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Funding Bill Introduced for K-12 Schools

Senator Anthony Portantino was joined by educational leaders during a press conference on Monday to announce Senate Bill 830, a measure that will determine supplemental funding for K-12 schools based on the daily average student enrollment numbers. Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) Board of Education President Kelly Gonez and California School Employees Association (CSEA) President Matthew "Shane" Dishman joined the Senator in support of SB 830. LAUSD and CSEA are sponsoring the bill. The list of education organizations in support of the bill is expecting to increase.

"With the state anticipating a \$31 billion surplus, it is critical that increasing K-12 education funding be front and center in those discussions. We are currently using an outdated system that only considers student attendance. Now is the perfect time to implement structural reforms that will benefit every school district in California," said Senator Portantino. "The pandemic will have long-lasting impacts on student achievement and mental health. It is important more than ever that we ensure students are in school and are receiving the support they need to learn and thrive. SB 830 aims to achieve this goal."

California is one of only six states that does not consider student enrollment figures for determining state aid to school districts. Districts plan their budgets and expend funds based on the number of students enrolled but receive funds based on their average daily attendance. For example, if a school district enrolls one hundred students but the attendance rate is 95%, the school district must still prepare as if one hundred students will attend class every day but only receive funding for 95 students.

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YMCA Invites Community to Visit Open House, Try New Programs

By Bethany BROWN

If you're looking to create a healthier lifestyle in 2022, the Y might have what you're looking for.

The local YMCA locations will hold their 2022 open house events on Saturday, Jan. 8. All three family YMCA locations – Crescenta-Cañada (CCY), Verdugo Hills (VHY) and Crescenta Valley (CVY) – will be showcasing their programs and more between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The event is free to attend and serves as an opportunity for residents of the community to tour the facilities, try out various programs offered, meet the team and enter to win giveaways.

Open house attendees will have the chance to sign up for a YMCA monthly membership at a special rate of \$20.22.

Some of the programs offered on-site include youth basketball or pickleball, indoor soccer, swim lessons, gymnastics, small group training, Pilates reformer and fall prevention for seniors. People who are interested in trying a free 15-minute session of any of the listed



Photo courtesy of YMCA of the Foothills

Young Park takes a break from the aquatics program at the Y, one of the many programs that the Y offers and information will be shared about during Saturday's open house.

programs must first reserve a spot online prior to their attendance at www.ymcafoothills.org/openhouse.

"We're inviting the public to come and explore to find something that works for them," said Kat Corona-Pilgrim, YMCA

of the Foothills Marketing & Communications manager. "We sincerely care deeply about our community, and we want to keep them healthy in body, mind and spirit. So the goal with this event is to introduce them to all the programs that

we have available in order for them to be able to [keep healthy in body, mind and spirit]."

Corona-Pilgrim stressed the importance of health and wellness for all and the Y's commitment to providing options for

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California Schools Scramble to Respond to Omicron

By Justin HAGER

California schools are scrambling to respond to a rapidly growing outbreak of the COVID-19 virus. Spurred by the arrival of the omicron variant, LA County reported more than 20,000 new cases of COVID-19 each day for the past week, the largest number of new cases since vaccines became available to the public almost one year ago.

Over the weekend, Los Angeles County Public Health officials issued new protocols for reopening the more than 3,000 public and private K-12 schools in LA County. The protocols require upgraded surgical-style or higher-level PPE masks for all staff; masks for all outdoor activities except when eating or drinking; and COVID-19 testing for

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New Year, New Resolutions?

In this week's Spiritually Speaking (page 12), a woman asks a question regarding the need to follow her husband's example of making New Year's resolutions. Simply put, she didn't want to. While her husband did well with the structure and discipline required to succeed in fulfilling resolutions, his wife wasn't as keen on the idea. She included that many times the failure of not meeting these goals results in guilt she doesn't want.

I understand. I don't know about you, but every year it seems I get blindsided by events that either a) I know are coming up or b) come at the same time every single year yet I'm ill-prepared. For example, the holidays.

I love getting Christmas cards. I love taking the time to see what my friends' families are up to, what adventures they've had over the last year or how creative they are in making known their own Christmas wishes. But have I sent out a Christmas card in –

oh, I don't know – a decade? Nope. Every year it seems that Christmas sneaks up on me and I fail to actually set aside the time to write out cards. But there's always next year.

As far as resolutions, I do like the idea of them. I mean, what's bad about trying to have a healthier lifestyle – exercising more, eating wisely and sleeping more?

This whole month of January, CV Weekly will provide information on how to achieve some of the resolutions surrounding health that are commonly made on Jan. 1 and offer tips on how to keep that resolve when moving forward. We will also give our readers information on trends they should be aware of – information that is particularly pertinent given the COVID crisis that we're currently in. And we'll also share with you information about the health of the planet – something we should all be concerned about.

As for me, I'd like to shed that pound-

age that I (knowingly and, in most cases, happily) put on from Thanksgiving through Jan. 3. And while I attack those pounds, I refuse to attack myself when I (no doubt) go for the peanut candy. Because it'll happen.

Let's face it: making resolutions doesn't take a lot but keeping them sure does.

On New Year's Eve Steve and I headed over to The Proper in La Cañada for dinner. We had a really nice time. From there, we went to Pasadena, over by the Rose Bowl, and checked out some of the floats that were getting prepared for transport for judging. There weren't a lot of people there, walking alongside the floats. Steve mentioned that it was only the "natives" who knew of the spot.

I think he was right ... which is another reason why I love living here.

I'm fascinated with the idea of moving "away;" we have friends who moved to Idaho – in fact it was a multi-generational move – and

they're happy with their decision. These are native Californians, too; they've lived here their entire lives but when their kids moved to Idaho, they checked it out. Turned out that they loved it, too. They brought their folks, who also liked the change of pace and voila! We now see photos on social media of their pets in the snow and of the changing colors of leaves.

But then I walk alongside the floats on New Year's Eve or on New Year's Day sit curbside at my house, watching the sky for the Stealth bomber as it makes its way to the Rose Bowl. And, yup, I saw it on Saturday.

Besides, I own the local paper in a fabulous town – where would I go?

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Weather in the Foothills

“The three great elemental sounds in nature are the sound of rain, the sound of wind in a primeval wood, and the sound of outer ocean on a beach.”
– Henry Beston, American writer and naturalist

Did anyone see this much rain coming? My personal rain gauge's seasonal rain total stands at 16.95. Seemingly unbelievable! I backed my data with those of the Crescenta Valley Water District; its total is 16.64. The slight difference is due to elevation; I'm six blocks north of Foothill Boulevard.

Going back into the deep recesses of history – about a month ago – temperatures were warm, skies were cloudless. The heavy October rainstorms were fading into memory. But then the heavens opened drenching us in rain ... a gift just in time for Christmas.

Weather forecasters were not certain (and are still not) what the 2021-22 wet season has in store for us. Many of us, scientists and laymen alike, concluded a continuance of drought. A La Niña weather pattern – part of a natural cycle marked by cooler-than-average ocean water in the central Pacific Ocean – was developing that could herald another dry year. Such is the uncertainty of weather forecasting. Weather is by no means an exact science, as wily La Niña proves.

Due to the “atmospheric river” style, the precipitation has been enhanced and directed straight into the southwest. Thus far, the amounts rival – and even go beyond – historic documentations. January through March is the rainiest time of year. So there's more a comin'.

Our area depends on local aquifers, northern California sources and the Colorado River for its water. Much of the state (sometimes us) is reliant on the snowpack in the Sierra Nevada. In a good year it can supply about one-third of California's water needs. Later in spring and summer, the snow hopefully melts gradually and fills the state's reservoirs. These have been running concerningly lower than usual after two years of severe drought.

Both the lesser amount of snowfall and the rapid melt (caused by warmer atmospheric temperatures) has greatly impacted water supplies. In spite of a La Niña threat, the weather during the fall and now winter is encouraging A series of storms pounded the Sierra Nevada, leaving multiple highways and ski resorts shut down and snarling recent holiday travel. In December alone, Donner Summit collected over 14 feet of snow putting it within striking distance of recorded seasonal amounts.

Interestingly it's the snow and not the rain that impacts water reserves. Rain flows rapidly mostly landing at its destination – the ocean. On the other hand, if snow is allowed to melt slowly it is better absorbed into the ground. Ground waters are replenished and plants are given a better chance to take in moisture.

Let's not forget the thirsty critters as well! So Mother Nature, bring on the rain ... and yes, the snow.

So what's next? A wind-driven 70 degrees today (Thursday) is expected, followed by cloudy cooler conditions. Next week is warmer. I venture to say, 2021-22 brings a 100% chance for average (or above) rainfall. Indeed, a happy new year!

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NEWS

IN BRIEF

Christmas Tree Collection

The City of Glendale began collection of Christmas trees on Jan. 3. Burrtec Waste Industries will continue collection at no charge to its customers through Jan. 7. After Jan. 7, customers should call (800) 325-9417 to schedule a bulky item pickup.

Both agencies require removal of all lights, ornaments, decorations, buckets, bags, stands, bars, nails and most tinsel. Trees greater than six feet need to be cut in half (no piece should be longer than six feet). Place trees/foliage at the curb or alley for pickup on the same day as refuse collection (do not block streets, alleys or sidewalks).

In the City of Glendale, flocked and trees coated with fire retardant are acceptable for collection; customers of Burrtec should throw these items in their trash bin. Plastic trees/foliage are not recycled or accepted.

Battle of the Badges

The American Red Cross is hosting the Battle of the Badges, a blood donation "competition" between the LASD and LAcFD. The blood drive takes place on Wednesday, Jan. 19 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the LASD-Crescenta Valley Station, 4554 Briggs Ave.

To make an appointment, either visit redcrossblood.org or call (800) 733-2767.

Outreach Workshop for La Crescenta Avenue Improvements

On Thursday, Jan. 20 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. a meeting is being held regarding proposed road improvement for La Crescenta Avenue. Los Angeles County Public Works is planning an upcoming pavement resurfacing project along La Crescenta Avenue, Orange Avenue, Prospect Avenue, Ocean View Boulevard, Mira Vista Avenue, and Montrose Avenue within the unincorporated La Crescenta-Montrose community.

Additional infrastructure improvements will include: resurfacing portions of various roadways and reconstructing existing curb ramps; replacing existing asphalt sidewalk and curb ramps with concrete along Orange Avenue; installing bikeways along various roadway segments to encourage active transportation; constructing drywells to capture surface water and improve water quality; constructing bulb-outs and sidewalks to improve pedestrian safety.

To learn more about the project and how to get involved, or for those who require project information or materials in other languages, contact Shirley Lai, project manager, at slai@pw.lacounty.gov or call (626) 300-2619.

The Zoom meeting is hosted by the Crescenta Valley Town Council and can be accessed at <https://bit.ly/lacrescenta-workshop> or call by dialing (669) 900 6833. Meeting ID is 283 256 4275 and password: 626159.

CVTC Special Meeting

The Crescenta Valley Town Council is having a public forum and presentation regarding the proposed Eagle Canyon Channel Trail, which includes a multi-use trail beginning at the northeast intersection of La Crescenta Avenue and

El Caminito along the flood control channel connecting to Two Strike Park (Phase I).

The in-person meeting includes representatives with LA County Dept. of Parks & Rec and Public Works. The meeting will be held on Jan. 31 at 6 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 4011 La Crescenta Ave. in La Crescenta. Space is limited. All safety protocols will be followed; masks required. Comments and concerns (approval or disapproval of the project) can be sent by Jan. 28 to CV Town Council, P.O. Box 8676, La Crescenta, CA 91224 or sent via email to Kerri@thecvcouncil.com. Senders should include their name and address.

To see a map of the proposed project, visit www.cvweekly.com/NEWS.

Neighbors Take Home Honors from the Tournament of Roses Parade

By Justin HAGER

La Crescenta neighbors Burbank and La Cañada Flintridge kicked off the New Year by receiving top honors from the Tournament of Roses Parade judges. The Burbank Tournament of Roses Association Float won the Mayor Award for the most outstanding float from a participating city while the entry from the La Cañada Flintridge won the Crown City Innovator Award for the most outstanding use of imagination, innovation and technology.

The 133rd Rose Parade took place on the morning of Jan. 1 with a parade theme of Dream. Believe. Achieve. Dr. Robert B. Miller, the president of the Tournament of Roses Association, described the theme as celebrating education's ability to open doors, open minds and change lives.

"Education paves the path to success with a world of opportunities achieved through knowledge, compassion and determination. Education is the great equalizer," said Miller. "As a community college educator, I have seen firsthand the life-changing miracle that education provides. As students visualize their future, education becomes the bridge to accomplish their aspirations and transform lives for generations to come."

Reflecting this theme was Burbank's float titled "An Unlikely Tale." It depicted a large dragon sitting and reading a book alongside a young knight and shaggy dog. The magical float was designed by Burbank resident Jonathan Friday. The Burbank Tournament of Roses Decorations Committee and a group of dedicated volunteers spent hundreds of hours constructing and decorating the float using freshly cut flowers and 1,500 pounds of split peas to create the dragon's bright green textured skin. Excluding the canceled 2021 parade, this was the third consecutive year that Burbank's float has won an award and was the 11th award presented to Burbank in the last 12 years.

The theme of the La Cañada Flintridge float was "Who Says We Can't?!" and rejected the phrase that "You can't teach an old dog new tricks." It celebrated lifelong learning by instead asking the question "Who says we can't?!" It depicted a group of aging dogs entering their advanced years by embracing youthful independence at a local skatepark. The skatepark was alive with motion achieved with 78 feet of track with 19 separate carriages riding on 450 skateboard wheels. The incredible float was designed by Grant Delgatty, who also drove the La Cañada Flintridge satellite float depicting yet another dog, this one riding a jet ski. Like Burbank, La Cañada Flintridge has also become a perennial award winner, securing awards in 31 of the 43 years the organization has participated in the Rose Parade.

Both the Burbank and La Cañada Flintridge associations are already accepting float design submissions for the 2023 Rose Parade. The theme for the 2023 Rose Parade has not yet been announced. Due to New Year's Day falling on Sunday in 2023, the next Rose Parade will take place on Monday, Jan. 2, 2023.



Courtesy of the La Canada Flintridge Tournament of Roses Association
The La Canada Flintridge Rose Tournament of Roses Association Float entitled Who Says We Cant which won the 2022 Crown City Innovator -



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The Burbank Rose Tournament Association Float entitled An Unlikely Tale which won the 2022 Mayor Award for most outstanding float from a participating city.

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Healthy Living 2022

CHLA Sees Rise in Positivity Rate in Children

By Mary O'KEEFE

Throughout the nation, there are reports of the rising number of children testing positive for COVID-19, as well as the number of children being hospitalized due to the virus.

“Children’s Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA) [as of Monday] had 14 patients in-house who have tested positive for COVID-19. The positivity rate for children tested for COVID-19 at CHLA has increased from 2.9% in November to 15.2% to date in December,” stated Lauren Song, CHLA spokesperson.

In addition, 20% of the children admitted with COVID-19 are requiring admission to the pediatric ICU, with some requiring intubation. Omicron is now the dominant variant, accounting for 95% of new infections at CHLA, according to Song.

According to CHLA, the omicron variant is so new there is not enough data yet to show if the variant will impact children differently than past variants of COVID-19. Early lab data suggests that two doses of an mRNA vaccine (Pfizer and Moderna) may not be as highly effective against omicron, although they still look to offer protection against severe disease and hospitalizations. Getting a booster raises the effectiveness of the vaccines and

provides significant protection against severe illness. People who got the Johnson & Johnson vaccine should also get an mRNA booster.

There is another risk for children who test positive for COVID-19: multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C). It is important to note that MIS-C is a rare disease but one that parents should be aware of.

MIS-C, formerly called pediatric inflammatory multisystem syndrome or PIMS, describes a health condition seen in children who have been infected with novel coronavirus then recovered from it but later have an immune response that results in symptoms of significant levels of inflammation in organ systems, according to Children’s Hospital Los Angeles.

“We have seen several cases of MIS-C at CHLA over the past two weeks,” Song said.

MIS-C may not show up for several weeks after a positive COVID-19 test so there might be a delay after the number of COVID cases peak until medical staff see a peak in MIS-C.

“There are similarities between other inflammatory syndromes in children but this [MIS-C] does seem to be unique in that COVID-19 exposure usually occurs [two to six] weeks or so prior to MIS-C,” said Jackie Szmuszkowicz,

a pediatric cardiologist and Kawasaki disease specialist at CHLA, in a past interview with CVW. “So this is really late inflammation that comes after the acute infection and exposure [to COVID-19].”

MIS-C symptoms, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, include a fever for more than 24 hours plus stomach pain, bloodshot eyes, diarrhea, dizziness or lightheadedness, skin rash and vomiting; however, not all children will have the same symptoms.

But much more is now known about COVID-19, and related issues, since it was first discovered in 2019.

“This is a serious situation and people should be vigilant. We don’t want people to panic; we just want them to be cautious and to stay informed by checking the latest guidance from their public health officials,” according to CHLA.

The best protection is for everyone 5 years old and older to be vaccinated, as well as employing the same precautions already used throughout the pandemic including wearing a good, tight fitting mask in any public indoor space, avoiding large crowds and maintaining physical distance from others who are not in your household, Song stated.

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anyone who has had close contact with a COVID-infected person prior to returning to campus, regardless of vaccination or booster status. Previous requirements allowed close contacts to return without a test if they were fully vaccinated and did not show any symptoms of infection. The updated protocols also strongly recommend, but do not require, students to wear upgraded masks and for all eligible staff and students to receive a booster dose of a COVID-19 vaccine in addition to their primary vaccine series.

In addition to the county health guidance, individual school districts have implemented their own requirements and recommendations. LAUSD, the

nation’s second largest school district, ordered coronavirus tests for all students and staff before they return from winter break. Both Glendale Unified and Burbank Unified held special meetings this week to consider delaying the reopening of schools. Although both districts ultimately decided against the delay, district officials did take action to increase testing and additional preventive measures.

At a special meeting on Tuesday night GUSD implemented a requirement for all students and staff to be tested before returning from break. Officials said that any type of FDA-approved test would be accepted, including at-home tests, as the requirement is self-reported and

honor system based. Home tests are hard to come by in Southern California with many stores reporting short supplies or having no tests at all, but GUSD officials have dramatically increased testing opportunities to try and meet the demand. Testing is now available at the district office every day this week, including rapid testing on Saturday and Sunday, to ensure students receive their results prior to the beginning of classes. Additionally, Crescenta Valley, Hoover, and Glendale high schools are all offering testing on Friday and Saturday, with Friday’s scheduled PCR tests changed to rapid tests to ensure timely results. GUSD officials did not make any changes to vaccine or booster requirements but did strongly encourage students and staff to get boosted prior to their return.

Unfortunately, for many students the effects of the omicron variant were already felt even before they returned to class. Tuesday night’s scheduled soccer and basketball matchups between CVHS and Hoover were canceled due to COVID concerns, La Cañada High School



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postponed golf tryouts, Burbank High School canceled baseball practice, and the CIF Southern Section postponed this weekend’s scheduled competitive cheer championships after 30% of the squads were forced to withdraw due to COVID outbreaks.

Colleges are facing similar challenges with most of the University of California campuses returning to temporary remote learning for the first week or two of classes. Many are also requiring negative coronavirus tests for students to return to dorms. UCLA and the Pac-12 faced a particularly expensive consequence of COVID after they were forced to pull out of the 2021 Holiday Bowl, missing out on the chance for their share of a \$6.5-million prize. While the Tournament of Roses Parade and Bowl game continued as scheduled, many of the indoor events were canceled,

which will undoubtedly have some effect on the \$198 million economic impact of the juggernaut event. Even Glendale Community College, which managed to complete its entire fall athletic schedule without any cancellations and only one postponement, was forced to delay its Western State Athletic Conference opener until next Monday. Associate Dean of Athletics Chris Cicuto said that its been “a wild ride” with 98% of student athletes testing negative but continued and repeated disruptions to practice and training schedules leading the Western States Athletic Conference to postpone all but one of the scheduled conference opens this week.

This is an ongoing story. The CV Weekly will provide updates as they become available at CVWeekly.com.

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EDD: Still Having Issues

By Mary O'KEEFE

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention advised those who test positive for COVID-19 to isolate for five days. But with the rapid spread of the omicron variant many businesses are shutting down temporarily to give all of their employees a chance to isolate; however, many workers, even those who are not testing positive, are forfeiting a paycheck for a week.

This is difficult for those who are living paycheck to paycheck and especially hard for those working in industries like food services, which were just getting back to some type of normalcy before omicron hit.

In the early days of the pandemic there was a lot of consideration for those who were out of work due to COVID; however, that burst of help has expired. And applying for unemployment is not an option because there is a waiting period of a week before applications for unemployment assistance are accepted by the Employment Development Dept. (EDD).

"In order to apply and receive unemployment insurance benefits, a person must meet all eligibility requirements and serve a one-week unpaid waiting period on their claim before they are paid UI benefits. The waiting period can only be served if they certify for benefits and meet all

eligibility requirements for that week. Their first certification of eligibility for benefits will usually include the one-week unpaid waiting period and one week of payment if they meet eligibility requirements for both weeks. They must then certify for benefits every two weeks to continue receiving benefit payments," stated representatives from the EDD of the State of California.

What all that means is if people are out of work for a week, that week is unpaid. So individuals will not be able to get any support from EDD if they are off work for just one week. No financial assistance is available if they are off again a short time later because someone (or they) tested positive and they have to isolate at home. No help is available if the same situation occurs a month later ... and so on.

And as has been reported in the past by CVW, individuals are still having a difficult time getting answers from the EDD to any questions either via telephone or email. Several people CVW has been following as they attempted to get any information from EDD have either given up or have continued to call/email without any receiving any response.

"EDD hired and trained thousands of new agents during this pandemic and has run our Call Center 12 hours per day, seven days per week.

Still the volume of repeat calls, including 'robo calls,' can overwhelm the system during peak hours," responded the EDD in an email to questions by CVW.

"UI Online is the fastest way to ask a question about a claim. Customers can log in, then select Contact Us to get started. Customers who don't have a UI Online account can quickly register for one. If someone has a lingering question about a claim and have not received any notice from EDD or response to a question, we encourage them to check their claim status tracker on their UI Online account. They can also contact us by phone. We are finding that most claimants are able to get through on our UI Call Center line. If they can't get through on the first try, especially during the busy times between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. each day and around noon, then we encourage them to try again until they do get through," according to EDD.

EDD also has a self service line for those seeking information about their last payment issued, benefit certification, information on how to file a new UI claim or reopen an existing claim, request copies of 1099G tax information and to find the local location of America's Job Center of California. That number is (866) 333-4606 and is open 24 hours seven days a week, according to EDD.

Healthy Living 2022

Vaccines Still Best Protection from ICU Admission and Death

On Tuesday, the County of Los Angeles Public Health (PH) reported 21,790 new positive cases and 24 new deaths due to COVID-19.

"Although cases have increased among vaccinated people over the past few weeks, Public Health data suggests that vaccines remain extremely protective against the most severe outcomes from COVID infections," stated PH.

From Dec. 15 to Dec. 28, the rate ratio for ICU admission was 21.3, indicating the risk of ICU admission was 21.3 times higher among unvaccinated individuals than among fully vaccinated individuals, according to PH.

"I send my heartfelt condolences to those families who have lost a loved one due to COVID-19," said Dr. Barbara Ferrer, PhD, MPH, MEd, director of Public Health. "Even as transmission surges, we are seeing that vaccines are doing what they were intended to do, which is protect people from getting severely ill due to COVID."

According to Ferrer, 80% of eligible LA County residents have already received at least one dose of the vaccine. There are about 2 million people in the County who have yet to get vaccinated.

"Choosing not to take the vaccine during this explosive winter surge is very risky since so many of those ill with COVID in the Intensive Care Unit at hospitals are unvaccinated and, tragically, some of these individuals will not survive. So, as we start this new year, please protect yourselves by getting vaccinated and boosted if eligible and give others around you the peace of mind that comes from reducing the risk of a terrible outcome as more and more people are infected with this virus," she said.

Of the 24 new deaths reported on Tuesday, one person was between the ages of 18 and 29, two people were between the ages of 30 and 49, four were between the ages of 50 and 64, seven were between the ages of 65 and 79, and nine were over the age of 80 years old.

Public Health is reminding residents to avoid

visiting the Emergency Dept. unless they need emergency medical care. Residents should not be visiting the Emergency Dept. solely to get a COVID test or for minor complaints that could be resolved through their primary care physician, according to PH.

To keep workplaces and schools open, residents and workers are asked to:

- Get tested to help reduce the spread, especially if traveling for the holidays, have had a possible exposure, or have symptoms, or are gathering with people not in the same household
- Adhere to masking requirements when indoors or at crowded outdoor spaces, regardless of vaccination status

Residents are legally required to be isolated if they have a positive COVID test result and that vaccinated close contacts with symptoms and unvaccinated close contacts need to quarantine.

To find a vaccination site nearby or to make an appointment, visit www.VaccinateLACounty.com or call (800) 540-0473.

Total numbers of those who have tested positive and deaths due to COVID-19 as of Tuesday:

City/Area	Cases	Deaths
Burbank	14,307	268
Glendale	30,586	729
La Cañada Flintridge	1,605	17
Eagle Rock	5,538	123
Sunland	3,358	66
Toluca Lake	1,046	6
Tujunga	4,372	84

Unincorporated Areas of Los Angeles County

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La Crescenta Montrose	1,873	19

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CRIME BLOTTER

Jan. 3

1900 block of Waltonia Drive in Montrose, the driver's side rear window was shattered and personal items were stolen from a vehicle that was parked in a space at an apartment parking lot. Surveillance footage revealed a man wearing black pants, black camouflage jacket and tan-colored face covering entering the front entrance of the apartment building. The suspect walked into the building's hallway and made his way to the parking lot. He then walked to the first vehicle, used what appeared to be his arm to shatter the rear window of the vehicle and took the items. The suspect then walked over to the reporting victim's vehicle, shattered the rear driver's side window and took the items. The suspect was also seen pulling a wagon that contained packages, toilet paper, case of water and other items.

The vehicle burglaries occurred between 2:50 a.m. and 4 a.m.

1900 block of Waltonia Drive in Montrose, the rear window of a vehicle was shattered and several items, including a laptop computer, were stolen between 2:58 a.m. and 4 a.m.

Jan. 2

2700 block of Altura Avenue in La Crescenta, several personal items were stolen from an unlocked vehicle overnight.

Dec. 31

4900 block of La Crescenta Avenue in La Crescenta, a catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle between Dec. 31 and Jan. 3.

Dec. 30

1900 block of Tondolea Lane in La Cañada Flintridge, the French door was broken and several rooms were ransacked at a home. Surveillance footage revealed two people, both wearing black hoodies, black masks,

black shoes and black gloves, looking through the windows from the backyard of the residence. Suspect No. 1 appeared to break the glass on the French doors with his fist; the two entered the home. Suspect No. 2 opened all the drawers to a desk and took items. Suspect No. 1 entered the bedrooms and appeared to open all the cupboards. The two suspects exited the same way they entered.

The residential burglary occurred at 2:05 p.m.

Dec. 14

1300 block of Descanso Drive in La Cañada Flintridge, a window was broken and several rooms had been ransacked at a home. It has yet to be determined if anything was missing.

The residential burglary occurred between Dec. 14 and Dec. 29.

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GPD REPORTS

Two Arrested for Illegal Possession of Firearms, Drug Sales and More

On Jan. 4 just before 3 a.m., a GPD patrol officer located a vehicle travelling near the intersection of Colorado Street and Glendale Avenue that was wanted for felony evading out of another jurisdiction. A felony stop was conducted and the driver, 41-year-old David Martinez of Porterville, was discovered to have a suspended license and the passenger, 39-year-old Cherisa Baker of Porterville, was discovered to have multiple outstanding warrants and was carrying a loaded firearm on her person. A vehicle search produced another firearm, ammunition, several thousands of dollars in cash, methamphetamine, and over 900 Oxycodone pills along with other narcotics-related paraphernalia.

Martinez was arrested and booked for possessing controlled substances, possessing narcotics for sale, identity theft, possessing a controlled substance while armed and for driving with a suspended license.

Baker was arrested and booked for carrying a concealed weapon with a prior felony, providing a false identification to officers and possessing controlled substance and paraphernalia and for numerous outstanding warrants.

Six Stolen Vehicles Recovered; 11 Arrested

From Dec. 19 through Dec. 26, Glendale police officers either observed suspicious vehicles traveling in the city or stolen vehicles parked in various lots throughout the city. During the course of their investigations, 11 individuals were arrested and six stolen vehicles were recovered.

For complete details, visit www.cvweekly.com/NEWS

Two Arrested for Identity Theft

On Dec. 28 at approximately 2:30 p.m., officers assigned to Glendale PD's Special Enforcement Detail (SED) were patrolling near the intersection of Colorado and Lafayette streets.

The officers saw a male, 40-year-old Roberto Rayon of Los Angeles, and a female, 31-year-old Gabriela Alonso of Alhambra, sitting on a bench. Alonso had a local warrant out for her arrest. Alonso and Rayon had numerous belongings with them. An initial consensual search of Alonso's items produced pepper spray, a Social Security card, two California driver's licenses, and several credit/debit cards in other people's names, along with fraudulent checks. A further search of the items revealed more credit/debit cards in other people's names, sheets of blank checks with Rayon's name printed on them, five blank access cards and paperwork containing various account numbers and personal identifying information of other individuals.

Assisting officers arrived and a baggie of methamphetamine and a methamphetamine pipe were located on Alonso's person. During the investigation it was discovered that Alonso had a prior felony conviction that prohibits her from carrying pepper spray.

Alonso was arrested and booked for identity theft, possessing blank checks, illegally possessing tear gas, possessing a controlled substance, and for her outstanding warrant. Rayon was arrested for identity theft and possessing blank checks. Rayon was released at the scene and given a notice to appear in court at a later date.

Three Arrested for Identity Theft

On Dec. 30 just after 2 p.m., officers assigned to Glendale PD's Downtown Policing Unit (DPU) conducted a traffic enforcement stop on a vehicle leaving the Glendale Galleria shopping center for an equipment violation.

The officers spoke with the driver, identified as 21-year-old Hayk Hakobyan of Glendale. During the conversation, Hakobyan drove off initiating a pursuit. Hakobyan then collided into two vehicles near the intersection of Sanchez Drive and Brand Boulevard.

A felony traffic stop was then conducted and Hakobyan, along with the other two occupants (38-year-old Sevan Asatoorian of Glendale and 39-year-old David Vasquez of North Hollywood) was ordered out of the vehicle.

Utilizing departmental resources, officers learned that the vehicle Hakobyan was driving had been reported stolen. Hakobyan was found to be in possession of a California driver's license and credit/debit cards in other people's names.

A search of the vehicle produced a washed check made out to Asatoorian in a high dollar amount along with two checks, credit cards, a California driver's license, and other banking-related information in other people's names along with dozens of pieces of mail belonging to other individuals.

Vasquez was discovered to have multiple warrants out for his arrest and Asatoorian was discovered to be on active probation.

Ultimately, Hakobyan was arrested and booked for evading, vehicle theft and identity theft. Vasquez was arrested and booked for identity theft and his outstanding warrants. Asatoorian was arrested and booked for identity theft, but due to LA County's emergency "zero-dollar" bail order, he was released from custody with a notice to appear in court at a later date.

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Ring in the New Year for some meant increasing the size of their families.

The first baby of the year at Verdugo Hills Hospital arrived at 10:25 a.m. on New Year's Day. Atreus Romo weighed in at seven pounds and one ounce. Mother is Alyssa Marie Cruz. The Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce presented a gift basket full of goodies from local businesses.

Insert VHH baby pic
Dignity Health - Glendale Memorial Hospital and Health Center (GMHHC) welcomed its New Year baby, Ashot, at 11:38 a.m. on Jan. 1. The healthy baby boy came into the world weighing seven pounds and two ounces and measuring 20 inches in length.

This is the second baby for Van Nuys residents Ani Gevorgyan and Arman Hayrapetyan. Mom and baby are healthy and doing well.



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USC-VHH Holds Holiday Event



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From left, Jason Kell, CFO, USC-VHH, and Kenny Pawlek, COO, USC-VHH, with the donations from USC-VHH.

Over the holidays the Keck Medicine Security Dept. and Community Outreach Program organized a holiday toy drive with donations made to numerous organizations including Hazard Park's after school, basketball and soccer programs, Clinica Romero holiday children's event, Santa Teresita Elementary School and East Los Angeles Women's Center.

The drive was held at multiple Keck Medicine locations including USC Verdugo Hills Hospital.

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VIEWPOINTS

TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

Verdugo Hills Bowl – Fond Memories Part 1

The Verdugo Hills Bowl operated on Foothill Boulevard west of Pennsylvania Avenue from 1959 until 1996. It was a magnet for young people of the valley (and their parents). For those people, Verdugo Hills Bowl was all about the good memories. I've collected a two-part sampling of those reminiscences.

"I was an architecture geek even as a 9-year-old. I noticed that the building was unique in that it was built on a sloping lot, as was almost everything in the Crescenta Valley. Despite the name, Crescenta Valley is more like a tilted plane than a flat valley. This made the main floor of the facility significantly above Foothill Boulevard. The restaurant was on the street side. It must have had a great

view across the valley."

"My parents were both in bowling leagues in the '70s, so I kind [of] feel like I grew up in the basement in the child care areas. Then, when I went to CV High School, I took bowling instead of PE. It was fantastic!!! We would go there for zero or first period, roll the ball a bit and then walk to school. Oh! And sometimes my dad would take me into the 'fancy' restaurant there and I'd order a Shirley Temple ... lots of donuts from the diner."

"Our parents bowled there and I remember many a night being in the daycare downstairs. Then we would get to go up and sit in the bar and eat ice cream."

"My sister taught me how to bowl [there] and then I was in a league with

my brother. Bought my first bowling shoes and ball (orange, with finger holes drilled deep to accommodate my fingernails)."

"Got my first 200 in league! Our team was the Tiny Tigers."

"Growing up, I bowled there all of the time and learned how to play pool. As a senior at Verdugo Hills High School (1973), I had good enough grades to be able to bowl here three times a week in place of gym. It was pretty cool. The cost was 50 cents each day."

"Loved it there and ran into Great White ('80s rock band). I remember that they were in the corner chilling. I got an autograph but didn't get a pic, but so awesome to have them in town!"

"My father was the first manager there and ran the place from when it opened through my high school years. I kept score for the league play a couple of nights a week. Also bowled in a junior league and played a lot of pool in high school. So many memories ..."

"I practically lived in that pool hall. Made a lot of money playing nine-ball."

"I bowled there all the time and my first husband was always on a league. Gianera Pontiac was next door."

"I played on a bowling team between Kentucky Fried Chicken stores from Sunland-Tujunga and La Cañada. Such memories back around 1978-79!"

"I was on numerous leagues there and it was good times. The coffee shop had good food and the bar was fun as well!"

"Such memories from the daycare below to the arcade and pool tables as I got older to bowling for PE. I think many of us were raised there."

"I actually took a CV PE bowling class there. Every morning from 7-8:30 a.m. (as I recall)."

"That was our main hangout in '57, '58, and '59. In the '60s it started to drop off. The guys and gals started getting married in '61 and '62. The draft started in '64 and '65. Guys started going to Vietnam and when they came back nothing was ever the same. Families were being started. Kids started showing up. Then all of a sudden we were adults with careers."

"We used to go Blue Chip Stamp bowling there."

"My senior year first period was bowling – 1984."

"My parents were on a bowling/drinking league. When we were really young, I remember a room they used to put us in near the snack bar."

"First spot in town to get videogames, too. I played Space Invaders arcade console game for 25 cents there."

"Many fond memories of playing Space Invaders there. And the time I went in the vintage clothing store at Foothill Boulevard street-level and found some really cool dress shoes I used for special occasions for many years."

"Does anyone remember the Slot Car track next door towards Pennsylvania Avenue?"

"Yes, I remember it! Wasn't Mr. Krause's Foothill Swim School in the vicinity also?"

"We had it all in the '60s: Indian Springs, Montrose and Verdugo Hills Bowl. And don't forget the miniature golf course on Foothill also. So lucky to grow up in La Crescenta!"

"Loved going to the diner in the bowling alley to get cherry cokes!"

"I beat the heck out of the gutters!"

"All [of] our friends and neighbors in colorful bowling shirts, the sound of a ball hitting pins or landing in the gutter, the din of 28, later 40, automated pinsetters cleaning up and setting up, the crack of a cue ball hitting freshly racked billiard balls, the faint smell of sweaty socks in leather shoes, the ping of a pinball hitting a bumper, the laughter of both children and adults, the mixed aroma of snack bar food and cigarette smoke in the air – it's not gone. It is still alive and well, and I'm there. Forever."



Mike Lawler is the former president of the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley and loves local history. Reach him at lawlerdad@yahoo.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Battling Armed Drug Dealers

I have been thinking about this for some time. When I read the Glendale PD blotter, it seems like the majority of arrests include convicted felons in possession of loaded firearms. Some of these end up with a zero bail release.

Many years ago, Arlington, Virginia had a big problem with armed drug dealers. To counteract the problem the local PD started turning the criminals over to the federal authorities. The reason that they did that was the feds prosecuted the criminals with weapons charges that had mostly 10-year sentences

per charge. Possession of a firearm, charge one. Possession of a loaded firearm, charge two. Now there is 20 years right there. Also, the federal justice system does not have an easy parole system. Federal time is long.

The outcome was that very quickly the drug dealers stopped carrying firearms and shootings went way down. It would be nice if Los Angeles and surrounding counties followed Arlington but, with sanctuary cities and the likes of Gascón and other DAs like him, it will never happen.

Tom Suter
La Crescenta

VIEWS FROM THE VALLEY » SUSAN BOLAN

Getting Involved in 2022

As we move into the new year with hope and expectation, many of us will go through a process of evaluation and self-reflection. How can we be healthier, happier and more satisfied with our lives? What can we do to better our community and contribute to the greater good? For us, it started with our year-end giving.

My husband Jeff and I like to contribute to local organizations as a way to give back to the community we love. This year, we supported the efforts of Glendale Parks and Open Space Foundation and the educational programs planned at Deukmejian Wilderness Park by purchasing a tile for the newly-installed mural in the amphitheater outside the Stone Barn. The mosaic mural is lovely and definitely worth a look. We supported the ongoing conservation efforts of the Arroyo & Foothills Conservancy at Rosemont Preserve and throughout the local mountains. It is doing great work in wildlife and native plant education and with its land acquisition efforts. We continue to be Friends of Rockhaven during this pivotal stage in developing a community-focused museum/historical park, and again renewed our memberships in the Little Landers and Crescenta Valley historical societies. We also contributed to the newly-formed Chace Taylor Malone Impact Foundation to assist those struggling with drug and mental health issues. We look forward to watching this organization grow and getting

involved where needed.

I will continue my volunteer efforts serving on the board of the Glendale Homeowners Coordinating Council (GHCC), the steering committee of the Crescenta Valley Community Association (CVCA) and the board of Crescenta Highlands Neighborhood Association (CHNA.) My personal goals align with the overall missions of these organizations to preserve and protect our history, open space and the suburban quality-of-life that we all share here by monitoring and encouraging thoughtful growth design. This "boots on the ground" approach is needed now more than ever since the passage of SB9 legislation, a state bill that mandated increased housing density in our neighborhoods, whether we like it or not. Petitioners are currently gathering signatures for the proposed "Our Neighborhood Voices" initiative that provides that local land use and zoning laws shall override conflicting state laws, bringing local control back to the communities.

The GHCC holds monthly meetings attended by representatives from homeowner associations throughout greater Glendale. The organization occasionally brings topics of interest to the general public for information and discussion. Look for some of these meetings in 2022.

CHNA will have its annual meeting on Thursday, Jan. 27 at 6:15 p.m. via Zoom (email for link) just prior to the CVCA monthly meeting at 7 p.m. The annual meeting

discussion and business matters will be led by CHNA president Mary-Lynne Fisher. All are welcome to attend both meetings to learn more about the organizations and how to get involved.

Membership in CHNA is open to any resident in the community of La Crescenta who lives within the City of Glendale boundaries. The geographic borders are defined as: the area east of Lowell Avenue and west of Pennsylvania Avenue as far north as the San Gabriel mountains and as far south as the Verdugo Hills in the Crescenta Valley, excepting the neighborhoods of Mountain Oaks and Whiting Woods (each has its own associations). crescentahighlands@gmail.com

Membership in CVCA is open to anyone who has an interest in the Crescenta Valley from Sunland-Tujunga to Hahamongna. This is a cross-jurisdictional group that discusses local and regional matters of interest to all the foothill communities. Our motto is "one valley, one voice." crescentavalleycommunityassn@gmail.com

These are just some of the opportunities that I have found to participate in my community but there is an abundance of need out there. Join us if you can or find your own passion and get involved. We all benefit from the effort. There is way more to do in 2022!

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BETWEEN FRIENDS

Kiwanis Club of La Cañada Contributes to Foothill Family 'Making Seasons Brighter' Holiday Program

Ignited by the spirit of giving, the members of the Kiwanis Club of La Cañada rallied together to raise \$4,500 for the Foothill Family "Making Seasons Brighter" 2021 holiday program. The funds went to help purchase gifts of blankets, plushies, gift cards, books and more for local needy families in time for the holidays. Foothill Family believes

that healthy families are the basis of every child's promise for a bright future with the strength and resiliency of these families providing the backbone of vibrant, thriving communities.

For those interested in making friends and giving back while having fun, the Kiwanis Club of La Cañada extends an invitation to attend, or Zoom into, a meeting

held every Wednesday at noon. Each meeting features a "Guest Speaker of the Week" program.

To receive a private invitation to attend, email laacadakiwanis@gmail.com. Also check out the website at laacadakiwanis.org.

Photo courtesy of the Kiwanis Club of La Cañada. Pictured from left are Foothill Family's Events and Volunteer Manager Laura Birmingham and Director of Development Lindsey Lansburgh, joined by members of Kiwanis Club of La Cañada: Community Service Task Force Chairperson Linda Fors and Immediate Past President Dennis Fors.



Popular Singing Group has Busy Season



The Crescenta Valley High School Charismatics made their rounds this holiday season. The popular choir booked at least a half dozen performances at venues in the Crescenta Valley. This performance took place at the La Crescenta ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

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How Do I Prepare The Home To Sell?

Dear Phyllis,
I am the trustee of my aunt's estate. She has a home on Balboa Island. I am a faithful reader of your column and believe in preparing the home to sell. I want to do everything needed to sell for the highest possible price. I am currently in the process of going through all her paperwork. But when the time is right, how do I prepare the home to sell?

Susan

Dear Susan,
Thank you for being a reader and thank you for this great question!

Depending upon our client's needs, at Harb & Co. when we list a home for sale we often start with a pre-inspection report. We then hire a handyman to correct

the minor fixes, such as regrouting tile, replacing broken switch plates, replacing burnt out light bulbs – the little things. If there are minor electrical and plumbing issues, we have them corrected with a licensed electrician and a licensed plumber. Once the repairs have been made, we have the inspector return to the home and update the inspection report. If the home needs to be painted, consider that a good return on investment. Your Realtor should walk through the home and make additional suggestions.

If the home is vacant, remove all valuables. As far as staging, it could simply be a matter of decluttering and rearranging furniture. Consider removing outdated or old window coverings.

Again, ask your Realtor for specific advice.

Once desired repairs have been made and furniture rearranged, your home is ready for a professional cleaning. We often suggest that when the windows are cleaned that the screens are left in the garage or a closet. Views are better though clean windows without the screens. Your Realtor should now be ready for professional photos and submission to the multiple listing service (MLS).

My real estate team's procedure is once offers are received, we send the buyer's agent the seller disclosures and inspection report. In this competitive market some buyers even waive their inspection contingency. Best of luck on your sale!

CV WEEKLY ON THE MOVE



Brenda Gant recently traveled to Jeddah, Saudi Arabia (where she once lived) to be present at her son's engagement.

"I took your paper with me in case you'd like to see how far it has ventured!" she wrote.

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TRAVEL & LEISURE

Kasckow, Pezzone to Perform for Glendale Noon Concerts

On Wednesday, Jan. 19 at 12:10 p.m., the Free Admission Glendale Noon Concerts program will be streamed. Flutist Ruth Kasckow and pianist Bryan Pezzone will perform works by Aaron Copland and Astor Piazzolla on a Facebook stream and YouTube. Pieces include Aaron Copland's "Duo for Flute and Piano" (1971) and "Histoire du Tango" by Astor Piazzolla.

Flutist Ruth Kasckow, an engaging performer and innovative music educator in the Los Angeles area, enjoys playing solo recitals as well as chamber music with her group the Avanti Ensemble focusing on music for flute, violin and viola. Kasckow has performed in several orchestras including Burbank Symphony, Santa Monica Symphony, LCPC

Orchestra and Orquesta Mexicana de la juventud, as well as numerous chamber music ensembles. As a music educator Kasckow currently maintains a thriving flute studio in La Cañada and, as a licensed body mapping educator, teaches musicians how to play in a healthy way to improve performance and avoid injury. Her publications include "The Flute Duet Practice Books" and "Chinese Folk Song Suite for Flute Quartet" and her two CDs "French Impressions for Flute" and "German Expressions for Flute." Kasckow holds an MFA from California Institute of the Arts. www.flutemuse.com

Bryan Pezzone maintains an active freelance performing and recording career and has been based in the Los Angeles area since 1987. He is

known for playing in all genres, equally comfortable in the classical repertoire (including contemporary music and premieres) as well as in pop/jazz and improvisation. Pezzone has spent his entire life, from 18 months of age, at the piano, which he calls "home."

He plays solo piano as well as performing in collaborations of all kinds. Pezzone was the principal pianist with the Hollywood Bowl see CONCERT on page 15



Bryan Pezzone and Ruth Kasckow

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THEN & NOW Bowling at Verdugo Hills Bowl

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Then » Verdugo Hills Bowl was located on Foothill Boulevard just west of Pennsylvania Avenue. It operated from 1959 to 1996. Here we see one of the many youth bowling teams, in this case "The Cracker Jacks," getting their bowling tournament trophies in January 1971. The bowling alley was a favored hangout for the kids of CV.



Now » The bowling alley was torn down in 2003 to make way for a giant Vons supermarket. Today's grocery aisles match up pretty well to the former location of the lanes. Team bowling is no longer the big social phenomenon it was in the '50s through the '80s in CV, particularly for kids. While we bemoan the lack of physical activities for our youth, we continue to lose local recreational facilities to more profitable commercial ventures.

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The Glendale Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will meet on Saturday, Jan. 8 at 10 a.m. via Zoom. The speaker will be Professor Andy Winnick. He joined Cal State LA in 1996 as associate vice president for Academic Affairs and professor of Economics and Statistics.

He is now emeritus.

Professor Winnick will discuss two topics: "A Look at the Real Causes of the Current Inflation" and "How the Current Attack on American Democracy Has Deep Roots in Our Constitution and is a Gift from the Elites Who Wrote It."

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/>.

To receive an invitation to the Zoom meeting, contact Laura Guillory at lguillory1430@gmail.com and provide your name and email address.

LITTLE LANDERS PRESENTS HISTORY OF THE THEREMIN

On Jan. 8 at 1 p.m. the Little Landers Historical Society invites the community to the first of its 2nd Saturday programs in 2022. Come to Bolton Hall Museum to learn about the history of the Theremin, a mystical musical instrument that doesn't require "hands-on" for sound production.

This program is presented by filmmaker and lecturer Steven M. Martin and features "Theremin-An Electronic Odyssey," Martin's feature length film and winner of the Sundance Film Festival Filmmakers Award and more.

All are invited to experience a once in a lifetime opportunity to play this unique instrument.

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

Bolton Hall Museum, home of Little Landers Historical Society, 10110 Commerce Ave. in Tujunga.

Additional information is available from Little Landers Historical Society, (818) 352-3420 or BoltonHall.org or email llhs@boltonhall.org.

CANCER PROGRAM

An in-person and online program for cancer patients will

be given at the Cancer Support Community-Pasadena on Tuesday, Jan. 11 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. The program is free of charge.

Dr. R. Fernando Roth, cardiologist, will give a presentation and invite an open discussion about certain chemotherapy and radiation treatments that may have long-term effects on the heart. He will advise how to watch for damage and ways to keep the heart healthy.

The Cancer Support Community-Pasadena is located at 76 East Del Mar Blvd., Suite 215 in Pasadena. For additional information, call (626)796-1083 or email www.cscpasadena.org.

VHHS PLANS REUNION

"Team 74" is planning a 50th high school reunion in 2024. Friends and graduates of Verdugo Hills High School are invited to attend to trade stories of family, careers, adventures and anything else.

Currently Team 74 is in the planning phase of collecting names and numbers of classmates and putting together a database; emails from classmates can be received at clsof74reunion@yahoo.com. Information should include a mailing address, cell number and

graduate's name at graduation (if different than now).

A list of frequently asked questions will be provided to keep everyone updated as the reunion plans move forward. Those who belong to various VHHS groups

will see redundant information to ensure all classmates are notified and have an opportunity to attend.

At this time the FB VHHS groups will be the reunion information outlet until a more focused site is created.

» ZACK HILL BY JOHN DEERING AND JOHN NEWCOMBE



WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

Provided by horoscope.com

January 3, 2022 - January 9, 2022

♈ ARIES March 21 - April 19

The cosmos signals the beginning of a new era. You might even experience a health issue that encourages you to change your lifestyle and overall approach to life. It might also coincide with a decision to turn over a new leaf where your health is concerned from this point on. It will be a much greener and more rewarding leaf!

♉ TAURUS April 20 - May 20

Try to feed your nerves now and make it a regular part of your daily diet. Your nervous system absorbs the brunt of life's pressures, especially if you're more stressed than usual. The cosmos could bring sudden events and challenges your way now. If you feel strong in body and mind, as well as fit and healthy, you will be better able to deal with anything that happens.

♊ GEMINI May 21 - June 20

Whatever state your health has been in lately, it's now going to improve. Don't be surprised if the right treatment or information becomes available in order for you to resolve a frustrating physical issue. One word of warning is that you could feel more tempted than ever to indulge in forbidden foods. Be careful.

♋ CANCER June 21 - July 22

Your main problem is your nerves. There's a lot going on - more than usual - and life could be both interesting and stressful. While you're more than ready to handle any challenge, you need to boost your body's resources by eating well, feeding your nerves, and above all, getting plenty of rest. You need the chance to slow down so you can be calm enough to make important decisions.

♌ LEO July 23 - August 22

You could find it hard to push yourself to work out daily or stick to your diet. You might be eager to achieve some big goals, but unless you're very firm with yourself, you could waver and give in to temptation. The secret to staying on track is to use the power of your imagination to help you reach the required level of health. Picture yourself as you want to be.

♍ VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

The cosmos is bringing a number of changes your way. Some of them may be profound and others more subtle. Whatever their nature, make your health your top priority. The more willing you are to get into shape and stay that way, the more easily you'll handle the exciting developments that are coming. Get to work. You won't regret it!

♎ LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

You're certainly going to notice whether your health is good or not. The cosmos could bring inner issues to the surface in such a way that you're forced to deal with them. In doing so, you'll also find that your health improves. Ongoing health issues may begin to clear up as if by magic, especially if you release any toxic emotions.

♏ SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

Use this opportunity to get a thorough medical checkup, especially in those areas where you've experienced any ongoing symptoms. If you've gone off track as far as your fitness and eating routines are concerned, this is the time to pick up where you left off. Don't give up. Persevere for outstanding results.

♐ SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Over are the delays you've experienced in getting results of hospital tests or healing from an illness. Everything will now improve, including your progress. You might need to lighten your schedule anyway. Aspects in your career zone could prove both stressful and promising at the same time. Find a way to relax.

♑ CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

You need to pace yourself more than you have been recently. If you've been working flat out and feel exhausted, delegate some of your tasks and begin to investigate any health issues. Check for food sensitivities, get a general checkup, and find someone who can help you plan a personal fitness program. Your body will thank you!

♒ AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

You might feel a powerful need to detox your system. You may as well refresh your body and digestive system at the same time. If you go ahead with it, make sure to get plenty of rest. Don't even think about it if you don't have the time to relax. If you can't do it now, wait for the next quiet week to make this commitment to better health.

♓ PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

You might be interested in more esoteric ways of getting and staying well. You may be drawn to subtler therapies that are energetic in nature and that enable you to dissolve any hidden blocks. Those are the blocks that are retained as painful cellular memories. They can lie at the heart of many health problems. This will be an interesting journey for you.

PROBLEM SOLVED » BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT

These Eagles tickets are giving me a heartache tonight

Linda Popky can't make her rescheduled Eagles concert. But Ticketmaster won't offer a refund. Is there a way to get her money back in the long run?

Q In October 2019, I bought tickets for the Eagles at the Chase Center in San Francisco for an April 2020 concert. Obviously, that didn't happen. The concert was rescheduled for this spring and then rescheduled again for Oct. 22, 2021.

That seemed fine but then we were hit by the delta variant. My daughter, who is to accompany me to the concert, is high-risk because of a number of chronic medical issues. She and I are both vaccinated but our doctor has recommended that we remain vigilant and avoid higher-risk situations - like being close to several thousand people inside the Chase Center.

Yes, San Francisco requires all attendees to be vaccinated but this is still too many people in too close quarters to be safe. Even vaccinated people are having breakthrough infections and, with her pre-existing conditions, this could be extremely dangerous.

When I requested a refund, I got a recorded message that it was past the allowable refund period. In normal times, this makes sense. Given this situation and COVID, it does not.

I've tried emailing and phoning Ticketmaster support on this issue and I get a recorded message that says, "We're busy and can't help you." I waited several weeks after filling out a web form for a response,

but all I got back was an automated form that didn't address my situation.

We love the Eagles, but it's not worth risking her health to see this concert. Can you help me get a refund on these tickets?

-Linda Popky, Redwood City, California

A: You should be able to get a refund but not for the reasons you think. You purchased tickets for an April 2020 concert, which didn't happen. Ticketmaster should have offered a choice between a full refund and a rescheduled show. It never met the obligations of your first ticket purchase.

I'm also an Eagles fan and would have gladly waited for the rescheduled show. But I'd never attend a concert if it put a loved one's health in peril.

Ticketmaster's COVID policy is clear: Every time one of your Eagles concerts flew to a new date, it would let you choose between a refund and tickets for the new show. It looks like you agreed to the new show dates the first time but it isn't clear how you ended up with the second set of tickets for the Oct. 22 show. You say you don't recall receiving an offer for the second date.

If you can't safely attend a concert, you shouldn't have to forfeit your tickets. But the current Ticketmaster policy doesn't

appear to have any provisions for customers' health, even though it should. Why doesn't it? I can't tell you why.

It looks like you were thinking of doing a credit card dispute as a last resort. That might have worked, but it could have also been a "heartache tonight," as the Eagles might say. Under the Fair Credit Billing Act (FCBA), the law that protects credit card customers, you can dispute purchases for products you ordered but didn't receive. If you had, then your bank might have sided with you since you didn't get the tickets you bought. But since it's been more than 90 days since your purchase, which is the limit under the FCBA, your money may be "already gone," to quote Glenn Frey.

I suggested you try one of the executive customer service contacts for Ticketmaster that I publish on my nonprofit consumer advocacy site, elliott.org. And you did.

Your efforts to get a refund were not wasted time.

"Within an hour of emailing the CEO, I had a refund," you told me. I'm glad Ticketmaster did the right thing. That's a resolution that left you with a peaceful, easy feeling.

Christopher Elliott is the chief advocacy officer for Elliott Advocacy. Email him at chris@elliott.org or get help with any consumer problem by contacting him at <http://www.elliott.org/help>
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RELIGION

Question: My husband and I have been married for 20 years. Each New Year, he makes resolutions and, I have to say, he's pretty good at keeping them. He wants me to join him and every year he asks me to. This may seem like a small thing, but I'm totally not interested. I just tell him I don't want to, that's all. I made resolutions for several years and never kept them. I don't want to get on that merry-go-round again with the guilt that came every year.

What is your thinking about making New Year's Resolutions?

~ No Resolutions for Me

Dear No Resolutions for Me,

According to History.com it was the Babylonians who started the tradition of New Year's resolutions about 4,000 years ago. They held a 12-day religious festival known as Akitu and made promises to the gods to pay their debts and return any objects they had borrowed. Over the centuries many cultures adopted the practice of making resolutions and some Black Christian churches continue the practice of "watch

night," originating from the anticipation of the Emancipation Proclamation becoming effective. But now most New Year's resolutions are personal and secular, not promises to gods.

Current popular resolutions in the U.S. are to lose weight, exercise more, save money, get a promotion or new job, and volunteer more. All worthy goals, of course, but only a small percentage of those who make resolutions keep them.

My husband and I have been married over 40 years and don't make New Year's resolutions, although we occasionally resolve to do better on specific things when an issue arises. That fits us better than conforming to a schedule.

Since your husband is usually successful in keeping his resolutions, he probably feels proud and wants you to get the same satisfaction. In checking around the internet, there are lots of suggestions on making resolutions that are easier to keep: just have one realistic measurable goal, pace yourself and don't expect instant results; set mini goals and track your progress; and seek support



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and encouragement. Your husband would probably be happy to help you if you decide to try again.

On the other hand, you have every right to not make resolutions. You can kindly let him know it's not your thing and it triggers guilt, the opposite of what he should want for you. Maybe you can discuss why it's important for him that you behave in the same way he does, especially if he has other controlling habits.

I hope you can work this out to the satisfaction of both of you. Wishing you a healthy and prosperous 2022.

you feel worse might open doors on how to build a gentler approach to new habits.

Speaking of grace – each day is a new day; in fact, each moment is a new moment. We can start new habits any time. Begin by centering them in your core values that you share as a family: health, wellbeing, time together. Build your goals from there and discuss how you might move forward after you've fallen behind.

I hope you have a wonderful start to this New Year!



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Dear No Resolutions For Me, Personally, I'm not one for making resolutions and I don't observe some of the other good luck traditions of eating cabbage or black-eyed peas on New Year's Day. I have found that, like you, if I just make them for the sake of making them, I rarely follow through.

However, new beginnings do offer a chance to make new habits. Personally this is most effective when the kids start school in August each year when we get a chance to set and maintain a regular schedule of time together. The most difficult part of resolution making is the inevitable resolution breaking: We rarely build opportunities for grace and forgiveness of ourselves when we break the resolution.

I see a few opportunities here. One: Your spouse wants to share part of his life with you. Resolutions might be a way for you to start a new habit together. But there are infinite ways for you to spend time with one another. I would take time to talk about how you can do that. I would also express to him how you feel about the merry-go-round that leads to guilt. "I just don't want to" might be interpreted as, "I don't want to with you." Telling him how resolutions just make

change itself, but loss. And so it is the sense of loss that drives our fears, concerns and worries about what will or will not be.

There is yet another thing that lies at the center of change – that is opportunity. Loss and opportunity are often married to one another, especially when major life changes knock on our door. Often the most human thing to do is to gravitate toward loss than opportunity – don't feel bad, you're human. For Carol, this defining moment in her life is really about her turning the great loss of her beloved sister into an opportunity to help find a cure for the millions of other little sisters and brothers who struggle with cystic fibrosis. I have no doubt that Carol's life story and future journey will define and inspire so many and this new research could very well be that stepping stone into greatness. As the old Latin proverb says, "Fortune favors the brave." Here's something else that's also true: Brave children come from great parents. With the tragic loss of your daughter to CF, you have navigated Carol's life with compassion, love, healing and boldness – all of which have been God's grace over your lives. Your parenting of Carol through such devastating loss is showing its reward – a solid young adult ready to be released into the world, for the glory of God, and for the good of others.

Wow! You should be commended for the years of thoughtful and patient parenting in the trenches. Her success is so intricately tied to your love and sacrifice, much like loss and opportunity. Now it's time to let her fly. Make no mistake: Empty-nesting does not mean she will not need you anymore – far from the truth. Carol is going to need your presence and support more than ever, causing you both to thoughtfully support her in a creatively new way – trust me! This loss is presenting you both with the opportunity to transform yourselves as parents. She might not need you in the same way, and that can certainly feel strange and weird. However, Carol will need you both in a whole new way. Your late night wisdom through phone conversations and "I'm praying for a great day for you" text messages

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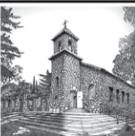
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in the morning will be pivotal as she senses your loving presence from a distance.

When reviewing back at Carol's upbringing, you both have provided all she needed in every season of her growth. God is offering you both the opportunity to yet again provide what she needs now for this new season in her journey. This time, it will take more faith and a greater sense of trust as you love her the way she needs, not just the way you'd like – from a distance. The best is yet to come "Worried Parents." There will be new memories and shared opportunities in this next season – so get ready and hold on!

On Sept. 6, 2018, I flew to London to say my final goodbyes to Stephen, my cousin and best pal. Stephen struggled with cystic fibrosis since his childhood and the doctors predicted a short life – he lived until the age of 37. It was a huge loss for me, one that still hurts today. So I'm not only praying but rotin' for Carol the whole way! I pray God does extraordinary things with her life. That's what God does; He takes messes and turns

them into messages, suffering into stories of hope and renewal. Let me know how things go.



Pastor Emanuel David
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Dear Worried Parents,

All change is anxiety producing. Human beings are creatures of habit. We like things to stay the same. Carol has seen her purpose in life, as you said, from the time she was 10. She has pursued it avidly for all the formative years since then. She just graduated

with a doctorate in research and is about to realize her dream. God willing, she will find partners in her research. She could be instrumental in conquering this disease that she witnessed firsthand and has the passion and vision to work toward repairing the world in this special way. How could a parent be more satisfied with the achievement of their child?

Of course it worries you that she will be on her own for the first time. However, she is not a child anymore. She is a woman who is ready to embark on the road to her purpose in life. Perhaps to mitigate your fears and assist Carol on her journey, you could travel with her to help her find a place to live. Maybe you could make sure that she is settled with what she needs to start her life there. Doing these sorts of things will ease the transition for you and her.

You mentioned you were concerned though you did not say what you were concerned about. How could you not be anxious about this enormous change in the lives of all three of you? Think of this: Most parents have this

sort of separation from their sons and daughters when they are 18 and fresh out of high school. Carol is 23 and equipped with an excellent education, tremendous accomplishment and a chance to be supported while she fulfills her very purpose in life.

Congratulations, parents! Job well done! May Carol and her colleagues fulfill her vision and find a cure for this disease.

With prayers for her success and admiration for her dedication,



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Jehovah's Witnesses Advises: Equip Kids to Face Difficult News With Weekly Family Time

The stream of tough topics for parents to explain can feel unending: social unrest, hate crimes, natural disasters ... the pandemic. Many children and teens have struggled to process what they see at school, in their neighborhoods and on the news.

The Quimby family of Pasadena created a space in their living room to talk about this and other topics every Thursday evening.

"This is a comfortable place with our feelings and with ourselves. It's a no-judgment zone that fosters love and instruction," said Daisy Quimby, who works in Burbank, regarding their weekly family time.

"The setting really helps them to express themselves," said her husband, Santos. He feels this time provides an opportunity to tap into the spiritual side of their three sons, who range in age from 6 to 17.

That family time became crucial for them over the summer of 2020. Recalling one evening that stood out, Santos said, "I'm watching the news live, and they're watching this and realizing it's not a movie. It's really happening."

The concerned looks on their sons' faces made it clear that the images of rioting and violent protest they just saw needed to be discussed as a family right away. He added, "We explained why it was happening. We didn't hesitate."

In an ever-changing and challenging world, experts recommend regular family discussions to help young ones build resilience.

"Good communication is essential for a child's survival in this

world," said James Wright, a California-based family counselor and conflict resolution mediator. "Why not have a family discussion once a week and talk about what's going on in your lives?"

The Quimbys are not alone in holding regular family discussions. For nearly two decades, families of Jehovah's Witnesses around the world have been encouraged to make "family worship" an uninterrupted weekly routine.

"For many of our families, their weekly discussions are among the most important hours of the week," said Robert Hendriks, U.S. spokesman for Jehovah's Witnesses. "It has brought thousands of our families closer together and helped children feel safe and loved."

In 2009 Jehovah's Witnesses reduced their midweek meetings from two to one, freeing up an evening each week for families to enjoy more time together.

"Meeting in large groups for worship is a Bible command, but the Bible also tells parents to make time to talk with their kids," Hendriks said. "The change to our weekly meetings helped families to prioritize unhurried Bible discussions tailored to their needs."

For the Cariagas of Lomita, their weekly discussion provided a time to promptly address racism when their three girls saw news reports about hate crimes targeting their Asian community.

"The articles on jw.org about prejudice and the video about anxiety really helpful," said mom Lorrie Cariaga, referencing free resources on the official website of Jehovah's Witnesses where they



The Quimbys, of Pasadena, use resources on jw.org during weekly family time to help their sons face challenges.

often turn for practical and Scriptural solutions to family concerns.

Along with serious topics, the Cariagas mix singing, dramatic performances and hiking in their family worship together.

"Family time is like an open space; it's relaxed, and it's always fun," Sophie said, 14.

Family nights provide something else that is priceless for the Quimbys – unity and courage in a

divided world.

"We do everything as a family. It's always the five of us," Santos said. "It's the glue that helped everything come together. We're working as one unit."

NOTES & NODS

This Week at LCIF

Lutheran Church in the Foothills continues to have in-person services on Sundays at 10 a.m.; however, for everyone's safety the community is encouraged to participate in the online services instead. The services, led by interim Pastor Chuck Bunnell, will be live-streamed on the church's YouTube channel then available for viewing later in the week on YouTube and on the church's website. Attendees at the in-person service should be aware that masks are required.

Visit the church's website at lcifoothills.org for details on all of the events happening including small group gatherings and opportunities

to serve.

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 via email at office@lcifoothills.org or call (818) 790-1951 for details, information, offering help or requesting help.

Walk and Word

In January, Walk and Word participants will meet in the parking lot of Deukmejian Wilderness Park, 3429 Markridge Road in La Crescenta/Glendale at 8 a.m. on Jan. 9, 16, 23 and 30. They will walk for the first hour and then gather to read

a selection of Scripture. About a half hour will be spent journaling about what was read and then there will be conversation, sharing thoughts.

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

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

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



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LEGALS

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BARBARA PRATHER

Case No. 22STPB00056. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate of BARBARA PRATHER, A Petition for Probate has been filed by ELIZABETH PRATHER in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.

THE PETITION for Probate requests that ELIZABETH PRATHER be appointed as executor to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: **February 9, 2022, at 8:30 a.m., Dept. 9: Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, located at 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, California 90012.**

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Thomas D. Mason (SBN 304902), Attorney for Petitioner, 7474 N. Figueroa St., Suite 110, Los Angeles, CA 90041, (323) 254-3072.

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CONCERT *from page 10*

Orchestra from its inception in 1991 through 1999. From 1987 to 2000, he was the chair and founder of the multi-focused keyboard program at the California Institute of the Arts. He has recorded on innumerable motion picture and television soundtracks. Beginning in the fall term 2017, Pezzone was asked to join the faculty of the Los Angeles College of Music as a multi-stylistic specialist. He holds

a degree from the Eastman School of Music and afterwards spent a year at the Banff Centre in Canada to focus on his own stylistic interplay, philosophies and originality.

More information about the program and artists, and the link to the stream, can be found at <http://glendalenoconcerts.blogspot.com>. For more information, email glendalesda@gmail.com.

PORTANTINO *from Cover*

SB 830 remedies this inequity and would define “average daily membership” as the amount of the aggregate enrollment days for all pupils in a school district or county office of education, from transitional kindergarten to grade 12, divided by the total number of instructional days for the local educational agency in an academic year.

“When students are facing trauma, economic uncertainty or dangerous routes to school, the simple act of showing up to class isn’t so simple,” stated Gonez. “The proposed legislation would provide more equitable funding so school districts like LA Unified can meet students’ needs and address the root causes of absenteeism. We need these critical resources to ensure all students receive support to be in class and learning every day.”

SB 830 would require a local

educational agency to receive the difference between what it would have received under the local control funding formula (LCFF) based on average daily enrollment and what it received under the local control funding formula based on average daily attendance for that fiscal year.

In order for a local educational agency to be eligible for supplemental educational funding, SB 830 would require the local educational agency to report the average daily enrollment for the prior academic year to the state superintendent on July 1 and to demonstrate a maintenance of effort to address chronic absenteeism and habitual truancy. SB 830 would also require local educational agencies to use at least 50% of their supplemental education funding to supplement existing local educational agency expenditures to address chronic

absenteeism and habitual truancy.

“Our current attendance-based funding system takes resources away from schools in lower-income communities because they experience higher rates of absenteeism,” stated Dishman. “Our members, including instructional assistants and attendance clerks, know that student absences actually cost money and demand additional resources to track down absent students and prepare make-up assignments. The truth is, attendance-based funding punishes students in schools that most need the state’s financial support. That is why CSEA is co-sponsoring this bill to move to enrollment-based funding so that California schools will be funded equitably and have greater financial stability and predictability.”

OPEN HOUSE *from Cover*

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She said she understands that some residents of the community may not feel safe attending in-person classes due to the ongoing pandemic and urged those who are uncomfortable to check out the many virtual classes being offered online.

The virtual classes are updated every month to provide variety and flexibility for those working out from home.

“It’s all about giving members a full, well rounded healthy-living lifestyle that’s in their best interest,” Corona-Pilgrim said. “We’re trying to be adaptable and flexible to this time by doing everything in a safe way – limited capacity, masks required – and we hope our facilities can be a place where the community feels safe, comfortable and accommodated.”

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