erik was married, he was allowed to live "off base" and they rented an apartment in nearby Alexandria, Virginia.

Everything was going well until the Korean conflict heated up and more infantrymen were needed; he was then reclassified as "basic infantry soldier" at which point Birgit had to return to Los Angeles and Erik was deployed to the Far East Command of the U.S. Army. He arrived in Yokahoma in the spring of 1952 and prepared to go to Korea. Luck was with him and due to his engineering background he was assigned to Japan Constructions Agency in Tokyo, an organization run by the Corps of Engineers, handling new construction buildings for the U.S. military.

Upon discharge from the Army in January 1953 he started working for Firestone Tire & Rubber Company in South Gate, California - first in the Tire Division. Although he qualified for U.S. citizenship, while he was in the U.S. Army in Japan his request was denied because he was "outside if the territorial United

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States." It was not until the summer of 1953 that he became a U.S. citizen. He could then transfer to the Fuel Cell Division at Firestone where he mostly classified business such as fuel tanks for military airplanes, etc. When Firestone planned to move its operations to Arkansas in the fall of 1962 he obtained a position at Aerojet Manufacturing Company in Downey. There he served as a project engineer on various space/defense-related programs, eventually ending up as a project manager of one of the largest programs. He retired in 1990, but continued as a consultant at Aerojet for several years.

Once becoming fully retired he kept busy in several organizations, keeping up the house and yard,

went to visit Mom at work just to say "hi." As I was leaving I saw a little girl in the courtyard in a Little Tikes pedal car. She stuck her tiny hand out the window to wave to her mom dropping her off. As she was pedaling away, I heard her shout "Bye-bye, Mommy" and off she went.

On moving day, I loaded up my car, quickly hugged Mom, and promised to call that evening. I felt sad but pushed the feelings aside and rushed out the door because I was being silly; I'd only be 30 minutes away.

I made it about halfway to my new apartment before the memory flooded my brain of the little girl wavina.

The tears started to well and I quickly shifted into full car-cry mode. Before I knew it I was turning my car around.

When I arrived back at my parents' house, she had been

chaplain in the U.S. Army Reserve and earned the rank of captain and served in the California National Guard. In 1982 he was vice novice master at San Lorenzo Novitiate in Santa Ynez. In 1984 he was associate pastor at Our Lady of Angels Church in Burlingame, California. In 1989 he returned to teach at St. Francis High School in La Cañada. In 1995 he was named novice master at San Lorenzo in Santa Ynez. In 1996 he was pastor of Old Mission Santa

To his great dismay he was elected provincial minister of the Western America Province in 1997. In 2003 he was guardian at St. Francis High School. In 2010 he was associate pastor at St. Lawrence of Brindisi Church, Los Angeles. During this time he ministered at the Los Angeles Women's County Jail where he was greatly loved by the staff and inmates. With his culinary skills he helped feed the hungry in Watts. He said those were his happiest days in ministry. In 2016 he was assigned as resident at St. Francis High School and then, because of deteriorating health, he was cared for at St. John of God Retirement Center in Los Angeles. In 2017 he was transferred for care to Mercy Retirement Center in Oakland where he was greatly loved by all. As a Capuchin friar for 48 years Fr. Ron treated everyone with great kindness and respect and welcomed all with an open heart. He was a wonderful compassionate confessor. He loved all of God's creatures, especially his dear Frankie

going fishing and spending energy by working on automobiles or anything with an internal combustion engine.

He was a member of The Swedish Club of Los Angeles, Vasa Order of America, American Legion Post #3477 and Elks Lodge #2098.

Erik is survived by his three grandchildren: Jennifer Oesterreich of Big Bear City; Erik Oesterreich (Natasha) of Golden Valley, Arizona; and Christopher Oesterreich (Krista) of Sweet Idaho. Also, his greatgrandchildren: Andrew, Benjamin, Morgan, Tatianna, Laura, Aubrey, Savannah, Abigail and great-great grandson Elijah. He is preceded in death by Birgit, his wife of 64 years, and their two daughters Ingrid and Christina Lindberg.

waiting for me. She always knew me better than I did. We hugged for as long as we both needed, cried, and told each other that we'd see each other every Sunday and call every day. After a lengthy goodbye, I felt ready to move into the next stage of my life, learning to live with without her day-to-day.

I tell this story because I find myself here again, this time spreading her ashes, in a new season of my life learning how to live without my mom.

I'm sad for all the stories I won't get to tell about her like the one where she meets our baby or hears someone call her Grandma for the first time. I miss her; I miss my best friend.

And even though I can't just turn my car around for one last reassuring hug, I know she's always with me; the memory of a little girl waving "bye-bye Mommy."

By Kate Evans

Ines in Solvang.

(Golden retriever) and Clarisse (Calico cat). He was a very humble and unassuming friar with a great sense of humor. He was a prankster and loved to pull pranks on his unwitting friends.

His nickname was "Fluffy."

One of his quirks was that he was a big fan of the Generalissimo Francisco Franco. He loved sports. He was a big fan of USC, the Chargers, Texas A&M and Army. He loved the poor and would gladly give the coat off his back to any who needed it. He adored his family and friends and their pets.

Fr. Ron suffered from congested heart failure and diabetes and became very ill and died peacefully on the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima May 13 in Oakland. He was 77 years old.





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Fr. Ronald Paul Talbott was born in Los Angeles on April 13, 1946, the son of Roy M. Talbott and Elizabeth McNelis and brother of Sharon Maloney. He graduated from Pater Noster High School in 1964. In 1969 he received a BA degree in history from Rocky Mountain College in Billings, Montana. He received his teaching credential in 1970 and taught history at his alma mater Pater Noster High School until 1975. In 1975 he received an MA in history from Pepperdine University. He entered the Capuchin Order on Aug. 20, 1975 at San Lorenzo Seminary in Santa Ynez, California and was ordained a Catholic priest on June 19, 1981 at St. Bede Church, La Cañada Flintridge.

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After ordination, he was assigned as a teacher at St. Francis High School in La Cañada Flintridge. In 1982 he was commissioned as a

He is survived by his dear sister Sharon and several nephews and nieces.

Fr. Ron's funeral arrangements are as follows: funeral Mass is Monday May 22 at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Angels Church, 1721 Hillside Drive in Burlingame. Rosary will be Tuesday May 23 at 7 p.m. at Old Mission Santa Ines, 1760 Mission Drive, Solvana. The Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday May 24 (Feast of the Dedication of the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi) also at Old Mission Santa Ines in Solvang, Burial is at San Lorenzo Friary, 1802 Sky Drive in Santa Ynez.

In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation in memory of Fr. Ron to the Retired Friars Foundation, 1345 Cortez Ave., Burlingame, CA 94010.

NEWS

» GETTING TO KNOW THE STNC Plenty of Opportunities to Serve the Community

By Katie O'BRIEN

Sunland-Tujunga The Neighborhood Council (STNC) opened its doors to public for in-person meetings after three years of Zoom meetings due to the pandemic. The main purpose of neighborhood councils is to promote more citizen participation government and make in government more responsive to local needs.

Public participation on the STNC and its committees is encouraged for anyone who has an interest in any committee area. Check the STNC.org website calendar for meeting dates, times and locations; this information is found by clicking on the committee of interest.

Another of the committees overseen by the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council is the Safe Traffic and Transportation (STAT) committee. Its purpose is to represent the community's needs and interests regarding traffic safety and related transportation issues and to communicate and present them to appropriate city and state officials to initiate changes. The STAT meeting is from 6 p.m. -7.30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month. Meetings

Tujunga.

The next tree care event, organized by STAT, is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, June 24 at a location to be determined. The goal is to have 40 to 50 volunteers available that morning to weed and water 100 trees along Foothill Boulevard. At the last tree care event in December, 125 trees were watered along Foothill Boulevard in Sunland. Additionally, with the help of a few community members, obstructive Agroperm (non-permeable asphalt around the base of the trees) was removed from 65 trees. This substance is 4" - 5" thick and prevents tree trunks and roots from expanding and absorbing water. Once the Agroperm is removed, fertilizer is packed around the tree and it is given plenty of water and then topped with mulch to lock in moisture.

Volunteers are needed twice a month on Sundays to help with ongoing mulching, weeding and watering efforts. To volunteer please contact Pat Kramer, STAT committee chair, at June 3. patkramerstnc@gmail.com. The STAT committee is also asking local businesses and individuals to

are held in person at the S-T adopt a tree near where they live Library, 7771 Foothill Blvd. in or work and commit to watering it twice a month (five gallons per watering) and remove trash around it.

> At the April STAT meeting, discussion was also held regarding inviting the new LAPD traffic officer for Sunland-Tujunga, Officer Venegas, to the next meeting on May 23. Stakeholders are invited to contact Council Office CD7 Deputy Ricardo Flores (818-352-3287; ricardo.x.flores@lacity.org) and copying committee chair Pat Kramer (patkramerstnc@gmail. com) with information on fatalities that occur in the community.

> Finally, the McGroarty Arts Center is hosting its 19th Annual Ceramics Juried Open Exhibition June 3 through June 24, with a theme of human form in clay. The Exhibition will be held at McGroarty Arts Center. Apply at mcgroartyartscenter.org/events. Email mcgroartyceramics@gmail. com or call (818) 352-5285 for questions on this event. Opening reception is from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The awards announcement will be made at 8 p.m. on Saturday,

> > Next week. CVW introduces readers to more STNC committees.

2900 block of Community Avenue

in La Crescenta, a student reported

accidentally leaving her backpack

in a classroom that contained her

MacBook in a laptop bag. She left for

 $the \, day \, and \, the \, classroom \, was \, locked.$

When she returned the next day her

computer was not there. A witness

told her she saw the computer and

bag in the room at the end of the day

RIME BLOTTER

May 13

2500 block of Community Avenue in La Crescenta, a vehicle was vandalized with spray paint and windows were shattered between 7:40 p.m. and 11:16 p.m.

700 block of Angeles Crest Highway in Tujunga, an unknown tool was used to open a door of a vehicle. Items were stolen from the interior of the vehicle between 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

700 block of Angeles Crest Highway in Tujunga, an unknown tool was used to open a vehicle; nothing was reported stolen between 7 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Angeles Crest Highway in Angeles National Forest a man

May 10

Big Tujunga Canyon Road and Trail Canyon Falls in Angeles National Forest, a man parked and locked his vehicle at a turnout at the location. He left his vehicle and when he returned he opened the trunk of the vehicle and noticed several items were missing. He did not notice anything missing from inside the vehicle but noticed the driver's side door locking mechanism had been punched.

The vehicle burglary occurred between 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

when the room was locked. A trace of the computer found it to be at an address in Los Angeles. The theft occurred between 4

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p.m. and 11 p.m.



May 8



reported parking his vehicle, locking it and going for a hike. When he returned he found the keyhole had been tampered with of the front driver side door handle. He did not report anything stolen between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.

May 11

2200 block of Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge, the glass front door of a window was shattered. Surveillance video showed an unknown suspect smashing the business window and entering the building. The suspect looked around the area and quickly left. Prior to the first suspect leaving a second suspect approached the door and began to enter. The first suspect then gestured to leave and both suspects left the area. Nothing appeared to be stolen.

The burglary occurred at 4:49 a.m.

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understand, the junior class at CV High chooses the prom theme and the date of prom for their senior year. This year's event was uncharacteristically early. For years, prom was held on the Saturday night of Memorial Day weekend. A couple of years ago that tradition changed and Prom Plus had to adapt.

I will say, though, that having prom and Prom Plus the same weekend as Mother's Day was not a good decision. The number of attendees to Prom Plus was down - though the number of volunteers was up. From what I heard there were a lot of volunteers who were absolutely overwhelmed with how great the event is (it's held at the Crescenta-Cañada YMCA) and promise to be a part of the 2024 event.

That's a good thing because Mary O'Keefe and I will be stepping aside from our roles on the Prom Plus board and will only be advisors for the new members. After so many years being involved with Prom Plus, this role will be odd for us but, as I've said before, the board should be populated by people who have kids in the school. After all, why should we care more about these students than do their parents?

> the Week CV Weekly loves to hear about your pets! Send a pic and small caption to Sonya@cvweekly.com to share your lovable pets with the community!

Pet of

WEATHER from page 2

He was knocked unconscious by a piece of furniture as he was pulled into the twister so he doesn't remember the ride – only that he woke up in a grassy field about a quarter of a mile away from his house.

One part of the film showed a cow being carried by a twister. This actually happens. In Elgin, Texas in 2017 it was reported that several cows and one bull survived being carried by a tornado over a quarter of a mile. The cattle were tossed over fences into the next pasture; all were knocked unconscious and only one cow had an injury – a hurt leg.

We have often heard about "Tornado Alley," an area of the Great Plains in the area of eastern Kansas and Oklahoma. This area is where tornadoes are frequently seen; however, more areas that are not normally tornado prone are having to deal with these twisters.

Multiple studies find that the conditions that produce the most severe thunderstorms from which tornadoes may form are more likely as the world warms. Climate change may be causing a shift not only in a severity of the storms but also their frequency in more regions.

According to NOAA, a study published recently in npj Climate and Atmospheric Science by Vittorio A. Gensini of Northern Illinois University and Harold E. Brooks of the National Severe Storms Laboratory looked into the possibility that tornado frequencies are changing across the U.S. Their findings include a decrease in the traditional "Tornado Alley" of the Great Plains and an increase in the Southeast's "Dixie Alley." The study found increases in tornado reports and tornado environments in portions of Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Tennessee and Kentucky.

LA County has had several small tornadoes, according to the Almanac – about 46 tornadoes have been reported since 1950, most of them small. But in 1966 and 1983 there were rather large tornadoes that caused injuries and property damage. The 1983 tornado went through South LA causing 30 injuries and nine deaths. I remember that tornado; I was on the 110 Freeway near South LA when we heard the report.

Who knows? As the Earth warms we may all be participating in tornado drills.

No storms are expected in the near future for our area; some winds may happen today and Friday with gusts up to 15 mph. The weekend temperatures will be in the high 70s and on Monday night through Tuesday we will have patchy fog.

STRIKE from Cover

left out of the creative process, instead being used as a sort of script doctor to edit and finesse the AI's creation. This is a worst case scenario but also one that dances on the lines of plagiarism.

According to PCG uide.com, "ChatGPT [an artificial intelligence chatbot] is not plagiarism insofar as it is not copying the work of someone else outright. However, it is somewhat questionable from an ... integrity standpoint in the sense that ... you have not created the work yourself."

A WGA member who's requested he remain anonymous said, "We're dealing with the replacement of labor on a widespread scale by AI and the writers' strike is the frontline of that fight for humanity."

Popular shows like "Stranger Things" and "Yellowjackets" have gone on hiatus because of the strike and picket lines have shut down location shoots in NY and LA, late night talk shows have gone dark and the MTV Movie & TV Awards' live show was canceled. Members of AMPTP have remained relatively quiet though a four-page letter was released (please visit www.cvweekly.co/NEWS to read the letter).

WGA West members are encouraged to protest at designated areas for four hours a day, every day of the workweek. Picket lines are currently marching at all of the major studios in Los Angeles.



Picketers outside Warner Bros. Studios.

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VIEWPOINTS

TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER Memories of the Montrose Bob's Big Boy – Part 1 This continues the collection with him. I think he was also was memories especially since I met the Menace' TV series! Class of fudge cake?"

of memories from the Montrose dating a waitress at Bob's. I spent my husband there." Bob's Big Boy, located at 3212 La lots of time at Bob's but usually at Crescenta Ave. near its intersection the one on Colorado with friends at friends before or after our high with Verdugo Road. It was there from the late 1940s until the late Bob's in Montrose a few times. I do 1980s, and was a favorite hangout remember when I drove by a few for families and teenagers during times wondering if Gene was in the "baby boom" years.

Here are more of those cherished memories:

Gene Wilson who had a car body and paint shop in Glendale. Gene lived in Montrose and started each day with breakfast at Bob's in they stick! My friends and I hung Montrose. Then he would go to his shop. About 10 a.m. we would go to take our lipstick and write on the Bob's on Colorado for coffee. Then bathroom mirrors. We didn't want back to work until about 1 p.m. for to permanently scratch into the lunch. Bob's of course. Then back to work until 2 p.m. or 3 p.m. [then was 18, I worked at the Sunland off] for coffee at Bob's. Then Gene Bob's and we called the Bob's would go home and then to Bob's in Montrose 'Montrose Bob's.' I for dinner. I think he did this every day during the summer I worked nametag, and my gold pin. Great

my high school. Only went to the there eating."

"[I] grew up in La Crescenta from birth and Montrose Bob's "In the late '50s I worked for was our family's favorite. Dad taught us how to shoot the frilly toothpicks with a paper straw into the cork ceiling tiles. Boy, did out there a lot growing up. We'd bathroom doors or walls. When I still have my Bob's Big Boy doll,

"We'd go there with a bunch of school dances. Classic burgers, fries and milkshakes. Other times [I] used to go after our Friday football games."

"I grew up in La Crescenta, I don't remember when the Bob's in Montrose was built, I just remember the good times with my family eating fries dipped in both Thousand Island dressing and blue cheese. We didn't eat out much [and] going to Bob's was a special treat. It wasn't as much about the food as it was about the time and memories with family and friends."

"Lots of memories there. The front door glass shattered one night when temp changed! Couple of times in the parking lot we had contests downing beers for time! Once with Tommy from 'Dennis

'64."

"Favorite place to lunch with my Rosemont Junior High friends after a Saturday movie matinee! Waitresses were always so nice to us. My dad would pick us up from there. He always went in and made sure we left a decent gratuity!"

"In the late '60s it was the place to go after football games at Glendale stadium."

"Many, many Big Boys, mid '50s to early '60s, from the Bob's in Montrose. I went my first two years of college in Mexico City. My dad came down to visit and snuck a Big Boy in his suitcase. I ate it cold, but it was still good."

"It's always chili spaghetti for me! I now stop in at the Burbank location when I get a chance."

"My mom started her waitress career at that Bob's! She had to wear a giant button that said something like 'How about a hot

"Great memories from childhood to adulthood there. In my teens, after my girlfriends and I went to the beach we stopped on the way home for a bite to eat. After, we each took a dare and sat on the burger in our bikinis. Wish we had taken a picture. My favorite pie was rum cream pie."

More memories next week.



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

NEWS FROM SACRAMENTO » **ASSEMBLYMEMBER LAURA FRIEDMAN** Californians Deserve Products Free of Harmful Substances linked to cancer, birth defects or and furniture to protect consumers When you use everyday products juvenile products and furniture.

like cosmetics or lotions, or when you're picking out a new mattress, are you worried about harmful or potentially toxic ingredients or materials? Should you be? It might come as a surprise but when it comes to harmful chemicals and materials in household products, regulations protecting consumers can be hard to find. I've been working to change that.

Over the past few years, I've authored legislation to ban the use of dangerous chemicals in products designed for children and eliminate perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances, commonly known as PFAS, in personal care products. This year, I'm working to eliminate additional toxic chemicals in cosmetics and to prohibit the inclusion of fiberglass in mattresses,

Many of us assume that the cosmetics we use are safe. While the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act of 1938 and California's Sherman Act prohibit the sale of cosmetics that are "injurious to users," the federal government does not conduct pre-market safety testing or reviews to ensure that cosmetic products are safe nor are they required to review chemicals of concern.

At the state level, our Safe Program Cosmetics requires manufacturers to disclose the presence of certain chemicals in a cosmetic product sold here and the data is alarming. According to these reports, since 2009 613 cosmetics companies have sold over 75,000 unique beauty and personal care products that contain chemicals

reproductive harm.

Due to this lack of regulation and government oversight, Californians cannot be sure that the cosmetics and personal care products they purchase are free of toxic ingredients. Californians deserve, and urgently need, more protections against exposure to harmful chemicals in the cosmetic products they use every day. That's why I've introduced AB 496. The bill prohibits the sale in California of cosmetics that contain any one of 26 highly toxic chemicals, all of which the European Union has banned from use in cosmetics sold across 27 countries.

In contrast to cosmetics where the inclusion of toxic chemicals serves no purpose in protecting consumers, fiberglass has been included in some household products like mattresses from potential fires.

Both the federal government and the State of California have promulgated regulations that limit the flammability of mattresses and upholstered furniture. These furniture items pose a danger to an entire structure and, therefore, lives if they catch fire. For a long time, toxic flame retardant chemicals were used to meet these standards but in recognition of their health impacts, the laws and regulations were changed at federal and state levels to greatly restrict the use of these chemicals. To provide a thermal barrier, most manufacturers now use naturally flame resistant materials such rayon, latex, silica and wool to meet the standard, but some manufacturers use fiberglass. Fiberglass is a man-made mineral

fiber that is composed of silica sand, limestone, recycled glass and soda ash that has a lifespan of more than 50 years. It can be irritating to the eyes, skin and lungs. Rashes, itching and blisters can occur when fiberglass comes into contact with human skin, even for short periods of time. Long-term exposure to fiberglass is associated with lung pulmonarv including disease. fibrosis. Short-term inhalational exposure to fiberglass may cause lung inflammation and bronchiolitis. Fiberglass fibers can also cause visual changes, bleeding and scarring if they become embedded within the eye.

When individuals unzip or open mattress and cushion covers, unintentional exposures to fiberglass can occur. In addition, there is see FRIEDMAN on page 19





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Junior Goalie Bella Torres performed strongly with a career high 12 saves while senior captain Brianne Ballard led the team with five points (four goals, one assist). Sophomores Sophia Lima and Camden Ballard continued to be effective on offense with each scoring three goals while seniors Shari Park and Soph Katcheran each scored one goal. The defense remained resilient with Jane Marriott and Kaylani Parker leading the way.

The Falcons made it to the championship game with wins over Anaheim Canyon (14-7), San Juan

Besides winning their first ever CIF title, the team also won the Pacific League for the second consecutive year and set a school record with 19 wins.

The Falcons finished the season on an 11-game winning streak to finish 19-5.

> Photo provided by Brent A. BALLARD To see the final stats and roster, and more photos, visit www.cvweekly/YOUTH or www.cvweekly.com/SPORTS.



Sophomore Sophia Lima was effective on offense

Rep Schiff Announces CA-30 Winners of Annual Congressional Art Competition

Schiff the winners from California's 30th Congressional District for the annual Congressional Art Competition. The Congressional Art Competition began in 1982 to from Rep. Schiff. provide an opportunity for members of Congress to encourage and included Shepard Fairey, a worldrecognize the artistic talents of their renowned artist whose artwork young constituents. Since then, hundreds of thousands of high school students have submitted their artwork for consideration. For this year's competition in California's director of The Ebell of Los Angeles, 30th district, more than 40 students from 18 local schools submitted artwork for consideration. The awards were presented at an exhibit

Recently Congressman Adam and awards ceremony at the Ebell of presented awards to Los Angeles. In addition to the first, second, third place and People's Choice awardees, each student participant received a Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition

This year's panel of judges transformed the way people see art and the urban landscape, Dr. Stacy Brightman, a leader in the Los Angeles arts field and executive and Patricia Peréz, a multi-medium fine artist and teacher and vice president of The Elysian Valley Arts Collective.



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BETWEEN FRIENDS **Cancer Support Community Receives** Challenge Grant

ancer Community's (CSC)board of directors recently announced that the organization received a \$250,000 challenge match to assist in successfully closing CSC's capital "Be the Key" campaign. The organization had \$93,000 remaining to raise to "unlock the match" and reach its \$3,750,000 fundraising goal. The funds raised are being used to bethekey.cscpasadena.org or call purchase and renovate its new permanent facility in Sierra Madre.

The challenge initiative will dollar-for-dollar match donations from new and existing supporters. The match enables donors to double the impact of their contributions.

"Construction continues on the interior renovations of our new facility in Sierra Madre," said Brad Talt, CSC's board president, "and

Support we will be opening our doors soon, thanks to the tremendous gifts we have received from our supporters. We're grateful for this challenge match because it encourages new donors to join with us and existing donors to deepen their support for our critically important work providing programs free of charge to anyone impacted by cancer."

For more information, visit Patricia Ostiller, executive director, at (626) 796-1083.

Cancer Support Community all provides free support groups, educational workshops, and healthy lifestyle classes to cancer patients and their families, cancer survivors, and those bereaved in the greater San Gabriel Valley. Services are available in English, Spanish, and Armenian. For more information, visit cscpasadena.org.



Some of Cancer Support Community participants enjoyed a tour of the new facility in Sierra Madre in April.

Lawler Speaks to Vets and Guests



On April 8, Mike Lawler from the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley spoke to the veterans and their guests during the 99th birthday bash of the Legion. He brought a fresh look at the history of Verdugo Hills Post 288, American Legion.

Photo by Dick CLUBB



U. Installs New Officers \mathbf{P} . \mathbf{F} .(

P.E.O. that represents the 11 local P.E.O. chapters (each designated with letter names) recently met to install new officers. Marge McNaught, Mills, VS, as president; Pat Steen, MZ, vice president; Katie Ingram, corresponding secretary; IH. Donna Franklin, HG, recording secretary and Cathy Marrero, FF-KU treasurer for the 2023-24 year. Pat Steen, MZ, outgoing president, was thanked for her service and presented with a past president's

Glendale Reciprocity pin by Anne Krall, FF-KU.

Members of these local P.E.O. Chapters manage the Daz-E Shop, a thrift shop founded in 1969 located at 2525 N. Lake Ave. in Altadena. Chapter FF-KU, installed Linda Donations and shopping may be done Wednesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Proceeds from the shop go towards the Mildred L. McEntire Daz-E Shop Scholarship, which is a merit-based award for Southern California women attending an accredited college.

community service opportunities

or scholarship opportunities are encouraged to look at the dazeshop. org website for more information.

P.E.O., Philanthropic Educational Organization, promotes the empowerment of women through the giving of scholarships, grants and loans to graduating seniors, college students and women whose education has been interrupted and find it necessary to return to school to improve their marketable skills. Over 300 women in the Glendale, Students and adults looking for La Crescenta and La Cañada areas belong to P.E.O.

Los Gringos Locos Hosts Dine-out for LCFOG

a.m. to 9 p.m. folks can support the ordering take out at Los Gringos La Cañada Flintridge Orthopaedic Locos, 631 Foothill Blvd. in La

On Wednesday, May 24 from 11 Guild (LCFOG) by dining in or Cañada. Diners should just mention



that they are there to promote the goals of LCFOG.

LCFOG is an organization whose goal it is to help every child Grow Well and Play Well. The doctors, nurses and all personnel at Luskin OIC (Luskin Orthopaedic Institute for Children) are dedicated to helping children get back on the

Special things that set La Piazza apart from other communities:

• Gated community • Spacious 2-bedroom individual homes • Private patio • Covered carport • Weekly housekeeping and linen service • Complete maintenance • 2 Meals prepared daily by trained chefs • Access to fitness center and putting green • Daily Catholic Mass offered in a serene setting.



Noel Collins Our 2nd Annual Fundraising Musical Benefiting Variety Show the LCPC igher Education Scholarship Fund Sunday, May 21, 2:00 Matinee Featuring a Ten-Piece Professional Band & Singers Performing Pop, Rock, Swing, Jazz, Gospel, TV & Movie Themes SUGGESTED DONATION \$15.00 PER TICKET OR \$30.00 PER FAMILY SPONSORSHIPS ALSO AVAILABLE: Patron \$100 Benefactor \$200 Anael \$500 Archangel \$1,000+ 3 Tickets available at the door or for advance tickets call 818-249-6137 La Crescenta Presbyterian Church 2902 Montrose Avenue, La Crescenta, CA 91214-3896

playground. If a child needs a cast for his leg or he needs a new extremity, almost everything is doable at Luskin OIC.

LCFOG members have volunteered and staffed the welcome desk at the Los Angeles downtown health facility. They have worked to insure that children get to sit on Santa's lap and receive toys and books at the annual Christmas parties. They also provide much-needed school supplies to youngsters ... and much more.

Anyone interested in becoming part of LCFOG can contact Jeanne Long at (818) 640-9106. Those who just want to check out the organization are invited to attend a meeting. New members are always welcome.

> Submitted by Arlene MASSIMINO

TRAVEL & LEISURE

'Favorite Cousins' Shines A Light On Chicano Experience



Photo courtesy of CASA 0101 From left Raquel Salinas (Gloria) and Vanessa Arias-Herrera (Frances) in "Favorite Cousins" playing now through May 21 at Casa 0101 Theater.

By Lynn SHER

he world premier production of "Favorite Cousins" is finishing a successful run this week at CASA 0101 Theater in Boyle Heights. The final three performances are May 19, 20 and 21: Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. There will be a special guest speaker after the Sunday show. "Favorite Cousins" is the inaugural production to present in the newly dedicated Gloria Molina Auditorium.

Playwright Lindsey Haley initially created "Favorite Cousins" in 2010 as a 30-minute play through a commission from Girl Planet at TeAda Productions. In March 2013 it was included in the Short Play Festival, "Chicanas, Cholas y Chisme," created by Josefina Lopez ("Real Women Have Curves") at CASA 0101. This current production is a full length, two-act play.

"Favorite Cousins" is a modernday drama in which two cousins,

estranged and seemingly opposite in disposition, are forced to come together despite themselves to pack up the house of their recently deceased grandmother. They are each suffering from the loss of their sons, one who lost his life to gang violence and the other who is serving a life sentence for the same reason.

Vanessa Arias-Herrera and Raquel Salinas play the cousins Frances and Gloria. They spend the first part of the play bumping heads and annoying each another. Each condemns the other for the choices they've made and how they've handled their individual hardships. Circumstances unfold as the women are inevitably shown they have more in common than they'd like to admit and that ultimately they need each other.

The play also shines a spotlight on glaring issues like gentrification that is pricing out Chicano families from their homes and neighborhoods, and the for-profit prison system. Haley explained she wanted to "expose the cottage industry that relies on the incarceration of Brown and Black people."

Memories unfold often in real time in the play that causes the drama to drag, and it wrapped up a little too neatly for me at the end, but the story was poignant all the same and the characters were fun at times, though I would have liked to see more organic connection between the two leading ladies.

Highlights from the production were the set designed by Marco De Leon and Prop Master Doreen Sanchez. The stage was used to its full capacity so that the audience really felt like a fly on the wall in the bedroom of this history filled Santa Monican home. Actress Tina D' Marco truly shined as Comadre Josephine, filling the role with delectable life and charm.

Ultimately, "Favorite Cousins" gives life to the realities of the Chicano experience in Los Angeles, celebrating the culture and bringing awareness to the hardships that often go hand-in-hand.

Los Angeles County Fair Returns with Farm Animals, Rides and Amazing Food



The food offerings at the LA County Fair are memory-making. By Charly SHELTON farm experience home, fresh milk

It's the time of year for farm animals, carnival rides and deep frying everything that legally counts as food. That's right: it's time for the LA County Fair.

The Los Angeles County Fair is back at the Pomona Fairplex from now through May 29. Now taking place in the spring instead of the traditional summer schedule, the cooler days of May are a much better time to enjoy the fair than in September.

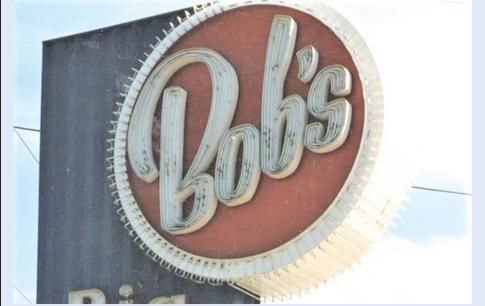
The farm showcase is among the highlights of the Fair. In many other parts of the country, or even other parts of the state, seeing farm animals may not be such a wild occasion. But in a city as big as LA, seeing a live cow or pig is almost as rare as seeing a zebra or giraffe - animals relegated to zoos or special events. At the Fair visitors can see goats, cows, chickens, sheep and pigs up-close and personal, and even see cows during milking demonstrations. For those who want to take the

Photos by Charly SHELTON

is also available for purchase. And seeing the kids react to the animals in the massive sheepfilled petting zoo is just as fun as seeing the animals themselves.

The carnival-style rides and games are always fun, the halls of shopping and art displays can easily be a full day on their own, and the chair lift across the Fairplex is a classic Fair activity not to be missed. But the food, of course, is the real star of the show. Everything is deep-fried, including Twinkies, Oreos, S'mores, cookie dough, avocados, ice cream, baconwrapped pickles, bacon-wrapped chicken legs and frog legs. And that's just at Chicken Charlie's.

Chicken Charlie's at the LA County Fair is a formative experience for this reporter. Just weeks after launching this paper, I was invited to the Fair to try some of the food offerings including a sample of Chicken Charlie's newest creations. At 19, I was unaware of my limits and ate everything that see LA COUNTY FAIR on page 15



THEN: This was the gorgeous neon sign that welcomed diners to the Montrose Bob's Big Boy in its later years. And of course there's the heavy fiberglass "Bob" statue. It was "liberated" at least a couple times, only to end up in the quad at Crescenta Valley High School.



NOW: Look! The sign frame is still there, minus the neon. It now advertises the Bright Start Child Development Center at 3212 La Crescenta Ave. And the Bob statue? Is it hiding in the bushes? Is it still in the high school quad? Where did that statue end up?

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Starting A Family?

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learned my limits. I am a father

And a chile relleno burrito.

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GLENDALE KIWANIS

The Kiwanis Club of Glendale meets on Fridays at noon. On May 19, guest speaker Louise Skosey, practitioners, artists and vendors VP of Development, Adventist will gather in La Crescenta for "A Health-Glendale will speak on the Day of Healing" at the Spring 2023 new developments at the hospital. The cost to attend, which includes welcome.

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

'FORCES OF DESTINY' AT CALTECH

The Caltech Orchestra, directed by Dr. Glenn D. Price, presents its spring concert titled "Forces of Destiny."

Saturday, May 20 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday, May 21 at 3 p.m., both Dunsmore Ave., La Crescenta. in Ramo Auditorium in Pasadena featuring the same program of **ARMED FORCES DAY CAR** music. Selections include Verdi's SHOW Overture, "La Forza del Destino" and Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6, "Pathétique." Alexia Kim, one of 1614 of La Crescenta are hosting the three student winners of the and sponsoring an automobile Concerto Competition, plays Carl show on May 20 at CV Park, 3901 Reinecke's "Flute Concerto."

Admission is free and no tickets are required. Social distancing and masks are recommended but not Armed Forces Day car show required. For more information includes displays of cars and visit pva.Caltech.edu or call (626) 395-3295.

METAPHYSICAL AND ARTISAN FAIR

A diverse group of healing arts Metaphysical and Artisan Fair.

The fair includes over 40 lunch and program, is \$20. All are talented and diverse artists and vendors selected to showcase their talents and crafts of handmade and metaphysical products as well as or \$115 for six weeks; no dance healing arts services. Attendees are invited to explore, engage in healing services, shop, enjoy delicious food, participate in a relaxing group sound bath meditation as well as energy healing and drum circle CASINO NIGHT CCLCF meditation.

The Fair is on Saturday, May There will be two concerts: on 20 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Center for Spiritual Living, 4845

The American Legion Post 288 Dunsmore Ave. from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Free admission to the Annual trucks, classic autos, hot rods and military vehicles.

Funds raised will benefit military and children's charities.

EXPRESSIVE DANCE CLASS FOR ADULTS

Expressive Dance Classes for adults, taught by professional ballet dancer Mindy Krasner (www.MindyKrasner.com), will be taught at the Center for Spiritual Living, 4845 Dunsmore Ave. in La Crescenta on Mondays from 11 a.m. to noon from May 15-June 19.

The cost is \$20 for a single class experience necessary. For more information and to register contact info@MindyKrasner.com or call (702) 493-6443.

FUNDRAISER

The 10th Annual Casino Night Fundraiser, hosted by Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge, has been rescheduled to July 29.

IN SEARCH OF TIKI CULTURE

Tiki culture was popular in the 1930s and even more so after WWII when America's troops headed back home after serving in the South Pacific. All are invited for the final 2nd Saturday program until September and be transported to a faraway magical place of carved wooden statues and bamboo furniture.

Speaker Sven Kirsten saw "tiki culture" as an unrecognized art form. He is known worldwide as the leading authority on tiki

May 18, 2023 Freedailycrosswords.com

Thermos inventor James

Make euphoric

3) Nervous, with "up"

6) Did some mending

9) Another kind of stove

11) Georgetown athlete

13) Prepare for a selfie 18) Homer hitter's gait

23) Bottom-of-letter letters

26) Beaufort scale listings

31) Lacoste of court fame

28) Be one of the crowd

12) "Yeah, right!"

30) Not varying

5) Dazed states

Prefix with "friendly"

A nephew of Donald Duck

8) Where scrubs are worn, for short

10) 1960 Dion and the Belmonts hit

25) Do the impossible, figuratively

29) Mrs. Charles in "The Thin Man"

DOWN

1)

2)

4)

culture and has published several books on the design, architecture and social culture surrounding the subject.

This event is free and open to the public and everyone is welcome. It takes place on Saturday, June 10 at 1 p.m. at Bolton Hall Museum, Home of Little Landers Historical Society, 10110 Commerce Ave. in Tujunga.

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

'LIGHT FANTASTIC' PRESENTED BY THE TOWNE SINGERS

The Towne Singers presents "Light Fantastic," a choral concert

see CALENDAR THIS on next page

WEEKLY HOROSCOPES Provided by horoscope.com

ARIES March 21 - April 19

Powerful emotions are in play. If a boss is verbally abusive or makes you deeply angry, you may consider quitting or simply sulk in silence. Try a more direct approach. Have the courage to say, "Please stop" or "Please explain how I can help you make this better." A calm mind is a real asset in stressful situations. If emotions are running high, then walk away and come back after the situation cools. Saturday supports better communication.

TAURUS April 20 - May 20

Do your best to stay calm. An employee or co-worker who questions every move or always knows best can become really annoying. State your position with confidence. It's important to support a balanced and cooperative approach to shared responsibilities. Thursday is a positive day to apply for a better position. Be very clear about what is expected. Sunday is lucky for making connections and learning new skills.

★★ GEMINI May 21 - June 20

It's important to be very honest and clear about anything concerning work and money. Small things can become big and unpleasant. Stay on top of things and making sure problems are taken care of as soon as they arise. Success is based upon a complex network of other people and organizations. For best results, relationships must be tended and nurtured. Saturday and Sunday are the most positive days for finding a new or better job.

CANCER June 21 - July 22

You'll be happiest if you can be creative. You'll do better at jobs where you can express yourself. This could include bringing an interesting snack to share. Be enthusiastic about taking on a new responsibility at work. Jump in to give a hand to colleagues in need. Your eye for detail makes you invaluable to upper management. Realistic expectations will help you avoid unnecessary stress. It's important to keep your customers happy.

May 15, 2023 - May 21, 2023

313 LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Stressful events that may seem beyond your control require calm and adaptability. Avoid rash actions. Slow and careful is better than a snap decision . Be sure to get the approval of higherups if necessary. Your just and fair nature comes in handy in a position of leadership where decisions have to be made. Work hard and spend wisely at week's end. Work to secure a future for your business. Making a positive impression is especially important.

- SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

This week can bring important recognition and opportunities. These are lucky days if you're looking to change or improve your job prospects. Good relations with customers and co-workers are the key to a happy business. Be approachable. This will help create lovalty. It also supports hearing about problems as soon as they arise. Avoid taking on extra work or responsibilities at week's end. Do your best to organize your work in order to be more focused and productive.

SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21 This week is a high-energy time. You can make a big impression and find people to support your interests. Ask what you can do for others and then do it. Treat difficult people with respect. You will be most successful if you stem your tendency to say exactly what you think. You may have a tendency to go chasing off in an attractive direction. This could be a waste of time. Your natural optimism is appreciated.

CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

This is a high-energy week. There may be opportunities to take charge. Some will experience a powerful change. Emotional confrontations are possible . Don't worry about playing favorites this week. If you treat everyone well, then they're all your favorites. Contact your mentors at the end of the week. Think about those people who gave you valuable advice and support in the past. It's in your best interests to have regular chats with people you admire.

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ACROSS

- 1) Feints, of sorts
- 6) Steward's domain
- 10) Congressional figure
- 14) A-list
- 15) Currency in Cologne
- 16) Red Skelton persona
- 17) 1937 Laurel and Hardy
- movie
- 19) Peacock markings
- 20) Hit the buffet
- 21) Food chain victim
- 22) Tongue-lash
- 24) Massive tree
- 26) Tunney of the ring
- 27) Mobiles, e.g.
- 28) Raptor trainer
- 32) Spreadsheet units
- 35) Pepper dispenser
- 36) Go from pillar to post
- 37) In a frenzy
- 38) Pirate's pal

- 43) Kind of stove 45) Haggard novel 46) Like many unsuccessful
- field goal attempts

39) Small songbird

40) Stitch's movie pal

42) Title for Macbeth

41) Tennessee's state flower

- 47) Calls it a day
- 51) Dojo teaching

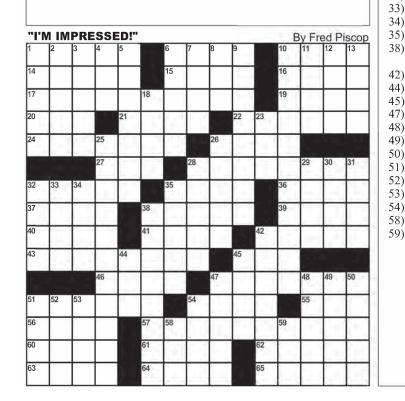
- 55) 108-card game

- 61) Stairwell sign
- 62) __ Doggie (old cartoon
- pooch)
- 64) Man caves, often

54) Wound at Pamplona

- 56) Oodles
- 57) Prolonged argument
- 60) Iditarod city

- 63) Go like the dickens
- 65) Radial pattern



32) Herd baby 33) Qatari VIP 34) Kinks classic 35) One of the Curies 38) Like the walls in a damp basement, maybe 42) Tried to bean, perhaps 44) Hobby shop buy 45) The Ventures' music genre 47) Tugboat warnings 48) Troop escalation 49) Chennai's land 50) Was a buttinsky 51) Philosopher Immanuel 52) Bath gel ingredient 53) Ovoid tomato 54) Silly expression 58) Guitar, slangily (var.) 59) Start of many church names

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Call LEO July 23 - August 22

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👪 VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22 This is a powerful time to build strong relationships with the boss, co-workers, vendors, and customers. If you need to find a new job, the energy this week supports confidence and action. Focus on simplifying and organizing midweek. Focus on results. Know what you want to do and do your best. Get to the bottom of piles of papers or tasks you've been avoiding. Look for opportunities to learn new skills.

🛃 AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

If you're facing a request that seems difficult or unreasonable, avoid saying no. This is a powerful time to earn recognition. Look for innovative approaches to problems. Be aware that if you rush off without consulting others, they may misunderstand your motives midweek. Be sure everyone is on the same page. Sunday begins a month-long improvement in your ability to coordinate and share ideas. Network with as many people as possible.

* PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

Learn as much as you can about everyone you work with. The more you know about a person, the better your chances are of establishing positive working relationships. Look for ways to express appreciation or gratitude on the job. A simple, written thank-you note can have a powerful impact. You may be feeling particularly unappreciated or blocked. Be patient. Dressing your best this week can help make you feel more accomplished and optimistic.

<u>JUST FOR FUN</u>

» ZACK HILL BY JOHN DEERING AND JOHN NEWCOMBE



PROBLEM SOLVED » BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT Hey Ticketmaster, where's the refund for my David Foster concert tickets?

Elizabeth Moeck has tickets to see David Foster in concert but the show gets canceled during the pandemic. What happened to her refund?

14, 2020.

On May 1, Ticketmasteremailed me that the concert had been rescheduled to Jan. 16, 2021. But in August, Ticketmaster sent an email that the concert would be canceled and my ticket refunded.

I contacted Ticketmaster because I paid for the concert with a gift card, but Ticketmaster said they had to refund to a refund from Ticketmaster on my consumer credit card so I gave them my credit card information.

Ticketmaster didn't refund the tickets as promised. So I called back in December. This time, I got through to an automated system that recommended I contact Ticketmaster online.

A representative reviewed my request and said, "At this time, we are awaiting funds from the event organizer. As soon as the funds are received, we will immediately process your refund to the method of payment used at the time of purchase."

It's been almost three years since they canceled my concert. Can you help me get my \$125 back please? - Elizabeth Moeck, Garland, Texas

and I'm sorry it got canceled. Ticketmaster should have quickly refunded your money as it promised instead of waiting for the organizer to pay the ticket reseller.

But that's Ticketmaster's policy. So the company was waiting for a refund from the organizer, which is not the optimal customer service experience. If Ticketmaster took

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featuring musical light selections. This 60-plus choir under the direction of Lance Merrill will bring light to the start of summer.

I bought tickets for the David your money, then Ticketmaster should be Foster Hitman Tour in 2019. responsible for returning it promptly. The The performance date was May agreement with the organizer is none of your concern.

> Also complicating your problem: You paid with a gift card but Ticketmaster wanted to refund to your credit card. That may have slowed your refund, although it's not something Ticketmaster would have admitted.

I have a complete guide to getting a advocacy site, Elliott.org. I also list the names, numbers and email addresses of the Ticketmaster customer service executives on the site. Ticketmaster has threatened me with legal action for publishing the names of its executives but the contacts are still there for you to use.

Here's a little-known fact. If you have an email from a business like the one you had from Ticketmaster promising a refund, your credit card company can help. A credit card dispute department would regard a written promise as a credit memo. If you file a credit card dispute and share that email with your bank, you will probably win the dispute and get a refund.

I contacted Ticketmaster on your behalf. That sounds like a fun concert A representative called you and apologized for the delay. Ticketmaster sent you a new gift card to cover the cost of your tickets.

> Christopher Elliott is the founder of ElliottAdvocacy (https://elliottadvocacy. org), a nonprofit organization that helps consumers solve their problems. Email him at chris@elliott.org or get help by contacting him at https://elliottadvocacy.org/help/. © 2023 Christopher Elliott

noon, artist Claudia Hindu will host a hands-on workshop for adults at the La Crescenta Library to learn the fundamentals of working with different types of acrylic paints and different painting techniques. All supplies will be provided. Participants will be able to create a unique piece to take home.

CVWD CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

WATER... What is it good for,



Absolutely everything!

Have you ever wondered how far water needs to travel to get to your faucet or where the stuff in your toilet goes after you flush?

We often take these daily occurrences for granted, and we assume the resources and infrastructure needed to provide water and wastewater services will always be there. You might also wonder... who or what entity ensures that you'll always have access to safe drinking water and that sewage you create will be safely diverted away from your home and treated in an environmentally responsible manner. Crescenta Valley Water District (CVWD) takes great pride in providing these critical functions to the community.

CVWD is excited to announce:

CVWD is reaching out to high school students in our service area who want to learn and gain first-hand experience in the water industry; specifically, how CVWD operates and accomplishes its mission on a day-today basis. Selected students will get an overview of CVWD's operations and assist and shadow personnel that work in the disciplines listed below.

Upon completion of the program, the student will be given:

- \$500 scholarship towards higher education
- · A letter of recommendation from CVWD verifying work experience and volunteer hours
- An opportunity to engage highly skilled professionals and technicians in Accounting, Customer-Service, Construction, Engineering, Facilities Maintenance, Finance, Operations, and Water Quality
- Leadership training and workshop
- Q&A session with CVWD staff to explore potential careers in the water industry

Program Requirements:

- Complete 40 hours total of work experience spread over 6 weeks
- Hours must be completed during normal work hours or during planned public outreach events
- Student must maintain a passing grade in all high school classes
- Students' homes must receive water and or waste water services from **CVWD**
- Application and documents must be completed and submitted by June 9,2023
- Student must prepare and present a presentation outlying their experience and takeaways of the Program

The Towne Singers presents this inperson concert with selections such as: "This Little Light of Mine," "Good Morning, Starshine," "Bright Morning Star" and more.

This choral performance will be complemented by an entertaining narrative that highlights the performance and some beautiful and fascinating video imagery.

The concert is on Saturday, June 10 at 5 p.m. at Arcadia Performing Arts Center, 188 Campus Drive in Arcadia. Tickets are available thru http://TowneSingers.org with an additional \$1 per ticket PayPal processing fee. Adults are \$25 and children (3-12) are \$10.

The Towne Singers is an organization supported, in part, by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors through Los Angeles County Arts Commission.

PAINTING WITH ACRYLICS

On Saturday, June 10 from 11 a.m.

Attendance is limited and advance registration is required. To sign up, see library staff or register online at Visit. LACountyLibrary.org/Events and filter by location or event date.

La Crescenta Library, 2809 Foothill Blvd., La Crescenta

GARAGISTE WINE FESTIVAL

The Garagiste Wine Festival returns to LA for the eighth time on Saturday, June 17 with over 40 micro-production, commercial "garagiste" California wineries from Malibu, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara County, Paso Robles, Sonoma, Napa, Mendocino, Baja California and more.

The festival takes place at the Glendale Civic Auditorium, 1401 N. Verdugo Road in Glendale. Tickets range from \$10 to \$135 and available at https://tinyurl.com/bdv5ynu4.

This year's mandatory onsite dates are June 20, 2023 - June 22, 2023

This Program meets CVWD's 2022 Strategic Plan goals of increasing public awareness of water issues and developing programs that promote community stewardship.

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concern that even when the mattress or couch covers are not disturbed, the fiberglass particles escape to the surface from normal wear and tear leading to exposures. In one study, fiberglass was detected in the covers of mattresses manufactured by two companies that were certified as having chemical-free foam.

Disclosure isn't enough. For consumers, it can be difficult to tell whether a specific mattress contains fiberglass in its components. The mattress label may or may not contain the terms "fiberglass," "glass fiber" or "glass wool" if fiberglass is present.

California consumers deserve better. My bill, AB 1059, prohibits the sale and distribution in California of juvenile products, mattresses and upholstered furniture that contains fiberglass. These products can be made to our flammability standards without fiberglass, thereby eliminating accidents, leakage or other mistakes that needlessly expose the public to this extremely dangerous substance.

With both bills, we're following the science to protect consumers from harmful chemicals and materials. We're also giving manufacturers time to adopt safer, cleaner methods for manufacturing their products. Our consumers expect better. And our health is worth protecting.

How do you feel about these bills? Please feel free to reach out to me with any comments, questions, or concerns through my District Office at (818) 558-3043 Assemblymember.Friedman@ or Assembly.ca.gov.

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The Fair is on Saturday, May 20 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Center for Spiritual Living, 4845 Dunsmore Ave., La Crescenta.

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 lcpc.net or call (818) 249-6137.

WALK AND WORD

In May, Walk and Word participants

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During the event, attended by more than 200

students, teachers and parents, Schiff announced

that Samantha Abrams' digital photography

"Emily: an eternal companion permanently

fleeting" won first place and will be included in the nationwide Congressional Art Competition in

Washington, DC. Her artwork will be displayed in

the United States Capitol for one year, alongside

winners from other congressional districts across

the nation. Abrams attends Marlborough School,

Additionally, Schiff announced that Karo

Boyajyan's acrylic on wood painting "Shunikner"

and Katie Li's ink and marker artwork "Flutist" won second and third place, respectively, and

their artwork will be displayed in Congressman

Schiff's Washington, DC office and his Burbank

district office. Boyajyan attends Glendale High

School, lives in Glendale and is in the 11th grade,

and Li attends Crescenta Valley High School,

lives in La Crescenta and is in the 10th grade.

Every year, the competition awards one People's

Choice Award and this year it went to Stephanie

Rodriguez for her oil on canvas painting "Erase."

Rodriguez attends Holy Family High School, lives

in Glendale and is in the 12th grade. Her artwork

will be displayed in Rep. Schiff's Burbank district

office.

lives in Los Angeles and is in the 11th grade.

ARMED FORCES from Cover

President Harry S. Truman "praised the work of the military services at home and across the seas... It is vital to the security of the nation and to the establishment of a desirable peace," according to the DOD.

The first Armed Forces Day had a theme of "Teamed for Defense" to highlight the newly formed unification of the military forces. But at its core was a way to show civilians what each branch of the military did, the type of jobs each branch performed and to bring general awareness of the Armed Forces.

"And it was a day to honor and acknowledge the people of the Armed Forces of the United States," according to the DOD.

That first celebration included parades across the country including military troops marching past the President in Washington, D.C. Over the years the practice of having parades to recognize the day has faded. However, local veterans Gerry Collins and Jim Turner wanted to find a way to honor Armed Forces Day, veterans and those active military. They came up with the idea of having a car show that included military vehicles and then expanded that to include emergency responders.

"We have room for more vehicles [to sign up]," Collins said.

The entry fee for vehicles displaying at Saturday's event is \$30; military vehicles are free. There is a 50/50 raffle; profit from the raffle is dedicated toward the American Legion and VFW children's charities.

Collins added there will be a competition involving the car show portion of the celebration with a special Best of Show Award that will be presented by a member of Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation.

The event is free to the public and begins at 10 a.m. with the presentation of colors by the Crescenta Valley High School JROTC. There will also be food trucks at the event.



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 jnlavieri@earthlink.net.

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

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