



Reduction in Utility Dollars Approved by Council

By Julie BUTCHER

Among numerous other items of municipal business on Tuesday night, the Glendale City Council voted to reduce the dollars the city's utility allocates toward its Public Benefits Charge (PBC) funds from 3.6% to 2.85% of the annual retail electric rate revenues and to use the funds that were inadvertently over-collected to fund energy efficiency programs.

In 1996 the state mandated the 2.85% amount to protect efforts at energy efficiency during the state's deregulation of the energy industry. The funds were dedicated to promoting energy efficiency and conservation including new investments in renewable energy resources and technologies. In February 2008, Glendale Water and Power (GWP) raised the PBC rate from 2.85% to 3.6% to fund solar energy incentives required by SB1 and funded \$15.3 million in incentives over 10 years. The increase should have stopped in 2018 but was "inadvertently missed by staff," interim GWP general manager Manny Robledo explained; the utility continued to calculate the PBC rate at 3.6% until the present time, over-collecting approximately \$9.2 million. Of that amount, \$5.8 million was spent on solar incentives leaving \$3.4 million in over-collected funds.

On Tuesday, the Council approved the return in the rate to 2.85% and authorized the overage to help fund the utility's Home Energy and Water Savings Rebate Program, including significant increases in the rebate amounts for energy efficient Energy Star air conditioners, heat pumps, water heaters, electric stoves and ovens to help GWP customers transition to cleaner and more efficient technologies.

The Council also authorized spending \$499,800 in Measure
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A Day Without Water Imagined

By Mary O'KEEFE

CVWD hosts a preview of what a dry day would be like.

On Saturday, Sept. 28 Crescenta Valley Water District (CVWD) asked community members to imagine a day without water.

"Imagine a day without water," said James Lee, CVWD general manager. "We're not talking about a whole future – just a day. How do you feel?"

He asked the people in the audience at the Judy Tejada Reservoir Site what they would do if they wanted to do their laundry or wash the dishes. He asked them to imagine not having the water that is currently so easily available every day.

"[CVWD] provides the water and we take the wastewater away," he said.

The morning event included

several emergency responders including those from a variety of fire departments including Los Angeles County, Glendale and Burbank. Lee spoke about how important it is to have water available every day. He also highlighted the importance of community connections as well as having connections with elected officials. All of these entities are needed to keep water flowing.

The event on Saturday was a chance for community members, elected officials from offices like Crescenta Valley Town Council and State Senator Anthony Portantino and fire departments to talk to each other and highlight the importance of water.

"Our primary partner in this operationally is Los Angeles County Fire Department," Lee said.

He paraphrased the department's mission statement of "the protection of life and property, and promoting culture and economic development." He

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Photos provided by CVWD and Mary O'KEEFE
Several dignitaries and community members took part in the CVWD's Day Without Water event at the Judy Tejada Reservoir Site.

Vote-by-Mail Ballots Being Mailed Out

By Mary O'KEEFE

Registered voters will soon be receiving their vote-by-mail ballots.

"Los Angeles County begins mailing ballots to every registered voter on Thursday, Oct. 3. We ask voters to allow some time for them to arrive; however, most will receive theirs within the week. Voters can track the status of their ballot and its delivery by signing up to the <https://tinyurl.com/2vuzdhuu>," according to a statement from LA County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office (RR/CC).

This site directs readers to the state's site Where's My Ballot? Voters can find more information about vote-by-mail including tracking the ballot after a voter has filled it out and returned it. The site will note when it was received and counted.

The state offers a variety of ways that registered voters can fill out their ballots and vote. The vote-by-mail ballot can be mailed back to the LA County Registrar's office (the address is on the return envelope) or it can be dropped off in a ballot drop box.

"Ballot drop boxes will also open on

Oct. 3 and remain open through Election Day, Nov. 5. Voters are encouraged to return their ballots as soon as possible by mail, ballot drop box, or in person at a vote center, starting on Oct. 26," stated the RR/CC.

There will be a list available 29 days before Election Day of drop boxes that are close to a voter's location. Drop boxes close at 8 p.m. on Election Day. The boxes are bolted securely into cement or chained in place; they are designed with security features identified in state regulations and have an exterior coating to reduce permanent graffiti or damage. Ballots are picked up regularly by two election workers. LA County works with law enforcement agencies, cities, local stakeholders and community-based organizations to monitor and safeguard all boxes.

To find answers to questions regarding the upcoming November election, including verifying voter registration, go to lavote.org or contact RR/CC at (800) 201-8999 or (800) 815-2666, Option #1.

Photo by Mary O'KEEFE
Registered voters should look for the arrival in their mailbox of the official voter information guide.

General Election

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

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Early vote-by-mail ballot voting period is from October 7 through November 5, 2024.

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Vote-by-mail drop boxes open October 8.

In-person voting options will be available in all counties.



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Tough Week

So last week *stunk*. In addition to the burglary of CV Weekly our building lost Internet on Tuesday and Wednesday. This meant that we had to build the paper remotely from home. And, to top it off, one of my delivery drivers quit and I had to deliver papers on Thursday. Ugh! (Thankfully our office manager Rachelle has found a new driver.)

As most of you know, the CV Chamber of Commerce is in the (painful) process of rebuilding. Part of that rebuilding was vacating our old office on Foothill Boulevard, which we had been in for years. Where did we move? To the offices of CV Weekly! So in addition to stealing from the newspaper the slime bucket also stole from the CV Chamber.

I know – it could have been worse. No one was on-site at the time of the break-in so no one was hurt. None of our work computers were stolen except for our office manager’s iPad. However, a digital camera that Mary O’Keefe uses regularly was stolen. Gift cards were stolen that were generously donated to us by local businesses for business purposes.

I think a young person broke in. Why? Well, in addition to the cash and gift cards, collectible items were taken that belonged to CV Weekly employees. For example, Mary had a display of in-the-box Star Trek Pez dispensers. He took that. She had a display of Star Trek figurines; he took only one: Captain Kirk.

Rachelle had Magic cards – he took those. He also took her backpack,

which had the dog toys that her pup Indy played with before she died. The backpack isn’t expensive and can easily be replaced but the toys – well, they’re irreplaceable.

He took Mary O’Keefe’s Egyptian computer bag, which she’s had for over 30 years. It isn’t worth a thing ... but it apparently caught his eye.

As the days go by we discover other items that were stolen. We’ll reach for something and it’s not there – it apparently was attractive to him and he took it.

Several people over the last week have called or stopped by to ask how they can support and/or contribute to the recovery of the CV Weekly and the chamber. In response Jessy Shelton has created a GoFundMe page <https://gofund.me/0f90b728> that people can donate to. If you’re so inclined, I invite you to visit the GoFundMe page or mail a check to CV Weekly, 3800 La Crescenta Ave. #206, La Crescenta 91214.

Though I debated setting up a GoFundMe page, I came to the realization that people are mad that their paper – the CV Weekly – was assaulted. Consequently, many have asked the question “How can I help?”

I hope my decision provides a vehicle so they can help.

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» WEATHER WATCH

Taking A Look Outside Our Window

By Mary O’KEEFE

This past weekend I got the chance to attend an event called Blue Hour:Ocean Songs, sponsored by AltaSea, in the Port of Los Angeles.

What I knew about this organization prior to attending was due in part to my youngest daughter. She had gone to several events sponsored by AltaSea but this was my first time at its facilities.

First of all, this was the fifth year the fundraiser was held. It gave people an opportunity to connect with those who are putting the Earth first who are both blue and green environmentally forward.

The mission statement states: “AltaSea at the Port of Los Angeles is dedicated to accelerating scientific collaboration, advancing an emerging blue economy through business innovation and job creation, and inspiring the next generation, all for a more sustainable, just and equitable world.”

AltaSea started in 2014 with an innovative idea – supporting not just non-profits but for-profit businesses that are environmentally focused. Next week I will cover more about AltaSea but this week I want to write about one of the businesses the organization supports – ECObyRy.

So I have found the most dedicated environmentalists are the ones who not only understand the ecosystem on a scientific level but also who surround themselves with the environment. It is those who hike the mountain trails that notice even the slightest change in vegetation conditions and wildlife behavior; it is the cyclist who rides through the city noticing the dust and dirt on the streets; it is the birdwatcher who notices how these creatures are changing their flight patterns as

the climate changes. So it makes perfect sense that a surfer is the canary in the coalmine who warns of changes in the ocean.

Ryan “Ry” Harris is a surfer who had been making surfboards for a living and now makes eco-friendly surfboards.

“Traditional surfboards are pretty toxic so that’s why I went down the whole path of eco-friendlier options,” he said.

He began to make a name for himself as an eco-surfboard creator; soon after he began to look at a bigger picture.

As a surfer he saw more and more garbage in the ocean. He knew about single-use plastics and microplastics but the push to be more eco-friendly did not hit him until he moved to LA County, especially after this last season’s powerful El Niño.

“As a surfer, when we get urban runoff we see the effects of single-use plastics and the plastic pollution crisis more than most because all drains lead to the ocean,” Harris said. “In 25 years of surfing in LA County I’ve never seen as much plastic waste as I did [last winter].”

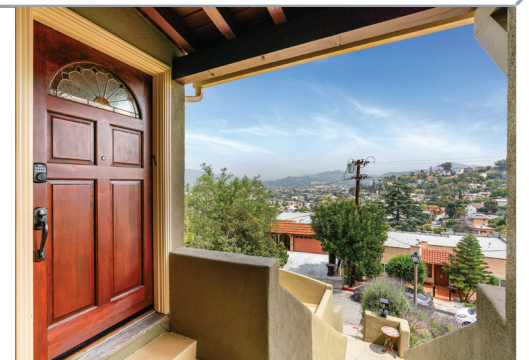
He added seeing all that trash pollution caused a “switch” to go off in his brain. He started doing more beach cleanups and posting on social media telling people to start cleaning up after themselves. But then he realized he could take the garbage he was finding in the sea and on the beach and transform it.

“Because of how I disposed of up-cycle surfboard waste, I have a high density plastic shredder,” he said. “I was using it to shred my surfboard waste, which is covered in resin – which is plastic.”

He took the concept one step further when he thought, “Why not use this method on plastic bottles and other plastic items?”

“So I launched our up-cycling program and

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This recently rebuilt English Tudor in Glendale’s sought-after Adams Hill neighborhood boasts stunning panoramic views. Nearby amenities like a family-owned mini-mart, Palmer Park, and local coffee spots offer convenience and charm. Minutes from Downtown LA, Eagle Rock, and Pasadena, residents enjoy a variety of dining and entertainment options. The four-bedroom, four-bath home is situated on a triple lot and includes modern living spaces and the potential for an ADU. State-of-the-art amenities elevate comfort and sophistication. \$1,850,000

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INFORMATION MEETING BY GWP

Glendale Water and Power is hosting an informational community meeting regarding the city-owned Solar Development Program at the Glendale Sports Complex. This project includes the installation of carport solar canopies over parts of the Sports Complex parking lot slated to start in November 2024 and be completed by February 2025. GWP invites the Glendale community to join the in-person community meeting on tonight, Thursday, Oct. 3, at Sparr Heights Community Center from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The estimated solar photovoltaic capacity of the proposed project at the Sports Complex is 1,343 kW, which is estimated to produce over 2 million kWh/year of clean solar energy. That is equivalent to removing 363 gasoline powered cars off the road annually.

This project is one of many city-owned solar projects that will be completed in the next three years throughout Glendale. Phase 1 of the city-owned Solar Development Program was approved by the Glendale City Council in November 2023.

Sparr Heights Community Center is located at 1613 Glencoe Way in Glendale 91208.

More information on this project can be found on the dedicated project website at GlendaleCA.gov/SportsComplexSolar.

ROSEMONT PRESERVE OPEN GATE MORNING

An "open gate" event is taking place at the Rosemont Preserve on Saturday morning, Oct. 5. This is a chance for residents to visit the Preserve and wander the trail at their own pace and enjoy the tranquil setting, the wildlife and the natural beauty. Photographers: bring your camera to capture the morning light and citizen scientists, bring your iNaturalist and Merlin apps to identify birds and add wildlife sightings!

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

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

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

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

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

CVTC ACCEPTING CANDIDATE APPLICATIONS

CVTC acts as a liaison between local community and local government. CVTC communicates the direct concerns and thoughts of local residents and also relays information to the local community from local government.

The CVTC is accepting candidate applications for a seat on this important community body.

For more information and to download an application visit www.thecvcouncil.com. Deadline to submit is Oct. 8; the election is Nov. 8-9.

SUPERVISOR BARGER TO SPEAK ON BALLOT PROPOSITIONS

County Supervisor Kathryn Barger will be the guest speaker at Northwest

Glendale Homeowners Association's annual meeting on Oct. 16 to discuss two important county ballot measures.

Measure A would raise the county sales tax to help fund homelessness efforts. Measure G would raise the number of supervisors from five to nine and have the county chief executive be elected instead of appointed by the board.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at Brand Library Auditorium, located in Brand Park, 1601 W. Mountain St. in Glendale. Also on the agenda will be updates on Glendale projects and the election of its board of directors. Non-members are invited to attend.

APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR BRAND ASSOCIATES 2025 DANCE SERIES

Applications are currently open for the 2025 season of the Brand Associate Dance Series. Started in the 1960s, The Brand Associates Dance Series presents top dance companies from Southern California performing site-specific work in non-traditional, outdoor performance spaces around Brand Library & Art Center. Dance companies with at least five years of experience who present an educational, site-specific, outdoor dance program appropriate for all ages are encouraged to apply.

Applications are open through Sept. 30. Groups with diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.

For more information and to apply, visit: BrandLibrary.org/Dance-Series-Application.

CVTC Pancake Breakfast



At the 2023 breakfast, Supervisor Kathryn Barger, standing, talks with CVTC member Harry Leon, Declan Floyd from the office of State Senator Anthony Portantino and members of the VFW and American Legion. Photo by Mary O'KEEFE

By Mary O'KEEFE

On Saturday, Oct. 12, the Crescenta Valley Town Council (CVTC) is holding its annual pancake breakfast at St. Luke's of the Mountains Episcopal Church, 2563 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta (at the corner of Rosemont Avenue).

The fundraising event has been held for over 10 years and funds raised help support the Council's scholarship program and youth council.

"The CVTC breakfast plays a vital role in supporting our community's future by providing scholarships to local students at the end of the [school] year. This event not only brings everyone together for a delightful morning filled with delicious pancakes but also helps us invest in the education and aspirations of our youth," said Frida Baghdassarian, CVTC president. "By supporting their academic journey, we contribute to nurturing the next generation of leaders and community members, ensuring a brighter future for all."

CVTC is the liaison between local residents and the office of the fifth district supervisor, currently Kathryn Barger. The members of the CVTC are elected and voted on by registered voters within the local

unincorporated area. The Council has upcoming elections in November and is still looking for candidates. The election will be held on Nov. 8 and 9. There are six seats open; three regular seats each for three-year terms and three alternate seats each for a one-year term. Applications can be found on the CVTC website, thecvcouncil.com. The application is accessed by clicking the yellow banner at the very top of the website homepage at <https://thecvcouncil.com>. Applications must be returned and/or postmarked by Oct. 8.

CVTC members take their responsibility as county liaison seriously as they hear from community members on a variety of issues.

"The Crescenta Valley Town Council has recently taken steps to engage with the community and address key issues. As part of our outreach efforts, we focus on addressing the concerns raised by residents and responding to what they want us to prioritize. We hosted a community forum, organized by Streets and Transportation Committee member Dede Mueller, which centered on school traffic concerns. This event included participation by the California Highway Patrol, (Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept. representatives), and representatives from [Glendale Unified School District]. Additionally, our Outreach Committee, composed

of Kerri Braütigam and I, has actively organized community events. We held a town hall meeting to discuss the changing landscape of Crescenta Valley. This event featured a panel of locally elected representatives, including members from Senator Portantino's office and Assemblymember Laura Friedman's office," Baghdassarian said.

She invites community members who live within the unincorporated area of LA County – La Crescenta-Montrose to fill out an application to serve on the CVTC.

"As someone who has grown up in this community and has been a long-term resident, I truly believe it is both a privilege and a responsibility to give back. The Crescenta Valley Town Council is essential in shaping our community's future and I encourage everyone to step up and get involved. Remember: actions speak louder than words; if you want to see positive change, it's important to take an active role in making it happen," she said.

The CVTC Annual Pancake Breakfast is on Oct. 12 from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the door. The event is held at St. Luke's of the Mountains, 2563 Foothill Blvd. Parking can be accessed off Cross Street, behind the church.

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Center for Spiritual Living Announces The Eclectic Mini Marketplace

The Center for Spiritual Living will be having an event on Saturday, Oct. 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. featuring artisans, vintage, antique and collectibles sellers and intuitive readers. As a special treat there will also be a sound bath healing practitioner.

Everyone is encouraged to attend. Admission is free to the public. Parking is available on the lower level for the general public.

For more information please contact: Myrna at earthcreationsbym@aol.com.

The Center for Spiritual Living is located at 4845 Dunsmore Ave. (at the corner of Santa Carlotta Ave.) in La Crescenta.

Lutheran Church "Work Day"

to Beautify Campus

Lutheran Church in the Foothills (LCIF) will hold a church "work day" on Saturday, Oct. 5 from 8 a.m. to noon. The event is an opportunity for members and the public to contribute to the upkeep and beautification of the church campus. Tasks will include gardening, cleaning pews, organizing cabinets and other general maintenance projects. Lunch will be provided and participants are encouraged to wear comfortable work clothes and bring gloves if they have them.

LCIF has a long history of community involvement, dating back to its dedication in 1950. Over the years, the congregation has added several new features to the campus, including Sunday

school classrooms, offices, a patio and a towering statue. Many of these projects were completed with the help of dedicated volunteers. The church workday is a great way to connect with neighbors, make a difference in your community and learn more about the history of LCIF.

Additionally, LCIF reminds the community that Pastor Rick Hall continues to hold his Thursday prayer breakfasts at the McDonald's in La Cañada. Grab breakfast then head to the rear dining area at 9 a.m. on Thursdays for food, fellowship and prayer.

Regular worship at LCIF is held each Sunday at 10 a.m. All are welcome.

Visit lcifoothills.org for event details.

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

Mt. Olive Offers Community Breakfast Bible Study

Mt. Olive Lutheran Church reminds the public that all are invited to its monthly breakfast Bible study at Panera Bread Restaurant, 990 Town Center Dr., Suite A in La Cañada on the third Saturday of each month at 8:30 a.m. The Book of Ephesians is currently being studied.

A weekly Bible study is held at the church on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

All are invited. Mt. Olive Lutheran Church is located at 3561 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta. www.molc.org

Walk and Word

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 Oct. 13, 20 & 27. Participants will walk for the first hour and then gather to read a selection of Scripture. About a half hour will be spent journaling about what was read and then there will be conversation, sharing thoughts.

Participants are asked to bring something to write with, anything wanted to eat or drink, and a chair to use for the writing part of the morning. Because people will be outdoors and social distancing will be practiced, masks will be optional.

Those with questions can email Jeanne at jlavieri@earthlink.net.

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

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PET OF THE WEEK 



Directing movies is a Ruff Job! My parents own a local acting studio in La Crescenta and I love spending time there, meeting new friends and eating carrots! – Heidi, 6 years old

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

City of Glendale Opens Cooling Stations

With this heat the City of Glendale Community Services & Parks Department is activating four community centers throughout the city as cooling centers through Monday, Oct. 7.

There are cooling centers open throughout the area including:

Adult Recreation Center, 201 E. Colorado St., (818) 548-3775, open daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Pacific Community Center, 501 S. Pacific Ave. (818) 548-4098, open daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Maple Park Community Center, 820 E. Maple St. (818) 548-3694, only open on Saturday

from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sparr Heights Community Center, 1613 Glencoe Way (818) 548-2187, open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Those who plan to be outdoors should take precautions to protect themselves from the sun and heat.

- Avoid the sun from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. when the burning rays are strongest.

- Reduce physical activity.

- Wear a wide-brimmed hat and light-colored, lightweight, loose-fitting clothes when outdoors.

- Avoid hot, heavy meals that include proteins.

- Set air conditioners between 75° and 80°. Those who don't have air conditioning should take a cool shower twice a day.

- Drink plenty of fluids, even if not thirsty. Avoid alcohol and caffeine.

- Those who need to be in the sun should use sunscreen with a sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 15.

- Stay in shade whenever working outdoors.

- Don't forget about pets; they need plenty of water and

shade.

Symptoms of dehydration and heat cramps include dizziness, fatigue, faintness, headaches, rapid heartbeat, muscle cramps and increased thirst. Anyone experiencing these symptoms should seek immediate medical attention or call 9-1-1.

Burbank. Libraries and malls are a good place to beat the heat.

Burbank Central Library, 110 N. Glenoaks Blvd. (818) 238-5600 is open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and closed on Sunday.

Buena Vista Branch Library, 300 N. Buena Vista St. (818) 238-5620 is open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Northwest Branch Library, 3323 W. Victory Blvd. (818) 238-5640 is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from noon to 6 p.m., Tuesday from noon to 8 p.m., Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and closed on Friday and Saturday.

Glendale Hosts First Women's Empowerment Day Celebration

By Eliza PARTIKA

The Alex Theatre's historic courtyard buzzed with conversation on Sept. 25 as businesswomen from all corners of the community gathered to network and celebrate Glendale's inaugural Women's Equality Day event.

The night began with a lively cocktail hour where refreshments and coffee brewed by local coffee favorite Love You Latte was served to participants alongside an elaborate charcuterie display.

The City of Glendale's student commissioner and Clark Magnet High School student Natalie Hovhannisyan opened the event with remarks on a project she worked on with Mayor Elen Asatryan and the Glendale Commission on the Status of Women. The Commission on the Status of Women captures the voices of women in Glendale through answers to questions about the women who inspire them, offering a glimpse into how youth view the impact of women and girls on their lives.

"As I look out to all of you, I see the embodiment of these qualities: strength, kindness, beauty, intelligence and so much more," Hovhannisyan said.

Attendees listened to two panel discussions. The first

featured women speaking on the challenges they face fighting and overcoming "steel ceilings" in the workplace. Among the things shared by these panelists were the best ways to begin the certification process for women-owned businesses, contracting, procurement, and

The second panel delved into the results of the latest survey from the City of Glendale Commission for the Status of Women, and policy insights drawn from the Commission's findings. Some of the most shocking statistics from the Commission's survey revealed how far Glendale still needs to go to make a truly equal space for working women, said moderator City Clerk Susie Abajian. Fourteen percent of Glendale women are at the poverty level and over half work service jobs, according to the report. But, pointed out panelist Dr. Sophia Armen, administrative analyst for Glendale's City Clerk's Office and a staff member of the Commission, the presence of women in places where decisions are made and resources are created is vital to the survival of a community. In Glendale currently, women in management positions grew from 33% to 45% from 2014 to 2021, the most recent report.

"Women's leadership doesn't

just open doors for one person when you are a first, it opens doors for entire communities and for resources and support that otherwise, quite literally, would not have been there," she said.

The event concluded with live music, refreshments and networking opportunities with city government and state officials, business leaders and like-minded professionals. Resource tables were also available for attendees to collect information on helpful programs and services from various organizations and city departments.


Laura Galvan of the Glendale Youth Alliance, a career development organization for Glendale teens, said she said she is excited for more opportunities like this to be available for youth in the future.

"I'm intrigued that we're having events like this now. I think it's for the betterment of the city. I'm interested to know what's out there and so are the youth I work with at the Alliance," said Galvan.

Supervisor Kathryn Barger emphasized what Glendale is already doing to ensure women and girls have a voice in their community.

"Often when youth are invited to the table they are told what they're supposed to be doing and thinking. In Glendale, we do things a little bit differently. We not only invite them to the

table, we make sure their voice is as loud as any. The policies that we [write] make a huge difference in how that shift happens for women and girls in this community."



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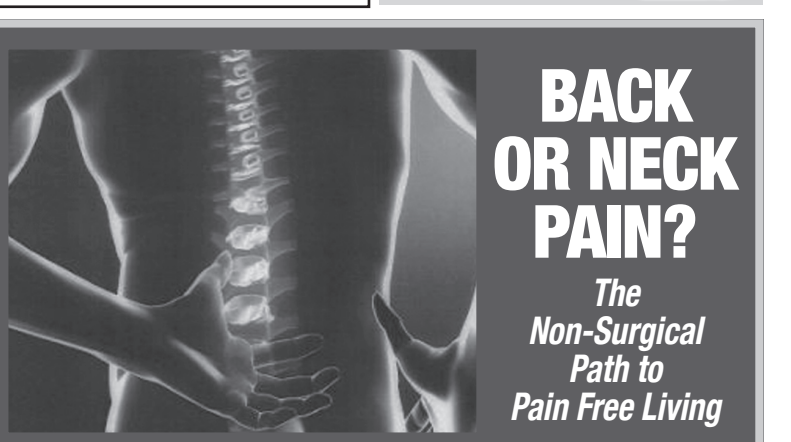
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Learn How to Create a Toxic-Free Environment

The Crescenta Valley Group of the Sierra Club is having a virtual presentation on how to create a toxic-free environment on Tuesday, Oct. 8 at 7 p.m. The speaker will be Megan Liu, the Science and Policy manager at Toxic-Free Future (www.toxicfreefuture.org), a national leader in environmental health research and advocacy. Liu will share some simple ways people can protect themselves from

exposure to harmful chemicals and discuss how policy and market initiatives can provide further help.

A resident of Seattle, Washington, Liu manages TFF's national initiatives. She has researched toxic chemicals in cosmetics, plastics and building materials, conducted community lead testing events and supported TFF's legislative work in Washington. She has a bachelor's

degree in molecular and cell biology from UC Berkeley and is passionate about understanding how social determinants of health and systemic inequities can impact health outcomes, especially those pertaining to environmental health.

To attend this virtual presentation on Oct. 8 at 7 p.m., register using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8101010101>

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Pasadena Tournament Of Roses® Announces 2025 Rose Court



The Pasadena Tournament of Roses® announced the seven members of the 2025 Rose Court presented by Citizens Business Bank. The reveal was attended by nearly 200 people on the south lawn of Tournament House, including friends and family of the 28 finalists.

The members of the 2025 Rose Court will serve as ambassadors for the Tournament of Roses, the Pasadena community and the greater Los Angeles area. Each will receive a \$7,500 educational scholarship.

Rose Court members experience personal development programs designed to enhance their public speaking and presentation abilities, boost self-confidence and refine their etiquette skills. Rose Court members are provided with opportunities to actively participate in the community, make positive contributions and discover ways to connect with local leaders.

The coronation of the 106th Rose Queen® and the presentation of the 2025 Rose Court will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 29 on the front lawn of Tournament House.

The 2025 Rose Court will ride on a float down Colorado Boulevard in the 136th Rose Parade® presented by Honda and attend the college football playoff quarterfinal at the 111th Rose Bowl Game® presented by Prudential, both on Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2025.

Photo courtesy of Pasadena Tournament of Roses
 2025 Rose Court (from left) Lisette Parker of Maranatha High School; Saniyah Brunston of John Muir High School; Lara Georgian of Mayfield Senior School; Natalia Pradhan of Flintridge Preparatory School; Simone Ball of Arcadia High School; Lindsay Charles of Westridge School; and Kate Kelly of La Cañada High School.

CRIME BLOTTER

Sept. 29

900 block of Waltonia Drive in La Crescenta, a window of a home was shattered. It appeared to be shattered from the inside out. The residence was vacant at the time.

The incident occurred overnight.

Sept. 28

2700 block of Foothill Boulevard in La Crescenta, an employee arrived to find the business' side door ajar. The door's lock had been broken by an unknown tool and the frame of the door was splintered as if someone forced it open. Only one item was reported missing at the time.

The burglary occurred overnight.

Sept. 26

4400 block Sharon Avenue in La Crescenta, a catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle between 3 p.m. and 5:45 p.m.

300 block of Oriole Road in La Cañada Flintridge, a resident reported hearing a noise in his upstairs master bedroom. He walked to the top of the staircase and saw two suspects described as male adults running down the stairs toward the front door. Suspect No. 1 was described as wearing a black shirt and black pants. Suspect No. 2 was wearing a black sweater and black pants. Both suspects ran out of the front door. Deputies discovered the glass door leading to the kitchen of the home had been broken and several rooms were ransacked. Nothing was reported stolen at the time.

The burglary occurred at 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 25

4900 block of Carmel Road in La Cañada Flintridge, a catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

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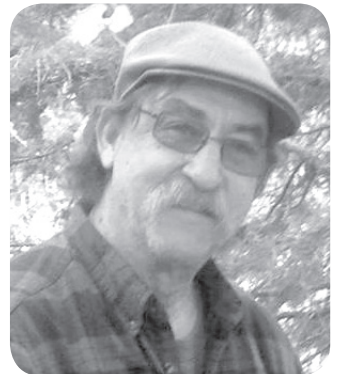
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Obituary Brian Douglas "Goldie" Burt



March 16, 1952 – Aug. 11, 2024

Brian Douglas "Goldie" Burt, age 72, passed away in Panorama City on Aug. 11. He was born on March 16, 1952 in Downey and was a 1970 graduate of Crescenta Valley High School.

Growing up in La Crescenta, he often explored the mountains at the top of New York Avenue where his family lived and he was a proud resident of Sunland for almost 40 years. He spent most of his working life as a lineman for the City of Glendale and the City of Los Angeles with special projects. He loved taking trips to Morro Bay in his beloved motorhome with his life partner Linda, scuba diving and, of course, the Dodgers. He enjoyed reading as many books as he could as well as making up games to play with his grandkids. He also enjoyed sending his grandkids unique and one-of-a-kind gifts to make them giggle.

Brian is preceded in death by his parents James Leo Burt of Glendale and Alice Marie Jacobs of Lincoln, Nebraska as well as his stepson Troy Shannon Evans.

Brian is survived by his beloved life partner and, later in life, his caregiver of almost 48 years Linda Reyes Evans. He is also survived by his brother Richard (Vicki) Burt; sisters Geneanne (Phil) Francis and Laurie (Ray) Davis. He is also survived by his stepdaughter Chanel (Mark) Lang of Nashville, Tennessee, and his grandkids Hunter and Peyton Lang, who only knew him as "Papa." In addition to his immediate family, Brian is survived by a plethora of nieces, nephews and great nieces and great nephews who adored him. Brian had a big heart and even bigger personality. He had a way of making those around him laugh and feel better. As much as we miss you and hate that you are no longer around, we know you're at peace and no longer hurting.

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» NEWS DESERT

Legacy Paper in the Desert

By Mary O'KEEFE

This month we are looking toward the desert, the actual desert, for our News Desert series.

Las Vegas Sun is a 75-year-old publication that was started by Hank Greenspun.

"That was a completely different world when it started," said Brian Greenspun, Hank's son, in an interview with CVW. "You talk about news desert; it was all desert."

In 1950 at the time the existing newspaper, which is now the Review Journal, had locked out its printers and typesetters, said Greenspun.

"And what was typical back then was the typesetting union would start what it called a 'free press' newspaper just to keep the printers [working] during the strike," Greenspun said.

The printers couldn't keep the free press – called Las Vegas Free Press – going on their own.

"And that's when they found my dad," he said. "He bought the newspaper from them and turned it into a daily newspaper just to keep the printers working."

Not long after Hank purchased the paper he changed the name to Las Vegas Sun and turned it into a daily paper. It is still a daily paper.

The family has expanded its media muscle to the Greenspun Media Group: Las Vegas, which includes Las Vegas Weekly and Las Vegas Magazine.

"It's in a joint operating agreement with the Review Journal now," he said.

It has been part of a joint operating agreement for several years though it is one that, in the last about five years, has not been going well leading to a legal dispute.

Las Vegas Sun is distributed in the Review Journal but since a new owner, the Adelson family, bought the Review Journal things have changed.

"The Las Vegas Sun is included in the Review Journal package as its own separate newspaper. So they're delivered together," Greenspun said. "We have basically 10 pages every day of the Las Vegas Sun that's delivered in a package that includes the Review Journal and the Sun."

That arrangement has been going on since 2005; prior to that, since 1990, each paper was delivered separately. In 2005 the joint operating agreement was reached.

The Adelson family purchased the paper in 2016 and to say the two publications view journalism differently is an understatement.

The Las Vegas Sun alleges in its antitrust lawsuit that the Review Journal is "engaged in improper accounting practices that denied the Sun its share of profit payments," according to an article in the Sun in April 2024.

So in addition to working to keep independent news alive, independent and factually based, Greenspun is also in a David vs. Goliath fight for its financial existence.

Greenspun Media does represent a large portion of the social and political thought of the area, he said.

"We have a lot of community support, high community readership because [it is] interested in our point of view and interested in the stories we run," he said.

He wasn't saying that the Review Journal doesn't have its own audience – it does – but the two papers represent America in general.

With the battle between these two papers – the Review Journal has a lot of money behind it and the Sun works every day to survive – the question is "Why keep up the battle?"

"Why do any of us keep doing this?" Greenspun asked. "I grew up in Las Vegas. I grew up in the newspaper business. I grew up with this belief that it's my community and I have to do all that I can, the way I know how to do it, to make the community prosper, grow and progress. And my way of doing that is through the written word. It's through the newspaper."

He added that he feels this independent newspaper is a legacy commitment.

"I feel this responsibility and my wife shares it. This community has been very good to me and my family. We have a responsibility, as long as we can do it, to stick around and at the very least counterbalance this craziness

that's coming out of the other newspapers," he said.

One of the values of independent news, and one of the reasons CVW wanted to do this series, is the hometown stories that don't make it on national news. When these communities get their 15 minutes of national attention – and when the cameras and reporters move on to the other stories – independent newspaper publications stay. Our memories are much longer than 15 minutes.

One of those examples is the Oct. 1, 2017 shooting that occurred in Las Vegas. A shooter opened fire on people who were attending Route 91 Harvest music festival. The shooter killed 60 people and wounded 413. That grabbed national news and on occasion, when another shooting occurs in the nation, the Las Vegas shooting is mentioned but usually only as a footnote. But on Oct. 1, 2024 the Las Vegas Sun paid tribute to the memory of those who had been killed and those who had survived because for them this happened in their town ... and their memories do not fade.

CVWD from Cover

added that CVWD's mission statement is similar.

In addition to imagining a day without water, CVWD wanted to present a few things it is doing for the community. One of those things is having "dip tanks" brought to local areas during fires that water-dropping fire department helicopters could access.

"You remember the Station Fire in 2009?" Lee asked the audience.

Water-dropping helicopters played an important role in fighting that 2009 wildfire and having dip tanks available, which each hold 4,000 gallons of water, could be of help in the future. CVWD has two new dip tanks that will soon be placed – one near Scholl Canyon Sports Complex and the other in Deukmejian Wilderness Park.

Assistant LA County Fire Chief for Division 3 Patrick Sprengel stepped on stage at the event and thanked Glendale and Burbank fire department representatives for attending.

"I've been asked to speak this morning about fire operations as it relates to water resources, water sources, water availability and the fire departments' relationship with the water departments, specifically with Crescenta Valley Water District," Sprengel said.

He thanked Lee and CVWD for their proactive approach and their collaboration in this area.

"The recent procurement of two water tanks, or 'marks' as we call them, mobile aircraft load containers [dip tanks] ... will be a huge asset and advantage in our ability to protect the community of Crescenta Valley and the surrounding communities in case of wildfire," he said. "These are truly a game changer for us in the fire service. Going into this time of year, my main focus and concern from a fire protection perspective is the threat of wildfire."

He added the fire agency has

the "top of the line" equipment but the one variable that is difficult to control in some areas of the district is water availability.

"Sometimes the water is the toughest part. We're only as good as the water we have," he said. "For aircraft support we will typically take advantage of available lakes, ponds or aqueducts."

He added that currently the closest water for this community for fire aircraft is to the west at Angeles National Golf Course and to the east at Jet Propulsion Laboratory. The new portable tanks can move to other areas when needed to increase effectiveness in fire fighting.

Lee said providing these tanks came from discussions the district had with its partners like LACoFD.

Another community partner who spoke at the event was Paul Dutton, representing the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

"CERT teaches you that you always need to be prepared ahead of time. We all think, 'It won't happen here,' but we're in the land of La Crescenta. We have had hurricane force winds, we are home of the Station Fire, we have had power outages, Red Flag Warnings, debris flows and floods," Dutton said. "If you don't plan ahead of time you're going to be stuck in a cold dark house."

He stressed the community needs to be ready for the next disaster.

Another member

that has a community partnership with CVWD is the youth of the community. Recently the district reached out to middle and high school students inviting them to write an essay imagining "Life Without Water." The winning essay was written by Nicolas Dermardirosian, a senior at CV High School. The essay, which was printed in CVW last week in the Youth section, is a nod to the "Twilight Zone" style of futurist science fiction writing. It speaks about what life would be like without water. The story's main character attempts to save the last orange tree as the world dries up.

Dermardirosian said his inspiration came from his mother's stories of orange groves in the area and how the drought affected them. He then just thought about how an extreme drought would affect the planet. Although he knows climate change is an issue and sees

the damage being done, he is still optimistic that humans will find a way to rescue the planet.

"We had a problem with the ozone [layer] and we solved that," he said.

Decades ago the ozone layer was a focus for environmentalists. There was a push to phase out ozone-depleting chemicals – a push that worked. Scientists now feel the ozone layer is on track to recover within four decades.

"As we imagine a day without water, we imagine how our future generations [can] use their imagination to [show our future]," said James Bodnar, member of CVWD Board of Directors. "These kids are going to grow up and be leading us one day."

State Senator Anthony Portantino was present at the event.

"I join our community in thanking [CVWD] and appreciate you putting this event on, and reminding us

all how precious water is and how much we all have to get together to preserve it," Portantino said. "It is important that we support our first responders."

Lee ended the event by pointing out that the district is prepared for the future, from providing the portable water containers to help firefighters to storing 17 million gallons of water for the community. It has also advanced communications to help during disasters.

"We have another tool and today we're kicking off a new service to the community," he said. "In the event of an emergency [community members] can come to the reservoir or a local fire hydrant that we can hook up and everybody will have drinking water."

In light of Hurricane Helene and the scarcity of water, this was good news.

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we actually take all this waste [we get] from the ocean, [as well as] people's curbside plastic recyclables that are getting recycled, and we sort it, shred it and up-cycle it," Harris said.

He transforms "found plastics" into a variety of items including hats, bags, planters and a "garbage comb."

Harris admits what he is doing is making only a small dent in the environmental change that needs to occur but it is a start and it is making a difference. He feels people need to help push for legislative changes and hold companies accountable for their pollution.

He spoke of the Surfrider Foundation along with Heal the Bay, San Francisco Baykeeper and the Sierra Club – all are suing Exxon. They allege Exxon hid the "truth about the feasibility of plastic recycling and downplaying the environmental and human health risks associated with pollution from their products," according to surfrider.org.

Harris feels it will take this type of drastic measure to get the attention of people and corporations if there is to be lasting change toward a more green and blue friendly future. However, what I noticed when talking to him was how the transition from surfer to eco-protector appeared to be seamless. I know it was a long and not-that-easy a process but the bottom line is he saw a need and met that need. I know this is a complete over simplification of this process but still there are very few individuals who see a problem and work toward a solution.

For many it is not that they don't realize there is a problem but taking action is not something they would do. It's not just picking up garbage on the beach but thinking about what happens next.

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For us, even though it is fall the beach may be the only place to find some cooler temperatures this week and weekend. It will be hot in our local area with temperatures in the high 90s and low 100s starting today through Monday. The hottest days will be Saturday and Sunday with temperatures of 101 and 102. Just to compare, Redondo Beach will see hot temperatures, too, just not as hot as our area. They will have temps in the high 70s to 80s with their hottest days on Sunday at 83 and Monday at 84.

GCC from Cover

R funds for a cooperative agreement between Glendale and the County of Los Angeles to fund a Traffic Signal Synchronization Program (TSSP) for 26 traffic signals along Foothill Boulevard in north Glendale, Los Angeles, La Cañada Flintridge and the unincorporated community of La Crescenta-Montrose on Foothill Boulevard between Lowell Avenue and Crown Avenue.

Once the synchronization project is completed, the corridor will be "fully actuated, featuring components for time-based coordination," said Principal Traffic Engineer Pastor Casanova who detailed plans for additional safety and mobility improvements: adding countdown signals for pedestrians; upgrading push buttons with touch-free Accessible Pedestrian

Signals (APS); installing new LED internally illuminated street name signs; upgrading traffic controllers and cabinets; upgrading LED vehicle traffic signal heads from eight to 12 inches; and installing new video detection cameras that can detect bicyclists and count pedestrians.

Of the total \$3,735,660 estimated for the overall project, Glendale's portion for its six traffic signals is \$313,200 plus \$186,600 for contingency construction engineering work.

Councilmember Ara Najarian asked the police department to consider changing the way the department contracts police towing services, perhaps rotating days rather than dividing the city into three districts, as is currently

done. Police Chief Manny Cid indicated that there was sufficient time in advance of the contracts, which expire next July, to consider alternatives but he did not seem convinced that a calendar rotation is "necessarily the best solution."

Councilmember Dan Brotman asked the Council to consider possible rules regulating extremely bright lights as well as the impact of newly passed statewide legislation – SB 969 – that could allow alcohol consumption in some public areas such as the Artsakh Arts District, and SB59, which allows for bi-directional charging and power being sold back to the electric grid. Councilmember Brotman would like GWP to consider a pilot to explore possibilities for the future.

Councilmember Ardy Kassakhian

reported on "a remarkable arts exhibit" at the Brand Library – "An interesting intersection of art and science." Blended Worlds is a collaboration between the Getty and the Jet Propulsion Lab (JPL). Councilmember Kassakhian described one piece of the exhibit as reeds synchronized to the wind patterns on Mars.

According to Glendale's Library, Arts & Culture Department, Blended Worlds: Experiments In Interplanetary Imagination <https://www.brandlibrary.org/current-exhibition> runs through Jan. 4, 2025 and "explores the landscape of human relationships with our ever-expanding environment. The exhibition includes artists collaborating with a team of JPL

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After more than 15 years of effort to acquire the needed permits, a small army of bulldozers arrived on scene. Spreading out across the 200-acre plain they got right to work on the grading laid out in the master plan. After weeks of work, all was going smoothly until one operator noticed a colleague examining something. Suddenly she began waving her arms. Under the loud rumble of his machine, he could just make out her shouts: "Stop! Stop the dozer!"

He brought the behemoth to a halt, cut its engine and hopped down from the cab to see what the fuss was all about. As he approached others were gathering, each gazing downward. Arriving on the spot he leaned forward and there before him was something he'd never seen before. It was time to call the M. I. B. Within hours, a 1964 champagne

beige Cadillac DeVille departed from the Los Angeles Natural History Museum. These mobile investigators of bones were responding to a call emanating from the construction site of the Angeles National Golf Club in Sunland.

It was 2002 and, after years of preparation, construction had recently gotten underway. When the two investigators arrived on site they were met by the project supervisor who was eager to lead the way. After several minutes of traversing over a moonscape of bulldozed terrain, they finally came upon it: a large oval sandstone boulder, five feet long, four feet wide and three feet high, imbedded with light-colored inclusions.

These two fossil hunters included Howell Thomas, the more seasoned of the duo, and his younger sidekick Doug Goodreau. Within the

sandstone matrix their experienced eyes resolved the bone material of an ancient whale. To be more specific, they identified the rear portion of a whale's skull and some bits of upper vertebrae exposed at the surface.

There are two families of whales. Mysticetes, which use baleen plates in their mouths to sieve planktonic creatures from the water, and Odontocetes, the toothed whales. Due to Howell's many years of experience he determined this animal was of the baleen type. This played a major role in what transpired next.

A decision had to be made as to what to do next and there were many considerations that were taken into account. A primary factor was the potential for knowledge advancement. It turned out that numerous baleen whale fossils had been discovered in Los Angeles and

therefore many similar specimens were already in storage, awaiting examination. Because of this, the decision was made to leave the fossil in place.

At the time, there was talk of acknowledging the fossil but during the intervening 20-plus years all memory of the remains had been lost, including the location. This required a present-day attempt to relocate the whale of the wash.

Doug recently returned but found the area unrecognizable and could not relocate the boulder. So I headed out to begin my search. That day the manager of the golf club wasn't on-site, so this first leg of my exploration was cut short. It was then I became obsessed with seeking out the great white whale bones.

Returning days later I was surprised when the manager presented me with a golf cart to

pursue my quarry. Soon I was sailing through a sea of fairways, sand traps and greens. Unfortunately, after hours of searching I was unable to locate the lost fossil.

Some millions of years ago a shallow sea extended into our valley. A whale took its last breath there, sank to the sea floor and was buried by sediment. The bones fossilized, the land was uplifted and eventually this piece broke from the rest of the skeletal remains and during a flood event was transported down the Big Tujunga River to where it now lies.

I will return and maybe I'll get lucky next time and exclaim, "There's Bogey Dick!"

Craig W. Durst, AKA The History Hunter, is a historian of the Tujunga Rancho and President of the Friends of Verdugo Hills Cemetery. He can be reached at craig@thehistoryhunter.com.

VIEWS FROM THE VALLEY » SUSAN BOLAN

Déjà Vu ... All Over Again

Halloween is almost here. Let's have a mystifying story.

For as long as I can remember, I have had a recurring dream that is both distressing and awe-inspiring. At first I believed it originated from my childhood adventures in Sunland. My friends and I spent most of our days off from school exploring the wash and climbing the hills nearby. Later I came to wonder if it was something else entirely.

My dream begins with a small group of kids heading out for a hike. There are five of us and we are around 10 years old. We are going to a place we have visited many times, a sacred site on the other side of the mountain. Our destination is the most beautiful landscape we have ever seen. Sweeping vistas overlooking rich red earth that is scattered with brown rocks, yellow grass and green trees. The brilliant blue and white sky adds to the intense color palette, and we stand in the warm sun to take it all in.

From the location on the plateau you can see for miles around. There are remnants of a civilization that once lived there and it is understood by all that we must be respectful of the space and speak softly.

We are eager to get started exploring but there is just one catch. To get to the other side of the mountain there is only one very dark and narrow passageway at its base. It is just wide enough for a child to fit in while lying down, with arms alongside or above the head. Movement through the hole is achieved by writhing the body like an inchworm or fingering the rough sides and pulling forward.

We all line up single file and cautiously enter – me in the middle of the group. I get part way in with a couple of people in front of me and a couple behind. I can no longer see daylight from either end of the tunnel because my friends are now blocking it. My heart starts to pound in my chest as I feel the panic

of claustrophobia rising, realizing I am trapped between bodies. What if we get stuck? After what feels like an eternity, my friends move out, I can see daylight again and I emerge onto the ground. I catch my breath and take in the amazing view.

We spend some time looking around for ancient burial grounds and artifacts, though we know better than to disturb either. We discover stone walls and an old meeting place then descend the dirt steps down into the hollowed out circular area. I can feel the temperature drop and the rough adobe walls. I can see the dust rising from our footsteps. It seems so real – like I am there. When the sun starts to move to the horizon we know it is time to go home. We turn to leave and my heart drops as I realize I have to go back into the hole.

Then I wake up.

In 2011, I took a trip to Rowe, New Mexico to visit my dad who had recently moved there. I had

never been. He was excited to show me the sights which included a day trip to Pecos, a town located nearby with a rich history. We stopped at Pecos National Historical Park and walked the grounds. I was thrilled by the natural beauty and the vibrant colors of the landscape. It was almost as if I could feel the presence of those who had previously lived there. We hiked up a rise where we had 360-degree views for miles,

then I stopped dead in my tracks. It was the same exact view from my dreams. Whoa. As we continued, we saw rock walls and entered a kiva, a meeting place. I reached out and felt the wall. Yep, the same as in my dreams. Déjà vu – times a hundred! There was no question – I had been there before.

I never had the dream after that.

*Susan Bolan
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

In honor of Ron and Iris Smith

Ron and Iris Smith: their hearts and hands brought joy to our community through the simple magic of a pumpkin patch and the warmth of Christmas trees. Their dedication to creating cherished memories for families, fostering a spirit of togetherness and spreading seasonal cheer has left an incredible mark on us all.

Ron Smith was born in Los Angeles. He started his journey in 1971 when he helped his godfather Ernest Zaferis with selling Christmas trees. He fell in love with it and continued the tradition; soon after his son Kirk Smith at the age of 12 joined him and became his right hand. He started the pumpkin patch business in 1990. Ron and Iris were married in 2018 and she soon became an important role and partner in the business.

This year, in 2024, Ron and Iris made the decision to retire and sell the business. The Saavedra and Ramirez families are gladly taking the torch from his hands and caring for the tradition of holiday spirit. We promise to continue the legacy of Ron, Kirk and Iris with his traditions and [offering] top quality pumpkins and Christmas trees. Our opening day will be Oct. 4. We want to invite the community to join us in a special dedication to Ron and Iris at 6 p.m. and

join us for some fun activities and food. We will have music, jumpers, video gaming bus, face painting, petting zoo and pony rides as well as ice cream, coffee and oven pizza vendors. We are located at 600 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada.

Ron, Kirk and Iris: Thank you for your unwavering commitment, your generous spirit and for making every autumn and winter a little brighter.

Lovingly,

The Saavedra and Ramirez Families

The Landlord – Tenant's Financial Insurance for Unfortunate Events

The City of Glendale is considering two initiatives to assist tenants facing eviction: city-paid legal services and the collection of eviction data. Of these, the latter deserves support from landlords and the public provided the study is thorough and comprehensive.

Understanding the causes of eviction can yield significant benefits. As I delve into the reasons behind income loss leading to non-payment of rent, I am alarmed by the extent of fraud and corruption that push people into severe financial hardship for example.

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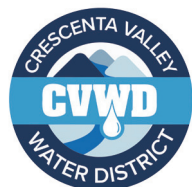
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BETWEEN FRIENDS

NCL Puts On Its Biggest ‘Sellebration’ Yet



By Ruth SOWBY

The National Charity League (NCL) Glendale Chapter held its annual “Sellebration of Everyday Joy” at the Pacific Community Center in Glendale on Sept. 21. Bargain hunters were lined up at 7:30 a.m. for the event, which was from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. A fancy rummage sale, Sellebration is an annual fundraiser for the philanthropic organization. There was plenty to look over; for shoppers who were lucky, they found gently used, designer items like a

large tote from Kate Spade for just \$15, which normally retails for about \$350 to \$400. Donated clothing, bicycles, skateboards, scooters, stuffed animals and home goods were being snapped up at bargain basement prices. Homemade bakery items were a steal at \$1 a piece. Operating under the assumption that there was something for everyone, these NCL gals did themselves proud. More than 200 mothers and daughters spent countless hours reaching out to prospective donors, then planning,

preparing, pricing, setting up and working at Sellebration. By the event’s end, over 1,000 shoppers went home with the bargain of their dreams, raising over \$10,000 for NCL, according to Glendale Chapter president and Glendale resident Stacy Sartor. Profits will support Chapter philanthropies such as meals for the homeless at Ascencia and Door of Hope, YWCA summer camps, the organizing of Red Cross blood drives and many other activities.

Photos by Ruth SOWBY
 LEFT: La Crescenta residents NCL president Stacy Sartor, middle, and “Sellebration” event chairs Melissa Lee, left, and Shauna McManus, right, oversaw the annual event.
 MIDDLE: Many a sweet tooth was satisfied at the bakery table of homemade goodies at “Sellebration.” Each sweet went for \$1. NCL Glendale Chapter members showing off their wares are, from left, La Cañada residents Jenny Kazak and Kim Suarez with La Crescenta residents Jenny Boulanger and Talin Azilazyan.
 RIGHT: Sam Seng and son Logan Sang, 11, find a cool skateboard on sale for \$15 at the NCL Glendale Chapter event.

Authors at LCFOG Luncheon

The La Cañada Flintridge Orthopaedic Guild (LCFOG) is preparing to host its highly anticipated Book and Author Luncheon on Oct. 22 at the La Cañada Flintridge Country Club. This event will be a literary delight for book lovers featuring addresses by three celebrated authors: Lian Dolan, J. Ryan Stradal and Frans Vischer. Attendees will have the chance to hear these renowned writers share their inspirations, creative processes and insights into their latest works and to purchase their latest books.

Lian Dolan has written the book, *The Marriage Sabbatical: A Novel*. She has a dynamic voice in contemporary literature and is known for her sharp wit, relatable characters and compelling storytelling. Her best-selling novels, *The Marriage Sabbatical*, *The Sweeney Sisters*, and *Helen of Pasadena* have captured readers’ hearts with their humor and depth, blending family drama and poignant themes of sisterhood. Dolan is also an accomplished podcast host, having co-created *Satellite Sisters*, a long-running show about women’s lives. With a background in journalism and entertainment, Dolan brings a wealth of experience to her novels and podcasts, where she explores themes of modern life, relationships and resilience with humor and heart.

J. Ryan Stradal has written the book *Kitchens of the Great Midwest*. His novels offer a rich, heartfelt exploration of mid-

western life, food and family. He is best known for *Kitchens of the Great Midwest*, *Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club*, and *The Lager Queen of Minnesota*, both of which earned critical acclaim for their evocative writing and warmth. Stradal’s characters are often everyday people grappling with life’s challenges with food serving as both a literal and metaphorical centerpiece in his stories. His ability to combine humor, nostalgia and authenticity has made him a favorite among readers looking for relatable, emotionally resonant stories.

Frans Vischer has illustrated the book *Mate & Rix Escape Boredom*, authored by Jolie Curran. The book is a fun way for kids to learn about double-digit addition through Vischer’s charming characters. He is a man of many talents and is best known for his work as an animator for Disney and DreamWorks, Vischer has also made a name for himself in the world of children’s literature. His books, including *Fuddles* and *A Very Fuddles Christmas*, center around a mischievous and overindulged cat that learns valuable life lessons in humorous and heartwarming ways. Vischer’s experiences as an animator bring his characters to life in vibrant, playful illustrations. His background in the animation industry, where he worked on beloved films like “Who Framed Roger Rabbit?” and

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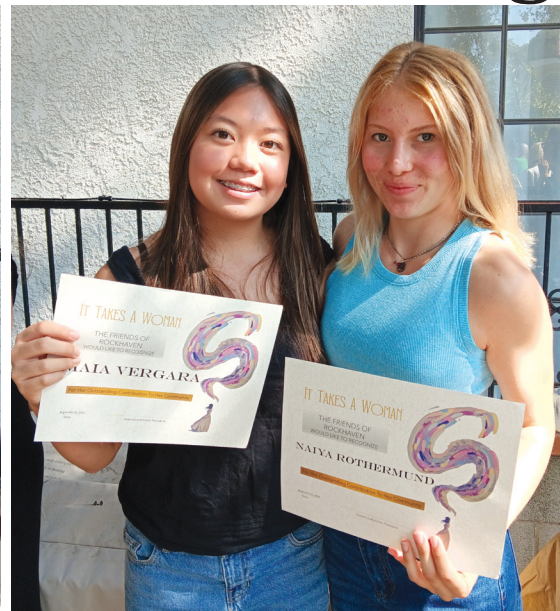
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more. Girls Scouts Maia Vergara and Naiya Rothermund not only volunteered to serve ice cream, they also were awarded the It Takes A Woman honor for their efforts to get an historical interpretive sign in front of the Rockhaven Historic District.

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LEFT: Maia Vergara, FoR President Joanna Linkhorst, Girl Scout Gold Award earner and FoR Secretary Kate Linkhorst and Naiya Rothermund. MIDDLE: Maia Vergara, Naiya Rothermund, FoR President Joanna Linkhorst. RIGHT: Maia Vergara and Naiya Rothermund.

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» **ADRIA NAVARRO, PHD, LCSW PROGRAM MANAGER**

September was National Suicide Prevention Month. As one of the leading causes of death in the U.S., suicide is on the rise – especially among people aged 65 and over. While older adults comprise just 16.8% of the population, they make up approximately 22% of suicides.

Suicide is disproportionately higher in older adults for several reasons. These range from loneliness, grief over the passing of loved ones, chronic illness/pain and cognitive impairment. The physical, emotional and cognitive struggles faced by older adults can lead to feelings of depression, which over time can evolve into clinical depression. Clinical depression is not a normal part of aging, yet it remains under-recognized, under-diagnosed and under-treated.

An important first step in preventing suicide is knowing the warning signs that an older adult may be depressed and considering self-harm including:

- Loss of interest in activities they used to enjoy
- Giving away beloved items or changing his/her will
- Avoiding social activities
- Neglecting self-care, medical regimens and grooming
- Lack of concern for personal safety
- Exhibiting a preoccupation with death

The 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline outlines five action steps you can take if you know an older adult who you believe

is contemplating suicide:

1. Ask. Don't be afraid to explicitly ask them if they are thinking about suicide. Also ask how you can help and be sure to listen carefully to their answers and acknowledge their emotional pain.

2. Keep them safe. Find out if they have a specific suicide plan or timeline. Do they have access to the means/ability to carry out their plan? Learning the answers to these questions helps establish if a person is in immediate danger. Generally, the more detailed someone's plan, the higher the risk. Someone at imminent risk may require intensive intervention. By calling 988, the National Suicide Lifeline is a valuable resource to help you determine next steps. Dialing or texting 988 connects people in crisis (or their concerned friends, family and caregivers) directly to the Suicide & Crisis Lifeline where counselors provide free, unbiased and confidential support 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

3. Be there. If you're able, find ways to be present to ease feelings of isolation and increase a sense of connectedness. If in-person visits are not possible, utilize phone or video calls. Try to identify others who may be willing to help.

4. Help them connect. If an older person in your life is thinking about suicide, it's critical for them to establish support systems they can rely on now and for future moments of crisis. This includes the 988 Lifeline as well as

local resources. USC-VHH's

Stepping Stones program is a behavioral health program for adults aged 55-plus and can assist older adults in crisis. For more information about Stepping Stones call (818) 952-2270. Individuals should also be encouraged to discuss their feelings and suicidal ideation with their primary health care providers to seek referrals to mental health providers.

5. Follow up. Studies have shown that following up can reduce suicide-related deaths in high-risk populations. Once you've had an initial conversation with the vulnerable person and helped them establish a support network, be sure to check in. It could be as simple as a phone call, text or a card letting them know you are thinking of them.



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TRAVEL & LEISURE

Knott's Spooky Farm Brings a Festive Daytime Celebration for the Family

By Charly SHELTON

When the sun is high and the fog hasn't yet rolled in, Knott's Berry Farm transforms from its nighttime Scary Farm haunt into a whimsical, family-friendly Halloween celebration. Knott's Spooky Farm offers daytime fun for kids and their families that brings all the festive spookiness without the scares. Running Thursdays through Sundays through Oct. 31, including Indigenous Peoples Day, this event is included with regular park admission and focuses on making Halloween fun for little ghouls and goblins.

In Ghost Town, kids 11 and under can trick-or-treat at standalone treat carts, collecting goodies from candy to Popcornopolis popcorn. And in the center of Ghost Town, at Calico Park, little guests can enjoy Spooktivities, a festival of games, storytelling and live entertainment, all themed to celebrate the season. Here children can meet the Peanuts gang dressed in their Halloween costumes. They can play games, hear stories and have dance parties as they pass between treat stations.

One of the highlights of Knott's Spooky Farm is the Halloween overlay on classic attractions. The Calico Candy Mine Ride is a must-see where guests journey through a magical mine filled not with gold or silver, but veins of candy! Thanks to



a whimsical fairy, Calico's valuable silver has transformed into sweet treats and riders can enjoy the charming Halloween scenery as they descend into the mine's candy-coated depths.

Another attraction overlay is the Timber Mountain Log Ride: Halloween Hootenanny. This family-friendly attraction features a light-hearted, monster-themed overlay that celebrates the fun side of Halloween. With whimsical music and playful decorations, guests will experience a festive ride through Timber Mountain as the monsters throw a party – complete with plenty of laughs and a touch of Halloween spirit.

One thing that does creep from Scary Farm into Spooky Farm is the seasonal specialty food and drink.

We tried many of the Scary Farm foods at a preview event (scan the QR code attached to this story to see the full food review) but getting to enjoy the full menu item in the daytime, when you aren't pressed to run from one maze to the next, is even more enjoyable. The best of the seasonal foods is the Monster Mash – red wine braised beef pot roast over creamy mashed potatoes – from Boardwalk BBQ. We enjoyed it in the small taster on media night, and it's even better full sized at Spooky Farm. Plus, Snoopy was holding an impromptu meet-and-greet right outside the restaurant, which drew kids in to see.

Honorable mention goes to The Boogeyman's Chicken Meatball Sub with Alfredo sauce from Prop Shop Pizzeria. Whichever seasonal delight

you choose, you can't go wrong with Knott's Berry Farm foods.

Knott's Spooky Farm offers the perfect opportunity for families to enjoy the season together, introducing younger guests to the excitement of Halloween in a theme park without the scares that come with the nighttime Knott's Scary Farm. From trick-or-treating to meeting beloved characters and enjoying themed rides, there's plenty to make sure every kid – and their parents – has a spooky good time.

Knott's Spooky Farm runs Thursdays through Sundays until Oct. 31, with special hours on Halloween and Indigenous Peoples Day. For more information, visit [Knotts.com/events/spooky-farm](https://www.knott.com/events/spooky-farm).

And scan the QR code attached to

this story to see our in-depth review of the Scary Farm/Spooky Farm foods from preview night.

Photos by Charly SHELTON
LEFT: Kids can win Halloween-themed prizes, like this candy corn print Snoopy held by Don Shelton, at carnival games and then meet the Peanuts gang in their Halloween costumes.

RIGHT: Spooktivities in Calico Park, Ghost Town, brings the Peanuts gang out in their Halloween costumes to play with kids.



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Scene in LA - October 2024

By Steve ZALL and Sid FISH

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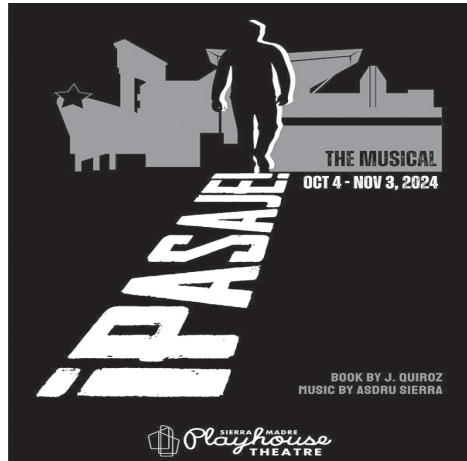
COVID protocols continue to be dictated by each individual venue so bring a facemask to wear during the show in case the venue requires it. It's a good idea to check with the theater before attending a show to find out what is their current policy.

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 mediocrity of television, this fast-paced satire comes to life with precision and wit. It's comedy on steroids. Think your funny bone can handle it? Robert Dubac's "The Book of Moron" is recommended for ages 13-plus.

Written and directed by Robert Dubac, it runs Oct. 3 through Oct. 4 at the Laguna Playhouse in Laguna Beach. For tickets, call (949) 497-2787 or visit www.lagunaplayhouse.com.



"Pasaje!" The riveting coming-of-age story explores themes of identity, belonging and community through the eyes of Andy on the eve of his 18th birthday. He discovers that everything he believes in – his ethnicity, his family, his upbringing – are lies that have been told to him since birth. These lies lead Andy to South El Monte where he meets a beautiful dancer, Marcelina, and the community patriarch, Don Miguel, who help him unearth long-buried secrets, propelling him to a poignant revelation about the Latin American diaspora and ultimate acceptance of his true self. In the end, he discovers his family is both flawed and redemptive.

Written by American J. Quiroz, with music by Asdrú Sierra, and directed by Benjamin Perez, it runs Oct. 4 through Nov. 3 at the Sierra Madre Playhouse in Sierra Madre.

For tickets, call (626) 355-4318 or visit www.sierramadreplayhouse.org.



"Crevasse" Filmmaker and Nazi propagandist Leni Riefenstahl meets Walt Disney in this world premiere. In 1938, German filmmaker Leni Riefenstahl went to Hollywood to find American distribution for her award-winning film "Olympia." Only one studio head would meet with her: Walt Disney. Ann Noble and Leo Marks star in an astonishing true story of betrayal, Nazi propaganda and cartoons.

Written by Tom Jacobson and directed by Matthew McCray, it runs Oct. 4 through Oct. 27 at the Victory Theatre Center in Burbank. For tickets, visit www.thevictorytheatrecenter.org.

"Little Shop of Horrors" Seymour Krelborn is a meek and dejected assistant at a floral shop who happens upon a strange plant, which he affectionately names Audrey II after his crush at the shop. Little does he know that this strange and unusual plant will develop a soulful R&B voice, a potty mouth and an unquenchable thirst for human blood!

Written by Howard Ashman, with music by Alan Menken, lyrics by Howard Ashman, and directed by Brian Kite, it runs Oct. 4 through

Oct. 20 at the Scherr Forum Theatre at the Bank of America Performing Arts Center in Thousand Oaks. For tickets, call (805) 449-2787 or visit www.5startheatricals.com.



"The Orphan's Revenge" In this wickedly smart musical, we find a selfless heroine sacrificing herself to keep an orphanage from being recycled into a saloon. Originally produced by The Group Rep, this was one of the most successful productions in its 50-year history, eventually wending its way to the Ford Theatre in Washington, DC. It is tongue-planted-ferociously-in-cheek with music that is imminently hummable and lyrics that are wickedly whip smart.

Written by Suzanne Buhrer and Gene Casey, with music by Gene Casey, Suzanne Buhrer and Jan Casey, and directed by Stan Mazin, it runs Oct. 4 through Nov. 10 at the Lonny Chapman Theatre in North Hollywood. For tickets, call (818) 763-5990 or visit www.thegrouprep.com.

"Phoenix" When Bruce and Sue meet four weeks after an uncharacteristic one-night-stand, Sue has this to say to him: One – I had a great time with you that night and two – let's never see each other again. Thus begins a 4,000-mile journey well beyond the confines of their carefully structured worlds. Bruce is fueled by an overwhelming but undefined compulsion to join her in Phoenix.

You can read more at CVWeekly.com/LEISURE.

ROBERT DUBAC'S THE BOOK OF MORON FUNNY HAS NEVER BEEN THIS SMART



"Robert Dubac's The Book of Moron" Robert Dubac returns to Laguna Playhouse with "The Book of Moron," his newest Off-Broadway hit described as one of the most "Hilarious" "Intelligent" and "Scorching" satirical attacks on idiocracy since Mark Twain. For those tired of adolescent comedies generated by

'Ventana Huichola' at Adams Square Mini Park Gas Station

Artist Natalie Gonzalez' installation, "Ventana Huichola," will be on display at the Adams Square Mini Park Gas Station from Monday, Oct. 7 to Friday, Nov. 15.

Ventana Huichola – or "Huichol Window" in English – is a site-specific installation consisting of three pieces each made of 15 God's Eyes. Each God's

Eye is attached to a plastic net with a cord. Gonzalez' goal is for the audience to engage in this magical vibration of colors and shapes.

Gonzalez is a visual artist and art practitioner based in San Diego. She primarily focuses on acrylic and mixed media. She uses simple shapes, lines and

organic images in her work. Gonzalez enjoys the creative process; it is a response to all the things she experiences in her daily life and past. By using elements of her traditions, roots and Neo-Mexicanism, she attempts to construct her own ideas, analyses and metaphors of what being binational means to her.

This temporary art installation is sponsored by the Glendale Arts and Culture Commission through funding from the Urban Art Program, and support from Glendale Library, Arts & Culture, Glendale Community Services and Parks, and the Adams Hill Neighborhood Association.

THEN & NOW



THEN » This was the church building that served the valley from 1923 until a new larger church was built on the same site in 1953. La Crescenta Presbyterian had evolved from worship services held in Dr. Benjamin Briggs' home high up on Briggs terrace beginning in 1885. In 1886 the growing congregation began using the little cement schoolhouse newly built at the intersection of Dyer Street and Foothill Boulevard. It remained there until the booming population of the early '20s allowed the purchase property on Montrose Avenue just west of La Crescenta Avenue and build the church structure shown in this photo.

La Crescenta Presbyterian Church Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV



NOW » To meet the expanding population of the post-WWII boom, a new church, seen here, was built and dedicated in 1953. In 1977 the huge pipe organ was donated. La Crescenta Presbyterian is the oldest church in the area, standing at almost 140 years old.

Rabbi David Baron Announces His Yom Kippur High Holy Day Guests

Rabbi David Baron of the Temple of the Arts at the Saban Theatre in Beverly Hills announced his guests for Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the Jewish new year. They include Oz Davidian, a courageous farmer from Southern Israel who will recount how he was able to save 120 young people from the Hamas terrorist attack on the Nova Music Festival in Israel on Oct. 7, 2023 by driving into the relentless onslaught of gunfire 15 times to transport festival attendees to safety; Yossi Levy and his family, who will speak about being one

family from among the 80,000 Israelis evacuated from their homes in Northern Israel on the Lebanon border as a result of the Hezbollah rocket attacks on Oct. 8, 2023, which are still happening now; Bishop Juan Carlos Mendez, founder and president of Churches in Action representing 2,300 churches who will speak of his role as a fighter against anti-Semitism and as an advocate for social justice and Christian Zionism for 40 years; Moti Kahna, a philanthropist who has put himself in harm's way, will provide a firsthand account

of what is happening in the war-torn zone of Gaza; and Richard S. Hirshhaut, an Emmy Award-winning television producer and the Los Angeles director of the American Jewish Committee since September 2019, will speak about anti-Semitism on college campuses and advancing global advocacy.

Services will commence on Friday, Oct. 11, 2024 (5785), the eve of Yom Kippur (Kol Nidre) at the Temple of the Arts at the Saban Theatre, 8440 Wilshire Blvd. in Beverly Hills at 8 p.m., and continue on Saturday, Oct. 12,

2024 (5785) at 10 a.m., the holiest day of the Jewish New Year.

To make reservations, call the temple at (323) 658-9100 and email Edward Tarango at the temple office at edgar@templeofthearts.org. This year's Yom Kippur services will be live streamed via the temple's website, www.bhtota.org, to temple members in good standing who can't attend the live services. Members of the general public will be welcome to attend Rabbi Baron's afternoon discussions with his guests on Yom Kippur on Saturday, Oct. 12 from 2 p.m.

to 5:30 p.m. free of charge, but reservations are required. Please call the temple office to make reservations.

Shervin Kordary Pischevar, an Iranian-American entrepreneur, venture capitalist, super angel investor and philanthropist, a producer of a new 30-minute documentary film about women being violated by Hamas, entitled, "I Am Iranian," will be a participant in Rabbi Baron's Afternoon Yom Kippur Discussions. Pischevar's new movie will be screened for the first time during the discussions.

Projecting L.A. Coming to ReflectSpace

Glendale Library, Arts & Culture and ReflectSpace present Projecting L.A. 2024, a unique photographic project that presents an intimate and kaleidoscopic view of Los Angeles, its diverse communities and unwieldy streets.

The brainchild of Julia Dean – photographer, educator, writer, and founder of the Los Angeles Center of Photography – Projecting L.A. brings together a vast spectrum of photographers to tell the story of Los Angeles through photojournalism, documentary and street photography. The project cuts across cultural, gender, socio-political, generational, community and physical boundaries and offers an often chaotic but colorful panorama of the city as seen through the lens of some of its best image makers.

The photographs in the project are as varied as they are compelling and span an incredible array of Los Angeles sites and stories: from the region's fentanyl crisis to Hollywood behind-the-scenes to a doctor treating COVID-19 patients to the legacy of Marilyn Monroe to wild Venice Beach to underground wrestling, Latino street gangs, a midwife-led delivery unit and the joys of childhood.

Projecting L.A. 2024 was screened on April 27 in a one-of-a-kind outdoor projection screening in Chinatown on the side of a three-story building for over 2,000 spectators. The ReflectSpace iteration of Projecting L.A. will present a more intimate indoor experience.

"What better way is there to show off powerful street, documentary and news stories

about Los Angeles and its people than on the street and through projection?" said Dean, director of Projecting L.A. "The work is outstanding. Prepare yourself to be inspired."

The roster of photographers includes Pulitzer Prize winners and acclaimed photographers from the Associated Press, Los Angeles Daily News, Los Angeles Times and Reuters, in addition to war photographers, Emmy Award winners and other accomplished documentary and street photographers.

Projecting L.A. is co-curated by Julia Dean, Daniel Sackheim, and Ara & Anahid Oshagan. It will be on view from Oct. 5 to Dec. 8 at ReflectSpace, located inside Glendale Central Library at 222 E. Harvard St. in Glendale. An opening reception will be held on Friday, Oct. 4 from 7 – 9 p.m.

2024 Jewel City Concert Series at The Artsakh Paseo

The 2024 Jewel City Concert Series will consist of five outdoor concerts that take place at the Artsakh Paseo, 127 N. Artsakh Ave. in Glendale from Sept. 28 through Oct. 26. These free Saturday evening concerts are at 5 p.m. and showcase music groups from Southern California. Performances run approximately 60 minutes without an intermission. Seating is not provided; visitors are welcome to bring a chair. The concerts are sponsored by the Glendale Arts and Culture Commission through funding from the Urban Art Program, with support from Glendale Library, Arts & Culture.

Visit GlendaleArtsAndCulture.org/JewelCityConcertSeries for more information.

On Oct. 5, Rogue Lemon Collective will

perform. Rogue Lemon Collective is a collective of classically trained string musicians offering a fresh perspective in the world of music. Straying from traditional expectations, the ensemble explores a diverse range of genres, crafting arrangements and original compositions that showcase their versatility. With a foundation in classical training, the collective members channel their expertise into performances that blend innovation with technical prowess. The name 'Rogue Lemon' encapsulates their fearless approach, adding a fresh twist to the ordinary. It symbolizes a commitment to redefining the boundaries and perceptions of string music and reflects the group's bold and unexpected style.

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GLENDALE KIWANIS

The Kiwanis Club of Glendale meets on Fridays at noon. The club welcomes new president Carl Povilaitis at the Oct. 4 meeting.

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.

DANCING AS EXERCISE

Dancing As Exercise is a free ongoing weekly event sponsored by the Los Angeles County Park program for seniors (50 plus) as a form of staying healthy.

There is live music every Friday (note new day) from 10 a.m. to noon in the Park's building at 3901 Dunsmore Ave. in La Crescenta.

Light refreshments and water are provided along with socialization and information about other park activities.

Dancing, per se, is not required; single persons are welcome.

HISTORIAN MIKE LAWLER TO PRESENT AT LCWC

The community is invited to join the La Crescenta Woman's Club at its Oct. 9 meeting, which starts at 10 a.m. followed by the program and lunch at 11:30 a.m. Lunch is free to first time attendees, \$10 for members.

Get into the Halloween spirit with spooky stories from local historian Mike Lawler when he presents "Creepy Crescenta Valley." From speakeasys to haunted mansions, from murders to mysteries, Lawler knows it all and will answer questions as well.

For reservations, call Betsy Mortimer (818) 249-9403.

CANASTA IS CALLING

Canasta – an activity that will brighten your day with fun and relaxation. Those who have not played before – don't worry; you will be taught! Come on Tuesday afternoons to play canasta from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Montrose Library, 2465 Honolulu Ave. in Montrose (818) 548-2048.

AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 MINUTES

The community is invited to the Bolton Hall Museum at 1 p.m. on Oct. 12 participants will "travel around the world" in little more than one hour via a goodly number of 19th century stereoscopes that will be circulated through the audience.

The conductor for this whirlwind trip is Sunland-Tujunga's History Hunter Craig Durst. Durst's collection of stereoscopes and hand selected stereo cards will be the vehicle for this trip Around the World in 80 Minutes. His history programs are always entertaining and enlightening.

This event is free and open to the public and everyone is welcome.

Bolton Hall Museum, home of Little Landers Historical Society, is located at 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.

CCLCF HAS SEVERAL EVENTS

Fall registration for classes at the Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge continues. Fall registration II opened Sept. 18 (session dates are Oct. 21 to Dec. 14).

Senior activities include MUSE/IQUE Encounters, Bingo & Brunch. Artwork auction on Sunday, Oct. 27 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Registrations continue for the upcoming costume contest.

Standard pricing kicks in this month for participants of the Thanksgiving Day Run. Kids 1 Mile Training Program is a brand new program for kids who are registered for the run.

Looking ahead, CCLCF is having its annual ceramics holiday sale on Dec. 14 and 15 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Visit the CCLCF website at cclcf.org or call (818) 790-4353.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST HOSTED BY CVTC

The Crescenta Valley Town Council is having a pancake breakfast on Saturday, Oct. 12 from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. at St. Luke's of the Mountains – Sadler Hall, 2563 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta (at Rosemont Avenue).

BINGO NIGHT AND FOOD DRIVE

The Glendale Moose Lodge #641 is having its third annual community bingo night and food drive on Saturday, Oct. 19. It is being held at the Verdugo Hills Memorial hall, 4011 La Crescenta Ave. in Glendale/La Crescenta. Doors open at 4:30 p.m., the first game is at 6 p.m. The cost is \$25 for 10 game cards (four cards each game).

Participants who donate a bag or box of food will receive one free game for each box or bag donated. All net proceeds benefit the Bailey Center food bank in Tujunga.

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ZACK HILL BY JOHN DEERING AND JOHN NEWCOMBE



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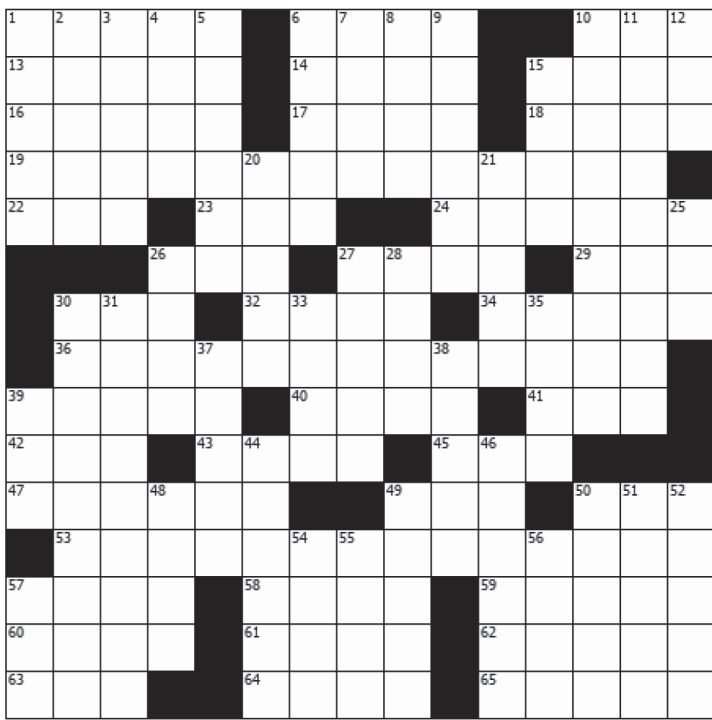
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Across

- 1. Follower of Caesar?
- 6. Totally bungled
- 10. It may be served in spots
- 13. Without peers
- 14. Certain Asian royal
- 15. General assembly?
- 16. Crafted on a loom
- 17. Comparable
- 18. "Mexican Spitfire" star Velez
- 19. Character in 36-Across
- 22. Dinghy director
- 23. Haggard classic
- 24. Post-accident comment
- 26. Natural necklace
- 27. "The Sweater Girl" Turner
- 29. Fresno-to-Los Angeles dir.
- 30. Fed. stipend
- 32. Gladly, archaically
- 34. Understood
- 36. Classic film of 1939
- 39. "Sleuth" star
- 40. Bouquet
- 41. Copy
- 42. Ode subject
- 43. Many Little League coaches
- 45. Bay State cape
- 47. They're in red
- 49. Word with faced or fisted
- 50. Music form
- 53. Characters in 36-Across
- 57. Transgression
- 58. Certain allergic reaction
- 59. Epic tales
- 60. "The Virginian" author Wister
- 61. Butter alternative
- 62. Skating feats
- 63. IV installers
- 64. Miffed
- 65. Spine line



Down

- 1. Took care of
- 2. Oahu adieu
- 3. "Dream ___" (Bobby Darin hit)
- 4. De novo
- 5. One of TV's Huxtables
- 6. Good thing to do for animals
- 7. Superior, for one
- 8. "National Velvet" author Bagnold
- 9. Excellent situation
- 10. Where you may get gas before eating
- 11. Put in italics
- 12. What the pros say
- 15. Choral part
- 20. Five-alarm item
- 21. Adult insect
- 25. Nevertheless
- 26. Lender's security
- 27. Clues, to a detective
- 28. Start for American
- 30. Defeat with a look
- 31. Tibias
- 33. Name on a shirt
- 35. In the blink ___ eye
- 37. United with
- 38. Quartered companion
- 39. Jersey chew
- 44. Nolan Ryan's team, once
- 46. Greet, in a way
- 48. Element number 26
- 49. Resort lake
- 50. Thesaurus compiler
- 51. In the least
- 52. Ad hoc oater group
- 54. Seraphic headdress
- 55. Strategic WWI river
- 56. Vehicle at a stand
- 57. Hide-hair link

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WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

Provided by horoscope.com

September 30, 2024 - October 6, 2024

♈ ARIES March 21 - April 19

The answers to some stubborn health issues may come to you in dreams. Be especially vigilant during this time. If you have any vivid dreams, write them down. If you wake up with a powerful knowledge of what you need to do next, write that down, too. The cosmos is showing you the next step.

♉ TAURUS April 20 - May 20

A spiritual approach to your well-being may bring about a complete change in your outlook on life. Aspects encourage you to contemplate a complete package of wellness measures, including meditation, relaxation, harmonious exercise, and a diet that's ethically sound. Stick to it and you'll feel fantastic.

♊ GEMINI May 21 - June 20

In keeping with your love of group activities, why not join an exercise class? You have more to gain than lose. It's the interaction with others and the chance to make some new friends that will really get you going. It probably doesn't matter what exercise you do as long as you get to do it with friends. They'll make it worthwhile.

♋ CANCER June 21 - July 22

Spend time in and around water. Swimming could be the one exercise that you grow to love. It gets you into the water regularly and enables you to relax. The act of swimming doesn't put pressure on sensitive joints or unduly strain any muscles. If you can keep it up and gradually increase the number of laps you do each day, your body and lungs will grow more fit.

♌ LEO July 23 - August 22

Your nerves may be frazzled now due to stress and pressure at work. The stress level may not be obvious. It appears to be a more insidious kind of tension that builds up over time. It will help you to nip it in the bud and find a way to relax. If you're ignoring problems, make a start. Your body will function more efficiently if your mind is at ease.

♍ VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

You may be drawn to forms of exercise that have an aesthetic quality. Dance is one that may appeal to you on a number of levels. The music adds a magical element that makes it easy to lose yourself in what you're doing. Dance forms range from belly dancing to modern and more. It's all good stuff!

♎ LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Too much socializing and too many business lunches can affect your health. If your liver is beginning to feel odd, this is a sure sign that you've been indulging in too much alcohol or fatty food. Don't wait until it gets worse before you take action. Check with your health professional.

♏ SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

You're ready for new health challenges. Aspects suggest that you're in a sports-minded mood and ready to go through your paces. If you'd enjoy competing, there are a number of ways you can do it. This will give your exercise periods an extra edge and enable you to beat your own records.

♐ SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

You have so much energy right now that you need to find a way to channel it. Don't use it to sabotage your fitness efforts. Use it to enhance them. Aim for high-energy activities, as these will give you a good cardio workout and get your circulation going. If you haven't exercised in a while, start slowly and build up gradually.

♑ CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

You love complex details. You have the ability to master an activity over time, especially if you know that it has a powerful healing effect on your body. That's why a practice like tai chi may give you a sense of achievement as well as a feeling of inner peace, calm, dynamic energy, and healing. You'll begin to feel better in all ways.

♒ AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

You may be sabotaging your health success in a number of ways. The main one may be that you aren't taking the time to buy or prepare good-quality food that encourages good health. You may tend to eat inconsistently. Try to make your eating habits more regular and healthful, and cut out the junk food.

♓ PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

You may want to purchase some home exercise equipment now or at least consider the possibility. This is an excellent time to find out the best deals for such a project and plan how it could work. As your job is going to grow more intense, this may be just what you need to unwind.

PROBLEM SOLVED » BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT

What can I do about the missing mobility scooter I ordered from Amazon?

The mobility scooter Tom Kay ordered from Amazon never arrived – yet the tracking number said it's been delivered. Is his \$2,650 lost, too?

Q I purchased a mobility scooter last month from Amazon. The vendor contacted me through Amazon and said that the color I ordered was not available and asked if I would take another one. I told them no and to cancel the order.

The vendor said they could not cancel the order. Then I received another response through Amazon that my scooter had shipped. I have no idea what color it was because I never received it. A few days later, I received an update from the seller that said, "We are currently coordinating the shipment and delivery of your goods. Thank you for your patience and kindness."

Obviously, the seller had not

yet shipped the scooter. But the tracking information shows that it has been delivered. Can you help me get the \$2,650 for the scooter I never received?

– Tom Kay, Lawrence, Kansas

A: You should have received the mobility scooter you ordered and in the color you ordered. Full stop. Why? Amazon has some sophisticated systems that track the inventory of its vendors so you should have been able to order an item that was in stock.

More surprises were in store for you. The vendor said they were out of the green scooters and wanted you to accept another color. And

when you wouldn't and tried to cancel the order, the vendor said it couldn't. I think it meant to say it wouldn't.

I've reviewed the paper trail between you and the vendor and it gets worse. The vendor claimed to have sent you the scooter and told you to file a police report.

First of all, who steals a mobility scooter? What kind of depraved human takes an assistive device from someone's front door? If you said, "No one" then you are probably right. The vendor might claim to have sent you a scooter, but I think it's wrong again. I'm betting it never sent the device.

So do you have to pay \$2,650 for nothing? Absolutely not.

It looks as if Amazon had taken a hands-off approach by simply handing you off to a vendor. How very un-Amazon-like of them. Usually the company is there to help you quickly resolve problems.

A brief, polite email to one of the Amazon executives I list on my consumer advocacy site Elliott.org might have helped.

As I reviewed the back-and-forth between you, the seller and Amazon, it seems the problem was that Amazon needed a police report. But you couldn't file a police report because you were not sure if anything was delivered – or stolen. And Amazon wouldn't do anything until you filed a police report.

This type of bureaucracy is just

maddening. Someone should have been able to look at your case and see that there was a pretty good chance the scooter wasn't even sent to you. Instead, Amazon was just spamming you with form emails.

I contacted Amazon on your behalf. The company reviewed your case and promptly apologized and sent you a refund for \$2,650.

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

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LCFTRA HOSTS WINE AND ROSES EVENT

The La Cañada Flintridge Tournament of Roses Association is kicking-off its annual campaign to raise funds for its entry in the 136th Rose Parade on Jan. 1, 2025. The annual gala fundraiser, Wine and Roses, will be held on Nov. 2 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the campus of Flintridge Sacred

Heart Academy, 440 St. Katherine Drive in La Cañada Flintridge.

The gala has a new look this year with exhibits from community partners at Mt. Wilson Observatory, Cal Tech and more. The 2025 float entry is a spin off of the Mars Rover.

On Nov. 2, attendees will be serenaded by the internationally acclaimed All American Boys Chorus of Costa Mesa (taabc.org), and have a spirited live and silent auction plus culinary delights from the chefs of Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy.

Tickets and sponsorships available now on LCFTRA.org or email vplcftra@gmail.com.

PICKLEBALL FUN AT COUNTRY CLUB

A day of pickleball, camaraderie and community spirit takes place on Sunday, Nov. 3 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the La Cañada Flintridge Country Club. The country club is hosting the First Annual Posh Pickleball Tournament, a fundraiser for Adventist Health Glendale. An anticipated 250 players, participants and spectators are expected to take part in matches and activities including food and beverages throughout the day, introduction to pickleball clinics by iPickle, a VIP & Relaxation lounge, physician tips and a Wellness Village.

Purchase tickets at adventisthealthglendale.org/pickleball by Oct. 18.

ACTIVITIES AT SUNLAND SENIOR CENTER

The Sunland Senior Center offers a selection of classes and activities daily. Whether seniors are looking to exercise or dance or are interested in art, theater, or knitting, the Center has something for everyone. Sunland also hosts bingo on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and a movie matinee on the big screen at 1 p.m. on Thursdays; on Mondays

and Fridays there is country line dancing from noon-1:30 p.m. The Sunland Senior Center runs programming from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. with a donations-based lunch served daily from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sunland Senior Center is located at 8640 Fenwick St. in Sunland. For further information, call (818) 353-9571. These special events are free. [ww](http://www)

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MVCC September Recap & August Preview

The Montrose Chamber of Commerce (MVCC) had another busy and exciting month as we continue our preparations for Oktoberfest and celebrate a successful ribbon cutting for one of our newest local businesses. We are thrilled to share all the latest happenings with you!

On Sept. 19, we hosted the ribbon cutting ceremony for Sonia's Boutique, and it was a fantastic event! Sonia's Boutique offers a wide variety of clothing, from children's wear to women's lingerie, making it a stylish addition to our local shopping scene. One thing that makes Sonia's Boutique stand out is that it stays open late, allowing those who work long hours the chance to shop for themselves or pick up thoughtful gifts after their busy day. We're excited to see how this boutique will flourish and contribute to the vibrancy of our community.

Meanwhile, the excitement

for Oktoberfest is ramping up and we're thrilled to share some important updates! If you're planning to attend we encourage you to take advantage of presale tickets, which are available both online before the event and on-site during Oktoberfest. By purchasing tickets ahead of time, you can avoid long lines and take advantage of our redemption booth to enjoy the festivities!

This year's Oktoberfest will feature rides and games spread across all three blocks, ensuring plenty of fun for everyone. In addition to the entertainment, we're also offering Oktoberfest-branded merchandise, which is now available for purchase online. Show your festival spirit with our bucket hats, priced at \$10, or grab a memorable Oktoberfest T-shirt for \$25.

The MVCC is dedicated to bringing our community together through these events, and we're



grateful for the ongoing support. As we look forward to Oktoberfest, we hope to see you all there enjoying the fun, food and festivities that make this event such a beloved tradition.

Meet the newest business member of the MVCC:

Paradis Cafe – Offers a variety of unique, freshly made ice cream flavors using natural ingredients. It's a favorite spot in Montrose for enjoying a sweet treat in a friendly and cozy atmosphere. (818) 330-9330

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Remember to shop local!

Sara Darby
MVCC Secretary

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NEWS FROM THE CV CHAMBER » OUR BUSINESS IS YOUR BUSINESS

As you may have already heard, the office of the CV Chamber of Commerce – which shares an office with the CV Weekly – was recently broken into. Consequently, the cash from the last two mixers we held was taken as was cash and other items from the CV Weekly.

Neither the chamber nor the newspaper can afford these losses. The deductible on the insurance on both businesses is just high enough that we question whether or not we should file a claim. Another of our worries is concern that our premiums will be raised if we do file a claim.

At this point, we are directing folks to a GoFundMe page who wish to support the chamber that will help recoup these losses. We'll see what happens over the next couple of weeks. <https://gofund.me/0f90b728>

Like many companies, the summer months have seen an increase in the number of

people heading for vacation. Our monthly mixers have had a decrease in attendance; however, we are so grateful to those folks who did attend our mixers. Mixers are a wonderful way to meet in a relaxed setting other business owners and residents. I encourage you to mark your calendar as they are scheduled!

Our most recent mixer was held on Sept. 17 at the newly christened Scouting America on Glendale Avenue in Glendale. Though we didn't have a large attendance we did welcome several community members to the Scouting America offices. Scouting America provided some delicious lasagna and goodies from La Cañada Imports and ended the evening with a traditional campfire and s'mores in the parking lot! We had a great time.

Our next mixer is on Tuesday, Oct. 15 at Restokleen, 3600 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta.

Restokleen is a longtime supporter of the CV Chamber of Commerce. For quality cleanup and restoration in Glendale and beyond, call Restokleen at (818) 330-9561.

If you are a Chamber member we are available to help your business plan a ribbon cutting, a grand re-opening of your business, or even help you organize promotional opportunities. For those of you who are not business or residential members there are numerous advantages of a CV Chamber of Commerce membership. For details simply call the CV Chamber office at (818) 248-4957 or email us at info@creventalvalleychamber.org. You may also access our Chamber website at www.crescentvalleychamber.org.

Remember our Chamber motto: "Our Business is Your Business."

Robin Goldsworthy, President
CV Chamber of Commerce

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Here is a short list of additional potential causes for loss of income and non-payment of rent.

Involuntary Causes:

- Layoffs
- Scams that deplete savings
- Mental health issues such as depression or bipolar disorder
- Domestic violence, divorce, separation

Volitional Causes:

- Mismanagement of money:
 - o Buying luxury cars beyond their means
 - o Elective cosmetic surgery
 - o High credit card debt and high interest rates

Misbehavior:

- Drunk driving accidents
- Selling or using illegal substances
- Committing fraud at work

Which of these scenarios should qualify for city-paid legal services? Before assigning legal assistance, the city should

determine who truly deserves it.

Should someone fired for committing larceny at work receive city aid to prevent eviction for non-payment of rent? Should s/he receive assistance from the city to pay for unpaid electric bill/s as well?

If the city were responsible for paying the rent of non-paying tenants, would voters approve such an ordinance? If not, why should the burden fall on landlords? Are landlords expected to be the economic safety net for societal issues?

By focusing on the primary causes of non-payment of rent we can highlight the absurdity of ordinances that delay residents' financial obligations and unfairly position landlords as the financial backers or insurers of last resort for tenants' misdeeds or unfortunate events.

Should local taxpayers insure them instead?

Herbert Molano
Glendale

LCFOG from page 11

"The Princess and the Frog," adds a cinematic quality to his storytelling. Vischer's delightful blend of visual art and storytelling makes his books a favorite among young readers and families alike.

The Book and Author Luncheon promises to be a memorable event, offering guests an opportunity to interact with these accomplished authors, ask questions and enjoy a lively discussion about their latest works and careers. Attendees will also have the opportunity to purchase these books, which can be signed by the authors.

The event will take place at the La Cañada Flintridge Country Club, 5500 Godbey Dr., La Cañada Flintridge on Oct. 22. Those who would like to attend should contact Joan Clevan at (818) 249-4603.

Written by Arlene MASSIMINO

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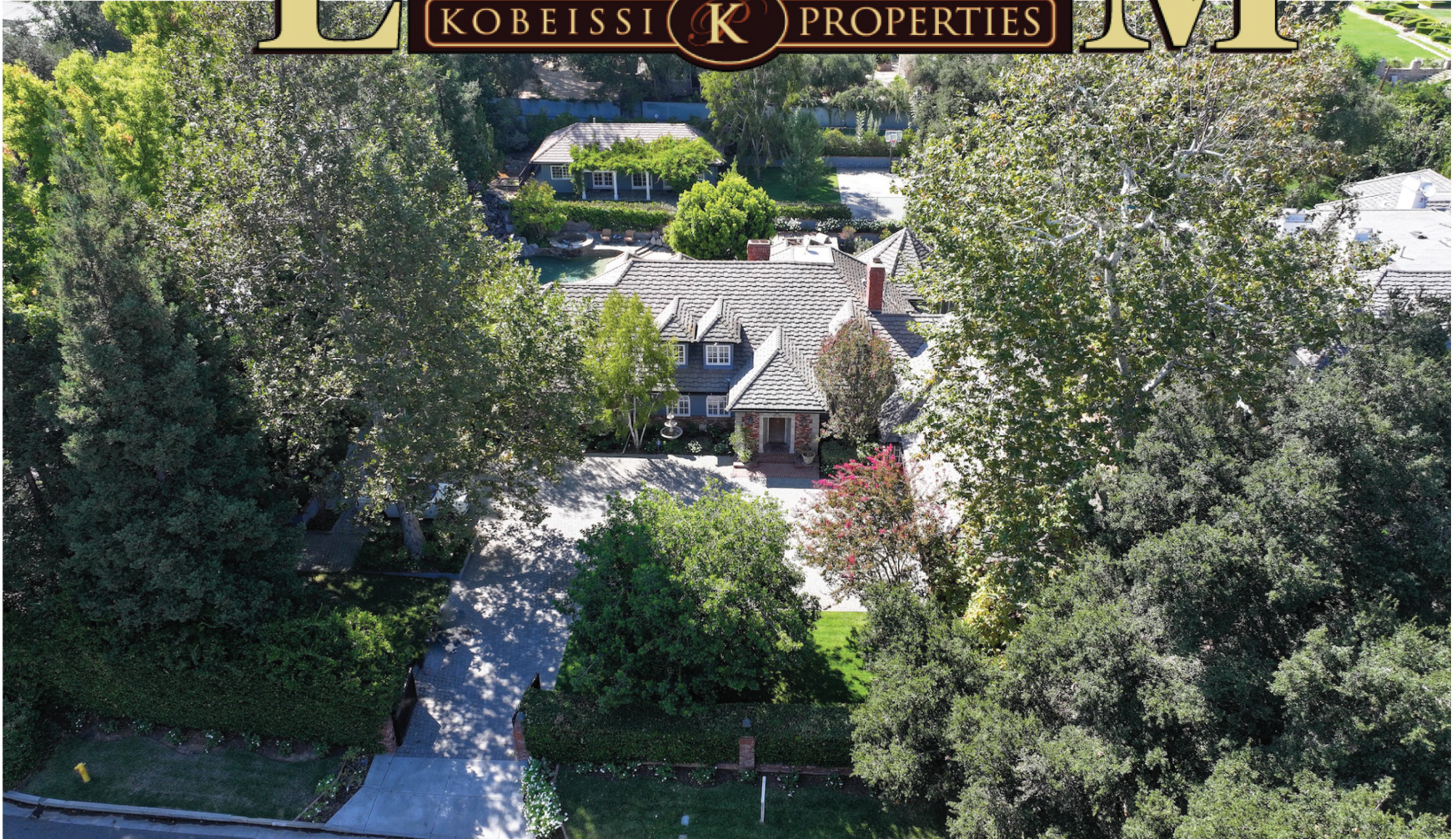
scientists and engineers to present a vision of the future that invites the viewer to consider the impact of greater connectedness with nature and its ability to foster a renewed sense of wonder and curiosity with our planet and the cosmos."

Kassakhian also wished a happy 100th birthday to 39th President Jimmy Carter and shared "thoughts and prayers to those in the east affected by the devastation of Hurricane Helene and those suffering because of the hurricane and extreme weather patterns," and added prayers for those in Lebanon and Israel: "All the innocent people who continue to wish for peace. As Ben Franklin said, 'There never was a good war or a bad peace.'"

Finally, the Zonta Club of Burbank, a volunteer organization aimed at building a better world for women and girls through advocacy and direct services to women in need, issued an invitation to an exclusive screening of a new documentary in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, "Unseen Scars" https://www.zontaburbank.org/events, on Thursday, Oct. 10 at 6 p.m. at the Colony Theatre, 555 3rd St. in Burbank.

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