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CITY SEEKS DAMAGES FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON OVER EATON FIRE DESTRUCTION

(Sierra Madre) The City of Sierra Madre initiated legal proceedings today against Southern California Edison for damages to public lands, trail systems, and infrastructure caused by the January 2025 Eaton Fire.

“The January fire devastated irreplaceable wilderness areas that are central to Sierra Madre’s identity and character,” stated Mayor Robert Parkhurst. “Our historic wilderness areas and the Mount Wilson Trail – treasured community resources that draw visitors from across Southern California – now require extensive rehabilitation that will burden our city for years to come.”

The litigation follows Edison’s February 6 disclosure to the California Public Utilities Commission admitting that a “fault was detected” on its Eagle Rock-Gould transmission circuit coinciding with the fire’s ignition time and location. Video and photographic evidence show flames erupting near the base of Edison transmission towers in Eaton Canyon moments after electrical anomalies were recorded.

Damage sustained by Sierra Madre includes:

- Severe ecological harm to the Sierra Madre Historical Wilderness Area
- Destruction of significant portions of the historic Mount Wilson Trail network
- Heightened vulnerability to post-fire mudslides requiring immediate mitigation
- Damage to municipal infrastructure including roads and water systems

The lawsuit contends that despite explicit warnings from the National Weather Service about extreme fire danger and winds forecasted to reach 100 mph in the foothills, Edison failed to adequately de-energize its equipment in high-risk areas.

“What makes this disaster particularly troubling is its preventability,” Mayor Robert Parkhurst added. “The documented weather warnings provided Edison with ample notice of the dangerous conditions developing in our community.”

The legal action includes eight causes of action ranging from inverse condemnation to violations of Public Utilities and Health & Safety codes. In addition to compensation for direct damages, the city seeks recovery of fire suppression costs, ongoing expenses for restoration of natural resources, and funds to address heightened flood and debris flow risks resulting from the fire’s destruction of hillside vegetation.

The January 7th Eaton Fire ultimately consumed more than 14,000 acres, destroyed approximately 9,400 structures throughout the region, and claimed 17 lives. Los Angeles County and the City of Pasadena also filed lawsuits against Edison today.

The City of Sierra Madre is represented by City Attorney Aleks Giragosian of Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, P.C., with additional representation from outside counsel John Fiske, Torri Sherlin, and Taylor O’Neal of Baron & Budd P.C., and Ed Diab, Rob Chambers, and Kristen Barton of Diab Chambers LLP, the same legal team supporting Los Angeles County and Pasadena in its related litigation.

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SIERRA MADRE'S CHIEF CELEBRITY



In case you missed it, at last week’s Academy Awards, there was a special recognition of 12 firefighters from various cities in LA County. Among them was Sierra Madre’s Fire Chief Brent Bartlett, seen above next to TV Host Conan O’Brien. The firefighters received more than a minute of cheering from the audience for their heroic efforts during January’s devastating wildfires. Thank you Chief Bartlett for your leadership! Photo Courtesy LAC

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO WEAR BODY CAMS

By Kevin McGuire/MVNews

Code Enforcement Officers in Sierra Madre will now be required to wear body-worn cameras after the City Council adopted the policy during their regular meeting on Tuesday, February 25, 2025.

Code Enforcement Officers enforce municipal codes in the city and investigate violations as directed by the City Manager. These codes include building and zoning codes. Code Enforcement Officers aim to serve the public by improving the residents’ quality of life by reporting health and safety risks.

Across the county, police departments and other municipalities are increasingly using body-worn cameras (“BWC”) to effectively monitor and record enforcement interactions with the public by governmental employees. The SMPD has issued BWCs to each of its police personnel responsible for enforcement efforts. These recordings have been instrumental in accurately recording public interactions and enforcement actions. These recordings

may also reduce civil liability to the City, according to City Attorney Aleks Giragosian’s agenda report presented before the City Council.

Giragosian explained why he feels BWC would benefit Code Enforcement Officers. “It’s happened more than once; our Code Enforcement Officer spots construction at a site, goes to that site, and tells the workers they need to stop work. The property owner will come and get in a fight with our Code Enforcement Officer and then lodge a complaint against the city.” Giragosian followed up by saying it turns into a “he said, she said” situation, and no one knows what actually transpired. “It makes processing these cases more difficult,” Giragosian said.

The city consulted with the Sierra Madre Police Department to determine which body-worn cameras would be the best option for Code Enforcement Officers. Axon BWC was recommended, and two have been purchased so far.

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BODY CAMS (cont. from Page 1)

BWC Policies and Procedures were created as guidelines, and instructions were provided to Code Enforcement Officers to teach them how to use the cameras and accurately record interactions with the community. This ensures residents are treated fairly regarding officers enforcing the city's codes. The hope is that BWC will create transparency, limit civil liability, and enhance professionalism, according to the report.

There are five procedures when Code Enforcement Officers use BWCs.

1. Non-Code Enforcement Activity
2. Code Enforcement Activity on Public Property
3. Code Enforcement Activity on Private Property Fully Exposed to Public View
4. Code Enforcement Activity on Private Commercial Property Fully Exposed to Public View
5. Code Enforcement Activity on Private Property Not in Public View.

Under Penal Code section 832.18, these BWC policies comply with state law and procedures and will ensure Code Enforcement Officers do not violate residents' right to privacy. Residents can refuse to be recorded, and the officer will turn off their BWC.

Any recordings of an enforcement action shall be maintained in a cloud-based third-party server provided through a contracted license agreement through Evidence.com. These recordings shall be saved for various timeframes depending on the nature of the interaction and/or the enforcement action. Recorded encounters will provide an objective/transparent review by staff or involved parties following an encounter resulting in an enforcement action. Recordings may also be used as physical evidence to document what transpired during the issuance of a citation or support investigations resulting in municipal code violations that have financial implications and potential for an administrative review or subsequent appeal hearing.

The body-worn cameras will be activated before officers enter a property or business. They may not turn off BWCs until their interaction with the public has ended. At the end of their shift, the officers will upload the recordings to the cloud service.

Code Enforcement Officers may not record:

- personal activities,
- personal, telephone, or video conversations without the other participant's knowledge.
- Any footage where there is a commonly held expectation of privacy, such as restrooms, dressing rooms, or locker rooms.
- Non-work-related activity.

Councilmember Kelly Kriebs and Mayor Pro Tem Kristine Lowe expressed the importance of transparency when enforcing laws and interacting with the public. "It builds trust with our city and staff and our public that we're transparent," Lowe said.

Sierra Madre Police Chief Gustavo Barrientos echoed these sentiments. "The BWCs are an extra layer of accountability and transparency which builds on public trust," Barrientos said.

However, a few Council members expressed privacy concerns about the policies and procedures. "I'm still struggling with this personally," Council Member Edward Garcia stated. "There's not an expectation of someone coming on a worksite that they are going to be recorded, a resident or anybody," Garcia felt there was a need for some announcement from Code Enforcement Officers alerting the public that they would be recording the interaction with the public.

"I think people have the right to privacy," Council Member Gene Goss said. After some healthy debate on the topic, all Council Members agreed that Code Enforcement Officers can record from in front of the properties (public sidewalk, street) but need permission from the residents to continue recording as they enter the private property.

Mayor Robert Parkhurst agreed to the added language. He called on the City Council to reevaluate in 90 days to see how the new BWC Policies and Procedures work out for Code Enforcement Officers and the public.

You can view all BWC Policies and Procedures on the city's website at www.cityofsierramadre.gov.

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SIERRA MADRE CITY MEETINGS

SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 11, 2025 5:30pm

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS!

As part of the City of Sierra Madre’s COVID-19 transparency efforts and The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting. Public comment may also be made by e-mail to PublicComment@Cityof-SierraMadre.com by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting.

Emails will be acknowledged at the Council meeting and filed into public record. The public may also comment in person at the meeting.

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1630 AM EMERGENCY RADIO & Free on-air publicity for local events

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.

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

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WALKING SIERRA MADRE - The Social Side

by Deanne Davis

“March bustles in on windy feet and sweeps my doorstep and my street.” Susan Reiner

“Our life is March weather, savage and serene in one hour.” Ralph Waldo Emerson

“Springtime is the land awakening. The March winds are the morning yawn.” Lewis Grizzard

“That’s the trouble with March – the warmth never lasts. There’s that narrow stretch when it parades as spring, just enough for you to thaw if you’re sitting in the sun, but then it’s gone.” V. E. Schwab

“Daffodils, that come before the swallow dares, and take the winds of March with beauty.” William Shakespeare

You might not know this, but the flower of March is the daffodil. I love daffodils and when those green spears start poking out of the ground, it’s a signal to rejoice. The daffodil symbolizes affection, new beginnings, optimism and sympathy. If you were born in March, you are outgoing and affectionate, you are creative and have a good sense of humor. You are a peace-lover and strive to resolve conflicts. You are a caring and loving person. You are kind and compassionate.

The picture today is, of course, daffodils! As I mentioned last week, my daughter, Patti, and her daughter, Nicole, were both born on March 1st and they both embody all these wonderful qualities. They are splendid people.

My granddaughter, Nicole, mentioned above here, informed me that March is Dolphin Awareness Month. Dolphins are described as the smartest marine animal and they have a long history of being friendly with human beings. It is unclear when March became the month that focused on dolphin awareness, but for at least 20 years, the world has celebrated Dolphin Awareness Month in an effort to conserve dolphins globally.

With several species of dolphin having been declared endangered, it has never been more important to dedicate a month to the protection of these marine mammals. The earliest fossil records of dolphins have been dated back to the early Miocene Epoch period, ranging from 16.4 to 23.8 million years ago. Wow!

One of the neatest things I’ve ever seen is dolphins leaping out of the water at the beach or alongside a boat. I’ve been whale watching and never saw a single hint of a whale, but dolphins show up with their friendly faces and enchant everyone who sees them. Nicole is an Orca whale trainer at Sea World and sees dolphins on a daily basis and has frequently put them through their paces.

In my last Emma Gainsworth Kindle novelette, “Hurricane,” I have a great scene where two of my characters are

A note from the Editor: Our beloved columnist and friend took a bad fall last week, but she will be back as soon as she is able to Walk Sierra Madre Again. In the meantime her timely messagee from this time last year,

rescued by dolphins...

“The fins they had seen in the distance, the fins that had terrified them, fins that looked like shark fins, began to close in with great speed on the wreckage of The Little Easy. Hawk sighed, “This is probably the end for us.” Then, to his amazement, a shiny black head poked out of the water with a smiling face and laughing mouth just a few feet away from them. Freshwater dolphins! A large pod of them, right there close to them. He felt a presence under his numb and weakened body and soon realized one of the dolphins was under him, lifting him up. “Marlene!” Marlene! He shouted, hoping to rouse her. Then he saw her being nudged and lifted. Dolphins were all around them. The family of dolphins moved Hawk and Marlene away from the wreckage. These beautiful mammals joyfully leapt up out of the water and splashed back down next to them. He could not help but laugh as he knew his desperate prayer had been answered. God had sent them dolphins! Barely conscious, Marlene instinctively held onto the dolphin lifting her out of the water. “Hawk! Hawk! What’s happening!” “Hang on, baby, you’re about to get the ride of your life. Thank you, Jesus! I think we’re gonna make it!”

There now, wasn’t that exciting. I’ve written about five of these adventures and ought to write another one. You can get it on Amazon.com (subtle hint).

I have been seeing some of the amazing fruit and veggie smoothies, build-your-own-fruit bowls, and sandwiches served by The Organic Juice Dude. Here, just listen to this: Organic Sourdough Turkey Melt – Organic sourdough bread, organic turkey, organic heirloom tomato, organic mayo and organic Swiss cheese. This looks incredible and it couldn’t be healthier! The drinks include The Morning Energizer, The Flu Buster and there’s an Avocado Toast absolutely beyond fabulous. If you haven’t been in, go! Your body will thank you. The Organic Juice Dude is at 55 No. Baldwin and they’re open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The Flu Buster! We need it!

The Wistaria Festival is coming! Just a week away, March 19th, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hoping the wistaria has enjoyed all this rain and will be the most beautiful ever. Don’t miss it! In a world where you can be anything you want to be...Be KIND!

My book page: Amazon.com: Deanne Davis Look there for “The Crown,” a paperback book that’s practically free! This is a beautiful story of what might have happened to that infamous crown of thorns. With Easter on its way, this little book is the perfect read for yourself or a friend.



YOUTH BOOKMARK CONTEST SPONSORED BY THE SIERRA MADRE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Local students are invited to enter the popular annual Bookmark Contest in March 2025.

This year’s theme is: “Love My Sierra Madre”.

Artwork may be designed with any tools but must be completely original work. Entries should showcase people, places, or things that illustrate what they love about Sierra Madre.

Winning entries will be displayed in the Library and winners will receive a certificate and a cash prize at a ceremony in their honor at the City Council Chambers on Wednesday, April 30, 2025.

The contest is open to children in Kindergarten through 8th grade (including Transitional Kindergarten), who go to school in Sierra Madre, live in Sierra Madre, or who have a Sierra Madre Public Library card.

Pick up your bookmark application at the Sierra Madre Public Library, on the Library website, and at schools in Sierra Madre starting March 3, 2025. Entries are due by April 10, 2025 at the Library. No late entries will be accepted.

For more information, contact Librarian Doreen Thomas dthomas@sierramadrecap.gov



SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

	Calls for Service	Formal Investigations
February 23 to March 1, 2025	294	15
Total Year to Date for 2025	2,277	112

The following represents a summary report of some of the major incidents handled by the Sierra Madre Police Department during this period. This list is not intended to be considered exclusive or all-inclusive.

Tuesday, February 25

Vehicle Violation

At approximately 12:00 PM, while on patrol in the area of N Mountain Trail and E Laurel Ave, officers observed a vehicle in violation of driving while on his cellphone. Officers conducted a vehicle stop for the violation. The subject lied to officers about his name and was driving on a suspended license. The subject also had outstanding warrants from Monrovia Police Department. The subject was cited and released to Monrovia PD for the outstanding warrants. This case has been forwarded to the LA District Attorney’s Office for filing consideration.

Wednesday, February 26

Fraud

At approximately 12:00 PM officers responded to the police station lobby to meet with a citizen regarding a fraud report. The victim received multiple calls instructing her to take a large amount of money out of her bank and drop it off at a specific location. The victim came to the police station lobby to seek advice from officers before dropping off the money. The victim does not wish to pursue prosecution at this time and the report was taken for documentation purposes only. The case is pending further additional information.

Recovered Vehicle

At approximately 1:00 PM, officers responded to the 600 block of W Highland Ave in regards to an unknown vehicle left in the reporting party’s driveway. Officers arrived on scene and later determined the vehicle was stolen. Officers towed the vehicle and stored it for evidence. The case has been forwarded to the Taskforce for Regional Auto Theft Prevention.

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Pasadena Celebrates National Women's History Month



The City of Pasadena is set to commemorate National Women's History Month with a series of inspiring events celebrating the contributions and achievements of women. Throughout March, the city will host engaging programs highlighting the stories of remarkable women in history, art, public service, and business.

Upcoming Events: Women's History Month: Role Model Bookmarks

Today at 2:30 p.m., Santa Catalina Branch Library, 999 E. Washington Blvd. Express creativity while celebrating the achievements of inspiring women. Participants will create collage bookmarks honoring notable women from history, literature, and beyond.

Celebrating Georgia O'Keeffe - Women in Art

Thursday, March 13, 11 a.m., San Rafael Branch Library, 1240 Nithsdale Rd. Unleash your inner artist with a watercolor workshop inspired by the work of Georgia O'Keeffe. Attendees will paint close-up, magnified floral designs in O'Keeffe's signature style. Participants are encouraged to bring their own painting supplies, but materials will be available for those new to watercolor. To register, call (626) 744-7270.

HERstory 2025: Mastering Money - Financial Resilience for Women

Thursday, March 13 | 5-8 p.m., All Saints Church, 132 N. Euclid Ave.

This free financial literacy workshop is designed to empower women with the tools and knowledge to build financial resilience. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn from financial experts and network with other women in the community. RSVP required: bit.ly/HERstory2025

Spotlights and Social Media Features: Spotlight on Women Who Shape the City of Pasadena Month-long series | Social Media

The City's Public Affairs team will spotlight women actively contributing to Pasadena's success. These features will highlight the women shaping Pasadena into the thriving community where we live, play, and flourish. Follow along on social media to watch the featured stories on Facebook and Instagram @ CityOfPasadena, and Twitter @PasadenaGov.

Woman-owned Businesses Spotlight Series Month-long series | Social Media

The City's Public Affairs and Economic Development Divisions under the City Manager's Office will highlight woman-owned businesses in Pasadena throughout March. This series will showcase local entrepreneurs making an impact in the community. For more information visit: cityofpasadena.net.

Pasadena Files Lawsuit Against Edison



City of Pasadena officials announced Wednesday that have filed a lawsuit against Southern California Edison (SCE) seeking compensation for extensive damages sustained to municipal property and infrastructure during the Eaton Fire that began on January 7 in Eaton Canyon at the base of transmission lines owned by Edison (pictured right).

"The destruction of public facilities essential to Pasadena's operations requires significant investment to restore and rebuild," said Lisa Derderian, Public Information Officer for the City of Pasadena. "While our restoration efforts continue, we have a responsibility to pursue appropriate compensation for the costs of rebuilding the public infrastructure our community relies upon."

The filing details extensive damage to several key municipal assets including, among others:

- The Pasadena Police Department's Advanced Officer Training Facility
- The Pasadena Municipal Assistance, Solutions, and Hiring (MASH) building and fleet
- Critical water management infrastructure including storage tanks

Documentation submitted with the legal filing includes photographic evidence of the

fire's origin point and references to SCE's own regulatory filings that acknowledge electrical system anomalies coinciding with the fire's ignition time and location. The city's complaint notes that Edison filed reports with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) acknowledging that a "fault was detected" on its transmission circuit at approximately the same time and location the fire began. On February 6, SCE sent a letter to the CPUC stating that photographic evidence of its tower shows signs of potential arcing and damage on the grounding equipment.

According to the lawsuit it outlines how weather forecasts in the days preceding the fire had repeatedly warned of extreme fire danger, with the National Weather Service issuing progressively stronger advisories culminating in a Red Flag Warning on the morning of the Eaton Fire when winds reached extreme levels.

The complaint includes claims for inverse condemnation, negligence, trespass, nuisance, premises liability, and violations of Public Utilities and Health & Safety Codes. It addresses both direct fire damage and the subsequent costs of managing post-fire environmental hazards, emergency response, and



infrastructure restoration. The fire burned more than 14,000 acres, destroyed approximately 9,400 structures, damaged over 1,000 structures, claimed 17 lives, and affected thousands of residents throughout the region.

Los Angeles County and the City of Sierra Madre also filed similar suits against Southern California Edison today, seeking to recover costs for damages sustained in their respective jurisdictions.

"Our focus remains on the full restoration of services to Pasadena residents and businesses," Derderian said. "By working collaboratively with neighboring jurisdictions, we can more effectively address the devastating impacts this fire has had on our communities while ensuring that those responsible are held accountable."

City's Golden Gloves Boxing Tournament

The City of Pasadena Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) Department and California Golden Gloves announced Thursday that they will host the Annual Southern California Regional Boxing Tournament Thursday through Sunday at Victory Park Recreation Center.

According to event organizers, the California Golden Gloves is one of the most prestigious boxing tournaments in amateur boxing that has been in existence since 1923. This tournament serves a platform for amateur boxers to showcase their skills and compete at a high level. The tournament will feature top male and female athletes, ages 18 and older, from across Southern California. The City of Pasadena's Villa Parke Boxing Program will proudly be represented by Christopher Cano, Michael Diaz, Fatima Martinez, and Adriana Nuñez.

General admission tickets are available for purchase at the door on tournament days only. Admission is \$20 for adults and \$10 for ages 10 and under.

Victory Park Recreation Center is located 2575 Paloma St., Pasadena. The competition begins at 6 p.m. on Thursday; 6 p.m. on Friday; 12 p.m. on Saturday; and 11 a.m. on Sunday, March 16.

The California Golden Gloves State Championships will also be held at Victory Park Recreation Center on April 12 and 13 this year.

Tournament Names Bands to March in 2026 Rose Parade



The Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association announce Tuesday the 19 exceptional bands that will showcase their talents in the upcoming 137th Rose Parade on January 1, 2026. With band visits by Tournament of Roses President Mark Leavens already underway, bands have begun their fundraising efforts to prepare for this monumental event, centered around the theme, "The Magic in Teamwork."

Leavens personally shared the exciting news with each band, sparking reactions from pure joy to heartfelt tears and everything in between. His genuine commitment to building relationships with these talented musicians shines through, reflecting the spirit of this year's theme, "The Magic in Teamwork." Leavens can't wait to cheer them on as they work together and bring their collective talent to life on the road to the highly anticipated Rose Parade.

Bands from around the world—including Japan and Mexico—will make their way to Pasadena to take part in the iconic Rose Parade, creating lifelong memories as they march down Orange Grove and Colorado boulevards. The 2026 Rose Parade will feature a mix of beloved returning bands and exciting new groups ready to make their mark in Parade history. Bands are selected by a committee of the Association's volunteer members based on various criteria, including musicianship, marching ability, and entertainment or special interest value.

Two bands will be added to the lineup when the universities participating in the 112th Rose Bowl Game are determined in December.

The 2026 Rose Parade bands are listed below, alphabetically:

Allen Eagle Escadrille from Allen, Texas
Arcadia Apache Marching Band and Color Guard from Arcadia
Bands of America Honor Band from Indianapolis, Indiana
Delfines Marching Band from Xalapa, Veracruz, Mexico
Franklin High School Marching Band from Franklin, Tennessee
Greendale High School Marching Band from Greendale, Wisconsin
Homewood Patriot Band from Homewood, Alabama
LAUSD—All District High School Honor Band from Los Angeles
Magnificent Marching Machine (M3) from Baltimore, Maryland
Mino Jiyu Gakuen "Golden Bears" Green Band from Toyonaka, Osaka, Japan
Pasadena City College Herald Trumpets from Pasadena
Pasadena City College Tournament of Roses Honor Band from Pasadena
The Band Directors Marching Band from Pickerington, Ohio
The Pride of Clover Marching Band from Clover, South Carolina
The Salvation Army Tournament of Roses Band from Maryland and Virginia

The Sound of Brownsburg from Brownsburg, Indiana
United States Marine Corps West Coast Composite Band from Camp Pendleton
CFP Quarterfinal at the 112th Rose Bowl Game —Participating University Marching Band TBD
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Bands that would like to participate in the 2027 Rose Parade can apply through an online application, available now at: tournamentofroses.com/about/apply.

St. Patricks Day Concert and Dance at the Senior Center

Get ready to dance with the leprechauns at the annual Pasadena Senior Center St. Patrick's Day concert and dance, set for Sunday, March 16, at 2 pm. All community members are invited to attend the event, which will feature the Great American Swing Band.

Bandleader and trumpet player Jodi Gladstone and vocalist Linda Vogel will be featured as the Great American Swing Band performs a variety of musical favorites from the Big Band era and beyond that will keep parties dancing and

tapping their toes. Light snacks will be available, and guests are encouraged to wear green to show their Irish spirit!

The cost is only \$10 for members of the Pasadena Senior Center and \$15 for nonmembers of all ages. Pre-registration for this popular event is suggested; only cash payments will be accepted at the door.

To register or for more information, visit: pasadenaseniorcenter.org and click on Activities & Events, then Special Events or call 626-795-4331.



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From The San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District: EATON AREA MUSQUITO CONTROL

Our Response to the Eaton Fire

The San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District is committed to supporting residents affected by the Eaton Fire. As part of the recovery efforts, we are working to prevent unmaintained swimming pools and large sources of standing water from becoming mosquito sources, which can spread diseases like West Nile virus and St. Louis encephalitis.

Unmaintained pools pose a high public health risk. A single pool can produce up to 3 million mosquitoes in just one month. These mosquitoes can spread quickly throughout the community, putting residents at risk. Our team is actively providing resources and treatment options to help prevent mosquitoes from growing during the recovery phase.

Additionally, in recognition of the hardship faced by property owners in the Eaton Burn Area, the District's Board of Trustees has authorized participation in Los Angeles County's Direct Assessment Disaster Relief Program. Under this program, administered by the Los Angeles County Property Tax Services Division, the County will:

Remove SGVMVCD direct assessment charges for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 on affected parcels.

Issue refunds to taxpayers who have already made direct assessment payments for FY 24-25.

Provide ongoing updates regarding additional affected parcels as property damage assessments continue.

The District's benefit assessment is \$20 per parcel per year. Property owners do not need to take any action to receive this relief—eligible parcels will automatically have direct assessment charges removed, and refunds will be processed by the County for payments already made.

What Property Owners Need To Do

If you are a property owner in the Eaton Burn Area, we need your cooperation to prevent mosquitoes from growing. Standing water that supports mosquito production is considered a public nuisance according to the California Health and Safety Code (§§ 2060-2061), and property owners are responsible for abating such conditions.

Please complete the following steps:

Step 1: Request for Mosquito Control Services

This is the first step in coordinating efforts to ensure pools and other large water sources are addressed promptly. While the form is not required for property access, the District is collecting forms as a FEMA requirement for work conducted as part of disaster response efforts.

Step 2: Enroll in SGVpools - Eaton Response

The District's SGVpools program was created to facilitate communication between property owners and the district regarding the status of pools. By enrolling into the District's Virtual Swimming Pool program, it allows the District to monitor the status of your pool throughout the recovery phase.

Only two conditions will guarantee that mosquitoes do not grow: "Clean and Functional" or "Empty and Dry." However, we understand that the recent fires have brought a significant loss and disruption to your life, and there is no clear path to when the pool can be brought to either state. The district may provide resources and long-term treatments depending on the status of your pool.

To learn more about the program or to enroll, please visit: <https://www.sgvmosquito.org/sgvpools-eaton-area-response>

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY NEWS BRIEFS

SAN MARINO JUNIOR ALLIANCE HOSTS DENIM & DIAMONDS BENEFIT SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025

San Marino Junior Alliance invites the community to attend their benefit "Denim & Diamonds" on Saturday, April 5, 2025 from 6:00-10:00 p.m. at a private club in the San Gabriel Valley to support Casa Treatment Center.

Guests are encouraged to grab their cowboy boots and diamond tiaras or whatever suits their fancy in combination of casual charm and touch of elegance, for a stompin' good time. The evening will include a fabulous buffet, great music, dancing and a Silent and Live auction. Several of the many special auction items include an escape to a five night stay in a four bedroom mountain home in Eden, Utah, Jewelry from China Art & Jewelry, Passes to the Magic Castle, Fine Wine Gift Basket, Kate Spade Handbags, Concert tickets to see Chris Stapleton, George Strait, and Little Big Town, tickets to the Pasadena Distinguished Speakers Series, dinners at several popular local restaurants, entertainment options, and many one of a kind adventures.

San Marino Junior Alliance was formed in 1942 and their relationship with Casa Treatment Center began in 1979. Casa provides hope, transformation and recovery to women of all ages, socio-economic and ethnic backgrounds who are suffering from alcohol abuse and addiction. Founded in 1967 and located in Pasadena, the twenty-four hour non-medical substance abuse treatment program encourages the physical, mental, and spiritual growth in the recovery process by providing the women with a safe, compassionate, and sober environment to help them reach the goal of becoming alcohol and drug free. Since 1993, SMJA has donated over \$900,000 to Casa.

Co-Presidents and Benefit Co-chairs, Helen Kim Spitzer from San Marino and Marlene Evans from Alhambra, have expertly orchestrated their committee members to create a magical evening for all guests and community members. It is also an opportunity to meet the members of SMJA and join them in their mission to support Casa.

So, don dressy denim or fancy attire and for reservations at \$180 per person go online at <https://sanmarinojunioralliance.ejoinme.org/DONATIONS> by March 27th.

MONROVIA STATION METRO PARKING GARAGE UPDATE



Effective, March 1, 2025, parking fees will resume at the Monrovia Station parking garage (1651 S Primrose). Over the past six months while the parking agreement was in place, the City monitored parking use and it never became well utilized. Ultimately, the City decided that spending nearly \$75,000 annually to lease a parking space which no one was using was not worth the cost.

While free parking will no longer be available during the Station Square Farmer's Market, visitors can still use the garage for a daily fee of \$3.

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FORECLOSURE RELIEF

HUD Extends Foreclosure Relief to Californians Impacted by Los Angeles County Wildfires

HUD Secretary Scott Turner announces 90-day extension of foreclosure moratorium on Federal Housing Administration (FHA) single family mortgages in impacted areas. Altadena, Calif. – Today, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is announcing a 90-day extension of its foreclosure moratorium on Federal Housing Administration (FHA)-insured single family mortgages in the areas of Los Angeles County, California, devastated by the January 2025 wildfires.

HUD Secretary Scott Turner is making this announcement while touring a disaster zone in Altadena with Fifth District of Los Angeles Supervisor Kathryn Barger. The FHA-insured single family mortgage extension underscores HUD’s commitment to supporting Americans impacted by natural disasters by providing flexibility to families in the Presidentially Declared Major Disaster Area (PMDMA). There are over 100,000 FHA-insured mortgages in Los Angeles County PDMDA. HUD is working with mortgage servicers and others to assess the extent of properties with FHA-insured mortgages in the designated area that have been severely damaged or destroyed.

“It is heartbreaking to witness the devastation caused by the horrific wildfires in Altadena and the surrounding areas of Los Angeles County and the heavy toll of this tragedy on individuals, families and communities,” said Secretary Scott Turner. “Empowering and supporting our neighbors so they can build or rebuild their future, including when disaster strikes, is a core part of HUD’s mission and we will continue providing help during hardship.”

“HUD’s extension of the foreclosure moratorium is a lifeline for wildfire survivors in Los Angeles County who are facing immense hardship,” said Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger. “I appreciate Secretary Turner’s leadership and commitment to ensuring that families impacted by these devastating fires have the time and support they need to recover. This critical relief will help stabilize our communities as we work together to rebuild and heal.”

The moratorium prohibits mortgage servicers from initiating or completing foreclosure actions on FHA-insured single family forward or Home Equity Conversion mortgages in the Los Angeles County PDMDA through July 7, 2025. The moratorium was originally set to expire on April 8, 2025.

- Borrowers unable to make their mortgage payments should contact their mortgage servicer for assistance as soon as practical. Borrowers may also contact the FHA Resource Center at (800) CALL-FHA (1-800-877-8339; or for TTY 1-800-877-8339) for assistance.
- For borrowers and renters who need immediate housing and disaster recovery assistance, HUD-certified housing counselors are prepared to provide guidance on the options that are available. To find a HUD-approved housing counseling agency, borrowers can use HUD’s online search tool or use our phone search by calling (800) 569-4287 or (202) 708-1455 (TTY).
- For borrowers whose homes are destroyed or damaged to an extent that requires reconstruction or complete replacement, contact an FHA-approved lender about FHA’s Section 203(h) loan program. This program provides 100 percent financing for eligible homeowners to rebuild their home or purchase a new one.
- For borrowers seeking to purchase and/or repair a home that has been damaged, contact an FHA-approved lender about FHA’s Section 203(k) loan program. This program allows individuals to finance the purchase or refinance of a house, as well as the costs of repair or renovation, through a single mortgage.

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WEDNESDAY MAR 26 5 - 7 PM	Virtual	Register Online: https://tinyurl.com/wildfire-planning

The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments is developing a regional Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) and invites all SGV residents and businesses to share their wildfire priorities!

SGVCOG Visit www.sgvco.org/cwpp to learn more about regional wildfire planning in the SGV.

Scan the QR code above to complete our Wildfire Public Survey or learn more about the SGV CWPP!

SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY: RELIEF GRANTS AND FUNDS FOR LA COUNTY WILDFIRE VICTIMS

DCBA Launches LA County Household Relief Fund Grant to Aid Wildfire Victims

In response to the devastating Eaton and Palisades wildfires, the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs launching LA County Household Relief Grant offering grants to eligible households ranging from \$6,000 to \$18,000, based on household size and composition. This immediate financial assistance aims to help LA County households who have been directly impacted by the 2025 Eaton and Palisades fires. The program is designed to bridge financial gaps and promote the general welfare of affected households until insurance or government recovery resources become available. The online application will be open from February 26 - March 12, 2025. For more information and to sign up for updates about the application, please visit lacountyreliefund.com.

Support the LA County Wildfire Recovery Effort - Donate Today!
LA County has launched a Disaster Relief and Recovery Fund donation portal to encourage community support for LA County wildfire victims. Donations received through this portal will fund the LA County Household Relief Grant program, helping to expand the assistance available to those in need. To donate, visit the Disaster Relief and Recovery Donations Portal to donate. Donate Today
Deadline Extended: Apply Now for LA Region Small Business & Worker Relief Funds
The Department of Economic Opportunity and the City of Los Angeles have extended the application deadline for the LA Region Small Business & Worker Relief Funds to March 2nd. These relief funds are designed to provide direct financial support to workers businesses, and nonprofits, helping bridge the gap until long-term recovery efforts kick in. Don't miss out on this opportunity for critical financial support. Get more information and learn how to apply at opportunity.lacounty.gov.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF ALTADENA IS NOW ACCEPTING ALTADENA FIRE RELIEF GRANT APPLICATIONS.

In the wake of the Eaton Fire and in support of Altadena’s disaster relief and recovery efforts, the Rotary Club of Altadena has established a fund to provide support for immediate and long-term relief efforts through disaster response grants.

The Altadena Rotary fire relief grants will support community projects that benefit Altadena residents, businesses, services, and charities affected by the Eaton Fire. Applications will be considered and prioritized on the basis of need and impact.

Grant applications must be completed by not-for-profit 501(c) organizations only. Organizations may sponsor projects by individuals,

businesses, or units of government. Grant projects must be intended for and completed within the unincorporated area of Altadena.

Grants are available between \$500 and \$5,000. Matching funds are encouraged but not required. Funding for a purpose that is part of a larger project is acceptable. Grants will be considered on a rolling basis quarterly with deadlines of March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31, 2025.

The grant application can be found at Restore Altadena: Rotary Club of Altadena Fire Relief Application Form (<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdBAPEiIa2N2om9OZ83k3X4QQ2erj2GAqr0s5IL2D66gPavdg/viewform>).

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What Does the Grant Cover?
Eligible applicants may receive assistance for one of the following housing-related expenses:

- **Mortgage Payment Assistance** - If your primary residence was damaged by the disaster.
- **Rental Assistance** - If you are displaced from your primary residence due to the disaster.
- **Hotel Reimbursement** - If you incurred temporary lodging costs due to displacement from your primary residence.

Please Note: This grant does not cover expenses such as second mortgages (home equity loans), clothing, appliances, equipment, vehicle costs, or other non-housing-related expenses.

How to Apply:

- Complete the application online at car.org/difference/realtorscare
- Submit required documentation to verify wildfire-related displacement or damage.
- Applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis until all funds are allocated.
- **Deadline to apply: April 30, 2025**
- For application inquiries, email: communitygrant@car.org

If you or someone you know has been impacted, don't wait—apply today at car.org/difference/realtorscare.

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THREADS OF THE WORLD CELEBRATION

Threads of the World: A Multicultural Celebration is an event set to take place on March 23rd from 12 PM to 3 PM at Blossom Market Hall in San Gabriel, CA. This event is organized by a group of high school students participating in the 2025 Leadership in Action Program led by Little Tokyo-based non-profit, Kizuna.

The event aims to celebrate diversity in light of the increasing attacks on immigration, racial in-justice, and multiculturalism. The current political climate motivated the team to provide a plat-form for mar-ginalized communities to share their stories through workshops, cultural perfor-mances, and keynote speakers.

Threads of the World engages all age groups. Families and young children can participate in identity-inspired art projects. Parents and students will have the opportunity to learn about pro-tecting their right to education amidst new policies. All audiences can enjoy a diverse food selec-tion, compelling performances, and speakers.

The team hopes to spread the message that diversity is a strength. Each identity, culture, and community is a thread of the world—when woven together, they create a vibrant tapestry of the globe.

Event Highlights:

- Keynote Speakers: Speeches from California State Senator Sasha Renée Pérez, As-semblmem-ber Mike Fong, and storyteller Dan Kwong
- Performances: Traditional dance and music from global communities ranging from Mexican Folklorico to Kathak
- Workshops: Hands-on activities where participants can learn more about different cul-tural themes and interactive sessions to provide additional information on racial justice and immigrant rights
- Food: The venue provides a variety of ethnic food options that highlight culinary tradi-tions from around the world

What's Happening:

- Event: Threads of the World: A Multicultural Celebration
- When: March 23rd, 12 PM – 3 PM
- Where: Blossom Market Hall, San Gabriel, CA
- RSVP: bit.ly/threadsoftheworld

Threads of the World: A Multicultural Celebration is free and open to the publ



29TH ANNUAL BUTTERFLY SEASON EMERGES ON MARCH 13th AT KIDSPACE CHILDREN’S MUSEUM

PASADENA, CA (March 6, 2025) Kidspace Museum announces the joyful return of its annual Butterfly Sea-son, beginning March 13. This vibrant celebration of butterflies, pollinators, and the natural world is more meaningful than ever, offering an opportunity for the community to reconnect with nature and experience the wonder of renewal.

“Spring is a season of rebirth, and that’s something we want to celebrate,” said Lisa Clements, CEO of Kid-space. “We invite families to engage with nature on our outdoor campus, learn about the vital role of conser-vation, and find joy in the colors and exuberance of springtime.”

A kaleidoscope of butterflies will fill Roberts Pavilion showcasing a new interpretation of artist Chris-topher Lutter’s handmade Monarch butterflies, crafted from upcycled waste-stream materials. These butterflies are a reminder of the impact of human behavior on wild creatures and they symbolize the power of transfor-mation and hope.

Butterfly Season also brings back the beloved Los Trompos, an interactive art installation designed by Hé-ctor Esrawe and Ignacio Cadena. These brightly colored structures, inspired by vintage Mexican toy tops, invite guests to hop on and spin together, embodying the cultural and geographical connections between California and Mexico—connections that are deeply tied to the Monarch butterfly’s migratory journey.

“Los Trompos reminds us of the shared histories and vibrant cultures that define our region,” said Cle-ments. “Like the monarch butterfly, it’s a beautiful metaphor for cultural and geographic connections between Southern California and Mexico.” Los Trompos was first commissioned by the High Museum of Art in Atlan-ta.

Guests can immerse themselves in nature through a variety of hands-on art and science activities de-signed to inspire curiosity and a sense of wonder:

- Bug safaris. Kidspace provides the magnifying glass and some expert tips; you bring your cu-riosity and keen creature-spotting skills and join our search for eggs, caterpillars, and adult in-sects around campus.
- Fantasy flutter-by-play. Dress up like a butterfly, climb into a “chrysalis,” and take flight on the flutter path.
- Create a caterpillar. Shape your creature out of clay and then add seeds to sprout a fuzzy fellow of your own to take home.
- Flower showers. Grab a watering can and learn about what plants, butterflies, and other polli-nators rely on while helping the flowers grow.

Butterfly Season doesn’t end when you leave the museum—live caterpillar adoptions are back! Raising and releasing native Painted Lady butterflies is a perfect family (or classroom) project, offering a tan-gible, living connection to the process of growth and transformation.

Caterpillar adoptions are available onsite beginning March 13 at the Kidspace Museum Store or online at store.kidspacemuseum.org. All caterpillars must be picked up in person at the museum. Caterpillars start at just \$8, and care instructions are available on the Kidspace website.

In addition to Butterfly Season, visitors can discover new connections between art and science in Wired for Wonder: a multisensory maze. Children and adults are invited to be both scientist and subject, ex-aminig how their brain interprets and integrates sensory input with emotion and memory. Wired for Wonder is pre-sented in collaboration with Getty’s PST ART: Art & Science Collide.

Butterfly Season is the perfect time to start a Kidspace Family Membership. From Butterfly Season to Sum-mer Campout to Halloween and Winter Frolic, there’s always something new at Kidspace. Families and friends can learn and play while making lasting memories throughout the year.

Visit kidspacemuseum.org to reserve tickets for Butterfly Season, included with general admission and free for members through May 18. Follow Kidspace Children’s Museum on Instagram and Facebook for the latest announcements and updates.

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 - 8. Last month
 - 11. “Howdy, ____!”
 - 12. Hurtful remark
 - 13. *Actor Hudson of Winston Zeddemore fame
 - 15. Give the cold shoulder
 - 16. *Musical based on 1980s rock “Rock of ____”
 - 17. *Comedy horror “____ Hell”
 - 18. *Transparency, to Gorbachev
 - 20. Slangy “Follow me!”
 - 21. Coffee shop order
 - 22. Pro vote
 - 23. Heart abnormality
 - 26. Act out Civil War battle, e.g.
 - 30. Eisenhower, familiarly
 - 31. Mediterranean island
 - 34. Small island
 - 35. *Oscar-winning “Tootsie” actress Jessica ____
 - 37. Not hers
 - 38. Dionysus’ pipe-playing companion
 - 39. Not on land
 - 40. Water pipe
 - 42. Dog tags, e.g.
 - 43. First lunar phase (2 words)
 - 45. Higher education reward
 - 47. Biblical mother
 - 48. *What “I love Lucy” did in the ‘80s
 - 50. Name of the Blue Ox
 - 52. *Gull-winged sports car
 - 55. Party handout
 - 56. Smoothie berry
 - 57. Clickable image
 - 59. Follows orders
 - 60. Mixed breed canine
 - 61. *Air Jordan, e.g.
 - 62. *”Cheers” setting
 - 63. Byron: “Maid of Athens, ____ we part”
 - 64. Dispatched

- DOWN
- 1. Ambulance squad, acr.
 - 2. “Shoot!”
 - 3. Person of French descent
 - 4. Preserve, as in body
 - 5. Prejudiced one
 - 6. Falstaffian in body
 - 7. Cr me de la cr me
 - 8. “Do ____ others as...”
 - 9. Property right
 - 10. ____ Aviv
 - 12. Bridge-like structure
 - 13. Wedding singer, e.g.
 - 14. *Ceauescu’s country
 - 19. Pasta accompaniment
 - 22. *”Owner of a Lonely Heart” band
 - 23. *Arrigo Sacchi’s Associazione Calcio ____
 - 24. Tsar’s edict
 - 25. Re-establish
 - 26. Zwieback
 - 27. Up and about
 - 28. *Blinky, Pinky, Inky and ____
 - 29. To the point
 - 32. Sound unit
 - 33. *Duran Duran’s hit
 - 36. *Hand-held “Tetris” device (2 words)
 - 38. Give sheep a haircut
 - 40. Gardening tool
 - 41. Quick and skillful
 - 44. Sets, in cricket
 - 46. Metamorphic rock
 - 48. Happen again
 - 49. Fill with spirits
 - 50. Rum cake
 - 51. Affirm
 - 52. ____ Maggie Smith
 - 53. Pain
 - 54. “High” time
 - 55. Watch chain
 - 58. Nothing but this in basketball?

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IN SUMMARY:
Eastside Market Italian Deli

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Just minutes from Dodger Stadium, Eastside Market Italian Deli isn't just another sandwich shop—it's part of the city's fabric. If you love Pinks, Philippe's, and Tam O'Shanter, this is another must-visit that represents what Los Angeles is all about. Every great city should have a deli like this, and many do. But here, nestled in the heart of L.A., we have something special: a true Italian deli, serving up hefty sandwiches loaded with old-school flavor.

The Food

I stopped in for the Italian Cold Cut Sandwich, and let's be clear—it's tasty. The bread has that perfect chew, the meats are stacked generously, and the balance of flavors is just right. If you're a fan of classic, no-frills, made-with-love sandwiches, this is the place.

But let's talk fan favorites.

- According to Cathedral alum Ventura Flores, the Meatball Sandwich is the best hot sandwich on the menu—big claim, and I plan to put it to the test next time.
- Tony Camarena says the Chicken Parmesan is hands down his go-to.
- Ventura also recommends the Hot Sausage Sandwich, another hearty, sauce-filled classic.

With these recommendations, I'll make sure to order a hot sandwich on my next visit.

The Experience

Walking into Eastside Market Deli feels like stepping into a piece of Los Angeles history. The interior is simple and functional—no gimmicks, just good food. You order at the counter, and the energy inside is a mix of regulars, blue-collar workers on lunch break, and first-timers trying to figure out the menu.

The crowd? Yelp reviews often mention it's a cop hangout, and you know what? That's fine by me. A steady stream of locals, workers, and longtime fans come through, proving that Eastside Market Deli has been doing something right for decades. I wouldn't be surprised if Tommy Lasorda snuck over here a few times. Yes, prices have gone up—what hasn't? But the portions remain generous, and the quality is still solid.

Summary

- For Customers: If you're hosting out-of-town guests and want to give them a taste of authentic Los Angeles, bring them here. Big portions, bold flavors, and a nostalgic feel make this a standout spot.
- For the Owner: You've built a beloved institution, but here's a small suggestion—maybe a menu re-fresh or some signage that gives newcomers a little more guidance on the sandwich lineup. Some first-timers might not know what to order.

How Far Would I Drive?

If I had a flat tire in front of the deli, I'd walk inside and grab a sandwich while waiting for the tow truck. If I were in the neighborhood, I'd absolutely stop by. Would I drive across town just for Eastside Deli? Maybe not every time—but if I had friends visiting, you bet I'd make the trip.
Peter A. Dills
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INGREDIENTS

- 1 sheet refrigerated pie crust
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1 cup water
- 1 package (3 ounces) strawberry gelatin
- 4 cups sliced fresh strawberries
- Real Whipped Cream, Pastry Topping or Cool Whip, optional

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 450°. Unroll crust into a 9-in. pie plate. Trim edge. Line unpricked crust with a double thickness of heavy-duty foil or parchment. Bake 8 minutes. Remove foil; bake 5 minutes longer. Cool on a wire rack.

In a small saucepan, combine the sugar, cornstarch and water until smooth. Bring to a boil; cook and stir until thickened, about 2 minutes. Remove from the heat; stir in gelatin until dissolved. Refrigerate until slightly cooled, 15-20 minutes.

Meanwhile, arrange strawberries in the crust. Pour gelatin mixture over berries. Refrigerate until set. If desired, serve with whipped cream.

1 piece: 266 calories, 7g fat (3g saturated fat), 5mg cholesterol, 125mg sodium, 49g carbohydrate (33g sugars, 2g fiber), 3g protein.

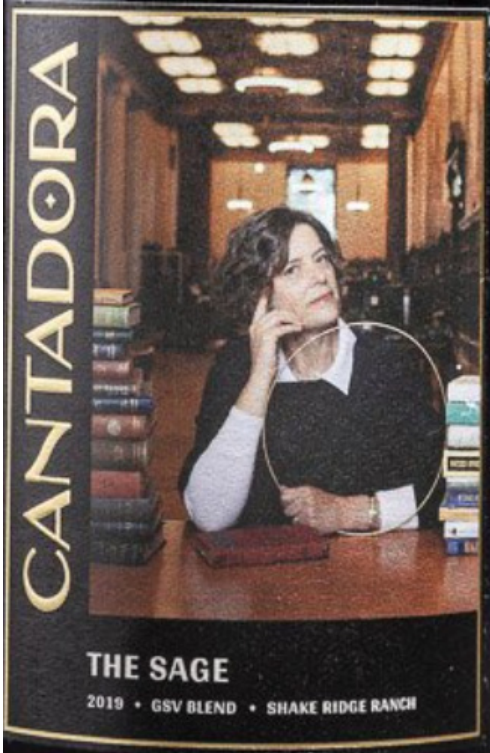
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THE TASTING ROOM

CELEBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH – PART 2

I'm Gustavo Lira, Tasting Room Manager and Wine Buyer at The Bottle Shop in Sierra Madre with another wine and spirits selection.

The month of March is Women's History Month, it's a month to honor women's contributions in American history. I have another perfect wine from Kira Ballotta that helps honor women who are making great contributions to their communities.



The 2019 Cantadora "The Sage" Mourvedre is a GSV blend - 65% Grenache, 30% Syrah, and 5% Viognier. Just like last week's wine, the grapes are sourced from the organically farmed Shake Ridge Ranch in Amador County. It spent 21 months in neutral French oak. It's got dark fruit notes along with pencil shavings, floral, and spice notes. It's got enough minerality to give you a superbly balanced wine. It's drinking extremely well right now. Only 146 cases were produced.

Cantadora Wines was founded in 2021 by Kira Ballotta to spotlight the stories of extraordinary women giving back in novel and profound ways to our shared community.

The woman on the label of "The Sage" is Marianne Page. Marianne Page is a Professor of Economics at the University of California, Davis, with expertise in labor economics and public economics. She co-founded the UC Davis Center for Poverty and Inequality Research to advance evidence-based policies that reduce poverty and increase children's equality of opportunity. 10% of sales of "The Sage" supports UC-Davis Center for Poverty & Inequality.

The 2019 Cantadora "The Sage" GSV is available at The Bottle Shop for \$39.99. Say you saw it in the Mountain Views News and get the MVN special price of \$37.99. Special price is good through March 14th.

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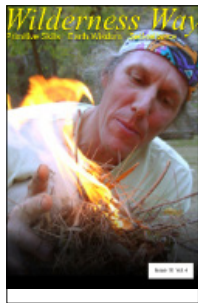
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HOMELESSNESS

Homelessness is a large and growing problem in L.A. County. If you happen to be homeless, it's not a "problem," it's a personal crisis. Among other things, the insane cost of housing is a factor in the increase in homelessness, though not the only cause.

Perhaps I feel real empathy for the homeless because I know what it's like to be adrift in the urban sea with no house or home. I was homeless for about 6 months in 1984, an experience that I wrote about extensively at that time. I know that with determination, and with the help of loving friends, it is possible to overcome this very real threat to survival.

I was once asked during a radio interview what advice I'd give to someone who was homeless. My response: I would first take the time with the homeless person in order to determine precisely how they become homeless. We would look at each point by uncomfortable point in order to see how their thinking, their actions, their inactions, led to homelessness so we could chart a path to changing those habits. Determining the cause is of paramount importance, since each and every homeless case is unique.

It has been well-demonstrated there is no actual physical shortage of places for people to live, even in the big cities. In fact, especially in the big cities.

The problem is complex, but we can state that homelessness is the result of one or more of the following: rapidly rising cost of living, unemployment, psychological problems, drug and alcohol use, and maybe "other." If you are an alcoholic or a drug user, you need to do whatever is possible to stop those habits. Period. The alcohol and the drug use is a threat to your basic physical survival.

The solution to homelessness involves the cooperation of local community organizations, and the homeless individuals themselves.

Though there is no shortage of people willing to assist, never forget that "assistance" is a two-way street.

Mark Holsinger, Executive Director of the Los Angeles Mission, wrote a "Letter to the Editor" in the March 14, 1992 Los Angeles Times. He said, "As frustrating as it is that not all homeless people accept help, we should not forget that many gratefully accept the opportunity to change their lives. The problem for most of the homeless isn't a lack of services or affordable housing or jobs. Their problem is their lack of desire to change [emphasis mine] -- to get off drugs, to function in a way that is acceptable to society, to respect others and themselves." He adds that it's not easy to get off the streets, but certainly possible to become a productive citizen because he works daily with those who've made that change."

Let's assume you have lost your home, you have no job, and you aspire to get back to work and find a home. What do you do? Where do you start?

Number one: If you are taking drugs, or drinking alcohol, stop! If you know you cannot stop without help, do whatever it takes to get that help.

Number two: Do whatever it takes to change your attitude. Quit viewing yourself as a victim of circumstances. Quit blaming anyone else. Quit feeling negative towards anyone.

Next, wherever you are, improve it. Make it better. If you are with others, teach by your example. If they ask what you are doing, explain to them that you are practicing the uplifting Principle of "making every place better for my being there." This is known as true Appreciation.

Also, do not steal or take that which is not yours, regardless of your "very good justification."

Begin to give to the charity, non-profit, or church of your choice. "Giving" can also be of your time. Give without the expectation of "getting" anything back. Don't give foolishly, but give intelligently to help further the work of a charity. The principle at work is "As ye give, so shall ye receive."

As you practice these simply principles -- which some people will ridicule as "simplistic" -- you can expect Miracles to occur.

This, of course, is just the very bare-bones beginning. Part of the solution also involves caring people, and the assistance of the City of Los Angeles, and local non-profits.

The solution also includes realistic employment training, and financial education, such as how to budget your money, and how to determine (Thoreau-style) how to differentiate "want" from "need." I have met SO many folks who have lost their homes, even though they continued to use a credit card to buy stuff they didn't need, and continued to use credit even as they could barely make the minimum payments.

I intend to address each of these related topics in future columns, and I welcome your comments and questions.

Katnip News!



fellow feline, or one who will happily share his toys.

But don't let his playful side fool you—Nigel is also a total lovebug. He's happy to be held and cuddled—until he spots something intriguing that he just has to investigate! He adores people and will happily snuggle up when playtime is over. He thrives with other cats, especially those who enjoy his high-spirited antics. If you're looking for a fun-loving, affectionate companion who will bring endless joy and laughter into your home, Nigel is your guy!

Meet Nigel
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Pet of the Week

HARRY

Harry is a handsome year-old red and white husky, who was found as a stray in Pasadena. This lovable guy is playful, friendly and appreciates a good belly rub! He is very smart and even knows commands such as "sit", "stay" and "leave it". He would do well in an only-pet home that can give him lots of attention and keep up with his abundant energy!

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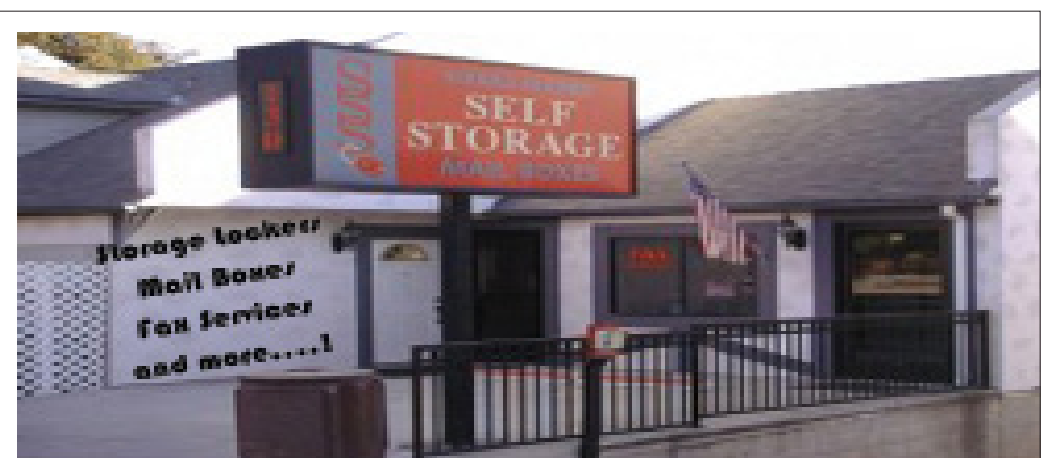
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MEDICATION MANAGEMENT FOR SENIORS:
STAYING SAFE AND ORGANIZED

Managing medications can be a challenge for seniors, but proper oversight is crucial for maintaining health and preventing complications. With multiple prescriptions, varying dosages, and potential interactions, staying on top of medication regimens requires careful planning.

The Importance of Medication Management As individuals age, they often require medications for chronic conditions such as high blood pressure, diabetes, and arthritis. However, improper use—whether through missed doses, accidental overdoses, or harmful drug interactions—can lead to serious health risks. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), medication-related issues contribute to a significant number of emergency room visits among older adults each year.

Tips for Effective Medication Management

1. Use a Pill Organizer – A weekly or monthly pill organizer helps seniors keep track of their daily medications and prevents missed doses.
2. Set Reminders – Alarms, smartphone apps, or even written schedules can serve as helpful re-minders to take medications on time.
3. Keep an Updated Medication List – A comprehensive list, including dosages and purposes, should be maintained and shared with healthcare providers.
4. Understand Drug Interactions – Seniors should consult their doctors or pharmacists to ensure medications do not interact negatively with one another.
5. Review Medications Regularly – Periodic reviews with healthcare professionals can help eliminate unnecessary medications and adjust dosages as needed.
6. Proper Storage – Medications should be stored in a cool, dry place, away from children and pets, and properly disposed of when expired.

The Role of Caregivers and Family Caregivers and family members play a crucial role in assisting seniors with medication management. Regular check-ins, assisting with prescription refills, and monitoring side effects can significantly improve medication adherence and overall health outcomes.

By implementing these strategies, seniors and their caregivers can minimize risks and ensure medications are taken safely and effectively. Staying organized and informed is key to maintaining health and independence in later years.

HOW TO REPLACE IMPORTANT
LOST DOCUMENTS

Dear Savvy Senior,

How do I go about replacing some important documents that were lost when our home of 50 years burned down? We lost everything including our house deed, car titles, old tax returns, Social Security and Medicare cards, birth certificates, marriage license and passports. Suffering in SoCal

Dear Suffering,

I'm very sorry to hear about the loss of your home, but you'll be pleased to know that replacing most of the lost documents you mentioned is pretty easy once you know where to turn. Here are the resources to help you get started.

Birth certificates: If you were born in the United States, contact the vital records office in the state where you were born (see CDC.gov/nchs/w2w/index.htm for contact information). This office will give you specific instructions on what you need to do to order a certified copy and what it will cost you – usually between \$10 and \$30.

Car titles: Most states offer replacements through a local department of motor vehicles office. You'll need to complete a replacement title application form and pay the application fee, which varies by state. You'll also need to show ID and proof that you own the car, such as your vehicle registration or your license-plate number and VIN (vehicle identification number).

Property deed: To access your house deed, contact your county clerk's office, where deeds are usually recorded. You may be charged a small fee to get a copy.

Marriage certificate: Contact the vital records office of the state you were married in to order a copy (see CDC.gov/nchs/w2w/index.htm). You'll need to provide full names for you and your spouse, the date of your wedding, and the city or town where the wedding was performed. Fees range from \$10 to \$30.

Social Security cards: In most states, you can request a replacement Social Security card online for free at SSA.gov/myaccount. When you get there, click on "Replace your Social Security Card" and answer a few questions to verify your identity.

Medicare cards: If you're enrolled in original Medicare, you can replace a lost or damaged Medicare card by calling Medicare at 800-633-4227, or by logging into your MyMedicare.gov account, where you can print or request a new card to be mailed to you for free. If you're enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Plan, such as an HMO, PPO, or PDP, you'll need to call your plan to get your card replaced. And, if you get Railroad Retirement Board benefits, you can get a replacement card by calling 877-772-5772.

Tax returns: To get copies of old tax returns start with your tax preparer, who usually keeps copies of your returns on file. You can also get copies of federal returns directly from the Internal Revenue Service. You'll need to fill out and mail in IRS form 4506. To download this form IRS.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f4506.pdf or call 800-829-3676 and ask them to mail you a copy. The cost is \$30 for each return requested.

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OUT TO PASTOR

A Weekly Religion Column by Rev. James Snyder

MAKE ROOM FOR LAUGHTER



After about two months in recovery mode, I had an opportunity to go to the neighborhood Publix. It's been a long time since I've been in a store, and I was happy to get out of the house and give The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage a break.

While walking around, I noticed everybody seemed very sad. It looked like everybody was worried about something and had no solution.

There is something about me that makes me want to bring a smile to someone who is sad. I'm not always successful, but at least I try. Walking around, I tried to think of what I could do to make somebody smile.

Maybe I could do something to make at least one person smile. I might not have a good prank, but how do I know until I try? I approached an older couple pushing a cart and said, "Pardon me, do you know who I am?" They both looked at me a little confused and shook their heads. The woman said, "No, I don't know who you are." I smiled at them and replied, "That's great. I thought I was the only one who didn't know who I was. Thank you."

As I walked away, I heard them giggle and laugh. I heard the man say, "He sure was crazy." Then they laughed some more.

I was satisfied that I at least got someone to laugh. If you go through a whole day without laughing, you have wasted that day.

There are so many things that I laugh about that I rarely have a day or an hour in which I am not laughing at something or someone. I don't know how many people laugh at me, but I hope there are some. I also noticed the store staff seemed rather stressed. The store was overly crowded with customers, and particularly, the people at the checkout counter seemed rather stressed.

I got what I was shopping for, went up to the checkout counter, and stood in line for several minutes, waiting for those in front of me to get fully processed. As I was waiting there, I was trying to think of what I could do to brighten up that young lady behind the checkout counter, who seemed quite stressed.

Then, an idea came to me. I laughed as I thought of it, and I didn't know if it was a good joke, but you never know until you process it, and I was in the processing mood at the time.

I grinned as I waited in line, and finally, my turn came. I looked at the lady behind the register and said, "There was a lady in the back of the store that told me if I mentioned how nice you look today, you could give me a discount." Then I smiled, the biggest smile I had all day. Looking at me, she said, "What?" I knew she was under stress, so I repeated it to her and asked her what kind of discount I would get.

At first, she didn't know what to do and looked over her shoulder to see if anybody was watching her. Then she finally looked at me and said, "Sir, I'm new here and have never heard of that discount before, and I do not believe that I can do it for you today. I'm so sorry for the misunderstanding." Then, much to my surprise, she smiled. After all, that's all I wanted.

I thanked her for her service, smiled, and told her to have a great day.

As I walked out, I could hear some customers behind me giggling. They were talking, but I couldn't understand what they were saying. At least I got a couple of people to smile.

Driving home from the store, the traffic was rather congested. People were going home from work, and many were not very patient. There was a lot of horn blowing and some old guys screaming. I'm unsure how that solved their problem, but I guess they had no other option. They must have had a hard day at work.

I just smiled as they drove by, not knowing their story. Why can't people just learn how to smile? I looked at all of them as they went by and smiled as best I could. A couple of drivers looked a little religious in my mind. I'm unsure what they were yelling at me, but one person pointed me to heaven. I smiled and was very appreciative. I nodded, affirming that I was planning to go to heaven. I noticed, though, that, being as religious as he was, he got his fingers mixed up and used the wrong finger to point to heaven.

Instead of being offended, I just smiled and even got to the point of laughing. My day was successful because I made about five people laugh and several others smile. That makes for a great day.

I couldn't help but think of one of my favorite Bible verses. "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones" (Proverbs 17:22). Laughter is the best medicine we could possibly have. And, we never run out of this medicine no matter our circumstances. My goal is to share my medicine with as many people as possible.

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STUART TOLCHIN



"It's not that you won or lost but HOW you played the game."

Last night I watched the entire Donald Trump Speech addressing the Joint Session of Congress. It is now 4 A.M. and, perhaps not surprisingly, I cannot sleep. Many thoughts go through my mind seemingly jumbled but all relating to the behavior of Donald Trump. On Sunday I had watched the presentation of the Academy Awards and my thoughts involved Kieran Culkin who won the Oscar for Best Supporting Actor in the film A Real Pain, one of the few nominated films I happened to see. As I struggled to sleep his character in the film came to mind.

Reviewers describe this film as an incredible achievement. It is a kind of comedy which describes the personal sensitivity to one's own pain and to the pain of others. The specific scene which came to mind involved Benji, the Culkin character seated in the first-class section of a train. The character leaves that section and moves to a seat in a non-elite section of the train. The reason for the move I remember as being connected to Benji's realization that the class system as reflected by the train seating classes is designed to make some people feel good and other people to feel bad. Benji hated these realizations and felt it necessary to leave the elite section. As I tried to sleep, I was reminded of Donald Trump and his overpowering need to be better than other people. He plays only to Win and his disdain for losers, such as military veterans who have died in battle, can only be termed as despicable.

Along the same line my thoughts moved to another nominated documentary film, Sugarcane. I had not seen the film but on Tuesday I happened to see an interview with the filmmaker, an indigenous person, Julian Brave NoiseCat. The filmmaker explained the derivation of his given last name as mimicking the sounds that his infant father was heard making as he was discovered after being placed in a trashcan. Frighteningly, the interview described how white Canadian colonial priests had attempted genocidally to destroy the entire native culture. Use of the traditional Indian language was prohibited and there was a willful failure to care for Indian infants who had been placed in Schools operated by the Priests. This horrible policy was illustrated by the treatment of his father. The overall policy, I believe is another example, an extreme example, of the human need to assert superiority. Once again, this need for dominance reminded me of Donald Trump and his continual need to prevail and win at all costs. For him life is about Winning.

My jumbled mind moved to another aspect of Donald Trump's speech in which he referred to ex-President William McKinley and demonstrated his disdain for other cultures. In previous speeches I have heard Trump declare that the highest mountain peak in North America should not be referred to as Mount Denali, a tribute and recognition of Indian people. Instead, Trump asserts that the mountain, the highest mountain in North America, should be referred to as Mount McKinley its former common name. Trump lauded the assassinated McKinley as a great President who like Donald Trump established tariffs which were an economic disaster perhaps related to the assassination. In his speech yesterday Trump announced that he had acted a couple of days ago to establish English as the Official Language of the United States. Another example of his insatiable need to be on top with no respect for anyone who does not also appear to be on top. (He does fawn over Elon)

Trump has disavowed any desire to be the leader of the Free World but speaks of the need for an America First Policy and displays little regard for Democratic and Constitutional values. He needs to WIN and does not care HOW. The spectacle of his supporters wildly applauding truly sickened me. I only hope that his desires do not predict an actual American future aligned with other tyrants or would be tyrants. That is not a game I wish to be a part of.



HOWARD Hays As I See It

"We are America; we are the indispensable nation. We stand tall and we see further than other countries into the future, and we see the danger here to all of us." – former U.N. Ambassador and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, 1998

"Came out of Hunter Biden's bathroom. It came out of Hunter Biden's bedroom. It was disgust-ing. . . But you're not acting at all thankful. And that's not a nice thing. . . This is going to be great television." – President Trump to Ukrainian President Zelensky, 2025

As to what went on at that Oval Office meeting between Trump and Zelensky, Susan Rice, former U.N. Ambassador and National Security Advisor under President Obama, told CNN that "it was a setup" – establishing pretext for Trump suspending aid to Ukraine as Russian President Putin wanted. The aid was suspended three days after the meeting.

Trump had demanded \$500 billion of Ukraine's "rare earth" materials as payback for what he claimed was \$350 billion in aid already given. (It's actually around \$124 billion.) Zelensky came ready to make a deal. All he'd want in return would be security guarantees – expecting Putin to use whatever pause in fighting to rebuild his forces for further attacks.

These things are usually hammered out in private – with press called in later for announcement of agreement, or of "frank discussion" to be continued later. But here, as Ambassador Rice explained, "Donald Trump kept the pool spray in there for 40 minutes, and was saying things that were outrageous like . . . Ukraine started the war and Russia is not the aggressor."

She said Trump "gave the permission to J.D. Vance in advance to try to provoke Zelensky . . . to start a rumble that would have two purposes. One, to appeal to Trump's base . . . they've been sending all of their lackeys out to tout how wonderful it was, when in fact it was a massive embarrassment for the United States of America. But the other audience was Vladimir Putin."

While Reuters and the AP were barred from the room, Russian state media were present although, according to the White House, they were "not on the approved list" (just somehow managed to sneak into the Oval Office). Russian media has since made ample use of that coverage to praise Trump's "proper slap down" of "insolent pig" Zelensky.

PUT THE LIGHTS ON

CHARACTER



RICH JOHNSON

CELEBRITY QUIRKS

What is a quirk exactly? We all have them (some more than others). So how did we get them? Merriam of Merriam-Webster fame enlightens us: an abrupt twist or curve, peculiar trait or idiosyncrasy. Across the pond, the stodgy Cambridge folks tell us a quirk is an unusual habit (like reading my column), part of someone's personality, or something that is strange or unexpected.

Rather than discuss our mundane quirks, I thought taking a peek behind the curtain of special celebrities might prove entertaining. Take Christopher Walken, the actor for example. Before he was an actor, Walken was a dancer. He could bust a move to the beat. He often tries to incorporate some smooth moves in his acting. If you see him, ask him if he's a dancer. He might buy you lunch. Speaking of the power of the press, Harpo Marx became known as the silent Marx Brother because a newspaper reviewer once wrote, "whenever Harpo speaks he ruins a great pantomime." Never heard from Harpo again.

From silence to macabre. There is a reason Morgan Freeman wears earrings other than to look fashionable. He confessed in an interview the earrings are worth the amount of money it would take to purchase a coffin for him in case he dies in an unusual place.

The power of suggestion gave actor Jeff Goldblum one of his signature traits...stuttering. While filming "Invasion of the Body Snatchers" the director heard him fumble a line over and over. The director told him he liked how Jeff delivered the line and Walla....a new quirk was born.

Facebook's Mark Zuckerberg eats meat...but only meat from animals he himself kills. I'm still thinking he's from another planet. But don't worry, he won't eat any of your animals. He has his own livestock he slaughters. I'm told his residence staff consists of a butler, a couple of maids and a butcher lol.

William Faulkner, writer of at least 20 books, dozens of short stories, poetry, essays and public letters, typed with his toes. By the way, he kept shoes on his hands while he worked. Don't know why, don't ask.

Lady Gaga does not believe in premarital sex. Shocking! (Actually, I'm being facetious. I'm impressed with Lady Gaga, aka Stefani Joanne Angelina Germanotta's adherence to traditional values.) She has strong Catholic beliefs.

Bill Gates, billionaire founder of Microsoft, would, back in the day, mentally keep track of all his employee's license plate numbers. It would tell him who showed up early, stayed late or vice versa. I don't think he does that anymore for two reasons. First, he has left the active management of Microsoft and second, as of June 2024, Microsoft had 228,000 employees.

Speaking of computer gurus, it is said Steve Jobs cried a lot. Over just about everything. They say Jobs cried when his employee badge said #2 instead of #1 (Wozniak had #1). Jobs cried at Pixar during a battle with Disney. He cried when Time put the Mac on its cover instead of him. He also cried when he saw the famous 1984 "Apple" ad for the first time. Cried about Windows copying the Mac. If you ever hook up with Kanye West don't feel bad if he nods off during your time together. Wife Kim explained he'll fall asleep anywhere and everywhere. I hope he never starts reading my column. He'll never wake up.

Clint Eastwood's iconic squinting of the eyes was not acting. Shooting the Fistful of Dollars movies in Spain, the outdoor bright sun forced him to squint and it became an iconic look for the "make my day" tough guy. Albert Einstein didn't wear socks cause his big toe always made a hole in his socks.

Benjamin Franklin was known to talk to himself.

Nikola Tesla curled his toes 100 times every night before falling asleep. Said it boosted his brain power.

Thomas Edison interviewed people over lunch. He fed them soup. If they added salt before tasting it, he wouldn't hire them because it showed they made too many assumptions. Leonard da Vinci wrote backwards in all his notebooks because he was a left-handed dyslexic polymath.

Hmm, I'm going to try to write my next column backwards. It just might make more sense than any I have written forward. Also, I'm going to curl my toes, squint.

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lent pig" Zelensky.

Ambassador Rice summarized, "This was a setup designed to humiliate and antagonize the Ukrainians and Zelensky . . . Trump is aligning the United States of America with Vladimir Putin and, by extension, his best buddies, China, North Korea, and Iran, and abandoning our NATO allies, abandoning Ukraine, abandoning our principles, our values and democracy . . . It's dangerous and shameful."

Thirty years ago, Trump relied on Russian oligarchs to bail him out from his failed casinos - American banks had had enough of him. Then came talk of Trump Towers in Moscow. Trump seems enamored by Putin's brand of authoritarianism; critics imprisoned, poisoned or falling from high-rise windows – with power held for as long as he wants.

Putin knows how to deal with Trump; his former national security advisor Lt. Gen. H.R. McMaster says he's "being played". Sen. Chris Murphy (D-CT) sees the administration as "becoming an arm of the Kremlin" (if it isn't already).

Senator (retired Air Force Brig Gen) Don Bacon (R-NE) called the session "A bad day for America's foreign policy. Ukraine wants independence, free markets and rule of law. It wants to be part of the West. Russia hates us and our Western values. We should be clear that we stand for freedom." Shortly after Russia launched its invasion, Trump was calling those giving aid to Ukraine "suckers".

Former Rep. (and Air Force vet) Denver Riggleman (R-VA) says, "The enemy is on the inside." Rather than having leaders "who care more about this country than securing mineral rights for their oligarch friends," now

"They're specifically trying to make Putin happy."

Following that Oval Office meeting, Pradheep Shanker wrote for National Review, "Countries around the world now understand that the USA isn't someone you can depend on when the going gets tough. Trump is weak, and that is what he portrayed today". Adds former George W. Bush speechwriter David Frum, "It exposed in the most undeniable, unequivocal way possible the pro-Putin commitments of the president and vice president. That was information Americans and allies needed to have clear before then."

Immediately after leaving Washington, Zelensky flew to London to meet with PM Starmer, who with other European leaders made clear their commitment to Ukraine (excepting Orban of Hungary). Zelensky made clear Ukraine's position: a ceasefire, security guarantees, exchange of prisoners and return of some 20,000 kidnapped children.

Also clear, after eighty years of the U.S. President being regarded as "leader of the free world", was EU foreign policy chief Kaja Kallas' statement that now "the free world needs a new leader". After only a few weeks of Trump in office, the U.S. can no longer be regarded as a serious partner – let alone as that "indispensable nation".

In other news: The Oscar for Best Picture went to "Anora", about a Brooklyn lady and a Russian oligarch. Host Conan O'Brien commented, "I guess Americans are excited to see somebody finally stand up to a powerful Russian." The audience loved it. That was "great television".

Slava Ukraini

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AI FOR FITNESS

Artificial intelligence (AI) might sound intimidating, but when it comes to fitness, it's a helpful tool. You don't need to be a tech expert, spend money, or buy fancy gadgets to benefit from AI. It can assist you in planning workouts, tracking progress, staying motivated, and improving nutrition—all with minimal effort. If you've ever wished for a personal trainer, a meal planner, or just some extra motivation, AI can provide that support. The best part? Many of these resources are free.

Starting a fitness routine can be challenging, especially when deciding which exercises to do. Instead of spending hours researching, you can let AI do the work for you. Free AI-powered tools like ChatGPT, Google Gemini, or Microsoft Copilot can generate customized workout plans in seconds. Simply ask, "Create a beginner workout I can do at home with no equipment," and you'll receive a structured plan detailing which exercises to perform and how often.

If you prefer using an app, the Nike Training Club (NTC) is an excellent choice. The NTC app is completely free, offering a wide range of workouts without any cost. The app adjusts as you progress, ensuring your workouts become more challenging over time. Another great free option is FitOn, which provides a variety of workouts tailored to different fitness levels. FitOn offers 100% free workouts and personalized fitness plans, with no catch. AI removes the guesswork, making it easy to start your fitness journey immediately.

Many believe that tracking fitness progress requires expensive devices, but your smartphone already has AI-powered tools that can do this for free. Google Fit (for Android) and Apple Health (for iPhone) can count your steps, estimate calories burned, and monitor overall activity. You can set goals, such as 7,000 steps a day, and your phone will track them without additional equipment.

For activities like running or cycling, apps like Google Maps and Samsung Health can estimate distance and pace. If strength training is your focus, apps like Strong and JEFIT allow you to log workouts and monitor progress over time. Whether you're increasing your daily steps, lifting heavier weights, or running longer distances, AI helps you visualize your progress without the need for extra gadgets.

But what about diet? Healthy eating doesn't have to involve expensive meal plans or strict diets. AI simplifies nutrition in a way that fits your lifestyle. MyFitnessPal's free version enables you to track food intake by scanning barcodes or entering meals manually. The app calculates calories and nutrients, making it easier to stay on track.

If meal planning feels overwhelming, AI tools like ChatGPT can generate personalized meal plans in seconds. For instance, you can ask, "Give me a week of healthy, high-protein meals under 2,000 calories per day," and receive a comprehensive meal plan. Additionally, apps like Whisk suggest recipes based on the ingredients you have at home, making healthy eating both simple and convenient.

While starting a fitness routine is one thing, maintaining it is another challenge. AI-powered apps help keep you accountable by setting personalized challenges and offering rewards for progress. Google Fit's "Heart Points" system encourages increased activity by turning exercise into a game. Similarly, apps like Strava offer AI-generated challenges that motivate you to run, walk, or cycle further each week.

On days when motivation is tough, AI can provide encouragement. Asking ChatGPT for tips to stay motivated can yield practical advice to keep you going. Even without a personal trainer, AI serves as a virtual coach, offering support whenever you need it.

What if you're just starting out? A common mistake among beginners is overexertion. AI can help prevent injuries by analyzing your activity levels and indicating when it's time to rest. Both Google Fit and Apple Health track sleep and recovery, aiding in the prevention of overtraining.

If stress or lack of sleep affects your workouts, free meditation apps like Insight Timer use AI to suggest relaxation techniques based on your mood. Fitness isn't solely about intense workouts; it's about balancing activity with proper recovery. AI ensures you're achieving both.

Many assume AI is complex, but when it comes to fitness it simplifies the process. It creates workout plans, tracks progress, improves nutrition, and keeps you motivated without the need for expensive equipment or technical expertise.

The best part? You can start today without spending a dime. It's instant. Allow AI to handle the planning while you focus on moving, feeling better, and progressing toward your goals.

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BEYOND STRENGTH: THE TENDER SIDE OF HARRIET TUBMAN

As we celebrate Women's History Month and Harriet Tubman Day on March 10th, let's reflect on how we remember this American icon. Most of us know her as the fearless conductor of the Underground Railroad — her stern face staring back at us from those few surviving photographs, embodying strength and determination.

Author Jason Reynolds once described her face as "incapable of smiling." However, those photographs reflect the limitations of 19th-century technology — requiring subjects to remain still for several minutes — rather than Tubman's emotional range. Perhaps in focusing solely on her extraordinary courage, we've fallen into the "strong Black woman" stereotype, missing the fullness of her humanity.

I was struck by artist Kerry James Marshall's painting "Still Life with Wedding Portrait," which imagines Tubman as a young bride. This tender depiction resonates with Ann Petry's biography, "Harriet Tubman, Conductor of the Underground Railroad," which describes how Harriet dreamed of marrying John Tubman, a free man. She loved his laugh and lilting whistle. She even sewed a patchwork quilt by hand for her wedding trousseau.

Marrying John made her very happy, and she wanted to be free.

She wanted both.

Though John never supported her freedom dream — even threatening to report her if she tried to escape — Harriet left anyway, carrying her treasured quilt. That same quilt became instrumental in her escape when she gifted it to the woman who helped her on the first leg of her journey.

Because she truly loved him, she returned for John, only to be laughed at — that same laugh she once adored now becoming a source of pain. Undeterred, she channeled her energy into her mission, returning south repeatedly to guide others to freedom, including her family members who faced being sold "down the river" and, eventually, her elderly parents.

Through it all, that desire for love and tenderness never left her.

As we navigate today's challenging political landscape, Tubman's example reminds us that we can be both strong and tender. We don't have to choose. Honoring our whole selves — including our need for rest, joy, and connection — makes us more effective in our commitments to community.

This is especially true for helpers and community leaders, who often put others' needs before their own. We must remember to:

Look for moments of awe and wonder. We need to put our shields down sometimes. Notice what's good in our lives and celebrate it. Reject either-or thinking and embrace both/and.

In these times that feel divisive and difficult, these practices aren't luxuries — they're necessities that sustain our ability to serve and create change. Harriet Tubman's legacy teaches us that profound courage can coexist with deep tenderness. Her example invites us to honor all aspects of ourselves as we work toward a more just world.

This week, I encourage you to decide on an act of self-care that honors your softer side. How will you stay inspired while caring for your heart? I'd love to hear your thoughts, and you're always welcome to reach me at my website.

Stay strong and stay inspired,

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NONDUALITY & THE NATURE OF OUR EXISTENCE



Nondualism includes a number of philosophical and spiritual traditions that emphasize the absence of fundamental duality or separation in existence. This viewpoint questions the boundaries conventionally imposed between self and other, mind and body, observer and observed, and other dichotomies that shape our perception of reality. As a field of study, nondualism delves into the concept of nonduality and the state of nondual awareness. Nondualism emerges as a central teaching across various belief systems, inviting individuals to examine reality beyond the confines of dualistic thinking.

Nondualism emphasizes direct experience as a path to understanding. While intellectual comprehension has its place, nondualism emphasizes the transformative power of firsthand encounters with the underlying unity of existence. Through practices like meditation and self-inquiry, practitioners aim to bypass the limitations of conceptual understanding and directly apprehend the interconnectedness that transcends superficial distinctions. This experiential aspect of nondualism challenges the limitations of language and rational thought, aiming for a more immediate, intuitive form of knowledge.

Each nondual tradition presents unique interpretations of nonduality. Advaita Vedanta, a school of thought within Hindu philosophy, focuses on the realization of the unity between the individual self (Ātman) and the ultimate reality (Brahman). In Zen Buddhism, the emphasis is on the direct experience of interconnectedness that goes beyond conventional thought constructs. Dzogchen, found in Tibetan Buddhism, highlights the recognition of an innate nature free from dualistic limitations. Taoism embodies nondualism by emphasizing the harmony and interconnectedness of all phenomena, transcending dualistic distinctions, towards a pure state of awareness free of conceptualizations.

People regard themselves as separate units, separate from the world and from other people. Only after removing the veil that the mind creates you will be able to realize the Oneness of everything and, thereby, realize what nonduality is. Oneness is right here, right now!

John Wheeler, Rupert Spira, Eckart Tolle, Lisa Cairns, Mooji, Alan Watts, Jackson Peterson & others discuss Nonduality on Youtube.



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February Events Around Town!

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One Time Events:

March 2

Restore & Explore: Reflective Writing and Intuitive Collage at The Huntington
Explore the beauty of the natural world, then create a collage of reflection 8:30 – 10:30 am

March 7

50 years: Highlights of the Collection at Norton Simon Museum
Tour some of the most exquisite and celebrated works of art in the Norton Simon. 5 – 6 pm

March 8

Japanese Garden History Talk and Tour at Descanso Gardens
Hear about the storied past of Descanso's Camellia Forest and Japanese Garden. 3 – 5 pm

March 9

Barks and Brews at the Arboretum
Stroll the Arboretum with your canine friend, enjoy craft beers and delicious bites in this fundraiser benefitting Pasadena Humane and the Arboretum Foundation. 11 am – 4 pm

March 13

Irish Tales By The Fire at the Blinn House
Padraic P. Keohane shares tales of wit, wonder, and wisdom. 6 – 7:30 pm

March 14

ArtNight Pasadena
Cultural open house-showcasing visual arts, literary arts, dance, music, & theater. 6 – 10 pm

March 15

Leprechaun Shelters Workshop at the Arboretum
Create a whimsical home for leprechaun friends. Children 4–10 years old w/adult. 2 – 3:30 pm

March 15

Culinary Workshop: Snow Skin Mooncakes at The Huntington
Learn about history and traditions as you learn to make mochi-like mooncakes. 10 am – 1 pm

March 16

St. Patrick's Day Luncheon at the BPOE Lodge in Pasadena
Join the Irish Center of Southern California with a buffet lunch, live Irish music, and Cleary Irish Dance. 11:30 am – 2:30 pm

March 22

Pasadena Symphony and Pops at Ambassador Auditorium
Mozart's "Turkish" Violin Concerto, Hailstork's Baroque Suite, Prokofiev's Classical Symphony, and Stravinsky's Suite from Pulcinella. 2 – 8 pm

March 27

Altadena & Friends Fire Relief Benefit
Variety show w/internationally known artists, many of whom lost homes, studios, and instruments in the Eaton Fire Alex Theatre in Glendale. 7 – 9 pm

March 29

California Young Artists Symphony Performs Mahler's 9th Symphony
Experience some of the most expressive music of all time at the Ambassador Auditorium. 7 pm

March 29

Family Night Hike: The Luck of the Garden at the Arboretum
Celebrate St. Patty's with an enchanting night hike discovering plants believed to bring good fortune, health, and protection. 5:30 – 7 pm
Adult Night Hike 7:30 – 9 pm

Ongoing Events:

March 7 – 9

Art in Bloom Gallery Exhibition
Creative Arts in Sierra Madre pairs the community's finest floral designers.

March 13, 14, 15

9 to 5: The Musical
Award-winning Arcadia Stage presents popular musical 9 to 5

March 13 – May 19

Butterfly Season at Kidspace Children's Museum
Highlights include bug safaris, flutter-by-play, create a caterpillar, and flower showers.

March 14 – 28

America's Got Talent at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium
Witness a new season of jaw-dropping talent and unforgettable moments.

March 23 – April 20

Jane Eyre at A Noise Within
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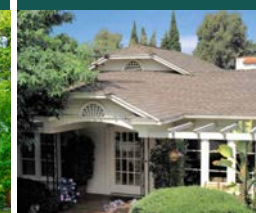
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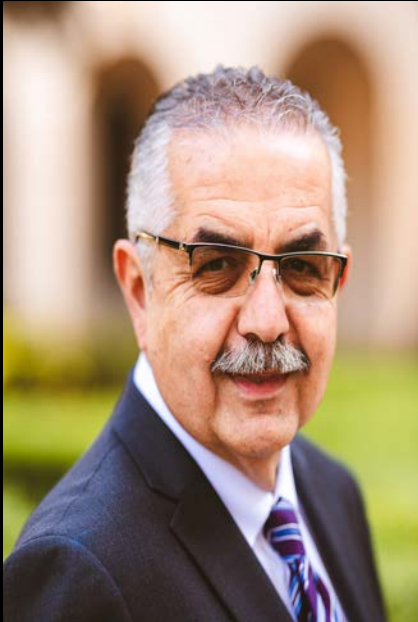
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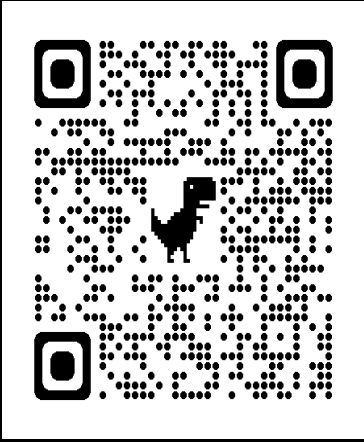
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