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Wed:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
Thur:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s
Fri:	Sunny	Hi 80s	Lows 60s

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CITY OF SIERRA MADRE
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings listed below are held at
City Hall 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, Ca.
626-355-7135

NEXT REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:
Tuesday, July 14, 2015
6:30 pm

1630 AM EMERGENCY RADIO &
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Sierra Madre's EMERGENCY radio station is now accepting scripts for Public Service Announcements (PSAs) about community events. PSAs will be broadcast on the air at no charge. The station operates 24/7 and can be heard at 1630 on the AM dial.

Any local non-profit or non-commercial organization can have their event information broadcast to the public on *Sierra Madre Community Information Radio*. The station covers the city of Sierra Madre, plus surrounding areas of Pasadena, Arcadia, and Monrovia. Your event must:

- Benefit a non-commercial or non-profit entity
- Be open to the public
- Be of general interest to local citizens

Just write a Public Service Announcement that describes your event and e-mail it to radio@cityofsierramadre.com.

SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS



Regular City Council Meeting

July 14, 2015 - 6:30 pm

The final agenda and staff reports will be available online no later than Friday night. Enter the date "05/05/2015" for the complete agenda packet.

Can't make it to the meeting, but still want to share your thoughts? You can mail or drop off a written statement to City Hall or email city@cityofsierramadre.com before 5:30 the night of the meeting and your statement will be delivered to all the Council Members.

Upcoming Public Meetings

Monday, June 22, 2015, 6:30pm
Community Services Commission Meeting

Tuesday, June 23rd, 2015, 6:30 pm
City Council Meeting

Wednesday, June 24th, 2015, 7:00 pm
Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, June 24th, 2015, 7:00 pm
Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Commission Meeting

Thursday, June 25th, 2015, 7:00 pm
Planning Commission Meeting

City Hall Hours - Monday - Thursday 7:30am - 5:30pm
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SHARE SOME
GOOD NEWS!

"The Kindness of Strangers" feature encourages readers to share their stories. I can assure you, they will be uplifting especially in contrast to all the challenges and issues we have to deal with daily. So, if you have something you would like to share, please submit it to: editor@mtnews.com



mtnews.com. It doesn't matter where you were or when it happened. Share your good experiences in hope that it might bring a little joy and/or inspire someone.

-Susan Henderson, Editor/Publisher MVNews

BIG CHANGES AT
SIERRA MADRE'S
INTERNET RADIO
STATION:

The Board of Directors of Village Vine Online has decided to move the organization in a new direction. In keeping with our mission of community service, we are discontinuing 24/7 live audio streaming. In order to better serve the community, our focus will be on providing live audio and video webcasts and podcasts of community events, podcasts of hosted shows home-grown here in Sierra Madre, video and audio webcasts and podcasts of community sports events, and, by the end of the summer, we will present a community blog, with guest host bloggers rotating every few months.

CITIZEN WEBCASTERS: Part of our new approach is to utilize "citizen webcasters" living here in town. We are now actively recruiting people who can attend public events, and, utilizing equipment as simple as their smart phones, webcast those events through the Village Vine web site. Contact us at hostvi@yahoo.com if you would like to volunteer. Training will be provided.

CITIZEN PODCASTERS: We are looking for podcasters who might like to share their home-grown podcasts on the Village Vine web site. Subjects for podcasts could include original music, gardening, cars, dogs, water conservation, sports, etc. The subject matter for potential podcasts is only limited to the degree the community might have interest in it. Contact us at hostvi@yahoo.com if you would be interested in podcasting with us.



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SIERRA MADRE FOURTH OF JULY

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JULY 3
5:30pm - 10:30pm
Memorial Park

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CONCERTS IN THE PARK

JUNE 13	
JUNE 21	PASADENA COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA (Classical) *SATURDAY* Sponsored by Pasadena Community Orchestra
JUNE 28	PAT O'BRIEN & THE PRIESTS OF LOVE (Blues) Sponsored by Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters Association Food Offered: Corfu & Ice Princess
JULY 5	HEARTACHE TONIGHT (Eagles Tribute) Sponsored by Sierra Madre Civic Club Food Offered: Home Baked Goodness!!
JULY 12	SIERRA MADRE MUSIC (Local Talent!) Sponsored by Sierra Madre Music Food Offered: Corfu & Ice Princess
JULY 19	DECADES OF ROCK (Rock and Roll Covers) Sponsored by Spero Foundation Food Offered: Peppertree Grill & The Ice Princess
JULY 26	SGT PEPPER (Beatles Tribute) Sponsored by L.A. County Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich & Senior Commission Food Offered: Corfu & Free Popsicles Courtesy of the Senior Commission
AUG 2	CASH UP FRONT (Johnny Cash Tribute) Sponsored by Sierra Madre Community Foundation Food Offered: Peppertree Grill & The Ice Princess
AUG 9	ELVIS (Elvis Tribute) Sponsored by Sierra Madre Rotary Club Food Offered: Rounds Burger Food Truck & The Ice Princess
	GEM CITY JAZZ CATS (Big Band) Sponsored by Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club & Friends of the Sierra Madre Library Food Offered: Corfu & Free Cake Courtesy of Kiwanis Club!

All concerts are free and held from 6:00pm-8:00pm at the Memorial Park Bandshell, located at 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Seating is on the green. Be sure to bring blankets and lawn chairs for seating. Alcohol is prohibited. Spectators are encouraged to support local organizations that may provide refreshments. For more information contact the Community Services Department at 626-355-7135.

Walking Sierra Madre...The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

“Those who won our independence valued liberty as an end and as a means. They believed Liberty to be the secret of happiness, and courage to be the secret of Liberty.” Louis D. Brandeis

“It will be celebrated with pomp and parade, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other!” John Adams (1735-1826) On July 4th Celebrations

Don't you love seeing flags flying all over town? So many houses have been decorated with red, white and blue bunting. Looks super! We're certainly doing our part, us Sierra Madreans, to celebrate with pomp and parade, and ours will be spectacular as usual. Let's skip the bonfires! We look forward to seeing our VFW guys and Grand Marshals, Nina and Clem Bartolai. Our Mayor, John Capoccia will be waving at the crowd, along with the rest of the city council. My favorite is always the Sierra Madre City College float. All the Boy and Girl Scouts, the teams, bands, classic cars. Our parade is always such a fun event. We won't miss it and hope you didn't either. Rumor has it that Triple Crown Winner, Victor Espinoza, will be riding in the parade...but probably not aboard American Pharoah.

We've been invited to a couple of really nifty events but the one we're picking is the barbeque at our daughter, Patti's, and son-in-law, Dave's, house. I'm bringing potato salad. Potato salad has been in my culinary repertoire for about fifty years and, fortunately, most of my family like my version. It's a classic summer dish and most everybody has their secret ingredient. Me, too, and I'm not telling.

There are many ways to wind up with a big bowl of potato salad. I do the old fashioned hard boiled eggs, pickle relish, onions, potatoes, celery salt and seed, pepper, dill, mustard, mayonnaise, a dash of 1000 Island dressing and refrigerate for a couple of days before the event so everything gets a chance to get acquainted and develop flavor. I've got dozens of potato salad recipes from magazines and various newspaper cooking pages, but I'm afraid there will be mutiny if I deviate from the old familiar salad we all know and love.

Several years ago, my live-in potato salad aficionado, John, and I went to Greece with some friends and some other nice folks who had chartered a yacht which came fully equipped with a very handsome captain who came to dinner each night wearing an impeccable white uniform with much gold braid. Dinner, by the way, was served on beautiful china with linen tablecloth, napkins, and a daunting array of silverware. Our Captain was charming and really knew his islands, many of which we visited. There were crew members who ran the boat, cleaned our cabin... and a chef. Oh, our chef! His galley, in full view of everyone at all times, was the size of a computer workstation. He created wonders in there, baked fresh yeast bread and cinnamon rolls every day and omelets so light you had to hold them down. We were served fish so fresh it was still wiggling. And potato salad. He made potato salad that was so simple, so easy, so delicious. Small red potatoes, chopped scallions, chopped egg, capers, and Greek olive oil. He only used Greek olive oil and was openly scornful of anything from Italy. His potato salad was served warm and I have never once had the courage to try it, feeling that my weak attempt would be sort of like trying to duplicate Michelangelo's David with play doh.



Whatever you do this July 4th weekend, be sure you have a great time with people you love, people who enjoy food, laughter, each other, and maybe you can sit out somewhere and see fireworks bursting in the sky. Put your feet in the water, have another hot dog and delight in every minute. Somewhere along the way, be sure to remember that freedom isn't free. It has been bought and paid for at great cost by people who gave all.

Happy 4th of July! God Bless America!

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“Tablespoon of Love, Tablespoon of Laughter” is available there...
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SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

During the week of Sunday, June 21st, to Sunday, June 28th, the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 300 calls for service.

Monday, June 22nd

At 11:14 am, Sierra Madre Police responded to the 400 block of Fairview Avenue regarding a disturbance report. Upon arrival, Officers were informed by the resident that her son had damaged her bedroom door then locked himself in his room. She feared he was damaging more property in his room because she could hear loud crashing noises. She stated the disturbance resulted after her son became upset after inquiring about new locks on his bedroom door, since he felt people were going into his room and stealing his possessions. When she informed her son that she would not change his locks, he became upset so she then went into her bedroom and locked the door. The son then began banging on her door, ultimately breaking it. He then locked himself in his room and she called the police for assistance. When Officers instructed the man to open his door, he refused. The woman provided a key to open the door, and as Officers entered the man attempted to close the door to keep the Officers out. Ultimately Officers were able to make entry and detain the suspect safely and without incident. The woman requested a private persons arrest for the act of vandalism. The man was arrested and booked at Pasadena Jail.

Thursday, June 25th

At 7:57 am, Sierra Madre Police responded to the 300

block of West Sierra Madre Blvd regarding a vandalism report. Upon arrival, Officers were informed by a small business manager that earlier that morning when she arrived at the location, she observed graffiti on the back wall of the business as well as on the trash dumpster. She stated that the day before when she left the location at 6:00 pm, there was no graffiti. Estimated cost of damage was set at about \$150. This case has been forwarded to the Detective Bureau.

Friday, June 26th

At 10:12 pm, Sierra Madre Police responded to Santa Anita Canyon Road regarding two intoxicated males with a dog attempting to break one of the locks off the gate at the location. Officers were informed by the reporting party that while she was waiting to be released from behind the gate when a vehicle pulled up behind her. She stated two males with a dog exited the vehicle and began walking around the area and appeared to be intoxicated. At one point one of the men attempted to force open the lock by hitting it with a rock, while the other suspect and the dog left the area. Upon arrival, Officers discovered one of the suspects standing next to the gate. While Officers questioned the suspect, they were overcome by the odor of an unknown intoxicant. The suspect stated to Officers that he had drank a lot of alcohol prior. Officers arrested the suspect for public intoxication. A system check informed Officers that the suspect also had three outstanding warrants from the Los Angeles Police Department. This case has been forwarded to the Pasadena Superior Court for filing.



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MANDATORY SPAY/NEUTER LAW TAKES EFFECT

Per a city of Pasadena ordinance that began Wednesday, all cats and dogs over the age of six months residing in Pasadena are required to be spayed or neutered according to Pasadena Humane Society officials.

Exempted cats and dogs include:

- A dog used by law enforcement agencies for law enforcement purposes;
- A service or assistance dog that assists disabled persons;
- A cat or dog which is unable to be spayed or neutered without likelihood of suffering serious bodily harm or death due to age or infirmity. Cat and dog owners are required to present written confirmation from a licensed veterinarian if their cat or dog is unable to be spayed or neutered; or
- A cat or dog used to show, to compete, or to breed, and which is of a breed recognized by and registered with the American Kennel Club (AKC), United Kennel Club (UKC), American Dog Breeders Association (ADBA), Cat Fancier's Association (CFA), The International Cat Association (TICA), American Cat Fancier's Association (ACFA), or other approved cat or dog breed registries.

Also starting Wednesday, the annual dog licensing fees will be \$16.16 for spayed/neutered dogs, and \$76.16 for unaltered dogs.

Pasadena Humane Society, 361 South Raymond Ave., Pasadena, is open 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday, and 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday, and is closed on Mondays.

Related News, Dogs, cats and other animals are easily frightened by the loud booms and bursts of 4th fireworks and may run away. In response, PHS will be open additional hours including Sunday, July 5 at 9am for pet reunification only. The shelter will be open from 11am to 5 p.m. Monday, July 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to facilitate pet reunification requests only. For more information, call (626) 792-7151, ext. 115, or visit pasadenahumane.org.

Pet of the Week



Buttercup (A379068) is a 1-year-old, female pit bull weighing about 50 pounds. She enjoys the company of people and loves other dogs. She is a regular out on our mobile unit and plays well with other dogs her size. She is a fast learner and responds well to training.

The adoption fee for dogs is \$125, which includes the spay or neuter surgery, microchip, and vaccinations.

New adopters will receive a complimentary health-and-wellness exam from VCA Animal Hospitals, as well as a goody bag filled with information about how to care for your pet.

Call the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA at (626) 792-7151 to ask about A379068, or visit at 361 S. Raymond Ave. in Pasadena. Adoption hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

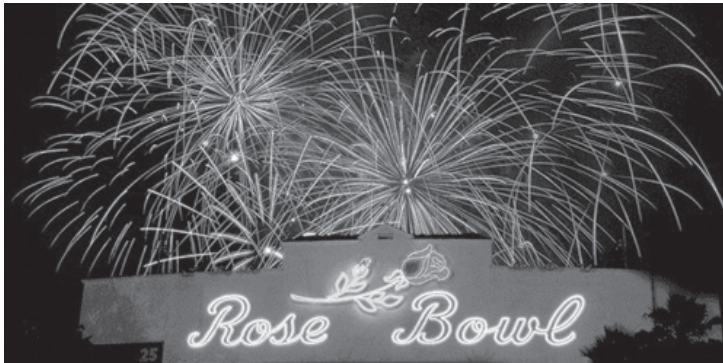
Pets may not be available for adoption and cannot be held for potential adopters by phone calls or email. Directions and photos of all pets can be found at pasadenahumane.org.



Pasadenans Together Celebrate 129

Braving the heat, newly elected Mayor Terry Tornek (pictured above) along with city council members, Assemblymember and former Pasadena City Councilman Chris Holden, residents, public leaders and other dignitaries, cut a cake Sunday afternoon celebrating the city's 129 years since incorporation. The event was part of "Happy Birthday Pasadena: Forward Motion!" hosted by Pasadena Museum of History and the city. Along with cake, party goers also got to view cars, bicycles, and other vehicles that were innovative for their time—both a century ago and today. Two exhibitions When Johnny Came Marching West: How the Civil War Shaped Pasadena and Thaddeus Lowe: Chief Aeronaut of the Union Army were also open to the public. Both exhibitions run through September 20. Normal admission to the galleries is \$7 per person; Museum members and children under 12 are free. Photo D. Lee/MVNews.

Rose Bowl to Host Largest 4th of July Fireworks Show



Recognized as one of the nation's largest and longest running 4th of July fireworks shows, the Rose Bowl presents its 89th annual AmericaFest celebration today with a spectacular nighttime display of more than a ton of fireworks.

Thousands of special effects fireworks will be launched from the stadium as part of the Rose Bowl's daylong family-friendly entertainment extravaganza featuring live motorcycle stunts, a musical performance by the Liverpool Legends, the ultimate Beatles cover band experience, celebrating the 50th anniversary of when Elvis and the Beatles first met in Los Angeles, and a screening of Despicable Me 2 presented by Universal Pictures immediately following the fireworks show.

Darryl Dunn, general manager of the Rose Bowl said, "Each year the Rose Bowl strives to provide families with the best fireworks show in the West, and this year we will surpass anything we've ever produced

for our Independence Day celebration."

This year's celebration will take place on Saturday, July 4, with opening ceremonies, including the Presentation of Colors and the National Anthem.

AmericaFest will feature live motorcycle stunts by TNT and musical performances by both the Liverpool Legends and an Elvis impersonator.

A Family Fun Zone outside the stadium will open at 2:00 p.m. and offers food vendors, entertainment, crafts, exhibits and inflatable rides for the kids.

Tickets for AmericaFest, presented by Honda, are on sale now at Ticketmaster (800) 745-3000 or at www.ticketmaster.com. Tickets are priced at \$13 for general admission and \$25 for reserved. Children 5 years and under are admitted free. Event parking is \$25 per car vehicle at all lots. Veterans who present a valid Military ID will gain free admittance; those tickets can be obtained from ticket booth near Gate B beginning 3:00 p.m.

Altadena Crime Blotter

Sunday, June 21st

11:00 AM – A vehicle burglary occurred in the 2300 block of E. Washington Boulevard. Suspect(s) entered the vehicle by shattering the rear passenger window. Property Stolen: orange Home Depot tool box, keys.

11:00 AM – A vehicle burglary occurred in the 1500 block of N. Allen Avenue. Suspect(s) entered the vehicle by unknown means. Property Stolen: black Garmin GPS, handicap placard. 8:15 PM – A residential burglary occurred in the 1700 block of Midlothian Drive. Suspect(s) entered the residence via unknown means. Property Stolen: stainless steel dishwasher, white tub, linens, rugs. *Location is vacant, suspects possibly known. On-going investigation.

Monday, June 22nd

6:02 PM – Raeanna Williams was arrested in the area of Glenrose Avenue and Figueroa Street for possession of marijuana for sales.

6:30 PM – A grand theft occurred at 24 Hr. Fitness, 2180 Lincoln Avenue. Suspect(s) entered the men's locker room and removed a lock from a gym locker. Property Stolen: black Samsung Note 3, black/silver Motorola Razor, black Samsung Galaxy S3, brown wallet, keys, clothing, currency. On-going investigation.

Wednesday, June 24th

2:01 AM – A battery occurred in the 3000 block of La Corona. Suspect described as a female, Black, 20-25, 505, 130, black hair, brown eyes. Victim stated

she was taking pictures of a room she rents and was confronted by the suspect. The suspect is related to the victim's landlord. Investigation is on-going. 6:30 PM – Joshua Muema was arrested in the parking structure of 24 Hr. Fitness, 2180 Lincoln Av. Suspect taken into custody for possession of stolen property. On-going investigation due to other thefts from the same location.

Friday, June 26th

4:54 AM – Montrese Jackson was arrested in the 200 block of E. Altadena Drive for assault with a deadly weapon (knife). Suspect was taken into custody for stabbing an acquaintance during a physical altercation. Both involved parties where consuming alcohol at the time of incident. Injuries to victim are non-life threatening. 4:00 PM – A vehicle burglary occurred at 24 Hr. Fitness, 2180 Lincoln Avenue. Suspect(s) entered the vehicle by shattering the front passenger window. Property Stolen: blue/black lunch box, gray handbag, misc. paperwork.

4:08 PM – Brendan Gripp and Jess Willard were arrested in the area of Allen Avenue and Sonoma Dr. for drinking in public. 4:40 PM – Rosendo Bonilla was arrested in the 800 block of W. Altadena Drive for being drunk in public. 10:00 PM – A vehicle vandalism occurred in the 700 block of La Vina Lane. Suspect(s) broke the side view mirror, scratched the window and side of the vehicle.

Swimming Opens at Local Pools

Five local Pasadena area pools are now open for swimming and water sports activities through Aug. 14, officials announced this week.

The pools are, Blair High School, 1201 S. Marengo Ave.

Coral Center Pool, 2750 New York Dr. (no recreational swim offered at this pool)

Pasadena High School, 2925 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.

Robinson Park Recreation Center, 1081 N. Fair Oaks Ave. Villa-Parque Community Center, 363 E. Villa St.

Officials also said the La Pintoresca Park "Splash Pad" water play facility is closed this summer due to the city's water conservation efforts. They are exploring ways to update the equipment with a state-of-the-art water recirculation system to collect and recirculate water used during operations.

All pools except the Coral Center pool are open for recreational swim from 1-3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Villa-Parque pool has extended recreational swim hours from 12-3 p.m. Saturdays; the Pasadena High School pool is open from 1-3:30 p.m. Saturdays and the Blair High School pool is also open from 12-3 p.m. Sundays.

Recreational swim fees are \$1 for youth ages 6-17 and senior citizens ages 50 and over. Children 5 or younger can swim free of charge, but all minors must be accompanied at all times by an adult. Recreational swim fees for visitors 18-49 are \$2.50, and swim passes for families of four are available for \$53 each. Recreational swim is free for Pasadena Unified School District students with a valid ID.

Other swim options can be found at the Rose Bowl Aquatics Center, www.rosebowlaquatics.com

Authors on Asia: Mobeen Ansari

Join USC Pacific Asia Museum Sunday, July 26, 1:00 p.m. for a talk with Mobeen Ansari, author of Dharkan: The Heartbeat of a Nation. Ansari, a Pakistani photojournalist from Islamabad and graduate of the National College of Arts, explores his country through portraits and stories of both iconic and ordinary people. A slideshow of his photographs will accompany the talk. Prints and books will be available for purchase at our store.

Program included with Museum admission. USC PAM is located 46 North Los Robles Avenue. For info call 626.449.2742.

Pasadena News Briefs

Police crash curser during chase

A Pasadena police officer was taken to the hospital after his police car broadsided another vehicle Wednesday night as he was responding to the call of other officers chasing a suspect fleeing police.

According to police, they received a 911 call shortly after 5:30 p.m. of a man making threats armed with a gun in the 100 block of West Peoria Street. At that time, the injured officer was responding to the call when he stuck an unrelated vehicle at the corner of Euclid Avenue, a block from the Pasadena Police station headquarters.

Pasadena Fire information officer Lisa Derderian said the officer was transported to the hospital. The other driver was treated at the scene.

The fleeing suspect was arrested after being caught by police trying to make a U-turn at Orange Grove Boulevard near Marengo Avenue.

Police arrested Eric Blanco of Pasadena for alleged terrorist threats and evading police.

Man with a knife, threatens employees, later dies

Police blocked off Colorado Boulevard at Hill Avenue early Thursday morning during an investigation of man who entered a Carl's Jr. Restaurant claiming he had a knife and refusing to leave.

JPL/NASA Maps Beach Tar from Oil Pipeline Spill



In response to the on-land pipeline ruptured north of Santa Barbara, NASA deployed a De Havilland Twin Otter aircraft carrying a unique airborne instrument developed by NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, to study the spill and test the ability of imaging spectroscopy to map tar on area beaches. The work is advancing our nation's ability to respond to future oil spills the agency announced this week.

The pipeline ruptured north of Santa Barbara, on May 19 — spilling 105,000 barrels of crude oil onto Refugio State Beach and about 21,000 gallons of oil into the Pacific Ocean in the north Santa Barbara Channel the study found.

"Mapping tar on beaches using high-resolution imaging spectroscopy techniques that can identify tar of this type has never been done before, and is a natural extension of oil-on-water remote sensing," said Leifer. "NASA deployed

According to police, when officers found the man around 1:30 a.m. outside the business he was acting weird and fidgety. Officers handcuffed the man and called paramedics. The man died as he was being transported and pronounced dead at Huntington Hospital. The situation is under investigation. Police were unsure if the unidentified man had mental health or medical issues.

Colorado Boulevard was opened back up at 8 a.m. according to police.

Man tries to kidnap, rob, woman at Paseo Colorado mall

According to police a Pasadena woman escaped a would be robber in the parking structure of the Paseo Colorado mall Wednesday morning after the woman was approached by a man claimed to have a gun—the woman was able to run away.

Officers said the woman was approached shortly before 11 p.m., by a man, as she got out of her car. Simulating a weapon, the woman was told to get back in her car, she was being rodded. As the, would be robber became distracted by a passing vehicle, the woman ran into the mall and contacted the security. Police later arrested Joshua Brandon McKnight of Pasadena at the Jackie Robinson Community Center for Kidnapping and attempted robbery.

Free July Events at the Pasadena Senior Center

There is something for everyone in July at the Pasadena Senior Center, 85 E. Holly St. All events listed are free.

You do not have to be a member. Some events require reservations.

Concerts in the Park – Tuesdays, through Sept. 1, from 6 to 7 p.m. The bandshell at Memorial Park, just behind the Pasadena Senior Center, will be hopping with entertainment with this series! June 30: Pam Kaye and the Tap Chicks. July 7: Janet Klein and her Parlor Boys. July 14: Mariachi Bella. July 21: Susie Hansen Latin Jazz Band. July 28: Pasadena Summer Youth Chamber Orchestra. Bring a picnic or purchase dinner at the BBQ snack bar.

Friday Movie Matinees Fridays, July 10 and 17, at 1 p.m. July 10: The Hundred-Foot Journey (2014, PG) starring Helen Mirren and Om Puri. July 17: Showboat (1951, NR) starring Howard Keel and Kathryn Grayson.

Sample Classes for Summer – Monday and Tuesday, July 6 and 7, from 9 a.m. to noon. As the registration period for summer classes approaches, anyone can sit in on mini versions of more than 20 of the most popular classes from arts and computers to foreign languages and Zumba Gold, meeting the instructors and learning more about the courses.

Smart Phones, Tablets and

Computers – Any Questions? – Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 7 to 30, from 10 to 11 a.m. Get the answers you need about technology devices, whether you own them already or are considering a purchase. Learn how to text, check voicemail, set an alarm, navigate the Internet, download apps and more.

Understanding Clutter and Hoarding – Are you or someone you know overwhelmed by clutter or hoarding? Hoarding disorder is estimated to affect between two and five percent of the population. Explore the symptoms and possible causes of this newly identified disorder, get your questions answered and learn about available resources for anyone who wants to get treatment. A boxed lunch will be served to the first 50 people who RSVP to 626-795-4331.

Food Distribution Program Date Change – Friday, July 10, at 9 a.m. The program is ordinarily scheduled the first Friday of every month. Due to the Fourth of July holiday, the program will take place one week later on Friday, July 10. Please note the program is available only to eligible low-income seniors who have pre-registered by calling 626-685-6732.

Greater Los Angeles Job Fair – Saturday, July 11, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. 50+/seniors, recent graduates, veterans, mid-career workers, displaced employees and others will learn about job opportunities.

ARCADIA CHAMBER HOLDS ASSISTING HANDS HOME CARE RIBBON-CUTTING JULY 10

Arcadia Locals Open National Franchise Providing In-Home Care

ARCADIA, CA –Assisting Hands Home Care of Pasadena is celebrating the Grand Opening of their office located in Pasadena with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Open House presented by the Arcadia Chamber of Commerce on Friday, July 10th, 4:30pm at 2500 E. Foothill Blvd, Suite 209, Pasadena. There is parking in the lot behind the building. Assisting Hands Home Care is a national franchise providing in-home care services to seniors, the disabled, and other individuals needing assistance. Owners, Marina and Ken Joe have been residents of Arcadia for over 25 years. As the local owners and operators, they are very excited to be serving the San Gabriel Valley and the Foothill Communities. At Assisting Hands, their core purpose is to provide exceptional home care that enriches the lives of their clients and provides peace of mind for their families. They offer their clients personalized in-home support services, assisting the elderly, disabled and others needing assistance to maintain their quality of life. Their services include care coordination - assisting with post-hospitalization care and follow-up, personal care - such as assisting with grooming and mobility, homemaking services - including meal preparation and light housekeeping, and companionship. They have experienced first-hand the challenges of caring for aging loved ones and want to be a support and comfort to you.

ADVISORY: LOOK BEFORE YOU LOCK! NEVER LEAVE A CHILD OR PET INSIDE A PARKED CAR - NOT EVEN FOR A MINUTE!

Dear Mountain Views News,

Tragically, a 3-year-old child was left in a car on Father's Day in the [City of Pomona](#) and ultimately died from over heating. This type of tragedy is preventable and an important topic throughout the year, but even more so with temperatures heating up.NEVER leave a child or pet inside a parked car, Not Even for a Minute! This video (link below) from [Safe Kids USA](#) demonstrates how quickly temperatures can rise inside a vehicle. Even with windows cracked, temperatures will rise well above outside temps creating a dangerous environment inside the vehicle.

LOOK Before You Lock! No matter what the errand or drive, look around, check the back seat... never leave your child or pet inside the car. Not Even for a Minute!

Should you find a child or pet inside a parked vehicle, call the local police, or dial 911 if they appear in distress.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b3NfWl6j24>

Get detailed, up-to-date emails and text messages specific to your community from the Arcadia Police Department by registering for "Nixle" alerts at: <https://local.nixle.com/register/> You can also register for alerts and advisory text messages only by texting your zip code to 888777. (Standard text messaging rates may apply, depending on your cell phone plan). Nixle provides community wires nationwide. Once registered, you can subscribe to messages from other areas that service your relatives or other loved ones, or other locations of interest to you.



CITY OF ARCADIA

The City of Arcadia was represented by 57 participants in the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation (SCMAF) Championship Track Meet at Warren High School in Downey on Sunday, June 7, 2015. These athletes competed against several other regions across California. Overall, athletes representing Arcadia finished as follows:

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| 2 | first place |
| 10 | second place |
| 13 | third place |
| 6 | fourth place |
| 5 | fifth place |
| 2 | sixth place |
| 2 | seventh place |
| 3 | eighth place |
| 2 | ninth place |
| 2 | tenth place |
| 1 | eleventh place |

For more information please contact the Recreation and Community Services Department at 626.574.5113.

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INCIDENT: DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM AT AN INHABITED DWELLING

Date and Time of Release: Thursday, July 2, 2015 at 2:05 AM
On July 01, 2015, at approximately 11:55 PM, the Arcadia Police Department received a call of gunshots heard in the 600 block of Sharon Rd. Officers responded and discovered multiple rounds had been discharged into a residence.

No injuries were reported as a result of the gunshots.

An ongoing investigation is being conducted by Arcadia Police Department Officers and Detectives. Anyone with information is asked to call the Arcadia Police Department at (626) 574-5150. You can also submit crime tips and information via text, phone, or web to LA Regional Crime Stoppers, (800) 222-TIPS (8477).

WELCOME SET FOR GOOD SHEPHERD'S NEW PASTORS

The congregation of Church of the Good Shepherd is planning a festive welcome for their two newly appointed ministers and their families Sunday, July 5. The Rev. George Hooper has been named to serve as senior pastor. He most recently ministered at Vista. Lydia Sohn, a U.M. Elder, will be the associate pastor. Following the 10 a.m. worship service, where Rev. Hooper will preach here for the first time, the United Methodist Men will host a barbecue. The United Methodist Women will provide ice cream sundaes. Church of the Good Shepherd, United Methodist, is at 400 W. Duarte Road, Arcadia. For more information: 626-447-2181 or www.cgsun.org.

ARCADIA POLICE BLOTTER

For the period of Sunday, June 21st, through Saturday, June 27th, the Police Department responded to 1,050 calls for service of which 115 required formal investigations. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during this period.

Sunday, June 21:

Just before 10:22 a.m., officers responded to Arcadia Methodist Hospital, 300 West Huntington Drive, regarding a male subject making criminal threats toward hospital staff. The 43-year-old male from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania became combative when officers tried to escort him from the hospital. The suspect was arrested for Battery on a Peace Officer and was transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

At approximately 8:34 p.m., an officer responded to the Westfield Shopping Town, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a stolen vehicle report. Sometime between 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., the victim's Acura Integra was stolen from the parking lot near The Cheesecake Factory. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

Monday, June 22:

At about 12:44 a.m., officers responded to Genda Jewelry, 629 West Duarte Road, regarding an alarm activation. An investigation revealed unknown suspect(s) used a round projectile to break the glass front door. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located. The suspects did not enter the business and no loss was reported.

At approximately 6:21 a.m., an officer responded to Arcadia High School, 180 Campus Drive, regarding a commercial burglary report. Surveillance footage revealed two unknown males forced open the school's vending machines and stole cash and coins. The investigation is ongoing.

Tuesday, June 23:

Around 12:09 a.m., an officer responded to the Arcadia County Park, 405 South Santa Anita Avenue, regarding a solo traffic collision. Upon contacting the driver, the officer detected a strong odor of alcohol emitting from her person. Through a series of tests, the officer concluded the 38-year-old female from Houston, Texas was under the influence of an alcoholic beverage. She was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Just after 2:00 p.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 400 block of Fairview Avenue regarding a burglary report. An investigation revealed an unknown suspect entered the residence through a large, open window and stole the victim's handgun. The investigation is ongoing.

Wednesday, June 24:

Shortly after 8:20 a.m., an officer responded to Embassy Suites, 211 East Huntington Drive, regarding a grand theft report. Surveillance footage revealed an unknown male picked up the victim's backpack from the café area and exited the hotel through the main entrance.

RECORD-BREAKING CROWD AT HISTORIC ARCADIA ELKS LODGE EVENT ARCADIA FORMER MAYOR AND ELKS FOUNDER JIM HELMS AT ARCADIA CHAMBER MIXER

ARCADIA, CA (June 29, 2015) – A record-breaking crowd of 157 individuals attended the Arcadia Chamber of Commerce's mixer/ribbon cutting for the Arcadia Elks Lodge 2025 on Thursday, June 23. A good time was had by all. And good business too – A handful of first-timers at the Lodge signed up to be members of the civic group.Arcadia Chamber CEO Scott Hettrick, who served as Master of Ceremonies for the evening, noted that the Arcadia Elks were formed in 1957 by former Arcadia Mayor Jim Helms, a lawyer who was also recently presented a Business Icon tribute. Scott introduced an emotional Helms, who received loud applause. Many attendees were setting foot in the spacious lodge for the first time.

Current Exalted Ruler of the Elks, Robert DiGioia, said the Elks is a national organization serving our nation's Veterans, youth and the local community. The local Elks Lodge puts on a number of big events each year including serving 600 meals to our veterans and providing them with gifts during the Christmas holiday. They also support scouting and are greatly involved in drug awareness. Scott also noted that the Elks national organization is nearly 150 years old and is responsible for getting Congress to declare June 14 an annual Flag Day.

The ribbon cutting portion of the event featured the presentation of a certificate from Mayor Pro Tem Roger Chandler on behalf of the City of Arcadia. Councilman Chandler thanked Jim for all of his hard work over the years in founding the Elks Lodge and congratulated all members of the Elks for all that they do for our community. Arcadia Chamber of Commerce President Andrew Gregson of The Executive Factor presented a plaque for being active in the community for decades and being a member of the

The investigation is ongoing.

At about 12:45 p.m., an officer responded to the 300 block of West Norman Avenue regarding a vehicle burglary report. Surveillance footage revealed three Hispanic males stole the victim's lawn mower from his vehicle and loaded it into their white, Ford truck. The investigation is ongoing.

Thursday, June 25:

At approximately 7:43 a.m., an officer responded to a residence in the 000 block of West Palm Drive regarding a burglary report. The officer discovered unknown suspect(s) entered the residence while it was being tented for termites, and unknown property was taken. No suspects were seen and no witnesses were located.

Around 6:45 p.m., an officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of Huntington Drive and Santa Clara Street after a DMV check revealed the vehicle was stolen out of the City of Ventura. Upon contacting the driver, the officer discovered the 46-year-old female from San Gabriel was in possession of stolen property from a vehicle burglary committed in Alhambra, and the passenger, a 46-year-old male from South El Monte, provided a false name and had an outstanding felony warrant. Both suspects were arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Friday, June 26:

At about 12:08 a.m., an officer initiated contact with a subject who was stumbling in the parking lot of the Station Bar, 1218 South Baldwin Avenue. The officer determined the 23-year-old male from Rosemead was unable to care for himself. He was arrested and transported to the Arcadia City Jail for booking.

Just after 6:51 p.m., an officer responded to the 000 block of West Duarte Road regarding a hit and run collision with injuries. An investigation revealed an estranged husband and wife were arguing when the husband stood behind their car in an effort to prevent her from leaving. The wife reversed, hit her husband, a planter, and a business sign before fleeing the scene. The victim refused medical attention. The 59-year-old female from Rosemead is outstanding at the time of this report.

Saturday, June 27:

Just after 12:33 a.m., an officer conducted a DMV check on a vehicle in the area of Camino Real Avenue and Tenth Avenue. The check revealed the vehicle had expired registration however displayed a current 2015 sticker. The driver admitted to placing the fraudulent tag on his vehicle. The 44-year-old male from Fullerton was cited and released in the field.

At approximately 10:46 a.m., an officer responded to Macy's at the Westfield Shopping Town, 400 South Baldwin Avenue, regarding a petty theft report. Surveillance footage revealed the 46-year-old male from Cathedral City concealed numerous items of merchandise in shopping bags before exiting the store and failing to make payment. He was cited and released in the field due to medical concerns.



Arcadia Chamber for 20 years! Robert was also presented with Certificates of Recognition for the Elks from Viola Van representing Congresswoman Judy Chu; Clayton Arick representing Senator Dr. Ed Hernandez; and Adam Hsu representing Assemblymember Ed Chau. Chamber President-Elect Vicki Knight of Century Rooter & Plumbing presented a certificate from Los Angeles County Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich.

The evening featured wine and soft drinks at the bar, music by Leonard Mendoza, and appetizers including meatballs, chicken wings, cheese, vegetables and delicious cookies. If you would like to become a member of the Arcadia Elks Lodge please call (626) 445-2025 for more information.

CITY OF ARCADIA - SUMMER CONCERT & MOVIES IN THE PARK SERIES!

The Arcadia Recreation and Community Services Department proudly announces the Summer Concert and Movie Series for 2015!



activities each week. In addition, the City is pleased to announce The Grilled Cheese Truck at all of the 2015 Summer Concert Series! We look forward to making your hearts melt with all of our cheesy goodness. A portion of the proceeds will be given to the Recreation and Community Services Department! For more information, please call 626.574.5113. Listed below is the line-up for July 9th.

Yard Sale (Popular Music) and Environmental Fair – July 9, 2015

Yard Sale is a high-energy, 8-piece, horn-driven band that covers all the best dance tunes from the 70s through today. In addition to the 45+ summer concert series events they have done, Yard Sale is proud to say they've been rockin' the Downtown Disney stage since 2013, and they're ready to bring that top quality, family-friendly entertainment straight to you! From Earth, Wind and Fire, Stevie Wonder, Pat Benetar, and Van Halen to Adele, Katy Perry, Pharrell Williams and Bruno Mars - this band truly does it all. Plus - there will be fun stuff tossed out to the kids, beach balls flying, and dancing galore! No amateurs here...the band consists of touring/studio musicians and music educators who have been doing this for

20+ years. In short, Yard Sale is a bootie-shakin', old school, funky sounding, hard rockin' band that will truly knock your socks off!

Also tonight we will be hosting an environmental fair to kick off the summer. Start this summer off right, visit these booths for useful information!



Movies in the Park

The Movies in the Park are held on Friday evenings with activities starting at 6:30pm and movies starting at dusk on the lawn between City Hall and the Police Department (240 West Huntington Drive). Movies in the Park provided in partnership with CHOICCESS Arcadia.

Hook (PG) – July 10, 2015

A grown up Peter Pan returns to Neverland when Captain Hook kidnaps his children. The exciting chase is on! Join us for the first movie of the summer.

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HISTORIC DEPOT RFP ISSUANCE PENDING

During the past several months, staff has been working to develop an overall plan for addressing the adaptive reuse of the Historic Depot. A key component of that plan has centered on the possibility of selling the facility to a developer / user, with the condition that the new owner revitalize and restore the facility in a manner consistent with the City's vision for the Station Square area. To help make the economics of the project work, the City does have restricted funding that must be used this calendar year that are applicable towards upgrading the Historic Depot facility. We have spoken with a number of development and restaurant interests regarding the site, and we do believe that the overall facility would best integrate into the Station Square area as a restaurant use of some sort. To that end, we have been working to develop an overall RFP packet, which includes preliminary architectural concept designs. We plan on finalizing the overall RFP within the next 2-3 weeks, and we will of course keep everyone informed as to our progress on this project moving forward.

CANYON PARK AND HILLSIDE WILDERNESS PRESERVE AREAS SET TO BE CLOSED JULY 3-5, 2015

After a thorough review of the potential fire dangers during the upcoming 4th of July weekend, Canyon Park and the Hillside Wilderness Preserve will be closed on July 3-5, 2015. Among the issues that have been identified by our Fire Department as reasons for the weekend closure include typical 4th of July activities, expected high temperatures, low humidity, and the fires that are burning in the region.

LIBRARY SET TO BE CLOSED BETWEEN JULY 2-5, 2015

Just a quick note to let everyone know that in preparation for and clean-up of the City's annual 4th of July Concert and Fireworks Show, the Library will be closed between July 2-5, 2015. Normal operations at the Library will resume on Monday, July 6, 2015.

STATION SQUARE PAVING UPDATE

The road paving portion of the overall Station Square Project was initiated this past week. Our construction crews worked around the clock in an effort to keep the project on schedule, and there were a few residents who raised concerns regarding the night-time paving work and the noise associated with the construction activity. The Monrovia Police Department and our Public Services Department worked together to ensure that all impacted residents were provided with relocation options until the night-time construction work was completed, and many thanks to everyone for their patience with the City given the traffic, residential, and business impacts that have resulted from our Station Square Project!

MT. SIERRA COLLEGE UPDATE

Last week, representatives from Mt. Sierra College met with City staff and informed us of their operational plans. After considering a variety of potential locations, it appears that Mt. Sierra College is now looking to lease around +/- 25,000 square feet of space in the Monrovia Technology Campus, located at the south-west corner of Mountain Avenue and Royal Oaks Drive. Based on our discussions with Mt. Sierra representatives, they are hoping to sign a lease to occupy the new facility in the near future, and if all goes according to plan, they hope to move into the new facility by the end of this current calendar year. We will continue to monitor this situation moving forward.

4TH OF JULY CONCERT AND FIREWORKS SHOW

Just a quick reminder that the City of Monrovia's renowned 4th of July Concert and Fireworks Show is scheduled to take place in Library Park (321 South Myrtle Avenue) on Saturday, July 4, 2015. After saving seats for the Fireworks show, those who attend the event can look forward to great shopping and dining along Myrtle Avenue. Live entertainment featuring the band Person to Person will begin at 7:00 p.m., followed by the free 20-minute spectacular Fireworks Show at 9:00 p.m.

Spectators may reserve a park space no larger than 10' x 10' which must be supervised at all times. A new program that will be offered this year is a decorating contest, where spectators display their patriotic decorations within their 10' x 10' park space, with a chance to win a prize for most patriotic, most creative, or the judges award! It should be a tremendous event and we hope that the entire community will come on out to join us for the fun and festivities!

MONROVIA POLICE BLOTTER

During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 440 service events, resulting in 71 investigations. To see a complete listing of crimes reported, go to <http://www.crimemapping.com/map/ca/monrovia> for crime mapping. For Police Department news and information, visit our website and follow us on Twitter.

Bicycle Accident June 22 at 9:39 a.m., an officer responded with Monrovia Fire Department paramedics to the dirt fire road in the Angeles National Forest above Monrovia's Canyon Park. A male adult bicyclist reportedly fell off his bike on the trail. This incident was reported by a Park Ranger. The bicyclist suffered minor injuries and was treated by paramedics.

Driving Under the Influence – Suspect Arrested June 22 at 11:43 a.m., a motorist reported a female driver in a vehicle traveling in front of him that he believed was intoxicated. Both vehicles stopped at Shamrock and Colorado. Officers arrived and detained the driver. Field sobriety tests were conducted and the driver was arrested for DUI. She was taken into custody and held for sobering. She was later released with a citation to appear in court.

Vehicle Burglary June 23 at 12:23 p.m., a vehicle burglary was reported in the 100 block of South Madison Avenue. The rear window of a 2014 Chevy Tahoe was broken open and the suspect(s) stole the rear seat from the vehicle. Time of occurrence is unknown. The investigation is continuing. Residential Burglary June 24 at 6:03 a.m., a house sitter was staying at a residence in the 300 block of Highland Place and was asleep upstairs all night at the home. Sometime during the night, the house was toilet papered, and it appears that someone entered an unlocked side window and ransacked the house, stealing a computer tablet and a small amount of cash. The house sitter did not wake up during the incident. The investigation is continuing.

Driving Under the Influence/Possession of a Controlled Substance – Suspect Arrested June 24 at 8:34 p.m., officers observed a male subject driving a motorcycle at night with the headlight off. He drove through the intersection of Colorado and Monterey at approximately 35 mile per hour, honking as he drove through, failing to stop for the stop sign, and swerving back and forth. The officers stopped the driver at Violet and Lime. The driver appeared to be intoxicated. Standard field sobriety tests were conducted and the driver was arrested for DUI. He was also found to be in possession of a controlled substance. The suspect was taken into custody and held for sobering. He was later released with a citation to appear in court.

Petty Theft – Suspect Arrested June 25 at 4:14 p.m., officers were dispatched to a residence in the 900 block of South California regarding a juvenile taking a delivered FedEx box from a porch. The officer arrived and located the suspect in a park across the street. The suspect was positively identified by a witness to the theft; he was arrested and taken into custody. The suspect was later cited out to a parent.

Theft From a Vehicle June 26 at 8:42 a.m., a vehicle burglary was reported at a residence in the 700 block of West Huntington. The victim had parked his truck in his driveway, but forgot to put the lock on the outer toolbox. Miscellaneous tools were stolen from the vehicle. The investigation is continuing. Vehicle Burglary June 26 at 11:09 a.m., two vehicles were reported burglarized in the 900 block of South Primrose. The reporting party's company had parked two trucks in front of the location at approximately 8:00 p.m. All of the tool boxes, windows and doors were secured. The next morning at 8:00 a.m., an employee came to work and saw both vehicles had been broken into, ransacked, and miscellaneous equipment had been stolen. The investigation is continuing.

Vehicle Burglary June 26 at 9:02 p.m., a vehicle burglary was reported at a business parking lot in the 500 block of West Huntington Drive. The victim parked and went into a store. He returned to his vehicle

approximately an hour later and saw his vehicle, a white Escalade, had been broken into and the third row seat was missing. The investigation is continuing.

Driving Under the Influence – Suspect Arrested June 27 at 12:24 a.m., officers conducted a traffic stop on the 210 Freeway, just past the Myrtle onramp. During the contact, the officer observed several signs that the driver had been drinking. After investigation, the driver was determined to be driving under the influence of alcohol and was arrested, taken into custody, and held for sobering.

Driving Under the Influence – Suspect Arrested June 27 at 1:11 a.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop in the 400 block of West Huntington for a vehicle code violation. During the contact, the officer determined the driver had been drinking and was intoxicated. The driver was arrested for DUI and held for sobering.

Bicycle Theft/Shoplifting – Suspect Arrested June 27 at 3:16 p.m., an officer was flagged down by the victim of a bicycle theft that had just occurred in Duarte. The officer obtained a detailed description of the bike, then directed the subject to the Sheriff's substation to report the theft. The officer drove west on Huntington Drive and saw a male subject riding a bike that matched the exact description of the stolen bicycle. He followed the suspect to a business and saw the suspect drop the bike as he went into the store. When the male exited the store, he was detained. It was quickly discovered that the suspect had just shoplifted from the store. The suspect was positively identified by the victim as the suspect who stole the bicycle; he was arrested for both crimes and taken into custody.

Possession of Methamphetamine/Suspicious Circumstances – Suspect Arrested June 27 at 8:31 p.m., a resident from the 600 block of West Maple called police to report a male adult subject had burst through a door at their residence yelling for help; he appeared bloody, disoriented and scared. The subject ran down a hallway and into a bedroom. The residents went into another bedroom, closed the door and called police. Officers responded, set up containment of the area and requested additional resources. Officers from Irwindale and Arcadia responded to assist in the search, along with a canine unit from Glendora and the Foothill Air Support Team helicopter. Officers determined the location of the residents and rescued them. The suspect had gone out the window of the bedroom and broke into a second location, where he was found by officers, hiding in the garage. During a search of the suspect, he was found to be in possession of methamphetamine; he was arrested and taken into custody. The suspect claimed to have been involved in a confrontation with another male subject armed with a gun. Police have not been able to substantiate the information reported by the suspect. The investigation is continuing.

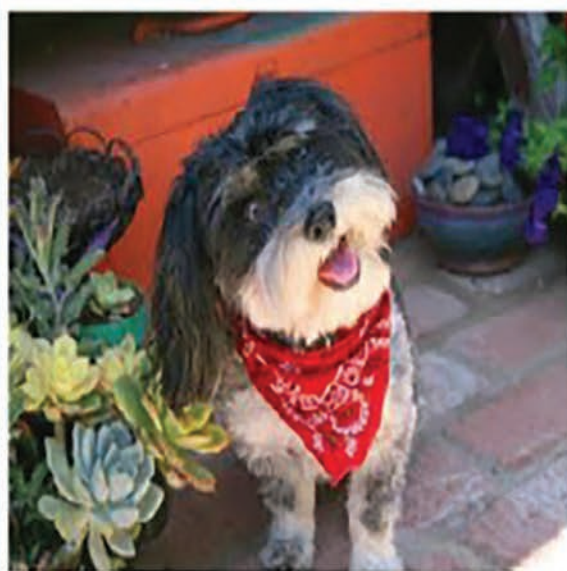
Residential Burglary June 28 at 1:50 p.m., officers responded to a residence in the 500 block of Sombbrero regarding a possible burglary. A neighbor noticed an unsecured door and knew the residents were not home. When officers entered the residence, they found it had been ransacked. The suspects had stolen jewelry and cash from the home. The Investigation is continuing.

Stolen Vehicle June 28 at 2:35 p.m., a vehicle was reported stolen from the 200 block of West Lemon. The victim had parked and locked her vehicle in the rear alley behind her residence at approximately 8:00 a.m. She returned to her vehicle at 2:35 p.m. and it was gone. The vehicle stolen is a 2013 Toyota RAV4. The Investigation is continuing. Stolen Bicycle – Suspect Arrested June 28 at 3:51 p.m., a bicycle theft in progress was reported at business in the 100 block of East Olive. The suspect threw the bicycle in a vehicle and fled. The Foothill Air Support Team helicopter responded to assist in the search, and the vehicle and stolen bicycle were located in the backyard of a residence in Baldwin Park. The suspect exited the rear of the residence and was arrested and taken into custody.



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GATTO’S BILL TO CREATE YELLOW ALERT, APPREHEND HIT-AND-RUN PERPETRATORS PASSES SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

SACRAMENTO, CA – It was a close call. After surviving a “no” recommendation from the chair and some strong lobbying efforts against AB 8, the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee passed legislation to reduce the number of hit-and-runs on an 11-0 vote. The legislation by Assemblyman Mike Gatto (D-Glendale) will institute the “Yellow Alert” system, allowing law-enforcement officials to engage drivers in helping identify and apprehend hit-and-run drivers. The bill was able to pass after pedestrian, cyclist, and street-safety groups statewide rose up and let the committee members hear about how important the bill is to apprehend suspects who commit hit-and-run crimes. The committee also heard tearful testimony from Julie Creed, whose son was badly injured in a hit and run, only to lose his friend in a separate hit-and-run incident just months later. The bill will permit law-enforcement officers to use the state’s existing network of freeway signs to broadcast information about vehicles suspected in hit-and-run incidents. Alerts will be issued by local law-enforcement when there is a sufficient description of the offending vehicle or the identity of the suspect is known. However, this “Yellow Alert” system will be limited to the area where the hit-and-run crime occurred and will only be used when the hit-and-run results in death or serious bodily injury. The legislation will also give California Highway Patrol (CHP) the ability to prioritize the alerts if they happen to occur on the same day. When Denver created a similar alert system in 2012, they saw a 76% arrest rate in cases where the alert was activated, compared to a previous arrest rate of around 20%. The success of the program prompted Colorado’s legislature to implement the program statewide. “It’s gotten to the point to where not a single week goes by without seeing another hit-and-run tragedy occurring,” said Gatto. “People flee because they know there’s little chance that they’ll be caught.” Hit-and-run accidents are becoming so out of hand that local officials and community members are starting to take action themselves. Los Angeles City officials are now offering a \$50,000 standing reward for information in hit-and-run cases, and the mother of a hit-and-run victim in Orange County has petitioned every city in that county to create a hit-and-run alert system. L.A. Weekly reported that, in 2009, 48% of collisions in Los Angeles were hit-and-run incidents and USA TODAY called Los Angeles “ground zero” for hit-and-run incidents. The Los Angeles Police



Department reported that 80% of all hit-and-run crimes were unsolved from 2008 to 2012. However, the problem goes beyond the Greater Los Angeles Area. An article by the East Bay Express revealed that in 2014, only 3% of hit-and-run crimes in Oakland involving bodily injury led to charges being filed. “California has the existing alert infrastructure in place and it costs us next to nothing to use it,” said Gatto. “I have no doubt the Yellow Alert System would help apprehend criminals and have them brought to justice.” In 2013, Gatto authored AB 184, which doubled the statute of limitations to prosecute hit-and-run drivers. In 2014, he authored AB 47 and AB 1532, the latter of which would require mandatory license suspension for anyone convicted of a hit-and-run involving a person. Despite the bipartisan support and narrowly tailored language of AB 47, Governor Brown vetoed the bill last September. Mike Gatto is the Chairman of the Consumer Protection and Privacy Committee, and the longest-serving member in the State Assembly. He represents California’s 43rd Assembly District, which includes Burbank, Glendale, La Cañada Flintridge, La Crescenta, Montrose, and the Los Angeles neighborhoods of Atwater Village, East Hollywood, Franklin Hills, Hollywood Hills, Los Feliz, and Silver Lake. www.asm.ca.gov/gatto

FIRE OFFICIALS URGE EXTREME CAUTION AS FIREWORKS GO ON SALE

CAL FIRE Offers Safety Tips this Fourth of July

Sacramento – With the Independence Day holiday rapidly approaching, CAL FIRE is reminding all Californians and visitors to do their part to prevent fires caused by illegal fireworks or the misuse of “Safe and Sane” fireworks. On Sunday, June 28 “Safe and Sane” Fireworks went on sale in approximately 300 communities throughout California. Although fireworks are a symbolic display of patriotism during this time of celebration, they can be dangerous when handled incorrectly or used in the wrong environment. “As we head into the fourth summer of a severe drought, it is more important than ever that everyone use an abundance of caution to avoid sparking a fire,” said Chief Ken Pimlott, director of CAL FIRE. “Here in California we have a zero tolerance for the use and sale of illegal fireworks.”

There are also legal ramifications when it comes to certain types of fireworks. Possession of illegal fireworks such as sky rockets, bottle rockets, roman candles, aerial shells, firecrackers and other types that explode, go into the air, or move on the ground in an uncontrollable manner can lead to a possible fine of up to \$50,000 as well as prison time or jail for up to one year. Even “Safe and Sane” fireworks taken into a city or county where they are banned are considered illegal.

The State Fire Marshal approved “Safe and



Sane” fireworks are allowed for use in many communities; however, they are not approved state-wide. Before purchasing these types of fireworks, be sure to check your local ordinances and follow the instructions to avoid accidents and injuries.

“Safe and Sane Fireworks are only as safe as they are used,” said State Fire Marshal Tonya Hoover. “Last year alone there were over 300 fires sparked by fireworks. We want everyone to enjoy their celebrations in a safe and legal manner.”

Fireworks Guidelines:

- First check that fireworks are allowed in the area of use
- Make sure the firework has the State Fire Marshal “Safe and Sane” seal
- Purchase only from legitimate organizations authorized to sell
- Have a bucket of water, sand or garden hose available at firing site
- Read all instructions before use
- Never alter, modify or enhance fireworks – use only in the manner intended
- Make sure fireworks have proper clearance from flammable materials including dry grass and brush

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ARCADIA NAMED THIRD BEST SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR YOUR BUCK IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

San Francisco, CA (July 2, 2015) – NerdWallet, a consumer advocacy website, recently conducted a study to determine which school districts offer parents the best value for their money in Southern California – and Arcadia Unified ranked third. While many top-rated schools are located in prohibitively expensive communities, NerdWallet sought to highlight sunny Southern California's hidden gems and analyzed 153 districts spanning ten counties. The study weighted cost of living metrics against the following school quality indicators: standardized test scores, college readiness, and class size.

Arcadia Unified School District in Los Angeles County has 11 schools that offer student-teacher ratios of about 22:1. The average SAT score is 1789, and about 84% of students go on to postsecondary education. The high school offers several Advanced Placement and honors courses, and earlier this year, the school unveiled a \$3.8 million library, media center and cafeteria. This summer Arcadia High School will also be unveiling a brand new pool and state-of-the-art sports medicine facility. During this year's Super Bowl, a commercial featured a performance by the Arcadia High School band. The school's Quiz Bowl team won the national championship, and four other academic teams competed at national championship tournaments. The district is also the host of the annual Arcadia Invitational Track and Field meet, which is the largest high school sporting event in the country, and also hosted the first-ever Arcadia Innovation Summit recently. An impressive 31 Arcadia High School students were named National Merit Scholarship semifinalists this past school year, and three juniors received perfect scores on their SAT exams. The district makes our top five due to its varied opportunities for its students and commitment to excellence.

PARENTS PLAY A BIG ROLE IN KEEPING TEEN DRIVERS SAFE

(StatePoint) For teens, getting behind a wheel can seem like an exciting taste of freedom. But too much leeway too soon can have dangerous results. Car crashes are the number one killer of teens, and half of all teens will be involved in a car crash before graduating high school, reports the National Safety Council (NSC).

Luckily, states with a Teen Safe Driving Coalition are helping change the game. The Coalitions -- comprised of state and local government, law enforcement, public health agencies, traffic safety and injury prevention organizations, academia, businesses, teens, parents and crash survivors -- were established by NSC and The Allstate Foundation. They have worked at the grassroots level for the last four years to educate parents and teens about the risks of teen driving. Coalitions exist in California, Florida, Maryland, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Texas to offer solutions for parents to help teens be safer.

The results have been effective. Crashes involving 15- to 17- year-old drivers in Coalition states have dropped nearly 34 percent since the Coalitions were established four years ago, whereas non-coalition states have experienced just a 19.5 percent drop, according to NSC analysis of

federal fatality data.

The Coalitions' success is in part because they promote a program that indisputably saves lives. Graduated Driver Licensing (GDL), a proven method of reducing teen drivers' crash risk by 20 to 40 percent, works by maximizing experience while minimizing common driving risks teens face, such as nighttime driving and carrying teen passengers. This allows new drivers to gain experience with less exposure to high-risk scenarios. All 50 states and D.C. have implemented some form of GDL.

"Beyond legislation, parents have a role to play as well," says Kathy Bernstein, senior manager of teen driving initiatives, NSC. "As the number one resource when it comes to teaching teens to drive, parents should stay involved well after teens get their licenses."

With that in mind, Bernstein is offering some life-saving tips to families with new drivers:

- Parents should drive with teens regularly even after they receive their license. A minimum of 30 minutes weekly can help ensure that safe driving skills are being employed.
- Talk with teens about managing distractions, such as phones -- both

ROTARY AWARDS LOCAL WOMAN PEACE FELLOWSHIP IN SWEDEN

By Marilyn Diaz

In August Sierra Madre resident Lindsey Doyle will head to the University of Uppsala, Sweden for 18 months to complete studies in the Rotary Foundation's Peace Fellowship. Ms. Doyle, who grew up in La Canada-Flintridge, is a graduate of Georgetown University and has previously worked and studied in Costa Rica and Argentina.

The Rotary Club of Sierra Madre nominated Ms. Doyle for the Rotary Foundation's premier scholarship program. The Foundation selected Ms. Doyle, one of 11 Rotary scholars chosen from throughout the United States, to attend peace studies programs in one of seven universities around the world. Through this experience, Rotary Peace Fellows build the skills needed to act as leaders and catalysts for peace and conflict resolution both in their communities and around the globe.



handheld and hands-free -- the radio, other young passengers, and even beautiful roadside scenery. When teens are driving, they must stay focused on the task at hand.

- Mile for mile, 16 and 17 year-old drivers are about three times as likely to be involved in a fatal car crash at night than during the day, according to "Injury Prevention," a peer review journal. Parents should give teens opportunities to learn nighttime driving skills with an adult supervisor in the car.

- One of the best ways for teens to learn to drive is by example. So practice safe habits always.

- Visit the Drive it Home site at www.DriveItHome.org for resources, such as weekly driving lessons and the New Driver Deal, a contract which parents and teens can create together that outlines household driving rules and the consequences for breaking them.

"Remember, it's not whether teens are 'good kids' or 'responsible.' New drivers share one thing in common -- lack of experience," says Bernstein. "The more practice driving teens get, the better."

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The camp session culminates with each of the three age-based divisions performing for an audience on the Theatre's main stage. The young actors will perform scenes and monologues from Shakespeare's plays on Thursday, July 16, or Friday, July 17.

Education and Community Outreach Director Alicia Green, who holds a master's degree in educational theater from NYU's Steinhardt School, administers ANW's summer programs. She advises, "Our camp is unique in that each of the three levels imparts social interaction and skill sets that have been designed to be entirely age appropriate. Equally important, our campers have the unique experience of working with established professionals in the theatrical arts."

Summer With Shakespeare takes place Monday, June 15th -- Friday, July 17th 2015*, Monday -- Friday from 10am to 4pm (* no camp on Friday, July 3rd, Independence Day). A Noise Within is located on the corner of Foothill Boulevard and Sierra Madre Villa Avenue at 3352 East Foothill Blvd., Pasadena, Ca 91107.

The five-week camp costs \$1,550, (weekly options and payment plans available) and a \$350 deposit is required by Monday, May 25th, 2015

(not including Summer With Shakespeare t-shirt or tickets to the Final Performance). For details, contact Alicia Green, Director of Education, at 626.356.3104 or email education@anoisewithin.org.

About A Noise Within

A Noise Within, founded in 1991, is among the country's pre-eminent presenters of classical theatre and is the leading presenter of these plays in Southern California. The company's mission is to produce world-class performances of the great works of drama in rotating repertory with a resident company; to educate and inspire the public through programs that foster an understanding and appreciation of history's great plays and playwrights; and to train the next generation of classical theatre artists.

Originally based in a former Masonic Temple in Glendale, the company moved to its present home—a building of architectural distinction designed by Edward Durrell Stone of Kennedy Center fame—in 2011. Helmed by Producing Artistic Directors Geoff Elliott and Julia Rodriguez-Elliott, who hold MFAs from San Francisco's American Conservatory Theatre, A Noise Within delivers a seven-show repertory season and a wide range of educational programs to diverse audiences from Los Angeles County and well beyond. Voted "Best Theatre" by readers of Time Out Los Angeles and recommended by readers of Pasadena Weekly, A Noise Within is indeed "California's Home for the Classics."



Happy Tails

by Chris Leclerc

SAFE SUMMERTIME FUN
WITH YOUR PETS

July is here, and the heat is on in Southern California. In fact, July is one hot month not just because of the sun, but also because of all the fun we get to have by taking part in the festive outdoor activities the city has in store for us. And because Sierra Madre is such a dog-friendly town, many of us like to enjoy the festivities accompanied by our furry, four-legged friends.

It's truly a hoot when our pets get to tag along for our outdoor summer celebrations, but do be sure you are well-prepared and take proper precautions to prevent your pet from succumbing to the heat. Sometimes the signs are not obvious until the situation becomes serious, so it is important to pay close attention and carry enough water, not just for you, but for your pup too.

If it is expected to get extremely hot while you are out and about, you may want to reconsider bringing your canine companion along at all. As much fun as they add to the mix, it may not be worth the risk.

If you leave your pet at home, make sure you set the controls on the AC low enough, just as you would for yourself. Whether or not you decide to leash your little loved one for an outing in the sun, here are a few helpful hints that will hopefully help prevent a canine crisis due to the extreme heat of summer.

Tips for Keeping Your Pet Cool in Hot Weather (source: spcaLA.com)

While you're cool indoors, think about your pets. Are they cool too, or are their lives in danger? A dog's normal temperature is at least 5 degrees higher than a human's. If they are confined in a yard or dog run, with no way to escape from the heat, they may easily become victims of a fatal heat stroke.

spcaLA offers the following hot weather pet care tips:

Water to prevent dehydration: Plenty of clean, cool drinking water is a must at all times.

Protection from the sun: If your pet must stay in the yard instead of the cool indoors, be sure he has adequate shade and ventilation.

Park your pet at home: Never leave your pet in a parked car, not even for five minutes. It could cost him his life. The temperature in a parked car can soar to 160 degrees within minutes, even with the windows left slightly open.

Emergency Care: If a pet is overcome by heat (detected by excess panting, heavily salivation, and/or immobility) immerse him slowly in cool water to lower his body temperature, then contact a veterinarian. Never immerse a pet in ice cold water, as it may cause shock.

Keep Pets Groomed: Clip long or matted coats short to help your pet stay cool, but remember that pets, like people, can get sunburned too and coats should not be TOO short.

Health Check: Carefully go over your pet's body at least once a week to check for fleas, ear mites and tiny bumps or cuts. Take your pet to the vet for a summer check-up and use a good flea/tick repellent recommended by your vet.

Fleas: Fleas need to be attacked on three fronts; on the pet itself, in the home, and in the yard.

Exercise: Exercise pets in the morning or in the evening, when it is cooler.

Prevent Burns: Dog pads (on the bottom of their feet) burn quite easily, so avoid hot surfaces such as asphalt on hot days.

Identification: With the hotter weather, families and their pets are outside more often, not to mention the noises of some 4th of July celebrations, increasing the chances of a pet getting lost. Make sure your pets always wear proper identification.

Fun Heat Relief Ideas:

Ice Cube Treats: Freeze edible mystery treats into ice cubes for your dog to lick and discover while you are away! Bits of vegetables and/or meat bits are excellent ideas for ice cube surprise inners!

Kiddy Pools: Fill a baby pool with water and let your dogs splash about at his leisure while you're at work. When you are at home, you can toss a bowl of ice cube treat in the pool water for him to hunt.

Frozen Pops: Make your dog a delicious frozen treat to enjoy! You can use canned pumpkin or fresh fruit minced with a processor to come up with some awesome cold creations that your four-pawed friend will love you for!

Hose-Play: Get out in the back yard with your best friend, and spray him down. Be sure and include yourself in the spray-play too! He will love you all the more for it!

It may seem kind of silly to some readers, to think there are people out there who don't already "get" the basics about how to properly care for their pets in summer, and hopefully most people are indeed very aware. However, for those who are still figuring it out, I sincerely hope this information helps. As always, I encourage everyone to appreciate the animals...please, love and let live!

TOBY...

Tuby, local folk hero, passed on at age 21 years. Guinness record is 25 for a Poodle! Tuby could be seen around town from his early morning 5:00 a.m. walks to his afternoon and early evening walks. He knew everybody at City Hall, the Police Department, the Fire Department, and was very popular with the local merchants in Sierra Madre. It was always endearing the way in which he pranced into local shops sniffing around as if he was a City Hall Inspector.

Tuby lived a wonderful life and was so well traveled, that his Uncle Al, from Santa Fe, New Mexico, pinned the nickname of Marco Poodle on him. Always the connoisseur,



Tuby feasted on grass-fed organic buffalo steak, broccoli, carrots, cauliflower and a small buckwheat pancake on Saturday mornings. He listened to Mozart symphonies his entire life and was very fond of taking hypnopompic naps with the Animal Channel on in the background. A life-long portable curmudgeon, Tuby liked to stick his head outside the passenger's side of the car window, ears flapping wildly, watching the world pass him by. On the penultimate

afternoon of his life, he was seen at Sierra Madre park gazing silently and contemplatively into the sunset.

MAYOR
ANTONOVICH'S
PET OF THE WEEK:
"SHELSIE"

LOS ANGELES COUNTY — At the Board of Supervisors meeting, Mayor Michael D. Antonovich presents "Shelsie," a 3-month-old Chihuahua Mix ready to be adopted into a loving home. For more information about adopting a pet, please call the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control at (562) 728-4610.

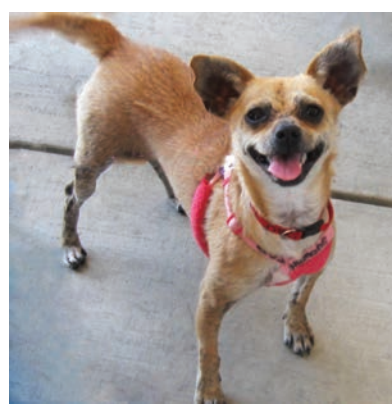


LOOKING FOR A BEST FRIEND?

Meet Shenzi! Shenzi was found abandoned in the Humane Society parking lot a few months ago. She is a petite Chihuahua mix, about 2 years old and weighs 9 pounds. Shenzi was nearly bald from mange caused by mites when she was found. After several months of treatment and weekly-medicated baths, Shenzi is now free of mites and has been cleared for adoption. Her fur is growing back, although she does have some scars as a reminder of her past life. Shenzi

has been through a lot for a young dog, but she is quite resilient. She has the happiest personality, and always greets everyone with a smile on her face. Shenzi loves people and will jump into the nearest lap for some cuddle time. She will generously give kisses in return.

Shenzi enjoys the company of other dogs, and gets along well with most of the dogs, large or small, that she has met at the shelter. She was abandoned with a much larger dog, and the two of them were best friends and loved to romp and play together. Shenzi and her current kennel mate are new best friends, and they can often be found wrestling with each other in a good-natured way. Shenzi is so outgoing that she has been a mentor to some of the shy new dogs that have spent time with her, drawing them out of their shells and helping



them adjust to shelter life.

Shenzi is a good ambassador for the shelter and has been selected to attend several off-site adoption events. Her joyful spirit is contagious and sure to bring a smile to those around her. Shenzi would make a happy addition to an active family that can give her the love she deserves.

Her adoption fee is \$120 which includes her spay surgery, a microchip, first vaccinations and a free wellness check-up at a participating veterinarian.

If you are interested in meeting Shenzi or any of the other available animals at the shelter, visit the San Gabriel Valley Humane Society at 851 E. Grand Ave., San Gabriel, Calif. 91776. It is open 10:00am to 4:30pm Tuesday thru Sunday. For more information, call (626) 286-1159. See their website at www.sgvhumane.org for information and photos of all their wonderful pets.

SGVHS Calendar Photo Contest: Pet photos wanted! If you have some great pet photos and want to share, the shelter welcomes your best photos in their second annual calendar contest. It's easy - just email your landscape (horizontal) format photos to sgvhscalendar@gmail.com. Tell your friends, family and co-workers! Everyone is invited to compete. The submission deadline is Saturday, July 11, 2015.

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TABLE FOR TWO by Peter Dills
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HOT DOGS AND THE SPIRIT OF 4TH OF JULY

The bad news my friends is that Denny Barry's 4th of July Party is waterless this year, the good news is, it's a great day for a hot dog. Over seven billion hot dogs will be eaten by Americans between Memorial Day and Labor Day. During the July 4th weekend alone (the biggest hot-dog holiday of the year), 155 million will be downed.

Every year, Americans eat an average of 60 hot dogs each. They are clearly one of the country's most loved, but most misunderstood, comfort foods.

Like most great events in History, there are varying accounts of how it all began and who started it. The history of the Hot Dog is no different. You will find many references throughout history to the origins of a Hot Dog-like thing called a sausage. Here are some stories of how the Hot Dog was born.

The invention of the Hot Dog, is often attributed to the 1904 Louisiana Purchase Exposition. However, similar sausages were made and consumed in Europe, particularly in Germany, as early as 1864, and the earliest example of a hot dog bun dates to New York City in the 1860s. German immigrants appear to have sold hot dogs, along with milk rolls and sauerkraut, from pushcarts in New York City's Bowery during the 1860s. The Hot Dog's association with baseball also predates the 1904 World's Fair. Chris von der Ahe, owner of the St Louis Browns, sold Hot Dogs at his ballpark in the 1880s.

Who's Served the First Hot Dog? Also in doubt is who first served the first Hot Dog. Wieners and frankfurters don't become Hot Dogs until someone puts them in a roll or a bun. There are several stories or legends as to how this first happened. Specific people were have been credited for for supposedly inventing the Hot Dog. Charles Feltman and Antoinette Feuchtwanger were among the few.

In 1867, Charles Feltman, a German butcher, opened up the first Coney Island hot dog stand in Brooklyn, New York and sold 3,684 dachshund sausages in a roll during his first year in business. He is also credited with the idea of the warm bun.

In 1880 a German peddler, Antoinette Feuchtwanger, sold hot sausages in the streets of St. Louis, Missouri. He would supply white gloves with each purchase so that his customers would not burn their hands while eating the sausage. He saw his profits going down because the customers kept taking the gloves and walking off with them. His wife suggested that he put the sausages in a split bun instead. He reportedly asked his brother-in-law, a baker, for help. The baker improvised long soft rolls that fit the meat, thus inventing the hot dog bun. When he did that, the Hot Dog was born. He called them red hots.

Although the exact origins of the Chicago Dog are not documented, Vienna Beef of Chicago claims the "Chicago-style" Hot Dog was invented by two European immigrants at the Chicago World's Fair and Columbian Exhibition in 1893.

What's in a name? Another story that riles serious hot dog historians is how term "Hot

Dog" came about. Some say the word was coined in 1901 at the New York Polo Grounds on a cold April day. Vendors were hawking hot dogs from portable hot water tanks shouting "They're red hot! Get your dachshund sausages while they're red hot!" A New York Journal sports cartoonist, Tad Dorgan, observed the scene and hastily drew a cartoon of barking dachshund sausages nestled warmly in rolls. Not sure how to spell "dachshund" he simply wrote "hot dog!" The cartoon is said to have been a sensation, thus coining the term "hot dog." However, historians have been unable to find this cartoon, despite Dorgan's enormous body of work and his popularity.



1893 - The 1893 Chicago World's Fair, also called the Columbian Exposition, brought thousands of visitors who consumed large



quantities of sausage sold by vendors. People liked this food that was easy to eat, convenient, and inexpensive.

Also in the same year, it is claimed that sausages became the standard fare at baseball parks. Some historians claim that Chris Von der Ahe (1851-1913), owner of a St. Louis Bar and the St. Louis Browns major league baseball team, introduced sausages to go with his already popular beer. He was a colorful character himself. A large man who wore loud, checkered clothing, Chris sat in a special box behind third base with a whistle and binoculars. He used the whistle to get the attention of players, for someone to get him a beer, or for special cops he employed for personal use and to keep tabs on his players. He bought the Browns in order to put himself in the limelight and to advertise his saloon business. Historians, to this day, have not found any research to back up the claim that hot dogs were sold at Sportsman's Park. Truly, "Necessity is the Mother of invention." = hot dog bun
The popularity of the hot dog and baseball – I know this may be very difficult for some Dodger fans but the love of the hotdog and baseball did not start with the Dodgers.
Program Note This Sunday Radio Show will be on at 2 PM KLAA AM 830 Dining with Dills



INGREDIENTS:

- 3 cloves Garlic crushed
- 1 tb Seasoned salt
- 1/2 c Oil
- 1c Fresh lemon juice
- 12 tsp Italian Salad dressing
- 1/2 c Chopped onions
- 1 Pepper
- 1 ts Crushed thyme
- 4 Rock Cornish Hens, giblets removed

DIRECTIONS:

Blend garlic, seasoned salt, oil, lemon juice, dressing, onions, pepper, and thyme. Marinate the birds overnight in the refrigerator.

Cut the birds lengthwise.

Cook on outside grill, bone side down 10 minutes, flesh side down 5 minutes, alternating 10 minutes and 5 minutes in this manner for about an hour and basting with marinade frequently (at least every 5 minutes) while barbecuing.

Serves 8.

If you can't get outside to barbecue, just use the oven method:
Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

Place skin side up in a shallow pan, baste with marinade, cover with foil and roast for 30 minutes.

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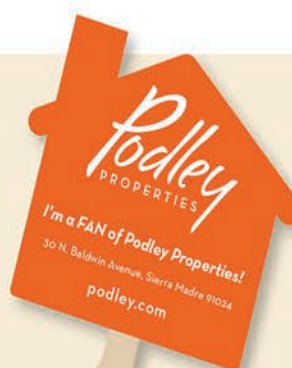
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Dear Savvy Senior,

I plan to apply for my Social Security benefits in September. When can I expect my first check? And, is direct deposit my only option for receiving my monthly payment?

Almost Eligible

Dear Almost,

Generally, Social Security retirement benefits (as well as disability and survivor benefits) are paid in the month after the month they are due. So, if you apply for your Social Security benefits in September, you will receive your September benefits in October.

The day of the month you receive your benefit payment, however, will depend on either your birthdate, or the birthdate of the person whose work record you're receiving benefits on.

If you're applying for benefits as a retired worker, your benefit payment day will be determined by your own birthdate. But if you're applying for spousal or survivors benefits based on your spouse's or (if you were married at least 10 years) ex-spouse's work record, your benefit payment date will be determined by his or her birthdate. Here's the schedule of when you can expect to receive your monthly check:

Birthdate is 1st through 10th of month: Payment day is second Wednesday of each month.

Birthdate is 11th through 20th of month: Payment day is third Wednesday of each month.

Birthdate is after the 20th of the month: Payment day is fourth Wednesday of each month.

There are, however, a few exceptions to this schedule. For example, if the day your Social Security check is supposed to be deposited happens to be a holiday, your check will be deposited the previous day. And, if you are receiving both Social Security benefits and SSI payments, your Social Security check will be deposited on the third day of the month.

You should also know that Social Security beneficiaries who started receiving benefits before 1997, their Social Security checks are paid on the



third day of the month.

To get a complete schedule of 2015 payment dates, visit ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10031-2015.pdf.

Direct Deposit Delivery

There are two ways you can receive your Social Security benefits today. Most beneficiaries choose direct deposit into their bank or credit union account because it's simple, safe and secure. But, if you don't like this option or if you don't have a bank account that your payments can be deposited into, you can get a Direct Express Debit MasterCard and have your benefits deposited into your card's account.

This card can then be used to get cash from ATMs, banks or credit union tellers, pay bills online and over the phone, make purchases at stores or locations that accept Debit MasterCard and get cash back when you make those purchases, and purchase money orders at the U.S. Post Office. The money you spend or withdraw is automatically deducted from your account. And you can check your balance any time by phone, online or at ATMs.

There's also no cost to sign up for the card, no monthly fees and no overdraft charges. There are, however, a few small fees for optional services you need to be aware of, like multiple ATM withdrawals. Currently, cardholders get one free ATM withdrawal per month, but additional monthly withdrawals cost 85 cents each not including a surcharge if you use a non-network ATM. To learn more about the Direct Express Debit MasterCard, visit usdirectexpress.com or call 800-333-1795.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

SENIOR HAPPENINGS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ... July Birthdays*

Nina Bartolai, Mary Lou Caldwell, Louise Neiby, Eunice Banis, Betty Hansen, Christine Durfort, Shahrzad Azrani, Jeanne Borgedahl, Janet Cox, Dorothy Montgomery, Bess Pancoska, Janet Swanson, Linda Thunes, Barbara Watson, Pat Alcorn, Karma Bell, Alice Clark, Dorothy Jerneycic, and Betty Dos Remedios.

*To add your name to this distinguished list, please call the paper at 626.355.2737. YEAR of birth not required.

Quote of the Week:

Seize the moment. Remember all the women on the Titanic who waved off the dessert cart. - Erma Bombeck



ACTIVITIES:

Unless listed differently, all activities are at the Hart Park House (Senior Center) 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre

YMCA San Gabriel Valley Intervale Senior Café: Monday-Friday at 12:00 Noon

(Participants are urged to arrive no later than 11:45 A.M.)

All seniors 60 and up can take part in the lunch program. There is a suggested donation of \$2.00 for those 60 and over and \$3.75 for non-senior guests. Daily reservations are necessary as space is limited. Please call 24 hours in advance...626.355.0256

HAWAIIAN AND POLYNESIAN DANCE CLASS: Every Tuesday morning from 10am to 11am. Join instructor Barbara Dempsey as she instructs you in the art of hula.

BINGO: Every Tuesday beginning at 1:00pm. Cards are only \$0.25 each! Everyone is welcome to join. May be canceled if less than 5 people.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE TESTING: 2nd Tuesday of the month from 11am to 12pm. No appt. is necessary.

CASE MANAGEMENT: Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month. Case Management services are provided by the YWCA and provide assistance in a variety of areas. Appointments are required and can be scheduled by calling the HPH Office at 626-355-7394.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS: Every second Thursday of the month the Hart Park House Senior Center celebrates birthdays of our patrons. The free birthday cake is provided by the Sierra Madre Civic Club.

GAME DAY: Every Thursday starting at 12:45pm. A regular group of seniors play poker. Other games available for use.

TAX ASSISTANCE: Every Thursday February 5th through April 9th from 1:00pm-2:00pm. Don Brunner is available for income tax consultation. Appointments are required, call 626-355-7394.

FREE STRENGTH TRAINING CLASS: Every Friday from 12:45pm to 1:30pm with Lisa Brandley. The class utilizes light weights for low impact resistance training. All materials for the class are provided.

SENIOR CLUB: Every Saturday at the Hart Park House Senior Center. Brown bag lunch at 11:30am. Club meeting at noon. Bingo 12:30-3:30pm. Annual Membership is only \$10.00.



UPCOMING EXCURSIONS:

Ganna Walska Lotusland (Santa Barbara) Date: July 17, 2015
Time: 7:30am to 5:00pm

Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center Cost: \$45.00 (Does not include lunch)
Description: Lotusland features an enormous diversity of exotic plants from around the globe arranged in nearly 20 gardens, each distinctive in design. The garden now covering the estate were created by Ganna Walska, a well known Polish opera singer and socialite, who owned the property from 1941 until her death in 1984. She spent 43 years of her life designing unusual display gardens with exotic plants. We will take a two hour docent guided walking tour. The tour includes both horticultural and historical information. There will be time to visit the Garden Shop at the end of the tour. Lunch will be on your own at nearby restaurants. Participants should bring money for lunch and souvenirs. Last day to register is Wednesday, July 2nd. Level of Walking: Medium to High

California Science Center (Los Angeles) Date: August 12, 2015

Time: 9:30am to 5:00pm

Meeting Location: Hart Park House Senior Center Cost: \$28.00 (Does not include lunch)

Description: The California Science Center in cooperation with the Israel Antiquities Authority is Proud to present the largest Dead Sea Scrolls exhibition ever mounted outside of Israel, featuring over 600 ancient artifact on display. We will also see Jerusalem in the IMAX Theater. Through breathtaking aerial footage, eye-opening personal stories and remarkable historical perspective, Jerusalem takes views inside the heart of the ancient city in ways never seen before. Lunch will be on your own. There is Trimana-Grill, or Market and Coffee Bar at the Science Center for you to enjoy a meal or light snack during your visit. Participants should bring money for lunch and souvenirs. Last day to register is Wednesday, August 5th. Level of Walking: High

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Notification of the cancellation must be made at least 3 business days before the excursion. A refund will only be issued 1) for a medical excuse or 2) if the Department is able to fill the patrons spot from a waiting list. This refund will be issued in the form of a credit which will be applied to the patron's account with the City, less a \$11 cancellation fee. The credit will remain on your account for one year from the date issued and the credit may be used for any program or service offered by the Community Services Dept.

SEASONAL FUN AT THE SENIOR CENTER

Need a way to keep cool during the warmer months? Paper fans are a breeze to make and a great summer craft project. Come and join us on Thursday, July 16th, in making paper fans and stay cool! Craft making will begin at 11:00am. All supplies will be provided.

Increased Fees for Senior Meals

After several meetings of the YWCA Senior Services Advisory Council, the Council Members voted to increase the suggested donation for both group-dining meals and home delivered meals from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per meal and non-senior meals from \$3.75 to \$5.00 per meal beginning July 1, 2015. This was not an easy decision for the Council Members to make but unfortunately both general operating costs and the cost of purchasing meals from various caterers have increased significantly over the past years. However, it is very important for you to know that we want you to continue to participate in our meal programs and that we want to emphasize that the suggested donation is and will remain a voluntary and confidential donation. Anyone having questions about the suggested donation policy and the donation procedures may call the YWCA Senior Services Director at 626-214-9466.

Ex-covert operative Bryan Mills (Liam Neeson) and his ex-wife, Lenore (Franke Janssen), are

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enjoying a reconciliation with his ex-wife when she is brutally murdered. Consumed with rage and framed for the crime and flees, Bryan goes on the run to evade the relentless pursuit of the CIA, FBI and police. For the last time, he channels his rage and particular set of skills into hunting down Lenore's real killers, taking his revenge and protecting the one important thing left in his life: his daughter, Kim (Maggie Grace). Start time: 1:00pm (run time 89 minutes)

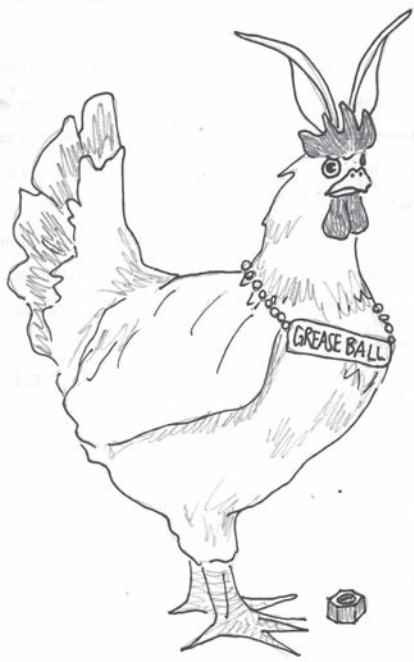
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KATIE Tse.....This and That

“GREASE BALL,” THE CHICKEN

It's been a while since I've written about my dad's cousin, Phil, a.k.a. “The Most Interesting Man in the World!” My parents had Phil and his wife over for dinner the other night, and the next day they told me that I simply must write about “Grease Ball,” the chicken.” So I called Phil to get the scoop.



Back in 1940, Phil was eight years old. One day as he was walking to his father's shop in Pasadena, he stopped at the original Simpson's Feed Store on Colorado and bought a baby chick for 13 cents. His dad's automotive shop was on the way, and, as Phil tells it, the chicken never made it to their house, but instead took up residence at his dad's shop. There was a German shepherd named “Big Boy” who also lived there, so the chicken grew up believing herself to be a dog, even sleeping on her side with her legs sticking out. Body shops aren't the cleanest places in the world, so the chicken perpetually sported a layer of grease and oil, earning her the name “Grease Ball.”

Grease Ball had some interesting habits. She developed a taste for eating non-food items, such as 9 millimeter nuts. One of the workers was working under a car and had the nuts in a tin next to him. Grease Ball discretely picked them out while the guy wasn't looking. That didn't go over too well. Despite Grease Ball's meddlesome tendencies, she was still beloved by the workers, who often shared their beer with her.

Grease Ball also enjoyed visiting the nearby arcade establishments. There was a mechanic shop next to Phil's dad's place, and Grease Ball tried to build a nest in a keg of nails. She also roosted in the In/Out mailbox and other inconvenient locations. The oddity of the situation eventually drew the attention of the local media, and Grease Ball was featured in Ripley's “Believe it or Not” column in the newspaper. Phil and his parents received many letters from people who didn't believe the story. Someone even sent them a roll of toilet paper with a note that read, “For your chicken!”

Grease Ball unfortunately met an untimely end in an open lot by “Mother Goose's Shoe” restaurant. The back door of the restaurant was adjacent to Phil's dad's shop. Grease Ball would sometimes meander into the kitchen. She liked the French fries, and even tried to nest in the fry basket. The chef would often chase her out, wielding a meat cleaver.

Although it would have been nice to say that Grease Ball ended her days peacefully, at least she lived a fuller life than most chickens, and she supplied Phil with entertaining stories that have delighted his family and friends for over seven decades. Pretty good for 13 cents!

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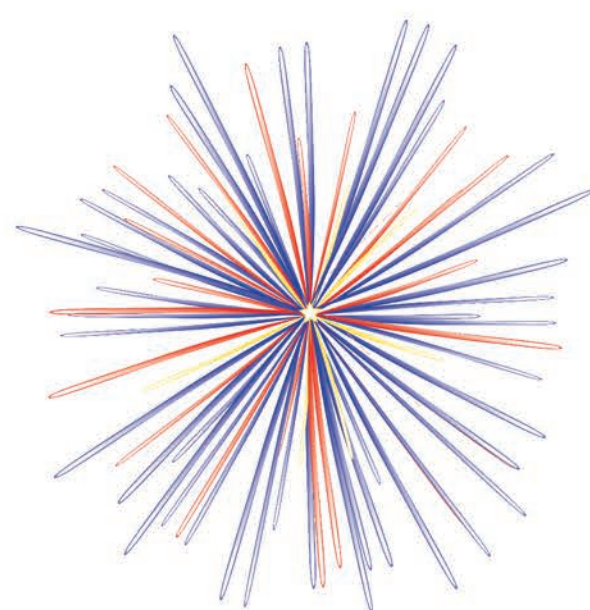
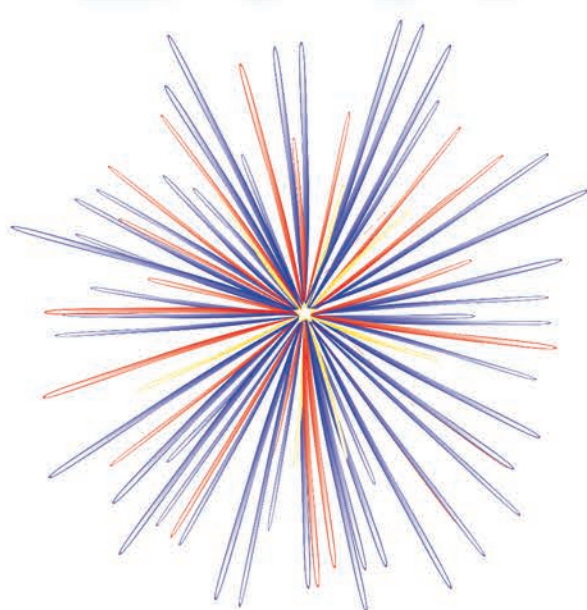
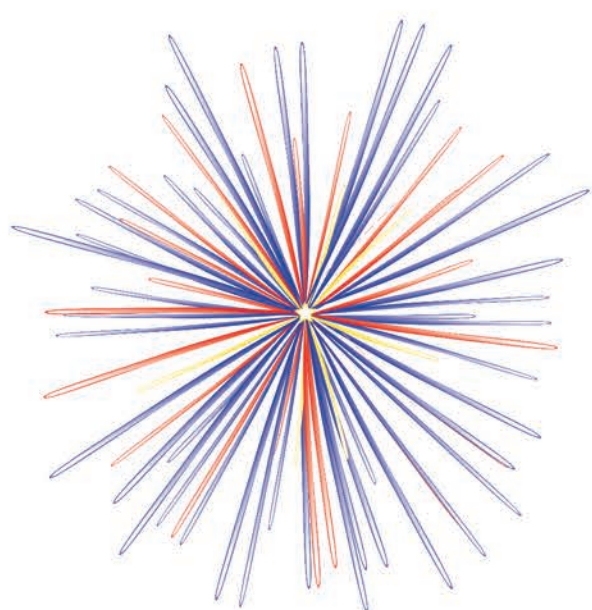
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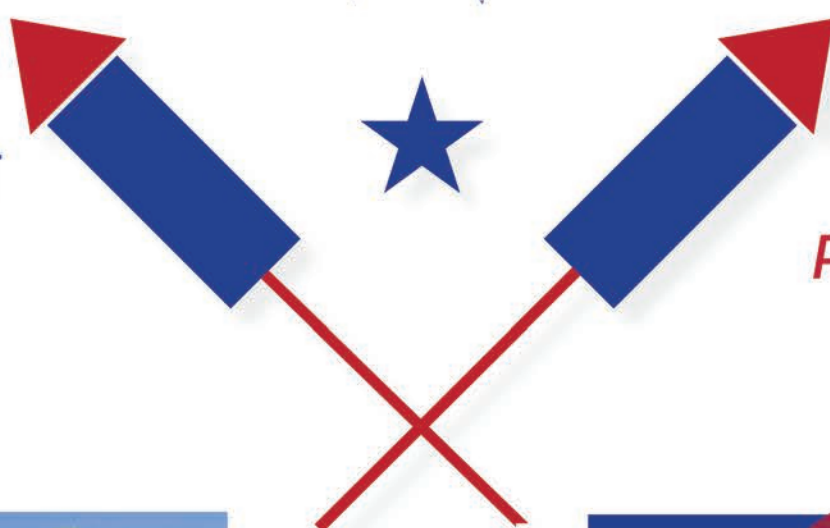


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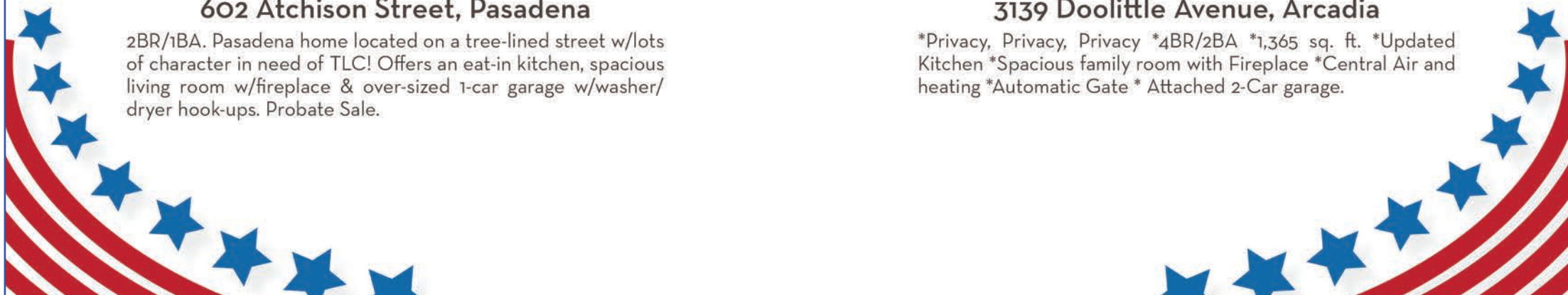
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IN CONGRESS, July 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America,

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.--That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, --That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security.--Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good.
He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.
He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only.
He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures.
He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people.
He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within.
He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.
He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers.
He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries.
He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harrass our people, and eat out their substance.
He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our legislatures.
He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil power.
He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:
For Quartering large bodies of armed troops among us:
For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:
For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world:
For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:
For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury:
For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences
For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies:
For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:
For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.
He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.
He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people.
He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty & perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation.
He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.
He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions.

In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people.

Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our Brittish brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.

We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine

Note: The 56 signatures on the Declaration appear in the positions indicated.

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Georgia: Button Gwinnett Lyman Hall George Walton	North Carolina: William Hooper Joseph Hewes John Penn South Carolina: Edward Rutledge Thomas Heyward, Jr. Thomas Lynch, Jr. Arthur Middleton	Massachusetts: John Hancock Maryland: Samuel Chase William Paca Thomas Stone Charles Carroll of Carrollton Virginia: George Wythe Richard Henry Lee Thomas Jefferson Benjamin Harrison Thomas Nelson, Jr. Francis Lightfoot Lee Carter Braxton	Pennsylvania: Robert Morris Benjamin Rush Benjamin Franklin John Morton George Clymer James Smith George Taylor James Wilson George Ross Delaware: Caesar Rodney George Read Thomas McKean	New York: William Floyd Philip Livingston Francis Lewis Lewis Morris New Jersey: Richard Stockton John Witherspoon Francis Hopkinson John Hart Abraham Clark	New Hampshire: Josiah Bartlett William Whipple Massachusetts: Samuel Adams John Adams Robert Treat Paine Elbridge Gerry Rhode Island: Stephen Hopkins William Ellery Connecticut: Roger Sherman Samuel Huntington William Williams Oliver Wolcott New Hampshire: Matthew Thornton

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Nobody does summer fun and the Fourth of July like Sierra Madre. And the Sierra Madre Civic Club is right in the midst of things providing opportunities for fun for the whole family. Following up our very successful Concert in the Park featuring a tribute to the Eagles, Civic Club will be participating in the Fourth of July activities by selling confetti eggs and sponsoring the games in the park.

At 11:00 AM, following the parade, there will be a community picnic and celebration in Sierra Vista Park, 611 E Sierra Madre Blvd, Sierra Madre. The games will begin at 12:30PM. Participants will take part in everything from three-legged races, sack races, wheelbarrow races, and the bunny hop (for ages 6 and under) to the shoe toss, the egg (not hard-boiled!) toss and the water balloon toss. Chairs Darlene Traxler and Sharon Murphy emphasize that the games are for the entire family since with the exception of the bunny hop, all the races and the shoe toss have different contests for participants in different age groups. Indeed, some of our fiercest competitors last year were the adults while the kids were the ones who laughed the most. The egg toss and the water balloon toss are for competitors of all ages and, as the messiest

of the contests, generally attract the most participants and elicit the most shouts and laughter. Ribbons will be awarded to the winners in all age groups, but really, everyone who participates comes away with a smile looking for all the world like a winner.

In addition to coordinating the games in the Park, the Sierra Madre Civic Club will again be selling their famous (at least in Sierra Madre) confetti eggs--hollowed out egg shells, filled with confetti, and covered with tissue paper. Look for Club members in Memorial Park on July 3, pulling a little red wagon along the parade route on July 4, and in Sierra Vista Park at the community picnic and celebration. The confetti eggs will cost \$1 for a half dozen, \$2 for a dozen, and \$3 for a carton of 18 eggs. Buy early before we run out so you don't miss the fun of hitting someone with an egg and generating a smile rather than a frown.

The Sierra Madre Civic Club is a civic and philanthropic organization that meets the second Thursday of every month at 7:30PM in the Hart Park House.



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SEAN'S SHAMELESS REVIEWS:

By Sean Kayden

TRUE DETECTIVE SEASON TWO IS WORTH YOUR TIME

If you're a fan of the first season of True Detective and haven't started the new season that premiered over two weeks ago, what are you waiting for? The opaque, brooding drama focuses on three law enforcement characters as well as career criminal, Frank Semyon played by the villainous Vince Vaughn. With a series of disappointing comedies throughout the years, it's great to see Vaughn in a much more serious role. After the first two episodes, he clearly pulls this role off very well appearing as a businessman, who's focus is on securing investors for a high-speed rail project set to begin construction next year. Dark and shady, Vaughn is quite compelling here as the "bad guy."

Colin Farrell plays Ray Velcoro, a detective in the Vinci, California Police department. I've always thought Farrell was magnetic on screen over the length of his career. He's not the finest actor in the world and hasn't made the best films there are, but he possesses something innate that allows him to just pull you, the viewer, in whenever he's presented on screen. In True Detective season two, Velcoro is both a drunk and a father. His life is a complete and utter mess. Well over a decade ago, his wife had been beaten and raped. Nine months later, she had a child, who looks nothing like Ray. He wants to believe he's the father, but never took a paternity test. While the police never officially caught the rapist, Vince Vaughn's Frank Semyon character found out who it was, told Ray, and they took care of him. Ray has been entangled with Frank ever since. Like Vaughn, Farrell is terrific, showcasing his true talents playing a broken and bruised detective and troubled father.

Ani Bezzerides played by the powerful Rachel McAdams is a detective in the Ventura County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division. She is outwardly deficient of any emotion other than perhaps anger. She has a father, who's into a very experimental hippie lifestyle. He runs a commune, and she has a sister, Athena, where she was exposed for doing webcam porn when Ani and her partner raided the house she was living at with others. This is a great role for McAdams who is terrific playing a dominant, independent, strong

female character. Everyone here is captivating and the characters are what truly draw you in when watching this season of True Detective.

Paul Woodrugh played by Taylor Kitsch ("Battleship," "Savages," "Friday Night Lights") is the a bit of a mystery. He's a California Highway Patrolman who, in the first episode, gets suspended with pay after pulling over a woman who offers a sexual favor in lieu of a ticket. While he seems so far more like a third tier character compared to the others, a few offhand comments by his girlfriend suggest he was a private military contractor, likely in Afghanistan or Iraq. In the first episode, it is shown that he has burn marks across much of his upper body. While it seems he's had less screen time than the other actors thus far, Kitsch still plays a key role here. He's low key, almost aloof. He is dealing with some deep, heavy pain inside of him. While the other two law enforcements are more expressive with their anger, Kitsch is much more detached with his Woodrugh character.

All the personas in this season are intensely flawed. They're all shattered human beings. The characters are extremely well written even if the plot becomes a bit confusing or befuddled along the way. The end of episode of two will have you scratching your head. However, after two episodes, you should be hooked on TD is prescribing. If you were a fan of the first season, I must tell you the tone and pacing is different. It's still dark and deliberately paced, but it's unlike the days in Alabama with Matthew McConaughey and Woody Harrelson and their memorable one on one conversations. So, if you haven't started this season just yet, don't go in with any huge expectations that correspond to season one's viewing. This go around is a fresh take on a police serialized series. I am totally digging the way they changed things up, keeping me engaged from the first frame to its last. It's menacing, it's intriguing, it's gripping and True Detective season two may be the best offering of television currently on air.

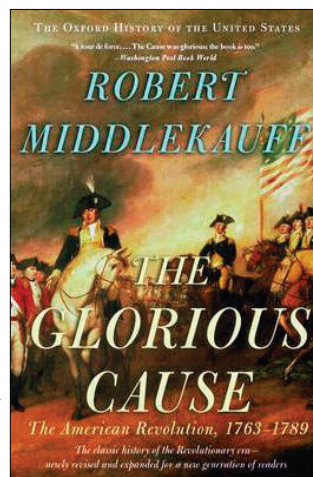
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Jeff's Book Picks By Jeff Brown

THE GLORIOUS CAUSE: THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION: 1763-1789

by Robert Middlekauff

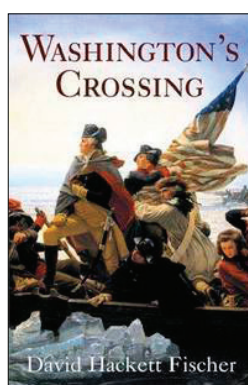
This critically acclaimed volume offers an unsurpassed history of the Revolutionary War and the birth of the American republic. Beginning with the French and Indian War and continuing to the election of George Washington as first president, Robert Middlekauff offers a panoramic history of the conflict between England and America, highlighting the drama and anguish of the colonial struggle for independence. Combining the political and the personal, he provides a compelling account of the key events that precipitated the war, from the Stamp Act to the Tea Act, tracing the gradual gathering of American resistance that culminated in the Boston Tea Party and "the shot heard 'round the world." The heart of the book features a vivid description of the eight-year-long war, with gripping accounts of battles and campaigns. The book concludes with an insightful look at the making of the Constitution in the Philadelphia Convention of 1787 and the struggle over ratification. Middlekauff gives the reader a vivid sense of how the colonists saw these events and the importance they gave to them. Common soldiers and great generals, Sons of Liberty and African slaves, town committee-men and representatives in congress--all receive their due. And there are insightful portraits of such figures as Sam and John Adams, James Otis, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, and many others.



and advanced within sight of Philadelphia. Yet, George Washington and many other Americans refused to let the Revolution die. On Christmas night, as a storm struck the Delaware Valley, he led his men across the river and attacked the Hessian garrison at Trenton, killing or capturing nearly a thousand men. A second battle of Trenton followed within days. The Americans held off a counterattack by Cornwallis's best troops, then were almost trapped by the British force. Under cover of night, Washington's men stole behind the enemy and struck them again, defeating a brigade at Princeton. The British were badly shaken. In twelve weeks of winter fighting, their army suffered severe damage, their hold on New Jersey was broken, and their strategy was ruined. Fischer's richly textured narrative reveals the crucial role of contingency in these events. The startling success of Washington and his compatriots not only saved the faltering American Revolution, but helped to give it new meaning.

PAUL REVERE'S RIDE by David Hackett

Fischer Paul Revere's midnight ride looms as an almost mythical event in American history--yet it has been largely ignored by scholars and left to patriotic writers and debunkers. Now one of the foremost American historians offers the first serious look at the events of the night of April 18, 1775--what led up to it, what really happened, and what followed--uncovering a truth far more remarkable than the myths of tradition. Fischer fashions an exciting narrative that offers deep insight into the outbreak of revolution and the emergence of the American republic. Beginning in the years before the eruption of war, he illuminates the figure of Paul Revere, a man far more complex than the simple artisan and messenger of tradition. Revere ranged widely through the complex world of Boston's revolutionary movement--from organizing local mechanics to mingling with the likes of John Hancock and Samuel Adams. When the fateful night arrived, more than sixty men and women joined him on his task of alarm--an operation Revere himself helped to organize and set in motion. Fischer recreates Revere's capture that night, showing how it had an important impact on the events that followed. He had an uncanny gift for being at the center of events, and the author follows him to Lexington Green--setting the stage for a fresh interpretation of the battle that began the war. Drawing on intensive new research, Fischer reveals a clash very different from both patriotic and iconoclastic myths. Paul Revere's Ride returns Paul Revere to center stage in these critical events, capturing both the drama and the underlying developments in a triumphant return to narrative history at its finest.



WASHINGTON'S CROSSING

by David Hackett Fischer

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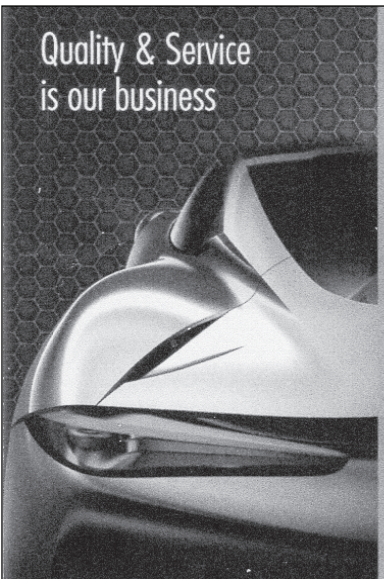


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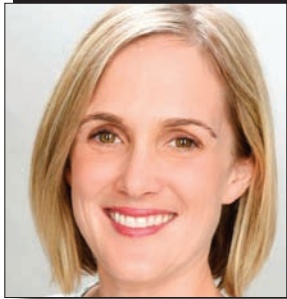


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If there were a list of qualities to aspire to in our yoga practice, freedom would be on that list. Our bodies call out for freedom, we all desire that stretch and range of motion in our joints. We especially want personal freedom, or spiritual freedom, the ability to be who we are without reservation or resistance. There are some with the opinion that freedom gives a license to do whatever want. This school of thought can often lead to excess (food, drink) and depletion. We end up cutting out healthy practices that nourish us in lieu of instant gratification. The end result leaves us unsettled and restricted. Having a framework, or structure in place in our physical and spiritual practice can actually provide more of the freedom we desire. Take our asana practice, for example. We can practice without presence, moving in and out of poses at half measure. Alternately, we can find alignment in each pose, stick with our breath and complete

challenging parts of the practice. What do you think the benefit is in each practice? Which practice will give us the freedom to be who we want to be? How about our spiritual practice and life habits? What benefit would a structured discipline provide there? Yes, I said it. Discipline. Freedom requires discipline. I've heard discipline defined as "intellect winning over disposition". We act with the greater good in mind, and move past our own resistance. In this case, intellect can be our friend and help to keep us on the Path. To me, true freedom is defined as our ability to live our true purpose with joy and happiness. We remain stable in the midst of change, yet easily adjust to life's unexpected twists and turns. We actually become more flexible, possibilities open to us. With this freedom, our own resistance diminishes and our own joy and inspiration leads the way. We've just got to provide the structure and alignment.

Namaste and Happy 4th of July!
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HOW TO PROTECT YOUR SKIN
AGAINST SUN DAMAGE



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Who doesn't like the feeling of warm sunlight hitting their skin? Depending on the time of year this feeling can be pure heaven. Without the sun we would not exist. It has the most wonderful life giving power. The sun helps us to produce vitamin D, a hormone necessary for bone health and optimal immune function. Too much of any good thing can become a bad thing. This is true of sun light. Too much sun affects our skin's elasticity which promotes early aging of the skin. Now we have this dilemma, how do we get the life giving, health promoting benefits from the sun but avoid premature aging or permanent skin damage? Unfortunately, this dilemma causes many people to be frightened from getting any sun at all. The way best way to protect against sun damage and to maintain healthy skin is from the inside out. Research shows that what you put into your body may be just as important, as or more important than the protection you place on your

skin. Basically we have to make sure we are eating foods that will keep us protected. Antioxidants do just that. Antioxidants are powerful natural UV protectants. Some can be very helpful for protecting us against accelerated skin aging due to UV exposure. There is evidence that the spices turmeric and ginger, both antioxidants, have protective effects on skin health. Both of these spices are a wonderful ways to add flavor to meals but they can both be taken as supplements too. White tea, one of the least processed varieties of tea and high in antioxidants, has been shown to be protective against early wrinkle formation. Any plant food that is a natural source of vitamin C or E is also an antioxidant. Most fruits and vegetables contain some amount of Vitamin C. Some great sources vitamin E are sunflower seeds, almonds, spinach and avocado. Lycopene, a compound found in tomatoes, has been shown to be protective against free radicals brought on by too much sunlight exposure. Studies show that organic tomato paste appears to have higher levels of lycopene than raw tomatoes. Tomatoes also contain a number of other antioxidants, including a high amount of vitamin C which complements lycopene's protective action. My advice is to make sure you get some sunshine on a regular basis and at the same time make sure you are consuming nature's natural sun protectors!

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HEALTHY, WEALTHY AND WISE
by Dennis R. Buckley, D.C.



Summer is here. If you are like me you have lots of plans. Do you have the resources to meet your goals? Is there enough money, time and energy to let you enjoy this time of year?

Building wealth is a lot like building health. It takes time and consistent effort. When you invest money in vehicles such as stocks, bonds, money markets, or real estate, you expect a return on your investment in the form of interest. When you invest in yourself you also want to receive interest, its called "self interest."

The process of wealth building and health building parallel each other. The principles they are based on are similar. In building health, the six facets are:

- Exercise
- Nutrition
- Posture
- Sleep
- Attitude
- Fully functioning spine and nervous system

In wealth building the six facets are:

- Goal setting
- Debt Management
- Risk Tolerance
- Philanthropy
- Budgeting
- Tax Planning

Exercise to the body is goal setting to the bank account. You have to move to be healthy and you have to move your goals upward as you

meet them. Nutrition to the body is like debt management. You have to know the good fat from the bad. Too much debt like fat can kill the body and your bank account. Posture to the body is like risk tolerance. How do you want to position yourself. You need different postures for different activities in your day and your risk tolerance changes through your life. Sleep restores the body as philanthropy is a wealth building secret that many forget. As you give the body sleep it is strengthened and rejuvenated. As you give you circulate your abundance and it returns to you, it will be more than you gave to rejuvenate your accounts. Attitude to the body is like budgeting to the finances. How you see the world and your response to it is like budgeting, where do you place your resources, and how do you save and spend. Spine and nervous system function control and coordinate your body's function. Tax planning can allow you to flourish or fail. Tax planning controls and coordinates your financial function.

Building health and wealth go hand in hand. It would be a shame to work hard to build your empire and neglect your health. You would then spend all your money trying to buy back those years of neglect. It also would be terrible to take care of your health and have no resources to enjoy it with.

Start today to build your health and wealth. A little attention daily to your health and wealth will pay big dividends down the road. A little neglect can have the opposite effect.

Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "The first step to wealth is health." Make sure you are walking in the right direction.

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THE WORLD AROUND US

Looking Up with Bob Eklund



NEW HORIZONS SPACECRAFT PREPARES FOR ENCOUNTER WITH PLUTO JULY 14

In a long series of images obtained by New Horizons’ telescopic Long Range Reconnaissance Imager (LORRI) between May 29 and June 19, Pluto and its largest moon, Charon, appear to more than double in size. From this rapidly improving imagery, scientists on the New Horizons team have found that the “close approach hemisphere” on Pluto that New Horizons will fly over has the greatest variety of terrain types seen on the planet so far. They have also discovered that Charon has a “dark pole” — a mysterious dark region that forms a kind of anti-polar cap.

“This system is just amazing,” said Alan Stern, New Horizons Principal Investigator, from the Southwest Research Institute, Boulder, Colorado. “The science team is just ecstatic with what we see on Pluto’s close approach hemisphere: Every terrain type we see on the planet — including both the brightest and darkest surface areas — are represented there, it’s a wonderland!

“And about Charon — wow — I don’t think anyone expected Charon to reveal a mystery like dark terrains at its pole,” he continued. “Who ordered that?”

“The unambiguous detection of bright and dark terrain units on both Pluto and Charon indicates a wide range of diverse landscapes across the pair,” said science team co-investigator and imaging lead Jeff Moore, of NASA Ames Research Center, Mountain View, California. “For example, the bright fringe we see on Pluto may represent frost deposited from an evaporating polar cap, which is now in summer sun.”

GRIFFITH OBSERVATORY TO CELEBRATE FIRST ENCOUNTER WITH PLUTO. On July 14, after a journey of 10 years and three billion miles, NASA’s New Horizons spacecraft will make the first-ever close encounter with Pluto. What can we expect from New Horizons as it ventures past the mysterious dwarf planet? A good way to find out is to come to Los Angeles’ Griffith Observatory, which will host several activities to celebrate the New Horizons encounter with Pluto. All events are free and open to the public.

WHEN: Tuesday, July 14, 2015 -- LIVE PLUTO FLYBY

* 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. PDT: Twenty-minute talks on Pluto and New Horizons, presented hourly

* 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. PDT: NASA-TV coverage of the New Horizons flyby with commentary by Griffith Observatory staff

* 6:02 p.m. PDT: Signal from New Horizons confirms the spacecraft’s safe passage through the Pluto system

* 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. PDT: Presentation by Griffith Observatory staff about the New Horizons mission and recap of the evening’s events (Streamed live on



FOURTH OF JULY, FREEDOM, AND MONEY

By Christopher Nyerges

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Over the years, I have given a lecture called “The Four Illusions of Money,” in which I share the many ways in which money controls our thinking and our actions.

For most people, money is intricately and intimately related to every part of our life, and especially that nebulous thing we call “freedom.”

On our country’s Independence Day, it seems worthwhile to take a closer look at how we view money, and how it affects our independence and our freedom.

For starters, What is money, how is money created, what is the Federal Reserve, what is the IMF, how does international debt affect us here in the U.S.? All good questions for you to research on your own, which are at the very foundation of money and what it is and what it does – but that’s not what I’ll be discussing today.

OK, when people are queried, almost everyone says that they do not have enough money, and would like to have more. Everyone at all income levels says the same thing! Furthermore, one of the most commonly-cited reasons given by people who continue to work at a job they dislike is to “make a lot of money.” The reasons that this is such a ubiquitous goal – to make a lot of money – can be summed up in the four following rationales:

A lot of money will let me be free to do what I want to do.

People with a lot of money command more respect from others.

I need more money for my family.

Money is necessary for my security in old age.

Yes, there are many more such “illusions” that dance around money, but these four seemed to fairly concisely address all the secondary and corollary illusions.

These four statements are illusions about money. That means, these represent false perceptions of the world. That is to say, when we embrace any or all of these four illusions, we are prevented from seeing the NON-monetary realities about our life and the choices that we make.

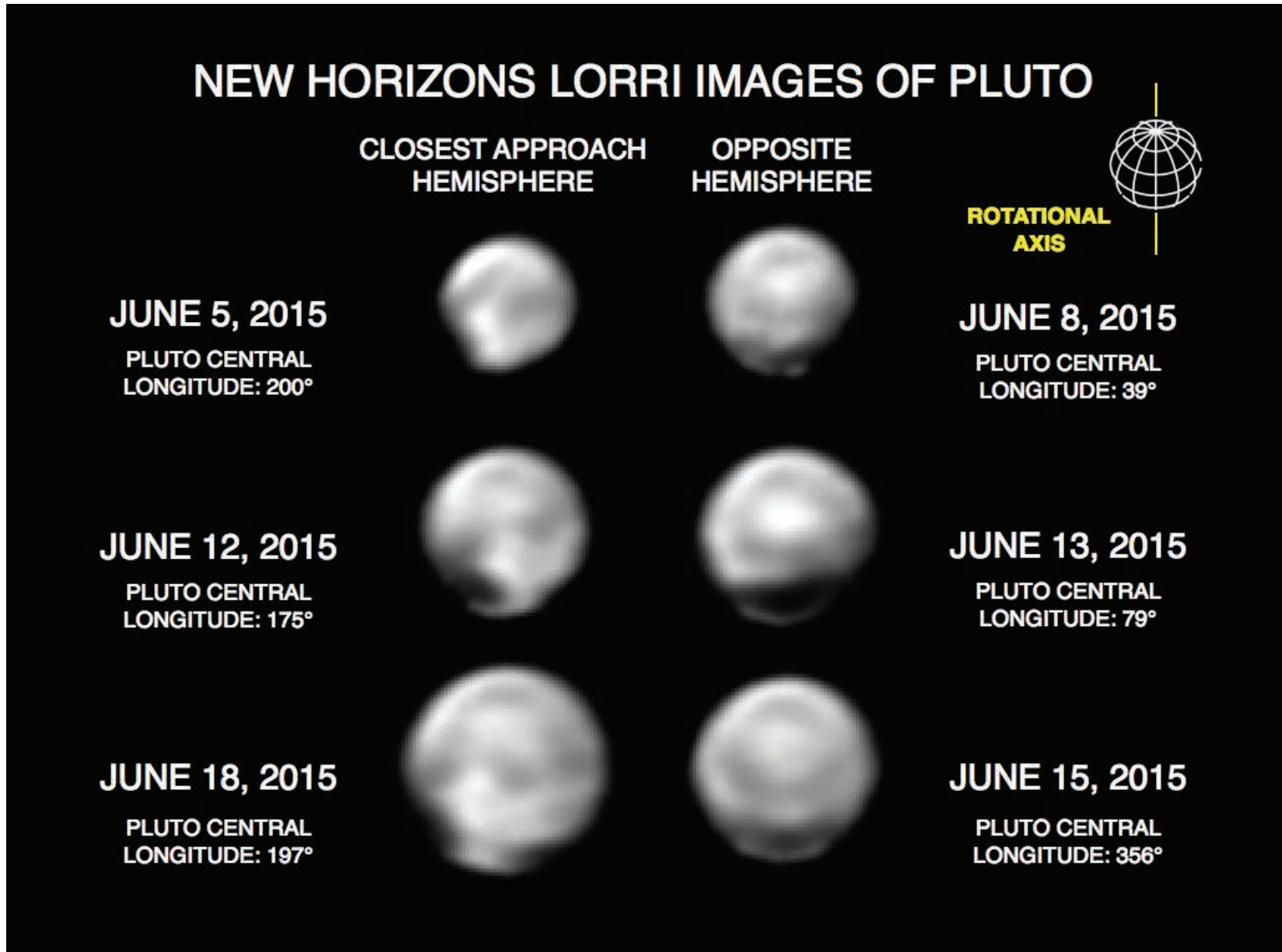
So let’s explore the first one.

A lot of money will let me be free to do what I want to do. One way to see through this illusion is to make a specific list of all your carefully-considered goals. These can be short-term and long-term goals. These can include travel, projects, achievements, possessions, skills (learning a new language), etc., but the list cannot include money. Money cannot be a goal. Next, you should examine the list you made and begin to delineate precisely how you can go about achieving that goal.

Yes, of course, money can help accelerate the achievement of the goal. Still, once your goals are clearly established in your own mind – and clearly differentiated from “passing wants” – you can steadily move forward, step by step, toward the achievement of that goal. Money is incidental to this process, and must not be allowed to determine the choices you make and the steps that you take.

A large part of achieving a goal – perhaps the most important part – is to learn valuable life-enhancing skills that you wouldn’t have learned otherwise.

And many of the essential steps toward a goal involve working with other people. Working with other people develops strong friendships and relationships, and this requires that you must be – or become – reliable and trustworthy yourself. This manner of pursuing and achieving goals should represent a true freedom from our



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OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

WHY NOT JUST BE AN AMERICAN

As we celebrate another birthday of this great country, I cannot help but think back on some of our history. What a grand history we have had. I know some people are ashamed of our history and so we have revisionists rewriting American history. Nevertheless, I certainly want to celebrate the real America.

My wife and I were relaxing after a scrumptious supper and were watching a little bit of TV. I was half dozing, as is usually my condition after such a supper, when my wife startled me with a question.

It was a news program on television updating us with the latest political scratch-talk. If it were not for politics, the airwaves would be silent. Oh, for those wonderful sounds of silence. Personally, I would be glad to double my tax rate if in doing so we could put to silence all this political-scratch-talk. I call it “scratch-talk” because whoever is talking is trying to scratch somebody’s back even if it is just their own. I guess we have a lot of itchy backs in this country. Thankfully, we have an endless supply of backscratching politicians.

It does not matter which way the wind is blowing each political party says it is blowing in their direction. I guess you have to go to eight years to Harvard and have a student loan debt of \$120,000 to understand how that works. If you do not mind, I just do not want to know how it works.

With the politicians unable to create work in our country for common Americans, the real Americans, they sure know how to work a situation, usually to their advantage. If they could put all of this to work for the good of the ordinary American, I would feel happier about paying my taxes. As it is, I pay my taxes but not happily.

Back to my wife’s question. “Who are,” she said very carefully, “the real Americans in this country?” Then she paused for a moment and followed it with this question, “Who does America really belong to?”

Well, those two questions got me thinking. Who are the real Americans? Are they Republicans, Democrats or Independents? I know there is a bunch of other miscellaneous political parties, but I cannot think of them right now. Which one is the American Party?

If I do not like any political party, where does that leave me? I am all for parties, but the whole idea of a party is for people to have fun. I do not see any political party where I could have fun. The strange thing today is, if I do not “belong” to some political party I am not able to vote in this country. Moreover, if I do vote, who in the world do I vote for?

My wife and I got to talking about this and I, for once in my life, posed a question. How would you describe the average American?

Is the average American black, white, yellow, red

or a mixture of colors? Do you define an American by the color of his or her skin? What about gender? Is the average American male or female? Then there is age. How old is the average American?

We bounced these questions around for a long time and did not come up with any good answers. Then there was silence.

I come back to one thought; why can’t we just be Americans. Why do we have to have all the emphasis on variations, colors, temperaments and the people we elect to office who cannot tie their own shoes without conducting some poll? Why can’t we send ordinary, common sense Americans to Washington, DC who understands the American life?

Most of the politicians, if not all, live in a bubble and cannot relate to the average American in this country. I challenge these politicians to act like, live like common, everyday, normal Americans.

We normal Americans have to live on a budget. If I do not have enough money, I have come to the end of my buying spree. I think this concept ought to be copyrighted and sent to Washington, DC. It is a new concept. It will need somebody to interpret it to those who are living in that venomous circle that we call the capital of the United States. I would recommend a first grader.

It would be refreshing to have somebody in Congress or the Senate who had common sense. I guess Will Rogers was right when he said the problem with common sense is it is no longer common.

A real American is one who is committed to the concept of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. A real American is one who embraces the red, white and blue. A real American is the one who can clutch his five-dollar bill and say, “in God we trust.” If it is good for our money, it is good for our life.

If only the American people, the real people of America, would wake up and see what our politicians are doing, perhaps they would do what our early founders did.

In celebrating another Fourth of July, my thought is simply, why not just be an American.

A real American also embraces what Jesus said, “Render therefore unto Caesar the things which be Caesar’s, and unto God the things which be God’s” (Luke 20:25).

Is that the sound of a drumbeat I hear off in the distance?

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FAMILY MATTERS

By Marc Garlett



PROTECTING YOUR CHILD WITH A SPECIAL NEEDS TRUST

When you have a family member with special needs, it is important to understand that your estate planning strategy is unique and requires the assistance of an attorney experienced in creating Special Needs Trusts. If an inheritance is left directly to your family member with special needs, it could result in the loss of essential government benefits that assist with the cost of his or her care. A Special Needs Trust permits an individual that is 65 years or younger to receive certain resources beyond what is supplied by Medicaid without making him or her ineligible to receive the government benefits.

A Special Needs Trust can be created while you are living or, you can create a will or a revocable living trust that establishes a Special Needs Trust at your death and transfers funds into the trust when you die.

Either way, a Special Needs Trust can provide a disabled dependent with the ability to pay for the care and services that are not covered by government benefits. This includes things such as therapies, special equipment, education, travel costs associated with medical appointments, and other similar costs that are not covered by Medicaid.

When the government determines whether or not your loved one qualifies for benefits, the assets held in a Special Needs Trust are not considered

because the funds held in the trust are not readily available to the beneficiary - the distributions from a Special Needs Trust are made on a discretionary basis.

A Special Needs Trust could also be used to create financial incentives to ensure your loved one continues to be cared for the way you want after you are gone. For example, we've built provisions into Special Needs Trusts that provide for cash payments to a guardian who takes the family member with special needs out of the house to movies and meals, for example, in the same way the parents did while they were living.

Finally, it is also important to consider how to ensure that the trust has sufficient funds throughout the life of the individual with special needs. One method that is commonly used is to name the Special Needs Trust as the beneficiary of the parent's (or other relatives) life insurance policies. You will also want to ensure that the trust assets are wisely invested so the funds continue to accumulate and grow. And family members and friends should be encouraged to make donations or gifts to the trust and/or to include it as a beneficiary in their own wills or life insurance policies.

It can be complicated to properly plan for a loved one with special needs which is why it is important to get started as soon as possible. And we can help. One of the main goals of my law practice is to help families like yours plan for the protection of yourself and your family through conscious, thoughtful estate planning. Call my office today to schedule a time for us to sit down and talk so together we can identify the best strategies for you and your family.

To your family's health, wealth, and happiness,

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Tips of the Trade: Real Estate Revealed

by Luther Tsinoglou

IT'S ALL ABOUT APPROVAL

These days, a buyer's biggest concern shouldn't be so much about finding the lowest interest rate, but finding a lender who will approve their application. There are three basic types of mortgage providers, each regulated by a different agency, and following different disclosure laws.

Banks: generally employ their own underwriters and provide loans with their own money. They often have mortgage products matched to particular situations, such as manufactured homes or new construction. Minimum credit score requirements will vary from bank to bank.

Brokers: work on a commission and make a little more than bankers, but their business is highly regulated and transparent. They prepare your application file and present it to banks or investors. Involving a third party can take more time, of course, and since they have higher credit score requirements and fees, don't shop at a broker if your score is below 620.

Correspondents: draw from their own credit lines and sell your mortgage shortly before closing. Since their ability to lend depends on their own credit, it's possible for closing to be delayed if they are processing more loans than they have funds to cover. That doesn't mean you can't still get good terms, however.

You need to assess your financial position and your needs, and speak with your real estate agent about which type of lender best suits your situation.



Social Media Tips, Tricks & Ideas



by: MJ Finstrom

HOW TO SNEAK AWAY AND STILL BE THERE

Guest writer: David Finstrom, HUTdogs

We were trained during our early school years that summer equals time off. Toes in the sand, naps under a shade tree, late night BBQs, care-free living, camping under the stars, midnight swimming, and waking up at noon. Summer simply beckons us to slow us down and find time to escape.

Then you graduate and the 'real world' lets us know what's what.

Small business never sleeps. We always have one more, all right 100 more things to do. Taking time off is a challenge. It is also a necessity. We all need time to recharge and refocus.

Questions flood our minds and wake us with 2AM panic attacks at the mere thought of taking time off. Will my business survive if I take a week off? Will our customers go elsewhere? How will we let folks know? Who's going to run the show? What if... etc.

So how can we (small business owners) escape? Maybe we can't distance our selves completely, but we can systemize our get-a-way. That means a little planning mixed with technology. Online tools can help.

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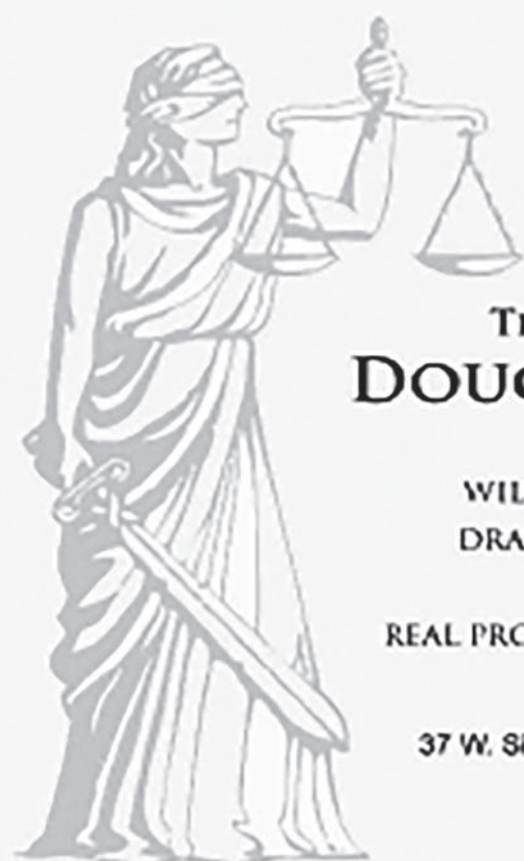
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BOB TORNØE

DEAR CHRIS CHRISTIE, STOP PRETENDING YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO BE PRESIDENT



Dear Chris Christie.
I don't see eye to eye on most public policy issues, and your decision to root for the Dallas Cowboys is at best regrettable. However, I come to you today with some honest advice your cadre of "yes" men and women seem unable to offer: Don't run for President.

Have you looked at the latest polling data? I'm sure you think you can recapture those heady days when you were the Republican frontrunner and one of the most popular political figures in the country. Spoiler alert: You can't, especially considering it took Superstorm Sandy, an act of nature that you won't even admit climate change had a role in unleashing, to inflate your poll numbers.

According to the latest Fox News poll (your people), just 2 percent of likely voters said they would vote for you. That puts you in 11th place among Republican presidential candidates, and since Fox News is inviting just the 10 top finishers to its first debate in August, you seem destined for a place at the kids table of presidential politics.

At this point, when I Google "Chris Christie popularity" these are the adjectives I see: Plummeting, nosedived, record-low, cratered, humiliating. Should I go on? Even Voldemort, the Harry Potter villain who tried to murder a baby, has a higher favorability rating than you.

The numbers are even worse at home. In an April Quinnipiac University poll, 65 percent of New Jerseyans don't think you'd make a good president. You're even less popular in the Garden State than Jon "I lost \$2 billion" Corzine. I would say these are the constituents who know you best, but as WNYC's Matt Katz notes, you've spent over 200 days out of New Jersey since being sworn in last year to a 2nd term.

Based on your travel time, residents in Iowa are among those who know you best, which is probably why you're polling at just 4.3 percent there among Republican Presidential candidates, according to the Real Clear Politics Average. And in case you didn't notice, that's Donald Trump who's polling ahead of you.

Even in New Hampshire, home of the first-in-the-nation primary where Republicans skew more moderate, you're in 7th place with the support of just 5 percent of voters, according to a new CNN/WMUR New Hampshire Primary Poll.

And you seem to be getting desperate.

According to Paul Mulshine at the Star-Ledger, you've been pandering to voters in both states with your stand on ethanol. Back in March, you told Iowa voters (you know, the folks who sell ethanol) that you're in favor of expanded ethanol use. However, once you showed up in New Hampshire, you changed your tune, implying that you're against the national ethanol mandate.

You are aware voters in both states have access to Google, right?

It's not just ethanol. You've become a pandering, flip-flopping opportunist on common core, immigration, guns, climate change - even pig gestation crates, where the 9,000 or so in New Jersey are dwarfed by the 20 million in Iowa. Do you even remember telling GOP voters in South Carolina to be wary of flip-flopping presidential hopefuls just looking for votes?

Maybe that's why you felt the need to hide behind a bunker while braver politicians in your party, like Governor Nikki Haley, called on the state to remove the Confederate Flag from the South Carolina statehouse. It's not exactly the best YouTube clip, a loud-mouthed politician with a reputation of speaking bluntly afraid to stand up for his values out of fear of alienating voters.

Maybe that's why Nikki Haley remains popular among South Carolina voters and an up-and-coming figure in your party, and you're defining moment as governor remains yelling at a heckler on the boardwalk while clutching an ice cream cone.

Most laughably, despite your history of tall-tales and outright mistruths, you chose "Telling it like it is" as your campaign slogan. I don't know who your campaign advisors are, but not even Rose Nylund of St. Olaf is gullible enough to buy that.

So my advice is not to run for president, stop making alternating trips to battleground states and the Tonight Show, and focus on doing the things you promised to do as governor. New Jerseyans are still waiting for you to balance the state's budget without gimmicks, come though on the state's obligations to the pension system and aid those still in need of help after Superstorm Sandy.

Who knows. If you're actually do the job you were elected to do, maybe Donald Trump would pick you as his running mate.

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TINA DUPUY

OBAMACARE RULING IS A CONSERVATIVE WIN



The dream of Richard Nixon, Ronald Reagan, Bob Dole, Newt Gingrich and Mitt Romney has now been realized. Their solution—their idea for universal health care has been passed by both houses, signed by the president and upheld twice now by the Supreme Court. Yes, they call it Obamacare. Yes, they strangely call it socialism. But yes, it was their idea. And now it's here to stay.

Market-based mavens, you've got your way. Time for celebration! Also time to stop calling Obamacare a bill. It's a law now. It's been the law for four years. And it was always your law.

Passionately opposed to socialized medicine, President Reagan called for a mandatory health insurance program while governor of California. It was legislation that sounded, well, sound, but was never going to be law. It was the "abolish the Fed" position of its day.

But Reagan did supply socialized medicine to the poor. Prior to Reagan's presidency and his signing of the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act (EMTALA), people with no means to pay could be turned away at hospitals. EMTALA was an unfunded mandate that led to astronomical health care costs over the next few decades. People who couldn't afford insurance got health care in the ER and those who could afford insurance footed the bill. Which is, you know, socialism. The solution was to have an individual mandate to purchase private health insurance. But again, that was never going to pass.

In fact for over 40 years spanning seven presidents, American health care got worse and more expensive. At this same time other industrialized nations improved upon single payer models and hybrids of private and public models. Americans' health care system devolved into a have and have not parable: Best in the world if you have money, worse than you could imagine if you don't.

Politicians assured us we had the best health care system in the world. With a major asterisk. In 2000, the World Health Organization ranked us as 37th in the world (Colombia was 22nd). We paid more for less. An illness could cause bankruptcy. Our health system was very unhealthy.

But then came "change." In the original proposal by Obama, the Affordable Care Act included a public option, referred to as "Medicare you can buy into." This public option was wildly popular with doctors and supported generally by a majority of voters. It was a perfect way of creating competition in the market place, setting a bar for private insurance companies. It was also, as noted by its opponents, an easy transition into a single payer system, putting American health care on par with the rest of the industrialized world (and most emerging countries, too). But the public option died in the Senate, never making it into the final law.

The public option was dead. Now in this wake of this second Supreme Court decision upholding the existing compromised ACA law, the public option is cremated, buried and gone. There's no political will for Medicare for all. The allegedly super-liberal-commie plan is the twice-upheld-by-SCOTUS law of the land.

President Ulysses S. Grant recalled the moment he received the surrender letter from General Robert E. Lee and wrote in his memoir: "I felt like anything rather than rejoicing at the downfall of a foe who had fought so long and valiantly, and had suffered so much for a cause, though that cause was, I believe, one of the worst for which a people ever fought, and one for which there was the least excuse."

Grant refers to slavery as the worst cause for which people have fought. Conservatives vehemently fighting against their own idea—with no actual plan for its replacement other than the exact same plan with a different name—has to be the lamest cause for which people have fought. It's time to stop that now.

The battle is over. The public option will never happen. Take a victory lap, Republicans.

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LEFT TURN/RIGHT TURN

HOWARD HAYS As I See It



"America! America! God shed his (or her) grace on thee" - English professor and author Katharine Lee Bates

In Susan's column a couple weeks ago, she bemoaned the lousy week it had been - and you couldn't blame her. There was Donald Trump, who couldn't

let the media attention on the GOP race go on any longer without him being the focus of it. Then there was the killing by Dylann Roof of nine parishioners at the Emmanuel AME Church in Charleston. Roof warned against blacks because "They rape our women". Trump warned that Mexico was sending "rapists" across the border. One of them is running for president.

But wouldn't you know - right after came a week that could be regarded as one of the more successful of President Obama's second term, and one of the most transformational for our nation.

The week culminated with the president's eulogy for the Rev. Clementa Pinckney, a victim of the Charleston shootings. He focused on the subject of God's grace, what Katharine Bates wrote of in "America the Beautiful". It's something not "earned" or "deserved", the president explained, but something there all the same. The killer, the president said, "failed to comprehend what Rev. Pinckney so well understood - the power of God's grace."

Though Roof had intended his actions to start some sort of "race war", the president reminded that "God works in mysterious ways." The reaction brought thousands together in solidarity at Charleston and other black churches around the country, and a belated recognition that the Confederate flag has no place outside a museum. The president described it as "a reminder of systematic oppression and racial subjugation", and it's now coming down all over the country - including at the South Carolina statehouse.

But the president reminded we "can't settle for symbolic gestures", that we need to do the "hard work for more lasting change". It's not enough to have God's grace, the president said, "It is up to us now to make the most of it."

The week began with pundits predicting a crippling blow for the president, with even members of his own party turning against him to deny fast-track authority on the Trans Pacific Partnership trade deal. Those Democrats had a sure-fire way of peeling off Republican support, as well. All they had to do was include a provision to help American workers whose jobs might be affected by the pact - something they knew no Republican could accept - and they were right. In the end, though, the president got the authority he wanted - while signing into law the provision helping American workers as a separate measure.

The big news came through the Supreme Court. It affirmed that although we have the right to free speech, we don't have the right to express it

in a way implying state sanction - like putting the Confederate flag on a license plate. In another case out of Texas, the Court ruled that housing policies that have a discriminatory impact are in fact discriminatory and wrong - regardless of whether somebody expressly stated an intent to go out and discriminate.

A major decision came Thursday when, after five years and over fifty votes by Republicans to do away with it, the Court affirmed that President Obama's Affordable Care Act, through which 16 million Americans now have coverage, bringing the lowest rate of uninsured since they started keeping track, is here to stay.

This wasn't about any Constitutional issue, but rather a last-ditch effort by opponents to scour the entire 11,000 pages for the slightest technicality they could build a case on. With the Court's decision, Republicans are no doubt relieved as they won't have to answer to the 8 million Americans who might have lost coverage had it gone the other way.

Their credibility, though, has already taken a hit. They'd warned Americans would lose what coverage they had before the ACA. According to a recent Rand study, 80% kept their insurers. They said private employers would stop offering insurance. According to the Rand study, the biggest gain in coverage has been through private employers.

They warned of it being a job-killer and wrecking the economy. The Court's decision came a couple weeks after the Bureau of Labor Statistics reporting 12.6 million private sector jobs created over the past five years as the product of the longest streak (63 straight months) of job growth on record. Unemployment is at its lowest level in seven years. The budget deficit has been cut by two-thirds under President Obama; from nearly 10% of our economy to less than 3% of it.

Back in her day, Katherine Bates was what was known as a "spinster". She lived for 25 years with fellow Wellesley College professor (and Dean and Economics Department chair) Katharine Koman. Surviving letters attest to the immense love and devotion throughout the relationship, which ended with Koman's succumbing to breast cancer in 1915 (Bates died in 1929). In 2012, the organizers of LGBT History Month named Katharine Bates one of its LGBT history "icons".

In "America the Beautiful" she wrote of colors; "amber waves of grain", "purple mountain", "alabaster cities". Friday night, the White House was bathed in the colors of the rainbow. Earlier that day, the Supreme Court confirmed that although some still attempt to use "religion" as an excuse to practice bigotry, as a nation we no longer dictate who one can love - and who one can marry. As Stephen Colbert put it, "It's hard to believe gays achieved full constitutional personhood only five years after corporations did."

The White House bathed in those colors seemed an affirmation of the call to "crown thy good with brotherhood (and sisterhood) from sea to shining sea."

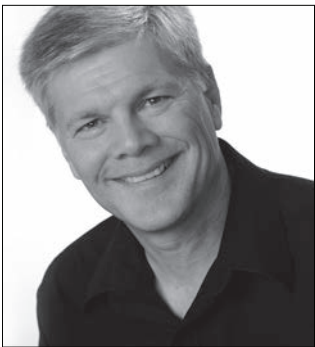
President Obama announced, "We've made our union a little more perfect."

The president was being modest.

Happy Fourth.

RICK JENSEN

WHO HAS THE WORSE IDEA: OBAMA OR TRUMP?



There are some very stupid ideas emanating from powerful people and political wannabes.

From the powerful, President Obama wants to put welfare housing in wealthy neighborhoods as a tactic to "end poverty." He obviously wants to emulate the societal "success" of forced busing.

Let's apply common sense to the President's plan.

Obama wants to diversify wealthy neighborhoods by requiring land within those neighborhoods be given to the federal government for the building of Section 8 housing. Some existing housing might be co-opted.

This would not be done through any abuse of eminent domain. No, there would be no constitutional adherence whatsoever. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is ready to simply release new federal regulations that would use your tax money to overrule local zoning laws of over 1,200 communities.

If you live your life filled with hate for rich people, this is great news. If you love freedom and opportunity, this is an outrage.

Why would he do this? Because this is Barack Obama's vision of transforming America. Perhaps he has some idyllic sugar plum fairies dancing in his head creating wealth for those living in the Section 8 apartments.

The reality that escapes this president is that the people whose personal success allows them to afford expensive homes will move. The value of the properties will drop like it's 2008 again.

President Obama will likely disagree. Why? Magical thinking.

One of the magicians behind this big government onslaught is Julian Castro.

Castro is the current head of HUD and an architect of this plan. He is also reported to be a top candidate for Hillary Clinton's running mate.

These three Democrats could create as much misery and poverty as the interstate highway system did to the cities it splintered.

Liberal Republicans can be just as damaging.

Donald Trump's brilliant idea is to stop U.S. companies from manufacturing goods in foreign countries by adding a 35 percent surtax to all U.S. companies' goods imported from their foreign manufacturing plants.

This idea is as short-sighted as

The Donald's contributions to the disgraced Clinton Foundation. When Obama pushed for a similar plan, business executives took it seriously and made plans to incorporate their businesses overseas, knowing their goods would be unaffordable when punished by Obama-Trump's tax scheme.

The corporate tax rate is already as high as 35 percent. That's why Microsoft, GE, Apple and more companies that support Democrats are compelled to bank a combined \$2 trillion in foreign banks.

The United States is the only advanced nation that taxes profits that domestic firms earn outside its borders, and liberals such as Obama think it's "not fair" that they keep reserves. So they try to come up with tax schemes that punish businesses whose employees work to keep the companies profitable.

Brilliantly, Obama has threatened to tax that money at a rate of 14 percent.

Brilliant, if you think GE and Microsoft should be Irish or Bahamian companies.

It's interesting to note in the Bloomberg Business News compilation of dozens of former U.S. companies relocating to foreign countries to avoid crushing U.S. taxes that over 90 percent of their executives still live in the U.S.

Serious policy makers would reduce the corporate tax rate and make it competitive with foreign markets to encourage businesses to bring the \$2 trillion and thousands of jobs back to America.

The problem seems to be politics. President Reagan's Tax Reform Act of 1986 lowered the top federal corporate income tax rate from 46 to 34 percent. From 1982-1986, the average unemployment rate was 8.2 percent. From 1987-1991, the average unemployment rate was 5.9 percent.

Can any of today's self-respecting liberals ever adopt successful Reagan policies or is their slogan, "country be damned!"?

Rick Jensen is Delaware's award-winning conservative talk show host on WDEL, streaming live on WDEL.com

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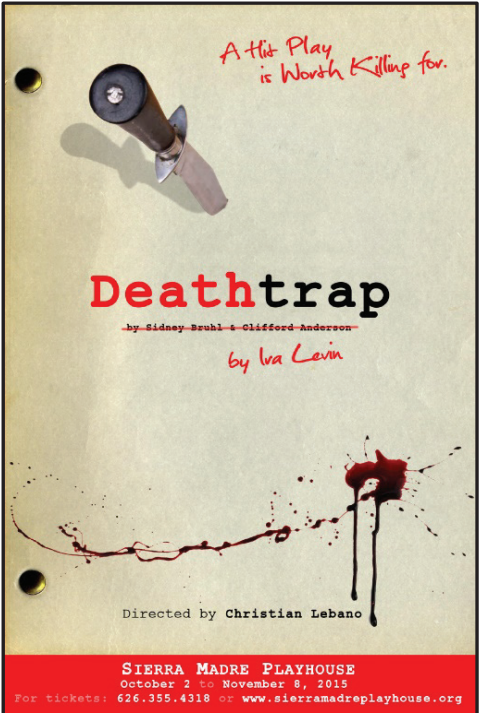
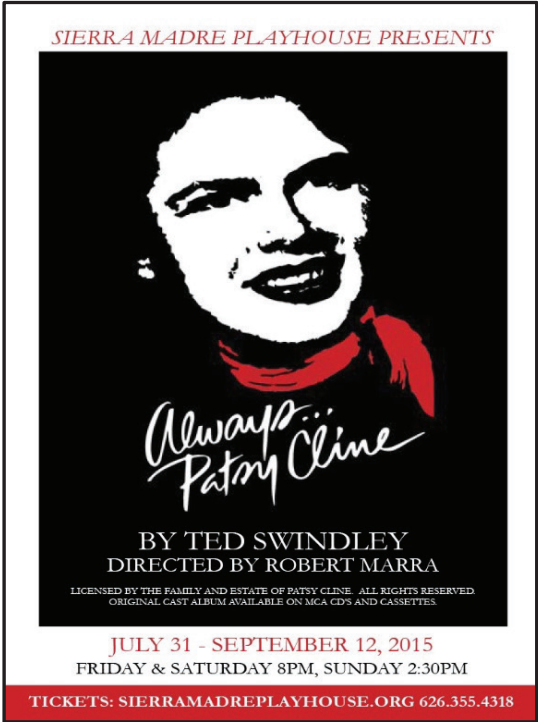


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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME NO.VS027398

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner FERNAND ALBERTO VELASCO HAS FILED A PETITION WITH THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT - SOUTHEAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR A DECREE CHANGING NAMES AS FOLLOWS:

Present Name:

FERNAND ALBERTO VELASCO

Proposed Name:

FERNAND ALBERT VELASCO

A HEARING on the petition will be held on 08/12/2015 at 1:30 PM in Dept. SE-C at 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA. 90650

THE COURT ORDERS that all interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted.

If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

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Petitioner Appearing Pro Per

City of Sierra Madre

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

From: The City of Sierra Madre

Subject: CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF URGENCY ORDINANCE 1366-U TO RESCIND THE URGENCY ORDINANCE 1360-U THAT ESTABLISHED AN INTERIM MORATORIUM ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65858 ON THE DEMOLITION, IN PART OR IN WHOLE, OF SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES AND DUPLEXES THAT WERE CONSTRUCTED PRIOR TO A DESIGNATED DATE AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF

On July 14, 2015, the City Council will consider adoption of an Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 1360-U, an Urgency Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Sierra Madre, adopted on February 24, 2015 that established an Interim Demolition Moratorium and Ordinance pursuant to Government Code Section 65858, on the demolition, in part or in whole, of single-family homes and duplexes that were constructed prior to a designated date. Government Code 65858 a provision of State Planning and Zoning law authorizes an interim urgency zoning ordinance to prevent development related actions which may be inconsistent with a plan under development, such as the General Plan Update that would require amendments to the Demolition Ordinance and to the R-1 Zoning Ordinance. The Demolition Ordinance has been amended and was effective as of April 24, 2015. The R-1 Zoning Ordinance has also been amended and was effective as of June 11, 2015. Ordinance 1362-U would remain in effect until August 24, 2015, unless extended or rescinded by further action of the City Council. Urgency Ordinance No. 1366-U, if adopted, will rescind the demolition moratorium immediately.

All interested parties may attend this meeting and the City Council will hear them with respect thereto. If you have any questions, please contact the Planning and Community Preservation Department at 626-355-7138 and ask to speak to Vincent Gonzalez, Director of Planning and Community Preservation.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City of Sierra Madre
City Council meeting
Tuesday, July 14, 2015
(Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.)

PLACE OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
City Council Chambers
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.
Sierra Madre, CA

City of Sierra Madre

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

From: The City of Sierra Madre

Subject: ADOPTION OF THE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE DOCUMENT - GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 15-01 (GPA 15-01) AND CERTIFICATION OF FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (FEIR)

Applicant: City of Sierra Madre
Project Location: Citywide

The City Council will consider certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), adoption of the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations, and adoption of the General Plan Update document. Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21165 and the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines (CEQA Guidelines) Section 15050, the City of Sierra Madre is the lead agency for the project.

General Plan Update

The City of Sierra Madre prepared a comprehensive update to its General Plan. The General Plan serves as the blueprint for the city and establishes goals, objectives, policies, and programs for the long-term physical development, quality of life, and public safety in the community. The General Plan includes a land use designation map that replaces the land use designation map associated with the 1996 General Plan. The horizon year for the General Plan Update is 2035 and the project area is defined by the city boundaries.

Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Certification (State Clearinghouse #2015051088)

A Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was prepared for the City to assess potential environmental impacts of the General Plan Update and was made available and circulated for public review and comment, pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The DEIR examined environmental impacts for alternatives to the project as required by State law. The 45-day public circulation of the DEIR was from May 11, 2015 to June 24, 2015. The Planning Commission held a hearing on May 21, 2015 and recommended that the City Council consider the DEIR for the General Plan Update and all comment letters and responses as the Final EIR (FEIR). The FEIR, which includes Responses to Comments, Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, Findings of Fact, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations, has been prepared to assess the potential environmental consequences of adoption and implementation of the General Plan Update. FEIR certification must occur prior to any action by the City Council on the General Plan Update.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
City Council
Tuesday, July 14, 2015
(Hearing begins at 6:30 p.m.)

PLACE OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
City Council Chambers
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.
Sierra Madre, CA

All interested persons may attend this meeting and the City Council will hear them with respect thereto.

APPEAL: If in the future anyone wishes to challenge the decision of the City Council in court, one may be limited to raising the issues that were raised or presented in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or before, the scheduled public hearing. For further information on this subject, please contact the Planning and Community Preservation Department at (626) 355-7138.

City of Sierra Madre

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

To: Property Owners within a 300-foot radius
From: The City of Sierra Madre
Subject: PARCEL MAP 15-01 (73420), Historic Designation 15-01, Certificate of Appropriateness 15-02, Mills Act Contract, Affordable Housing Incentives
Applicant: HHP Highland, LLC
Project Location: 186 W. Highland Avenue, in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to consider 1) a request for a three-unit subdivision for condominium purposes, 2) a proposal to designate the property as a historic landmark, 3) a certificate of appropriateness to restore, modify, and change the use of the structure, 4) a request to enter into a Mills Act Contract, and 5) the use of affordable housing incentives.

DATE AND TIME OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
Planning Commission meeting
Thursday, July 16, 2015
(Hearing begins at 7:00 p.m.)

PLACE OF HEARING

City of Sierra Madre
City Council Chambers
232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.
Sierra Madre, CA

All interested persons may attend this meeting and the Planning Commission will hear them with respect thereto. ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The project qualifies for Class 15 Categorical Exemption Minor Land Division, and Historic Resource Rehabilitation, pursuant to Sections 15315 and 15331 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). APPEAL: The Planning Commission is a recommending body to the City Council on this project. A second, subsequent hearing on all entitlements will be held before the City Council under separate notice. For further information on this subject, please contact the Planning and Community Preservation Department at (626) 355-7138.

By Order of the Planning Commission
Vincent Gonzalez, Director of Planning and Community Preservation

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Independence Day

Philadelphia

July 4, 1776

Liberty Bell

George Washington

The Spirit of '76

Answer the six questions below and fill in the puzzle.

1. What was rung to call people to the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence?

2. In what city was the Declaration of Independence signed?

3. A painting was done for America's 100th birthday. It shows a boy, a father and a grandfather marching off to war to fight for freedom. What is the painting called?

4. Upon what date was the Declaration of Independence adopted?

5. What is the name of the holiday celebrating our nation's birthday?

6. What is the name of the General who became our first President?

I love to wave my flag at parades and at the fireworks. I'm very proud of my country. Do you know how many stars are on our nation's flag? There is one for each state in the union. Color in the squares.

Follow this color key to see how many stars are in our nation's flag:

● = Blue + = Red

+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
+	●	●	●	+	+	●	●	+
+	●	+	+	+	●	+	●	+
+	●	●	+	+	+	+	●	+
+	+	+	●	+	●	+	●	+
+	●	●	+	+	+	+	+	+

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11:00am - 2:00pm
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