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Know Your Fire Zone

Los Angeles County public safety agencies and the County's Fifth District Supervisor Kathryn Barger announced the "Know Your Zone" campaign, a collaborative effort that aims to prepare residents and businesses for emergencies or evacuations.

Included in this roll-out are the cities of Santa Clarita and La Cañada Flintridge; the communities of Agua Dulce, Altadena, Castaic, Gorman, Kagel Canyon, La Crescenta/ Montrose and Stevenson Ranch; and the unincorporated areas of Santa Clarita, Chatsworth, and Pasadena.

"I'm thrilled that our County's public safety agencies are rolling out this emergency evacuation preparedness tool," Barger stated. "The devastation we've witnessed in Maui is our latest reminder that wildfires move quickly and can have disastrous consequences."

Using the Genasys Protect platform (formerly known as Zonehaven), first responders and residents will refer to the same set of Zone maps used for planning and conducting evacuations. Residents can now see their "Zone" and have access to information about emergency services in their zone, see realtime Zone status updates, shelter options, and more. During a large-scale incident that requires evacuations, the Zone map will be updated in real time, so residents should check it regularly for status information.

"Being able to evacuate residents efficiently is a critical task that our public safety officials must perform and the public needs to be a partner in those efforts by knowing their zones," Barger added.

To find their zone, residents enter an address into the interactive map on Genasys Protect at https://tinyurl. com/32e8j56n using the search bar provided. This will open a

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A Decade Old, Motorcade Honors Founder Jean Maluccio

By Mikaela STONE

The 9/11 Patriot Day Motorcade commemorates the attacks of 2001 as it winds its way through the foothills area.

't was 10 years ago that the Early Rodders and CV ■ Chamber of Commerce held their first 9/11 Patriot Day Motorcade, composed of 30 cars and only two police escorts, rolled out for the first time. It wound its way through several neighborhood and seven schools, reminding community members to "Remember, honor, respect." Now, 22 years after the events of 9/11/01, the question arises: What does remembering mean when a growing number of the population cannot remember what the world looked like before the attack?

coordinator, it means recognizing serve after seeing how they this part of history to help prepare responded to the 2017 Thomas for things to come.



The local community knows how prepared are its first For Dwight Sityar, motorcade responders to protect and Fire in Ventura County and

Station Fire, visible in the hills above La Crescenta. While America honors the sacrifices of the 403 first responders who died running into the burning Twin Towers and mourns the

2,200 citizens who perished with them, the motorcade honors those lost lives with one fire truck to represent them and one fire truck to represent see MOTORCADE on page 7

New Ordinance Proposed Concerning Short Term Rentals

By Mary O'KEEFE

The Crescenta Valley Town Council has released information concerning a community outreach meeting by the Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collectors Office concerning the proposed ordinance that is slated to be adopted on Sept. 19 and take effect in March 2024. This ordinance will only apply to the unincorporated areas of LA County, which includes La Crescenta/Montrose, Altadena and east Pasadena.

According to the CVTC, the ordinance could impact property owners with investment properties used solely as Short Term Rentals (STR).

Some of what the proposed ordinance includes restricts STR to primary residents only; any investment

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An Uplifting Spirit

the boards of the Kiwanis Club of Glendale, the Salvation Army, Prom Plus and the CV Chamber of Commerce, among others.

fundraiser in August but the storm of the century was supposed to blow in and, because the event was being held outdoors, we opted to postpone it to October. We're all praying for no wind and no excessive heat ("Indian summer") in October.

The Salvation Army has suffered a loss of donations for its food pantry and is holding a food drive at several stores on Saturday. (I will be at the Ralphs at 2675 Foothill Blvd. in La it had to be gone through and either discarded, Crescenta from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.)

For Prom Plus, I will be at the high school today, Sept. 7, for the annual back to school barbecue. Many thanks are extended to Gelsinger's and Schreiner's for donating the delicious meat for the barbecue. Their donations greatly – and positively – impact our bottom line.

As an aside, I know that I've said how I'm planning to step back from Prom Plus but it's hard when so few parents are willing to step up. Come on, parents: Why do I care more about your kids than you do?

And the CV Chamber of Commerce is going through a definite transition. I've been "upgraded" from secretary to president and have had to make some tough decisions.

Things have been crazy in the Goldsworthy Among these has been populating our board of household these past few weeks. I sit on directors and shutting down the CV Chamber office and cohabitating with another business (more about that in next week's paper).

But what I wanted to share with you is For the Kiwanis Club, Steve and I were the strength of those board members. When planning to host a wine and toffee tasting the tough decision was made to relocate the chamber office, board members showed up at every opportunity to either scan materials, move boxes or assess the needs of the chamber and its office. Remember: we had been at 3131 Foothill Blvd. 'D' for over 20 years and accumulated so much stuff. While the decision to close and move was emotionally challenging, it was also physically challenging. Like I said, over 20 years of stuff was in the space and all of saved and moved or thrown out.

> If I had to do it by myself I couldn't have done it. I mean, I run a business, too, and there would be no way that I could have given the chamber office the attention it needed. But thanks to the board, the office has been cleaned out, almost in its entirety, and we're eagerly looking ahead to what the future holds.

> In next week's paper, in the Business section, I'll share some of our ideas for the CV Chamber of Commerce and detail the contributions of those board members.

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Taking A Look Outside Our Window

By Mary O'KEEFE

seasons. I did some research and found that the increase in insects, like flies, may also be why my tomato plants are producing fewer tomatoes.

I have made several trips to Armstrong Garden Center to ask for help. My tomato plants look healthy but didn't have any blooms. I bought all kinds of additives that were supposed to help, and they did a little, but on my last trip to the Garden Center the specialist there asked me if I had seen any bees. I thought about it and I really hadn't seen any this season. Usually there are bees around my plants and in the yard but this and lots of flies.

As everyone knows, or at least they should know, bees are an important part of the ecology of the Earth. According to Friends of the Earth, bees help produce one-third of our food supply, help provide one-half of the world's fibers, oils and other raw materials, help create many medicines, provide food for wildlife and help prevent soil erosion.

The bee populations have been declining globally over recent decades due to habitat loss, intensive farming practices, changes in weather patterns and the excessive use of agrochemicals such as pesticides. Air pollution is also thought to be affecting bees. Research shows that air pollutants interact with scent molecules released by plants, which bees need to locate food. The mixed signals interfere with the bees' ability to forage efficiently, making them slower and less effective at pollination, according to the

UN Environment Programme.

In an article in Salon, researchers I don't know about you but there seem to compared data from a study done over be a lot more insects this summer than past a century ago to a recent study of data concerning an inventory of the types of insects visiting plants. The study was based in a village in Finland that has not changed much regarding land use – it is still a rural area – in over a century. The older research recorded 17 plant species near rivers and churchyards. The recent study found the plants still populated the area but the types of bugs visiting the flowers appeared to have changed dramatically. Only 7% of the observed visits to the flowers were from the same types of bugs recorded in the century old research.

"We have noticed drastic changes in the year all I saw were spiders and flies ... lots networks of pollinator," stated Leana Zoller, one of the researchers.

> In addition the study found hoverflies (like bumblebee hoverflies) and moths appeared less frequently on the flowers around the area of research. These two groups of insects are also pollinators.

> And although the plants in the area are still being pollinated there is a concern on how the decline in insects, like bees, may affect future flowers and crops. It was found that the flowers in the research area were being swarmed by muscoid flies, which are in the family of the housefly ... which brings me back to my house.

> I have never seen so many flies. I know that flies, like most insects, would rather be inside a building where the temperature is normally between 75 and 78 degrees and they are out of the rain and wind. But still – this is ridiculous. We have cleaned inside and outside and all around to remove any

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Thinking of Selling?

Currently, there are simply not enough homes on the marker for the number of buyers hoping to purchase. The lack of available listings continues to challenge the market. Buyers are eager to purchase and because of the shortage of available listings, they are often entering bidding wars. This is the primary factor in keeping home prices high and giving sellers unheard of leverage in the negotiation process.

Thinking of selling? Learn everything you need to know. Read our Home Sellers Guide to Success found on our website or simply give me a call.

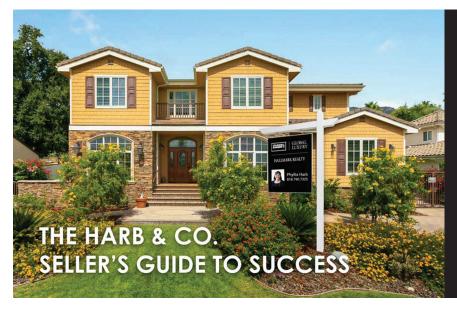


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ROSEMONT PRESERVE RESTORATION DAY

The community is invited to the Rosemont Preserve Restoration Day on Saturday, Sept. 9 from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. to help protect the natural habitat at Rosemont Preserve. Volunteers will be cleaning up the trails for upcoming field trips, weeding the demonstration garden and removing invasive plants the pose 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.

SALVATION ARMY HOSTING FOOD DRIVE

The Glendale-Burbank Salvation Army is having a food drive on Saturday, Sept. 9. Items needed include dry cereals, rice, dry beans, pastas, oatmeal, canned beans, peanut butter, canned fruits, canned veggies, canned soups and laundry detergent. To donate on Saturday, visit the Ralphs at 2675 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta. Donations can be dropped off on the black shelving unit at the parking lot of CV Weekly, 3800 La Crescenta Ave. (at the corner of Honolulu and La Crescenta avenues). Please mark bag/s with SA.

questions/information contact Gabriela.Maldonado@usw.salvationarmy. org or call (818) 246-5586 x 1221.

VETERANS HOST MONTHLY BREAKFAST

Local veterans host a monthly breakfast at the Verdugo Hills Memorial Hall on the second Saturday of the month. The breakfast is free to all local veterans and supporters, but donations are always graciously accepted. This month's breakfast is on Saturday, Sept. 9 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

The Hall is located at 4011 La Crescenta Ave.

FALL 2023 HYBRID IN-PERSON/ONLINE BASIC CERT TRAINING

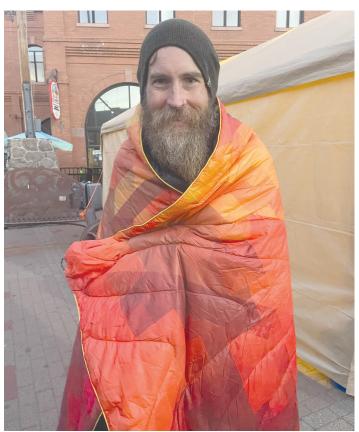
The Glendale Fire Dept. is hosting a free hybrid in-person/ online basic CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) training on Oct. 4, 14, & 21. The CERT program educates volunteers (ages 16-plus) about disaster preparedness and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search & rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations.

To sign up, visit https://bit. ly/GlendaleCERTFall2023.

INPUT SOUGHT ON COUNCIL DISTRICTS

Residents are encouraged to provide input on whether the City of Glendale should transition to Council districts, draw their own maps, share their district line preferences and provide feedback on draft see IN BRIEFS on page 8

A Runner with – and for – Heart





By Mikaela STONE

amily is what inspired Peter Noyes to start running. Now he helps families all over the world have hope for their children who have heart disease.

Noyes has been running since 2012 when the birth of his daughter made him realize he wanted to be a healthier father. Having grown up in Sunland, he knew that the valley was a "mecca for mountain biking [and] trail running." When friends convinced him to participate in triathlons and Ironman races those multi-leg competitions can involve up to 140 miles of swimming, running, and biking - he began to train in earnest in the Angeles National Forest and Verdugo mountains. He found himself "obsessed" with running and eventually switched to races that focused only on that.

Those races took on new meaning after the birth of his second son in 2015, who was born with congenital heart defects. Noyes began to run with Children's HeartLink, an organization that works to combat heart disease in Brazil and Asia. An abnormal heart structure is the leading cause of infant

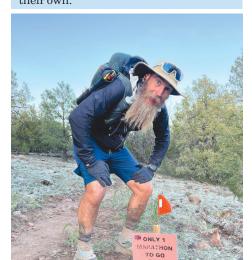
death around the world but, according to are more than a backdrop to be taken for CHL's website, 90% of these children do not have access to the necessary healthcare, turning a treatable problem into a tragedy. CHL helps to train local nurses in these areas to combat this heart disease with the help of the Heartbeat Club, which relies on monthly donations.

The second charity Noyes chose to run for is the Heart Institute at Children's Hospital Los Angeles, which performed surgery on his son. Earlier this year, he traveled to Arizona in the hospital's honor for the Cocodona 250, where runners compete along a whopping 250-mile trail. He made 216% of his donation goal for CHLA. Those inspired by Noyes' dedication are invited by CHLA to sign up to donate, volunteer or give blood at their website, chla.org. After his surgeries, Noyes' son is happy and healthy, enjoying life in full.

Noyes' running journey can be followed on Facebook. He raises money through social media and linking to his fundraising page. He hopes his story will both raise awareness about the charities he supports and remind locals just how lucky they are to live in such an amazing area with beautiful trails for the runner and walker alike. The mountains granted; they are a rich world of their own, ripe for exploration.

LEFT: Runner Peter Noyes bundles up after a run. RIGHT: Noves feels the nearby mountains are more than a backdrop to be taken for granted; they are a rich world of

Photos provided by Noyes family



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Lunch will be served from 11:30 am-noon. Talk begins at noon.

Sharon Gray is a speech-language pathologist at USC Verdugo Hills Hospital, specializing primarily in outpatient care for speech, language, swallowing and cognitive impairments for adults. She graduated from UC Riverside with a bachelor's degree in Human Development and from Cal State Los Angeles with a master's degree in Communication Disorders. She has worked at USC Verdugo Hills since 2019. Her areas of interest include brain injury, stroke, neurological diseases including Parkinson's, Lewy Body Dementia, Alzheimer's Dementia and Primary Progressive Aphasia, as well as treating patients with swallowing disorders such as after a stroke, as a result of head and neck cancer or as a part of aging. She enjoys spending time in nature, with her 19 year-old cat and especially with her family.

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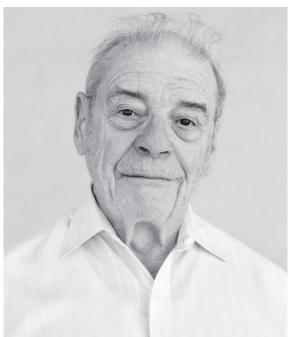


Dr. Henry Fliegel to Lead Weekly Conversations at LCIF

Noted astronomer Dr. Henry Fliegel will host a weekly conversation at Lutheran Church in the Foothills on the issues of religion and science. The free lectures and discussions will be held on Mondays beginning Sept. 11 at 11:30 a.m. in the church's conference room and will last one hour.

Dr. Fliegel received his MA degree in physics from Ohio State University in 1959, and his PhD in astronomy from the University of Pennsylvania in 1963. He served in the Time Service Dept. of the U.S. Naval Observatory from 1963-1965, and was a member of the technical staff at JPL from 1969 to the end of 1981, working on problems of spacecraft navigation and of time transfer. Since 1982 he has been project engineer for the global positioning system at The Aerospace Corporation specializing in the logic of ground control software and satellite force modeling. Dr. Fliegel is also an experienced presenter of Biblical issues.

All are welcome to attend the sessions at LCIF, 1700 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada.



LCIF

Back to school time comes with a special service at Lutheran Church in the Foothills. This Sunday, Sept. 10, students, teachers, coaches and staff are invited to receive a special blessing during the 10 a.m. worship service with Pastor Rick Hall. Items collected through the church's school supply drive will be blessed as well. Following the service all are welcome to help assemble school supply kits with the donated items from LCIF's collection drive. This is part of the church's annual "God's Work. Our Hands" day of service event. The school supply kits will be distributed to children in need.

LCIF continues to collect donations for victims of the Maui wildfire disaster. LCIF will match

monetary donations from the congregation up to \$500 and will direct the funds to the Pacifica Synod for distribution to wildfire victims in Hawaii. Those wishing to donate should visit LCIF's website for more information, including a link to donate.

LCIF's weekly 10 a.m. Sunday worship is held in person and online through the church's YouTube channel. A live stream is provided and past recordings can be found on the YouTube channel as well. The link to the channel can be found at lcifoothills.org.

Visit lcifoothills.org for event details, including information on confirmation classes, Bible study, book club and small group meetings. For more information or to request/

offer help, email office@lcifoothills. org or call (818) 790-1951. The church is located at 1700 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada Flintridge. Office hours are from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Community Family Carnival

La Crescenta Presbyterian Church invites the community to an old-fashioned Community Carnival on Saturday, Sept. 23 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. in our parking lot. Entry to the carnival is free and all the games are free to play. There will be live music throughout the day, including the local women's vocal group Monday@JoJo's, the Scottish Fiddlers of Los Angeles, the LCPC Barbershop Quartet, Music with Max and DJ Ryot. Food will be

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available for purchase from the In-N-Out Burger truck, as well as favorite carnival snacks and drinks.

The carnival/church is located at 2902 Montrose Ave. in La Crescenta. Free parking is available on Montrose Avenue.

Bethel Church Holding Community Events

Bethel Church in Sun Valley is hosting a free community BBQ and movie night on Saturday, Sept. 9. Food service will start at 6 p.m. followed by a showing of the movie "Zootopia" (rated PG, 4 stars) at 7:30 p.m.

The fall ministry season is about to start at Bethel Church – so why

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not make a decision to start "back to church" at the annual Back to Church Sunday service at 10 a.m. on Sept. 17? Folks will be warmly welcomed, enjoy uplifting times of praise and worship, receive Biblical teaching that will provide purpose, guidance and hope, and experience friendly fellowship with the faithful members of the church at a free after-worship lunch. Sunday and mid-week programs are offered for all ages. Spanish translation is provided.

Bethel Church is located at 10725 Penrose St. in Sun Valley; (818) 767-4488; bethelsunvalley.com.

Emergency Preparedness at Church of Scientology Mission of the Foothills in Montrose

The community is invited to learn what do before being hit with a natural emergency. Attend a free one-hour presentation on Saturday, Sept. 16 at 10 a.m. at the Church of Scientology Mission of the Foothills in Montrose.

The speaker is Paul Dutton, a Crescenta Valley CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) instructor who is also a trainer for the Los Angeles Sheriff Dept. and a Red Cross volunteer.

Discussion will center on disasters possible in the local area and what to expect, how to be prepared at home, at work and when out-and-about, and creating a family's reunification plan should something happen. There will be free informational handouts to take home and use.

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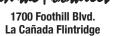
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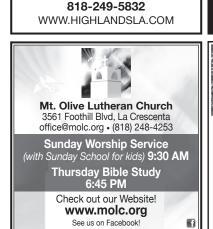
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Glendale Calls for Artsakh Support

By Mary O'KEEFE

City Council voted to approve sending aid to Martuni in Artsakh, a city that is experiencing a humanitarian crisis. This action follows an Aug. 10 request made by the Office of the Nagorno-Karabakh (Artsakh) Republic in the USA seeking the City's assistance to help Glendale's sister city, Martuni, according to a City statement.

Although this crisis has not received a lot of coverage in most media what is occurring in Artsakh could be considered a case of history repeating itself. The people of Artsakh want to be recognized as an independent state or as part of Armenia. This is a struggle that has been seen in other countries when, despite conquerers coming and going, there is an area that stays strong to its own culture. Many times this results in a battle that oftentimes is not a battle but a cruel show of force.

Artsakh a is small mountainous region located on the eastern side of the Armenian Highlands, within the territory known as Azerbaijian. It has been inhabited by Armenians for more than 2,000 years, with recorded history dating back to the 4th Century CE. This region is also known as Nagorno-Karabakh.

Artsakh was absorbed into Russia but in 1991, with the weakening of the Soviet Union, a referendum vote was held Nagorno-Karabakh which the majority voted for independence from Azerbaijan. This sparked violence with reported massacres of local Armenian people.

This violence turned into a full out war before a ceasefire ended the conflict in 1994. Artsakh was liberated and a road was constructed to link Nagorno-Armenia Karabakh with through an area known as Lachin Corridor. However, the ceasefire was violated many imagine Los Angeles needing region." times, according to reports. In humanitarian aid and the road September 2020 a full-scale invasion of Artsakh took place it to be brought over in four and Russia have condemned by Azerbaijan's forces. Over 44 hours, but someone insisted the blockade and called for days more than 4,000 Armenian instead to go through Oregon," soldiers died.

either become a part of Armenia is only concerned with making months. The U.S. Dept. of State or to be its own independent Republic, as it was during the last 30 years. Armenians in Artsakh have held numerous elections to elect a parliament and a president under the eye international observers. They have been operating as a de-facto independent republic except for the fact that they have not been recognized by the international community," said Ardy Kassakhian, Glendale in Artsakh is that they fear City Council member.

as its territory but it is made up of a majority of Armenians, about 80%.

Artsakh with the outside world.

"No humanitarian aid region," Kassakhian said. "A decapitations the region."

people suffering and even dying looting, and desecration of of starvation.

"I have spoken to people in Stepanakert who have told me the situation is very dire. There is no fuel. Restaurants Armenian hateful speeches are closed. There are lines for hours for something as simple Azerbaijan." as bread. They are running low on medicine and many pregnancies are complicated due to the lack of access to medicine," he added. "There It is a fundraising effort have been several deaths due intended to collect funds from to starvation, but the situation the Glendale community to is feared to become even worse send directly to Artsakh. in the late fall and winter as temperatures begin to drop."

As the situation continued government launched campaign calling international community to Azerbaijan government committing genocide against the Armenians of Artsakh. Armenia continues to negotiate with Azerbaijan to sign a peace treaty, with multiple talks taking place in Washington, D.C., Brussels and Moscow, Armenian Weekly.

Recently the UN Security Council convened emergency meeting to discuss Dan Brotman. this humanitarian crisis. Representatives from many countries called for the opening letter urging President Joe of the Lachin Corridor, while Biden to address the "ongoing the allegations of genocide were situation in Artsakh [Nagornodisputed by Azerbaijan.

an alternative route, Aghdam and administer a blockade of Road, into Artsakh.

enter into their area."

citizens of Artsakh continue clearly long passed. The United to suffer the effects of the States must take concrete embargo, dealing with the daily actions and immediately use stress and the uncertainty of other tools to press Azerbaijan their future.

the worst under Azeri control. by Azeri troops against civilians

Since Dec. 12, 2022 Azerbaijan invading military. Azerbaijan's has been illegally blocking the forces offered a ransom for On Aug. 28, the Glendale Lachin Corridor, the only road each decapitated head of an that connects the Republic of Armenian offered to the Syrian mercenaries hired to fight on the Azeri side. To confirm is allowed to go into the these claims, videos of human recorded few individuals have been Azeri troops and circulated kidnapped and detained in on social media channels Azerbaijan when trying to leave became common during the war," Kassakhian said. "Other There have been stories of war crimes have included religious sites and graves, all of which worry the Armenians who remain in Artsakh. This is reinforced with very antiand rhetoric by leaders in

> Humanitarian aid desperately needed, which is why the Glendale Aid for Artsakh Initiative was created.

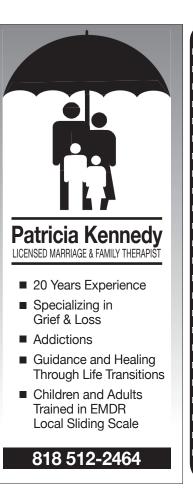
The approval of the Glendale Aid for Artsakh Initiative kick starts the fundraising effort to deteriorate the Armenian intended to collect funds from the Glendale community to the send directly to Artsakh. The City will be working with other intervene and accused the interested community groups on coordinating this effort.

"As the main hub of the Armenian diaspora in the United States, Glendale has deep ties to Armenia and Artsakh. With this vote, we declare our commitment to the people of Artsakh and according to an article in our determination to prevent another ethnic cleansing of the Armenian people from their an ancestral lands," stated Mayor

On Aug. 14, Congressman Adam Schiff wrote a second Karabakh] as Azerbaijan There was a suggestion to use continues to launch attacks the Lachin Corridor, creating "To put it in perspective, a human rights crisis in the

"Though the U.S. government, from Las Vegas would allow the European Union, UN experts the Corridor to be opened to explained Kassakhian. "The regular traffic, Azerbaijan has "Armenians want Artsakh to Azeri [Azerbaijan] government ignored such statements for the process difficult and as and USAID have tried to use stressful as possible. They have diplomacy to put an end to even threatened to shoot down [Azerbaijan President Ilham] any air supply vehicles that Aliyev's blockade of the Lachin Corridor, but the time for As the talks continue, the statements and such calls has to return to compliance with "The concern of the people international law and order," wrote Rep. Schiff.

To learn more about this effort Azerbaijan may claim Artsakh During the war, there were and to donate to help those numerous reports of war crimes in Artsakh visit https://www. glendaleca.gov/government/ and prisoners captured by the city-council/artsakh-aid.







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properties will be prohibited from STR status. Additional Dwelling Units (ADU) can't be used as STRs; an STR property owner must pay an annual fee of \$914, guests must pay 12% tax per night based upon the nightly rate which is paid to the tax office; un-hosted STR stays are limited to 90 days per year with a two-night minimum, no more than 12 guests per booking; platforms such as AirBnB will be prohibited from listing advertisements for properties without a valid county STR registration and must remove any property upon notification from the county of a violation related to an STR ordinance; vacation homes are prohibited from STR.

 $This \, was \, first \, proposed \, on \, March \,$ 19, 2019 by the County of LA -Board of Supervisors. The proposed ordinance aimed to strike a balance between the economic benefits of STRs and the potential impacts to housing stock, neighborhood character and quality of life for residents, according to an LA County statement.

"In recent years, there has been a large increase in the number of STRs in the unincorporated areas of the County. The proliferation of unregulated STRs has the potential to impact affordable housing stock by reducing the overall available number of rental units available for long-term tenancy. Additionally, STRs have a tendency to negatively impact neighbor quality of life and erode neighborhood character. Complaints about loud parties, street parking impacts and a general disregard for community hospitality are common. In very high fire severity zones, STR activity may pose public

safety concerns when guests are unfamiliar with the fire risks and evacuation routes. Therefore, the STR ordinance is designed to strike a balance between the economic benefits of STRs and potential impacts to housing stock, quality of life for neighborhood residents, and public safety," according to the County statement.

There doesn't seem to have been a lot of outreach in local communities about this issue.

"We encourage everyone to be informed and immediately send their questions to the Council," said Chris Kilpatrick, president of the CV Town Council.

This ordinance has yet to be voted on; it is scheduled for a vote by the board of supervisors on Sept. 19. Please email questions to chris@ thecvcouncil.com.

CRIME BLOTTER

4400 block of Bel Aire Drive in La Cañada Flintridge, a resident reported discovering a white surveillance camera concealed in a bush near the front driveway of her residence. The camera was pointed toward the front windows and doors of the home, giving the viewer access to the inside of her home. The residents searched the area and discovered numerous battery packs powering the camera. The resident removed the memory card from the surveillance camera and placed it into her computer. The camera had been surveilling the victim's home since Aug. 27. It was found the battery packs had been glued together and wrapped in camouflage tape.

The camera was discovered at 5

5500 block of Godbey Drive in La Cañada Flintridge, the rear passenger side window was shattered and backpacks had been gone through in a vehicle between 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Aug. 31

Hill Street and Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge,

shattered between 10:05 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

4400 block of Briggs Avenue in Montrose, a resident met a person, the suspect, who reportedly told her hecould fix her credit score. However, the suspect did not help her credit score improve and did not provide appropriate service. The victim's husband contacted the suspect and shared his dissatisfaction with his performance.

They contacted each other using the "WhatsApp" messenger service. The suspect became upset by the victim complaining and told the victim to step outside his house for a face-to-face meeting. The victim stepped outside his home to find the suspect sitting in the driver's seat of the suspect's vehicle. An argument between the victim and suspect ensued regarding the credit repair service. At one point the suspect told the victim to approach his vehicle so they could hear each other without arguing. The victim walked to the driver's side window and the suspect suddenly struck the victim in the face. The suspect's vehicle door was shut; he threw the punch through the open window. The victim, in an attempt to protect himself, attempted to grab the suspect. But the suspect avoided being grabbed and "slowly" drove away. The victim reached in and grabbed the suspect's seatbelt as the vehicle drove slowly away. The vehicle continued to move for about 10 feet, as the victim continued to hold onto the seatbelt, until the vehicle stopped and the victim released the grip on the seatbelt and the driver drove away.

The incident occurred at 10 p.m.

Sept. 1

900 block of Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge, a woman who was shopping inside a store at the location found her wallet missing from her purse when she went to the cashier to pay for her items. She did not see anyone near her while she was shopping.

The theft occurred between 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Aug. 30

4400 block of La Granada Way in La Cañada Flintridge, a computer laptop was stolen from an unlocked vehicle overnight.

1200 block of El Vago Street in La Cañada Flintridge, items were stolen from a home under construction between 4 p.m. on Aug. 30 and 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 31.



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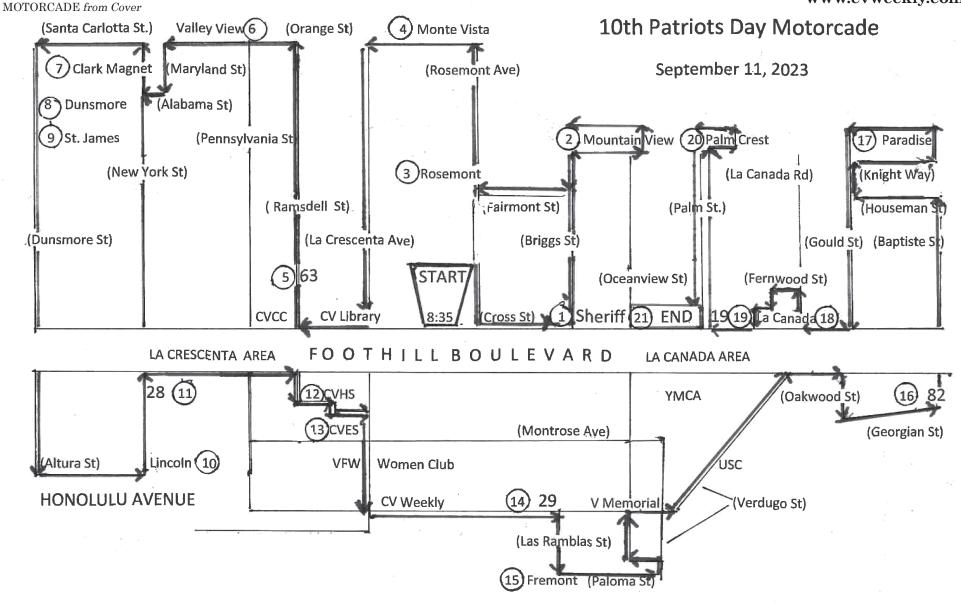


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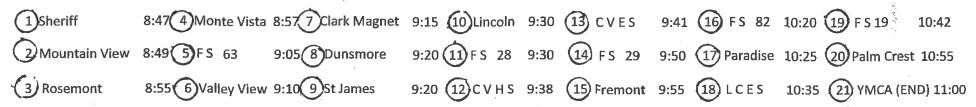
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Captain Tedmund Hall and Arnie Quinones. These two Los Angeles firefighters died protecting the Angeles National Forest during the Station Fire in 2009. On 9/11 they will be accompanied by between 10 and 12 motorcycle escorts from the Glendale Police Dept., three California Highway Patrol cars, appearances by the LA County Sheriff's deputies and the Montrose Search and Rescue team, as well as 50 classic cars, muscle cars and hotrod cars. This makes 80 cars in all visiting 14 different schools as many as the event can have without holding up traffic!

Riding along will be dignitaries from across the area, such as Representative Judy Chu, Assemblymember Laura Friedman, and members of GUSD and the Glendale City Council, as well as rumors of possible attendance from State Senator Anthony Portantino and Supervisor Kathryn Barger or those who represent them.

However, this is not a day for politics and party divides, so banners and slogans will be left at home.

While the specialized cars are attention grabbing, Sityar reminds the community again this year that this event is "not a parade, just a motorcade." It is his hope that the attention the cars draw will be linked to the motorcade's "remember, honor, respect" creed, which calls on the community to

"remember what happened, honor those who died, respect this day." The motorcade will also, hopefully, encourage the teachers to discuss the events of 9/11 with their students: a heavy responsibility.

While the event may have happened before many of these students were born, the reverberations from America's response is still being felt. While a student's first response might be fear, the most important lesson of 9/11 is the importance of a loving community, no matter the background, race or religion.

In 2001, civilian volunteers in New York came in droves to bring first responders food and offer aid with cleaning up the rubble. The Red

 Cross reported thousands of new volunteers joining the organization, counting up to 57,000 Red Cross members in all committing their time to those in need in the aftermath. After the first plane's attack, American airspace closed for the first time in history, forcing almost 7,000 people to land in Gander, Newfoundland: a tiny town with a population of fewer than 10,000. For reference, the U.S. Census Bureau considers a "small town" to have a 25,000 person minimum. The citizens of Gander housed, clothed and fed the grounded passengers and crew from around the world for the five days the airspace remained closed. It is a similar spirit that the La Crescenta

community showcased during the Thomas Fire in 2017, bringing food, water and cool cloths to the battling firefighters – not to mention the spirit of the firefighters themselves.

For locals, this motorcade is unique in that it also honors Jean Maluccio, one of the organizers of this event and serial volunteer through the American Legion, Glendale Healthy Kids, the Verdugo Hills Hospital and many other organizations. Those participating in the motorcade will honor her afterwards with a barbecue, hamburgers donated by Gelsinger's, and a toast from her son, Michael Maluccio.

The route of the motorcade is shown above.

ZONE from Cover

pop-up window, which includes the Zone name and information about the Zone and its emergency services.

Residents should look up and record the names of all the Zones they frequent – such as home, work, school, or the homes of loved ones – and keep them in an easily visible place (on the refrigerator or next to the door). Zones will be used in emergency alert notifications, so knowing the name of a resident's Zone is an important part of that resident's emergency plan.

Genasys Protect is a mapping tool that is used in combination with public alert and warning systems such as ALERT LA County and local city emergency alerting systems. Residents should sign up for systems in their area to receive evacuation orders when issued by public officials. When evacuation warnings or orders are issued for zoned areas, notices will include Zone designations in addition to major streets and intersections.

Residents can also download the Genasys Protect mobile app (IOS and Android). On the app, residents can "follow" their Zone so that they are alerted when the status of their Zone changes. At this time, only one Zone can be followed. Once an alert is received, residents will need to open the app or go to the website to view the status change and associated messaging.

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enticements for the insects – but they're still around.

We have one of those bug zappers but with my grandson and dogs always around I am a little concerned about those things. I did, however, find this electric flying insect trap that is really helpful. You just plug it in and a blue light goes on and voila! The flies slowly disappear. That whole situation would be a case of "out of sight, out of mind" until I was in the kitchen, near the insect trap, and heard a weird noise. At first I thought it was an oven timer left on, then maybe my phone on vibrate – but no: it was a fly trapped to the sticky trap.

And of course that noise then sounds like "Help me. Help me." I don't think anyone who has seen "The Fly," either the one with Vincent Price or the one with Jeff Goldblum, can ever hear a fly buzzing again without hearing that cry for help. Even though I am fully aware it was just a

movie, and am pretty certain the fly is just a fly and not a half man/half insect, I still just can't use that type of trap.

So now I wait until the flies gather on the screen door, quietly sneak up on them and grab a piece of paper with the thought to whisk the flies into the paper and out the door. However, this theory of herding the flies is not going well because as I stealthily approach the screen my giant sheepdog thinks its time to go out and plows through the door, allowing not only the flies on the door to come back into the house but the open door invites more in.

We will be seeing another rise in temperatures with the hottest days over the weekend in the low 90s, which is close to our normal temperature of 90. On Tuesday we will see a little cooling with temperatures in the mid-80s. There is no rain or wind in the forecast for the next several days, according to Mike Wofford, NOAA meteorologist.

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Portantino's Striking Worker Bill Passes Assembly Insurance Committee

Anthony J. Portantino, passed and strength while demanding insurance (UI) for striking a seat at the table to negotiate workers. The bill is sponsored by their future and the well-being the California Labor Federation of their families. SB 799 will and is jointly authored by help them put food on their table Assemblymember Chris Holden when they need it most - in Durazo.

"California is unprecedented facing significant uncertainty have changing business models. From writers

Last week Senate Bill 799, to hotel workers and allies, working conditions and wages benefits. This prohibition is a greatly benefit from UI. But Insurance respect and fair compensation," Senator Maria Elena the middle of those important labor negotiations. California seeing an has always been a leader in number protecting workers' rights and of striking workers who are its time ensure striking workers the unemployment about the economics of their benefits that other unemployed workers are entitled to."

The right to strike to improve [unemployment

authored by State Senator they are demonstrating unity and address other issues in major obstacle for many workers we're really here for the workers collective bargaining is codified in law for workers in the public Committee. The bill seeks said Senator Portantino. "It is and private sector. When unemployment critical that the workers have workers go on strike they lose their income, deplete their savings, struggle to pay rent and mortgages and accumulate debt. Protracted strikes are difficult for workers and hurt local businesses while wellcompensated employees fuel consumer activity and lead to a healthy economy. Existing law and case history currently prohibits striking workers and some locked out workers - from being eligible for UI insurance]

to overcome to improve their in the future who will need working conditions.

the Writers Guild of America West, provided the following comments during the hearing: "The cost of UI for striking workers does not break the bank in New York, yet striking workers in California are penalized when there is a work stoppage - a penalty that no other worker faces when unemployed. It's time for California to catch up and meet the demands of the time. Writers are the present day examples of workers who could

this protection if they make the Meredith Stiehm, president of difficult decision to go on strike. It is a safety net California can and should provide to striking workers."

> Last year, the governor signed AB 2530, which provided subsidized health coverage to striking workers whose employers terminated health benefits. That bill has already provided a vital lifeline to workers on strike but does not help with the loss of income. SB 799 will provide another lifeline by allowing striking or locked out workers to be eligible for

> > much needed UI benefits for the duration of the dispute.

The UI system is funded through payroll taxes paid by employers' contributions. Employers in California pay payroll taxes on the first \$7,000 employee pay - the lowest "taxable wage base" allowed under federal law and one of the lowest in the country. Currently, New York and New Jersey allow striking workers to collect UI and recently expanded eligibility.



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to their maps ensure neighborhoods represented. Paper and digital mapping tools, as well as a video tutorial for the digital mapping tool, are available on the City's districting website at MapGlendale.org/Draw-a-Map.

Draft maps submitted community and processed by the City's professional demographer can be accessed and reviewed on the Draft Maps page.

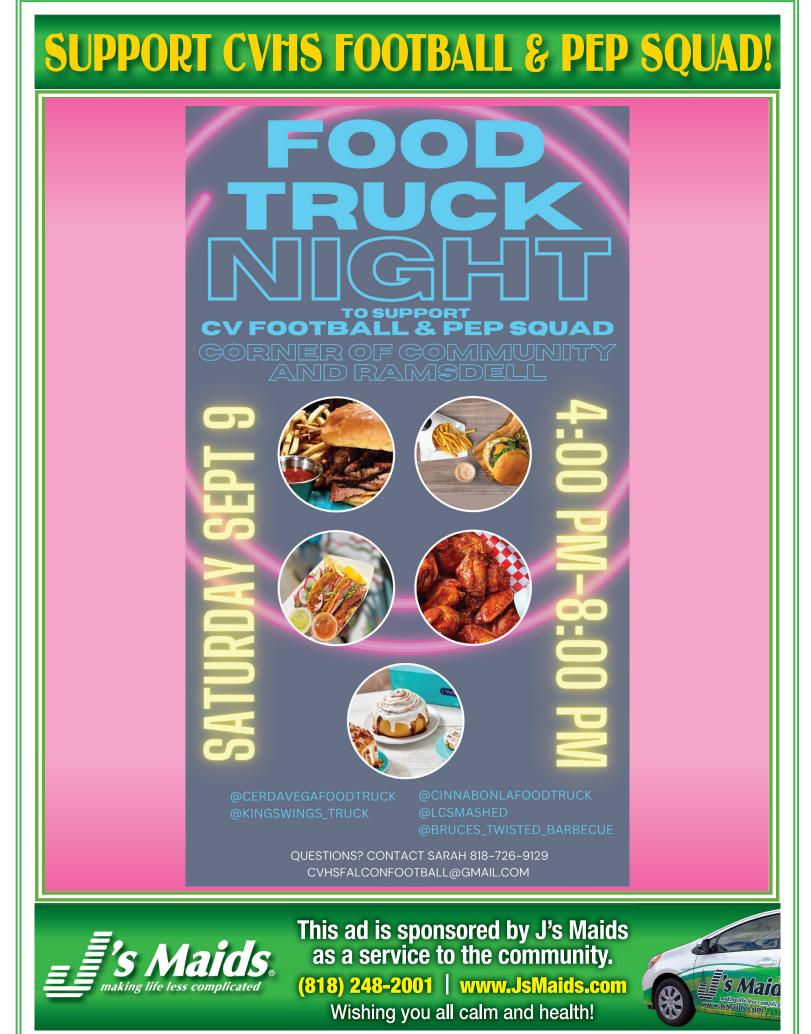
Residents can provide input at the upcoming districting public hearing and community workshops:

• Today, Sept. 7 - Griffith Manor Park, 1551 Flower St. at 6:30 p.m.

Community members can also submit feedback on draft maps and other public comments via email to MapGlendale@GlendaleCA.

Residents still have time to get involved in the district formation process. A full calendar of districting events and deadlines can be found online at MapGlendale.org/ Schedule.

To learn more about the district formation process, visit MapGlendale.org.



VIEWPOINTS

TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

ase of the Missing Time Capsule

in front of the Montrose Library. of Montrose history. It's fascinating It reads: "Time capsule buried March 6, 1993. Dedicated by the the M-VC Chamber to pull off! A Montrose/Verdugo City Chamber few copies still float around and of Commerce. To be opened March it can be seen at the Montrose 6, 2023." March 6, 2023 has come Library. and gone, but no time capsule. What happened?

where this started.

I have been in touch with Bob Torres, who was the mastermind behind the 1993 time capsule. Bob wrote: "The discussion and subsequent planning for the dual 70th/80th Montrose Chamber anniversaries started during my term at the Chamber helm in 15"x 20"x12" in size." the summer of 1991. I was asked to chair the committee for this Montrose upcoming event."

a small portion of the celebration a guide to local businesses and surrounding Montrose's 80th birthday and the of commerce's 70th birthday. Probably the most enduring part of capsule came from a group of

There's a weathered plaque out this activity was a wonderful book local children. Bob remembers: and an amazing achievement for

Bob continues his story: "The next idea I came up with was after Let's go back to 1993 to see reading a time capsule story in the Los Angeles Times newspaper. I shared the idea with the committee for our own 'time capsule'. The time capsule was donated by Crippen Mortuary. The capsule was a plastic composite container with a rubber gasket that made it waterproof. I would say it was approximately

The capsule contained some memorabilia, Montrose history book I mentioned The time capsule itself was just above, an Oktoberfest button, some proclamations from the local chamber politicians of 30 years ago.

But the best items inside the

"Inclusive with the time capsule project was another idea of getting the local elementary school sixth graders to participate in the time capsule by writing essays about what they thought Montrose would look like 30 years in the future. The winning essays would be included in the capsule. The school principals would choose two students from each school with their essays, picture and information that would hopefully allow the future chamber to track them down, 30 years in the future. Two of the essays that won stuck with me because the kids' imaginations were likely influenced by Disneyland. One of the essays predicted that Montrose would have an above ground Monorail system going through town. The other predicted there would be moving sidewalks throughout Montrose." Imagine how fun it would be to read those!

Back in 1993, 80 locals and dignitaries gathered to watch the time capsule burial. Bob did the idea of pushing a thin metal rod digging: "The capsule was buried toward the end of the ceremony. A heavy metal plate was placed on top of the capsule to deter someone from digging it out before its time."

Fast forward to today when a big "digging up" ceremony was planned for last March. The kids who had written the Montrose predictions were going to be tracked down and attend as adults to read their

Someone suggested that perhaps the time capsule should be dug up ahead of time, just to make retrieving it at the ceremony a little easier. So they dug, and they dug, and they dug ... No time capsule! It was not where they thought it would be.

A couple of days ago, I got together at the library with Bob Torres who buried the time capsule in the first place. He should be able to tell us where it is! Sure enough, Bob pointed to an area that had not into the ground there and I could swear we hit something solid that sounded like metal.

So we will see. The Glendale Parks guys will have another go at digging in the area Bob pointed out and, hopefully, I'll soon be doing an article on what the kids 30 years ago thought Montrose would be like today. A monorail down Honolulu, and moving sidewalks!

Stay tuned.



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VIEWS FROM THE VALLEY » SUSAN BOLAN

What's The Use? Part I

Crescenta Valley for a long time know in our community. I decided to get that it is a unique community where involved and joined the Crescenta people feel connected to each other and to the surrounding foothills. We treasure our rich history and our land use throughout the valley, and small-town-in-the-big-city lifestyle I quickly learned what was being and have stood strong to preserve it. For newcomers, it may be difficult to navigate the many jurisdictions that developed through land acquisition and to understand which school district, emergency response agency, utility or political representative covers a particular area. Collectively, though, we are all the Crescenta Valley and it's more important now than ever to work together for the benefit of all.

Back in 2009, I started to realize that there were projects on the horizon zoning in that section and ultimately

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Toluca Lake and surrounding

Valley Community Association, a volunteer organization that follows proposed. First up was the project known as Foothill Lumber. The owner planned to remove the single-story businesses off the corner of Dunsmore Avenue and Foothill Boulevard and replace them with a gigantic threestory retail complex. It was my first experience speaking in front of the Glendale City Council as a concerned neighbor and, thankfully, they agreed that the project was too large for the space and denied it. To its credit, the City Council also reevaluated the reduced the height limit on Foothill from 50 to 35 feet. This was a huge win for the community and more in Crescenta and La Cañada Flintridge, all of which are near that limit. Within the CVCA, I continued

to advocate for slow growth and thoughtful design when working with community leaders, planning and developers. I joined the advisory group for the North Glendale Community Plan, which was tasked with updating the official guide to development in the Glendale portion of La Crescenta and Montrose. The advisory group had envisioned improvements on Foothill that made the corridor safer to walk with smooth sidewalks, places to stop with amenities, charming landscaping as well as underground powerlines, efficient parking and adequate drainage. There were discussions about returning Verdugo City to a more prominent city center and adding cohesive elements like historic lighting along Honolulu Avenue to visually connect it with Rockhaven and the Montrose

Those of us who have lived in the that could threaten the quality of life Shopping Park. The NGCP was adopted in 2011.

> Sadly, none of these visions within the community plan ever came to fruition due to lack of funds and political will – well, except one. Due to the confusing jurisdictions identified by the advisory committee and a suggestion to clarify boundaries, in 2015 the Welcome to Glendale sign contest was born. Local artists were invited to submit their designs for a new monument entrance. The rest of the story is history, as they say, when a beautiful design was chosen but badly implemented in two spots along Foothill at Lowell and Pennsylvania avenues. The undersized signs that looked like tombstones were accidentally struck by several cars and demolished in short order. After the debris was cleared, the City did not consider replacing them nor advancing any other improvements line with the maximum heights in from the plan because of the Sunland-Tujunga, unincorporated La community's negative response to the sign installation. The County portion of La Crescenta, however, did move forward with its plan for welcome signs and landscaped medians on Foothill.

> > A decade ago, it was much easier to follow land use because there were local governing zoning codes that guided or restricted development. Nowadays, with the onslaught of California state legislation, regulation and mandates, all the rules have changed and are competing against each other.

> > Next time, I will report about the new projects in the pipeline for the Crescenta Valley and the strategies being proposed to bring back local control over development.

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Nicole Tanita Awarded 2023 La Crescenta Community Scholarship

of2023 La Crescenta Scholarship. Sponsored by James You, La Crescenta resident and member of the real estate community, and Dave Robles, founder of Think Real Estate, the scholarship provides \$1,000 to support a high school senior dedicated to strengthening the community.

with students with special opportunities from singing

on her community. Since middle school, Tanita volunteered at Not Your Average Basketball Camp and played an active role in the Special Olympics Club. In high school, she worked with Club 21, filming and editing self-advocacy videos for students with Down syndrome.

As a longtime member of Girl Scouts, Tanita has taken part Tanita's passion for working in many community service

the her to make a significant impact homes to volunteering at the La Crescenta Relay for Life event.

> "Nicole's dedication inclusiveness, service, community building is truly inspiring," said You of Think Real Estate Group. "Her work resonates with our values at Think Real Estate, where we strive to build connections and foster relationships. We are honored to support Nicole as she continues her education in business accounting."



La Crescenta recipent Nicole Tanita with James You, Think Real Estate

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Montrose Girl Scout Earns Prestigious Gold Award

Angeles (GSGLA) announced that Evelyn P., a high school senior at the Los Angeles County High School for the Arts, has earned Girl Scouting's highest honor, the Gold Award. Evelyn's Gold Award project, titled The on reducing carbon footprints, Heartshare Project, produced a introducing underrepresented free week-long art summer camp at the Santa Ana Mix Academy to address the lack of art education. Evelyn created her own curriculum and taught the campers about diverse artists, different medium practices like sculpting, painting and drawing, and completed the experience with a group mural that will remain on their school wall. The summer camp hosted 107 students.

Evelyn said, "All of my life I have been an 'art kid.' I fell in love with creating during my first beginners drawing class and saw its importance. However, art education is barely considered in schools. I believe that exposing youth to art is more important than ever as art emphasizes the importance of creative thinking. By teaching children how to embrace their own creativity from a young age, we are setting up more innovative thinkers who will ultimately change the

On June 4, GSGLA honored the largest Gold Award class

Girl Scouts of Greater Los in the nation for the 12th year in a row at a ceremony at the Pasadena Civic Center; a total of 212 local Girl Scouts contributed over 20,000 hours implementing sustainable change in their communities. Projects focused groups to technology, raising fentanyl awareness teens, and managing mental and physical health, to name a few.

> Girl Scouts in grades 10 – 12 can earn the Gold Award - the highest award in Girl Scouting - by developing and carrying out lasting solutions to issues in their neighborhoods and beyond. The Gold Award is a national standard that acknowledges a Girl Scout's accomplishments, leadership, commitment, creativity and personal effort to make the world a better place. Each Gold Award is a significant achievement in a Girl Scout's life and an extension and compilation of all she has learned through her Girl Scout

> experience. Outside of regular schoolwork and extracurricular activities, Girl Scouts spend 80plus hours solving a problem in their community they are passionate about.

> To learn more about the Girl Scout Gold Award, visit girlscoutsla.org/goldaward.

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BETWEEN FRIENDS

The Kiwanis Club of La Cañada Applaud Local Youth and Community Leader Achievements

he Kiwanis Club of La Cañada recently held various luncheon programs honoring local youth and community leader accomplishments by bestowing scholarships, grants, certificates and plaques.

"We have had a tremendous outpouring of enthusiasm and support by our members, and we wanted to personally recognize those who are making our community better and brighter," said Kiwanis Club of La Cañada President Trish McRae. "It's our way of saying thank you for a job well done!"

At the Kiwanis TERRIFIC Kids luncheon celebration, a total of 22 sixth-grade students from Palm Crest Elementary, Paradise Canyon Elementary and La Cañada Elementary schools were selected by their classrooms for demonstrating qualities such as kindness and having a positive attitude and good citizenship. Coordinated by Nancy Leininger, including Dr. Michael Leininger and Tom Slaughter, the awardees were cheered on by their families as well as

by local civic and educational leaders. The program's acronym TERRIFIC stands for a student being Thoughtful, Enthusiastic, Respectful, Responsible, Inclusive, Friendly, Inquisitive and Capable.

On a separate occasion, another luncheon was held to commend La Cañada Flintridge City Manager Mark Alexander before he retired. Amid accolades and testimonies by civic and community leaders and friends, Alexander's exemplary work for the City of La Cañada Flintridge and his nearly 19 years of service as a Kiwanian were recounted.

Also featured at the program was the 2023 Kiwanis Club of La Cañada scholarship recipients Arul Goel, Cyrus Khaffaji, Jessica Li, and William Wade. Each student was awarded \$3,000 for a combined total of \$12,000 in scholarships to help springboard into higher education.

Additionally, four local youths—Mackenzie Nelson, Adam Neiberger, Bennett Nelson and Bronwyn Vance—were awarded \$500 checks to further the work of the H20 Foundation. The students gave a presentation chronicling the beginning of their non-profit and current work raising funds to donate



Bolstered by the Kiwanis' mission to serve the children of the world, the club also looks for ways to acknowledge the outstanding service being done locally. If residents are interested in learning more about Kiwanis, want to attend a meeting featuring guest speakers or go to a "K-MIX" monthly evening social for members and business members, email kiwaniscluboflacanada@gmail.com or call (818) 568-6411.

Submitted by Alice PEREZ

ABOVE: The "TERRIFIC Kids" from all three La Cañada elementary schools enjoyed their special day together. Shown in the front row, from left, are Paradise Canyon students Max Tieu, Aaron Kronson, Ian Lee, Laura Lee, Mady Carmack, Sophia Shaar, Isabel Pascua and Stephen Cruz. In the middle row from left are La Cañada Elementary students Sarah Morillo, Alexandra Marchetti, Saheli Kumar, Derek Mu, Tyler Lee, Ashani Ruwan, Maxwell Kallin and Henry Rader. In the back row from left are Palm Crest Elementary students Liam Regan, Jayden Kim, Timothy Byun, Tessa Brown, Lucy Harwood. Not present was Sarah Chai.

RIGHT: From left, Kiwanis Club of La Cañada President Trish McRae confers former LCF City Manager Mark Alexander with a plaque commemorating his many years of service.





Matt Landes and his wife Allyson, who live in Montrose, took the CV Weekly along with them when they visited the Schönbrunn Palace in Vienna.

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Author Amy Meyerson at LCFOG Luncheon

The La Cañada Flintridge children. Orthopaedic Guild (LCFOG) welcomes back author Amy Meyerson at the Book and Author Luncheon on Oct. 24. Meyerson will present her most recent book, "The Love Scribe." The luncheon will be held at the La Cañada Flintridge Country Club, 5500 Godbey Drive in La Cañada. Meyerson will be there to sign her books.

She is the best-selling author of "The Bookshop of Yesterdays" and "The Imperfects," both recognized "page-turners." "The Bookshop of Yesterdays" has been translated into 11 languages. Her short fiction has been published in numerous literary magazines.

Meyerson grew up in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and attended Wesleyan University. She studied and received a Master of Fine Arts degree at USC. She teaches in the Writing Dept. of the University of Southern California where she completed her graduate work in creative writing. She currently lives in Pasadena with her husband and their two young

Meyerson's most recent novel, "The Love Scribe," tells the story of Gabby who is reeling from a recent breakup. Her friend Alice wants to cheer her up and does so by writing her a heartfelt story. While reading the story Gabby, as if by magic, meets the man of her dreams. Alice thinks her story may have some special powers and she shares this phenomenon with her sister and some friends. Word of mouth spreads and suddenly she has a new calling: to be a love scribe. However, Alice soon learns that not all love stories unfurl as expected. While on a challenging assignment she is forced to confront her own guarded heart. Meyerson received the Amazon "Editors Pick" for this book.

The LCFOG Book and Author Luncheon is held yearly in an effort to raise funds for Luskin Orthopaedic Institute Children (Luskin OIC) where any child who needs orthopaedic care is treated regardless of ability to pay.

In 1956, Auxiliaries were

founded that enabled women to contribute their knowledge and talent and raise funds to support the Orthopaedic Institute for Children, now known Luskin OIC. LCFOG became one of the first auxiliaries. Its members have supported Luskin OIC and its goals and are proud to have donated over \$840,000 since 1956 so children can receive medical care to Grow Well and Play Well. The local LCFOG Guild has contributed hundreds of volunteer hours and service to Luskin OIC.

All money from LCFOG Book

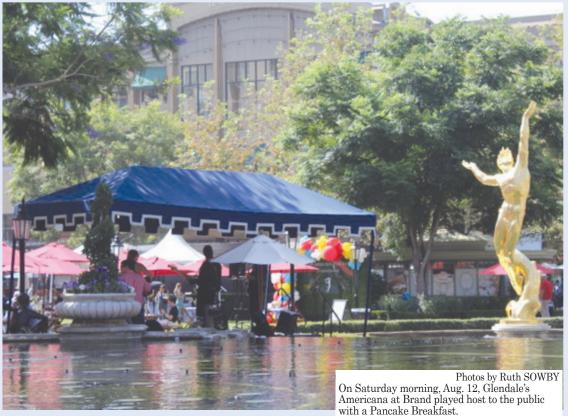
and Author Luncheon is entirely donated to Luskin OIC. Anyone interested in attending the luncheon, buying some new books or bidding on silent auction items, should contact Joan Cleven at (818) 249-4603 or Caryl Pettit at (818) 523-5754 and ask that an invitation to the Book and Author Luncheon be sent.

Parking is complimentary at the La Cañada Flintridge Country Club.

> Submitted by Arlene *MASSIMINO*



Pancakes at the Americana



By Ruth SOWBY

On Saturday morning, Aug. 12, Americana at Brand was where hungry folks could go to satisfy their appetite. From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., besides allyou-can-eat pancakes and fruit, hungry guests were able to contribute to a good cause as well. For \$20 per person, proceeds from the breakfast Police departments.

"It's always nice to have a great breakfast with the community on such a beautiful day at the Americana," said Sergeant Shaun Carlson, who was chowing down with several of Glendale's finest.

At the same time as the breakfast, a dedication was taking place across the pond at

benefited the Glendale Fire and the Americana's iconic fountain. The fountain was dedicated to Rick Lemmo, retired senior VP of the real estate company Caruso Affiliated. Lemmo was joined by Glendale City Council member Paula Devine and Glendale Police Chief Manuel Cid. The dedication recognized Lemmo's many years of service to Rick Caruso's company and see PANCAKES on page 19





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TRAVEL & LEISURE

Nightmares Revealed at Knott's

By Charly SHELTON

he night of Aug. 24 was the end of summer. Many may not have realized it, but that was the night that the fog rolled in. Knott's Berry Farm officially kicked off the Halloween season with Nightmares Revealed, an exclusive preview event to detail all the horrors planned for this, its 50th year of haunts.

The event offered a tantalizing glimpse into the spine-tingling horrors that await thrill-seekers when Knott's Scary Farm returns for its milestone season, running from Sept. 21 to Oct. 31.

Knott's Scary Farm has come a long way since its modest three-day Halloween Haunt debut in 1973. Over the past five decades, it has transformed into Southern California's most iconic, classic Halloween theme park event, offering unimaginable scares and innovative thrills. The 50th anniversary edition promises to be an unforgettable experience, blending nostalgic nods to the past with wickedly creative new mazes, scare zones and shows.

This year's lineup boasts three brand new mazes that are sure to haunt dreams:

Cinema Slasher: Venture through the mystical Midnight Theater where guests will find themselves immersed in a trilogy of slasher movies, struggling to escape the clutches of a dangerous Slasher.

The Chilling Chambers: Paying homage to Scary Farm's storied history, this maze guided by The Keeper delves into the ominous cathedral, unearthing classic maze themes from the past 50 years.

Room 13: The Blind Tiger's Prohibition-era revelry is interrupted by violent murders attributed to The Devil's Elixir. What sinister secrets lie within Room 13 of the Argive Hotel?

Classic scare zone, The Gauntlet, returns with a fresh twist, while fan-favorite Dr. Cleaver makes a demented comeback. A brand new musical, "Music, Monsters & Mayhem," takes audiences on a thrilling musical journey through 50 years of terror.

And most notably, The Hanging makes its startling return! The iconic, fan favorite show lampooning the year's best (and worst) of pop culture was cancelled in 2019 for not being politically correct. Now, after four years off, "The Hanging: UnCancelled" returns to "piss off anyone without a sense of humor," according to Jeff Tucker, the Master of Scaremonies for the event.

Returning Favorites Knott's Scary Farm aficionados will be pleased to find beloved mazes and attractions making a comeback, including Bloodline 1842, The Grimoire, and Mesmer: Sideshow of the Mind.

The scare zones are equally spine-chilling, with Ghost Town Streets, The Gore-ing 20's, CARNEVIL, and Forsaken Lake returning for another year. The Timber Mountain Log Ride gets its seasonal twist with the Halloween Hootenanny, complete with an original soundtrack by Krazy Kirk and the Hillbillies, and the Calico Candy Mine Ride is open for guests once again to get their sweet treat fix on the classic attraction.

As Knott's Scary Farm celebrates its 50th anniversary, the Nightmares Revealed event has offered a tantalizing glimpse into a thrilling season. Mark your calendars for Sept. 21 when the nightmare begins at Knott's Scary Farm. Tickets are selling fast, so get them while they last. More information can be found at KnottsScaryFarm.com.



Scan the QR Code to see the Interactive Lantern in action.



Scan the QR Code to see The Hanging announcement and presentation, as well as a preview of the upcoming show that was exclusive to the Nightmares Revealed event.

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Photos by Charly SHELTO

TOP: The Keeper, guide and host of The Chilling Chambers at Knott's Scary Farm.

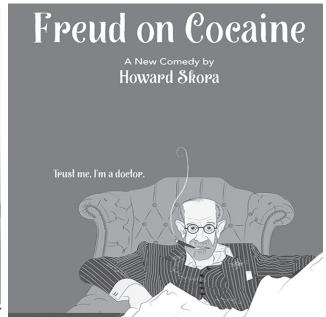
MIDDLE: The Lawman returns to ask his iconic question: "Good people of Calico - ARE YOU READY FOR A HANGING?"

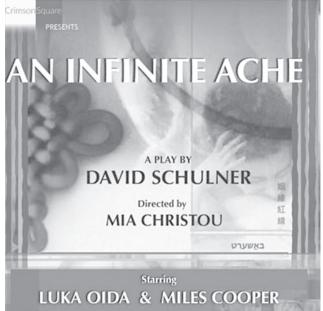
BELOW: The Hanging was revealed in the most amazing way at the stage presentation during Nightmares Revealed



Scene in LA - September 2023







By Steve ZALL and Sid FISH

It's still pretty hot, so why not beat the heat by seeing one of these great live shows playing in local theaters where there's air conditioning?

COVID protocols continue to be dictated by each individual venue, so bring a facemask to wear during the show in case the venue requires it. It's a good idea to check with the theater before attending a show to find out what is their current policy.

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

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

"The Andrews Brothers" features a small cast of great singers performing the big band numbers from the '40s. Backstage hands with the USO suddenly get their chance at greatness when the famous Andrew Sisters can't perform at the U.S. military base in the Pacific because they have the chicken pox! Three men step forward in their best Patty, Maxene and LaVerne form. The play offers plenty of fun for everyone!

Written by Roger Bean with music by Roger Bean, and directed by Jennifer Novak Chun, it runs through Oct. 8 at the Theatre Palisades in Pacific Palisades. For tickets, call (310) 454-1970 or visit www.theatrepalisades.

"Lewis and Tolkien" Set in Oxford. England in the autumn of 1963 at the famous "Rabbit Room" of the Eagle and Child Pub, this play is something of a return to the familiar for C.S. Lewis (author of "The Chronicles of Narnia") and J.R.R. Tolkien (who wrote "The Lord of the Rings"). Filled with humor, rousing debate and reconciliation, the two men learn the true value of their friendship with a little help from a few pints of beer and the energetically curious barmaid Veronica.

Written and directed by Dean Batali, it runs through Oct. 29 at the Actors Co-op Crossley Theater in Hollywood. For tickets, call (323) 462-8460 or visit www.ActorsCo-op.org.

"The Sound Inside" Not everything is as it seems behind the ivy-covered walls of Yale

where an unlikely bond leads to an unthinkable favor. Writing professor Bella Baird is looking for answers, but a fateful encounter with a mysterious student could lead to life-changing consequences for both of them.

Written by Adam Rapp and directed by Cameron Watson, it runs through Oct. 1 at the Pasadena Playhouse in Pasadena. For tickets, call (626) 356-7529 or visit www.pasadenaplayhouse.org.

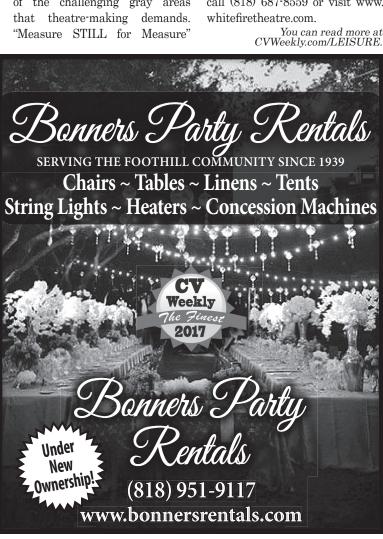
"Measure STILL for Measure"

Court's first-ever immersive play, utilizing the entire building, will take audiences on a journey behind the curtain to experience the layered and intimate complexities of creating theatre. In this play-within-a-play, a renowned director rehearses a spectacular new production of Shakespeare's "Measure for Measure," "the original #metoo story." But backstage there's an even bigger drama playing out as the power dynamics of the play and the rehearsal blow up in the course of the night. At a time when American theatre as a collective is still struggling to find its new normal post-pandemic, Kubzanky's "Measure STILL for Measure" is both a love letter to the art form as well as an examination of the challenging gray areas lovingly skewers the delicious behind-the-scenes oddities of the rehearsal behaviors that actors, directors and stage managers find routine, and the code switching that happens as they oscillate between being fully immersed in the imaginary world of the play to being pulled back to the mundane stressors of the real world. It simultaneously examines the insidious and problematic power dynamics that are inherent in the world of theatre.

Written and directed by Jessica Kubzansky, it runs Sept. 7 through Oct. 15 at the Boston Court Pasadena in Pasadena. For tickets, call (626) 683-6801 or visit www. BostonCourtPasadena.org.

"Freud on Cocaine" Trust me, I'm a doctor." Jonathan Slavin ("Santa Clarita Diet," "Dr. Ken," "Better Off Ted") stars in "Freud on Cocaine," an outrageous new comedy based on the documented letters, notes, dreams and recollections of neurologist and founder of psychoanalysis Sigmund Freud that attest to his decade-long use of cocaine, both in his practice and personal life.

Written and directed by Howard Skora, it runs Sept. 8 through Nov. 4 at the Whitefire Theatre in Sherman Oaks. For tickets, call (818) 687-8559 or visit www. whitefiretheatre.com.



THEN & NOW Time Capsule Burial Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV



THEN » On March 6, 1993, Bob Torres, head of the Montrose-Verdugo City Chamber of Commerce, is shown burying a time capsule to honor Montrose's 80th birthday. A plaque was placed on the front of the library stating that the time capsule would be opened in 2023, 30 years after burial. He buried the capsule about 18 inches deep, with a metal plate over the top.



NOW » A big celebration was planned for the opening of the time capsule but when they went to dig it up this March, no one could find it! The hunt is on for the time capsule. Was it accidently dug up by a gardener? Or did they dig in the wrong place? Here's a photo of Bob Torres just last week, pointing to where he remembers burying it.

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Art Talk Tuesday Returns to Brand Library & Art Center This Fall

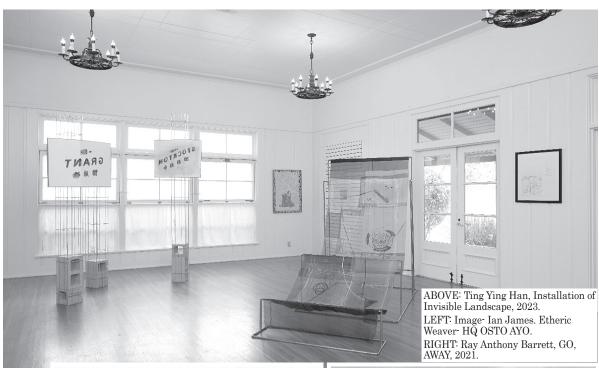
All are invited to Art Talk Tuesday artist talks and discussions at Brand Library & Art Center every first Tuesday at 7 p.m. from September through December. Art Talk Tuesday is a monthly conversation that invites contemporary artists to discuss their work and the issues surrounding it, followed by a moderated Q&A with Brand staff member, artist and writer Jennifer Remenchik. The series will feature Los Angelesbased artists Tin Ying Han, Ian James, Hayley Barker and Ray Anthony Barrett.

On Tuesday, Sept. 5 at 7 p.m. artist Ting Ying Han will be speaking.

Ting Ying Han is an interdisciplinary artist whose work delves deeply into the

realms of memory, identity and belonging. Drawing inspiration from her own experiences as an immigrant straddling two cultures, her artistic practice is a captivating exploration of the intricate tapestry of cultural identity. Utilizing a diverse range of building materials and everyday objects, thought-provoking sculptural installations spark discussions around pressing social and political questions, shedding light on the evolving perception of place and space amidst the complexities of migration, urbanization, and gentrification.

Art Talk Tuesday is held in the Brand Library & Art Center Recital Hall, 1601 W. Mountain in Glendale.



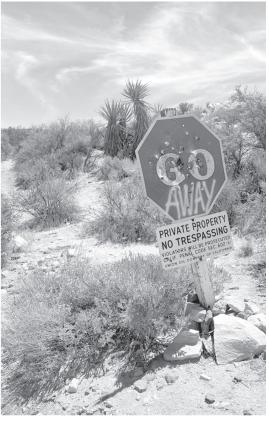












Spirit And Soul Connection: Evoke, Embrace and Evolve at the Ninth – and Final – 3E Event

By Lynn SHER

Liza Boubari's ninth annual 3E Event is on Saturday, Sept. 30 at the Glendale Embassy Suites, 330 Arden Ave. in Suite 103. It's an all-day event, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. that showcases a range of inspirational speakers and wellness activities, all focusing on the theme "Awaken The Power Within." According to its website, "The 3E Mission is an impactful, uplifting and expressive event - bringing awareness, education, expertise, resources and a sense of community to all who attend."

Boubari was inspired to start these gatherings because she saw there were no women-led and women-focused seminars in the area.

"We never had a woman bringing all this in our community," she said.

Though the event is still thriving, this year will be its last. Boubari thought that

ending on year "9" would make the most sense, since in numerology "9" is the number of birthing and completion. Instead of one big annual event, an autographed signed copy of a she'll be facilitating smaller book from one of the speakers. wellness retreats throughout

Boubari has been a licensed clinical hypnotherapist for over 20 years along with founding the 3E Event and HealWithin, a healing center, and HealWithin Kids, a non-profit helping motherless children.

"Hypnotherapy became a gateway for me to touch many lives," she said. "I thrive on making a global impact towards living purposefully." Tickets are currently available through the event website, www.the3eevent.com. General admission is \$197 and a VIP package is \$497. Readers of this article are entitled to a \$50 discount by using the discount code, "3Eforme." The VIP option includes celebrity photo ops with the renowned

guest speakers and a three-hour intensive healing workshop with Boubari the following day. Also included is a VIP swag bag and

On Saturday, registration will begin at 8:30 a.m., followed by a drum circle, various healing exercises, guided visualizations and a hypnosis demonstration. There will be several speakers throughout the day, including Emmy Award-winning actor Maurice Benard and lifestyle expert and fashion consultant Lawrence Zarian. They'll be speaking about their lives and the challenges they've overcome. Lunch is included and the event ends with music, dancing and champagne.

Boubari will next focus on the release of her book "The Powerful She," promoted as stories of 18 women of Love -Grace – Courage. The authors will be at the premier at The 3E Event at the Embassy Suites on

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GLENDALE KIWANIS

The Kiwanis Club of Glendale meets on Fridays at noon. On Sept. 8 Kiwanian Patricia Magoffin will be sharing some of her Kiwanis moments as she prepares to leave the Club.

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, Sept. 9 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 knitting, crocheting conversation.

For more information, email susandietel@yahoo.com.

OFFICER ARAZ NAZARIAN TO **SPEAK AT AAUW**

The Glendale Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 9 at the Oakmont Country Club, 3100 Country Club Drive in Glendale. By Sept. 6, make a reservation by emailing Marilyn_ Robinson@hotmail.com.

The cost is \$35 payable at the door by cash or check.

The speaker will be Police Rancho San Rafael. This property FreeDailyCrosswords.com

Services Officer Araz Nazarian. Officer Nazarian began her career with the Glendale Police Dept. as a police cadet in 2014 after graduating with a degree in political science from UCLA. She recently obtained her certification in crime analysis from Sacramento State University. She currently investigates and locates personal and business thieves, their vehicles and social media sites.

AAUW's mission is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. For information membership, activities, and meetings, please go to https:// glendale-ca.aauw.net/.

FOOD TRUCK NIGHT SUPPORTS HIGH SCHOOL

On Saturday, Sept. 9 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., a fundraiser benefitting CV football and pep squad is being held at the high school at the corner of Community and Ramsdell avenues. A variety of food trucks will be on-site to satisfy every appetite including Philly Jays Steaks, Cerda Vega, King Swings, Cinnabon, LC Smashed and Bruce's Twisted Barbecue.

'HISTORY OF THE VERDUGO FAMILY'

Don Jose Maria Verdugo came to Baja California from Spain as a soldier in the Spanish army in the mid 1700s. In 1784, he petitioned his commanding officer for rights to graze cattle nearby and was awarded a 36,000-acre land grant known as

Crescenta, and Verdugo's family became a huge part of the early history of the Crescenta Valley and surrounding areas.

The speaker for the program "History of the Verdugo Family" is Donald Urquidez, a direct descendant of the Verdugo family who lives in the area.

This event is on Sept 9 at 1 p.m. at MODERN SQUARE DANCING Bolton Hall Museum, is free and open to the public. Everyone is welcome.

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

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

GRAB & GO LUNCH DAY

Sparr Heights Estates Senior Livingisofferinglocalfirstresponders who stop by the facility a grab and go lunch. The lunch is offered in thanks and in remembrance of Patriot Day (Sept. 11). Lunch is provided between noon and 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept.

Sparr Heights Estates is located at 2640 Honolulu Ave. in Montrose.

MAKE A PRESSED FLOWER BOOKMARK

The La Crescenta Library is offering a class on Tuesday, Sept. 12 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on making a bookmark. Adult participants will learn the art of designing and arranging flowers to create a

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BLOCKADE By Timothy E. Parker

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is now Glendale, Burbank and La personalized bookmark. All supplies

Attendance is limited and advance registration is required. To register, see library staff or visit LACountyLibrary.org/events filter by date or location.

La Crescenta Library, 2809 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta.

A new 13-week beginner's class in modern square dancing is starting Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 7:45 p.m. at St. George's Episcopal Church, 808 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada. The first two classes are free.

Meet new people while getting exercise for both your body and mind. Learn the Steps to Fun!

For info illi313@yahoo.com or www.setsinstep.org.

CV HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF **1973 PLANS 50TH REUNION**

CVHS class of '73 is planning a 50th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 14 at Clearman's North Woods Inn in San Gabriel. Reservations are required with payment of \$58 by Sept. 15. Menu choice includes steak, chicken, cod or vegetarian. The event begins at 5 p.m. Make out checks to Luanna (Koury) Lindsey and mail to 2210 San Gorgonio, La Cañada, CA. 91011 or send payment via Venmo to Laurie (Huber) Garcia @countrychick55. Additional information available at 'CVHS Class of '73' Facebook page, or email luannalindsey@me.com or laurieahgarcia@gmail.com.

Clearman's North Woods Inn is located at 7247 Rosemead Blvd. in San Gabriel.

WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

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August 28, 2023 - September 3, 2023

ARIES March 21 - April 19

You may be experiencing some unwelcome changes at work this week. Great ideas may be occurring to you at a rapid rate, but other people may not be in a place to hear them just yet. It's like an ill-fitting shoe - there's no forcing it on. Instead, adjust the way you deal with others. It will make all the difference in the world. Relax and let it happen.

TAURUS April 20 - May 20

It's a topsy-turvy week for you. An individualistic yet unpredictable energy affecting family, kids, and romance indicates a tough time balancing your work and money lives with your need to relax with the people you love. You need to adjust the way you think about money in your life. Do you have to work so much, or can you cut back a bit in order to get the rest you require?

★★ GEMINI *May 21 - June 20*

You have a unique opportunity to form financially rewarding partnerships with personal or professional acquaintances. Someone you may never have seen in this light now looks like the perfect person to help see your pet project through to fruition. And since the focus is on teaching and learning, it's time to take on something challenging to stretch your mind a bit. Cash comes when you follow through.

CANCER June 21 - July 22

You're usually able to solve any money dilemma through smarts and tenacity, and this week is no different. The aspects indicate success through shared property and investments, as well as inheritances that come from unexpected sources. Your work and health are affected. Putting additional effort into work projects impresses higher-ups so much that you're next in line for a promotion. Guard against getting too tired, though.

LEO July 23 - August 22

This week you're enjoying a friendly boost in your relationships. You have a great team behind you, especially when it comes to your money life. You have a confluence of ideas and people power, so if you're engaged in a project that needs all hands on deck, it's time to recruit from within. Supportive aspects highlight activities involving romance, family, and fun. Starting a matchmaking business may be in the cards for you.

VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22 You're itching to let the real you out. At work, in your personal relationships, and in public, you want to let it all hang out, but your career (and salary) may suffer if you go too far. Rein it in a little in order to reap the rewards. Your individuality shines when you do a great job and assume a role of authority.

TT LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

This week things may seem to be moving in slow motion or even going backward, particularly when it comes to your ability to travel, attend school, or seek life's broader truths. Don't worry - you'll find them eventually. In the meantime, it's best to keep your cash close to the chest. In a few months, it will be easier to move your goals closer to completion.

SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

You may be feeling a bit tense this week. Since the effect is in your social sector, people may behave in unexpected ways or not be there when you need them. Additionally, someone may dig up all kinds of dirt in the debt area of your life. Leave no stone unturned, and make sure to double- and triple-check unpaid balances.

You don't want any surprises now. SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

You have all kinds of strange energy connected to career matters and authority figures. What was here yesterday may not be there tomorrow, so it's best to conserve your resources. Experts suggest having a few months' living expenses on hand, but even if you can't manage that now, try putting something away. It will serve to calm you down a bit when your life gets a bit wobbly over the next week.

A CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

You may find that it's better to be patient instead of pushing forward on any financial goals this week. Aspects affect higher education and traveling, as well as your day-to-day work. These two areas aren't working well together, so it isn't a great time to insist on time off to study or travel or ignore your ongoing education in service of working at the same-old, same-

old. Compromise. AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

For you, this week is about bringing some much-needed change to your family, children, romance, and fun, and revealing clever ways to blow off steam without spending a lot of dough. But the universe is shaking things up in ways you may not have anticipated. It may be hard to feel grounded or supported. Put off any new expenditure.

PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

This week you're testing the tensile strength of your relationships. This may result in more than one close professional relationship not making the cut. No matter. There is lots of positive change coming to your home sector, indicating a move, sale, or adding a home office to your working life. The secret lies in not trying to force anything. It's just not likely to bear financial

PROBLEM SOLVED » BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT

I want my stolen \$200 gift card back from Amazon. Can you help me?

Angela Hoo orders a \$200 gift card from Amazon, but it's stolen from her doorstep. Amazon offers a refund but then it refunds the wrong card. How can she fix this?

card from Amazon last office, the bottom of the box was opened and retaped over the original Amazon was missing.

I called Amazon customer service immediately and reported the stolen

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with a Christmas greeting representative told me someone had used the gift card already. He told me stolen one. When the box came to the Amazon will investigate this situation and that someone would contact me.

tape. I opened the box and the gift card Amazon again. Another representative told me she would process the refund to my Amazon credit card. But when I checked my Amazon account and

I ordered a \$200 gift card card to a customer representative. The my credit card, that representative refunded the wrong gift card – not the

> I complained again and another person refunded \$200 to my credit I waited two weeks and called card. They refunded \$200 on three different gift cards – one of them even an electronic gift card – but they were all the wrong ones. Now all three of those gift cards can't be used.

I filed a dispute with my credit card company. My bank said there was nothing they could do if Amazon delivered the package to me. I have all the emails from Amazon. They told me they closed the Amazon account of the person who used the stolen gift card but they will not refund the \$200. Please can you help me get my stolen \$200 gift

> -Angela Hoo, Foster City, California

: As a rule, gift cards are like cash and once they're gone, they're gone. But if Amazon promised to refund your \$200, it should keep its promise. And after all you've been through, I'd say you definitely deserve something for your trouble.

As best I can tell, Amazon tried to help you but it's difficult to know where things went wrong without a paper trail. Most of the communication with Amazon happened by phone, so there's no written record. I would always opt for the online chat option with Amazon and save the conversation for later, in case something happens.

Before I get to the resolution, I hope that after this experience you'll never order another physical gift card again. Once someone takes a plastic card, it's as good as gone. The electronic version

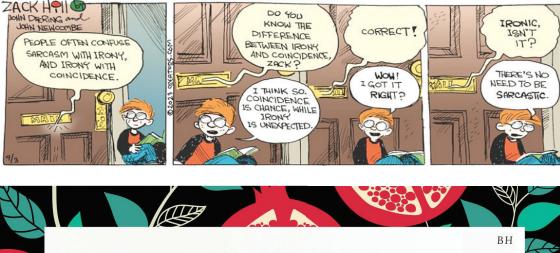
If I had to be completely honest, though, I'd advise you to avoid all gift cards if possible. A majority of scams I hear about these days involve a gift card. They are better for the business than they are for you.

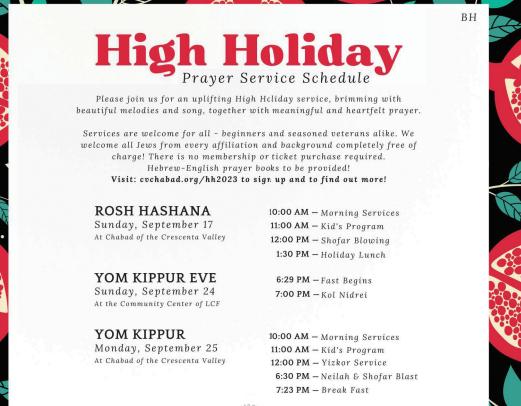
But if you've already bought a gift card and are having a problem, you can always escalate your customer service problem to one of the Amazon customer service executives I list on my consumer advocacy site, Elliott.org. And again, I would strongly advise creating a paper trail rather than making calls.

I'm scratching my head over why Amazon tried to refund everything but your stolen gift card. That must have been some misunderstanding!

I can't recall the last time Amazon refunded a lost gift card. But if a representative promised you a refund, it should deliver on that promise. I contacted Amazon on your behalf, and it refunded the correct \$200 gift card.

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Dept., from left, Officer Armand Simian, Officer Jeff Munoz, Sergeant Shaun Carlson and Officer Mitchell Tompkins.

Enjoying pancakes at the Americana are members of the Glendale Police

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957-1500 to reserve a spot.

The address is 2254 Honolulu Ave. in Montrose 640-6022 or lyndahessick@gmail.com (enter at the back of the building). Free parking above Broadview Drive near Ocean View Boulevard.

All Invited to Support Group

Around the Rainbow, a support group for families of LGBTQIA individuals, meets weekly on Tuesday nights at Crescenta Valley United Methodist Church, 2700 Montrose Ave. in Montrose in room 24. Gathering is at 6:30 p.m. and meeting is from 7-8 p.m.

For more information, contact Jo Ann Stupakis at jostupakis@yahoo.com.

Women's Nondenominational Bible Study

Seasons of Life Bible study offers two classes to choose from, the Joy of Living class will be studying II Samuel and the Book of Job. The Women of Faith class will be studying the books, "Ten Women of the Bible" and "Life Changes in jnlavieri@earthlink.net. Minor Prophets" by Max Lucado. Classes are on Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. beginning Sept. 21 through April 4 at Highlands Church, formerly First Baptist Church of La

Space is limited to this free event, so call (818) Crescenta, (4441 La Crescenta Ave., La Crescenta).

If interested, contact Lynda Hessick at (818)

Registration deadline is Sept. 7.

Walk and Word

In September, 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 Sept. 10, 17 & 24. 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

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

Those with questions can email Jeanne at

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

