# Tips for Local Air Travel

By Mary O'KEEFE

Holiday travel has always been an adventure, whether there are weather challenges, crowds or, in the case this year, an airline meltdown.

Mike Christensen, spokesman for Hollywood Burbank Airport, has some suggestions to help travelers this season flying out of the local airport:

Check in with your airline regarding updates on flight status, including right before departing to the airport.

Call the parking hotline at (818) 729-2245 to get updates on lot conditions, and call again before departing your home for the airport.

Pick up and drop off passengers at Terminal B - it's usually less congested.

Use the middle lane to get through the Terminal A traffic crunch.

Arrive at least 90 minutes prior to departure time.

For those who have Southwest Airline (SWA) tickets there is a lot of frustration as it is nearly impossible to reach anyone on the airline service/booking customer phone lines. According to southwest.com, "To help accommodate customers who experience a disruption in service, a system-wide waiver is in place through Jan. 2. Customers holding any Southwest reservation from Sunday, Dec. 25 through Monday, Jan. 2 may rebook in the original class of service or travel standby without paying any additional charge.

"And unaccompanied minors age 5 through 11 years old will not be accepted for carriage and young travelers 12 through 17 will only be accepted on non-stop flights due to anticipated operational disruptions."

It is especially difficult for Southwest passengers because several travelers have reported not finding out their flight was canceled until they were in line to board the plane.

For more information on SWA, go to www.southwest. com.



# A Herculean Effort Covered in

By Mary O'KEEFE

t takes almost 1,000 volunteers each year to bring the La Cañada Flintridge Rose Parade float from concept to Colorado Boulevard.

For decades the LCFTRA has built entries for the Tournament of Roses Parade that make their city proud.

The La Cañada Flintridge Tournament of Roses Association (LCFTRA) 2023 Rose Parade entry, titled Secondhand Shenanigans, is one of six self-built floats in the parade. Self-built floats are those built by non-profit, all volunteer organizations that design, construct and decorate the entry - and raise funds for the float.

The 2023 Rose Parade theme is Turning the Corner. The LCFTRA entry focuses on the corner being turned by students graduating from high school and continuing their journey into adulthood, according Ernest Koeppen, LCFTRA president.

"We have a high school graduate turning the corner of life and preparing for the next step in going away to college," Koeppen described the entry. "As our graduate leaves, all of the old toys are put out for a yard sale and a young family of rambunctious raccoons happen by and take advantage of the opportunity to play and raise shenanigans with their newfound treasure."

Each year people enter a contest to design the LCFTRA float. Once that design is chosen it is really all hands on deck.

"It was a collaborative effort," Koeppen said of the Secondhand Shenanigans float. "Once we receive the ideas from the design contest, we select a number of

designs and then modify them to best fit into the theme. Then, with three of our final choices and designs, we go to Tournament House on a particular day, [Tournament House representatives] pick a number out of a hat and all builders present their designs."

The reason they bring multiple designs is so they're ready for a quick exchange if their idea, or design, is too similar to another that is presented before they get their

Many think the Association be-

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gins the float building process in December because that's when the float can be seen under the 210 Freeway near Hampton Road and Foothill Boulevard but it takes a year to get ready.

"The concept [phase] begins now," Koeppen said.

The 2024 Rose Parade Float Design Contest for LCFTRA is in full swing with applications due by Jan. 8, 2023.

"This is an ongoing yearlong project; concept and design due by March, engineering and decon-

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struction of the previous year's float from January through May. The Memorial Day Parade is a dry run of the empty and serviced chassis, followed by the build from May through December. Finally during the last two weeks of the year it's the big decoration to get the freshest floral on and beautiful right before judging on New Year's Eve day," Koeppen said. "And of course the parade down Colorado [Boulevard] where we proudly are part of the country's New Year's celebration."

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Flying this holiday season has been rough to say the least. First it was the weather that caused canceling of some flights but then the unprecedented Southwest Airlines meltdown continues to strand passengers across the country.

According to flightaware.com, Southwest canceled 2,509 flights on Wednesday and canceled another 2,348 today. Over the last few days the airlines had canceled about 15,700 flights leaving hundreds of thousands of travelers stranded.

At the Hollywood Burbank Airport, on Wednesday, 100 Southwest Airlines arrivals/departures were scheduled, and out of those flights 82 were canceled.

"Their system really has melted down," said U.S. Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg in an interview with CNN on Tuesday. "From what I can tell Southwest is unable to locate even where their own crews are let alone their own passengers, let alone baggage."

He had spoken with Southwest CEO

DS XXXXXXXXXXXXXX3254 FP DS AUTH: 02164R Bob Jordan, and conveyed he expected the airlines to go "above and beyond" to take care of pas-

The issue appears to be the airline's outdated scheduling system that manages the scheduling of flights, crews and passengers.

"I also talked with union leadership from the pilots to flight attendants. They made it clear they have been raising the alarm about these issues in their systems for some time and this really had to do with decisions and choices in terms of the investments that this airline has made or failed to make over the years that seem to be catching up with them now," Buttigieg said.

statement that included "heartfelt apologies" to their customers for the cancellations.

pared for the approaching holiday

weekend when the severe weather swept across the continent ... This forced daily changes to our flight schedule at a volume and magnitude that still has the tools our teams use to recover the airline operating at capacity."

(WANNA GET AWAY)

Buttigieg, during the CNN interview, pointed out that other airlines average about 5% cancellations due to the recent winter storm while Southwest was somewhere north of 70% as of Tuesday.

sengers.

Southwest Airlines released a

"We were fully staffed and pre-

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# Strained Holiday

Like so many people, during the holiday my "to do" list. season - this one in particular - I get stressed out. I like having my makeup and hair done when company arrives (even if it's just family). I like having wine decorked and appetizers ready to be enjoyed. I've been trying these past few years to give myself plenty of time to achieve these goals. Sometimes I do great and other times, like this Christmas, I fail miserably. Thankfully that same family that I try to impress is at the ready to entertain each other. Mom isn't missed all that much.

This year was different in that my mother-in-law Saralyn wasn't around. She helped make this tour possible. Their support died on Dec. 8 and, in fact, her funeral is this week - further straining my already fraught nerves. I am writing this prior to her funeral while also putting the finishing touches on those things that I want to get done, that I promised would be "no problem" to finish. Of course, typically there aren't any problems to deal with and indeed it is no problem to do these things. But, as is the case with Murphy's Law (I'm Irish, remember?), the simplest of tasks seem to loom large and be in danger of not getting done. In ride my friends to the rescue – which is additionally helpful considering that I'm not yet driving (knee surgery on Dec. 13 has temporarily benched me).

Mary O'Keefe scooped up the thumb drive that held information I needed printed – immediately (of course) - and got them to Office Depot to get that chore checked off

That gave me the time I needed to go over photos of the winning homes for this year's Merry and Bright Holiday Light and Display Tour. (They're listed on pages 8-9 of this week's issue.) I hope you set aside an evening to drive around and check out the winning addresses.

While I offer congratulations to the winners, I have to say that this year's offerings were truly fantastic. The level of creativity is awe-inspiring. It makes me very excited for next year.

I also want to thank the sponsors that was invaluable. Supporters include Glendale Area Schools Credit Union, CV Water District, C&M Printing, Supervisor Kathryn Barger, the YMCA, Assemblymember Laura Friedman, Once Upon A Time bookstore, Ace Hardware and Porto's Bakery. These are the folks and businesses that recognize the value of having hometown events like the Merry and Bright Holiday Light and Display Tour.

And I want to give a shout out to the folks who took the time to decorate their houses. Not only did they share their holiday spirit, they helped bring the spirit about in folks who many not have necessarily felt in the holiday mood.

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## Taking A Look Outside Our Window

Bv Mary O'KEEFE

powerful force on the planet.

The death toll reported as of Tuesday due look we will say it is going to be sunny.

historic blizzard across the U.S. rose to 65. Of those deaths 34 are in New York.

Buffalo, New York has been hit with over 50 inches of snow and frigid temperatures during the recent snowstorm. People were trapped in their cars, calling 9-1-1 but unfortunately many emergency responders could not get to those in need. The blizzard lasted 36 continuous hours with a recorded 79 mile per hour winds.

As snow hit the East coast, heavy rains were drenching the Pacific northwest. The Sierra faced not only blizzard conditions but 180 mph winds that came with avalanche warnings.

No movie or television show, not even "Star Trek," can recreate the quiet isolation that comes with a blizzard. There is no way, unless you have experienced it, to convey the mix of beauty and fear that these types of storms bring. I have been stuck in a snowbank in my car, praying for someone - usually a nearby farmer with a truck or tractor— - to come to my rescue. I have been with my dad as we drove in whiteout conditions going to my grandma's friends' homes, making sure they had heat and food. It does give you a great respect for the power of the Earth's weather.

I think as we start a new year we should take the time to pray/send positive thoughts to those who are digging their way out of this recent storm and to honor the Earth in every

Crescenta Valley ends December with We end the year with a reminder that no monthly rain total of 1.69 inches. Highs will be matter how powerful and evolved humans in the mid 50s, with a chance of rain from today think they are, Mother Earth is still the most through Tuesday, according to NOAA. Monday is the Rose Parade so starting with an optimistic





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# NEWS

# Year In Review 2022

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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.

The local YMCA locations held their 2022 open house events on Saturday, Jan. 8. All three family YMCA locations - Crescenta-Cañada (CCY), Verdugo Hills (VHY) and Crescenta Valley (CVY) - showcased their programs and offered discount membership pricing. The event was free to attend and served 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.

Senator Anthony Portantino was joined by educational leaders during a press conference to announce Senate Bill 830, a measure that would 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 sponsored the bill. The list of education organizations in support of the bill is expecting to increase.

California schools scrambled 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 first week in January/ last week of December, the largest number of new cases since vaccines became available to the public almost one year ago.

Glendale Unified School District students, staff and administrators returned to school campuses following winter break. They were

greeted with newly implemented safety protocols resulting from the rapid spreading of the highly transmissible omicron variant of the COVID-19 virus. All students and employees were required to receive a negative COVID-19 test before returning to campus. Other protocols were in place for those who tested negative and could return to campus.

After surviving a recall challenge, California Gov. Gavin Newsom said he was optimistic about the future as he unveiled a \$286 billion budget proposal. While the plan is massive, about 9% bigger than last year's record state spending proposal, it includes a surplus projected to be between 31 and 45 billion dollars. About \$21 billion of that money will be used as a discretionary surplus but according to a California law that sets the state's spending limit (or Gann limit), it is likely that about \$2 billion in surplus funds will need to be returned to the taxpayers.

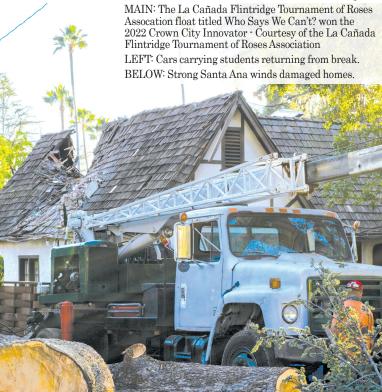
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept. - Special Victim's Unit asked for the public's help in identifying the man who sexually assaulted a juvenile female at the Crescenta Valley Skate Park at Crescenta Valley Park. The assault occurred near the skate park bathrooms. The skate park normally has several skaters on-site and authorities are hoping someone saw something that could help them identify the suspect.

Much of the area spent the weekend without power after strong Santa Ana winds downed trees, and power lines, causing blackouts and damage to vehicles and homes. While the Verdugo mountains provided significant protection for much of the Crescenta Cañada Valley, gusts of more than 80 mph were reported in multiple locations around the area according to the National Weather Service in Oxnard.











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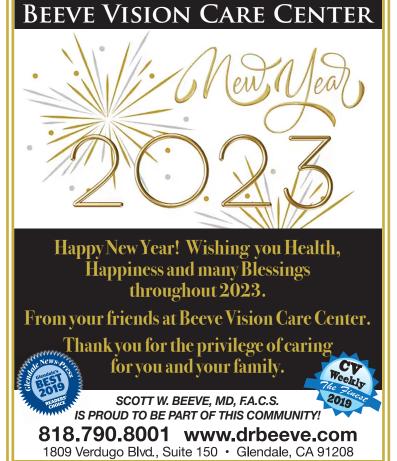
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# February

Crescenta Valley High School's Instrumental Music department (CVIM) featured the "world famous" jazz band at a special Jazz Night Under the Stars from 7 p.m. to 10

The event – a fundraiser benefitting the award-winning CVHS jazz band and music department - marked an official return after being canceled in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Because of district wide safety measures implemented in response to the highly transmissible omicron variant, though, the annual event took place outdoors in the CVHS quad.

Montrose Search and Rescue team members rescued a two-year old German shepherd dog - Onyx - after he and his owner, an injured hiker, were separated. The reunion was full of tears, laughter ... and barks.

time to move on. A series of fires swept through the Crescenta Valley including a house fire in the 2900 block of Alabama Street, the 3300 block of Encinal Avenue and the 3000 block of Prospect Avenue. No injuries were reported in any of the incidents.

> The Montrose Shopping Park Association held its annual Valentine's Day rose giveaway, which featured "Charlie Chaplin" who handed out roses to passersby. The seven-women musical group Monday@JoJo's also performed. The MSPA was unable to celebrate the event in 2021 due to COVID-19

At a Glendale Unified School

District board meeting Greg

Krikorian, longtime board member,

announced that he would not be

running for another term. For about

21 years Krikorian had served on the

school board. He had raised his five

children in the district and felt it is

restrictions in Los Angeles County. Event Coordinator Dale Dawson emphasized how excited they were to be back on the corner again this year and have the opportunity to connect with and show appreciation for residents in the community by offering free long stemmed roses.

The Public Health of Los Angeles County issued a modified LA County Health Officer Order recommending that it no longer required masking at outdoor mega events and outdoor spaces at K-12 schools and childcare centers. This was done due to the declining COVID hospital admissions.

Concerns were raised regarding the proposed biking/walking path known as the Verdugo Wash Vision. Concerns about the proposed path included how near the path would be from homeowners' property. The route of the path is proposed to begin at Crescenta Valley Park and extend for about nine miles connecting to a bike path near the Golden State (5) Freeway. Additional concerns raised during meetings with residents in the Whiting Woods and Sycamore neighborhoods included what law enforcement agency would be responsible for patrolling the area since CV Park is within the unincorporated area of Los Angeles County, which is under the jurisdiction of the LA Sheriff's Dept., while Sycamore Woods, Mountain Oaks and Whiting Woods are under the Glendale Police Dept. jurisdiction. Other concerns include fire danger, since the proposed path is in an extreme wildfire area, and if the City of Glendale will have funding and resources to maintain the paths.



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Nurses at USC Verdugo Hills Hospital were in front of the medical facility to bring awareness of what they feel is unfair treatment by the hospital administration. The nurses stood with signs asking for support and letting the community know they are "essential not expendable." During the demonstration they received numerous "honks" of approval from passing motorists. The nurses were part of the California Nurses Association and were in negotiations that were postponed in early 2020 due to the pandemic.

Al fresco dining returned to the Montrose Shopping Park. In June 2020, COVID-19 restrictions closed the doors of restaurants to indoor dining. In response, the City of Glendale – one of many communities in Los Angeles County and nationwide - established outdoor seating for diners, helping restaurant owners and their staff. Further restrictions were put in place that discontinued outdoor dining; when these were canceled, outdoor "parklets" were installed that allowed diners to return to local restaurants.

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# March

The Glendale City Council voted to contribute \$5,000 to the July 4 fireworks show at Crescenta Valley High School.

The Rosemont Middle School Spartans won yet another season of GUSD Middle School flag football after going undefeated in six games. This is the ninth consecutive season that Rosemont has had at least a share of the district title. The victorious season was led by Athletic Director Andre Andreas and Head Coach Nick Leon with significant coaching assistance from former Crescenta Valley High School football players including Josh Silverman, Carson Center, Jacob Aguilar and Armen Erdoglyan.

The Glendale City Council voted unanimously to delay the purchase of any fossil-fuel-powered engines, at least until the end of the calendar year, for the Grayson Power Plant to give Glendale staff the chance to explore every possible clean and renewable energy alternative. A week later,

councilmember Vrej Agajanian voiced his reconsideration of the issue.

"I'm not happy with my vote on Grayson last week," he said.

Local female businesswomen, including Realtor Phyllis Harb, Maureen and Jessica Palacios, and baker Youna Karlsson were among the women highlighted as part of Women's History Month.

Bone-chilling cold and other brutal conditions met local volunteers who traveled to Ukraine to establish a safe path for the country's children and for future rescue volunteers.

About 400 vehicles gathered at the parking lot at Regal/United Artists theaters in La Cañada to take a last ride to memorialize and honor Rick Chew and Victor Luchessi, two well-known "gear heads" who were also strong community supporters. Both had recently died.

Ukrainian citizen Irina expressed gratitude to a local Boy Scout troop that was instrumental in helping her escape from Ukraine and relocating to the United States.

After 40 years of planning, fundraising and relentless hard work, the Stone Barn Nature Center at Deukmejian Wilderness Park finally opened its doors to the public. With a final price tag of \$11.3 million, mayor Paula Devine said the project was "worth every penny." Monies came from private donors, grants and Los Angeles County Improvement funds.

Crescenta Valley High School 589 Falkon robotics team competed in the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) competition in Port Hueneme – and came home regional winners.

"It's completely chaotic but it's really fun," said Ethan Lee, a freshman and member of 589, speaking of the competition that hosts teams from all over the world.

The Glendale Community Services & Parks Dept. welcomed the pickleball community at various locations within the city. It introduced its newest addition for individuals with Parkinson's and their caregivers at Pacific Park & Community Center. Volunteers from Glendale's pickleball players conducted a demonstration of the sport to those who attended and wanted to learn more. The goal was to introduce the sport and provide a means for persons with Stage 1 and Stage 2 Parkinson's to get out and be active while they still can.

Thousands of workers and members of the labor union United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) in central and Southern California voted to authorize a strike. Negotiations were ongoing for the third week in March; however, union workers at Ralphs, Vons, Pavilions and Albertsons voted to call a strike if necessary. There has not been a date set for the strike.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration authorized a second booster dose of either the Pfizer-BioNTech or the Moderna COVID-19 vaccines for individuals 50 years of age and older. The booster can be given to individuals at least four months after receiving their first booster dose.

# April

According to  $\overline{A}AA$ , the average cost of a gallon of regular unleaded gasoline in California was \$5.823, nearly nine cents lower than one week earlier and nearly 10 cents lower than the record high of \$5.919 recorded on March 29. In Los Angeles County, prices were even higher than the state average with a gallon of regular unleaded in the county currently averaging \$5.94, 13 cents lower than the record \$6.07 recorded on March 28. Meanwhile, nationwide, the average price of regular unleaded is down to \$4.164, nearly 17 cents lower than the March 11 peak of \$4.331.

City of Glendale Mayor Paula Devine passed the gavel to councilmember Ardy Kassakhian.

Deputies were alerted to a stolen vehicle in the area of Hillard Avenue and Foothill Boulevard in La Cañada Flintridge. They searched for the vehicle and found it driving eastbound on Foothill Boulevard from Angeles Crest Highway. They confirmed the vehicle was reported stolen and initiated a traffic stop. The suspects were detained without incident. After

being interviewed, both suspects were arrested for taking a vehicle without owner's consent. The CV Station received another Flock Safety alert for a stolen vehicle in the area of Foothill Boulevard from State Route 2. The vehicle was reported stolen out of Fontana on March 29. A deputy found the vehicle parked at La Cañada Boulevard and El Vago Street in La Cañada Flintridge. A single occupant was detained without incident. After a vehicle theft investigation, the suspect was arrested for taking a vehicle without owner's consent.

Glendale Police Dept. hosted its first "Big Saturday" – a day filled with mural-painting and conversation – at Horace Mann Elementary School. Officers worked alongside 50 selected fourth and fifth grade student leaders to paint a total of eight murals throughout the campus.

Each mural was visually unique in appearance but collectively promoted words of encouragement, leadership and inspiration. Amy Tate, GPD police service officer (PSO), said the goal of the event was to foster connection between students and officers, inspire creativity and remind the students that they're never alone.

The Northwest Glendale Homeowners Association (NGHA) hosted the first candidate forum of the 2022 election season, hearing from all eight candidates running for three available seats on the Glendale City Council.

Dozens of cyclists, neighbors, community members and civic leaders gathered in Sunland to remember the life of Jeff Knopp as part of the first

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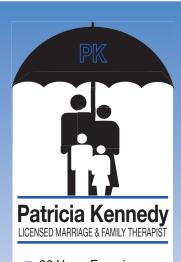
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Yellow Bike Project Memorial installation. It was more than five years ago when Knopp, a husband, father and Marine Corps veteran, was riding his bicycle as part of his daily fitness routine when he was hit from behind and killed on a narrow stretch of Foothill Boulevard near his home that didn't have a bike lane.

The Crescenta Valley Sheriff's Station welcomed Robert Hahnlein as its new captain. Hahnlein officially took the lead at the station on April 17 but was acting captain for several months.

Hahnlein follows Todd Deeds, who was named captain of the CV Sheriff's Station in 2019 but stepped down due to medical issues. The new captain was chosen by a committee that included community members.

Faye's Intimate Apparel closed its doors after 73 years following the death of longtime owner Pat Grant. It was the store's original owner Faye Snow who worked alongside Montrose Shopping Park founding families, including the Graysons, Draymans, Gelsingers and Frank Roberts, who really did put their community first and worked to create a shopping area that would stand the test of time.

The Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce's Hometown Country Fair returned to Crescenta Valley Park after being canceled in 2020 due to COVID-19.

The Glendale City Council held the first of seven budget study sessions, heard a third-quarter financial report, and previewed the budget for FY 2022-23 as well as five-year general fund projections.

After many, many hours of weed pulling, organizing, fundraising, sweeping, raking and backbreaking boots-on-the-ground volunteering, Verdugo Hills Cemetery celebrated its grand centennial The centennial included walking tours and video presentations of the cemetery's past including the 1978 flood that devastated the cemetery. The "Hills of Peace" cemetery, as it was known, was established in 1922 when local pioneer Marshall Hartranft donated a four-acre parcel of land in Tujunga for his friend Parson James Wornum, who had died that year. Wornum and his wife, known as "Aunt" Jenny, were laid to rest at the cemetery.

The Crescenta Valley Town Council welcomed the public back to the La Crescenta Library for its first regular in-person meeting since the COVID-19 pandemic eliminated large in-person gatherings more than two years ago.

# May

The Glendale City Council approved a 10-year lease agreement with SAS Entertainment for the operation of the Alex Theatre. Last year, the council voted 3-2 to contract with the private vendor rather than Glendale Arts, the organization that had been running the venue since 2008.

The USC Verdugo Hills Hospital held a celebratory opening of its newly developed Interventional Radiology/

Cardiac Catheterization Lab (IR Cath Lab). The lab had been in construction for just over a year and marks a huge leap in the hospital's ability to provide immediate help for those suffering with cardiac complications.

From "hanging around the fence at Riverside Raceway" to being inducted into the West Coast Stock Car Motorsports Hall of Fame (WCSCMHOF), Ken Sapper has had one heck of a ride.

There have been a lot of turns around the track for Sapper but each time he has proven to be a really good driver, a really good racer and a winner.

City of Glendale Fire Chief Silvio Lanzas announced his retirement after a 30-year career in public service with 26 years as a firefighter.

Dozens of parents, teachers, and students packed the Glendale Unified School District board meeting to speak their minds on the application of a 10-year-old state law that mandates the teaching of contributions of persons with disabilities and lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people into educational textbooks and the social studies curricula in California public schools.

The CV Town Council hosted the CV Prayer Breakfast at the American Legion Memorial Hall.

During an investigation into an alleged assault with a firearm in Tujunga, Los Angeles Police Dept. identified a male suspect who led them to the La Crescenta neighborhood of the 2400 block of Rockdell Street.

LAPD obtained a search warrant and attempted to make contact with the suspect who refused to exit the home

The LAPD SWAT – Special Weapons And Tactics – team was called in and a standoff began. After a three-hour long standoff, the suspect surrendered and was taken into custody without incident.

The Fifth Annual Armed Forces Day car show took place at CV Park and was held in memory of one of the Posts' own, Roy Allmon, USAF.

Allmon served in the U.S. Air Force from 1958 to 1964 and was an active member of the American Legion, VFW and Kiwanis and supported several organizations throughout the area, especially those that supported veterans and children.

Those who participate in the Armed Forces Day car show competed for awards in 14 different categories with a special award presented in Allmon's name for "best of show." His family members will be the judges for this award.

Through the financial support of the City of La Cañada Flintridge, the community-based Crescenta Valley Sheriff's Support Group and LA County Supervisor Kathryn Barger the Crescenta Valley Sheriff's Station unveiled a new mobile command post.

The mobile command post will be activated when there are large emergency events, like wildfires and earthquakes, said Sgt. John Gilbert.

The station has an older mobile trailer that, in the past, was used at several events including along parade routes as a proactive tool in case of emergencies. It was also used during the 2016 Creek Fire in Kagel Canyon in the Angeles National Forest.

Several venues held commemorations for Memorial Day including at Forest Lawn Glendale, the City of Glendale, which partnered with the Montrose-Verdugo City Chamber of Commerce and Montrose Shopping Park Assn., for the Annual Memorial Day ceremony at the Vietnam War Memorial in Montrose, Glendale City Hall and Two Strike Park. All were free to attend.

The Balcony of LA hosted one of several free movie nights in CV Park.

# June

The Montrose Shopping Park Association held its annual Arts & Crafts Festival. The weekend of festivities marked an official return to its "normal" schedule post pandemic. The Festival was canceled in 2020 due to the pandemic and the date was moved several times in 2021, ultimately settling in October, which was the first (and only) time the Festival was scheduled in the fourth quarter of the year.

More than 250 artists, crafters, food vendors, California Certified Farmers, musicians and entertainers made their way to Montrose with some vendors planning to come from as far away as Arizona and Mexico.

Thousands of students staged walkouts at schools and college campuses across the country to demand stricter gun control following the massacre at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas that left 19 students and two teachers dead. Starting at noon over 150 Crescenta Valley High School students left class and headed outside to protest. They were accompanied by supportive teachers and parents.

The hour-long protest was part of a nationwide call for school walkouts organized by Students Demand Action, a group affiliated with the pro-gun-control group Everytown for Gun Safety.

Members of the Dad's Club set up the raceway for the Lincoln 500 at Lincoln Elementary School. The race among students on trikes circling the campus blacktop celebrated its 40th anniversary.

The JPL community created a gift – a hand stitched quilt – for its new lab director Dr. Laurie Leshin. "We thought wouldn't it be cool to make her a present with a personal touch," said JPL employee Julia France.

After two years of virtual learning and distance activities, a moment of "normal" returned to schools as students moved forward in their academic career through graduation and promotion.

COVID-19 vaccines were approved for children from age 6 months to 5 years. This announcement came after a Food and Drug Administration (FDA) panel unanimously voted to authorize the use of Moderna and Pfizer/BioNTech COVID-19 vaccines for children. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) also approved the vaccines.

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The Rosemont Middle School community bid farewell to Rod Yonkers, the music director for the school who started the music program over 30 years. The "Rosemont Bowl" marked the final concert of the 2021-22 school year and the very last show.

The 20th Annual Old Town Montrose Car Show featured 300 vehicles ranging from classics, exotics, custom hot rods and even antiques on display along the 2200, 2300 and 2400 blocks of Honolulu Avenue. There were also motorcycles to check out.

The Crescenta Valley Weekly lost one of its own when weather watcher Sue Kilpatrick died unexpectedly.

# July

Facemask mandates for LA County were still in question by the LA County Board of Supervisors. The County had seen a slight decrease in COVID-19 numbers as positive test numbers fluctuated.

Several organizations volunteered many hours to help others. The Crescenta Cañada Lions Club held a food-raiser for the Bailey Center in Tujunga. CV Chamber of Commerce hosted barbecue and bingo at St. Luke's of the Mountains. Bruce's Twisted BBQ provided a hearty dinner. The funds were dedicated toward the Chamber's scholarship program. The Balcony of LASummer Movie Night, held at Crescenta Valley Park in partnership with the LA County Parks and Recreation, saw over 400 people turn out to see "The Bad Guys," a fun, familyfriendly flick. The event was free to attend.

A notice to residents in the CV Park and Mountain Oaks area were warned to use caution when walking the paths as a bear was seen also enjoying the park.

At a meeting of the Glendale City Council, Mayor Ardy Kassakhian announced that the City of Glendale Community Services & Parks was awarded \$285,000 in Measure A Technical Assistance grant funds to support planning and predevelopment services to create new parks and facilities in and around Glendale

August
he Metropolitan Water Dis

The Metropolitan Water District prepared to repair the pipeline that brings precious Colorado River water to Southern California. The repairs would affect outdoor watering for most Los Angeles County residents from Sept. 6 to Sept. 20. Residents were asked to suspend outdoor watering for those 15 days.

During a meeting with the GUSD school board concerning the renewal of the LASD School Resource Deputy (SRD), newly sworn in board member Ingrid Gunnell stated she could not vote for or promote police on campus. This prompted several members of the community and school staff to speak on the benefits of having an on-campus SRD and provided the opportunity to clarify that although in some areas of the nation school resource officers may have a negative reputation, in GUSD they are a positive force that works

closely with school administrators and counselors. All board members, except Gunnell, voted to renew the SRD contract.

California residents received notices from their waste management companies of how to comply with the state's mandatory organic waste collection SB 1383. This law went into effect in 2022 and required every jurisdiction in California to provide organic waste collection services to all residents and businesses.

Gov. Gavin Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency regarding monkeypox, which bolstered the state's vaccination efforts in regard to monkeypox.

Los Angeles and the world mourned the passing of Vin Scully, the legendary sports broadcaster. Scully passed away on Aug. 3; he was 94 years old. He was the voice of the Dodgers, the play-byplay announcer from 1950 to 2016.

# September

Montrose Search and Rescue celebrated at Crescenta Valley Park 75 years of service to the community. MSAR team members are volunteers who are available 24/7 to respond to lost hikers, traffic collisions, fire, flood and everything in between.

Several dignitaries were part of the day's festivities including Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger who said, as a hiker, for everyone present who hikes to "stay on the trail."

State Senator Anthony Portantino also recognized the MSAR and presented a proclamation from the California State Senate. Mary Hovagimian, representative for Congressman Adam Schiff, read from a proclamation the congressman read into the U.S. congressional record on Sept. 13 honoring MSAR.

The City of Glendale announced the appointment of Bradley Calvert as its next director of the Community Development Dept.

State Senator Anthony J. Portantino received the 2022 Senate Legislative Champion Award from the California Alliance of Child and Family Services during its Homecoming Conference. The state senator was honored for championing policies that promote the social, emotional and behavioral wellbeing of children and families.

LA County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a motion introduced by Supervisors Kathryn Barger and Janice Hahn that authorized their formal and public condemnation of Azerbaijan's recent attacks on Armenia.

The Board committed to send a five-signature letter to United States congressional representatives that denounced the unprovoked attacks that took place on Sept. 13 and killed more than 200 people.

Concerned citizens packed the

Glendale City Council chambers to hear the future of the highly debated 535-acre Scholl Canyon Landfill. The landfill is currently topped off at 1,400 tons of garbage every day. For the City of Glendale coffers, the landfill generates \$12 million annually.

The Council voted to close the Scholl Canyon Landfill by December 2025.

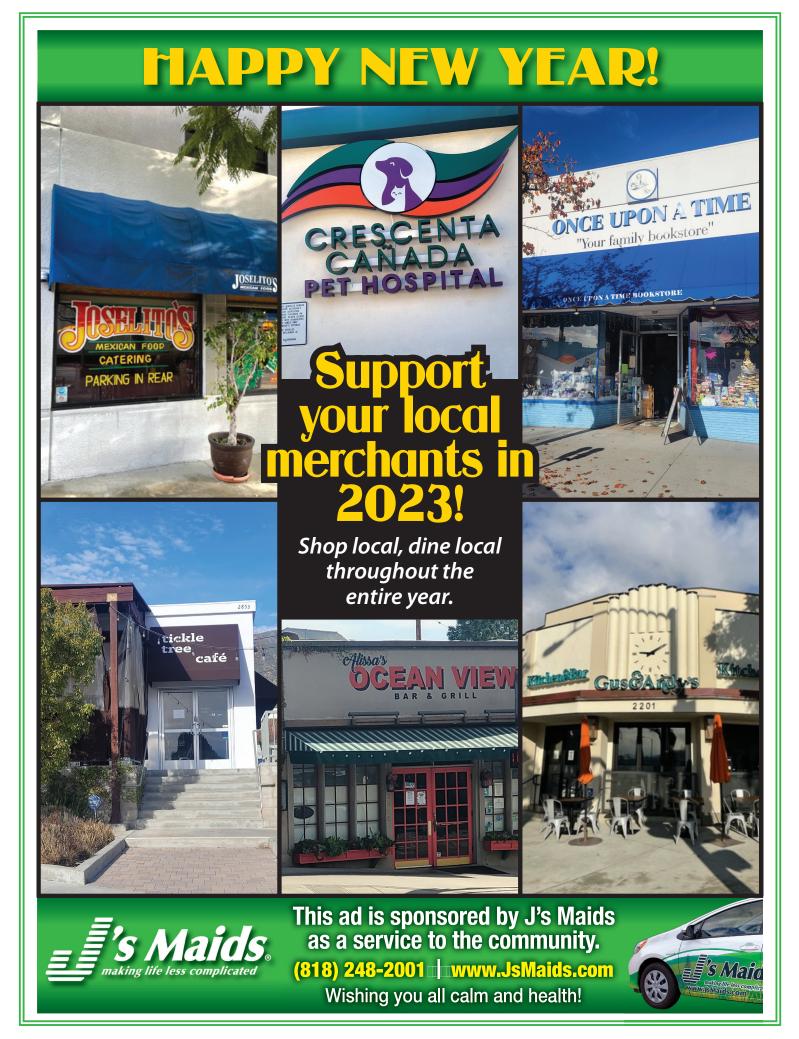
The Glendale Fire Dept. announced the appointment of its newest fire chief Timothy Ernst at the Glendale City Council meeting.

Chief Ernst is a 35½-year veteran of the California fire service, rising through the ranks to assistant chief in the Los Angeles Fire Dept.

# October

Oktoberfest was back after a pandemic hiatus. An estimated 15,000 to 20,000 people poured onto Honolulu Avenue to enjoy beer, brats and pretzels.

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**GLENDALE AREA SCHOOLS CREDIT UNION & CV WEEKLY PRESENT** 

# The 2022 Merry & Bright Holiday Light and Display Tour Winners!



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# VIEWPOINTS

# TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

# 1934 Flood Memories

Year's Eve Flood, we visit the memories of "Scoop" Harrelson who lived at 2624 Piedmont Ave.:

"The jazz and whoopee of midnight celebrations blasted from radios up and down the 2600 block of Piedmont Avenue. Lights shone from all the windows except the bedrooms where the children were sleeping, and there were 21 children on that block. It was raining, had been all day, and the little wash across Piedmont overload of rocks and mud.

"Then there came a sound that over-toned the sound of the rain, the growl of the wash and the blasting of radios ... a rumble, a dull roar. The walls shook, the lights flickered. Sounds changed and the night became hideous with noise. Sounds of breaking the mud flood. timbers as homes were smashed, hoarse shouts of men, screams of women and children and that

of mud.

"One moment the home of H.L. McDonald glowed with light and as we watched we saw the wall of mud and stones and water and the debris that was carried on the crest. From six to seven feet high the wall came on and the next moment there was nothing left to show where the home had been.

"From the north, electric light wires flashed like nitrogen flares was full and growling with the where they burned in half-ahundred places, and then darkness. And still the noise of cracking timbers as the water crossed the road and other homes passed out of the picture. And still the cries and screams and groans of families washed away. And still the roar and rumble of

> "As the impending doom swept toward us at racehorse speed, my wife said 'This about ends it all;

To commemorate the 1934 New sullen rumble of stones as they we're through!' But something were carried on by an avalanche happened. The wall of mud seemed to dip on our side. Onto our porch came mud and stones weighing from 50 to 500 pounds, but still we stood as the water and sticks and small stones flowed into the front room to a depth of four inches. But not a stone had landed against our legs and feet.

> "In two minutes the deluge was past, grinding and tumbling and screaming on its way to the river, carrying with it death and destruction, and still we stood on our porch unscathed but with mud up to our knees.

> "Was it over? Was there more coming? What had happened? What should we do? How can we help? Who should we help? The answer came from a pile of debris. A hand and an arm showed and a strangled cry for help. A wade through waist-deep muck and I found myself helping a large woman out of the wreckage and into the house.

hysterical screams were all the response we could get to our excited questions. She had seen her family and relatives and friends carried out into the dark. She had held onto the hand of her blind father until the pull of the mud had taken him from her. She had seen her sister and her nephew, hand in hand, swept away. She had seen her sister-inlaw and 2-month-old baby blotted out of sight. She had lost her husband.

"My wife finally quieted her and gave her some warm dry clothing, and we all waded across and down the street to a home which stood on higher ground and had not been touched. There we found another story.

"A young woman, covered with mud and thoroughly soaked, had just been brought into the house after having been swept three blocks downstream from the American Legion Hall. She was

dazed but apparently unhurt."

Scenes like these played out across the valley that night. The worst loss of life occurred in the American Legion Hall at Rosemont and Fairway avenues. It was serving as a refugee center when the flood hit it and washed everyone out. Today there is a monument there on that corner. I hope you'll stop by and visit it, and consider the tragedy of that night 89 years ago.



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

# LCFTRA Float Design Contest

The La Cañada Flintridge Tournament of Roses Association (LCFTRA) invites you to submit a Float design idea for the 2024 LCFTRA Rose Parade Float!

Please submit your idea (max. 250 characters) at www.lcftra.org by Sunday January 8, 2023. The winning design will be announced in Spring, 2023. If your idea is chosen, you will receive two tickets to the 2023 Rose Parade!

To guide your creative thinking, a compelling Float design idea should:

- Be simple and easy to understand (a viewer should "get it" in 5 seconds or less)
- · Be animated, with elements of whimsy, humor, and surprise
- Reflect the Rose Parade Theme

While the 2024 Rose Parade theme will not be announced until later in January, we can offer this teaser: The 2024 theme celebrates the role of music in our lives and as part of our collective culture.

In the event we receive multiple designs with a similar approach, LCFTRA will select one winner, with existing LCFTRA Members receiving preference. All submitted ideas are property of LCFTRA.



## CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT » OUT IN THE COMMUNITY

As the holiday season comes to a close, it's nice to reflect on some of the community outreach the District has participated in over the last few months. La Crescenta is blessed with a wonderful community spirit and the District is proud to be a part of this tradition.

Welcome back, Montrose Christmas Parade! Staff was excited to be able to participate in the 2022 Parade. The Vactor truck was polished and decorated with lights for this fun community event. The Vactor truck is the District's largest vehicle and is used to clean the community's 72 miles of sewer mains.

The third annual food drive was a success. The District, with the generous support of the community, was able to collect three large barrels of canned goods and dry food that was donated to the Valley Food Bank, a part of the Rescue Mission Family. The Valley Food Bank distributes over 2.1 million can and packages of dry goods and

over 2.5 million pounds of fresh food per year to more than 180,000 people in need.

Another event also on its thirdyear anniversary is the blood drive. Employees and residents made appointments to donate blood at the District's Glenwood Facility. This year, over 40 people were able to make donations, exceeding the blood drive goal.

For Veterans Day, the District celebrated its employees and their family members who have served or are serving in our nation's Armed Forces. In addition to other activities that employees participated in, staff raised over \$700 for Climb for Heroes. Climb for Heroes supports the Heroes Project. This annual Veterans Day event at Mt. Baldy supported our injured veterans, raised money and awareness for injured vets and their mental and physical health. Thanks to all who supported Nem Ochoa, Arturo Montes and Morgen DuRose on their journey to the top.

One rainy Saturday morning in October, the District hosted a tour

ANSWERS to last week's puzzle C E S E R Н N Е И 0 Γ C И D A E R E E R A **S** M S S S C R A G E E И Т H G RE Ε 3 E X 0 D N N E R A S **.**2 O D B E S Ε <sup>23</sup>F **.**2 K Ε И E C Н 0 D 0 Г S Г E R Ε NVE G Т A B Г E S A C O K A Ь D S S

of several of its reservoir sites and wells to talk with members of the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley about the past, present and future of water in the Crescenta Valley. The District has 17 reservoirs and around 17.5 million gallons of water storage. David Gould, director of Engineering and Operation of CVWD, led this fact-filled adventure detailing where our water comes from, emergency preparedness and future projects to enhance the District's water supply. Mr. Gould, who is retiring at the end of this year, will be greatly missed by the CVWD family and community alike.

Coming Soon

On Jan. 8, there will be another rain barrel event. To pre-order your rain barrel, visit RainBarrelsIntl.com, click the "EVENTS" tab and select CVWD or call (919) 602-6316.

Drought can have an impact on trees. FMWD will be hosting webinar on protecting your trees on Jan. 14, 2023 between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. To register, visit www.fmwd.com/ landscaping-and-classes or www. greengardensgroup.com/foothill-

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# TRAVEL & LEISURE

# Cellist Isaac Pastor-Chermak, Pianist Miles Graber Performing

n Wednesday, Jan. 4 at 12:10 p.m., the Free Admission Glendale Noon Concerts program will be streamed on Facebook and YouTube.

Cellist Isaac Pastor-Chermak and pianist Miles Graber will perform the Elliott Carter "Cello Sonata." The video will be available ongoing.

More info about the program and artists, and the link to the stream, can be found at http://glendalenoonconcerts.blogspot.com.

The Elliott Carter (American, 1908-2012) "Cello Sonata" (1948) will feature

moderato, vivace, molto leggiero, adagio and allegro

Isaac Pastor-Chermak leads a diverse and active musical life at home in northern California and around the United States. A quintessential 21st century artist, he engages deeply as a cellist, teacher, conductor and administrator, motivated by an abiding love of sharing great music with friends and collaborators.

Though he is active in nearly every facet of today's classical music profession, Pastor-Chermak is a career orchestral player. In any given weekend of the season, he can be found performing as principal cellist of the Waterloo-Cedar Falls Symphony; associate principal cellist of the Stockton Symphony; assistant principal cellist of Opera San Jose and Fresno Philharmonic; and as a member of the



Berkeley Symphony, Monterey Symphony, Santa Cruz Symphony and Santa Barbara Symphony. During the summer season, he is assistant principal cellist at the Eisenstadt Classical Music Festival in Austria, and principal cellist of the Lake Tahoe Music Festival.

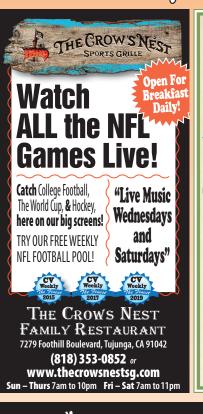
In the world of chamber music, Pastor-Chermak is the cellist of Black Cedar Trio, the only flute-cello-guitar ensemble in the country.

CV Weekly readers:

You can read more at CVWeekly.com/LEISURE.

# What's Cooking Your Local guide to good food!

to good food! December 29<sup>TH</sup> Specials!









# THEN & NOW Rosemont and Fairway Avenue Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV



**THEN:** Shortly after midnight on New Year's Day 1934, a sudden cloudburst in the San Gabriels sent a wall of water, mud and rocks crashing down Pickens Canyon. When it reached the American Legion Hall at Fairway and Rosemont avenue, it punched through the back wall and filled the building, killing 12 local residents who had taken refuge from the deluge there. Here the Legion Hall, at what had been the intersection of Rosemont and Fairway, can be seen after the disaster, seemingly intact. In reality a portion of the back wall was gone and the interior was filled with debris. Rosemont had become a rock strewn gully. Dirt stains on the walls of the building attest to the height of the mudflow.



**NOW:** The Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley built a monument at this intersection to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the tragedy. But whatever became of the American Legion Hall? As you can see in the "Then" photo it's relatively intact, despite the carnage that went on inside. This was the depth of the Depression, so materials for a new Legion Hall were hard to come by. The building was patched up, loaded onto a house-moving truck and moved to the intersection of La Crescenta and Manhattan avenue, where it is still an American Legion Hall today!

# BETWEEN FRIENDS

# Santa Visits Luskin OIC

Everyone knows how busy Santa is these days. opportunities ... and many happy children. So on Dec. 14 when he was spotted at Luskin Orthopaedic Institute for Children (Luskin OIC) everyone knew that it would be a special day. Many school children had appointments with their orthopaedic doctors for checkups and new casts or pointers on how to use crutches. Some were there for postop care and follow up appointments after surgery.

Unknown to them, four members of LCFOG (La Cañada Flintridge Orthopaedic Guild) and members of the local California Highway Patrol were waiting to hand out toys and books to each child. Students from UCLA and USC came early to set up "toy stations" with dolls, footballs, puzzles, stuffed animals, games and much more. Santa was there to greet each child so there were many photo

LCFOG is a local organization with a special goal: seeing that children who need orthopaedic care receive it from the best of the best regardless of their financial situation. They want all kids to Grow Well and Play Well.

LCFOG membership is open to any woman who would like to join this group, which meets on the first Thursday of the month, September through

Please contact Jeanne Long at (818) 640-9106 for details.

Submitted by Arlene MASSIMINO

Photo courtesy of Luskin OIC From left are Caryl Pettit, Ginney Pruitt, Santa, Arlene Massimino, Jeanne Long and Luskin OIC Foundation Assistant Vice President MaryBeth Perrine.



# Veterans Corner December 2022 Spending Christmas in Vietnam

Christmas 1969 - I was serving at a fire support base in Vietnam with the U.S. Army. I recall no Christmas music on Armed Forces Radio until the 24th, no or limited decorations and on Christmas morning I opened a small package from home ... pretty much a lonely quiet day. I reached out to others to share their remembrances of Vietnam Christmases and got a number of varied responses. I also did a bit of internet research on what Christmas is like in Vietnam, the country. (Vietnam-Beauty.com)

Jim 1 writes - I believe we had an aluminum tree set on top of our bunker. Don't remember much else; it was 51 years ago. What has happened to the time?

Tony writes - I didn't last till Christmas. After three months in hospitals, I made it home the Friday before Christmas!

Jim 2 writes - 67 Pleiku, South Vietnam. Bob Hope Show on Christmas Eve (my birthday).

Small service by chaplain at MACV compound. One-day truce.

Dick writes – I made a tree out of empty Bud cans with an Old Crow bottle on top.

David writes - Never felt so alone even though I was surrounded by guys who were in the

same circumstances.

Jim 3 writes - I was in the Navy as a Seabee in DaNang then. My buddy worked part time at

the USO in our compound and brought several Christmas care packages that he found in a CONEX of theirs. They were from Sunday school kids. They included letters from the kids.

Since the end of the Vietnam War in 1975,

church-state relations have not always been smooth. However, relations have been improving since the introduction of economic reforms in the late 1980s. Liberalizing policies adopted since the 1980s saw Vietnam warming up to western influences and ideals and Christmas in Vietnam came back triumphantly. Now Christmas is one of the major festivals in Vietnam, celebrated with much fanfare by all religious communities.

Christmas in Vietnam is a huge event, especially in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam and the Vietnamese Christmas celebrations here are like any other city in the western world. The Christians in Vietnam attend a midnight Mass on Christmas Eve and return home to a sumptuous Christmas dinner. The Christmas dinner usually consists of chicken soup while wealthier people eat turkey and Christmas pudding.

On Christmas Eve, Vietnamese people in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City, especially young people, like to go into the city center. The streets are crowded with people on Christmas Eve and in the city center cars are not allowed for the night. People celebrate by throwing confetti, taking pictures and enjoying the Christmas decorations and lights of big hotels and department stores. Lots of cafés and restaurants are open for people to enjoy a snack!

Merry Christmas (and in Vietnamese) "Chúc M□ng Giáng Sinh"

This Christmas season, please keep in your thoughts the U.S. service men and women serving their country who cannot make it home to celebrate with their friends and families.



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# **CALENDAR this**

## **GLENDALE KIWANIS**

meet for the remainder of the year but will nation's premier mother-daughter meet again on Jan. 6. Meetings are held on Friday at noon. The cost to attend, which annual membership drive. NCL is includes lunch, is \$20.

at the Elks Lodge, 120 E. Colorado St. in six through eight. The Glendale Glendale.

# **LIBRARY & ART CENTER**

Glendale Library Arts & Culture -BrandAssociates continues its 50th Annual membership are only accepted National Juried Exhibition of Works on during the annual membership Paper at the Brand Library & Art Center drive, which is from Oct. 1 – Jan. 6 continuing through Dec. 30. The exhibition, each year. also known as Brand 50, marks 50 years of featuring the best in local and national encouraged to attend one of the contemporary art with 89 artworks chosen prospective member meetings. To from 1200-plus submissions selected by receive an invitation, please contact juror Shannon Currie Holmes, Exhibitions the chapter at membershipglendale@ supervisor at Brand Library & Art Center.

Brand 50 brings together artists from diverse backgrounds, including artists making their first foray into a gallery, as website at National Charity League, well as seasoned professionals whose work Inc. or by sending an email to is widely known. In conjunction with the membershipglendale@nclonline.org. Brand 50 juried exhibition, there will also be a gallery looking back on the history of **JEWEL CITY KNITTERS NEWS** these exhibits with artworks spanning the earliestyears when ceramics were featured, its monthly JCK Charity Knit and to today's focus on the paper medium. All Crochet gathering on Saturday, exhibit artworks and a printed catalog will be on sale with proceeds benefitting Library, 3301 E. Chevy Chase Dr., the Brand Associates' efforts to support a Glendale, (818) 548-2046. Enjoy a rich array of cultural, arts, and educational programming at the iconic Brand Library conversation. For more information, & Art Center.

Brand Library & Art Center, 1601 W. Mountain St. in Glendale

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## **NCL CONTINUES MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

 $The Glendale\, Chapter of National$ The Kiwanis Club of Glendale will not Charity League, Inc. (NCL), the volunteer organization, continues its accepting applications from women The Club meets Friday afternoons with daughters currently in grades Chapter is comprised of nearly 300 members who reside in the Glendale, WORKS ON PAPER AT THE BRAND La Cañada, La Crescenta, Pasadena, Burbank and surrounding areas of Los Angeles. Applications for

> Interested mothers nclonline.org. For more information, prospective members are encouraged to visit the Glendale Chapter's

Jewel City Knitters will hold Jan. 7 at 2 p.m. at the Chevy Chase relaxed afternoon of knit, crochet and email susandietel@yahoo.com.

## **GYO HOLDING AUDITIONS**

The Glendale Youth Orchestra will hold auditions by appointment for the winter and spring quarters on Saturday, Jan. 7. The GYO performs three concerts each season at the Alex Theatre. The GYO was founded in 1989. Members range in age from 12-20 and must participate in their school music program (if there is one).

audition information and materials can be found glendaleyouthorchestra. Questions? Email glendaleyouthorchestra@gmail.com.

## **LEARN MODERN SQUARE DANCING**

A new 13-week beginner's class on modern square dancing is starting on Tuesday, Jan. 10 at 7:45 p.m. at St. George's Episcopal Church, 808 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada. The first class is free.

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## **LOCAL AUTHORS HOLDING BOOK READING**

Devon Nunnally and Biaina Alexanian, authors of the children's book "There's a Spider in my Bed," will be having a book reading on Jan. 14 at 11 a.m. at Barnes & Noble in The Grove, 189 The Grove Drive in Los Angeles. The reading is free to attend.

## **FOUNDING FLINTRIDGE**

"Founding Flintridge" on Jan. 14 tells the story of how California Senator Frank Flint established one

Edited by Timothy Parker

## DOWN

- 1) "Malcolm in the Middle" dad
- 2) Alter 3) Rather or Aykroyd
- 4) Leg-of-mutton sleeve
- "Get ready!" in fencing
- 6) Have \_\_\_(try)
  7) "Halfway" prefix
- 8) Flowered recess
- 9) Surgical instrument 10) Molting snake, e.g.
- 11) "Nyuk, nyuk, nyuk!" utterer
- 12) Tsar's edict
- 13) Serves up the brewskis
- 18) Far East (with "the") 23) Monroe's last co-star
- 24) From 18-Down, perhaps
- 25) In a big hurry 26) Turns over, as land
- 69) Advance warning 28) Sound rebound
- 70) Leave out in pronunciation
- 71) Change the color of 31) Stuff of jeans 72) Harps' kin, of yore 35) Cygnus' brightest star
- 73) Assembly of churchmen 37) Stairway pillar 38) Opposite of ally
  - 40) Wouldn't relinquish
    - 45) Naysayer's act 47) Wades through loudly
      - 50) Expensive 53) Course with greens

42) Berber language

- 54) Manicurist's board 55) Less cooked
- 57) In a fitting way
- 63) Live and breathe
- 64) " a Small World"
- 65) Hr. fragment
- 66) "Without further
- 67) The Simpsons' neighbor Flanders

see ANSWERS in next week's paper

ago. This entertaining and fact-filled film tells of the challenges Flint faced in developing the community named after him that was originally intended to be a suburb of Pasadena. The speaker for this program John

of the local communities over 100 years

Newcombe, an independent filmmaker who holds a BA and MA in theatre and has been writing screenplays for over 20 years. In recent years, he has made a number of award-winning documentaries. He also makes

promotional films and biographies.

This event is free and open to the public and everyone is welcome. It takes place at 1 p.m. at Bolton Hall Museum, Home of Little Landers Historical Society, 10110 Commerce Ave. in Tujunga.

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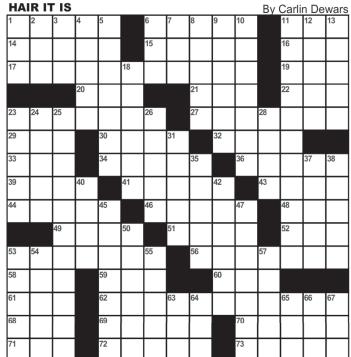


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# RELIGION

# Jehovah's Witnesses Return to the Rose Parade

or more than a century, families and spectators from all over the world line the streets of Pasadena to view the Tournament of Roses Parade at the start of each new year. It is a tradition that fills the air with optimism and hope.

Another tradition is also returning this year. For the first time since 2020, Jehovah's Witnesses will again be seen along the parade route, standing next to mobile carts displaying positive and hopeful messages for families.

The theme of this year's Rose Parade is "Turning the Corner." Parade organizers are hopeful that the nearly 800,000 expected attendees will mark this event as a fresh start for the community.

Many attendees are hoping for a better future. At 35 locations along the 5½ mile parade route, more than 250 Jehovah's

Witnesses have been preparing to share a positive message with all in attendance.

"People are looking for happiness and answers and want to make changes. They are hoping that the next year might be better than the last," said Gene Beltran, local spokesman for Jehovah's Witnesses in California.

"We're finding that a lot of people are just excited to get back to some normalcy," said Mark Plomaritis of Lake Forest. "People are eager, more eager than ever, to hear something added positive," Kathryn Plomaritis.

Along the sidewalks, families bundle up against the early morning cold. Some camp out overnight, make s'mores and secure their best spot to view the breathtaking floats. Despite the heightened excitement, there remains a lingering mindfulness



of safety, security and the way times have changed.

"People are now very sensitive to what has happened," said James Villanueva who assists in organizing this volunteer event for Jehovah's Witnesses. "I think

our presence at the Parade will be instrumental in giving people a real hope that these problems are just temporary," he added.

In September 2022, Jehovah's Witnesses resumed their public ministry. Out of concern for

the health and safety of the Witnesses had community suspended their activity in March 2020.

"The pandemic gave people the opportunity to reorganize their priorities in life. Many feel it's important to get in touch with their spirituality," said Zila Rodriguez of Los Angeles.

Returning volunteer Crystal Jones from Carson said, "The carts are like a cup of coffee on a cold day. They are so warm and inviting."

## **LCIF News**

Lutheran Church in the Foothillsiscontinuingitscollection drive to help people in war-torn Ukraine. A list of urgently needed medical supplies can be found on the church's website, along with a link to an Amazon shopping list to make donating easy. LCIF is partnering with Ukrainian churches to get supplies where they are most needed. LCIF is also continuing its effort to help local people in need. Clean, gently worn clothing can be dropped off at the church office. The donated clothing will be taken to local homeless shelters.

Children's church is offered every Sunday for young children and confirmation class is available after worship service beginning at 11:15 a.m. for students in grades six-12.

Visit lcifoothills.org for event details, including small group gatherings and opportunities to serve. For more information or to request/offer help, email office@ lcifoothills.org, or call (818) 790-1951. The church is located at 1700 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada Flintridge. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

# 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. 8, 14, 22 & 29. Participants 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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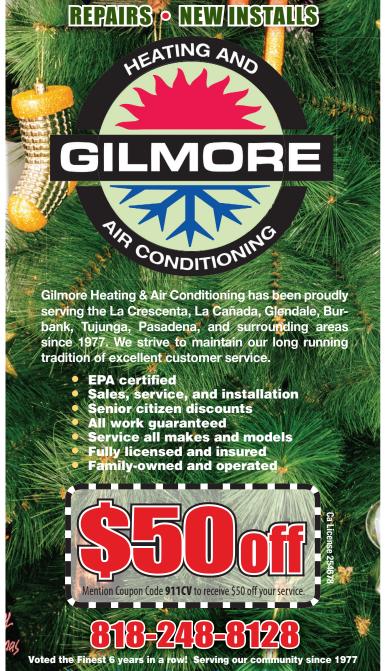
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## NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARY HINZE CASE NO: 22STPB11845. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of Mary Hinze, Mary June Hinze.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Carolyn Hammonds in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles. THE PETITION for Probate requests that Carolyn Hammonds be appointed as personal representative to administer the setted of the descelent.

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.

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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: January 20, 2023, at 8:30 a.m., 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 filling 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.

Attorney for Petitioner:

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Please take notice US Storage Centers - La Crescenta Cloud Ave located at 4441 Cloud Ave., La Crescenta, CA 91214 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagetreasures.com on 1/19/2023 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Verizon Verizon; Matthew Dreyer. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details. Published in the Crescenta Valley Weekly December 29, 2022, January 5, 2023,

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Glendale Police Chief Carl Povilaitis retired after over three decades of serving the City of Glendale. Povilaitis spent most of his life as a Glendale police officer, so when asked how he planned to go from being connected 24/7 to having some real free time, he replied, "I hear it is an adjustment."

"I tell people there is no better profession on the face of the Earth," Povilaitis said. "I think it's a noble profession."

Brian Landisi was named the new Clark Magnet principal.

"Dr. Landisi is a proud Glendale Unified alumnus," said Dr. Vivian Ekchian, Glendale Unified superintendent. Tiffany Hirdler was announced as assistant principal.

Glendale Teachers Association (GTA) members demonstrated in front of the Glendale Unified School District office just prior to the board's monthly meeting. They were disputing additions to the collective bargaining agreement. The district and GTA had been in negotiations since January in an attempt to reach wage agreements that date back to the 2020-21 school

Los Angeles City Council was at a standstill after a leaked recorded conversation, which included derogatory racial comments, sparked protests and reactions from across the city, state and nation. The conversation was among Councilmembers Nury Martinez, Kevin de Leon, Gil Cedillo and LA County Federation of Labor President Ron Herrera.

The leaked audio was initially posted on the website Reddit. City officials could be heard making several racially insensitive remarks, mocking Council colleagues and talking about the recent redistricting maps proposed by the LA City's redistricting commission.

Martinez and Herrera resigned from their positions

Glendale Police Dept. Captain Robert William held an outreach event to present information on the dangers of fentanyl. Fentanyl is a powerful synthetic opioid that is similar to morphine but is 50 to 100 times more potent. Department detectives are also speaking at community events on the dangers of fentanyl.

lot more money."

Crescenta Valley Town Council also held a fentanyl outreach meeting.

The Glendale City Council voted for Alternative 1 regarding the La Crescenta Avenue Rehabilitation Project. This alternative would reduce the number of car lanes on La Crescenta Avenue to one lane in each direction with separate, dedicated bike lanes on each side. A left turn lane would be in the center. The concern voiced by those who live close to the affected area near La Crescenta and Honolulu avenues were worried about the possible cut-through traffic if there were reduced lanes; however, in the end the Council voted to move ahead with that alternative.

The Crescenta Valley Town Council hosted a town hall meeting at the La Crescenta Library concerning mental health. A panel, consisting of Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger, Glendale Unified School District Superintendent Dr. Vivian Ekchian and LA County of Mental

"Fentanyl is being traced in everything right Health lead manager James Coomes, presented now" he said. "The [drug] cartels are making a \_\_information\_and\_answered\_questions. Barger said the topic of mental health and children is near to her heart.

> Halloween events were back after the pandemic isolation of years past. There were several local trick-or-treat events including Spooktacular at the Dads' Club and the Montrose Halloween Spooktacular.

> At its weekly meeting the goal of the Glendale City Council was to create historic districts to protect and enhance neighborhoods; however, the designation had become increasingly complicated. The Council voted to streamline the process.

# NOVEMBER

Jesse Villarreal, 22, was struck by a vehicle and killed as he ran across the Ocean View Boulevard overpass of the Foothill (210) Freeway on Nov. 5.

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