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Fallen Sailors Honored on Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Representatives Adam Schiff, Kelly Armstrong and Joe Courtney introduced the USS Frank E. Evans Act, a bipartisan effort to ensure that the names of 74 sailors who lost their lives aboard the USS Frank E. Evans during the Vietnam War were added to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C.

The USS Frank E. Evans Act will recognize the fallen crewmembers of the USS Frank E. Evans who perished on June 3, 1969 and provide closure to their loved ones. This legislation demonstrates a continued commitment to honoring the sacrifices made by these brave individuals and their families.

"For years, I have been fighting to get the names of crewmembers from the USS Frank E. Evans added to the Vietnam War Memorial," said Rep. Adam Schiff. "I know how important this is to the families of those who were lost in the USS Frank E. Evans tragedy, and time is of the essence in getting these names added to the wall. Honoring those who made the ultimate sacrifice should be something we can all agree on, regardless of political party."

"We must never forget the 74 sailors who lost their lives on the USS Frank E. Evans on June 3, 1969. We cannot allow bureaucracy to deny them the recognition they deserve. It is long past due to add their names to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial so their fellow service members and loved ones can pay proper tribute to their memories," said Rep. Kelly Armstrong.

"Just days before 74 sailors died aboard the USS Frank E. Evans, the ship and its crew were in the conflict zone, defending our nation during the Vietnam War. Their service and names should be honored just like any other Vietnam veteran. Unfortunately, arbitrary rules have prevented the 'Lost 74' from being included on the Memorial Wall. The USS Frank E. Evans Act will remedy this injustice and ensure these Americans are duly honored," said Rep. Joe Courtney.

The legislation honors the fallen sailors of the USS Frank E. Evans and ensures that their sacrifices are never forgotten.

The bill was also cosponsored by Representative Pete Stauber.

Weather Lows Don't Dampen Graduation Highs

By Mary O'KEEFE

Students across the foothills prepare to graduate – and to move forward.

Graduation day was yesterday and seniors across the area walked across the stage to receive their diploma. Some are preparing for college, university and trade schools. Some are preparing to jump into the job field immediately and some are just taking a break.

The one thing they all have in common, though, is they made it through 13 years of education – 14 years if preschool is included. Every day during the school year, including during summer school, most knew exactly where they should be and what they were doing. The focus was always on moving forward with scheduled classes and times and scheduling sporting, art, science and club events. As they walked the stage many experienced a sense of freedom

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Photo by Mary O'KEEFE
CVHS senior and Prom Plus Club President David Green makes his way to his seat during graduation ceremonies on Wednesday evening.

Three Arrests From Violent Clash at GUSD Board Meeting

By Mary O'KEEFE

A volatile Glendale Unified School District (GUSD) meeting took place on Tuesday night. Responding to recent GUSD board meetings that had become contentious, the Glendale Police Dept. (GPD) provided staff with some safety suggestions. The parking lot was cleared of all cars and blockades were placed at its entrances and exits. There was a large police presence and, as a safety measure, most of the GUSD staff left earlier in the afternoon to work from home.

Prior to the meeting GlendaleOUT had sent out messages that its members were having a "Big Fat Community Group Hug" at the site – its way of saying "thank you to our GUSD educators and administrators for all the good work they've done on behalf of our entire Glendale community this year." Tuesday was the last scheduled GUSD board meeting of the school year.

Several people on-site were from the LGBTQ+

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Photo by Mary O'KEEFE
Police patrol the areas where blockades were placed to divide groups protesting at GUSD's Tuesday night meeting.



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Pride Month

I'm oftentimes surprised at the level of hate and intolerance that we, as a society, have risen to – or perhaps have sunk to.

As you probably know, June is Pride Month. According to Wikipedia, the month is dedicated to the celebration and commemoration of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender pride. Pride Month began after the Stonewall riots, a series of gay liberation protests in 1969, and has since spread outside of the United States.

While I question some of the special days and months set aside for various causes, I understand the reasons behind Pride Month. After all, the Stonewall riots resulted from incidents of hate against gay and lesbian people. It gets to a point when a person has to say, "Enough!" To me, it's very similar to the prejudice shown Black people – just because they're Black. And again, to me, it's ridiculous and stupid behavior that can turn dangerous.

When I was working at a nearby college, I was told by a co-worker that a fellow worker was gay. The information didn't faze me; why should it? I've always said that whether a couple is hetero or gay, overt public displays of affection make me uncomfortable. I mean, have you ever been to a restaurant where a couple were going at it and basically needed to get a room? I don't need to be seeing that, regardless of whether or not it's a gay couple, a hetero couple or whoever. My co-worker wasn't acting in an unprofessional manner so why would I care if s/he were gay, straight or

whatever?

To me, the idea of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" made sense. I mean, what business is it of anyone what two people do in the privacy of the bedroom? I've come to learn, however, that "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" targeted gays in the military. How dumb is that – not allowing able people to serve in the military who wanted to serve their country? Makes no sense.

I've come to learn that not all people share my simple (simple-minded?) ideas about personal preferences and my attitude about people's gender identity. And while I don't think people prefer to be gay or straight, many people do prefer tall over short, blond over brunette, etc. so preferences is the correct word in that context.

I've shared with you before my thoughts about the degradation of a society as portrayed in "The Walking Dead." Until COVID I thought that people would naturally want to help each other during a societal catastrophe; the pandemic opened my eyes about that. People were nasty and ill tempered – many still are today. That type of bad behavior is now acceptable by many people. All I can say about that is *for shame*. We're here for a short time and while here we should lend a hand and help each other. That would give each of us a sense of pride.

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Taking A Look Outside Our Window

By Mary O'KEEFE

"Miss Morstan and I stood together, and her hand was in mine. A wondrous subtle thing is love, for here were we two, who had never seen each other until that day, between whom no word or even look of affection had ever passed, and yet now in an hour of trouble our hands instinctively sought for each other. I have marveled at it since, but at the time it seemed the most natural thing that I would go out to her so, and, as she has often told me, there was in her also the instinct to turn to me for comfort and protection. So we stood hand in hand like two children, and there was peace in our hearts for all the dark things that surrounded us."

~ Dr. Watson speaking of his future wife, Arthur Conan Doyle, Sherlock Holmes The Complete Novels and Stories, Volume I

This really has nothing to do with science fiction or the weather this week but a couple of things happened this weekend that have actually haunted my dreams.

The first was an interview I did with a high school student who started the Pride event in Sunland-Tujunga. Instead of just celebrating that she brought kindness and awareness to her LGBTQ+ family, concern for safety loomed heavily in her thoughts. She is someone who wanted to help fellow students by giving them a safe space to speak out, even if they didn't want to come out or weren't even thinking about coming out. She knew, as we all do, of the statistics of LGBTQ+ depression and suicide rates and she was doing her part to save lives.

I love this community and have dedicated my life to supporting youth in our area and watching kids, who are smart and kind, feel the freedom to speak out about anything and to take action. These things have given me a sense of pride for my community. I have

seen kids thrive with neighbor support on a number of issues – from the decision to join the military and watching friends and community support them (I grew up during the Vietnam era and many who decided to join the military were not supported) to a group of kids who had the idea of building their own skatepark. This community was so overwhelmingly supportive that you could actually see these skaters' self esteem grow. So the fact that one teen must hide the success of creating a successful Pride event and independent club was more than a little troubling.

The second thing that happened this past weekend had to do with my grandson who turned 3 on Tuesday. I was making dinner and he and my husband, Pa, were standing in the kitchen. My grandson reached up and took Pa's hand; he didn't want to go anywhere – he just wanted to hold his hand. He's been holding hands a lot lately. For example, while watching TV he will sit down next to me and say, "Ga, let's hold hands and watch 'Paw Patrol.'" He and I hold hands all the time and each time is a sweet moment and, if our family history continues, I will continue to hold hands with him no matter how old he is – or how old I am.

I did some research and found that holding hands is actually a stress reduction act. It can reduce levels of cortisol, the stress hormone, and release oxytocin, the love or cuddle hormone.

"We have found that holding hands can reduce activity in a part of your brain called the hypothalamus, which is responsible for regulating part of the body's stress response, and that the degree to which this is true corresponds with better general health and wellbeing," said James Arthur Coan, a neuroscientist and psychology professor at the University of Virginia, who teaches a course titled "Why We Hold Hands."

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Rosemont Preserve Restoration Day

The community is invited to the Rosemont Preserve Restoration Day on Saturday, June 10 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. to help protect the natural habitat at Rosemont Preserve. Volunteers will be working on the trail, weeding the demonstration garden and removing invasive plants posing a fire danger to the Preserve.

Wear sturdy shoes, comfortable clothes and garden gloves (long pants and sleeves are recommended). Tools will be available.

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

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

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

SCE Plans Inspections

As part of its wildfire prevention and mitigation program, over the next few weeks, SCE will be conducting inspections in local neighborhoods using drones and/or helicopters.

Inspectors are using drones and helicopters to inspect equipment from difficult angles and top-down angles for a 360-degree view.

The focus of these operations is to keep communities safe by inspecting electrical equipment on poles and towers and to identify any damage or potential hazard that may need immediate repair.

The amount of time it takes to conduct inspections varies depending on how much equipment is on each pole or tower (approximately 30 to 60 minutes).

Those who have any questions can contact SCE Customer Support Center at 1-800-655-4555.

Golf Tournament Postponed

The CV Chamber of Commerce annual golf tournament at Scholl Canyon Golf Course has been rescheduled from Monday, June 12. A new date has not been released.

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

Rummage Sale Benefits Historical Site

St. Luke's of the Mountains is having a rummage sale on Saturday, June 10 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Items for sale include furniture, books, clothing, camera equipment, electronics and more.

Funds benefit St. Luke's of the Mountains Episcopal Church, which will be celebrating its centennial anniversary next year.

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

'Finish The Ride' Celebrates 10 Years of Working to Keep Streets Safe for Everyone

By Lynn SHER

The 10th anniversary of the running and cycling racing event "Finish the Ride" takes place this Saturday, June 10 and Sunday, June 11 at the Crystal Springs Picnic Area, Griffith Park, 4659 Crystal Springs Drive. This is the first year the event will span two days and upwards of 2,000 participants are expected. Damian Kevitt, founder of the event, said, "It will be the best ever!"

For the first time, the running and cycling races will be on different days and there are multiple races on each day. For example, on the first day there is a 1K kid and puppy run/walk, a 5K and 10K run and a half marathon. For cyclists, Kevitt said there is a 15-mile "family-friendly, fun, flat and easy" race, and 20-, 35- and 50-mile races and a 100K race. The routes will be scenic, running through Griffith Park, and the races will finish with a celebratory expo.

Kevitt was inspired to start "Finish the Ride" in 2014 after experiencing a horrific accident while riding his bike in Griffith Park. He was hit and then pinned beneath a car, dragged from the streets of Griffith Park to the 5 Freeway until he finally came loose and was left in oncoming traffic. Among his injuries was his left leg being ripped off.

"[I] lost 20 pounds of flesh in two minutes," he said.

The accident left him with 20 broken bones, 10 broken ribs and two shattered shoulders. No one was ever held accountable for this: it was a hit-and-run. His story inspired the event's name "Finish The Ride."

"It was born out of my tragedy, my desire to just finish the ride and to use it to help save others' lives," he said.

"Finish the Ride" was never intended to be more than a one-time event. Kevitt said from the beginning, "It's not just a ride, it's a movement"



Damian Kevitt poses with runners from the 2019 Finish the Ride event.

Courtesy of SAFE

because it's "about saving lives for everyone, across all of Los Angeles."

But he didn't realize how much of a movement it was going to become.

"[I thought I'd] go back to my quiet little life," he said.

But the race was so successful that it became an annual event, eventually spawning the 501(c)(3) non-profit, Streets Are For Everyone (SAFE).

This year's event will likely be even bigger than anticipated and volunteers are desperately needed. Volunteers are needed both days, early in the morning for things like registration and check-in and throughout the day for things like directing the participants along the routes and breaking down things on Sunday. "Finish the Ride" is especially short on volunteers to help with the water stations on Saturday. Those shifts are between 6 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

There are various incentives for volunteering. All volunteers are entitled to a swag bag and those who volunteer on Saturday can receive free entry to a Sunday race. Lunch is included for

volunteers working up to noon and for those who stay to break down the event on Sunday dinner is provided. Those who would like to volunteer can reach out to Volunteer Coordinator Rene Cruz at Rene@StreetsAreForEveryone.org or call (347) 248-3913.

Admission fees vary between \$10 and \$100 depending on the race. The money collected from "Finish the Ride" is used by Streets Are For Everyone to continue its work, advocating for safer streets and supporting victims of traffic violence. Anyone who doesn't want to participate in the event but would like to donate to the cause can do so at <https://www.streetsareforeveryone.org/donate-or-sponsor>. Those who would like to register for the race can go online to Cyclist Registration (https://streetsareforeveryone.enmotive.com/events/register/finish-the-ride-and-finish-the-run-griffith-park_1) or Runner Registration (https://streetsareforeveryone.enmotive.com/events/register/finish-the-ride-and-finish-the-run-halloween_1). People can also register in person on the day of the event.

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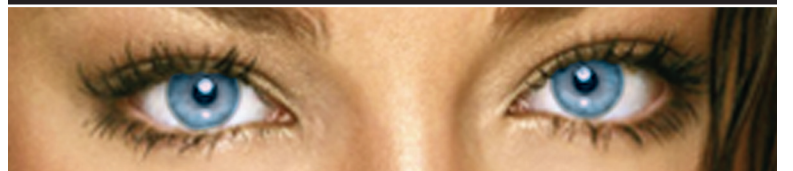


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Sunland Park Holds Pride Event



State Senator Anthony Portantino addressed the crowd during the Pride event on Saturday at Sunland Park.



Senator Caroline Menjivar, who also represents a portion of the area, attended the event.

Photos by Mary O'KEEFE



Assemblymember Laura Friedman also spoke of her support of the LGBTQ+ community.



Colorful booths dotted the grounds of Sunland Park.

By Mary O'KEEFE

The third annual Sunland-Tujunga Pride event was held at Sunland Park on Saturday, June 3. The event was founded by a 15-year-old Verdugo Woodlands High School student. She felt the school wasn't welcoming to the LGBTQ+ community and wanted to create a safe event for her fellow students, and the community, to take part.

She along with another student joined members of the group Sunland-Tujunga Forward (STF) and reached out to local churches to help create the event. They made flags and posters. The first Pride event was just members of the group standing on a corner holding up signs to those passing by.

During that first small outreach, some people who were driving by parked their car and got out to thank the members for their support.

The next year the Pride event saw about 150 people at the park; this year there was a change in that security guards encircled the park to ensure safety. Churches, like St. Luke's of the Mountains Episcopal Church and Unitarian Universalist Church of the Verdugo Hills, offered support.

The young girl who started

the event, now a senior in high school, had previously acted as master of ceremonies. However, this year she took a step back in fear of violence against her.

"Our message is 'love us for who we are,'" she said. "[LGBTQ+] is not contagious."

She added it is important for allies to speak up and show support as well.

"Use your voice for support," she said.

In addition to information booths, Senator Anthony Portantino, who represents a portion of the area, was on-site. At the microphone, he praised the STF and the high school seniors for continuing to hold the event, and also read a poem he had written. Senator Caroline Menjivar, who also represents a portion of the area, attended the event. She is a former U.S. Marine who was elected in 2022 and is part of the LGBTQ+ community. Assemblymember Laura Friedman was on-site to speak of her support of the community, and Rep. Adam Schiff had a representative on-site to show his support as well.

A highlight of the day was the presentation to a senior of the first ever STF scholarship.

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And Down They Tumbled

By Mary O'KEEFE

Thomas Jefferson Elementary School in Glendale hosted a grand celebration of giving to others thanks to the community, local organizations, individuals and the Glendale Police Dept.

GPD Community Service Officer Amy Tate spearheaded the food-raiser. Well over 3,000 boxes of cereal were donated to the cause then lined up in domino-style on the school's playground.

Retired GPD officer Joe Allen helped design the series of lines of cereal boxes.

"I wanted it to end in a heart," he said of the design.

At about 9 a.m. on June 1, with all of the elementary school students and many parents, volunteers and GPD officers in attendance, the first boxes were tipped. Away they went, weaving back and forth to the cheers from the kids. And it all ended, two domino lines, at the same time at the base of the heart.

The boxes were then gathered and shared with community food banks including Tujunga's Bailey Center, Glendale Salvation Army, the Fire House youth center, Cops for Kids, Glendale Community College Food Pantry, YWCA, Door of Hope, Armenian Relief Society Social Services and Jefferson and Horace Mann elementary schools.



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Public Urged to Attend Meetings

The Crescenta Valley Water District is having a public hearing on Tuesday, June 13 beginning at 6 p.m. followed by a board meeting at 7 p.m.

CVWD is considering a capital charge on the property tax roll to raise money to meet its commitment to provide safe and reliable water. According to its website, "This includes safeguarding the ability to serve water to individual properties, to maintain the pipelines that are the backbone of the District's distribution system, and to provide water to fire services and residents in the event of an emergency such as earthquakes and fires."

If approved, the capital charge will take effect on the 2023-24 property tax

roll and, with annual board approval, continue for several years. The average estimated annual increase would be \$404.30.

Community members are encouraged to attend the hearing to voice their position.

CVWD is located at 2700 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta.

A meeting is also planned on Saturday, June 24 by LA County Public Works to collect feedback about the current service, what residents would like to see included in the future and to learn about the contract solicitation process.

The meeting will be held at 10 a.m. in the community room of the La Crescenta Library, 2809 Foothill Blvd.



Photos by Anne McNEILL

Breaks in aging water mains, like this one that occurred on May 31 on Pennsylvania and Henrietta avenues, is a reason that CVWD is considering a capital charge on the property tax roll.

GUSD from Cover

community and its allies. They linked arms and formed a circle chanting “Love, not hate.” As this was occurring there was a line of people to enter the GUSD board meeting that started at 5 p.m. Only 72 seats were available and they filled up quickly. Those who were not able to be seated inside were allowed to fill out a speaker’s card and were called in when their time arrived to speak.

Outside the building it was obvious there were several people who not only did not have students in the district (one person held up an LAUSD sign) and were not residents of the GUSD area but were on-site to promote their political agenda – even setting up a merchandise booth at the edge of the parking lot. Reportedly there were protestors on-site affiliated with antifa and the Proud Boys along with other protestors from outside the area.

“Several hundred protestors gathered, many waving American flags and LGBTQ+ flags,” according to a GPD statement.

Oneside opposed the GUSD position on LGBTQ+ policies; however, the only thing on the agenda Tuesday was Resolution 27-Proclaiming June 2023 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month – something the board had approved the last three years.

The other side was in support of GUSD’s LGBTQ+ position of inclusion.

The board meeting began with President Nayiri Nahabedian reminding those present that they will hear from people they do not agree with but to remember they were “all adults and there needs to be decorum” then advised to respectfully listen to those speaking even if they disagreed with their comments.

“Young people are paying attention,” she said.

The majority of the speakers were in favor of how GUSD responded to the LGBTQ+ issues with students. Many spoke of misinformation that had been shared across social media. They asked for the district to continue to support the LGBTQ+ community, its allies and families.

One speaker commented on how the “energy” in the room was so different from past meetings commenting that everyone listened to speakers and, for the most part, didn’t make rude comments. There were a couple of flare-ups but when those occurred the audience seemed to police itself by telling possible agitators to stay quiet.

Those who opposed GUSD’s actions spoke about their concern for their children. One speaker said his daughter was afraid to go to the restroom; another was concerned about books that were in the schools’ libraries, although it was not specified what books they were worried about. Another parent repeated a concern that had been stated in earlier meetings about the many permission forms that are shared with parents throughout the year – from allowing children to attend field trips to allowing them to receive medication. She asked why parents were not given permission forms to sign when the dialogue between teachers and students concerned LGBTQ+ matters.

While this sometimes intense but controlled conversation was occurring inside, a completely

different scenario was happening outside. About an hour into the meeting the two groups, according to police, consisting of “a handful of agitators, on both sides of the issue, arrived at the demonstration with a clear desire to confront and incite violence, ultimately engaging in physical assault.”

A resident of Glendale who supported LGBTQ+ said that several members from the opposing side continued to try to engage him into an altercation. He and his wife walked away from the agitator.

GPD officers attempted to de-escalate the situation and three individuals were arrested on various charges including unlawful use of pepper spray and willfully obstructing officers in the course of their duties.

Officers put up expandable barricades to separate the two groups, moving them out of the parking lot in an attempt to disperse the crowd. GPD officers in riot gear entered the boardroom and told those in attendance to stay inside until they could secure a safe exit. The meeting paused for a short while then started again with those in attendance who had already filled out a speaker’s card being allowed to speak at the podium. Those outside the boardroom who had speaker’s cards were not called.

The violence that erupted was similar to one that occurred outside a North Hollywood elementary school last week that included many of the same groups. The school was celebrating Pride month.

The meeting then went into closed session; when the board members returned they resumed deliberating on the night’s agenda. The meeting extended late into the night. It was unanimously voted upon to accept Resolution 27-Proclaiming June 2023 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month.

CVW spoke to two parents who were outside and did not have megaphones to yell their opinions. They were deeply concerned about GUSD’s LGBTQ+ actions. One mom said her daughter had gone to a school administrator and changed her pronouns without the parent’s knowledge. Later, when she turned 18, the mother said her daughter went to a doctor to begin her transition. The mom said she felt blindsided by this and wanted the school to communicate with parents. The school district has investigated the claim and has not been able to verify it although it still is investigating.

Another mom said her son came home embarrassed and concerned because he had just found out he had been undressing in a locker room for almost a year with a “biological girl” on-site. It made him feel extremely uncomfortable. There are separate and private dressing rooms in the locker room; however, he didn’t have the information that a “biological girl” was changing at the same time in the same locker room. She was also concerned about her son’s rights as an evangelical Christian. She added that her son was afraid to share his beliefs due to the amount of backlash he might receive. She questioned where the tolerance and protection was in the district for her child.

Next week CVW will continue with this story including information from GUSD.

Ribbon Cutting for AFC Exhibit

CORRIDOR



Photo by Robin GOLDSWORTHY

Prior to the ribbon cutting members of the AFC board stood in front of the entrance to the Boddy House.

The Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy (AFC) hosted a ribbon cutting on Thursday night of a new exhibit featured in the Boddy House at Descanso Gardens in La Cañada.

“Living in a Wildlife Corridor,” which opened to the public on June 3, features the work of wildlife photographers and camera trappers, via the paint brushes and canvases of local artists. Highlighted was the ongoing contributions of the Tongva people who are attributed with “stewarding this land for millennia,” according to AFC.

Guests of the exhibition will see large-scale

installations, wildlife photography, original artwork, and interactive and educational displays. These were made by artists, photographers, educators, designers and sculptors.

A ribbon cutting and preview of the exhibition was held on Thursday night. In addition to the presence of its board of directors, AFC leadership and exhibit contributors spoke to the invited guests regarding the exhibit.

Descanso Gardens is 1418 Descanso Dr. in La Cañada Flintridge. The exhibit continues through Oct. 1 at the Boddy House.

CRIME BLOTTER

MAY 30

4600 block of Lasheart Drive in La Cañada Flintridge, gardening equipment was stolen from a truck between 9:15 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.

Crescenta, an employee reported witnessing a male adult, described as 5’6” tall, weighing 180 lbs. who at the time was wearing a black shirt and black pants, walk into

the store. He walked to the liquor aisle and placed four bottles of wine in his backpack and walked out of the store without attempting to pay at 10:50 pm.

2200 block of Cross Street in La Cañada Flintridge, catalytic converters were stolen from two vehicles at the location between 12:30 a.m. and 5:30 a.m.

MAY 29

4400 block of Ocean View Boulevard in Montrose, a catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle overnight.

MAY 28

1100 block of Olive Lane in La Cañada Flintridge, a resident reported witnessing a male adult wearing dark clothing get out underneath a vehicle, run toward a waiting vehicle and go into the front passenger side. Then a second male adult, also wearing dark clothing, got into the driver’s side of the waiting vehicle and they drove away.

The resident looked at the vehicle and discovered the catalytic converter was missing. The theft occurred at 10:17 p.m.

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Thousands Turn Out for Annual Festival

By Robin GOLDSWORTHY and Mary O'KEEFE

Last weekend was the Montrose Arts and Crafts Festival that saw almost 40,000 guests walk along Honolulu Avenue enjoying, and purchasing, unique items from vendors who came from far and wide to participate.

"Extremely positive," was how the crowd, and vendor, feedback was described by Dale Dawson, event coordinator for Montrose Shopping Park Association, which sponsors the event. "Vendors generally did very, very well."

He added the vendors were very complimentary to the Arts and Crafts crew for "such a smoothly run event."

One of the vendors was David Abernethy of Grain In Focus. He has been coming to the Festival "every year" and had a variety of note cards and folk instruments for sale. Among these were drums he calls Steel Tongue Drums.

Made from never-been-used propane tanks, Abernethy cuts different sized slots ("tongues") into the top of the propane tanks, which then issue different notes when struck with small drumsticks. He includes drumsticks with each drum he sells.

At the Arts & Crafts Festival he set up several of the colorful drums so people could try them. Melodic music filled the air near his booth as shoppers gently struck the drums.

Abernethy does not have a website, only an email address (graininfocus@yahoo.com) and his cellphone number (323) 559-5900. Interested parties can email or call him to see what instruments he has available. He can also send photos.

All of the vendors emailed Dawson asking to return to the event, which is held the first weekend of June, next year. The Irish band The Ploughboys and the Beatles tribute band, Ticket to Ride, have already been booked to entertain next year.

Photos by Steve GOLDSWORTHY and Bob PRAUN



Crowds filled Honolulu Avenue during the two-day Montrose Arts & Crafts Festival.



David Abernethy of Grain In Focus (left) talks about his steel tongue drums with a young man.



Shoppers checked out the candle booth.



The Montrose clock stood sentinel over the crowds.



Musicians were in the 2200 block of Honolulu and the main stage at Ocean View and Honolulu.



The music of the Celtic group The Ploughboys got people off their feet and dancing.



This notice applies only to those properties that receive water service from the Crescenta Valley Water District.



CVWD sent you a public notice of a proposed capital charge on the property tax roll earlier this month.

There will be a public hearing on the proposed charges held on June 13, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the District's main office at 2700 Foothill Blvd., La Crescenta, CA.

A copy of that notice and other information on the proposed capital charges including a report containing a description of each parcel receiving water service and the amount of the charge for each parcel for the year is available for inspection at the District office and on the District's website at www.cvwd.com.

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VIEWPOINTS

TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

Memories of the Montrose Bob's Big Boy – Part 5

This wraps up the collection of memories from the Montrose Bob's Big Boy, located at 3212 La Crescenta Ave. Here are the last of those cherished memories:

"Everyone keeps saying chocolate shakes. They were called silver goblets! Came in a silver metal container. I always added nuts on the side. Yum. After football games (1972-1975) we would go and get fries with blue cheese dressing on the side and a hot fudge cake! My mom would take us there, too, and we would sit in a booth and get a Big Boy combo (no relish, add avocado) and a chocolate silver goblet (side of nuts). The good old days."

"I practically grew up there, starting in about 1955 with family, then going there regularly with friends. When Clark Jr. High School became Crescenta Valley High School in September 1960, it was thee meeting place after CV football games. It was lots and lots

of fun but it was so crowded. You were bumping into people with every step. Often by the time we could get from our table to the cash register by the front door, we 'forgot' to pay our check."

"My grandparents lived on Las Palmas by Fremont Elementary. We would always walk to Bob's with my grandma. She'd always order me a 'patty on a bun.' I was little and a picky eater, so the Big Boy would have to wait. I remember the brown bar with the numbers on it, the long bench for waiting, the counter and bar stools, the old time 1960s clock on the wall. In high school, friends and I would pile in there on weekend nights until closing. Big Boys, fudge sundaes, Coke, and extra crispy French fries. It closed in '88, I graduated in '89. I'm so lucky that Bob's was there for my formative years. Great memories then, and now."

Here's one last one from former

Glendale City Councilman John Drayman:

"In 2008, during my term as mayor, I made a push to bring a Bob's Big Boy back to Glendale, where it all started. At that time, the Montrose Shopping Park was full with operating businesses and there were no empty stores. However, there was the issue of Rocky Cola Café and their closure. Said mayor so relentlessly pursued Bob's corporate offices that the corporation finally relented and sent executives out to Montrose to meet with me to discuss opening a Bob's Big Boy in the Montrose Shopping Park. And so it was that on one bright, shining, autumn midweek workday afternoon in 2008, representatives from Bob's Big Boy took a walk through the shopping park, having done their research, and recognizing what newspapers and magazines were referring to as the 'Renaissance of Montrose.' They walked and

looked and walked some more and looked some more and then turned to me and said, 'Where the hell are all the people who should be out and about having lunch here?' In those days, the proliferation of restaurants had only just begun and most of them had primarily a dinner clientele. Most of the lunch trade was made up of local merchants. The bottom had just fallen out of the U.S. economy. Merchants were reeling and patrons of the stores were staying away in droves trying to figure out their personal finances. This was the main reason no one was on the street enjoying lunch in Montrose that day. The executives from Bob's corporate concluded that there was not enough foot traffic or business in the Montrose Shopping Park to support a Bob's Big Boy. The exception, they said, was if they could lease or purchase, what was at that time, Faye's at the northeast corner of

Honolulu and Ocean View. As you can imagine, that was going to be a no-go with Pat Grant. "

Thanks, John. Timing is everything! We could have had a Bob's in the now empty Faye's building.

Thanks to everyone for sending in memories, and remember, "It's your Big Boy. Twice as Big, Twice as Good. A Meal in One, on a Double-Deck Bun!"



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

NEWS FROM THE CV TOWN COUNCIL » CHRIS KILPATRICK

CVTC Prepares for Summer Projects

As we move into summer, your Crescenta Valley Town Council is hard at work in the community.

The Crescenta Valley Town Council proclaims June as Pride Month locally. We would like to recognize and celebrate our dynamic LGBTQ+ community as well as its numerous and valuable contributions. The LGBTQ+ community faces serious issues such as poverty, homelessness, school harassment, physical assault, hate crimes, mental health issues and substance abuse. As a society, we should reaffirm our commitment to the principles of equality, liberty and justice. We also wish to raise awareness and foster a dialogue to promote healthy, safe and prosperous communities for all.

Earlier this year, the Scholarship Committee interviewed over a dozen seniors from Crescenta Valley and Clark Magnet high schools who applied for our scholarship program. These students are very impressive and it is heartening to see so much heart, intelligence, accomplishment and community spirit among

our young people. From this group, the committee selected five students who will be awarded the scholarships at our upcoming meeting.

Traffic safety continues to be a major concern. The Streets and Transportation Committee routinely conveys concerns from members of the community to the appropriate agency. Since this is such a multidimensional issue, there are many agencies responsible including LA County Public Works, LA Sheriff's Dept. and CHP. In taking a proactive approach to these issues, we will be conducting a comprehensive survey so that we can best

understand concerns from the community as well as the issues and hot spots. This will be available in mid-June on our website.

The LA County Dept. of Public works is working to update its Bicycle Master Plan. This will serve as a guideline as it develops bikeways on our roads and along flood control channels. This issue impacts all members of the community. The County is conducting a survey to gather community input. We strongly urge you to take this survey, which is available until June 30. A link can be found on our website at thecvcouncil.com.

Phase 2 of the "Parkway Concrete Repair and Pavement Preservation" project is slated to begin later this summer. This will include the repair of sidewalks, driveways approaches, curbs and gutters. It will also include a new asphalt cap on existing roadways that will preserve their life. A representative from Public Works will be at our next general meeting to further discuss this project. As we saw in Phase 1, parking is normally restricted in work areas. This usually creates a challenge and impacts neighboring streets. This is time limited and everyone's cooperation with each other and posted signs is appreciated.

Our next general meeting is at the La Crescenta Library, 2809 Foothill Blvd. on Thursday, June 15 at 7 p.m. We look forward to seeing everyone!

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Glendale Community College Donors Give \$350,000 in Scholarships

By Ruth SOWBY

Dozens of GCC students received thousands of dollars in scholarships on a late afternoon on Friday, June 2. Since some scholarships were delivered earlier, a total of \$350,000 was presented to 524 students. Over 100 donors, students, parents, GCC teachers and administrators were seated in the outdoor Plaza Vaquero on the college campus to either take part in or watch the ceremony.

Welcoming her audience was Natalie Dawoodi, oresident of the Associated Students of GCC, one of the sponsoring organizations of the banquet. Introductions were offered by campus leaders including Superintendent/President Dr. Ryan Cornner, Foundation Executive Lisa Brooks and Dean of Student Affairs Dr. Tzoler Oukayan.

Dawoodi introduced the scholarship sponsors and their recipients. New scholarships were given first. Among those was the David Viar Career Education & Service Scholarship. It was presented by immediate past GCC Superintendent/President Dr. David Viar to student Patricia Gill. Another first-time scholarship



Photo by Ruth SOWBY
TOP LEFT: Adel Luzuriaga (in scarf) gives her Adel Nursing Scholarships to Filipino GCC nursing students, from left, Ruth M. Del Rosario, Josephine Chow, Angelo J. Primavera, and Arlyn Dolohan.

Photo by Kathy LEFKOVITIS
TOP RIGHT: GCC student Thien Nguyen, left, receives the Geraldine Manus Anson Memorial Scholarship from donors Dr. Ruth Sowby (Anson's daughter) and husband Rich Rands. Nguyen will be transferring to Cal State L.A., majoring in social work.

Photo by Ruth SOWBY
BOTTOM LEFT: GCC Superintendent /President Dr. Ryan Cornner presides over the 2023 Donors & Awards Banquet at GCC.

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BOTTOM RIGHT: GCC student Patricia Gill receives the David Viar Career Education & Service Scholarship from GCC immediate past Superintendent/President Dr. David Viar.



was given by Desiree Portillo Rabinov and Kathy Lefkovits, representing Soroptimist International of Glendale. Recipients were Scarlet Lastrapes, Subhitsha Sridhar, Grace Temblador and Camille Morgan. The LGBTQ+ College Transfer

Scholarship was presented by Carl Matthes to Lemont McDowell and Dylan Seward.

Scholarship Program and the GCC Foundation. Coordinators were Dr. Tzoler Oukayan and Student Affairs Manager Aida Avanosian.

Our Lady of Lourdes Promotes Eighth Graders

The graduates of Our Lady of Lourdes (OLL) started out as little Lourdes cubs back in kindergarten and are now the roaring OLL Lions of 2023.

The promotion ceremony is planned for Friday, June 9 at 5 p.m. at the school campus at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Tujunga. These students will move on to schools like Providence, Alemany, Mayfield Senior School, Crescenta Valley High School, Verdugo High and LA County School of the Arts.

Principal Evelyn Cortes said, "This group of students is well-prepared for high school and beyond and will do amazing things in their futures. I remember many of them when they were in kindergarten and first grade and to see the growth they have made and the friendships they have established, I am filled with gratitude. Thank you students may you have abundant blessings."

Eighth grade teacher Ben Freeman remembered how much fun they've had over the school year with the

Halloween Haunted House and the May Crowning – both events showed the students could apply themselves and be responsible in both fun and serious ways.

"I'm sure the eighth grade would say beating the faculty in the annual volleyball game was a highlight as well," he added.

"This has been an excellent class, and it has been a joy to watch these kids begin to grow into confident, respectful and intelligent young people." Said Mr. Freeman.



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LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS DISTRIBUTE SCHOLARSHIPS

By Mary O'KEEFE

Scholarships are such an important part of student support. There are so many costs associated with moving from public school to a college, university or trade school that any extra funding is valued.

So many students have received scholarships in the community; below are just a few organizations and recipients:

Scholarships awarded by Crescenta Valley Lions Club and Northwest Glendale Lions Club focus on community service. A total of seven scholarships were recently awarded and all recipients exhibited stellar community service in a variety of ways.

The recipients of the Lions Club scholarships were David Green, Dylan Hsu, Julia Linney, Jane Marriott, Minami Roberts and Aurora Reedy-Solano (all from Crescenta Valley High School) and Nathan Scherrer from Clark Magnet High School.

The La Crescenta Woman's Club (LCWC) presented eight scholarships to local students who attended



Recipients of LCWC scholarships. Photo Courtesy of LCWC



Lions Club scholarships recipients. Photo courtesy of MARY O'KEEFE

CVHS and Clark Magnet High School. Some of the scholarships were in memory of past LCWC members Roberta Kurtz, Deanna Alfeld, Dick Huntwork and Jean Maluccio. The students' interest ranged from music to engineering. The recipients of the scholarships were Hanon Nakamura, Karina Fischman, Kayla Watson, Natalie Peplow, William Allen, Jane Marriott (all from CVHS) and Lilia Hacoupan from Clark Magnet High School.

The Scholarship and Distinguished Person Awards ceremony hosted by the Community Scholarship Foundation (CSF) of La Cañada Flintridge awarded scholarships to nine students.

"We seek to identify, support and encourage higher education for students who have a high level of in-

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IMMACULATE HEART CELEBRATES 117TH COMMENCEMENT

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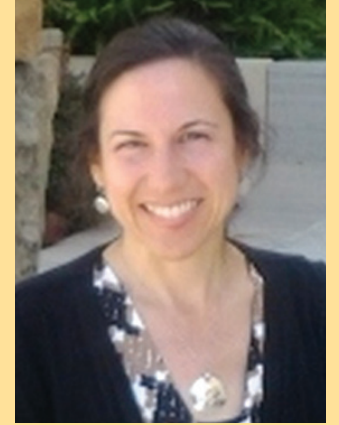
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Brandin started her career by working for others. Early on she impressed those around her with her skills, which led to jobs from the agency with which she worked.

By 2009 she was hiring people to work for her. She has expanded her business to include sign language as well. She now owns Diana Brandin Realtime Captioning & Sign Language Service whose clients range from USC to the FDIC.

Brandin said that typically it's not individuals but companies, government and educational institutions that hire her company to help create captions. The passage of the Rehabilitation Act, which requires federal entities or organizations that receive federal funding to accommodate those who are deaf or hard of hearing with closed captioning, also helped to grow her business.

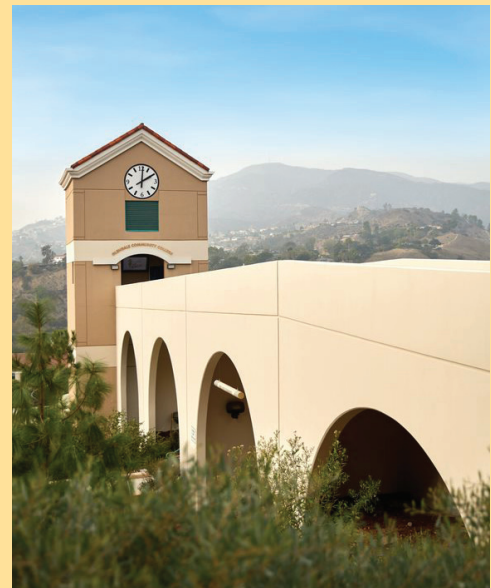
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The scholarship recipients were Ava Karapetian, CVHS, who received the Gant Family Scholarship; Cyrus Khaffaji, La Cañada High School (LCHS) was awarded the Shin Family Scholarship; Jallen Merager of LCHS received the Suzie Johnson Scholarship; Harry Kiminski of St. Francis High School was awarded the Robert and Betty Sorbonne Scholarship; Jane Marriott of CVHS received the Dr. Michael and Nancy Leininger Scholarship; Rebecca Gerola of CVHS received the Dan and Jo Seastrom Scholarship; Jeseung Park of CVHS was awarded the Lt. Todd Bryant Scholarship; Siena Urquiza of Flintridge Sacred Heart received the Scholarship of Distinction; and Claire Robinson from Flintridge Sacred Heart received the Scholarship of Distinction.



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Similarly and equally impressive is the list of colleges that some members of the Wesley Class of 2023, comprised of 38 students, are choosing to attend. That list includes Arizona State University, Bard, Denison, Gonzaga, Indiana University, LMU, NYU, Pomona, Santa Barbara City College, Santa Clara University, Smith, Tulane, UC Berkeley, UC San Diego, University of Colorado Boulder, University of Denver, University of Miami, University of Oregon, University of Richmond, University of Wisconsin, USC, and Wesleyan. We are so proud of all of our Wesley alums and wish them the best of luck as they embark on this new educational chapter of their lives.

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Carolina Torres, salutatorian, shared with her class, "Looking at the future, I am both excited and nervous about what lies ahead. As graduates, we are entering a world that is constantly changing and evolving. I am confident that we possess the necessary skills, instilled in us by Ramona, to overcome any obstacle that may arise in our future. We've grown to be resilient, adaptable, and determined. We'll retain the skills, knowledge and drive to make a positive impact on the world."

Miss Torres is looking forward to continuing her educational journey at Bentley University in Waltham, Massachusetts in the fall. One hundred percent of the Class of 2023 has been accepted to colleges across the country with over 8 million in merit scholarships. Eighty six percent will be attending UC, Cal State, or private institutions. Sixty one percent of the class received life membership to the California Scholarship Federation and 36% are National Honor Society members. Upholding their commitment to service and social justice as they continue to lead and serve in our evolving global environment, they have collectively completed a total of 13,240 hours of service.

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CWC Convention Yields Music, Music, Music

Members of the Verdugo Hills Women's Chorus (VHWC) gathered in San Diego and spent the better part of two days preparing for the Annual California Women's Chorus Inc. event. The 54th Annual Scholarship Concert, aptly titled "Sing, Sing, Sing," was hosted by the Sweet Harmony chorus. Guest conductor Ashlyn Brown guided singers through rehearsals so the performance of eight songs would be realized.

This much-awaited performance has been on hold since the outbreak of the COVID pandemic, but this year the combined chorus was ready to meet COVID's slowly weakening challenge. To date, there are nine individual choruses in California and 190 members; however, the doors are always open for more singers at VHWC. For availability at CWC choruses throughout the state, visit www.cwchorus.com.

VHWC is a member of CWC, Inc. a non-profit organization that is devoted to and encourages choral singing among women. Promoting

women's choral music and raising funds for vocal music scholarships has been the goal of CWC since it began with its first annual convention and concert in 1969 with 178 singers throughout California participating. Making sure every CWC chorus in California, from San Francisco to San Diego, would be ready to sing was a challenge. The same sheet music was sent to each CWC chorus to be studied until it was memorized by all participants. It had been practiced and perfected when all the singers took the stage on April 30 of this year.

Representing VHWC was Ki Park, director, Sharon Schlarb, Jody Weems, Gale Musker, Kathy Kabuto, Anne Kemp and Carol Leining.

VHWC invites any woman who would like to join them on Monday mornings in La Crescenta. Director Ki Park shares her vast knowledge of music and makes the day fun.

In keeping with the goals of CWC and promoting choral music, singers were invited to audition for CWC scholarships with winners to perform at the concert. First



place scholarships were awarded to Gonzalo Ochoa Camarena and Elizabeth Gaitan, both students of San Diego State University as are second place winners Lauren Carter and Cerah Rodriguez.

Shirley Stewart, who graciously

emceed the concert, was extended thanks. Stewart has been the keeper of the seal for CWC since 1979. She was honored in Washington, D.C. as Media One Cable in the Classroom Teacher of the Year.

In spring 2024 there will be another

CWC concert and there's no doubt that VHWC will be there to "Sing, Sing, Sing."

Submitted by Arlene MASSIMINO

Photo courtesy of

Verdugo Hills Women's Chorus

Discover the Amazing California Micro-Winery Movement at the Garagiste Festival at Glendale Civic on June 17

Named the "#1 Wine Festival in the Country" by USA Today, and "Best Festival" by Sunset Magazine, The Garagiste Festival gives tasters the opportunity to explore a wide range of wines from all over California – including Paso Robles, Napa, Sonoma, Santa Barbara and more. The majority of these wineries do not have tasting rooms and aren't on "wine country" maps. That's why KCET calls it "a crazy thrill of discovery!"

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Yes, there will be excellent Cabernet, Syrah, Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Zin, Rosé, blends and all of the faves, but in addition tasters will also be able to taste a wide range

of grapes that are only made by these kinds of small artisan winemakers. It's a fantastic opportunity to taste world-class wines and discover new favorites without having to commit to the purchase of a whole bottle. Find new favorites!

Meet the Winemakers

You will be talking to the passionate people who make these wines and get to hear their personal stories about why they make them. These winemakers love talking to you. Whether you are an expert or a novice, you will absolutely come away from The Garagiste Festival knowing more than when you walked in.

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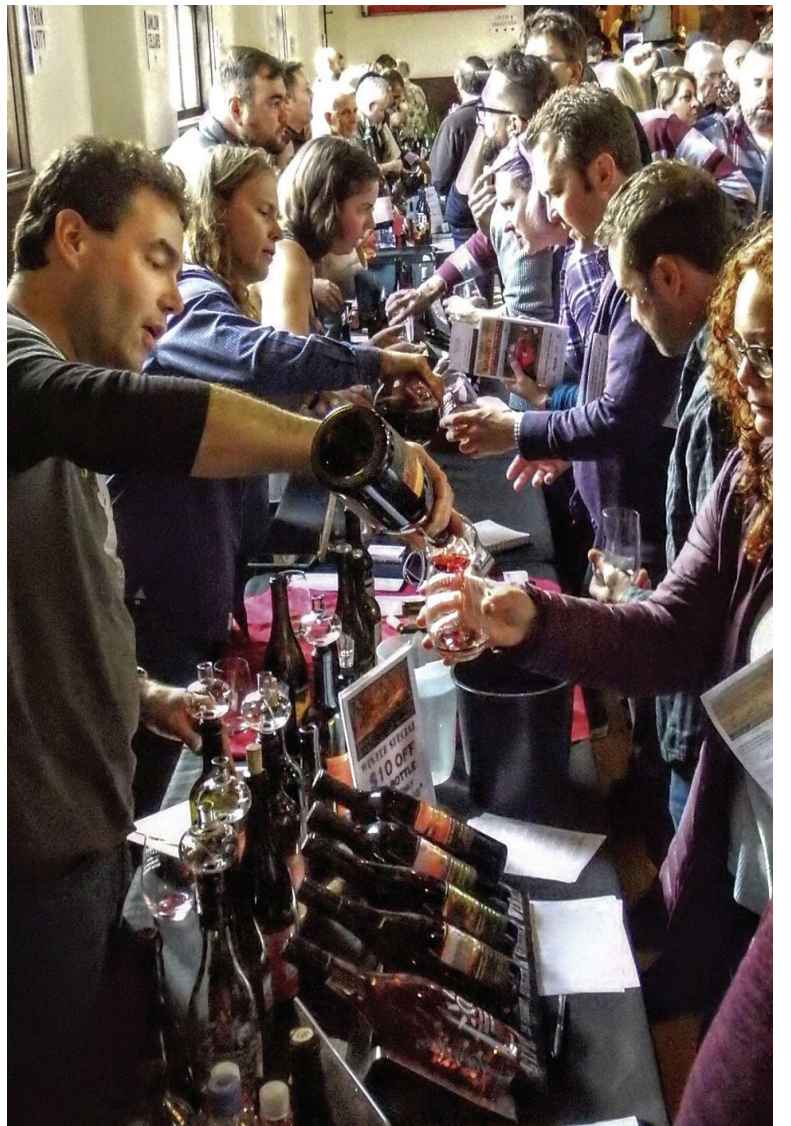
and fun. Their motto is "No Snobs Allowed!" Ticket sales are limited to make sure you have a comfortable experience and even have time to talk to the winemakers. No waiting in long lines to taste!

You help deserving students at Cal Poly just by drinking wine!

As a 501c3 non-profit organization proceeds support The Garagiste Festival Scholarships at Cal Poly University, San Luis Obispo.

Check out their website for details and tickets: <https://www.garagistefestival.com>.

Saturday, June 17 Grand Tasting Tickets are \$75, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., early access to rare and reserve tasting, plus Grand Tasting, tickets are \$100.





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The Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge Hosts Annual Spring Ceramic Sale

By Ruth SOWBY

The Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge (CCLCF) was filled with hundreds of handmade, one-of-a-kind ceramics on Saturday, May 13, the day before Mother's Day. For sale were colorful serving pieces, plant holders, bells, birds and picture frames. Presented were artists within its teaching program and from the community.

Teenage art students had their own display of their work featuring more serving pieces, vases, ring trays and tiny figurines. Their ceramics teacher, Azzah Abdus-Shakoor, had her own ceramics display next to that of her young students.

She kept an eagle eye on them.



"We had a lot of looky-loos and one buyer," said ceramic student Walter Escott, 14. When asked why she liked to create her artful pottery, Grace

Manut, 14, answered, "My mom made me do it."

A portion of the day's proceeds benefitted the ceramic program at CCLCF.



Photos by Ruth SOWBY

LEFT: Teenage ceramic artists had their own display at the Spring Ceramics Sale of the Community Center La Cañada Flintridge. Each holding a piece they made are, from left, Walter Escott, 14; Rio Ramirez, 13; Rosalina Verma, 15; Grace Manut, 14; and Kenny Gerbuyos, 16. RIGHT: Montrose resident and ceramic instructor Loren Barker looks over the hanging ceramic bells by artist Dodie Hamilton-John's at the Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge Ceramic Sale.

Marathon Runner Thanks Dignity Health Glendale Memorial Hospital Care Team, Paramedics and Good Samaritans for Saving His Life

Avid marathon runner Glen Phillips is fortunate to be alive after suffering a major cardiac event while running on a mountain trail in Elysian Park. He was found by a Good Samaritan who

called 9-1-1 while another stranger performed CPR until paramedics arrived. He was carried down the mountain on a stretcher while EMTs performed CPR. He was then rushed to the STEMI Receiving Center

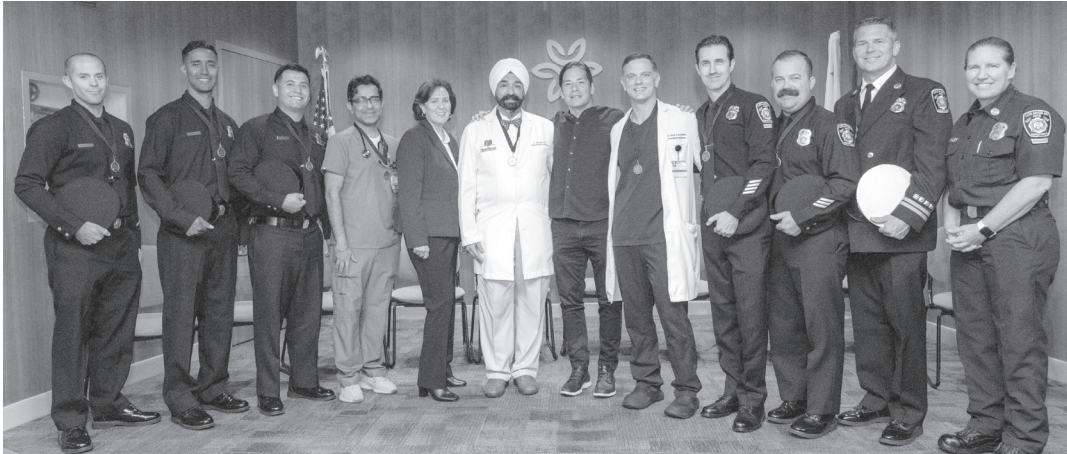
at Dignity Healthy Glendale Memorial Hospital where doctors performed additional lifesaving measures, including cardiac catheterization, angioplasty and the installation of a stent. He was placed in a

hypothermia-induced coma.

Phillips spent several days in the ICU but miraculously made a nearly complete recovery. He was also told he could run marathons again.

Phillips thanked those who

saved his life in person and presented medals to each of the heroes at a ceremony on Wednesday, May 24. He also stressed the importance of CPR, which he also credited with saving his life.



ABOVE: From left are Jason Dupree – Los Angeles City firefighter/ dispatcher, Tyrone Hurst – Los Angeles City Fire paramedic, Hilarion Meza – Los Angeles City Fire paramedic, Dr. Sameer Bajaj – Glendale Memorial Hospital, ICU, Jill Welton – president, Glendale Memorial Hospital, Dr. Onkar Marwah – cardiologist, Glendale Memorial Hospital, Glen Phillips, patient, Dr. Emeen Kiureghian of Glendale Memorial Hospital Emergency Room, Tony Temple – Los Angeles City firefighter/paramedic, Eric Fisher – engineer, Los Angeles City Fire, Captain Ryan Kendall of Los Angeles City Fire and Chief Kristin Crowley of Los Angeles City Fire.

RIGHT: Patient Glen Phillips places medal of appreciation on Los Angeles City fire firefighter/paramedic Tony Temple.



Questions About Today's Real Estate?

Ask Phyllis! Keys at Closing

Dear Phyllis,

My son just closed escrow on a home in Valley Village. The seller had passed away, so the trustee was responsible for everything. Although the market has cooled, my son paid \$12,000 over the asking price. It was an "as is" sale, and there were numerous issues with this nearly 100-year-old home. When the sale was complete, and he was given the keys, he wasn't provided the key for the gate control mechanism or the mailbox. He informed his real estate agent, who contacted the seller's agent. Long story short, my son had to pay for a locksmith to rekey. The seller's agent told my son's agent that the trustee said they couldn't give something they didn't have

and refused to pay for the locksmith. Do you think his agent should have better protected him? Jo

Dear Jo,

I certainly understand your frustration, but your son's Realtor is not to blame. It seems odd that the trustee would not have at least the mailbox key, and if they didn't, it should have been disclosed to your son. The purchase contract clearly states:

"Seller shall, on Close Of Escrow unless Otherwise Agreed and even if Seller remains in possession, provide keys, passwords, codes, and/or means to operate all locks, mailboxes, garage door openers, security systems, alarms, home automation systems, intranet, and Internet-connected

devices are included in the purchase price."

As you can see, according to the terms of the contract, all keys, including the mailbox, were to be turned over to your son unless there was a different agreement.

I suggest your son's Realtor send a written request for reimbursement to the trustee in the care of their real estate agent. Copy the agent's manager and have your son follow up with a call to the manager

about a week after sending. However, the missing keys are not the responsibility of either the Realtors or their brokerages. Your son could likely force the issue with a small claims action, but I don't know that being reimbursed several hundred dollars is worth your son's time in court.

Best of luck to him in his new home.

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The five-week run of the play will begin with opening night on Friday, June 16. The play then continues on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. through July 16.

Tickets for the half-price previews are \$15 per person for general admission; \$12.50 per person for Boyle Heights residents and groups of 20 or more; \$13.50 per person for students and seniors 60 years and older; \$37.50 per person for VIP tickets, which include preferred

seating, one free concession item, a ticket to the opening night or closing night party and one cast-signed production photo.

Tickets for the five-week run from June 16 - July 16 are \$30 per person for general admission; \$25 per person for Boyle Heights residents and groups of 20 or more; \$27 per person for students and seniors 60 years and older; \$75 per person for VIP tickets which include preferred seating, one free concession item, a ticket to the opening night or closing night party and one cast-signed production photo.

This show is recommended for all audiences. Advance reservations are highly recommended. For tickets, call the CASA 0101 Theater box office at (323) 263-7684, email tickets@casa0101.org, or buy online at www.casa0101.org.

For further information, please visit www.casas0101.org.



» PRODUCT REVIEW

The Mighty Tiny Light

By Charly SHELTON

There's no shortage today of lighting equipment available in the market. From cheap imported LED strips to several-thousand-dollar light rigs from a trendy company, and everything in between. As a professional photographer, I want to fall somewhere in between. I want something that I can rely on but won't break the bank. I'm always looking for a good light that I can throw in my bag and head out the door. Less is more – the less I have to think about it the more useful it is. Lumecube

has recently released a new light that is exactly what I am looking for and more. Lumecube sent me the Tube Light Mini a few weeks ago for review and, after having a chance to play and work with it for a bit, I can provide my honest support for the little powerhouse light.

The Lumecube Tube Light Mini (\$169.99; Lumecube.com) is a great option for filmmakers, photographers and content creators who are looking for a powerful and versatile LED light. It's one-foot-long and about as big around as a silver dollar. It offers adjustable color

either through a dial on the side of the light or through the Lume Control companion app, which controls the light via Bluetooth and can daisy-chain multiple lights into one setting. In the app, a super helpful feature is the Photo Eyedropper Tool where you can match your Tube Light to any color and any environment with the eyedropper on screen.

The adjustable light color can be changed with the side dial or on the app with a color wheel picker, or chosen from seven pre-programmed special effects like candlelight, firelight

or TV light, or a full range of color temperatures from 2700K (orangish white, like an old lightbulb) to 7500K (bluish white, like a flashlight). It also boasts an impressive CRI rating of 96+ and 950 lumens of light output. That's all fine and good, but what really sells the Tube Light Mini for me is the solid construction and long battery life.

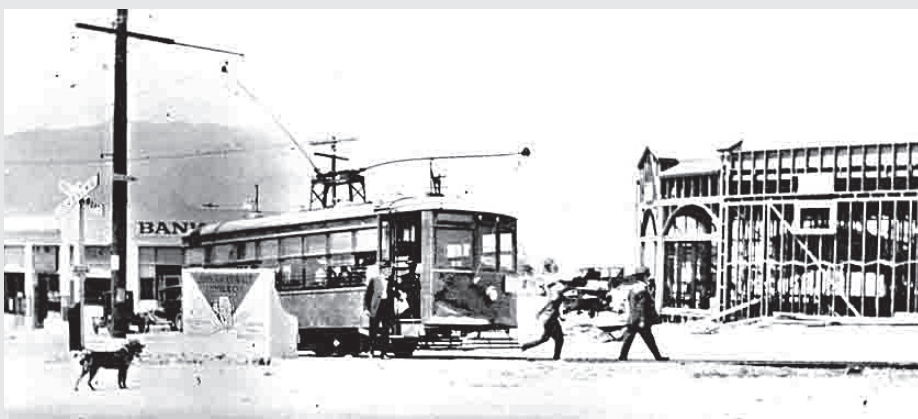
Unlike many other lights, this is built to last. Its sturdy aluminum frame is lightweight and strong. I have broken so many good lights that aren't durable enough for a moving

shoot because the cheap plastic casing comes apart with a little bit of stress. This Tube Light Mini is solid, with magnetic plates on one side and ¼-inch screw mounts on either end to be able to slap it anywhere you want and know it will be okay. It's weatherproof, drop resistant and it just feels sturdy in your hand. Honestly it feels like a lightsaber hilt and that makes it even cooler when you ignite the glow.

The battery life is also fantastic. I've had it for two weeks now and I've only charged

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THEN & NOW



THEN » The year is 1923 and this trolley car of the Glendale and Montrose Railway is dropping Montrose shoppers at the intersection of Verdugo and Honolulu. Note the new Montrose Pharmacy building under construction in the background. Since the trolley traveled the center of the wide boulevard, it had to drop its passengers in the middle of the street. Back then, the middle of the street wasn't heavily trafficked, as evidenced by the utility pole, the "bus bench" with the Anawalt elephant logo on it, and the motionless dog, all parked squarely in the center of the intersection. The trolley car shown here was a smaller, more economical electric rail car used by the G&M, which acquired the name "The Dinky" among valley residents. This car's most distinctive feature was its single truck configuration, meaning it had only one set of double wheels in the center of the undercarriage rather than two sets on either end. This gave the car an unstable undulating motion when traveling down the poorly leveled tracks, giving the rider a feeling like riding a small boat in the open sea. In the '20s the valley had no high school, so the kids had to pile onto the Dinky each morning, to go careening down Verdugo Road to Glendale High. Some of the kids, when they thought the single conductor/operator wasn't watching, would shift their weight in time to the rocking motion. The rocking would increase until eventually the wheels would pop off the track, the derailed car would grind to halt, and the "bad boys" of CV would be rewarded with an excuse for missing the first couple of classes of the day.

Montrose "Dinky" Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV



NOW » Here's the same view today looking southwest towards the intersection of Verdugo and Honolulu, the entrance to the Montrose Shopping Park. The cars waiting to turn left are about where the Dinky used to stop to let off passengers. Imagine an MTA bus today dropping passengers in the middle of this street! The pharmacy under construction in '23 is today Gus and Andy's Kitchen and Bar, the building 100 years old. The owner of the restaurant had to just about rebuild the entire building to bring it up to today's standards. The construction took it down to the old studs, which revealed the arched entryway seen in the 1923 photo.

TINY LIGHT from page 20

it once – when I first got it. I've done four shoots with it so far, one of which had the light on for three straight hours at about 15% intensity, and I still have 90% of my battery left, or roughly 9.9 hours as the light says. That is unprecedented battery life for a light this bright. Even at 100%, which is overkill for many situations, it expects about 1.5 hours of battery left. Between this and the construction and the Photo Eyedropper Tool, I am extremely satisfied with this little light.

The Tube Light XL is another new release from Lumecube that is available as well, which is four-feet-long and has a similar feature set. After working with the Tube Light Mini for a few weeks, I am looking forward to playing with more lights in the series as well. More info and purchasing options can be found at Lumecube.com.



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'The Secret Side of Los Angeles:' Local Author's New Book Holds Riddles to Hidden Treasures

By Matthew ARAT

Danny Jensen loves exploring Los Angeles.

"It's a fun challenge," Jensen said. "I love exploring the city and finding hidden corners."

Jensen, a writer for Thrillist, Time Out and LA Weekly, has made it his passion to discover the other side of Los Angeles rarely seen by Los Angeles natives or transplants. His latest book, LA Scavenger, catalogs many fascinating, historic and exciting locations in a wide array of Greater Los Angeles neighborhoods, with clues and riddles for finding each treasure.

Jensen receives help from friends who mention amazing spots that more people need to visit.

"I always ask the question, 'What is one place you need to see and wouldn't want to miss?'" he said.

Previously from the East Coast, Jensen has made it his duty to travel around as much of Los Angeles as possible.

"I've logged a lot of miles on my shoes, which is what I want the reader to feel," said Jensen. "What I really love is when people come up to me and say, 'I've lived here for 40 years, and I'm rediscovering LA!'"

All of the locations in an identified neighborhood are limited to being only a few miles apart, so searchers should be able to see them in one trip.

Various places included are the old Warner Bros. Theater in Downtown Los Angeles, Pasadena City Hall, the House of Pies in Los Feliz, and many more.

"Each destination tells the story of LA and that neighborhood," Jensen said. "It could be architectural

features, artwork, food."

The book also covers the history of Los Angeles, from the birthplace of the city at Olvera Street to the Japanese Americans of Little Tokyo.

"There's so much to explore that it requires more of an effort and willingness to get out of routine," Jensen said. "It's all for learning and fun."

Jensen sees this book as a jumping-off point for longtime Los Angeles natives and newly arrived transplants to see Los Angeles differently.

Find LA Scavenger at your bookstores, or for a signed copy order online at secretlosangelesbook.com. Danny Jensen will be at the San Fernando Historical Society on June 22 at 7 p.m., the LA Breakfast Club on June 28 at 7 a.m., and Village Well Books and Coffee on July 8 at 6 p.m.

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GLENDALE KIWANIS

The Kiwanis Club of Glendale meets on Fridays at noon. On June 9, the guest speaker is club member Mark MacCauley who will talk about the current situation in the Ukraine. He'll also present film footage.

The cost to attend Friday meetings, 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.

JEWEL CITY KNITTERS MONTHLY MEETING

Jewel City Knitters will hold its monthly JCK Charity Knit and Crochet gathering on Saturday, June 10 from 2-3:30 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Library, 3301 E. Chevy Chase Dr. in Glendale, (818) 548-2046.

Enjoy a relaxed afternoon of knitting, crocheting and conversation.

For more information, email susandietel@yahoo.com.

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

The Towne Singers presents this in-person 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. - 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.

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

NEXT MEETING PLANNED OF BURBANK AFRICAN VIOLET SOCIETY

The Burbank African Violet Society will be having its next club meeting on Thursday morning, June 15 at 10 a.m. at the Little White Chapel Christian Church, 1711 N. Avon St. in Burbank.

The program will be the "Judging of the Annual Project Plant

Strawberry Fields" and "Playing Leaf Bingo." The new annual project plant "Midnight Frolic" will be distributed at this meeting.

There are raffle and silent auction tables. Refreshments are served and friendships are made. Guests are always welcome to attend the meetings to come and learn more about growing the African violet.

For more information phone (661) 940-3990 or reference the website: www.burbankafrikanviolets.weebly.com.

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

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WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

Provided by horoscope.com

June 5, 2023 - June 11, 2023

♈ ARIES March 21 - April 19

Career activity brings excitement and drama but also a bit of unpredictability this week. Ideas are flying, but you need to monetize one before moving on to the next lest you find yourself with decreased cash flow. Aspects affect your relationship house, too. A lot is changing there, requiring you to be diplomatic with your attention at this time. Love dictates your decision.

♉ TAURUS April 20 - May 20

This week is about your ability to focus on what's really important. You want to be wild and creative, especially when it comes to your family, friends, and romantic partners. You may feel spontaneous and free now, but the planets have other plans. You want to be responsible, especially when it comes to your job. Making a great impression will help you rise through the ranks more quickly, and that means more money.

♊ GEMINI May 21 - June 20

Your money situation may not be quite what you want it to be now, but a helpful aspect boosts your morale this week. An emphasis on past lives and karma urges you to be careful about how you conduct yourself, especially when it comes to your words, which can seriously wound. Meanwhile, cash comes in when you exploit shared investments and properties.

♋ CANCER June 21 - July 22

A supportive aspect gives you a firm foundation upon which to build your money dreams. Another shakes up your close relationships and forces you to think about how each contributes to your life. If it isn't much, letting some go may be the ticket to greater happiness. Meanwhile, you get your ideas, products, and services out to a larger customer base. Success isn't far away.

♌ LEO July 23 - August 22

It isn't enough to save now. You're clever, sometimes deceptively so, especially when it comes to money. Therefore, using this week's aspect becomes a prime directive. Advance your career aims while grabbing new opportunities in your working life. Just make sure your job is stable before investing your all into it. Sometimes things can change so quickly that the structure of a business can't keep up. Protect your interests at all costs.

♍ VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

You have a supportive aspect benefiting your curiosity in money issues. Your house of romance, kids, and family is highlighted. Make sure you aren't spending too much to get or keep someone's love. Staying on budget may actually show more of your true loving nature. An emphasis on travel, spirituality, and learning shows that life lessons are just as important as possessions.

♎ LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

If money has troubled you recently, a healthy aspect helps you get out of that rut. Events are shaking up your home life and inner emotions. Feelings may seem to come out of nowhere. But it's all clearing the way for you to release old patterns so you can advance in your financial life. You're being urged to speak your mind at your job. Don't let someone else claim credit for your work.

♏ SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

You have a time of communication in order to exchange ideas. This can be very conducive to starting a new career or advancing in the one you have. All that's required is to be true to yourself. Aspects affecting communication make you a little quirky and unique. You don't care what others think, which makes it so much easier for you to ask for what you're worth.

♐ SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

For you, this week is about unexpected change, meaning you may be temporarily destabilized. If you're doing well, you may have to deal with a reversal of fortune, or vice versa. Don't assume anything will last forever. However, another aspect encourages you to discover your true voice, especially when it comes to work. You have something to say.

♑ CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

If you've been feeling a little stuck lately, there's an aspect for that. It can bring you out of your shell as you rise to any occasion. The planets shake up what you have going on with your personal style and ask you to think outside the box when it comes to your appearance. Setting yourself apart may mean the difference between making a great impression and having to go it alone.

♒ AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

With an emphasis on past lives and karma now, it's imperative that you behave with decorum and politeness, particularly because things could be a bit unstable and unpredictable. Meanwhile, your romantic situation, family life, and ability to have fun are impacted. You're a clever sort. Don't risk long-term security for short-term enjoyment or you may suffer the consequences. And you don't want that.

♓ PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

This week, you're considering a new plan to ensure your long-term financial security. You're finding out who your friends really are. Some may bail when you're no longer the life of the party, but that's OK. Trying to make others happy could only result in more debt where there should be less. Meet your own needs first and then help others.

June 8

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ACROSS

- 1) Remain unsettled
- 5) Dermatologist's removal
- 9) King Kong's kin
- 13) Type of chart or rug
- 14) "Uh-huh"
- 15) Sharp glacial ridge
- 16) Hand-to-hand game?
- 18) Oft-glazed treat, briefly
- 19) Attack with abandon
- 20) It keeps one up at night
- 22) Freelancer's detail
- 24) Server's aid
- 25) Does a muffler's job
- 28) Like some swarms
- 31) Semicircular basin in a mountain
- 34) Assist a criminal
- 35) Deepen, as a canal
- 36) Shout of inspiration
- 37) Rocky crag
- 38) "Cool Runnings" vehicle
- 39) "Neither" compatriot
- 40) Smallest-human-bone locale
- 41) Hammed it up
- 42) Hullabaloo
- 43) Sloppy home
- 44) Adult's counterpart
- 45) It's written in stone
- 46) Prop for a street magician
- 48) Feature of a bad air day
- 50) Way that makes you pay
- 54) Sports complexes
- 58) Blow away?
- 59) It holds things down
- 61) Was in a cast
- 62) Use a word processor
- 63) "Tat-tat" intro
- 64) Actress Madeline
- 65) Head-moving assents
- 66) Hiya, to Popeye

DOWN

- 1) Family nickname
- 2) Noteworthy historical periods
- 3) Tennis-court dividers
- 4) Table of values
- 5) Pedal a 10-speed
- 6) Roll call call
- 7) H.H. Munro's pseudonym
- 8) "And ___ there were none"
- 9) Wine feature
- 10) Inexpensive treats of yore
- 11) Case for small scissors
- 12) Words with "precedent" or "good example"
- 15) Made beautiful to look at
- 17) Puppy sounds
- 21) Not spontaneous
- 23) Dating material
- 25) Partners
- 26) Depth charge target of WWII
- 27) Manly towel material?
- 29) Basil-garlic sauce
- 30) Do-nothings
- 32) Cry from a lottery winner
- 33) Heron's hangout
- 35) Toppler in a line
- 38) Stuck, in a way
- 42) Branch of mathematics
- 45) Not for the squeamish
- 47) Antiquated
- 49) Some ice cream drinks
- 50) Strong, durable wood
- 51) Ocean predator
- 52) "Agreed!"
- 53) Not the smartest extinct bird
- 55) Ark builder
- 56) Vocal range
- 57) Tarry
- 60) Flippable item

FIVE PEOPLE YOU KNOW

By Clyde Dobe

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» ZACK HILL BY JOHN DEERING AND JOHN NEWCOMBE



PROBLEM SOLVED » BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT

Can I get a refund from Ticketmaster for this Alan Parsons concert?

Joe Eckre has tickets to see Alan Parsons, but the artist has postponed the event. Can Eckre get a refund?

Q I purchased a ticket to see Alan Parsons Live Project at Libbey Bowl in Ojai, California in 2021. Just before the event, Ticketmaster notified me that the concert had been postponed but that my ticket was still good.

I waited patiently but after 18 months and no news from Ticketmaster about a new date for the show, I finally checked the artist's website and found out that all shows except for one – not mine – had been canceled.

Ticketmaster is saying that I can't get a refund for my ticket. In an online chat, a representative said, "After reviewing your order, I see that you purchased your tickets after the event had already been rescheduled. Therefore, the event organizer is not allowing refunds."

My Ticketmaster account still reads that my tickets are still good and the date is "to be announced" – but the artist's website says otherwise. Can you help me get a refund? – Joe Eckre, Canyon Country, California

A: Ticketmaster should refund your tickets. In fact, it should refund all tickets to this show. Parsons suffered a "serious" spinal issue last year and his doctors ordered him to cancel the upcoming tour and undergo surgery, according to his website. As I write this, it isn't clear when Parsons might return to California to resume the tour. But it isn't fair to make you wait.

Ticketmaster's chat transcript referred to the terms of your ticket. The reseller offered you a refund, which you turned down. But it looks like that effectively reset the terms of your ticket, allowing the event organizer to keep your money until it decided to reschedule the concert.

When your concert is canceled, it's always best to take a refund. You can always buy a new concert ticket later. But if you take the credit and allow the organizer to keep your money, you may have to wait a while and a refund may be impossible.

A brief, polite email to a Ticketmaster executive might

have helped move things along. I publish the names, numbers and emails of the Ticketmaster customer service executives on my consumer advocacy site, Elliott.org. I also publish a free guide on how to get a refund from Ticketmaster.

Your case is a reminder to always read your ticket's terms and check any fine print when you accept a change. It looks as if you had agreed to give the event organizer an indefinite loan with no obligation to repay you. You would have been forced to choose an alternate Alan Parsons concert or lose the money. Ah, the games people play.

I contacted Ticketmaster on your behalf and it refunded the \$71 you had spent on your ticket.

Christopher Elliott is the founder of Elliott Advocacy (<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

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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>.

COMMUNITY TREE CARE DAY

The Sierra Club is hosting Community Tree Care Day on Saturday, June 24 from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Volunteers can enjoy the sunshine and outdoors while weeding and watering trees along the main corridor of Foothill Boulevard in Sunland-Tujunga. Participants will each get a free organic waste pail from LA Sanitation & Environment that can be used to compost food scraps to improve home gardening.

Volunteers are asked to bring their own work gloves and water containers.

No reservations are required – just show up at 9 a.m. at DIY Home Center parking lot, 6300 Foothill Blvd. in Tujunga.

BEVERLEE NELSON PRESENTS AT BURBANK AFRICAN VIOLET SOCIETY

The Burbank African Violet Society will be having its next club meeting on Thursday morning, July 20 at 10 a.m. at the Little White Chapel Christian Church, 1711 N. Avon St. in Burbank.

The program "Growing African Violet Trailers" will be presented by club member Beverlee Nelson. She will share growing tips and techniques, ingredients in the African violet potting soil, lighting and grooming. A discussion with questions and answers will follow. There are raffle and silent auction tables.

Refreshments are served and friendships are made. Guests are always welcome to attend the meetings to come and learn more about growing the African violet.

For more information phone (661) 940-3990 or reference the website: www.burbankafrikanviolets.weebly.com.

CASINO NIGHT CCLCF FUNDRAISER

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

VHHS PLANS REUNION

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

Currently Team 74 is in the planning phase of collecting names and numbers of classmates and putting together a database; emails from classmates can be received at cls74reunion@yahoo.com. Information should include a mailing address, cell number and graduate's name at graduation (if different than now).

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

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



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RELIGION

Q I'm a single mom whose oldest son just graduated from high school and wants to join the Air Force. His thinking is that after he completes four years of service, he'll get full credit to go to college. He knows our finances have been a struggle and that there is no way I can pay for his college education. Still, it makes me fearful about what could happen to him during his years in the service.

I have not told him about my concerns and don't intend to. What can I do to lovingly accept his decision? Church has been a big part of our lives. I pray for understanding but, so far, no peace of mind.

~ Worried Mom

Dear Worried Mom,

I suppose it's every parent's job to worry about their kids, especially when we can no longer protect them from the harsh realities of the world. This time of year, as parents begin to say goodbye to their graduating children, there's a lot of anxiety about letting them go. I imagine these feelings are only accelerated by the dangers of military service.

I think my recommendation would begin with you having an honest discussion with your son – not to convince him to change his mind but to express your fears and how you remain committed to supporting him in his decision. With my college-aged daughter living at home, I have found that our conversations have had to shift away from all-knowing parent and vulnerable child to something more along the lines of sagacious guide who supports her in each

fork of the road.

I do wonder: Is the decision to join the Air Force solely financial? Local community colleges are some of the best in the nation and are virtually free – with the hardest part being “local” when our kids are ready to spread their wings elsewhere. There might be paths in the two years at a community college that do not involve being part of the military machine.

On the other hand, both of my brothers joined the military – one much later in life – and it afforded them opportunities to be happy and healthy. If your son wants to serve his country in this way, learning skills and positioning himself for a stable financial future to boot, then cheer for him, too. I don't think our worries for our kids are ever extinguished – be reminded that God watches over your son, too, and cares for him deeply. Maintain that habit of prayer and trust, seeking God's ways and all these other things will be added to you as well.

Rev. Kyle Sears

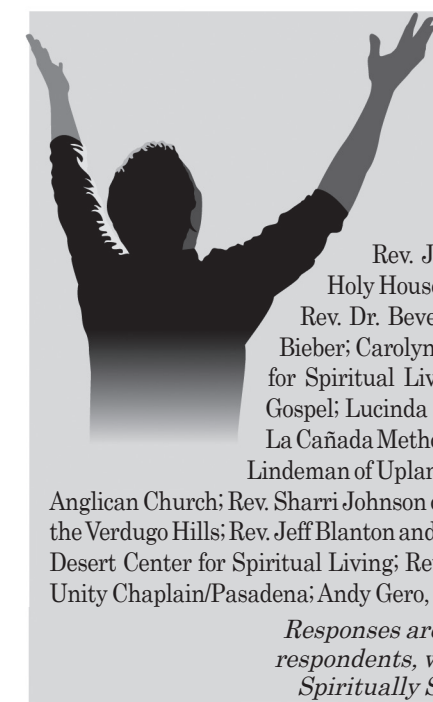
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Dear Worried Mom,

I too have a child who just graduated from high school. It is both exciting and daunting to think that she is about to attend college and make her way in the world. So I can understand your concerns.

Let me first say that it sounds like you have done a great job of raising a caring and considerate son. He knows how hard you have worked to take care of him as a single mom and he is willing to help earn his way through college. Well done, Mom!

Second, it is natural to be worried about him. Whether or not he joins



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the Air Force or goes to college right away or finds a job, there will always be something to worry about. I've been told that parents never stop worrying about their children no matter how old they are! So I think the answer to your question is in the question itself – lovingly and supportively accept his decision. Let him know that you support him no matter what; that you will always love him; that yes, you will worry about him, but you will also be there for him. As he begins to make his way in the world, walk beside him as a loving and steady presence.

And finally, continue to rely on your faith. Your church can be a source of support for both of you. Invite others to pray for you and your son. Maybe the church can send him a care package once he gets settled into his new place. And remember that God is always with both of you.

In his letter to the Ephesians, the Apostle Paul wrote, “I pray that, according to the riches of his glory,

He may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love.” (Ephesians 3:16-17) May you and your son be rooted and grounded in the love of Christ and may this love continue to sustain you both as life takes you to new places and new adventures!

Blessings,

Rev. Karin Ellis
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Q I attend a local church and we support the military and police. We have “Coffee with a Cop” once a year and send boxes of goodies to military service men and women yearly. We just learned that a longtime member resigned his/her membership because, in his/her words, “I can't support a church that supports the police and the military.”

I just plain don't understand the person's “logic.” I'm wondering whom they would call upon if someone invaded their home or our country. My prayer is that this isn't a widespread opinion. What do you think?

~ Forever a Patriot

Dear Forever a Patriot, Your concern regarding this person's attitude toward the police and military is certainly a valid one. However, be assured that he only represents the minority of our society. It is obvious that this person is totally illogical when it comes to what Christ taught about helping the destitute, supporting what is right and loving and treating our fellow man as we would want to be treated ourselves. Either this individual or someone very close to him had a serious problem with law enforcement and/or the military that has affected his ability to differentiate between right and wrong. Trying to reach someone with a mental attitude like this usually requires psychiatric intervention. I suggest that your church group pray for him. And you're correct; our society would be at a total loss without law and military enforcement.

God bless you,

Andy Gero
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Dear Forever A Patriot,

One good thing about life is we always have choice ... choice about how we deal with a situation, choice about lots of things in daily living. And if we don't like the choice we've made, we can choose again ... and again. We can't always change the circumstances, but we have choice about how we deal with it.

Your confusion is understandable about your longtime member's choice to resign because s/he feels s/he cannot support the church in its beliefs to support the police and military. Everyone has a right to their decisions and thinking. First step: Ask him/her what changed his/her feelings. Perhaps something happened in his/her life that caused a change. Avoid being confrontational. You just want to understand his/her decision. Listen for some insight. Don't try to change minds. Humans tend to dig in and become defensive. Tell him/her you will miss his/her presence and membership and that the church is always there to welcome him/her back, if s/he so chooses.

I like to feel that it is God talking to God, with love healing all wounds and differences. God with an open heart, listening and sharing, without ego involved ... and remembering that we all have choice.

We've become a nation that is divided and strongly opinionated in many issues. That makes life “interesting” and oftentimes challenging. And it comes down to our choice as to how we want to deal with it ... join in the fight and chaos ... or stay in love with the outcome of the highest and best for all concerned. There is always divine right action, with love prevailing. And then, who knows? Maybe we wouldn't need to have police and military.

Imagine.

Blessings and Peace,
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NOTES & NODS

LCIF News

New beginnings are being celebrated at Lutheran Church in the Foothills. At its congregational meeting on June 4, church members voted to call Rev. Richard “Rick” Hall as LCIF’s new full time pastor. The community is invited to hear Pastor Rick’s first sermon as LCIF’s new leader during 10 a.m. worship on Sunday, June 18.

The church has enjoyed the care of Rev. Charles “Chuck” Bunnell as interim pastor these past two years. This coming Sunday, June 11, Bunnell will deliver his final sermon as interim pastor. Following the 10 a.m. service, in the Fellowship Hall church members and visitors will have an opportunity to thank Bunnell for his care. Bunnell came out of retirement to serve LCIF during the lengthy call process.

Rev. Hall grew up in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He graduated from Adams State College in 1995 with a degree in history, government and philosophy, and secondary education. Hall earned his Masters of Divinity from Luther Seminary in 2011. He has served at churches in Wisconsin, North Dakota and, most recently, in Fresno. Hall is married to his wife, Cathy, of 24 years. They have two children, Max and Copper.

LCIF thanks its Call Committee for its tireless work in finding a pastoral candidate who meets the needs of LCIF and the community.

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

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.

‘Twists and Turns,’ – a Vacation Bible School at La Crescenta Presbyterian

Join La Crescenta Presbyterian Church for a week of “Twists and Turns,” a Vacation Bible School taking place Monday through Friday, July 10-14, from 9 a.m. to noon.

All children from age 4 to

incoming sixth graders are welcome at this week of games, crafts and singing, all focused on the message that “Following Jesus Changes the Game!”

The cost of this weeklong adventure is per family unit: \$50 for 1 child; \$85 for two children; \$120 for three or more children. T-shirts are included.

“Twists and Turns” will take place at the La Crescenta Presbyterian campus at 2902 Montrose Ave. in La Crescenta. For more information, contact Jesiah@lcpc.net or call 818-249-

6137. To register, visit lcpc.net/vbs.

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 June 11, 18 & 25. 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.

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"It's such a simple activity, and yet it also has great power." (From a University of Virginia article titled "We asked an Expert Why We Hold Hands, and Learned It's Good for You.")

Holding hands is not just for physical support but emotional as well, and it is a sign of friendship. During a visit in 2005 between then-President George W. Bush and Crown Prince Abdullah of Saudi Arabia, they held hands while walking together. In Saudi Arabia it is a sign of friendship and respect for men to hold hands while walking.

We are not the only species who hold hands; some chimpanzees and otters do as well. For otters, holding hands is a way not to drift apart or lose each other while sleeping. They are actually holding hands to stay close. Isn't it too bad that because of the misconceptions about the "subtle" act of holding someone's hand, whether due to age or gender prejudice, some do not hold hands in public for fear of backlash ... when we really need to

hold one another's hand more often than ever so we don't drift apart.

Today, Thursday, we're expecting partly sunny skies with a high near 69 and wind gusts up to 15 mph; the evening will be mostly cloudy with a low around 53. Mostly cloudy skies continue on Friday with a high near 70 and patchy fog after 11 p.m. that continues into Saturday followed by cloudy skies and a high near 68.

A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms are predicted for Sunday preceded by patchy fog. High near 64.

Patchy fog continues on Monday and Tuesday with highs hovering around 65 and lows around 54.

GRADUATION from Cover

that comes from growing up. But perhaps those feelings were mixed with concern about the future. However, no matter where they go in life many have created friendships that were forged during their school years and although those friendships will change the foundation on which they were built will not.

At Crescenta Valley High School, the Class of 2023 was awarded about \$2.8 million in scholarships and had supported their neighbors by serving over 79,015 hours of community service during their years. This was despite two years of enduring lockdown due to the pandemic. There were 108 students who graduated summa cum laude, 114 as magna cum laude and 167 as cum laude.

To be listed as cum laude these students have a grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 to 3.99; magna cum laude students have accumulated a GPA of 4.0-4.199 and summa cum laude students achieved a GPA of 4.2 or above.

Asistheschool'straditionstudents were chosen to make senior speeches addressing their fellow students and attendees. As of press time, Christina Sua was scheduled to give a speech titled "It's All Temporary" and Marta Pambukhchyan was scheduled to give a speech titled "Saying Goodbyes: Acknowledgements and the Path to the Future."

The Charismatics choir and CVHS graduation orchestra are also scheduled to perform.

Clark Magnet High School graduated its largest class in the school's history with 277 seniors earning their diplomas. They performed 23,710 community service hours - an amazing feat when considering the two years of lockdown experienced during COVID-19.

As of press time, the scheduled speakers at the graduation ceremony were Nathan Scherrer giving a speech titled "Thermodynamics: The Making of a Graduating," Alex Hakobyan presenting his speech titled "To My Clark Family," Vanya Arakelian speaking on "To Be Candid, To Be You," and Emily Aivazian giving a speech "The Child Within Us."

Earning the title of valedictorian was Nathan Scherrer.

Next week CVW will have more photos and more coverage of promotions and graduations throughout the area.

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