

Rent Relief for LA County

By Mary O'KEEFE

CVW was contacted by readers who were concerned about the Los Angeles County Rent Relief Program. The concerns were based on communication issues between those who applied for the rent lottery and the County.

The Rent Relief Program is administered by the Los Angeles County Development Authority. Those in need of assistance applied and were chosen in a lottery type of system. In some cases those who applied and were chosen in the lottery were found to be not eligible; then the next in line would be contacted.

According to Linda Jenkins, acting director Community and Economic Development Division, LA County Development Authority, the federal government stipulated the funds for this relief program were to be spent by Dec. 30. If the agency had questions about applicants' eligibility after pulling their name this month there was very little time to make contact to determine eligibility verification.

"With the CARES Act funding we did not have the flexibility to go beyond the Dec. 30 date," Jenkins said.

Much was waiting on the decision from Washington as to whether the additional \$900 billion funds for the stimulus package [CARES Act] would be passed and how deadlines, including those for the Rent Relief Program, which was tied to this bill, would be affected.

The relief stimulus was approved on Dec. 21 by Congress and the Senate but then was in limbo until President Donald Trump signed it several days later.

"I would like to say we can turn on a dime when things

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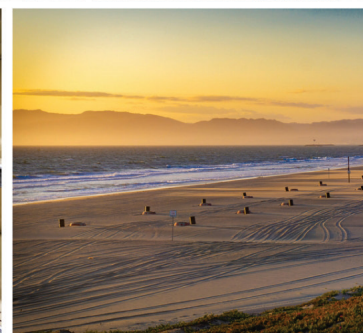
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This year has been one for the record books. It started with fire and is ending with a shot in the arm.

Little did we know that the Australian fires that continued to burn from September 2019 into 2020 was a sign of things to come. In 2020, California saw the state ablaze with over four million acres burned, 31 confirmed fatalities and over 10,000 structures destroyed or damaged, according to Cal Fire.

2020 was also a year of social awareness. The injustices experienced by people of color by some in law enforcement were brought to the forefront as "I can't breathe" became a rallying cry for those who demanded change. There were also protests to bring awareness of a violent conflict on the other side of the world but was felt in the heart of Glendale. The region of Nagorno-Karabakh had been contested by Azerbaijani and Armenians for years. In 2020, that contested area became a battleground

Good Riddance 2020



Collage by Charly SHELTON

The year saw much strife, challenges and conflicts but also patience, kindness and hope.

that saw many die and be left homeless. Armenian Americans immediately took action to help by gathering and shipping supplies, protesting to raise awareness and even sent some of their own to help fight. There was an uneasy peace treaty signed but the recovery will be a long time coming.

This year has seen the loss of icons like Kobe Bryant who died

in a helicopter crash, along with his daughter Gianna, and seven others. Cancer took many including Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Alex Trebek, Chadwick Boseman, Eddie Van Halen and Congressman John Lewis. Others who shaped the entertainment world who died this year included David Prowse, the actor behind Darth Vader, country star Charley Pride, Little Richard and Sean

Connery.

The ongoing tragedy that is 2020 was brought courtesy of the novel coronavirus, a plague the world had not seen in over a century. Although identified in Wuhan, China in December 2019 it did not officially hit the shores of the United States until January; the rest is a history we would rather not be a part of.

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Front Line Hospital Workers Still Need Community Support

By Mary O'KEEFE

With the latest surge of COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations, medical staff at hospitals need the community's support now more than ever.

"We are in crisis mode currently," said Donovan Stewart, associate chief nursing officer at Adventist Health Glendale. "The [Emergency Department] is at [maximum] capacity."

The ICU is also well over 100% capacity.

"There is no wiggle room," he added.

Some patients who come into the ED are being treated in

tents because capacity has been reached, not only at Adventist but also at just about every hospital in Los Angeles County.

CVW reached out to ask what readers could do to help support the medical staff.

"The number one thing people can do to help is to follow the safety guidelines," Stewart said. "Wear a mask, wash your hands and [practice] social distancing."

The toll on medical staff and front line workers has been intense as they are now in the 10th month of boots-on-the-ground, non-stop COVID-19 response. Even though many have performed drills in the

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File photo
Law enforcement and medical professionals are entering 10 months of treating the community during the pandemic. Medical professionals especially need help to combat fatigue.





FROM THE DESK OF THE PUBLISHER

And What A Year It Was

Every year I get to help prepare the year in review, reading the 51 newspapers of the year and reliving some of the highs and, especially this year, the lows. Images pop into mind of the stories we covered, the situations that surrounded them and the challenges and joys that we met.

Without a doubt, COVID-19 made it into almost every newspaper we produced since March 19. We reported the number of cases that steadily increased, shared the personal stories of those families who lost loved ones and encouraged the community to support local hospital personnel. These stories have not ended; nearly every day we hear the new numbers, learn about losses suffered, talk to personnel grappling with overwhelming fatigue. While it is a privilege to share these stories, it also comes with a price: we too are saddened by them and feel overwhelmed with the enormity of what the country – the world – is facing. Will we ever be “normal” again? What will that look like?

And while we deal with the challenges presented by all things COVID, we have also witnessed creativity by those who still want to see family, friends and co-workers. A year ago, few knew what Zoom was; today it is a staple in many businesses and families eager to stay in touch. I saw a skit on Saturday Night Live this past weekend in which a psychic was meeting with a group at the end of 2019. She predicted the fights between friends because (gasp!) one decided to eat inside a restaurant! I didn’t see much else of the skit but after going through our many news stories I could apply that same philosophy to so many other businesses: What do you mean you went to a beauty shop? Had your nails done? Didn’t wear a facemask

in public? Ideas that a year ago would be foreign now raise a (bushy) eyebrow.

Let’s talk about some of these edicts, too. After being told by our beloved leaders that we were not able to do these things (and more) they instead pooh-poohed their own notions and did pretty much what they wanted, thumbing their noses at us peons. Think Nancy Pelosi getting her hair done at a closed salon or Gov. Gavin Newsom enjoying an indoor meal at the very fancy French Laundry. And don’t forget the restaurant owner who was in tears because of the dining ban that prohibited her from having indoor or outdoor in-person diners while across the parking lot from her was a catering service for a film crew. No wonder we’re all fatigued and frustrated.

Not even a sky-high increase in COVID-19 cases and deaths would spur us into following restrictive lockdown protocols. So here we are now with few ICU beds available and more patients in need of these services.

Though I wish I could offer words of comfort I have none. I do, though, have the memories of the many people and businesses in our community who recognized that the local newspaper needed help and pulled out their checkbooks to lend a hand. Help it did.

So, I will continue wearing a mask and wiping down surfaces in an effort to slow the spread as I – with you – wade into 2021.

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Weather in the Foothills

“Rain! Whose soft architectural hands have the power to cut stones and chisel to shapes of grandeur the very mountains.”
~ Henry Ward Beecher, 19th century clergyman, author, anti-slavery activist and social reformer

At last! Real rain came pouring forth from Monday’s night sky and continued falling throughout Tuesday. Its fanfare was such that it lit up the just after midnight sky. If the visual effects were not an adequate attention-getter, the sounds of thunder and wind were. Such weather events I find exhilarating. Now, on the other paw, a trembling, panting and wet Golden in your bed tells a different story. Said storm was considered the first of the season with a substantial rainfall grand total of 1.80 inches. The not-so-grand season total is few drops over two inches. More, please ...

Tournament of Roses officials, parade participants, float builders and parade goers would begin watching long range weather forecasts as Jan. 1 drew near as few like rain on their parade. Rain has come down on the parade only 10 times since 1890. The most recent rainy New Year’s Day was in 2006, according to the National Weather Service. The wildest time was in 1934 when the parade proceeded during a heavy rainstorm; 6.21 inches drowned Pasadena. Our local foothills and valleys got the brunt of the rainstorm. The Rose Parade has never canceled because of weather.

Maybe the weather was never able to halt the parade, but World War II did in 1942, 1943 and 1945, according to the Tournament of Roses Chief Executive David Eads. The federal government, for reasons of national security, prohibited large public gatherings on the West Coast. The first significant canceled event was the Rose Parade slated for Jan. 1, 1942; Pearl Harbor had just been bombed three weeks earlier. Parade organizers, in considering the tragedy and somber mood, canceled the parade.

“In the war effort, there was no availability of materials,” Eads said. “You couldn’t get iron or steel to build the floats. All of that was going into the war effort.”

He added, “In 1944 a token parade was held but it was a far cry from the floral extravaganza we’ve come to expect from the most famous New Year’s Day parade around.”

Now add one more reason for cancellation to the history books ... a worldwide pandemic in 2020.

Dry and slightly warmer weather, including Santa Ana winds, are forecast into next week. Daytime temperatures will stay below 70 degrees and nighttime in the mid 40s. Having come down from northern California, a series of southbound weather systems are expected to reach us by Wednesday. Not sure of their timing, but they are bringing possibilities of good rain. Increased chances of rain and late mountain snow are in the weather works predicted for next Friday. Before there’s a mad rush for one, you may want to get a rain gauge. They’re fun, educational and safe.

A Healthy and Calm 2021 to You!

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



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IN BRIEF

SHORTENED HOURS FOR HOLIDAY

The office of CV Weekly will be open only until 1 p.m. today, Thursday, Dec. 31. It will be closed on Jan. 1, 2021.

ROSEMONT PRESERVE OPEN GATE MORNING

An “open gate” event is taking place at the Rosemont Preserve on Saturday morning, Jan. 2. This is a chance for residents to visit the Preserve and wander the trail at their own pace and enjoy the tranquil setting, the wildlife and the natural beauty. Photographers: bring your camera to capture the morning light and citizen scientists, bring your iNaturalist app to add wildlife sightings!

The gate will be open from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., and Friends of the Rosemont Preserve Committee members will be available to answer questions and present this community resource. LA County guidelines are being followed requiring visitors to wear masks and practice social distancing when visiting the Preserve.

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

Those planning on walking the trails should wear sturdy shoes.

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

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

SCHIFF ISSUES STATEMENT ON EEW FUNDING

On Dec. 22, Rep. Adam Schiff released a statement following House passage of an omnibus appropriations bill with funding for 2021 local priorities, which includes significant investment in the Early Earthquake Warning (EEW) system:

“We have to do everything we can to ensure we are prepared, and one critical step we can take is the development and expansion of the ShakeAlert West Coast Earthquake Early Warning system,” said Rep. Schiff. “Thanks to the robust federal support, now totaling \$118.7 million, the system is becoming operational and is already protecting Californians, and we have to keep up the momentum because early warning can and will save lives when the next big one hits.”

The 2021 appropriations bill provides \$25.7 million for the continued development and expansion of the ShakeAlert West Coast earthquake early warning system, as well as funding for other local priorities including affordable housing, public health initiatives, and space exploration. Learn more about the bill at <https://tinyurl.com/y7hrjt7e>.

LOOKING BACK AT YEAR IN REVIEW2020

CV Weekly looks back at year that was – truly – unprecedented.

By Robin GOLDSWORTHY, Mary O'KEEFE and Charly SHELTON

Dominant in 2020 was ... COVID-19. From the moment when it first appeared on the radar of America, the nation was consumed with how to avoid it, what to do if it was contracted and what masks were the safest (and stylish). But there were other things that America grappled with in 2020. Here's a look back on what made it onto the pages of CV Weekly.



January

The float Dodo Bird Flight School that was entered into the 131st annual Tournament of Roses Parade by the City of La Cañada garnered laughs and the Bob Hope Humor Award.



Several new laws went into effect on Jan. 1 but perhaps what captured the most attention was the implementation of AB 5, a law that changed the way California defined contract and independent workers.

A smoke shop in the 2600 block of Honolulu Avenue was investigated after a complaint was made that the shop sold tobacco products to minors. At the conclusion of the investigation, detectives arrested 23-year-old Krikor Kozian of Tujunga for furnishing tobacco and vape products to minors.

The Crescenta Valley High School robotics team launched a new season of robot-building for the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) competition.

Los Angeles County transitioned from polling places to Vote Centers, which allow voters 11 days to cast a ballot in person. Demonstrations of new equipment were held throughout the area informing voters of the new ballot marking devices and other changes.

“Hepcats” and “cool dudes” dusted off their dancing shoes for the 10th annual Jazz Night at the Café swing dance held at Crescenta Valley High School.

An evacuation drill was held for residents in the Briggs Terrace and Paradise Valley areas of the Crescenta Valley. The drill was a

preparation exercise so residents would know how to safely exit the areas in case of disaster.

The election season kicked off with candidates vying for seats on the Glendale Community College board of trustees, the board of education as well as government on the state and federal level. Early advertising in the CV Weekly was a response to the change in California primary voting from June to March.

Crescenta Valley residents fell victim to a series of scams. Several targeted elderly people resulting in a luncheon for them called “Smarter than a Scammer” hosted by the Glendale Police Dept. and the Community Services and Parks Dept. to inform the elderly and other at-risk individuals of possible scams.

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READER'S CHOICE

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The Finest 2019

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The Glendale City Council pondered a proposal for a 22-story building, which would include 348 units, primarily residential. Though Glendale Mayor Ara Najarian shared his concerns about the project – saying, “I don’t know how we got in this situation” – he ultimately voted to approve the project.

Food insecurity for college students was behind a drive for items for the Glendale Community College Food for Thought Pantry by The Giving Express. The organization collected food and toiletries for college students at the parklet at Rosemont and Orange avenues adjacent to Monte Vista Elementary School.

The 10th anniversary of the La Crescenta Library included storytelling, an overview of the historical heritage of the area and music by the high school jazz band.

The monthly meeting of the CV Town Council included the induction of new board members by County Supervisor Kathryn Barger.

A tentative agreement on wages was reached between the Glendale Unified School District and the California School Employees Assn.

February

The Glendale homeless count found fewer people unsheltered. Teams were placed around city neighborhoods to search areas frequented by homeless people. Mayor Ara Najarian shared that the Glendale Police Dept. outreach team was able to help a homeless family of eight who were living in their car.

Wind gusts exceeding 55 mph tore through the Crescenta Valley, downing trees and power lines.

Shoppers in the Montrose Shopping Park were

surprised by an unexpected increase in metered parking and the amount of time to pay to park was expanded by two hours.

Tensions rose at a Glendale Unified School District board meeting as students and parents urged passage of a resolution that would recognize the culture, contributions and value of African American students and community members.

Holocaust survivors shared their stories at assemblies held at Crescenta Valley High School. 2020 marked the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz and Dachau concentration camps.

An information event on the new voting system was held by CV Weekly and the offices of Assemblymember Laura Friedman, Senator Anthony Portantino and LA County Supervisor Kathryn Barger.

Bingo-Palooza that included red carpet events



to games called by a drag queen was held around the community. The funds raised at these events benefitted several non-profit organizations.

The question of how efficiently tarps were protecting the roofs of historic Rockhaven was tackled by the Glendale City Council. Then-City Manager Yasmin Beers assured the council that the roofs were also being patched throughout the year.

Members of the Glendale Moose Lodge #641 offered financial support to the Montrose Search and Rescue team.

With negotiations rocky between USC-VHH nurses and the hospital administration, the nurses took their concerns to the people at the weekly Harvest Market.

Members of the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce joined Ace Hardware staff with

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NOTES & NODS

This Week at LCIF

Ring in the New Year this Sunday, Jan. 3 at Lutheran Church in the Foothills. All are invited at 10 a.m. for Couch Church on the church’s Facebook page and YouTube channel. Those who miss the live presentation can watch the videos on the church website, Facebook page and YouTube channel. This week, Pastor Stephen Robertson will lead a message called “Gather in Wisdom.”

After the service, everyone is invited to join a time of fellowship on Zoom. There is also a time for Zoom prayers on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and several of the church’s small groups gather on Zoom on different days and times. More details are available on the church website www.lcifoothills.org.

The church office is located at 1700 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada Flintridge and is generally open

Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Contact the office at office@lcifoothills.org or call (818) 790-1951 for details, information, offering help or requesting help.

Christmas Under the Stars at La Crescenta Presbyterian

All are invited to La Crescenta Presbyterian Church for an outdoor Christmas Eve worship experience filled with joyful music and an uplifting message.

The service begins at 5 p.m. today, Thursday, Dec. 24 in the west parking lot of the church. COVID-safe practices, including safe distancing and mask-wearing, will be observed.

In addition, every evening in December the church’s chimes will ring at 5 p.m. as a 12-foot tree, Nativity scene and lights along the front of the church are illuminated. Instrumental Christmas music will

play until 7 p.m.

La Crescenta Presbyterian also hosts outdoor worship services every Sunday at 10 a.m. The al fresco gatherings in the LCPC courtyard offer interactive prayer time, live music, Bible readings and an inspiring message.

La Crescenta Presbyterian is located at 2902 Montrose Ave. in La Crescenta. For more information about policies to protect the health and safety of the congregation, visit lcpc.net or call (818) 249-6137.

Walk and Word

Walk and Word on Sunday mornings, a time to discover Scripture while hiking Deukmejian Park, is on hiatus until further notice.

For more information, contact Jean Lavieri at (818) 383-3137 or email jnlavieri@earthlink.net.

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an official “board” cutting.

March

The LA County Board of Supervisors and the Dept. of Public Health, along with the cities of LA, Pasadena and Long Beach, declared a local emergency in connection with the novel coronavirus. As of March 5, seven recorded cases of the coronavirus were reported in LA County.

Hard work paid off for the CV High School Falkon robotics team, which won the Engineering Award at the FIRST competition.

Businesses along Honolulu Avenue experienced some changes including the closure of Moss Supermarket, the move of Revelation Tops, the closure of Rest Farmhouse Inspired and the opening of Shawerma Kingdom, the closure of Ocean View Jewelry, the opening of Tutti Frutti frozen yogurt at the former location of Quilt 'N Things, and the closure of Tribe to Table. Holiday Hats and Gowns remains closed after damage was done to the back of the location, Critters was closed and replaced with That's Darling and the former location of Billy's Board Shop was (eventually) reopened as a women's clothing shop. The former site of Rocky Cola Café was due to open in the fall or winter as Gus and Andy's Montrose Grill.

GPD Officer Joe Allen retires from the Glendale Police Dept. after 32 years in law enforcement.

The Glendale City Council was briefed on the city's preparations and recommendations to best protect the public from the coronavirus health threat. Executives from local hospitals were present at the briefing. While the situation was changing quickly, noted fire chief Silvio Lanzas, “it is important to stay calm and listen to reliable sources of information.” There were 111,363 cases worldwide, with 3,892 confirmed deaths, and 566 cases in the U.S. with no confirmed cases in Glendale.

The first step in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) concerning the lights and stands project proposed for Crescenta Valley High School was held on March 5 at the school's MacDonald Auditorium.

Glendale Unified School District was working on arranging remote teaching. In-person attendance by students at the school was canceled; it was uncertain how long before students could re-enter the campus.

At an emergency afternoon meeting, the Glendale City Council voted unanimously to declare a local emergency and enact urgent and immediate actions aimed at limiting the spread of the coronavirus that causes COVID-19. Actions included restaurants limited to take-out, delivery or drive-thru options only. Bars that served food would be allowed to prepare orders to-go or food to be picked up; bars

that do not serve food would close. All city facilities closed and GWP shutoffs were suspended.

Local farmers' markets were able to remain open amid the Safer at Home orders from LA County, which were adapted from the state orders.

Beginning with the final meeting of March, the Glendale City Council met virtually with councilmembers and the community calling in to get information and offer comments regarding city activities. The Glendale Beeline bus service continued its regular schedule and offered free fares for all passengers.

As the shutdown continued, positive activities were shared that were found throughout the Crescenta Valley. These included residents eating dinner on the lawn across the street from their neighbors to maintain plenty of social distancing, garage concerts given for the neighborhood, free bags of fruit offered by residents to anyone who wanted some citrus and chalk messages on sidewalks along walkways.

The Glendale Unified School District set up tents to distribute food to students who were in the free and reduced cost lunch programs. All children, 18 years and under, could pick up breakfast and lunch at several locations throughout the district. At Rosemont Middle School, shortly after the campus closed and new “distance learning” was established, those students who expressed a need for technology in the home via a survey received a Chromebook for use at home.

“This is uncharted territory, and we are going to have to flow as we go,” said Rosemont Principal Scott Anderle in an email to parents.

April

Beaches, trails and CV Skate Park were among places ordered to close to slow the spread of COVID-19.

A push for residents to complete the United States Census 2020 was underway. The deadline was extended to August.

In an abundance of caution regarding the expected April surge in COVID-19 reports, the Montrose Harvest Market was closed through the end of April.

Messages of encouragement were asked to be sent to the medical caregivers at USC-VHH. Other ways to help included feeding the staff and donating PPE and iPads.

Free meals were being provided by the Los Angeles County Dept. of Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services (WDACS) to adults age 60 and older who were impacted by the COVID-19 crisis.

The 2020 presidential primary election results were certified by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

President Donald Trump signed

a \$2 trillion coronavirus virus relief bill.

With highways less crowded due to workers staying at home, drivers were lulled into thinking that traveling faster on emptier roads was fine. CHP officers said this isn't so ... especially in wet weather as was proven when the Montrose Search and Rescue team responded to a call of a car going off the road and over the side of the mountain. Thankfully no one was injured.

The Glendale City Council installed – virtually – newly elected councilmembers Ardy Kassakhian and Daniel Brotman.

City of Glendale officials detailed the city's updated response to the novel coronavirus pandemic. Presented by Fire Chief Silvio Lanzas, there were 1,428,428 cases confirmed worldwide; 398,185 in the U.S.; 6,910 in LA County; and 154 in Glendale. There were two deaths confirmed as of April 7 in Glendale.

Rumors were fueling more fear during the COVID-19 pandemic with many of the rumors, or lies, coming from conspiracy theorists that spread quickly online.

One rumor that made the rounds stated that the U.S. was preparing to mobilize the National Guard and first responders for a nationwide two-week quarantine for everyone including all businesses. The rumor warned people to make sure they had stockpiled supplies.

As businesses tried to “pivot” in order to stay alive, Los Angeles County experienced a dramatic overall reduction in the sale of produce, with as much as a 90% drop reported. Local business owner Connor Smith's family business Smith Produce turned its attention to getting fresh produce to the Crescenta Valley, as safely as possible. Smith Produce operated a drive-thru produce box pickup service every week on Foothill Boulevard and was delivering throughout the 91214 zip code.

The Glendale Sunrise Rotary Club, Glendale Latino Association, Kiwanis-Glendale and members of the community have partnered with Glendale Library, Arts, & Culture, a department of the City of Glendale, to convert several Little Free Libraries into Little Free Food Pantries during the health crisis.

The public was advised to wear facemasks when going out in public to areas like grocery stores and pharmacies as well as anytime it is in a public setting. It was advised to make and wear homemade masks rather than using surgical masks that are needed on the frontlines by hospital staff, medical workers and emergency responders.

Law enforcement and safety personnel in their emergency vehicles stopped at local hospitals to thank staffs for their dedication

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to their work during dangerous times.

Home parties – social distancing style – became popular as people wanted to acknowledge milestones in the lives of friends and families but weren't able to do so in traditional ways.

The City and County of Los Angeles offered free COVID-19 testing to LA County residents.

Health Officer Orders were extended requiring essential businesses to provide a cloth face covering for all employees to wear while performing duties that involve contact with other employees and/or the public and to post physical distancing plans.

Local food banks, like the Bailey Center in Tujunga



and the Salvation Army in Glendale, continued to distribute donated food to people in lines that were increasing due to many people being laid off due to the pandemic.

Mary O'Keefe, reporter for the Crescenta Valley Weekly, was among 15 women honored by Rep. Adam Schiff as his choice for 2020 Women of the Year.

Two of three dogs wandering the Angeles National Forest were safely captured then taken to the Dog Day Search and Rescue.

Vons on Foothill Boulevard at Pennsylvania Avenue in far north Glendale/La Crescenta confirmed that one of its workers tested positive for COVID-19.

May

The Harvest Market in the Montrose Shopping Park, which was closed due to the pandemic, reopened in mid-May. The only vendors allowed on-site were those who sold fresh vegetables and fruits and prepackaged food.

Since early April, the Crescenta Valley Armenian Center, also known as the Meher & Satig Der Ohanessian Youth Center, responded to calls for help from people seeking assistance by putting together care packages of products that the Center purchased and the community donated. A sort of food bank was created where those in need could either visit and pick up a care package or a package could be delivered to their doorstep. The Center also delivered about 20 packages to the CV Sheriff's Station to assist its efforts of providing help to the community.

Expectant families dealt with the constantly changing rules regarding giving birth in local hospitals. CVW focused on two couples that either recently gave birth or were preparing to deliver babies. Most new moms left the hospital 24 hours

after delivering with the thought that, if the child and mom are healthy, they would do better isolating at home.

After the pandemic forced hospitals to curtail elective surgeries, USC Verdugo Hills Hospital opened some outpatient services including elective surgical procedures and endoscopies.

Firefighters busy responding to emergency calls were outfitted in gear to keep themselves and others safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. This included firefighters wearing masks and goggles to every call.

Though the pandemic curtailed traditional commemoration of Memorial Day, local vets created a virtual event for the entire community. A video was created for the community to view in lieu of having a public gathering.

Doubt about the severity of the pandemic permeated calls into the Glendale City Council.

"This is all such nonsense. It's not any worse than the common flu," was one comment made by a caller into the meeting of the Council. The comment was sparked by the shutdowns implemented by the city to slow the spread of the virus.

The Sunland-Tujunga Rotary Club announced the cancellation of the 2020 Sunland-Tujunga 4th of July Parade.

Some businesses and faith-based services tentatively reopened after LA County representatives announced it was moving toward "new standards for a swift and safe reopening in alignment with the State of California guidelines." In addition, in-store shopping at low-risk retail stores, drive-in movies and other recreational pursuits, flea markets, swap meets, pools, hot tubs and saunas in a multi-unit residence or part of a homeowners association could also reopen.

The COVID-19 crisis created dilemmas about how services are performed at funeral homes. Local funeral home operators and counselors said their places remained open while complying with social distancing guidelines, but services have fewer people and a new set of emotions has to be considered.

June

The Exclusive Negotiating Agreement between the City of Glendale and Avalon Investment LP (Avalon) for the Rockhaven site ended leaving uncertain the future of the 3.5-acre historic site. According to the City, Avalon concluded that the site's use as a boutique hotel was not financially feasible.

Several relatively peaceful vigils and protests occurred in Pasadena, Montrose, La Crescenta and La Cañada Flintridge following the death of George Floyd, a black man who pleaded for air when then-Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin knelt on his neck for eight minutes and 46 seconds.

The announcement was made that the July 4th Fireworks Extravaganza, hosted by the CV Fireworks Assn., was canceled. According to organizers, the decision was made in the interest of public safety and respecting social distancing rules.

Next week CV Weekly will continue looking back at the historic year 2020.

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happen," Jenkins said, but she explained that her agency must wait for a vote from the board of supervisors before any extensions or changes to the program can be made.

She did understand the need for extensions, though. For example, the CDC [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention] extended its moratorium on evictions to Jan. 31.

"We are in a pandemic," she added. "This is not the time for increasing rent or evictions."

She said she understands the frustration felt by families as

they apply to these programs for help.

"Our goal was to assist 8,000 to 9,000 people [with rent]. It has been difficult to serve people," she added.

Her office has been working on this complicated program. It has at times been difficult to get hold of those who applied for assistance but do not seem to qualify; some who do not qualify might be because they live within the city of Los Angeles, which offers its own program. Applicants also have to prove they have been directly

impacted by COVID-19, and they have to have landlords participate in the program.

Her advice to those who are concerned, or confused, about their application is to call her office and also to watch this Tuesday's meeting of the LA County Board of Supervisors as they will be dealing with this issue directly.

LA County Development Authority contact phone number is (626) 262-4511. To find the agenda and view the Tuesday board of supervisors meeting go to bos.lacounty.gov.

VIEWPOINTS

TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

Montrose Junior High School?

Montrose Community Park is tucked away behind some businesses that face Verdugo Road to the southeast of the Montrose shopping area. The 15-acre park has a full array of features such as tennis courts, a playground, basketball courts, ball fields and lots of grassy open space. It was completed in 1987 but, before that, the site had a variety of suggested uses, including as the site of the proposed Montrose Junior High.

In 1964, voters approved a huge school building bond for Glendale in response to the post-war baby-boom. Looking ahead, the school district was projecting enrollment as high as 50,000 students in coming years (current enrollment is 26,000). Additions to existing schools were quickly planned by the school board, as was the construction of new schools. The two newest local junior highs, Rosemont and Clark, were already overcrowded, so a new junior high was proposed for the southern part of the Crescenta Valley. The 12-acre Sparr Heights Debris Basin was settled on as its location.

Several debris basins had been constructed in CV to handle flood runoff, but the Sparr Heights Debris Basin southeast of Montrose had become redundant due to other flood control projects. By the 1960s it was only being used as a dumpsite by county flood control, and it seemed a natural location for a new school site. In 1965 the GUSD worked up a plan for Montrose Junior High to be built on three levels, which included athletic fields and an outdoor amphitheater. In 1966 the GUSD began the process of acquiring the land from county flood control, but there were many hoops to jump through. The County needed to find another dumpsite (it settled on the west side of Dunsmore Canyon, today's Deukmejian Park), and GUSD needed to figure how to remove the 500,000 yards of debris that had already

been dumped at Sparr Heights. The GUSD bought the 12 acres in 1968 for \$117,000, along with a few other adjoining parcels to bring the site to 14 acres.

But the immediate plans to construct the school were put on hold with a targeted build date of the late-'70s, and the land sat empty. Trouble brewed when the GUSD leased the property to three adjacent businesses. A moving company stored its trucks there, a car dealership used it for new cars and a towing company created an impound yard. As well, a makeshift baseball diamond was created. Neighbors to the south in Montecito Park complained about noise, and it was discovered that GUSD was in violation of several zoning issues; it was not zoned for commercial use. The District applied for variances to continue leasing the property for auto storage.

About this time, the tail end of the baby-boom was passing through our schools and enrollment began to decline. It was obvious that the GUSD's predictions of 50,000 students would not happen after all and by 1973, the GUSD was actually looking to close several local schools. Lowell, Montrose and La Crescenta elementary schools were all considered, with Lowell and Montrose being sold to private school interests.

In 1975, the Montrose Junior High proposal was officially declared dead. The land was offered for sale, which began a string of proposed developments. First up was a skateboard park. Two local guys proposed building the skate park with the City of Glendale, but the City declined due to a combination of local objections and insurance liability issues. In 1979 the community fought down a proposal for 200 units of federally funded low-income housing. The next year, Glendale-based Los Angeles

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NEWS FROM CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

CVWD – Wrapping up 2020

As 2020 closes out, CVWD wants to thank customers for their support and participation in both the blood drive and the canned food drive. CVWD customers and staff donated 36 units of blood for patients at local hospitals and over 400 cans of food to help feed families in need.



CVWD's administration building is currently closed to walk-in customers. However, there are many new online services available on the website www.cvwd.com. Existing residential customers may pay their bill, request payment extensions, request a leak check, apply for the low-income discount, as well as keep up on board and committee meetings schedules. Customers may also start and stop service all by submitting their requests online. Currently CVWD is not assessing late fees or shutting off water for non-payment due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, by reducing expenses and deferring spending to the greatest extent possible, the board was able to approve the postponement of water and wastewater rate increases for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

With support from the board of directors and hard work by staff and despite the pandemic CVWD made great strides this year in terms of improving long-term infrastructure reliability. After securing its highest Standard and Poor's (S&P) rating in District history, a two-position jump to AA-, the District was able to secure a low interest bond to support a three-year \$5,000,000 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget. To show the community what projects are being funded by bonds, it will see a new logo around town.

Capital improvement projects will serve to ensure service reliability by replacing and upgrading critical infrastructure, facilities, technology and services. The following is a list of critical CIP projects for fiscal year 2020-21 funded by CVWD's water bonds:

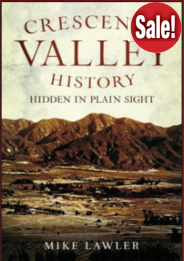
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Annual Pipeline Replacement – 1.0 Mile	Pipeline Replacement – Pipelines that are greater than 50 years old – 5,280 LF
AMI – 3/4" to 1" – Smart Meters & AMI Communication Network	Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) – 1) Install 1,000 3/4" or 1" water meters – in Zones 1 & 2 and 2) Install AMI Network Communication System

By using ingenuity and teamwork, CVWD staff was able to complete a critical repair at Oak Creek Reservoir that was otherwise slated for completion by an outside contractor. Oak Creek Reservoir serves customers in CVWD's Zone 4 – approximately 2,000 customers. The leak on the 16-inch inlet/outlet manifold was repaired exclusively by CVWD staff over a very hectic three days and residents' water service was not interrupted during this time. This out-of-the-box in-house solution saved the District over \$200,000.

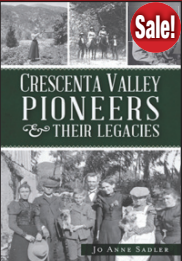
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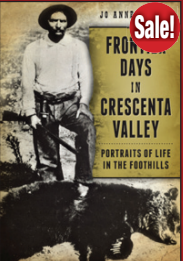
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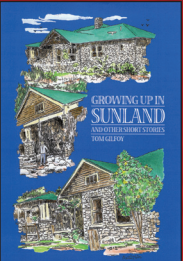
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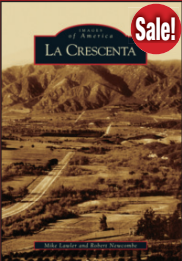
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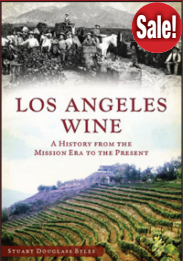
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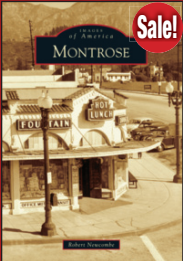
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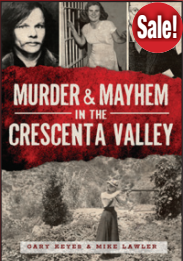
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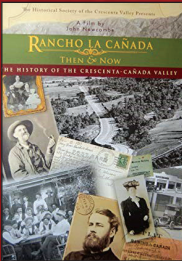
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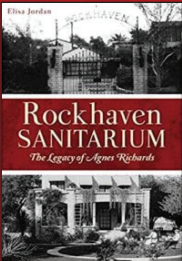
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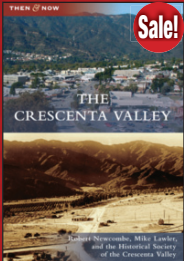
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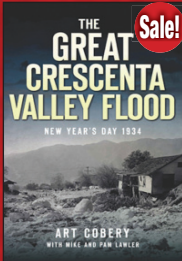
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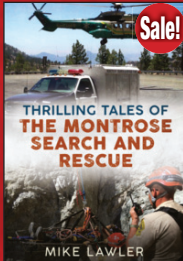
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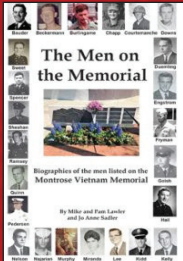
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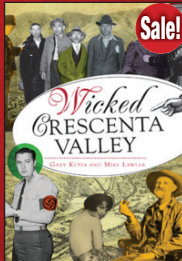
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Year in Review 2020 — Travel & Leisure

By Charly SHELTON

Most years seem to fly by with the New Year ball dropping in behind us like the boulder from “Raiders of the Lost Ark.” But 2020 was the year spent inside as the days slowly dragged on ... and on ... with seemingly little good news interspersed.

But now that we’re (hopefully) approaching the end of the pandemic, we can look back with a sigh at what good did come this year, from celebrated reopenings to big screen movies coming home as streaming titles to inventive new ways to get out and have some fun without violating health orders.

Let’s take a look back at some of the best ofs, month-by-month throughout 2020.

January

Pasadena Showcase House of Design 2020 – Empty House Party

The Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts (PSHA) held its annual Empty House Party marking the debut of the 56th Annual Pasadena Showcase House of Design.



Star Wars: Rise of the Resistance

On the same day, “Star Wars: Rise of the Resistance,” the second and final attraction in the new Star Wars: Galaxy’s Edge land at Disneyland, finally opened. Guests started lining up at midnight the night before the opening and stood in the rain to be among the first in the park on the ride. “Rise” is, without a doubt, the most impressive, immersive, complex attraction ever created for any theme park, though the complexity did lead to long breakdowns throughout its two months of operation limiting the number of riders daily.

Year of the Rat at Universal Studios Hollywood

Each year Universal Studios Hollywood puts on a big festival celebrating the Lunar New Year, and it seems like each year’s celebration gets bigger. This year’s was the best festival yet with more live entertainment, an expanded menu of Asian food and more.

February

Knott’s Peanuts Weekend

Peanuts Celebration Weekends at Knott’s Berry Farm were held weekends through March 1 and featured the very best of the Peanuts gang. From stage shows celebrating the happiness friends bring to rare character sightings like Snoopy’s brother Spike to a ride on the Grand Sierra Railroad heading to the Beagle Bonanza to welcome Snoopy’s relations, there was plenty to do and see.

March

A Visit to Disneyland ... Just 10 Days Before the Shutdown

The precautionary shuttering of public places and events to limit the spread of the virus had begun in earnest in America. But in early March, many public places were remaining open – places like Disneyland. Although I was wary about visiting at first, I soon realized that new cleanliness protocols for stopping COVID-19 were just resetting society back to where it should have been all along.

The Shutdown Begins March 13

All major theme parks in America were closed. This included all Disney parks, Universal Studios parks, SeaWorld/Busch Gardens parks, Cedar Fair parks (like Knott’s Berry Farm), Merlin Entertainments parks (LEGOLAND) and Six Flags parks, among others. Most have stated that their shutdown would last only until the end of the month or sometime into the first week of April. Others left the opening date as unannounced.

April



Socially Distant Activities Outdoors

During the pandemic, many people were getting in their cars to take day trips. These included heading into the Angeles National Forest, the beach (even though beaches were closed) and even the poppy fields in the Antelope Valley, where the poppies were in bloom.

Staying Active and Sane in the Safer at Home World

Amid the shutdown, which had just been extended, CV Weekly published several articles on how to stay occupied at home, how to stay positive and a call for everyone to document this time ...more than memes, more than the occasional snapshot. Write a journal or shoot real pictures and videos of what life was currently like to save for future generations.

May

Shanghai Disneyland Reopens

While America slowly reopened beaches, stores and restaurants in select communities amid a growing number of deaths and reported COVID-19 cases, China slid down the backside of the curve and reopened Shanghai Disneyland. This served as somewhat of a blueprint for what to expect when the American parks were finally given the thumbs up to reopen.

Disney Springs and Universal CityWalk Orlando Reopen in Florida

The shopping centers at the two major Florida theme parks partially reopened. Both CityWalk at Universal Studios Orlando and Disney Springs at Walt Disney World reopened to some limited traffic.

June

Universal CityWalk Hollywood and the First Florida Theme Parks Reopen

Some theme parks in Florida reopened to the public including Universal Studios Florida, SeaWorld and Busch Gardens. In California, theme parks didn’t have any scheduled reopening date and, with the tide of COVID-19 cases continuing to rise, it might be a while before any park reopening is realized. But one venture that was allowed to remain open was open-air shopping centers like Universal CityWalk Hollywood, which reopened to limited shopping and dining operations.

July

Drive-In Theaters Make a Comeback Amid Pandemic Restrictions

The “Tribeca Drive-In” launched in early July at the Rose Bowl Stadium in Pasadena. This limited-engagement drive-in series provided families with a safe, comfortable entertainment experience that is appropriate for audiences of all ages as the nation took steps to emerge from coronavirus lockdowns.

Downtown Disney District at Disneyland Reopens

Walt Disney World opened the last of its closed parks on July 15. On the opposite coast, Disneyland remained closed with no hope of reopening. But following in the footsteps of Universal CityWalk, Downtown Disney reopened its shopping and dining district to limited traffic. And after four months of no Disney parks, guests flocked to the chance to visit such a shopping center in Anaheim.

Knott’s Taste of Calico Food Festival

Once outdoor-only dining was approved for the state, Knott’s Berry Farm joined in a big way by offering Taste of Calico, a food festival that took place in the Ghost Town section of the theme park. It was the perfect way to take off the no-theme-parks edge without having a full theme park visit during the pandemic, and it set the standard for what can be done in this new world. Food festivals like this one are expected back at Knott’s several times throughout the year, and even SeaWorld will follow the Knott’s format to bring ticketholders a food and beer festival.

Hometown Favorite Restaurant Reviews – Casa Cordoba and Alissa’s Ocean View Bar and Grill

CV Weekly decided to begin a series of restaurant reviews on coronavirus dining conditions to showcase how local hometown favorite restaurants were adapting to the COVID-19 world and the new dining restrictions. We began with the original al fresco dining location in Montrose, Casa Cordoba, and then on to Alissa’s Ocean View Bar and Grill. We continued this series bi-weekly as long as the restaurants remained open for dining.

August

Taste of Knott’s Food Festival

Due to the overwhelming response to the first Knott’s Berry Farm food festival (ticket sales were exhausted just as fast as dates could be added) a second food festival was

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launched. The Taste of Knott’s festival opened in August as an improvement on what was an already great model.

September

LA Zoo Reopens
After more than five months behind closed gates, the Los Angeles Zoo finally reopened to the public. With temperature screening, mandatory face coverings, social distancing and the closure of high-touch activities and indoor facilities, guests were welcomed back to see the animals.

Hometown Favorite Restaurant Reviews – Hill Street Café & Bar

CVW continued its series spotlighting hometown favorite restaurants adapting to the new normal of COVID-19 life. We headed east to La Cañada, to Hill Street Café & Bar, a staple in the Crescenta Valley since 1991.

Pasadena Showcase House of Design Tour

CV Weekly was invited to tour the Pasadena Showcase House of Design and see all the incredible installations prepared for the touring public. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the tours were not allowed and the program transitioned online for virtual tours through “Ultimate Viewpoints:56,” which was delayed from September to

December, and is now finally live.
Taste of Fall-O-Ween Food Festival
During Knott’s most “spooktacular” time of the year, its food festival returned, bigger than ever with Taste of Fall-o-Ween held for six weekends through Nov 1. And as much fun as were the first two fests, Knott’s really hit its stride with this one.

October

The Good, the Bad, and the COVID at Tombstone’s Helldorado Days

CV Weekly was on hand in Tombstone this year to see the gunfights, the town and the raucous crowds spilling out of the saloons just like it was in the 1880s at Tombstone’s annual Helldorado Days festival. Even in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, Tombstone was “the town too tough to die.” But, just like the Wyatt Earps and Doc Hollidays of the West, heroes who stand up to villains, are themselves still murderers, there are two sides to this year’s Helldorado Days. We endeavored to showcase the good and the bad of this festival, and many like it going forward in the pandemic world.

Fun and Frights in the Foothills

CV Weekly adapted to the times and found a way to bring some

spooky fun to the community in a safe, socially distant way. With that in mind, a call for entries was made of the spookiest Halloween yard displays and a list of homes was rounded up to create a self-driven tour of festive fun called “Fun & Frights in the Foothills.”

November

Hometown Favorite Restaurant Reviews — Berolina Bakery and Pastry Shop

CVW continued its series spotlighting hometown favorite restaurants adapting to the new normal of COVID-19 life, popping into Berolina Bakery and Pastry Shop to see how a bakery that never shut down was getting along.

Disneyland Reopens Buena Vista Street at Disney California Adventure

The successful opening of Downtown Disney for shopping and dining resulted in Disney California Adventure opening its gates as a shopping and dining location.

December

Merry & Bright Holiday Tour
Hot off the success of the “Fun & Frights in the Foothills” CV Weekly began organizing a holiday event of the same ilk featuring a self-driven tour of some of the best holiday yard displays and house lights in the Crescenta Valley.

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Montrose Park
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Then » This is a 1940s aerial photo of the area that later became Montrose Park. Verdugo Road is in the bottom left corner. A deep gully runs through the empty land behind the businesses, culminating in the small Sparr Heights Debris Basin just outside the right edge of the photo. Beyond the gully are the remnants of a grape vineyard.



Now » The baseball diamonds of Montrose Park dominate the same aerial view today. The park was built in 1987 by the City of Glendale. The water that formed the gully now flows underground through storm drains. One thing that is the same in both photos is the two-story building near the bottom left. For many years it was a liquor store, but is now an office.

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BETWEEN FRIENDS

Holiday Greetings Sent to Seniors



Assisteens, a youth arm of the Assistance League, worked on a letter campaign to senior citizens who previously attended the monthly senior Assistance League of Glendale luncheons at the chapter house.

Due to the pandemic, the teens could not be together so each took on a group of names from senior neighborhood fellowship and wrote to let them know they were wished a happy holiday even if it was not possible to be together.

The girls, Madeline Higgins and Chloe Naime, created the greetings. The Assisteens are young women through senior high school age who work through the Assistance League to “do good.”

LEFT: Chloe Britton Naime, a senior at La Salle, works on a note to a senior.

RIGHT: Madeline Higgins is a 10th grade student at St. Bede's.

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Veterans Corner December 2020

VA Approves Claims for More than 22,500 Blue Water Navy Veterans

Ten months after the Dept. of Veterans Affairs (VA) began processing Agent Orange disability claims for Blue Water Navy veterans, more than 22,500 have been finalized, resulting in more than \$640 million in payments to veterans or their surviving dependents.

Blue Water Navy veterans waited nearly 50 years to receive disability compensation for diseases related to Agent Orange exposure until the American Legion-backed Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2019 was signed into law on June 25. This act extends disability benefits covering medical conditions associated with Agent Orange exposure to those who served on ships off the coast of Vietnam – impacting an estimated 90,000 veterans.

VA's collaboration with the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has resulted in the digitization of more than 29 million images from U.S. Navy and Coast Guard deck logs. Data – such as ship names, dates and coordinates – is then fed to an internal, claims-related processing system that identifies vessels that may have traveled within the offshore waters of Vietnam. This new approach has resulted in a faster, more accurate decision the first time a claim is reviewed.

“The team at NARA recognizes the importance of this effort making it easier for Blue Water Navy

veterans to receive the benefits they've earned without burdening them with paperwork,” VA Secretary Robert Wilkie said in a release. “Since Jan. 1, VA has processed thousands of claims and encourages every veteran, dependent and surviving spouse who is eligible to file a claim as soon as possible.”

The American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars have long fought and advocated for the rights of Blue Water Navy veterans and in 2016 passed Resolution No. 246 that supported “legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to presume exposure to Agent Orange for any military personnel who served during the Vietnam War on any vessel that came within 12 nautical miles of the coastlines of Vietnam.”

Veterans who want to file an initial claim for an herbicide-related disability can use VA Form 21-526EZ, Application for Disability Compensation and Related Compensation Benefits. American Legion and VFW service officers also are available to assist any veteran with benefits claims and the application process.

Submitted by Blake HYFIELD

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Questions About Today's Real Estate?

Ask Phyllis!

Purpose Of The Home Inspection

Dear Phyllis,

We have been looking for a home for over six months and made several offers before we got one accepted. We opened an escrow and after doing a round of inspections asked the seller for credits for the roof, foundation, heating, air, termite, sewer line, and to replace old galvanized plumbing. Between the inspections and the appraisal - we spent almost \$2,000.00. In addition to those major issues, there were other things we needed to address once we moved in. We need a gate for our kids, the floors need to be refinished, the kitchen and baths are outdated. Taking all of that into consideration, we asked for an \$80,000 credit. After a lot of going back and forth the seller offered us just \$5,000 and we cancelled escrow. They took the home off the market made many of the repairs we wanted credits for and relisted for a higher

price. I just don't see how this is fair and am hoping you can explain the purpose of the home inspection process.

Jennifer

Dear Jennifer,

The purpose of the home inspection is to enlighten the buyer as to the home's condition. I don't have all the pieces to your puzzle, so I am going to jump to some conclusions.

Most of the components of a home have a life expectancy. You mention the kitchen and baths were outdated. How old was the home you were going to purchase? I am assuming the home wasn't newer. Sewer lines generally last fifty years. If the seller and the Listing Agent did not advertise that this older home had been updated with copper plumbing why did you and your Realtor® expect the plumbing to be

updated in an older home? Unless there are permits reflecting something more recent, most experienced Realtors® will inform their client of that fact.

The fact that the home didn't have a fence and the floors needed to be refinished were apparent at the time of your offer. You made the offer on an older home knowing the kitchen and baths were outdated. After your home inspection you asked the seller to make the home “new”. We are in a very competitive real estate market. Imagine there are just five bridal gowns and twenty brides. You finally find a dress you love and can afford. Are you going to try to negotiate the price for a broken zipper when there is a line of brides behind you wanting your dress? Likely, you will be happy to have the dress and take it to a seamstress and get it repaired. I am sorry if this seems harsh, but this is the reality of today's market.



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The speaker will be Andy Winnick, professor emeritus of economics and statistics at California State University, Los Angeles and president of The American Institute for Progressive Democracy (tapid.org). His career in academia spans the globe.

A political economist, Winnick is an expert teacher about the interface of economics, political science, sociology and history. He has published two books, including “The Changing Distributions of Income and Wealth in the U.S.”

His topic for AAUW will be voter suppression focusing on three measures of a nation’s commitment to democracy as shown by its electoral system:

Are citizens easily able to register and qualify to vote? Do all registered voters have an opportunity to vote? Is there “one person, one vote” with every vote having the same weight?

He will provide a brief overview of the foundation of the American electoral system starting with the Constitution and will move forward to the current situation. He will describe problems, outline possible solutions and analyze why the country faces the current situation.

His talk will draw upon material from a paper he recently wrote entitled “Voter Suppression, Disproportionality and the Failures of Democracy in America.” To receive a copy of this paper, email andy.winnick@gmail.com.

AAUW’s mission is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. For information about membership, activities and meetings, visit <https://glendale-ca.aauw.net/>.

LIFE, DEATH AND MEDICINE IN THE VICTORIAN AGE

The Glendale Historical Society and Historical Novel Society present “History Talks!” on Thursday, Jan. 7 at 7 p.m.

The event is complimentary but advance RSVP required. A Zoom link will be sent a few days prior to the event to those who RSVP.

The panel discussion is being held on Victorian life, death and medicine.

Residents of the Doctor’s House were among those who faced challenges that are distant to the modern world, but oddly relevant to those that are being faced today. Participants will travel back to the Victorian era with a panel of historians as they discuss daily hazards like gunshot wounds and concussions, treatment by medical doctors and indigenous healers, the establishment of poor farms for the mentally ill and indigents, mourning etiquette and more.

To RSVP or to get more information, visit <https://glendalehistorical.org/victorian-medicine>.

ZACK hill

by John Deering and John Newcombe



WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

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December 28, 2020 - January 3, 2020

♈ ARIES March 21 - April 19

Playing sports will bring many benefits. See about joining a club or team that plays a game you love. If you enjoy golf or basketball, you can mix socializing with keeping fit. You may be into gadgets, but one of them could go haywire. Go easy!

♉ TAURUS April 20 - May 20

Don’t trust all the information you find online. If you’re experiencing symptoms, resist the temptation to make your own diagnosis. That won’t help if what you have is serious. Instead, check with your health professional. The sooner you get proper treatment, the better.

♊ GEMINI May 21 - June 20

A new partner may prove to be a great mentor when it comes to your health. If he or she has qualifications in this field, you’re very lucky. You may be able to ease into the perfect routine and reach your goal in a much shorter time than going it alone. Good for you!

♋ CANCER June 21 - July 22

This is the time to relax. If you’ve been through a stressful period recently, there’s no point in pushing yourself further. You are your own best resource, so take your health and well-being seriously. Think about taking a break to recharge your batteries.

♌ LEO July 23 - August 22

Aspects may affect you now if you feel tired or under the weather. Try to lighten your schedule and relax. If you feel stressed, it will help if you work out and release all the excess tension. Whatever the situation, any discomfort should pass soon.

♍ VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

A health issue could become known or get triggered. If you experience symptoms, see your health professional. Aspects may coincide with information that helps you understand why you should change your diet or exercise routine, and why they’re essential in the first place!

♎ LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

You’re having lots of fun now. Fun supports good health. It doesn’t get any better than that. But you still need to take care. Reflect on your diet, since the food you eat has a profound effect on your health. Make any adjustments, if necessary.

♏ SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

Don’t get burned out. Aspects indicate that you may be living on your nerves. Make time to feed them and support your system as a whole with good, nutritious food. Working out regularly also enables you to release stress that accumulates during the day. Spend a little time looking after yourself. It will pay big dividends.

♐ SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Be careful if you’re going on vacation or away for a short break. Take all the necessary precautions before you leave. Choose restaurants with care or you could catch a stomach bug or eat something that doesn’t agree with you, which could spoil the trip. Stay alert and safe.

♑ CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

If you have specific health questions, it might help to join an online group. You’ll be able to access information and expertise that would be difficult to find otherwise. You can also share experiences on your journey to good health. You’ll bond with others who could become lifelong friends.

♒ AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

You may need to take extra care with your health now. If you feel tired, lighten your schedule. If any health symptoms appear, check with your health professional. Better still, take a complete rest soon. You’ll feel better for it.

♓ PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

Aspects now could have an impact on your health. If you’ve been in a stressful situation or felt pressure due to the pace at work, you’d benefit from delegating some of your projects. Don’t push yourself to work out more than is reasonable. You could pull a muscle or tendon. Stay safe.

Answers for puzzle 12.24.20
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ACROSS
1) 50 percent
5) Middle Eastern faith
10) Crossing the Atlantic
14) Shaving-cream ingredient
15) Material for uniforms
16) Bondsman’s contribution
17) Affluent
19) Gulf of ____ (Baltic bay)
20) Minimum union wage
21) Edge of night
23) Covenant receptacles
26) Composed
27) In a lavish manner
32) Stein serving
33) Breathing passages
34) Can’t do without
38) Confessional admissions
40) Indian monetary unit
42) Minimal rain
43) Nature trails
45) Mouse hazards
47) Call ____ day
48) Sitting pretty financially
51) Guaranteed winner
54) Like desert growth
55) Like some government contracts
58) Join forces
62) Not even a semipro?
63) Like a lottery winner
66) Meat cut
67) Prepare clams, perhaps
68) Big or bright thing
69) Pull along
70) Things in your state
71) Pretzel shapes

DOWN
1) Fumbles for words
2) “Smart” guy
3) Name spelled out in a Kinks song
4) Egyptian farm laborer
5) Rocks in a tumbler?
6) Ship, to a skipper
7) Light rhythm
8) Another time
9) In vogue
10) Like some dictionaries
11) Goatlike antelope
12) Octopus leg count
13) Winged
18) Marsh wader
22) Spinks who beat Ali
24) “Sack” starter
25) Cloud layers
27) Barn door attachment
28) Pelvis bones
29) Lady’s counterpart, briefly
30) Legacy recipients
31) Exam compositions
35) Lake bordering Ontario
36) Show affection (with “on”)
37) Exchange of words
39) Kind of iron
41) Basilica area
44) Cut with small strokes
46) Play a banjo
49) Join the navy
50) Famous French impressionist
51) Bring to a near-boil
52) It may exist among thieves
53) Port of old Rome
56) “Do ____ others ...”
57) Crock-pot contents
59) “European” opening
60) ____ off (angry)
61) An unfledged or nestling hawk
64) “Star Wars” character Solo
65) Bad ____ (noted spa)

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FRONT LINE from Cover

past to respond to emergencies like a pandemic and have in fact responded to other pandemics nothing prepared them for the current medical situation.

“It is unimaginable. Everyone is so burned out. We have been dealing with this for the past 10 months,” Stewart said.

After taking care of patients with COVID-19 in addition to meeting the needs of other patients the workers take home these burdens. Like everyone dealing with COVID-19 restrictions, they must also tend to children who are learning virtually, and dealing with elderly and high-risk family members and/or spouses who have lost their jobs.

When asked what people can do to help Stewart said that food is always appreciated. Often the staff does not leave the hospital during their shift so bringing lunch or dinner to the hospital is of great help.

And PPE [Personal Protective Equipment] is also appreciated.

“During the first wave we had a lot of businesses donate food for the staff,” said Ron Yolo, chief nurse at Dignity Health, Glendale Memorial Hospital and Health Center.

For example, in the past people and businesses had an In ‘N’ Out truck come to the hospital when over 500 meals were donated for staff.

USC Verdugo Hills Hospital has a food “meal train” set up for its staff. This was appreciated and reminded staff that they are not alone or forgotten.

Another way Stewart said the community could help would be for counselors or therapists to donate their services virtually for those who needed to talk.

For anyone who would like to donate to these hospital contact:

Glendale Memorial Health Foundation, visit support-glendale.org or call (818) 502-2375. For food donations to Adventist Health Glendale, call (818) 409-8524 or email daniel.Harrison@sodexo.com or visit www.adventisthealth.org/glendale/our-foundation for other donation opportunities.

For the USC Verdugo Hills Hospital meal train, visit www.mealtrain.com/trains/nn5z0d.

For more information, visit uscvhh.org or call (818) 790-7100.

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Words like “tested negative” or “tested positive” could literally mean the difference between life and death. Even the way people left their homes changed by always making sure there was a face covering in hand to protect themselves from spreading the virus and provide some protection for themselves.

As of Wednesday, total positive cases of COVID-19 reported by LA County Public Health Department since March is 756,116. As of Wednesday, 10,392 new confirmed cases were reported and the County recorded 10,056 deaths. For more information visit http://dashboard.publichealth.lacounty.gov/covid19_surveillance_dashboard/.

With all the gloom that 2020 has brought there have been glimpses of the society we strive to be. CVW reporters witnessed so many acts of kindness during this dark time including first responders who lined streets outside of hospitals to cheer on doctors and nurses who risked their lives caring for their patients. A steady stream of much-needed donated food was brought to the Bailey Center, and volunteers at the Bailey Center at the United Methodist Church in Tujunga never backed down from helping the rising number of those in need. The community

donated over 300 toys for local families, the Armenian Center gathered first aid items for Armenia, kids from high school clubs like Prom Plus, Crescenta Valley Instrumental Music and CV High School Robotics 589 held drives for donations of toys and food for others. And

members of the American Legion Post 288 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1614 reached out to help other veterans through Operation Gratitude and to the community through toy drives. Chris Waldheim of J’s Maintenance through his philanthropic outreach to many organizations, including USC Verdugo Hills Hospital, set an example of how local businesses can support their community.

On a personal note, CVW would like to acknowledge those who called into the office asking what they could do to help and those who sent support to the newspaper specifically.

2020 will be ending tonight, Thursday, at midnight and although life will not change immediately for the better there is hope that because of the vaccines and a more empathic leadership on the horizon we will get through this darkness to see the light.

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College of Chiropractic eyed the property for new college campus to serve 700 students; however, the costs to build a new campus there were prohibitive, so the college passed on it.

Finally, in 1985 the City of Glendale proposed the community park, which pleased both the neighbors to the south in Montecito Park and the Montrose merchants. Half the \$850,000 cost for the park was funded by state grants. In 1987 the park opened, and has been a vital recreational outlet for our community ever since.

The concept of Montrose Junior High became a mere footnote in our valley’s history.



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