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Council to Transfer Funds from GWP to General Fund; Golanian Appointed to Director of Public Works

By Ted AYALA

A resolution transferring \$20,607,000 in operating revenue from Glendale Water & Power (GWP) to the city's general fund was approved by Glendale City Council Tuesday night amidst reservations from Mayor Zareh Sinanyan.

The transfer is in line with a previous council resolution to scale back the amount of such funds transferred to the general fund.

Mayor Sinanyan reaffirmed his previous opposition, saying that he is still against such transfers in principle, but is unable to do anything to prevent it.

"It is what it is," the mayor said.

Councilmember Frank Quintero said that he found "nothing wrong" with the transfer, adding that he felt it was what the founders of the city had intended in the charter.

City Manager Scott Ochoa warned that if the transfer was not approved, the city would lose

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Their Journey Begins



"In this outward and physical ceremony we attest once again to the inner spiritual strength of our nation. As my high school teacher, Miss Julia Coleman, used to say: 'We must adjust to changing times and still hold to unchanging principles.'"
~ Jimmy Carter

By Mary O'KEEFE

The students of the Class of 2014 at Clark Magnet and Crescenta Valley high schools sat in the sun on Tuesday and listened to administrators and fellow students say goodbye and wish them well on their future journey.

At Clark, the commencement ceremony held on the school campus was bittersweet, with seniors excited about moving forward with their lives while saying a sad goodbye to the teachers and friends who made their four years special and successful. This was the first commencement since longtime administrative secretary Barbra Melone passed away. The administration and the students felt the loss.

There was bit of a surprise, though, when it came to naming



A newly minted Crescenta Valley High School graduate raises her hands in victory during the commencement ceremony on the school campus on Tuesday.

the valedictorian – three students walked away with that honor: Alan Tirdad Began, Sheina Sakhrani and Tatevik Stepanyan all earned a 4.48 grade point average.

CVHS enjoyed its second year of hosting the commencement ceremony on the school's campus. For years, graduation was held at Stengel Field; then, when

those stands fell to disrepair, the ceremony was held at Glendale Community College. Last year, GCC was not available and talks turned to where this displaced ceremony could be held. The decision, with overwhelming support, was to hold it at home, on the Falcon track and field. The tradition continued on Tuesday and, thanks to a generous Class

of 2014 gift, the Class of 2015 will also enjoy its ceremony on the home field.

This was CVHS Principal Linda Junge's first commencement as principal. She praised the graduates not only for their academic success but also for their compassion.

"In addition to being smart and see GRADUATION on page 16

Paula Devine, Measure G Winners in Glendale Special Election



Photo by Mary O'KEEFE

A voter on Tuesday reviews her ballot before making her decisions. The low turn-out for the primary election was not unexpected.

By Ted AYALA

Glendale City Council candidate Paula Devine and Measure G were both the big winners of Tuesday's special election, which was folded into the county and statewide election held the same day.

The special election had been called by the city in order to elect a permanent successor to Rafi Manoukian, who had stepped down from his post last year when elected as the city's treasurer. Council later appointed Frank Quintero to the vacant seat in a caretaker role that he held until the special election.

Quintero declined to run for reelection in 2013 and 2014 after declaring his intention to retire from public office.

Devine initially had been trailing behind the eventual runner-up, Vartan Gharpetian. But as the returns from all the city's precincts were tallied, the former educator and vice-president of

the Glendale chapter of Soroptimists International pulled ahead, ending the night with nearly 12% over Gharpetian.

Devine came in at 33.69%, followed by Gharpetian at 22%, Rick Barnes at 20.7%, Chahe Keuroghelian at 13.67%, and Mike Mohill at 9.94%.

Provisional and vote-by-mail ballots have yet to be tabulated by the county clerk's office. No irregularities were reported at Glendale polling stations.

"I'm simply overwhelmed by the support that I've received from the entire community," Devine said. "I'm hoping that we can work together towards meeting our goals for fiscal responsibility, traffic safety, mitigation of traffic congestion and progress in education."

In a message to his supporters that was posted on his campaign's Facebook page, Gharpetian declined to concede

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Proposed Water Rate Increase Community Meetings

Glendale Water & Power has organized the following community meetings to share information on our proposed water rate increase. Attend to learn about the proposed rates, share comments and questions.

MEETING LOCATIONS:

Thursday, June 5, 2014
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
 Glendale Police Community Room
 131 N. Isabel St., 91206

Wednesday, June 18, 2014
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
 Pacific Edison Community Center
 501 S. Pacific Ave., 91204

Thursday, June 19, 2014
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
 Boy Scouts of America
 1325 Grandview Ave., 91201

Meeting locations, dates and or times are subject to change at any time. For the most up to date meeting and proposed rate increase information visit www.GlendaleWaterAndPower.com and click on the tab labeled "Rates" at the top of the page. Please call (818) 548-4828 or check our website for changes.

If you are unable attend any of the community meetings you can still ask a question. We will post your question anonymously with an answer on our website's Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page.
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FROM THE DESK OF THE PUBLISHER



Reflecting on the End of the (School) Year

Typically, thinking back on a year that is coming to an end takes place around Jan. 1. As for reflecting on the end of a school year ... well, it's been years since I've reflected on my own school years. But when raising children, knowing the school calendar by heart is something a parent instinctively knew. And, as a parent, when June rolled around I would think back on the accomplishments (and shortcomings) of my kids over the past nine months. But with my youngest having graduated in 2011, I now have the opportunity to reflect on the previous school year with less of a vested interest and more of a general interest. Because of my involvement with Prom Plus, I am able to connect with CVHS students through the Prom Plus Club. Over the last nine months, I've had the opportunity to attend a couple of club meetings on campus and the prom – and Prom Plus – was on May 24. This year's attendance to Prom Plus was absolutely stellar with over 450 kids stopping by the Y. The kids had a great time and I'm so proud of the Prom Plus team that had to jump over all kinds of hurdles to pull this year's event together. Thanks to all who helped make it happen.

Learning about kids on a more personal level is something that my husband Steve and I get to do through our work with a scholarship committee we sit on. Working with the Community Foundation of the Verdugos, we receive applications for scholarship funds that we distribute each year. The applica-

tions detail the lives of the applicants, giving us a peek into the hard work, the hopes and the dreams of these prospective recipients. Some come from little money, others with life-threatening illnesses and yet all have a determination to attend college, to move forward with their life in a way that will better not only them but also the world. It's inspiring.

We're not the only ones who have this privilege. So many organizations in the Crescenta Valley, from the chambers of commerce to many of the service clubs like the Rotary, Lions and Elks, raise money throughout the year to fund their scholarships. Like I said, it's a privilege ... but also a responsibility. Thankfully most consider it a responsibility worth carrying.

I invite you to take part in any and all opportunities to fund these scholarships, whether it's attending a pancake breakfast or a golf tournament (there's two coming up). Stop by our Youth section this week to see some of this year's scholarship recipients. Also featured are photos of many of the area's graduates – the faces of those who will be making a difference in our community and beyond.

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Weather in the Foothills

"I've learned that no matter what happens, or how bad it seems today, life does go on, and it will be better tomorrow. I've learned that you can tell a lot about a person by the way he/she handles these three things: a rainy day, lost luggage and tangled Christmas tree lights. I've learned that, regardless of your relationship with your parents, you'll miss them when they're gone from your life. I've learned that making a 'living' is not the same thing as making a 'life.' I've learned that life sometimes gives you a second chance. I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands; you need to be able to throw something back. I've learned that whenever I decide something with an open heart, I usually make the right decision. I've learned that even when I have pains, I don't have to be one. I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back. I've learned that I still have a lot to learn. I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

~ Maya Angelou

This was graduation week for many schools in the Foothills. Although a little warm, the weather was picture perfect. With these events in mind, I could not resist the words and wisdom of Maya Angelou. Notice she even made mention of "a rainy day."

No, I have not lost it! It's probably too late, but please don't look at last week's Weather in the Foothills. I actually mentioned a chance of "possible drizzle" and that "cooler temperatures and fog" were expected. Quite the opposite occurred, as the temperature day-after-day reached 90 degrees. I'm not certain who said weather predicting is not a perfect science, but no truer statement exists! Considering all the contributing factors and variables, it is truly amazing that most of the time weather forecasts are generally correct. Hopefully, this will hold true for 2014-15. According to climatologists and meteorologists, thus far conditions off the coast of South America are encouraging. Next season's rainfall may be back to normal or possibly beyond ... good news after three years of drought.

With caution, I will once again attempt an accurate forecast. Temperatures to remain warm for this time of year. Usually "June gloom" dominates, keeping us cool and in a fog. Next week's weather may bring the more typical pattern back to our area. Cooler temperatures are expected, as summer vacation begins.

Sue Kilpatrick is a Crescenta Valley resident and Official Skywarn Spotter for the National Weather Service. Reach her at suelkilpatrick@gmail.com.

NEWS

A Surprise Visit



Photo by Dan HOLM

Emily Chacon rushes into the arms of her brother Jorge who surprised her during her commencement ceremony on Friday.

By Mary O'KEEFE

Imagine sitting at your high school commencement ceremony. You are nervous, ready to take that long walk across the stage to get your diploma, shake the hand of the administrator and then walk into your future. Happy feelings of accomplishment are mixed with fear of the unknown and melancholy about leaving old friends. For many, the strength that helps make those steps easier is the knowledge that family is in the audience and their support is steady and strong.

Now imagine that as you wait for your name to be called, you think about and miss the one person not there – a brother who is serving overseas. That is what Burbank High School senior Emily Chacon was dealing with as her commencement began at Starlight Bowl on Friday.

But as she stepped up to get her diploma, from behind the stage walked her brother, Jorge, a U.S. Marine on active duty.

As Jorge walked onto the stage and saw his sister, he did not hear the crowd cheering him or see them stand. He didn't even notice the tears in almost everyone's eyes as he walked toward his sister to congratulate her on graduation day.

"We talked about [Emily's commencement] last year. I reminded [Jorge] of it this year and he said it was not possible for him to make it [home]," said Jorge Chacon Sr. of his son's surprise visit.

Jorge traveled from Baghdad to Burbank without telling anyone in his family. His father had no idea

his son would make it to the ceremony until he heard that knock at the door.

"He knew my knock," Jorge said. "The minute he heard the knock he knew it was me. When he opened the door he already had tears in his eyes."

"I was having dinner. I [heard the knock] and got up and ran to the door," Jorge Sr. said.

Jorge is a corporal with the U.S. Marine Corps. He has served for three years and 10 months. He currently provides security for embassies all over the world and travels extensively. He graduated Burbank High in 2007 and made a choice to forego college to get a job and help with family bills. When finances were stronger, he decided to enlist, like his brother who also served as a U.S. Marine. Jorge said he learned a lot from his older brother about what life in the military was like and decided to follow in his footsteps. Yet a life of service often means missing important family moments, like a graduation. Jorge was happy he could surprise his sister.

He had no idea that as he walked through the back entrance of the ceremony at the high school there would be such a show of emotion from the audience.

"I just had tunnel vision for my sister," he said.

He didn't notice the audience stand when he walked out and was overwhelmed by the reaction after the ceremony as people praised him and thanked him for being there.

"It was the most beautiful thing. I didn't expect it," he said. "I just came for my little sister."

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IN BRIEF

SELF DEFENSE CLASSES OFFERED

The City of Glendale is offering two free self-defense classes for women and girls sponsored by the Commission on the Status of Women and one self-defense class for men and boys co-sponsored by the YMCA of Glendale. The classes will be taught by SHIELD Self-Defense, founded by Nelson Nio, which offers a martial-arts-based self-defense program for ages 12 and up.

The classes for women are on Wednesday, June 11 from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Glendale Police Dept., large community room at 131 N. Isabel St., Glendale.

The second is on Wednesday, June 25 from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Glendale Community College, student center conference room (SC212) at 1500 N. Verdugo Road in Glendale.

The class for men and boys only is on Wednesday, June 18 from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Glendale Police Dept., large community room.

To RSVP or for more information, call (818) 548.2000 or email women@glendaleca.gov.

THIRD ANNUAL GLENDALE CITY GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

The Glendale Parks and Open Space Foundation, Scholl Canyon Golf Course, Oakmont Country Club, American Golf and The Local Trusted Choice Insurance

Agents announced the Third Annual Glendale City Golf Championship on July 23 and July 28. These community organizations will together host the annual championship to benefit the local parks and open space.

Golfers of all abilities are invited to come out and play to support The Glendale Parks and Open Space Foundation, a 501c3 non-profit organization. For more information on the event, visit www.GlendaleGolfChampionship.com.

BAS TO TAKE PART IN CHALLENGE

Beginning June 1, the Burbank Animal Shelter (BAS) was one of 50 animal shelters nationwide to participate in the fifth and final ASPCA Rachael Ray \$100K Challenge. The Burbank Animal Shelter is competing for a chance at more than \$600,000 in grant funding, including a grand prize of \$100,000.

The 2014 ASPCA Rachael Ray \$100K Challenge is a nationwide competition for animal shelters (and their communities) aimed at increasing animal adoptions as well as returning more to their owners than ever before.

The BAS will hold numerous events and promotions throughout the competition including \$5 Feline Fridays. All pet adoptions will include, spay or neuter, vaccinations and microchips.

To support the BAS, visit [Facebook.com/BurbankAnimalShelter](https://www.facebook.com/BurbankAnimalShelter) during the competition.

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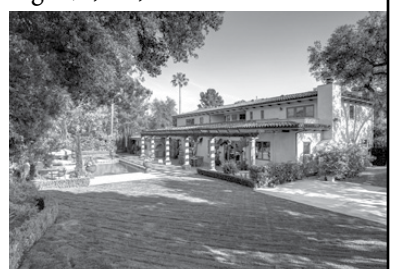
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CVWD Rate Increases

By Jason KUROSU

A new set of water and sewer rate increases will be voted on next week by the Crescenta Valley Water District Board of Directors. Pending approval, the water rate would be increased by 5.8% beginning July 1. Sewer rates would also be increased by 4.7% on July 1 and 4.4% the following year.

The district raised rates by 6.9% last July, citing needs to improve infrastructure and the

water system.

The board is set to vote on the increases during its regular June 17 meeting.

According to CVWD Program Specialist Christy Scott, the intent of the increases is multifaceted. The water district has a number of projects which would use the revenue from the rate hikes for partial funding. Among the district's projects are plans to replace aging pipes and infrastructure throughout the Crescenta Valley and a storm

water study intended to recharge the Verdugo Basin.

Scott also said that the rate increases would help CVWD deal with the inherent rising costs of the water district's operations, as well as help the district maintain a sustainable debt level.

CVWD will hold a public meeting on June 10 at its office at 2700 Foothill Blvd., during which members of the public can speak directly with the district's board about the potential rate increases.

VOTE from Cover

defeat pending the final tally of all provisional ballots.

"Together, we ran a very positive campaign and I couldn't have done it without the help of my family, friends, staff and volunteers," his post read. "Although the election is over ... there are still a lot of provisional ballots which [need to] be counted by June 30th. Let's not give our hopes up."

He added that regardless how the final tallies turn out, that he was running for Glendale City Council again in 10 months.

The county handled the tallying of the votes this time around instead of the city clerk's office. The final results will be certified by July 1.

With no hot-button issue or

presidential candidate on the ballot, turn-out was lower than usual.

According to Mike Dunn, secretary to Glendale City Clerk Ardashes Kassakhian, just over 15,000 people voted Tuesday – approximately 14% of all registered voters in the city.

"Typically we see about 27% to 29%," he said.

City Clerk Kassakhian also said that the transferring of the council seat currently held by Quintero to Devine would not occur until next month after the county certifies all votes.

The final outcome of the decision for Measure G was never in doubt Tuesday night as it established a wide lead early on, eventually earning a landslide

68.58% in its favor.

Measure G will allow the city to eschew the need to hold a special election to fill a vacant seat, instead allowing council to appoint somebody to serve the remainder of the term until the next election.

The city had expressed the possibility of including additional measures on the ballot that would have allowed for increases in revenue. These plans were ultimately shelved after an outside consultant's survey found that a majority of city residents and businesses expressed a strongly negative reaction.

Devine will have less than a year to settle into her term as councilmember. Her seat will be up for grabs again in April 2015.



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Skepticism, Concern Over New Water Rate Structure

By Ted AYALA

Glendale Water & Power (GWP) is taking its new water rate structure on the road. And if their first public outreach meeting, which was held Wednesday night at the Sparr Heights Community Center, is any indication, they're going to be facing some tough crowds.

Raised eyebrows and frustrated outbursts met the efforts of GWP and city staff to educate local residents on the intricacies of a new water rate structure plan being promoted by the utility.

When City Manager Scott Ochoa answered a resident's concern about development by saying there was "no overdevelopment," he was loudly jeered.

"[The city] is not being aggressive with this issue," said Santo Marino. "[Added residents]

are going to be using more water. Out of necessity there is going to be more water usage. The city is just becoming too crowded."

He countered Ochoa's assertion that development was being confined to a small portion of the city centered on downtown.

"One very specific [example of development] to our area is on the corner entrance to the westbound side of the 210 Freeway off of Pennsylvania Avenue," Marino added.

The new plan being promoted follows a previous structure plan that ended in failure when city staff discovered grave errors in the plan devised by Willdan Financial Services of Temecula. The structure that they originally proposed would have increased the monthly bill of an average single-family customer currently paying \$72.12

by approximately 11% next fiscal year to \$79.83. Annual increases of approximately 5%, 4%, 5% and 5% over the following four years would be effected. By fiscal year 2018-19, that same customer would be paying \$95.34.

Instead, single, multi-family, and commercial customers were being undercharged, resulting in a loss of \$8.8 million from those customers alone.

A new rate plan, this time by Bartle Wells of Berkeley, has been adopted by the city.

Glendale City Council last month approved a 20.4% cap on rate increases that can be adjusted downward when the council votes on new water rates next month. They cannot, however, go over that percentage.

"Now we're correcting that mistake," said director of GWP Steve Zurn. "In our haste, the

consultant we [first] hired made a bonehead mistake ... But we have got to move forward."

City staff said that the structure was going to be a bitter pill that, if not swallowed, would have worse consequences for Glendale and the GWP in the future.

"We already have a negative cash balance," said the city's director of Finance Bob Elliot. "That's not going to be looked on favorably by credit rating companies. Long term, there will be issues if we're downgraded. It would certainly affect our ability to revamp our capital infrastructure. GWP would pretty much be stagnant."

Another public outreach meeting is scheduled for tonight, Thursday, June 5 at the Community Room at the Glendale Police Headquarters at 131 N. Isabel St. in Glendale.

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Riding Down Michigan Avenue

By Jason KUROSU

Despite that Olympian Luger Kate Hansen hails from La Cañada, the sport does not generally strike many as a Californian pastime.

Nonetheless, the United States Luge Association made its first venture to California in over a decade this past Saturday, turning La Cañada's Michigan Hill into a veritable luge course. Utilizing the hill's downward slope (and a number of bales of hay donated by the Flintridge Riding Club), USA Luge transformed the one block expanse of La Cañada into a site worthy of a rare adult luge training course.

USA Luge Recruitment and Development Coach Fred Zimny said the luge tour or "slider search" is generally made to target potential young talent for the Winter Olympic Games.

"Seven of the 10 athletes that were on the Olympic team in Sochi with Kate started within the program that we're doing here for kids," said Zimny.

The Lake Placid, New York based association rarely makes trips out to the west coast. The stop in California was the fourth of a seven-city tour, which had previously made stops in New York City, Washington D.C. and Chicago. The La Cañada stop, however, was the only adult training session.

Kids and adults made their way to Michigan Hill to see how they would fare bobbing and weaving (if possible) through a series of cones set up along the hillside. USA Luge provided helmets, luge sleds and a brief training session on the fundamentals: proper position on the sled, steering and braking.

The sleds used were fitted with wheels in order to slide on concrete, but were otherwise "the real deal," said Zimny.

The volunteer lugers went through three runs after receiving their training, the second run higher up the hill than the first,



and then a timed run for the third and final attempt.

Some met the challenge with trepidation, while many others whooped and hollered their way down the hill as family members and friends cheered them on from the sidelines. Hansen helped with the runs, giving some riders the necessary propulsion to speed down, as many reached speeds of up to 20 miles per hour.

After everyone tried their hand at sledding, Hansen took a sled from the very peak of the hill to the bottom, riding with just a bit more composure than most of the other lugers.

Kathie Simmons of La Cañada said her first luge experience was "very exciting," though she noted her first run was smoother than her second. This did not deter her from participating in the timed third run.

Despite luge being a winter sport, Bent Hansen, Kate's uncle, wondered about the potential for further interest out west.

"It's more popular in colder places, but you'd think with all the skateboarding and surfing out here, that California would be a great place to turn out fantastic athletes for this," he said.

Hansen recalled viewing parties he held at his restaurant, Los Gringos Locos, where friends and neighbors would gather to watch Kate's Olympic run. Now, Hansen was also proud to see Kate bringing

luge back home for those same La Cañada natives who cheered her on just months before.

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Luge Olympian Kate Hansen gives some pointers to a child about to travel down Michigan Hill on Saturday.
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More Than Trees Celebrated at Arbor Day

By Mary O'KEEFE

Supervisor Michael Antonovich and the Crescenta Valley Town Council celebrated Arbor Day Saturday morning with a donation of hundreds of trees.

Southern California Edison donated the trees as a way to replenish those that were lost

after the windstorm a few years ago. SCE provided free trees for several areas in Los Angeles County.

"Most areas we gave the trees planted them in parks or city-owned [properties]; but we know the Crescenta Valley Town Council and thought we would donate to them and the community," said

Ben Wong, SCE spokesman.

Community members who had contacted CVTC and reserved trees prior to the Arbor Day event arrived early Saturday morning at Two Strike Park to pick them up. Members of the Prom Plus Club from Crescenta Valley High School helped load the trees into trucks and cars, and even helped deliver some to local homes.

In addition, Burrtec donated a large bin full of compost not only to help those that accepted tree donations but for any local gardener. Although completely full at the beginning of the day, it was empty by Sunday afternoon.

The Prom Plus Club kids took a break from tree delivering and joined the event festivities as Prom Plus was being honored

along with CVTC and Marian and Joe Mirsky.

Danette Erickson spoke of Prom Plus and its beginning. The grass roots organization began as a response to the murder of a local CV High School senior who attended an unsupervised party over 20 years ago. Berlyn Cosman was shot and killed by another teenager in a hotel room in Anaheim on prom night. After that tragedy, community members created Prom Plus, a safe, supervised place for kids to go after prom.

Patty Ranous, a founding member of Prom Plus, spoke of the fun the kids had at the first Prom Plus that was held at the then closed campus of Clark Junior High, where Clark Magnet

High School now exists. Prom Plus is celebrating its 20th year and has expanded to include a youth section of the organization called Prom Plus Club.

Also honored were Joe and Marian Mirsky, who worked tirelessly for the youth of CV. Marian was a driving force behind Prom Plus.

The CVTC was also recognized and honored from its beginning to present as the voice of the unincorporated Los Angeles County/ La Crescenta. The CVTC elected officials have helped the Crescenta Valley with everything from creating development regulations to resolving traffic issues.

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Do You Want the Mandarin Language Taught at CVHS?

By Mary O'KEEFE

Parents in the Crescenta Valley area have requested the Glendale Unified School District to explore creating a Mandarin language class at Crescenta Valley High School.

"We knew if we made this request to the district we should

have a survey from our parents," said Linda Austin, a local parent.

She, along with other parents, began their fight for a Mandarin language class a few years ago. Her young children attended Fremont Elementary and she had just started learning what it was like to be a school leader.

Austin said she began by speaking to district administrators, but did not get positive feedback. She didn't give up and, along with other parents, created a survey to send out to local parents asking them to share their opinion on the class.

"China is opening up to the world," she said of her reason behind offering the language.

She feels that learning Chinese, or Mandarin which is the language most commonly spoken in China, is a good way to prepare students for the future.

When she began her Mandarin request, the present GUSD superintendent Dr. Richard Sheehan was not at the district. She said she is currently receiving a more positive response.

Parents created their own survey; however, the district decided to use one they created.

"It is not exactly what we wanted, but we needed to get the survey to parents," she said.

The survey is available online. Austin worries that it is not available to those without access to the internet and that it has not been translated into other languages, especially Korean since there are many parents of Korean descent in Crescenta Valley.

She does, however, want to get the word out to local parents to take the survey and is glad that this effort has been made by GUSD.

Parents are encouraged to take the survey at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CVLanguageSurvey>.

For more information, contact Linda Austin at austin9@pacbell.net. The last day to take the survey is Friday, June 6.

Calls to GUSD administration were not returned by press time.

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Crowds Come Out for Fiesta Days Celebration



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By Marissa GOULD and Isiah REYES

The annual La Cañada Flintridge Fiesta Days celebration, a community event held over the Memorial weekend, offered something for everyone. Festivities began on Friday evening with casino night benefiting the Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge and ended on Monday with the summer kick off of Music in the Park. Highlights included a barbecue, music and a fireworks display (courtesy of Allen Lund Company) Sunday night at Memorial Park in La Cañada Flintridge. The park was packed with folks who either brought picnic dinners or purchased food onsite. When darkness fell, the crowd was hushed as the first of the fireworks burst overhead.

On Monday, following the annual Fiesta Days Run sponsored by the Crescenta-Cañada YMCA, the Memorial Day observance and the traditional parade down Foothill Boulevard, it was time for Afternoon in the Park.

Held on the grass at Memorial Park, various booths were erected around the park's perimeter while people set up chairs and blankets in the middle. The La Cañada Flintridge Chamber of Commerce was onsite; their booth had plenty for kids with bubbles, mural paintings, and face paintings. The U.S. Forest Service had a water game, shooting a water gun at a raging "fire" to help put it out. The Pasadena Humane Society also took part, raising awareness of their pet adoption services. California Edison educated people on the benefits of solar power.

Not only were there games, but

plenty of food as well. A traditional Memorial Day barbecue had stomachs grumbling as chefs cooked hot dogs and hamburgers for hungry customers. Once the kids ate their food, it was off to look at another booth or play on the jungle gym. Adults, meanwhile, stood around, sipped some soda, and talked to their friends in the afternoon heat. At the gazebo, crew members were setting up for Music in the Park.

Winding up the Fiesta Days festivities was Captain Cardiac and the Coronaries who rocked Memorial Park. The May 26 concert was the kick off for the Music in the Park series, which is a concert series that traditionally begins on Memorial Day weekend and continues on through the end of August.

"I thought it was awesome," said Bill Benjamin, a spectator who has attended the Memorial event for the past three years. "It's a beautiful event. It brings the community together more so than any other event."

Community members brought blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy the evening's entertainment. Kids and older folks danced away in front of the gazebo as the band played 1950s and 1960s classic cover hits including "Shake, Rattle and Roll," "Twist and Shout" and "Great Balls of Fire."

Captain Cardiac and the Coronaries have been playing rock and roll shows for over three decades. They have been featured performers at world-class venues such as Disneyland, Universal Studios and Six Flags Magic Mountain in addition to their appearances at three Super Bowls

and the Cotton Bowl in Dallas, Texas.

Kelvin Franklin, 17, was one of the dancers enjoying the music.

"You don't need to be a dancer," Franklin said. "You can just come up and enjoy the music."

In between the main set was a performance by The Sisters of Swing, a Los Angeles-based trio who recreates the era of the Andrew Sisters, an American close harmony singing group of the swing and boogie-woogie period. Its members are Teresa Parente, Ember Vaughan and Stephanie Krystad.

As people enjoyed the music, the Kiwanis Club was cooking over the grill and Boy Scouts from troop 502 helped serve snow cones.

Fiesta Days were founded in 1973 to celebrate the Spanish heritage of the community during the week of Cinco de Mayo. It has since become a complete small town community celebration and has moved to the end of the month of May.

Every concert in the Music in the Park will be held on Sunday evenings from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. People are welcome to bring a picnic basket, blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy an evening with family and friends.

Featured bands play a variety of music from rock and roll, blues, reggae, and country. All concerts will be held at Memorial Park (1301 Foothill Boulevard).

The 41st Annual Memorial Weekend Fiesta Days was hosted by the La Cañada Flintridge Chamber of Commerce and Community Association.

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As visitors walked from booth to booth, kids had fun crawling up an inflatable ladder to slide through a tiger's mouth, stop by to get their face painted or pet exotic chickens at the petting zoo. Lots of lemonade, and food booths and trucks were on hand to replenish shoppers so they keep in pursuit of the ultimate gift.

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End of School Year Accident

By Mary O'KEEFE

Several Crescenta Valley High School students witnessed a car accident that occurred on Tuesday in front of the school's MacDonald Auditorium on Ramsdell Avenue.

It was the last day of school and students were released early at 12:40 p.m. About 20 minutes later, they heard a loud bang and witnessed the accident unfold.

A vehicle driven by a female CVHS student was traveling northbound on Ramsdell Avenue when, for reasons unknown, the driver lost control and hit a parked car that was on the east side of the avenue.

"The car was driving up the

street," said Dylan Sylvester, CVHS junior. "For some reason it crashed into a parked car on the side of the road. Then the car started rolling backwards after the airbags were deployed. It was rolling backwards [southbound] down Ramsdell [Avenue] and the driver jumped out, but the passenger didn't get out."

"So he [the passenger] opened his door and tried to slow down the car with his foot," said Temoc Ramirez, CVHS junior.

Witnesses said they were not certain if the passenger, a male CVHS student, was attempting to slow the car or get out of the vehicle.

The rolling vehicle's door scraped

another vehicle as it went past.

The car rolled back, according to witnesses, and there was another car in its path.

The rolling vehicle nicked the car that was in its path but then its tires turned.

"Somehow it started turning away from the school [turning westbound]," Ramirez said.

The car then veered into the front yard of a home across from the auditorium where it shattered a brick wall.

Two people were transported to the hospital with minor injuries. The accident is under investigation, according to the California Highway Patrol.



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And Emily's reaction was perfect. "It was priceless. She kept saying, 'You're here. You're here,'" he said.

Jorge Sr. was backstage with his son. He had kept his arrival quiet from the rest of the family.

"It was very emotional," he said of his son's walk onto the stage. "The audience stood and cheered."

The arrangement began with a call to Jorge Sr.'s boss Steve Goldsworthy from Davis Wholesale Electric.

"It was my boss who knew about it 24 hours before [his son arrived]. He knew all the right people and started calling and texting. He [contacted] the Burbank Police Department and we got in through the back way [to the commencement ceremony]," Jorge Sr. said.

It took some planning, but it was well worth it – not just the surprise but also the time the family has been able to spend together. Jorge has not been home in a year and a

half and is taking this opportunity to catch up with family and friends.

Jorge's brother is retired from the U.S. Marines but still works at the Marine Corps Air Station Miramar as security.

"Are you kidding?" Jorge Sr. said when asked what it is like to have two U.S. Marine sons. "It is the greatest honor to have two sons protect the world."

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GCC from Cover

its fourth largest revenue source for the general fund. According to him, the annual transfers have long been an established part of its revenue structure. Removing it now would deal a crippling blow to many city services.

"What it ultimately means is that you end up mixing and matching significant wholesale diminutions in the level of service you provide," he said.

Earlier in the meeting, the city announced the appointment of Roubik Golanian as director of Public Services. Golanian would be succeeding Steve Zurn at the head of the department.

Zurn had intended to leave the

department that he previously served for 28 years after being appointed to lead the GWP in September 2012. But he held on to his role in Public Works pending the appointment of a permanent successor.

Ochoa said that Golanian's appointment was a great day for the future of Public Works. He also praised Zurn's tenure as its head, saying that no other employee had left a deeper stamp on it.

"He has been the kind of guy that Glendale can depend upon," he added.

Golanian worked with the city for 14 years. During that time, he was a senior civil engineer, a city engineer

and, more recently, deputy director of Public Works. Ochoa called him "a leader in engineering."

"He is a well-rounded man who will lead this department into the future as [Zurn] makes that hand-off," "[Golanian] is a big believer in our values-based management."

Golanian, who was in attendance with his family, had very few words of thanks for the city and council.

"I am deeply honored to be appointed [as] your new director," he said. "Our department has many dedicated and hardworking employees. I thank you for putting your trust in me."

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TREASURES OF THE VALLEY

» MIKE LAWLER

Another New Book! “Frontier Days in Crescenta Valley”

Joining the many local history books on the shelves is the latest from the current president of the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley, Jo Anne Sadler. Jo Anne had previously written, “Crescenta Valley Pioneers and Their Legacies.” That book focused on biographies of many of our community’s founders, whose names make up the geographical and street names that are familiar to us today. Jo Anne is the consummate researcher, and she has an amazing ability to find hidden information previous historians haven’t touched on.

A personal peeve of mine is that too many history books focus on the generals, the presidents, and the leaders of industry to the point that we think our ancestors lived exclusively amongst wealth and power. In “Frontier Days in Crescenta Valley: Portraits of Life in the Foothills,” Jo Anne takes a look at the everyday lives of the average man and woman living quietly in the sagebrush and rocks of CV. We learn how they made their living, what they did in off hours, and big events they would have witnessed. Life was hard, dirty and sometimes dangerous. Jo Anne often uses the pioneers’ own words, and the book is rich with vivid firsthand accounts of daily life, so much so that in reading the book we begin to hear the voices of these very real people, now long dead.

How did early CV residents make a living? In the first chapter of Jo Anne’s book, “Bee Ranching and Greasewood” we learn that many pioneers listed

their professions as “apiarists” or beekeepers. In the late 1800s, the canyons of Southern California were considered the best beekeeping land in the world. Add to that the fact that beekeeping was considered easy work, and it’s natural that CV’s residents produced and sold honey, either full or part time. Another source of income was cutting and selling firewood. Los Angeles, growing quickly on a treeless plain, received wagonloads of sagebrush stumps, or “greasewood,” from CV. This supplied early residents with a few dollars, and helped clear the land for cultivation. Much of the cleared land was planted in grapes, which the pioneers both ate and sold as table grapes and raisins, and fermented into wine and brandy. In “Wine, Vines, and Raisins” we hear about the marketing and fame of “La Crescenta wines” and dried fruit. The buying and selling of land made money for residents as well, and there’s a chapter on early efforts to market La Cañada.

For recreation, the rougher locals fished and hunted, and the cover of the book has a photo of the last wild grizzly bear in Southern California, shot in Tujunga in 1916. “Hunting in the Foothills” covers the almost daily killing and consumption of wild birds, deer, coyotes, bears and snakes. There was a gentler element in the valley as well, chronicled in “Culture and Poetry in the Valley.” For them, off-hours were spent absorbed in literature, poetry and social events, supplemented with writing, painting and photography.

Some big events Jo Anne writes about include the La Crescenta Hotel disaster of 1887, in which the two-story hotel at the corner of Rosemont and Foothill was flattened in a windstorm, killing two. Another is the 1904 La Crescenta dry encounter with an unsuccessful rainmaker, “Professor” Hatfield. His life was portrayed in the 1956 Burt Lancaster movie “The Rainmaker.”

The book is rounded out with tales of the Gould Castle, a full-on stone castle that sat completely abandoned and mysterious at the top of Ocean View for the first half of the 20th century. There’s the story of Charles Pate, a moneyed Englishman who came here dreaming of being a cowboy, and who instead became a chronicler of life in turn-of-the-century La Cañada. And finally, we learn about the beautiful Turner Ranch, which Senator Frank Flint bought in 1905 to become the upscale community of Flintridge.

“Frontier Days in Crescenta Valley” paints a realistic view of life in the sagebrush – an unglamorous existence, often humorous, often deadly. This book brings our past to life – a past that makes our present richer.



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I’VE BEEN THINKING...

» SHARON RAGAVACHARY

Looking Back on the Days of Summer

The last day of school for the kids was on Tuesday and it started me reminiscing about my summer vacations. My friends and I couldn’t wait for that last school bell to ring marking our two and a half months of freedom. Freedom from classrooms, freedom from homework, freedom from bedtimes, and, most importantly, freedom from our parents.

I would get out of bed on hot summer mornings, quickly dress and eat a bowl of sugary cereal before rushing out the door to find other neighborhood kids.

We lived in a small city in Iowa and our neighborhood was full of baby boomer parents and lots of kids my age. I could choose to either play Barbie dolls with the girls or baseball with the boys. Sometimes both groups would get together for a game of kickball at a nearby vacant lot. Other times I would just get on my bike and ride wherever I liked.

I remember going home only for lunch or supper and then finally just before dark as my mom would shout out of the kitchen door for me to come in. Even then I would do my best to be deaf to her calls until I knew she was really getting serious and I’d be in big trouble if I ignored her any longer.

Every summer I’d also stay a couple of weeks at my aunt and uncle’s farm. I’d spend the days playing with their dog or the latest litter of

kittens, picking green beans, zucchini and kohlrabi from the garden, and shucking corn for my aunt to freeze for the winter. At night my aunt, my two cousins, and I would go outside to catch lightning bugs, then sit and talk while we looked up at the stars in the vast, dark sky.

If I was there over the Fourth of July, we’d go into the nearby little town to watch the fireworks and go to the dance. While the shows certainly couldn’t compete with the displays I’ve seen as an adult at places like Disneyland or even our own CV fireworks, I ooh’d and ah’d more over them than I ever have since.

So much has changed in the last 40 years and, sadly, kids don’t have the freedoms my friends and I enjoyed. We don’t let our kids roam the neighborhood or ride their bikes wherever they want and there aren’t any more vacant lots to start a game of kickball.

Most of our kids’ friends won’t even be at home. They’ll either be at day camp, sleep away camp, or traveling with their families. One of the moms even created a Google doc to keep track of everyone’s plans so we could coordinate play dates.

I like to think our kids will be able to look back fondly at the summers of their childhood, but I have a feeling they’ll never compare to mine.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Remembering Joe & Marian Mirsky – The “Honorary Grandparents” of CVHS

Special thanks to the Crescenta Valley Town Council for honoring Joe and Marian Mirsky at the May 31 Arbor Day celebration.

Joe was noticed by CV Principal Sam Nicholson walking around the track, recovering from a heart issue. Sam invited Joe to walk the stairs around the school. With that, Joe became part of the school, a pillar of support to a group of students. He even sat in some of the classes.

Given Joe and Marian’s proximity to the school (across the street), they kept an eye open, especially on the weekends. Joe had the phone number for all the CV principals and would often call them. Marian worked at the snack bar for the volleyball team. During volleyball season, the stand was known as “Grandma’s Kitchen.” She donated her time to Lincoln Elementary and Prom Plus. Marian was also a long time volunteer for the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce, and though she was officially recognized at the awards banquet in 2000, we appreciated her every day.

These two people were very special to the community, and especially to the students at Crescenta Valley High School. The majority of the students called them grandma and grandpa.

For many, many years, they both attended most of the athletic events that CV participated in. They were invited, by the students, to numerous senior proms and other school-sponsored events. They both were always available to talk with the kids and provide support, especially for those students who were having troubles at home and with their friends. Both were recognized by students and staff as part of the school community. Both were caring adults who made a difference in young people’s lives.

Former principal Linda Evans said that for many people, living next to a high school would be a strain – the traffic, the coming and going at all hours, and teenagers. Joe and Marian saw this as a plus. They accepted the kids, cared for them, and truly made a difference.

Another former principal, Ken Biermann, said they were “our” counselors for many years, providing that special relationship needed by a lot of high school students. Their passion and love for the school can never be replaced.

Joe and Marion Mirsky were true Falcons.

Jean Maluccio
La Crescenta

NEWS FROM CV ALLIANCE » SUZY JACOBS

Congratulations to you and your family on the completion of another successful school year! As we know, summer is a time for experimentation. In addition to telling your child about the dangers drugs and alcohol have on their developing brains and your expectations of them, please discuss Teen 911 Immunity. Anthony Portantino passed this law enabling young people to call paramedics for help without punishment even if they, too, have been partying. This law came out of the death of a South Pasadena teen whose friends were too afraid to get help. It doesn’t condone illegal behavior; instead, it promotes saving kids lives.

For the first time, and in a bipartisan vote of 219 to 189, the House of Representatives approved Dana Rohrabacher’s (R- Huntington

Beach) amendment prohibiting federal interference in state laws that “authorize the use, distribution, possession, or cultivation of medical marijuana.” Next, the Senate will decide whether or not the Justice Department, which includes the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), can spend taxpayers’ money on dispensary raids or other attempts to stop medical use of marijuana in the 22 states that allow it. The House also approved amendments prohibiting the DEA from interfering with state hemp production laws and hemp research programs.

A recent study compared heroin users from the 1960s and today found today’s users are older, white suburbanites. Three-quarters of today’s users came to heroin after prescription Opioid use (like OxyContin); conversely 80% of users 50 years ago never used pills.

Read more about it on our website.

Don’t forget, you’re invited to tomorrow’s Strategic Partners meeting, 8 a.m. – 10 a.m. at USC Verdugo Hills Hospital, Council Rooms A & C.

Finally, we are about to put together programs for the school year. If you are interested in getting involved in CV Alliance, please send me an email and I’ll add you to our invitation lists. You are our boots on the ground; you know what kids are doing, what parents need, and how the community as a whole can work together. Thank you for your support – especially to those of you who returned envelopes!

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Students Receive Education Funds

To further the education of local high school graduates, several civic and service organizations raise money throughout the year to fund scholarships. As graduation time draws near, the scholarships are distributed to local recipients, many times as part of a breakfast or dinner or as part of a general meeting.

Below are some of the scholarships that were distributed.



Community Foundation of the Verdugos

Scholarships from 15 different organizations were distributed at the annual breakfast hosted by the Community Foundation of the Verdugos which facilitates many local scholarships and grants. The breakfast was held on May 31 in Burbank. Thousands of dollars were awarded to dozens of recipients to further their education.



Crescenta Valley Town Council



At its May meeting, the Crescenta Valley Town Council distributed scholarships to 20 Crescenta Valley High School seniors. Presenters included recognition from the offices of local representatives Congressman Adam Schiff, Senator Carol Liu, Assemblyman Mike Gatto and Supervisor Michael Antonovich.

Kiwanis Club of Montrose-La Crescenta

Kiwanis Club of Montrose-La Crescenta President Robert Wollenweber with scholarship recipients (back row from left) John Blood, Andrew Hart, Gavin Traber, Daniel Jung, Jaeho Lee. Front row from left are Jesse Gabor, Crystal Im, Devi Ganapathi, Nari Shin and Paulette Hacopian.



Glendale Latino Association

On May 22, the Glendale Latino Association awarded \$14,000 in scholarships to 12 excellent students from GUSD, private schools and Glendale Community College. The awardees (pictured from left) are Christopher Aguilar, Adriana Flores, Joshua Amran and Brenda Balan from Glendale College; Saul Pelayo-Brambila, Jacqueline Cuateco and Gisela Aguayo from Glendale High School; Edmee Cuc from Hoover High School; Sydney Stanford from Holy Family High School; Jacqueline Tapia from Glendale College; Joseph Olvera-Sanchez from Clark High School; and Jorge Arias from Glendale College.



La Cañada AM Kiwanis

Joyce Ruygrok and Eileen Harada of the La Cañada AM Kiwanis presented the Hope of America and David Hermann awards to Franklin High School K Club members at their awards night.



St. Bede

Two St. Bede the Venerable School graduates were honored on May 30 with the Father Lawrence Signey Scholarship award. The awards to Genevieve Spiolotto and Andrew Nettles were made by the Italian Catholic Federation (ICF) branch at St. Bede and presented by ICF President Al Restivo at the school's graduation.



Patrons Club of Glendale Community College

The Patrons Club of Glendale Community College awarded scholarships at a luncheon on May 15 at the J. Walter Smith Student Center on campus.

The Patrons Club awarded

42 scholarships and 30 grants-in-aid to deserving students, with a total amount of \$23,500 distributed. Funds for these scholarships are generated from the yearly fashion show and silent auction, which this year will be held on Nov. 7 at the Castaway Restaurant in Burbank.

Shown in row one from left are Andrew Pirijanian, Sean McLaren, Valerie Enciso, Ariga Gharibian, Ivania Munguia-Contreras, Dalar Melkon, Liyana Avansian, Natalie Sarukhanian, Adriann Flores, Yelena Kurinina and Tyra Kristiansen. In row two are Christopher Aguilar, Michael Shahnazarians,



Hrach Agazaryan, Bliss Saleebyan, Genevieve Conway, Allison Paxton, Arda Tchakian, Andrea Menjivar, Anika Rampino, Monique Gavorkian, Marie Grace Nsaavu Nzau, Emily Garibian, Sandra Bermudez, Noor El Farra, Melinda Housepian, Christina Djeredjian and Theodore Arakelian. In row three are Arin Hartounian, Noche Nwofer, Hovannes Kervanbachian, Melissa Montano, Jonathan Stuart, Jason Blancett, Andy Juarez, Skyler Saleebyan, Tyler Dunivan-Scott, Andadell Murray and Ryan Gustafsen.

Not pictured: Juan J. Ubillus

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'Reflections' Held for CVHS Seniors

By Joyce LEE

The CVHS Class of 2014 prepared to say their farewells at Senior Reflections Night, held on June 1 from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the MacDonald Auditorium at Crescenta Valley High School. Lisa Reed, CVHS assistant principal, and the CVHS PTSA hosted the event giving seniors the chance to reminisce on their high school years.

"The Reflections Night was the last senior gathering and a time for us to reflect on how much we have learned and grown during the past four years. With all of the speakers

giving advice and reminding us of our first days as freshmen, we all naturally compared ourselves from before and now," senior Erika Johnson said.

In addition to creating a slideshow to celebrate the seniors, the PTSA decorated the auditorium with a banner for the senior class of 2014. CVHS Associated Student Body underclassmen set up booths outside the auditorium to hand out free pink lemonade and cookies for the seniors and their families.

The event included a variety of performances and speeches from students all over the campus.

Seniors felt bittersweet watching Comedy Sportz, Jazz Band, piano soloists, and teachers perform and speak.

Guest speakers included two CVHS teachers who encouraged the graduating seniors to live their future lives to the fullest. Math teacher Edit Tanahian offered a few words of advice to the graduating class, listing and describing 11 essential tips to life. History teacher and boys' water polo coach Jan Sakonju delivered his speech, "The Past, Present, and Future." As a history teacher, he connected the birth, growth, and development of

America as a nation to the maturing of the seniors.

"As many of the students in the audience were either my former students or players, it was an honor to take the last chance to teach one last thing to the graduating seniors," Sakonju said.

The ASB senior officers sat on the stage to lead the event. Senior class Vice President Esther Ahn opened and closed the night with her brief but meaningful speeches. Next, senior class Treasurer Nayoung Kim led the Pledge of Allegiance. At the end of the night, senior class President Esther Park delivered her

impactful farewell message.

"The approaching departure with CVHS hit me hard that night, and as I sat up on the stage looking down at everyone, it was a bit unsettling knowing that there were so many seniors I wish I could have talked to," Ahn said of the Reflections event. "I heard a lot of valuable advice from all of the speakers and, ever since then, I have been thinking a lot about the past, present, and the future. Reflections was refreshing because now I feel like I've finally figured out what kind of person I've become and who I want to be."



CVHS - Graduates 2014

Heather Abrams	MacKenzie Duke	Min Young Kang	Allyne Meyer	Tsoline Torikian	Young Joo Cha	Kenny Hor	Dikran Manouil	Zacharia Sawaged
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ST. FRANCIS CLASS OF 2014



On May 24, 164 young men from the St. Francis High School class of 2014 graduated in La Cañada Flintridge.

Fr. Matthew Elshoff, OFM Cap., the Provincial of the Western American Province of the Capuchin Franciscan Order, represented his Excellency Bishop José Gómez, Archbishop of Los Angeles, at the graduation.

School President Fr. Tony Marti, OFM Cap., school Principal Thomas Moran, and Chairman of the Board of Directors Mark Heydorff also officiated at the 65th commencement ceremony of the local Catholic, college-preparatory institution.

FLINTRIDGE SACRED HEART ACADEMY 2014



Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy graduated 109 seniors at its commencement ceremony on Sunday. Five of the graduates – Gia Futia, Elizabeth Hakes, Tiara Avanness, Megan Bosveld and BIANCA SMISSEN – were from La Crescenta and Montrose.

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hardworking, this group of students are kind, compassionate and altruistic," she said. The Class of 2014 has logged 67,324 hours of community service.

"These are good people," Junge continued. "Students, I am proud of all of you for your hard work, persistence and giving spirits; these traits will take you far."

Junge announced the name of valedictorian – Joshua Kim, who earned a grade point of 4.6246 and, along with his twin brother, will attend Princeton University in the fall.

Jacob Wisda's senior address spoke of the continuation of education, not only in the classroom but also in the world.

"Education is not only relevant while you are in school, it must also take place outside of school," he said. He added that high school graduation was not the end of education, but the continuation of a trend that had been going on all their lives.

"Your education will never lose its relevance no matter how old you get or what station you achieve in employment," Wisda said.

Junge congratulated the students and thanked them for the almost 500 pennies that were handed to her by the students as they accepted their diploma. This was the senior class prank and Junge thought it was very funny, although a bit confused by the pennies.

As the high school graduates left their campus, new Falcons

prepared to come aboard as Rosemont Middle School eighth graders were promoted in a Tuesday morning ceremony.

Eighth grader Martin Rosa gave a class speech in which he thanked his fellow students for the family atmosphere they created. He had arrived at the school half way through his seventh grade year. He was nervous at first that he would not fit in; however, he found that was not the case.

"I was welcomed with open arms. That is when I realized here at Rosemont we are one big family, and I am proud to say I am part of that family," he said.

He was candid in stating his journey to get to middle school was not easy but thanked his family and teachers for their support. He said he took to heart the Rosemont creed of "Honor, Excellence and Pride."

"And now, all eighth graders look to the person to your right and to your left," he told his peers. "The people you just saw are the future of our nation and everyone is counting on us to make the world a better place, so let's not let them down."

To see more of the graduation and promotion ceremonies throughout the foothills, visit the youth section starting on page 11. More photos can also be found online at www.cvweekly.com/YOUTH.

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CLARK CLASS OF 2014



Clark Magnet High School held its commencement ceremony on the school campus on Tuesday night. Photos by Dan HOLM

SPORTS

CV Baseball Run Comes to an End



Photos by Drew ARREDONDO

By Brandon HENSLEY

The Crescenta Valley baseball team lost May 30 at Placentia Valencia 8-2, ending the program's best run through the playoffs since 2007.

The Falcons advanced to the quarterfinals, one win away from the semifinals and two away from playing for the CIF

Division II championship at Dodger Stadium.

The Falcons led the Tigers 2-1 heading into the bottom of the fourth inning, but a couple of errors and some unlucky bounces gave the Tigers six runs in that frame, which spelled doom for starting pitcher Tanner Carrico (above right) and his teammates.

It was Crescenta Valley's first loss since April 1, a Pacific

League opening defeat to Pasadena. CV finished the regular season 19-7-1, and won its third straight league title. It last won a CIF championship in 1998.

Outgoing seniors include Carrico, designated hitter Austin Brines, infielder/pitcher Joe Torres, centerfielder Bryan Wang, second baseman Nick Diaz, outfielder Michael Russo (above left) and designated player Kevin Hello.

Melnyk Track Season Ends as Flintridge Twins Head to State



Photos by Leonard COUTIN

LEFT: Facing stiff competition, Megan Melnyk was unable to move onto state.

ABOVE: From Flintridge Prep, both of the Weiss twins will travel to Clovis for pole vaulting.

By Leonard COUTIN

Cerritos College hosted the CIF Masters Meet in track and field on Saturday with athletes competing to qualify for the state CIF meet.

Despite a strong year overall, Falcon Meagan Melnyk placed only ninth in the 800m (2:13.71) and would not be moving forward to the state competition.

Unlike previous meets, when the gun sounded, Melnyk did not take full command. She trailed seventh and her first lap posted a time of 1:04.

"I wish I could have had a stronger finish," said Melnyk about the race. "[Head] Coach [Mark] Evans and I had talked about how the pace would be

quick and how I would need to just stay with the pack."

"Megan ran well. She showed more consistency in being able to come back a second week and run 2:13. She just did not have enough left to make a final push the last 70 meters. That is something we will be working on," said Evans. "She had a great season. It is not easy to make the Masters Meet and she has done it two years in a row."

"Looking back, I gave it all that I had, so I have no regrets," Melnyk said. "I ran the best race that I could."

To the east, Flintridge Prep twin brothers Gareth and Barrett Weiss both qualified for state in the pole vault. With competition heights reaching

17-01 by Jake David of Ventura and Thousands Oaks' Luigi Colella 17-00.75, both Weiss boys cleared 15-02. Though they are juniors, the two brothers have commanded their division and entered CIF last year. They now head to Fresno to Buchanan High School where all the athletes will prepare for a two-day competition.

Field events begin Friday at 3 p.m.; running is at 5 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Stadium in Clovis. Finalists will be hosted on Saturday with field events at 4:30 p.m. and running at 6 p.m. Time Warner Cable will provide a live web stream both days. Please visit www.cifstate.org for the link.

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Topic of Concussions Highlight VHH Health Talk

By Brandon HENSLEY

The odds of an athlete having another concussion after sustaining a first one are four to six times more likely, said Dr. Gregor Harutunian of USC Verdugo Hills Hospital. Harutunian, a neurologist, spoke to a crowd of mostly adults at the hospital on May 28 along with orthopedic surgeon Loren Geller as part of a Health Talk seminar designed to educate the audience about sports injuries for people of all ages.

Harutunian discussed the dangers athletes, especially kids playing sports such as football, face when dealing with their first concussion. Those high odds of an athlete sustaining another one are called Secondary Impact Syndrome, or SIS.

"And it doesn't have to be a very big impact for the second one [to occur]," Harutunian said.

If SIS occurs, the brain can have increased swelling, herniation and can even result in death. Concussions have been a hot topic recently, especially in the Nation Football League, where the league has changed rules on how to tackle, and former players have sued the NFL over negligent treatment.

In high school, Harutunian said 250,000 football players sustain a concussion per year. ESPN reported last year football had the highest rate of concussions for boys' sports, while soccer had the highest rate for girls' teams.

It is important to identify the signs of a concussion to properly manage the athlete's next step, said Harutunian. Immediate symptoms include a vacant stare, delayed motor responses and slurred speech. If the player has memory loss, it's going to be of the short-term variety.

"They're not going to forget who their mother is or what they're name is," Harutunian said. "They're going to forget things that happened in the last week."

As for post concussive syndromes, "Headaches are big," he added. "Headaches can last."

Vomiting can also be a problem, and if that persists, it means the brain could be bleeding, which would require immediate care.

How to know when a player is ready to get back to playing? It really depends, Harutunian said. There's the old adage, "When in doubt, sit them out," but there's also multiple tests doctors or trainers can

use, such as the SCAT, or Sport Concussion Assistant Tool. These tools evaluate a player's physical and cognitive ability moving forward.

As Harutunian noted, though, "There's really no set guide line."

Gellar's part of the seminar focused on the severity of certain injuries and how to deal with them. In the upper body, the most common dislocation occurs at the shoulder. Because it's the most mobile joint, it's the most common to come out of the socket. It can be put it back in place on the playing field, but if it takes too much time and muscle spasms occur, the player could need to be sedated.

Recurrent dislocation may require surgery.

In the knee area, Geller identified a common injury, a tear to the anterior cruciate ligament. The ACL runs diagonally in the middle of the knee. It can be torn with a direct blow, or when an athlete makes sudden stops or pivots.

ACL tears mostly require surgery, especially for serious athletes.

"A full tear in somebody who wants to play sports or cut and make pivots ... that needs to be repaired surgically or else the knee will continue to be unstable," Geller said.

Geller talked about ways people of all ages can keep their bodies from potential injuries. It's important to warm up before going full speed on a work-out. It's also good to cool own when the exercise is over.

For injuries such ankle sprains, which is one of the most common injuries around, or tendinitis, Geller gave an acronym for treatment, R.I.C.E., which stands for Rest, Ice, Compression and Elevation.

First, rest the injury, and then ice it for 15 to 20 minutes (never put ice directly on the skin for too long. Use ice packs instead). Then use braces or wraps to compress the area.

"It helps reduce inflammation. It also typically reduces the motion of the joint which helps with rest," Geller said.

Finally, elevation, which also helps reduce swelling.

Geller also gave advice to not concentrate on one sport for too long. Instead, try multiple sports throughout the weeks or months or seasons. Go from jogging to riding bikes to something else.

"It's going to minimize the risk of an overuse injury," he said.

Gladiator Youth Football and Cheer

Registration for the La Cañada Gladiators Youth Football and Cheer programs is still open for the 2014 season, but rosters are filling fast. Applications are available on the Gladiator webpage at www.lcgladiators.org. The Gladiator program is open to girls and boys ages 6 to 14. The Gladiators field one flag team, five tackle teams, and several cheer squads.

Last season saw four Gladiator teams make the playoffs, two win league championships, and one team go undefeated and win the conference championship. Although one of the smallest franchises participating in San Gabriel Junior All-American Football,

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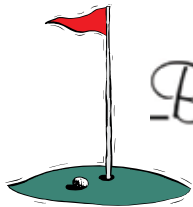
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Las Candelas Installs Slate of Officers



The Glendale home of longtime Las Candelas member Fran Buchanan was the venue for the installation of 2014-15 officers and committee chairs on May 12. Employing a baseball theme, past-President Cathy Keen installed the new slate, dubbing the ladies “The Las Candelas Angels.”

Taking the mound again next year will be Jeannie Flint. Flint’s key players will be First Vice-President Debbie Hinckley; Second Vice-Presidents Sharon Anderson and Cindy Martin; Third Vice-Presidents J.C. Byer and Ginny Simpson; Fourth Vice-Presidents Patti Baker and Alice Abramian, Fifth Vice-Presidents Margaret Steenken Cline and Jeri Benton, and Sixth Vice-Presidents Bobbi Gangi and Diane Russell. Treasurer will be Ann Jones, and Karen Whyte

will repeat as Philanthropy treasurer. Nancy Stone will be recording secretary and Cathy Keen will repeat as corresponding secretary. The team umpire (or parliamentarian) will be Monica Sierra. Committee chairs installed include Joan Campbell, Harriett Rector, Mary Lane, Linda Gregg, Gladys Kabateck, Anna Brewer, Ellyn Semler, Val Moorhead, Marilyn Olson, Shirley Johnstone, Fran Buchanan and Marion Graydon Greene.

A luncheon catered by The Spot followed the installation of the “new team.”

Las Candelas is a Glendale based organization of 40 women whose mission is to give volunteer service to emotionally challenged children and to promote better understanding of mental health. Monthly programs are brought

to the students residing at the Hillside Education Center in Pasadena and the Hathaway-Sycamores home in Altadena. Last month the students of HEC were treated to a day-long field trip to Kidspace Children’s Museum in Pasadena. Coming up are year-end parties and picnics at both facilities for students and staff. Las Candelas also provides support to Didi Hirsch, the YWCA and Glendale Healthy Kids for children’s mental health services.

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Post 288 Elects Officers for 2014-15

On May 7, Verdugo Hills Post 288 of the American Legion elected its officers for the July 2014 - June 2015 fiscal year. The new officers and their branch of service are: Commander Lynn McGinnis/Air Force, First Vice Commander Warren Spayth/Marines, Second Vice Commander Gerry Collins/Army, Third Vice Commander Darren Azarian/Army, Adjutant Mike Baldwin/Army, Finance Officer Art Napiwocki/Navy, Chaplain Andy Gero/Army & Air Force, Judge Advocate Mel

Paulson/Air Force, Sgt. at Arms Dave Granish/Air Force, Service Officer Ron Bularz/Navy and Historian Richard Bame/Navy.

These officers were installed on June 4. Post 288 is located at 4011 La Crescenta Ave., between Montrose and Honolulu avenues, in La Crescenta. Post 288 meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 1930 hours.

All veterans are invited to attend and the first year's membership is free.

Kiwanians Enjoy Day at the Races



Kiwanis Club of La Cañada Noon past president Jim Phillips organized a Day at the Races for the club. Pictured in the rear row from left are President-Elect Fred Shooley and President Tom Passanisi. Club members attended the event at Santa Anita Park with proceeds allocated to Kiwanis charities.

Photo provided by Kiwanis Club of La Cañada Noon

PSHA Awards Gifts and Grants

On a recent afternoon, Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts held its annual Gifts & Grants Awards reception at the 50th Pasadena Showcase House of Design. Cheri Graham, Gifts & Grants chair, welcomed guests to the reception where PSHA awarded \$685,000 to 62 non-profit organizations and community schools. Over 130 guests were in attendance to accept their awards or support those who received one.

"The success of our 2013 Showcase resulted in \$685,000 available for Gifts & Grants," said Graham. "These gifts and grants were presented to community schools, orchestras, choral groups and other non-profit organizations. The awarded groups provide an array of programs, including scholarships, music education musical theater, opera and chorus productions, music therapy and the underwriting of concerts."

Entertainment was provided by Nathan Wong, a senior at The Colburn School, who will be a freshman at Princeton next year. Wong plays viola, and was a former Pasadena Showcase House instrumental competition winner.

For a complete listing of recipient organizations, go online to www.cvweekly.com/BETWEENFRIENDS.



From left are Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts President Donna Gotch, 2013 Pasadena Showcase House of Design Benefit Chair Kaytie Watkins and 2014 Gifts and Grants Chair Cheri Graham.

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Dilbeck sales partners Chuck Lamm, La Crescenta office, and Victoria Szuch, Studio City office, joined forces as the equestrian property specialists for Dilbeck Real Estate Real Living.

On May 3, they debuted the partnership at the Annual Fiesta of the Spanish Horse Cancer Research event at the Los Angeles Equestrian Center. Proceeds support Cancer Research at USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center and Children's Hospital Los Angeles. They also set up an in memoriam exhibit for late Dilbeck sales partner Stevi Fielding. Her

family visited them at the event.

"We are honored to participate as vendors and contributors to this great fundraising organization," said Szuch. "We had an amazing time meeting our community members and cancer survivors from all over the region. Sharing our love for horses and our community made this a very special event."

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Rev. Peterson Bridges Racism

Rev. Jesse Lee Peterson, founder and president of two organizations designed to educate, motivate and rally Americans – especially black Americans – made a presentation to about 60 attendees of the recent meeting Republican Club of the Foothills dinner meeting in La Cañada.

It was Rev. Peterson's directness, purity of heart and refreshing bridging of racism that brought him multiple rounds of applause.

Peterson started off his presentation by stating, "I'm not an African American, I am

an American! ... Yes, I am black and I'm proud of it! ... But, more importantly, I am proud to be an American."

His candor and pride was gripping. Warmth and sincerity flowed as he spoke of growing up in the South in poverty without a father at home. Work, both before and after school, was a necessity for survival; school was secondary.

It was the love of God, he said, that brought peace and love to his heart.

"My life totally changed for the better once God erased bitterness from my heart," he

told the audience. "We must restore the family unit and bring God back into our lives at home, at school, in the public square and in our churches, if we as a nation are going to survive."

Peterson stressed the importance of all races to work together to "restore individual responsibility, accountability and limit government control of our lives."

He ended the presentation by reminding the audience, "This is our country and it is our responsibility to protect it and preserve it before we lose it."

Submitted by Phil DOWNS

People Making News

Sierra Nelson of Tujunga has been accepted to Cornell College, a private liberal arts college located in Mount Vernon, Iowa. Nelson was also awarded the Founders Scholarship.

Katharine Erin Crowder of Tujunga received academic honors from the School of Management at Binghamton University by making the University's dean's list for the fall 2013 semester.

Binghamton University is one of the four university centers of the State University of New York. Known for the excellence of its students, faculty, staff and programs, Binghamton enrolls close to 15,000 students in programs leading to bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees. Its curriculum, founded in the liberal arts, has expanded to include selected professional and graduate programs.

were among more than 1,000 St. Olaf College students who were recognized for academic achievement at the college's annual Honors Day convocation on May 3.

Caitlin Connell of La Crescenta is an undeclared major. Margaret Connell of Montrose is a political science and computer science major. The Connells are the daughters of Brian Connell and Gail Connell.

Honors Day recognizes students who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.60 or higher on a 4.0 scale. The convocation also recognizes students who have been awarded scholarships and fellowships, including Fulbright scholars, Goldwater scholars, and senior members of leadership and academic honor societies.

Kyle Patterson, a resident of La Cañada Flintridge, has been named to the Champlain College spring 2014 dean's list for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.5 or higher. Patterson is majoring in management of creative media.

Since 1878, Champlain College has provided career-focused education to students from its hilltop campus in Burlington, Vermont.

Katherine Van Amringe of La Cañada participated in Gonzaga University's graduation exercises during a commencement ceremony on May 11 in Spokane's Veterans' Memorial Arena. Van Amringe graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in applied communication studies.

Gonzaga University is dedicated to its Jesuit, Catholic and humanistic roots, educating the mind, body, and spirit to create women and men for others.

Christopher Bache of La Cañada has made the dean's list for Franklin & Marshall College's fall 2013 semester. Bache is the child of Sara E. Davis and Stephen K. Bache and is a graduate of La Cañada High School.

Dean's list status is awarded to students who have successfully completed their course work with a semester grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher out of a possible 4.0 score.

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‘Maleficent’ Casts a Spell

By Susan JAMES

In the fantasy world ruled by the Disney-Marvel combine there has been a trend of late to reshape fairy tales for a contemporary audience. Working from a screenplay by Linda Woolverton, director Robert Stromberg’s “Maleficent” is a signature example. As most little girls know, fairy tales in their original form are not very kind to women. There are the powerless maidens from Snow White to Sleeping Beauty waiting for a prince to awaken them (for who is more powerless than a sleeping maiden?), and then there are the evil queens. “Maleficent,” a retelling of “Sleeping Beauty,” takes a new tack, combing the two in one character with mixed results.

The movie opens as all current fantasies do with scenes that blend “Avatar” with “Lord of the Rings,” throwing in a slight

dash of “Harry Potter.” The young Maleficent is a charming fairy who lives in the Moors. For the filmmakers, the Moors are not actually moors (see “Wuthering Heights” for these) but an enchanted forest similar to Pandora in “Avatar.” All manner of sparkly bright fairies live here in happy harmony in a pastel-colored playground. Way across the way live the humans. From a distance, their land replicates the Hobbit-like Shire but they are capable of all manner of violence and evil. Led by the ghastly King Henry from his pointy castle on the hill, they fear the “rising power” (Maleficent) of the Moors and covet its treasures. So naturally they do what humans always do: They grab their weapons, mount up and go to war.

By now, young Maleficent has grown into Angelina Jolie and when she takes the screen, she is impressive. Dressed like Snow

White’s evil stepmother, sporting a rakish set of ram’s horns, Jolie’s Maleficent is the embodiment of female power wrapped in a feminist fable of noble women and brutalizing men. Betrayed by the one human whom she befriends as a child, attacked by an army under the command of a greedy, fearful king, Maleficent sets out on a quest to take her revenge. But things don’t turn out the way either she or the audience expects.

To tell too much more of the story would be to spoil it. For the record, Jolie’s Maleficent is magnificent with cheekbones that could etch steel. Her counterpart, 16-year-old Elle Fanning, playing the soon-to-be sleeping beauty Princess Aurora, is not. It takes subtlety to make sweet innocence both believable and entertaining. Fanning’s Aurora is so sweet she leaves sugar stains on the screen and



is blown away by Maleficent’s steely purpose. Maybe it’s the script.

With the exception of Fanning, the supporting cast is uniformly good with Imelda Staunton leading the troop of fairies who hide the baby Aurora to protect her from that enchanted spindle and South African actor Sharlto Copley is the increasingly mad King Stefan (Henry’s successor) obsessed with destroying Maleficent. Sam Riley has fun with the character of Diaval, Maleficent’s

clever shape-shifting servant. In another recent trend, all of the actors, British or not, assume British accents. It doesn’t make the dialogue any more Shakespearean; however, Jolie and company have produced a visually striking parable about a strong woman and the men who fear her.

I could tell you how the story ends but then I’d have to turn you into a toad.

See you at the movies!

Le Salon de Musiques Performs Beethoven, et al.

By Ted AYALA

If Le Salon de Musiques ever decided to adopt a mascot, German composer Xaver Scharwenka would likely be it.

There has been no other musical organization in Southern California – or indeed in the United States – that has more ardently championed the music of this now mostly forgotten composer. Le Salon performed music by Xaver and his brother Philipp last season. This year, they played Xaver’s music not once, but twice. Their program last Sunday included United States premieres of his music.

Why Scharwenka, who once commanded worldwide fame as both piano virtuoso and composer, fell through the cracks of musical history is hard to say. But what Le Salon’s persuasive performances makes clear is

that the fault for this unkind fate lies with his fickle audience, not with his music.

His Opus 1, the “Piano Trio No. 1,” composed when the composer was 18, is tightly organized, classical in outlook, and harkens back to the crystalline textures of Mendelssohn, Hummel and Chopin. But Scharwenka is by no means derivative. The second movement – a kooky, dotted march – is as much homage to Alkan and the march-like second movements of Beethoven’s “Piano Sonata No. 28” and Schumann’s “Fantasie” as it is a highly original piece of music that at times forecasts Mahler. It also displays a swaggering confidence in itself, bristling with tensile, feline energy in its scherzo and finale that just about pounces on the listener.

The scope of his “Serenade for Violin and Piano” from 1895, on the other hand, is

more modest, but beautiful and impassioned nonetheless. The secure reputation of Beethoven’s music, conversely, seems from the vantage point of today to be a foregone conclusion. Yet during his life, that was not necessarily the case. His symphonies were criticized by many, from Goethe and Carl Maria von Weber on down. His late string quartets languished for over half a century in relative obscurity, dismissed by its detractors as “the old man’s toys.”

Beethoven’s own youthful piano trio and Opus 1 – which drew open the curtain on the Le Salon program – was no different. Its place in the repertoire may seem firm today, but its mood swings and complexity caused it to be criticized by his friends and colleagues when it was first performed.

It is easy, as the opening lecture reminded the audience,

to forget how disquieting this music was to its first audiences. The trio of François Chouchan (piano), Searmi Park (violin), and Antonio Lysy (cello) was keenly aware of the score’s jarring syncopation and changes in atmosphere. This was not the “white marble establishment Beethoven” that the composer has become since his death, but the tousle-haired rebel that he once was in life.

Fame and respect were also hard-fought for by English composer Frank Bridge. Not that you would guess with the four miniatures – three for cello and piano, the fourth for piano trio – that rounded off Sunday’s program.

Bridge is best remembered today as Benjamin Britten’s mentor and the inspiration for that composer’s string variations that launched his career, though he was a highly

original composer in his own right. Few in the audience would have guessed that the same composer who wrote these musical sweets would also late in life compose some of the most saturnine works this side of late Liszt. Cryptic, spare in textures, they were Bridge’s answer to the challenge put forward by the Second Viennese School and the chaotic aftermath of World War I.

But there was none of that in these earlier works. Instead, there was an arresting melodic fluency and charismatic geniality. And if these confections should inspire some listeners to explore more of the work of this still under-appreciated composer – hopefully with Le Salon as their guide – then all the better.

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Then » It’s hard to think of a flood in the heat of summer, but here is one of the many photos of the New Year’s Flood of 1934. This is the wreckage of the Seventh Day Adventist Church on the southwest corner of Rosemont and Montrose avenues. The men are digging through the mud and rocks for bodies that may have lodged against the church.



Now » Here is the corner of Rosemont and Montrose avenues today. The Seventh Day Adventist Church building was demolished, and today two apartment buildings stand on the site. On the far right of the photo is the modern concrete flood control channel. It was built in 1935 to follow the path of the flood that happened the previous year.

Lark Society Performs Komitas, Mansurian

By Ted AYALA

Less than four years separate the death and birth respectively of the alpha and omega of Armenian music, Vartapet Komitas and Tigran Mansurian, so that they share much in common stylistically and spiritually should not come as too much of a surprise.

Komitas, whose career spanned the closing years of the 19th century and the dawn of the 20th, unabashedly embraced the folk and liturgical music of Armenia that formed the heart of his music. Mansurian, in mid 20th century Soviet Armenia, came of age in a country whose musical life was dominated by Aram Khachaturian and his school. Instead, Mansurian looked back to Komitas, crafting a

unique idiom that synthesized his cultural roots with the sensibility of the international avant-garde, composing a body of work that manages to sound contemporary and timeless.

Also binding the lives and careers of both of these composers is the Armenian Genocide and its aftermath of decimated families, shattered lives. Komitas, who in its wake was among the very first Armenian intellectuals arrested by the Ottoman Turks, suffered a crippling nervous breakdown from which he never recovered. For Mansurian, the ashes of the Genocide lingered in the air as stories shared by his surviving family members and their friends, and in the profound scars it left on the Armenian psyche.

"I still remember the stories from [my mother's] childhood," Mansurian recalled in the program notes for the Lark Society's performance of his 2011 "Requiem" for mixed choir and strings on Saturday night at the First United Methodist Church in Pasadena. "I knew I had to write this piece someday."

Rejecting the theatricality of the settings of the Requiem Mass by Mozart, Berlioz, Verdi, and his friend Alfred Schnittke, Mansurian's setting is inward-looking, austere, hewing closely to the monodic ideal that has been his guiding light.

The tone of his "Requiem" is not so much overwhelmed by grief as left numbed by it. "After all this, how can it be possible to live on?" it

seems to ask.

But there is no bitterness and anger in Mansurian's work. There is only compassion for the fallen, solidarity with the survivors and, in the brief ray of warmth of its "Lacrimosa" and "Agnus Dei," hope that their sufferings have not been in vain, mingled with forgiveness and charity.

The Komitas works that opened the concert came from another world altogether: bright, joyful, yet touched with sadness. Sergei Aslamazian's string quartet arrangements of a clutch of Komitas songs – splendidly played by the young members of the UCLA Vem String Quartet – could be confused for Dvořák, that is had the Czech composer lived under the shade of Mt. Ararat. But the sparseness of

its textures, the gentleness of its expression is uniquely Komitas.

Vatsche Barsoumian led the Lark Mastersingers, Tziatzan Children's Choir, and small string ensemble in the Mansurian "Requiem." The opalescent radiance of soprano Tamara Bevard, one of the vocal soloists in the performance, lent a touch of silvery light to the score. Barsoumian directed a performance of unremitting concentration and power that left no doubt as to stature of Mansurian's "Requiem," to say nothing of the virtuosity of the Lark musicians.

Their performances of the Komitas songs, on the other hand, were relaxed, sunny – a fitting testament to the enduring beauty of the composer's music.

E3 2014 Coming to LA Next Week

By Michael WORKMAN

June approaches, which means E3 is coming to the LA Convention Center to dazzle gamers and industry heavyweights alike. E3 always generates a certain healthy level of excitement each year, but last year's event had many people's anticipation turned up to eleven with the showcasing of the Next-gen technology to come out of Microsoft and Sony. I certainly remembered getting giddy as a school boy when I first laid eyes on the actual Xbox One and Playstation 4 consoles. E3 2013 was a huge week for gaming that showed off a ton of cool products. However, once both consoles were released and the excitement died down, there really wasn't anything mind-blowing about either console. In terms of graphics, there's very little difference between each system. Both have not reached their full potential and still have yet to grace the average gamer with a large variety of games. This is why E3 2014 looks more promising, as some big titles are going to be showcased as well as some eagerly anticipated reveals.

Microsoft's Xone is a completely

different animal from when we last saw it at E3. It completely reversed its DRM policy, dropped \$100 off



the price tag less than a year after its release, as well as overhauled the leadership. To say it had a rocky start is putting it mildly, however it's had time to win gamers over, and is shaping up to convert even more with its game line up at E3. Head of Microsoft's Xbox division Phil Spencer promised on twitter that 2014 will be a 'great' year for Xbox One. "Sunset Overdrive" is one of the confirmed Xbox One exclusives that will be showcased at E3. This

game revels in the wacky third-person shooter style of the "Saints Row" series by having over-the-top

weapons like the "TN Teddy" and a gun that fires teddy bears strapped with dynamite. Other titles on the list are Killer Instinct and of course Halo 5: Guardians which should have more details revealed for eager fans. "Sunset Overdrive" isn't the only exclusive in 2014, E3 will show what exclusive games you'll play on XB1 in 2014." teased Phil Spencer when asked about any big reveals for Xbox One.

Xbox is coming to E3 with

renewed confidence, but what about the winner of last years E3 Sony's Playstation 4?

"It's going to be a massive content year," touted Playstaion's hardware marketing executive John Koller "We've talked publically that there's a huge and significant amount of games coming this year to the PS4. We'll be showing a lot of those and it's going to be an exciting moment for many people. I can officially confirm that what is coming next is really spectacular."

Some exclusives for the PS4 that will appear are "The Order: 1886," "Rime," and "Uncharted 4." Some big news that has Playstation fans grumbling is the fact that "The Order: 1886's" release date has been pushed back to 2015. It's not terribly surprising though, since many who played the closed door demo felt that it needed polishing.

Gamers will have to be satisfied with the inevitable new trailer debuting for the Victorian era third-person shooter at E3. Rumors about a leaked document for Sony's press conference clearly show that "God of War 4" will be unveiled, causing some much needed buzz. It's yet to be seen if any of these games will give an edge to their respective systems, but there will be shocking reveals aplenty once E3 kicks off.

Aside from the console exclusives, E3 has some juicy third party games and tech that has me more excited than the exclusives. "Far Cry 4" and "Assassins Creed: Unity" are some of the giants coming at Ubisoft's press conference. No doubt Ubisoft Montreal will have a hard time topping the crazed antagonist Vass that became the poster child of insanity in "Far Cry 3", but "Far Cry 4" still looks to have potential of surpassing its predecessor. Not too much is known about "Assassin's Creed: Unity" except that it takes place in Paris during the French Revolution and the hero is an assassin named Arno. Hopefully more will be revealed once they introduce it during their conference. Finally, what really has peaked my interest is the virtual reality headset, the Oculus Rift.

Back in March, the VR company was bought out by facebook for a cool 2 billion dollars propelling it from a kickstarter that intrigued journalists to possibly a heavyweight contender that might rock the gaming industry. If you've been paying attention at last month's GDC, Sony unveiled it's own VR headset, "Project Morpheus" much to the delight of VR enthusiasts everywhere. This is a clear sign that VR is gaining interest among the industry and will be an exciting new area to explore. Trying out the Oculus Rift for myself will be my top priority when I go to E3, so I can tell you dear readers whether it lives up to the hype.

Overall, this is shaping up to be an exciting June for gamers everywhere. Microsoft, Sony, and many other developers are gearing up to blow our collective minds. E3 is just a week away and I can hardly wait to what surprises the developers have in store for gamers.

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WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

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June 2, 2014 - June 8, 2014

The Sun continues its journey through Gemini, with Saturn retrograde in Scorpio and Pluto rewinding in Capricorn. Venus sextiles Neptune on Wednesday, encouraging a desire for glamour and a little luxury. The Sun sextiles Uranus on Friday, so get ready for the unexpected. Mercury turns retrograde in Cancer on Saturday for approximately three weeks. On Sunday, Venus trines Pluto while the Sun makes a quincunx with Saturn. Although the week ahead isn't stressful, tread with care in order to offset delays or frustrating obstacles.

♈ ARIES March 21 - April 19

Money news has uplifting potential and business affairs seem to be in a good place. However, it helps to research your options on Wednesday, when you could miss the best deal or misread someone's signals. As Mercury rewinds from Saturday, the coming weeks could be ripe for electronic malfunctions and unexpected setbacks on the home front. However, it's just as likely that you can resolve an issue that's been ongoing for some time. There's the potential for a lucrative deal to show up on Sunday.

♎ LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

You could read too much into something this week, especially if it seems to promise more than is actually there. Take your time before making a decision, especially if you're about to spend a lot of money. Friday encourages social options with a chance of an exciting meeting. Someone may impress you enough for you to want to know more. Mercury rewinds in your career zone, so you could experience one or two setbacks to a chosen goal. But biding your time could be beneficial at this stage.

♏ SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

A secret could unravel this week, but only if you want it to. You may think that by sharing your problem you not only have a better chance to resolve it but might also feel less burdened. Chatting with a trusted pal might bring relief as well as give you the confidence to share in other ways. Feelings may run deep where relationships are concerned, as a powerful lineup enhances the passion and commitment in a relationship. Whether this is romantic or business oriented, the interaction could be productive.

♉ TAURUS April 20 - May 20

Though your energy level may waver, it seems your goals are on target this week, helping you to accomplish many things. Along with this, there could be news that lifts your spirits, as a positive blend of energies hints at a small windfall. Despite Mercury's retrograde, you can achieve a lot and you won't have to go far from your neighborhood to do so. Passion may be aroused on Sunday. An intense influence could encourage you to share your feelings and take things to a more committed level.

♊ GEMINI May 21 - June 20

Sensual feelings make you eager to please others, particularly as a partner's support may be important this week. Meanwhile, as Mercury regresses in your personal financial sector, this may be a sign that it's time to review your options. Consider consolidating and reorganizing debts to avoid stress and increase earning potential. Later in the week you may find that misdirected energy could upset a friendship. Exchange words of encouragement and peace instead. If you're feeling generous, treat someone special to a lovely dinner.

♐ SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Relationships show extra sparkle, with the potential for an exciting love adventure showing up. If things have been a bit dull in this department, you might want to sprinkle a little stardust and head out for some great entertainment. Starting Saturday, Mercury regresses in Cancer, which is your sector of shared resources. You might be better off delaying a loan or mortgage application. Wait until this phase has finished. If you don't have any leeway, expect a few delays and perhaps a change of plan.

♋ CANCER June 21 - July 22

A new project may get the stamp of success, as early news concerning it seems encouraging and promising. If you have a new idea to sell, now is the time to promote it, as positive influences hint that friends and key people in your life may be willing to support you. Concerning matters on the home front, you may feel like hiding your feelings, particularly if personal matters are dragging you down. However, with a heart-to-heart discussion, much of this could be resolved sooner rather than later.

♑ CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

Be careful of mixed signals, both on Wednesday and from Saturday, when Mercury goes retrograde. Business or romantic relationships could be couched in mystery or mired in confusion. Be sure you know what you're getting into before you commit to anything. But passion can flourish so long as you take things one step at a time. Meanwhile, a focus on lifestyle can be useful for sorting out your priorities regarding health and work issues. Knowing what you want could be crucial to success.

♌ LEO July 23 - August 22

You may have an intuitive hunch regarding a business idea, but don't rush to complete it before checking the details. Another reason to delay signing deals or contracts is Mercury retrograde, which could coincide with delays and confusion. If holding back isn't possible, be prepared for changes. However, these could work in your favor. Later, a romantic opportunity may show up in the professional or work realm. This could be a passionate interaction, so be sure you want to proceed before you make a first move.

♒ AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

With Mars now forging ahead in your travel and adventure sector, thoughts of faraway places and exotic climes may fill your head. However, you might want to consider a journey of the mind as you explore a new subject, learn a skill, or earn a qualification. Anything that expands your horizons can bring bigger opportunities down the line. Mercury rewinds in your lifestyle sector, so check that your antivirus software is up to date and keep an eye on important documents and files in case they disappear.

♓ PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

The saying that true love never did run smooth might have been spoken during a Mercury retrograde period, like the one starting this week. As it also occurs in your romance sector, you might need to take things in stride over the next three weeks or so. A passionate influence might entice you to overcome your nerves and commit to a date anyway. There is lots of fun to be had despite any unexpected events that could test your resolve.

♍ VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

Sociable options show up this week, with a chance you may connect with folks from the past. You might be tempted to organize a reunion with college friends or even an ex if you feel strongly enough about them. Career matters look promising so long as you're willing to take action and prioritize your goals. Interacting with the right people, networking, and being willing to research new ideas can all aid the successful outcome of your plans. Meanwhile, the weekend highlights passion and intense feelings.

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SIERRA CLUB ANNOUNCES JUNE MEETING

The Crescenta Valley Sierra Club will feature Terri Sodershrom's, "The Lion's Roar" on Tuesday, June 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the La Crescenta Library (please enter on La Crescenta Avenue for the meeting place and parking).

Sodershrom is a docent at the Los Angeles County Zoo. She brings her knowledge and experience to give a close up look into the mouth of the lion and the lion's roar.

The club program begins following news of conservation and outings. This event is free and everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Contact Wayne Fisher, program chair at (818) 353-4181 for further information.

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AAUW GLENDALE BRANCH PLANS JUNE MEETING

The AAUW Glendale branch is hosting speaker Dr. Teresa Morales at its June 14 meeting at the Oakmont Country Club

from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Morales will delineate the Gamble House history accompanied by a slide show.

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GLENDALE QUILT GUILD

The Glendale Quilt Guild presents featured speaker Diane Steele speaking on "Group Quilts: Round Robins, Block Exchanges & Challenges" on June 11. She will also present a workshop on Saturday (June 14) on woven silhouettes.

The Glendale Quilt Guild meets the second Wednesday of each month at the First Congregational Church of Glendale, 2001 Cañada Blvd. in Glendale at 6:30 p.m. for social and 7 p.m. meeting. The cost is \$5 for visitors and is free for members.

LITTLE LANDERS PRESENTS 'DERANGED L.A. CRIMES'

Little Landers Historical Society will host Los Angeles Police Museum archivist Joan Renner on June 14 at 1 p.m. for a look at the history of criminal activity in Los Angeles from the 1920s through the 1960s. The event takes place at Bolton Hall in Tujunga.

Renner is a writer, lecturer and social historian specializing in historic Los Angeles crime. She assisted in creating a Los Angeles Police Dept. exhibit based on the continuing investigation of the 1947 Black Dahlia murder and is editing a book of crime scene photos for the L.A. Police Museum.

This program is free and open to the public. Everyone is welcome.

Bolton Hall Museum, 10110 Commerce Ave., Tujunga

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Additional information is available from Little Landers Historical Society, (818) 352-3420; www.littlelandershistoricalsociety.org or email littlelanders@verizon.net.

NOON CONCERTS OPEN TO PUBLIC

Glendale Noon Concerts is a free admission concert series taking place every first and third Wednesday from 12:10 p.m. to 12:40 p.m. in the restored chapel and sanctuary of the First Baptist Church of Glendale (downtown at Louise & Wilson, no religious affiliation). The next concert on June 18 features violinist Jacqueline Suzuki and pianist Rosa LoGiudice performing works by James MacMillan and Cesar Franck.

First Baptist Church of Glendale, 209 N. Louise St. (at Wilson) in Glendale.

'TARNISHED TREASURES' AT LUNCHEON

Tarnished Treasures luncheon and program will be presented by the Pasadena Women's Connection on Wednesday, June 18 at 11:30 a.m. at the Women's City Club in Pasadena. Bring family and friends to peruse donated items that can be another

person's treasure for the annual fundraiser sale.

Doors open at 10:30 a.m. for the sale.

Laura Coronado, magazine editor, wife, mother and proud member of the Red Hat Society will present, "How She Found Prince Charming" in her inspirational talk.

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The concert begins at 7 p.m. at Disney Hall. Tickets are on sale and are available for \$30 each at Ticketmaster or the box office at Walt Disney Concert Hall.

For more information, call (626) 395-3295 or visit bands.caltech.edu.

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This annual fundraising event takes place on Thursday, June 19 from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Forest Lawn Glendale Museum, 1712 S. Glendale Ave., Glendale.

CVHS 50TH REUNION

The CVHS class of 1964 is celebrating its 50-year graduation with a reunion weekend June 20 - 22. The class was the second to graduate from CV and chose as its motto, "Second to None!" This class also took part in the selection of the school colors, school mascot and the alma mater. This special 50-year celebration includes a Friday night fun icebreaker evening on June 20 at the Montrose Bowl. On Saturday, June 21 a tour of the CV campus is planned. On Saturday night at the Angeles National Golf Club is a time for dinner, reminiscing and reconnecting. Sunday is picnic day at Crescenta Valley Park/Hindenburg Park at noon. Invitations to the picnic are extended to the classes of '63, '65, '66 and '67 as well.

For further information, contact Cindi Miller Anderson, cindianderson@hotmail.com or Sue Cox Keating, skeating61@me.com.

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CSL La Crescenta Updates

Calendar

The Center for Spiritual Living – La Crescenta is holding a Religious Science quick start class on June 8, Sunday afternoon, from noon to 3 p.m. It is facilitated by Rev Bev.

On Friday, June 6, a “Spiritual Movie Night” is being held. Screened will be “Beyond Belief.” A love donation will be collected.

On Wednesday, June 18 at 7 p.m., Art Stein presents A Financial Estate Seminar. A love donation will be collected.

On Sunday, June 29 from noon to 3 p.m., learn to Navigate Change with Authority. Facilitated by Rev Ann Rea (who is also the 10 a.m. celebration service guest speaker) and Denise Forlizzi, RScP.

Suggested donation is \$20.

Coming up is Cowboy Church on July 13 at 10 a.m.

Center for Spiritual Living is located at 4845 Dunsmore Ave. in La Crescenta.

Secrets from the City of David

Come listen to Israeli historian and City of David expert Shahr Shilo talk about the new archeological discoveries and developments in Jerusalem at Montrose Church.

Presentation is on Monday, June 16 at 7 p.m. No cost to attend this event. For more information, contact Hank Paz at (818) 236-4244.

Refreshments will be served Montrose Church, 2409 Florencita Drive, Montrose.

Getting Ready for A Marvelous Party

By Mary O'KEEFE

St. George's Episcopal Church in La Cañada Flintridge has produced several musical fundraisers for a variety of organizations; however, this time, for the City of Hope event, they wanted something a little different from their traditional event. So they turned to Anthony Keller, St. George's deacon.

“Connie (Grisham, director of music at St. George's) asked me to come up with something different, a little more showy, more in the theatre vein,” he said.

Prior to becoming a deacon, Keller was in the entertainment industry for 20 years. He worked in all aspects of the industry including live stage and grew to love the music of Noel Coward.

“I have personally been a fan [of Coward] since my 20s,” he said.

It was natural, therefore, for the event to turn into a tribute to Noel Coward.

Coward was born in England in 1899 and made his theatrical debut playing Prince Mussel in the children's show, “The Goldfish.” He continued his acting career for some time, but then turned to writing. His first production was, “I Leave It to You” in 1920. Although he continued to act, often in his own plays and musicals, Coward's real star was rising as a writer. Some of his titles include, “Blithe Spirit,” “Hay Fever” and “Private Lives.”

“It is a mini musical review...

We will perform two of his more famous songs, ‘Mad Dogs and Englishmen Go Out In The Midday Sun’ and ‘I'll See You Again’ (from an operetta ‘Bitter Sweet’) that will be sung by Daniel Chaney,” Keller said.

Chaney is a tenor who has appeared with the L.A. Phil and on stage at the Walt Disney Concert Hall. In addition to Chaney, other performers include Veronica Christenson, Meghen Miles Tuttle, Karen Altabet Freed, Michael Freed and Katie Forester. And, because this is a special night, Keller will step from behind the pulpit to the stage to perform.

“I will be performing a few numbers. ‘I Went to a Marvelous Party,’ ‘Don't Put Your Daughter on the Stage, Mrs. Worthington’ and ‘Uncle Harry is Not a Missionary Now,’” Keller said with a chuckle.

Listening to Keller describe the night as a “Marvelous Party,” it is obvious he not only admires Coward's talent but enjoys his great sense of humor.

In addition to performing, Keller also arranged the opening melody of Coward's songs for the concert.

He hopes to introduce a whole new audience to the writer's works while not losing sight of the fact that this is a fundraiser for a good cause that has become personal for the church.

“We can't wait to perform this work of Noel Coward's; soloists and choir can't wait to see the beautiful pictures of Coward's England, and our very own



Photo by Marc Reshovsky - © 2000 Marc Reshovsky - Image courtesy mptvimages.com “Blithe Spirit” Lauren Bacall, Noel Coward, Claudette Colbert

Anthony is going to do some of the performance for this show,” Grisham said.

Chaney and Bishop Diocesan Jon Bruno have both benefited from the City of Hope - both battled cancer.

The concert, “A Marvelous

Party” a musical tribute to Noel Coward, is on one night only on June 11 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free with donations made to the City of Hope. St. George's Episcopal Church is located at 808 Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada.

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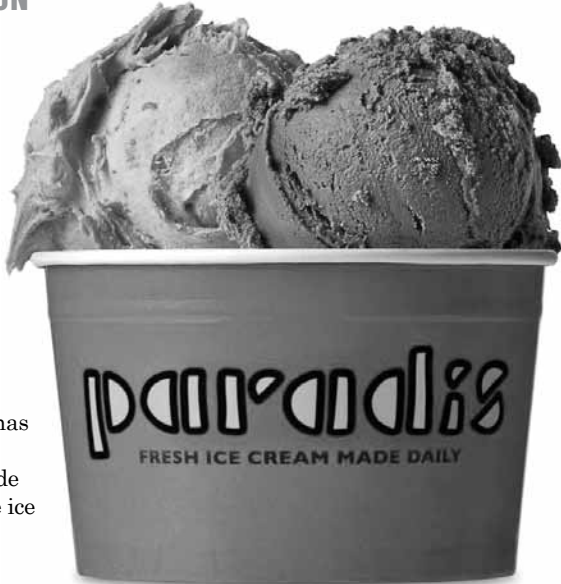
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Celebrate National Chocolate Ice Cream Day at Paradis



Paradis has the best homemade chocolate ice cream!

As if we needed an excuse, National Chocolate Ice Cream Day is this Saturday. Once you're done reading, this you'll be rushing to the Montrose Shopping Park to have some. According to Paradis owner Mark Pedersen, the best organic, dark chocolate in the world comes from West Africa. Paradis (2323 Honolulu Ave.) imports it along with chocolate sprinkles from Belgium to produce their decadent No. 1 top seller. Have it in a cup, have it in a cone, or try it in their new frappe made with chocolate ice cream, freshly brewed espresso and topped with whipped cream and Belgian chocolate sprinkles! We are so glad Paradis came to town ... aren't you?



Basin 141 has great fries to go with that craft beer.

Beer has hit the big time on the restaurant scene and Basin 141 is riding the crest of the wave! There are always fresh brews by the bottle and on tap. New ones to try include Monks Café - Flemish Sour Ale, Great Divide Brewing Co. "Yeti"- Imperial Stout, and epic Brewing Co. Hopulent IPA, a big beer with excessive hops. Of course you'll need some beautifully presented garlic Parmesan fries to go with that, which are only \$3 at Happy Hour! Thanks, Friedman "bros!"



Start a succulent garden at Harvest Market.

The succulents pictured above are now mine, thanks to the wonderful stand in front of Coffee Bean at our Sunday Harvest Market. Our market continues to thrive above and beyond our expectations – just like these healthy plants. Each one is its own work of art and they are so easy to maintain. They are only \$2 each and when you buy five you get two free! This is prime Market time as multitudes of berries, fruits, and veggies abound. Oh, the treasure you will discover here! Thanks for making Montrose your summer shop and dine place! To see what's new, visit www.shopmontrose.com.

Mary Dawson promotes the Montrose Shopping Park. She and her family own Mountain Rose Gifts and Revelation Tops.

» CRESCENTA VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

CV Chamber Welcomes New Executive Director

I am delighted to assume the role of executive director of the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce. I have discovered that I am filling the shoes of some exceptional prior executive directors.

I have received tremendous support from the board in general, but in particular board President Steve Pierce and Chamber of Commerce advisor Jean Maluccio in assisting me in settling into my new role.

As you may know, we have our annual scholarship golf tournament on June 27 at Scholl Canyon Golf course, 3800 E. Glenoaks Blvd. in Glendale. This is a reminder that check-in is 7 a.m. Sponsorship opportunities are available. If you have not yet provided your sponsorship information for this very worthwhile cause – an investment in our youth – I encourage you to do so. For further information, please visit our website at www.crescentavalleychamber.org.

If you are interested in chamber activities, even if you're not a member, you can receive our newsletter. Simply go to our website (listed above) and insert your email address. That way, you can stay informed with up-to-date news about Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce activities as well as events occurring within the community.

Amber Hood, assistant executive director, said that she would be delighted to assist anyone wanting information about our scholarship golf tournament. You can email her at office@crescentavalleychamber.org or email us at info@crescentavalleychamber.org.

I am extending an invitation to those who are curious about the Chamber of Commerce to visit us between the hours of 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday

through Friday. We would be happy to show you around the office and answer questions as to what it is we do.

A personal note about how the chamber of commerce played an early role in my life: I am a transplanted Louisianan. I learned about the City of Pasadena, where I previously resided, by contacting the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce. They sent me the information that helped me in my relocation. The chambers play an important role in all aspects of the community; visit the website or stop by the office to learn how the CV Chamber of Commerce can benefit you.

Please contact our office for more details on any event. How to reach us: (818) 248-4957/ www.LaCrescenta.org / 3131 Foothill Blvd., Ste. D.

Bettie Pearson, executive director Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce
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» NEWS FROM THE CRESCENTA VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Getting Ready for Summer?

Find What You Need in the Montrose Shopping Park

School is out and summer is just around the corner! The days are longer and the nights are perfect for sitting out under the stars. Summer is a great time to dine in Montrose and to go to one of your favorite places in town or try one of our newer restaurants like Seasoning Alley that serves fine Mediterranean cuisine, Kebab Daddy right next to the Coffee Bean, or Thee Elbow Room serving freshly prepared in-house salads, sandwiches and soups. If you are just out looking for a "sweet treat," stop by Paradis Ice Cream, Froyolife Yogurt Shop or the Montrose Candy Company. If you need summer gear, try Billy's Boardshop, Ocean View Board Sports or Landry's Sporting Goods store. You are sure to find what you need.

You will also find many other shops in town: summer clothes for you and your kids, gifts for giving or for yourself, stores that help you keep up with your favorite hobbies, jewelry stores, shoe stores, specialty stores, and so much more. Remember that when you shop local, you help support the local economy and help support the area to keep it thriving. Log onto www.shopmontrose.com to find a complete list of all the businesses in the Montrose Shopping Park.

Please join us for our July

"anniversary" business mixer on Wednesday, July 2. Our mixer will be hosted by the Angeles National Golf Club in Sunland in their famous Agave Bar and Grill that offers golfers and guests a diverse and delicious dining experience as well as spectacular views of the golf course and surrounding San Gabriel mountains. The restaurant's chef prepares the award-winning cuisine from the freshest ingredients daily and has a menu that includes light appetizers and salads as well as a range of entrees, daily specials, and desserts accompanied by a refreshing selection of beers, wines and mixed drinks from their full-service bar. At our mixer, you will be able to sample many of the delicious menu items, enjoy the beautiful surroundings and mingle with other business owners.

This mixer is a special one to us and you don't want to miss it. Once a year we take time to celebrate and recognize the local businesses in the area that support the chamber and our efforts to promote business in Montrose. We know that membership is the lifeline of the chamber of commerce and we want to take every opportunity to recognize and appreciate our members. That is why we created the "anniversary mixer!" Here we recognize

businesses that are celebrating an anniversary with the chamber ranging from five years to 40 years! That is amazing. This chamber exists to make our community a better place to work, live and play. Businesses become members because they are proud of being part of an organization that plays a key role in the community. Our chamber is an organization managed by a volunteer board of directors, established to promote civic, commercial and industrial progress within this community and to work diligently with community partners to be a liaison between the community and the city. We could not do all of this without the loyal support of our members. Thank you.

Montrose-Verdugo City Chamber of Commerce: Your source for all things local!

July business mixer is on Wednesday, July 2 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Angeles National Golf Club, 9401 Foothill Blvd. in Sunland.

Montrose food and brewfest is on Sunday, July 27 from noon to 4 p.m. in the 2200 block of Honolulu Avenue in Montrose.

Melinda Clarke
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- Medical Group _____
- Nutritionist _____
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- Community Volunteer Adult _____
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- Wine Shop _____
- Other _____

FINEST FOOD AND DRINK

- Bakery _____
- Banquet Center _____
- Breakfast _____
- Brunch _____
- Burger _____
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- Coffee House (Name & Location) _____
- Cupcakes _____
- Delicatessen _____
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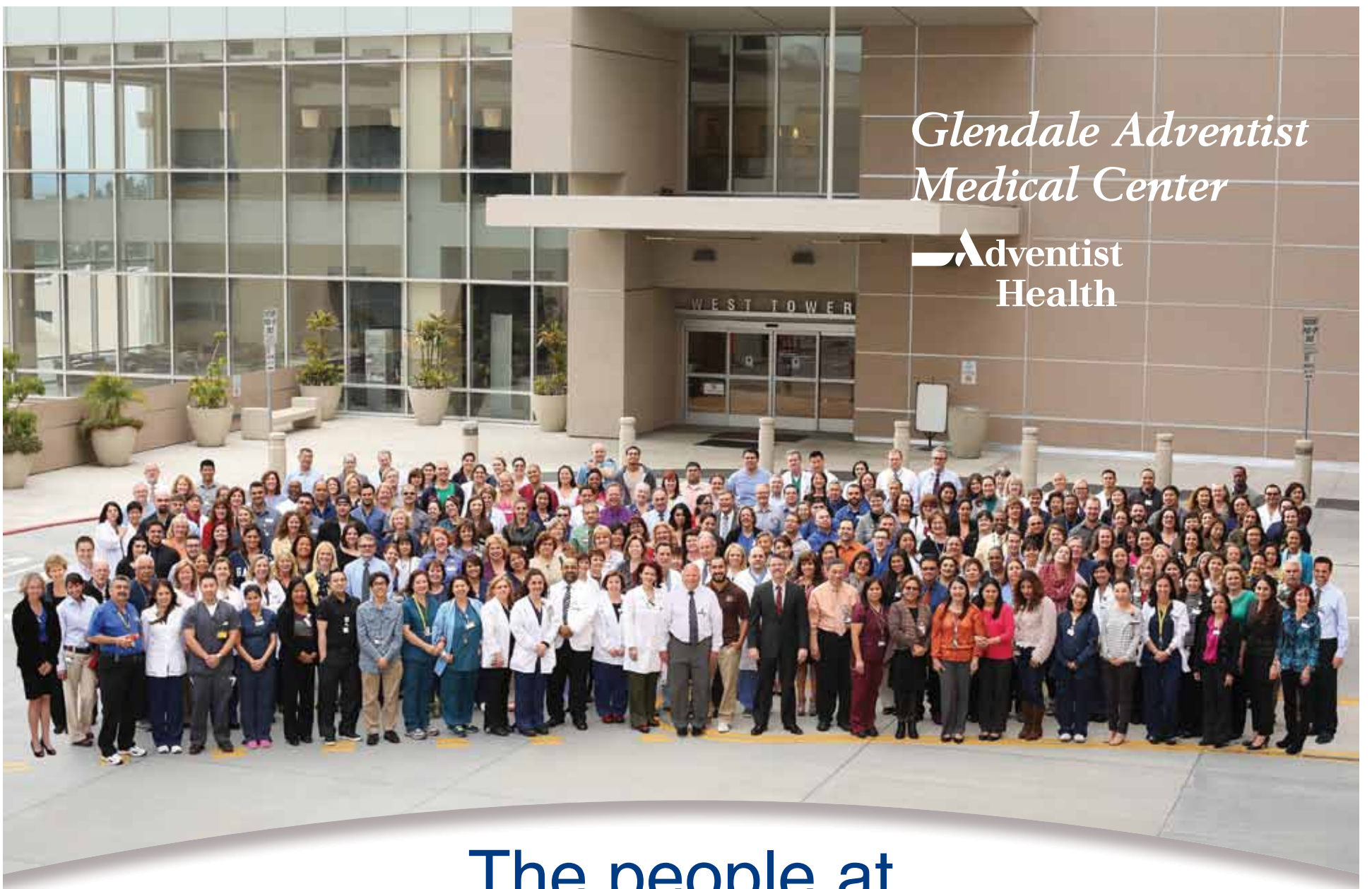
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*DJ music, Kettle corn, face painting,
games...and more!*

World Cup Soccer
Open for All Games...
Even for Breakfast at 8:30am
Starting June 12th

GOOOOAAAALL!!!

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