

The Prevention of Elen Asatryan's Mayorship: The Unfortunate By-product of an Old Policy

By Roman INGUANZO

The weekly Tuesday meeting of the Glendale City Council began at 6 p.m. with roll call, after which Mayor Ardy Kassakhian introduced the Glendale AYSO soccer team (who won western states championship on March 12) to conduct the flag salute.

The city clerk, after reporting that the agenda for the regular meeting was posted on March 15, offered some empowering words for women.

"[Women] represent the very best of America," said clerk Suzie Abajian.

The city council then discussed the agenda preview for the meeting of Tuesday, March 28 in which the appointment of Stephen Ryfle to the Los Angeles County Vector Control Commission was discussed.

After consent items were finalized, councilmembers/staff discussed matters not listed on the agenda. Councilmember Daniel Brotman announced the groundbreaking of one of the largest affordable housing projects in Glendale, located at 515 Pioneer Drive. The residences will be for families and individuals earning between 30% and 80% of the median income for the county.

Elen Asatryan commented that a policy passed a year and a half ago prevents her from serving as mayor during her term. In addition, if Asatryan were to try and run for mayor again the policy would prevent her from serving a second term. Asatryan stated that she understood that the policy was well-intentioned. In fact, she agreed with most of it.

"I know that this policy was not written for me or was not meant for this to happen, but the byproduct of this policy is simply not fair," Asatryan said. "There hasn't been a single councilmember in recent history who has not had the opportunity to serve as mayor during their term."

There was only one female council member who was unable to serve as mayor (reasons for which are unknown) and that event occurred at least 25 years ago. Asatryan stated that she has "grave concerns" regarding the meeting for the appointment

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Do You Have What It Takes? MSAR Holding Tryouts

By Robin GOLDSWORTHY

The Montrose Search and Rescue team is searching for those dedicated to helping others.

Folks who desire helping those in distress whether being lost in the forest, in a precarious spot while hiking, caught in dangerous weather or in need of some other type of outdoor assistance are invited to take part in the Montrose Search and Rescue team tryouts. Tryouts take place this Sunday, March 26 at Deukmejian Wilderness Park, 3429 Markridge Road in La Crescenta/Glendale. Check-in is at 7:30 a.m., 8 a.m. start time. The tryout takes place rain or shine.

This is the second year of the tryouts and according to team member Mike Leum the first year was "hugely successful."

"Many are in process for team membership resulting from last year's tryouts," Leum said.



Photo provided by MSAR
At the November 2021 tryouts, team members (from left Mike Leum, Dominic Carone and Doug Cramoline [center]) directed applicants at Deukmejian Wilderness Park.

Leum was key in organizing the tryout event saying that it is a good way to reach the team's "target audience."

"We're looking for people who are self-motivated, outdoorsy and physically fit," he said. Becoming a team member is

a long process and Leum said that the tryout is a good way to quickly assess those who can

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A Walk Along Foothill

By Mary O'KEEFE

The fourth walking audit of Foothill Boulevard, sponsored by Public Works Los Angeles County, took place on Saturday and started at the La Crescenta Library, 2809 Foothill Blvd.

The walk audit was an outreach that shared the options available for the Foothill Boulevard improvements as well as a chance to gather opinions on what the community would like to see on the boulevard.

There were several improvements discussed including keeping the Class II bike lanes that are presently along Foothill, which include a dedicated right-of-way for bicyclists along with motorists to changing to a Class III bike lane where bicyclists and motorists share the entire road or to a Class IV bike lane where there is a physical separation between the bike lane and roadway.

In addition there are possible pedestrian improvements including high visibility crosswalks, bulb-outs, flashing crosswalk lights and pedestrian refuge islands. The addition of signage is also being looked at with equipment including "speed feedback signs," which are lighted signs that reflect the rate of speed of individual vehicles and pedestrian countdowns on signals.

The Foothill Boulevard Active Transportation Plan began in March 2021 and was initiated by Public Works LA County in collaboration



Photo by Mary O'KEEFE
Sarah Ahmed addresses attendees of the walking audit of Foothill Boulevard held on Saturday.

with Glendale and La Cañada Flintridge.

"The Plan will evaluate approximately six miles of Foothill Boulevard from Lowell Avenue in the City of Glendale to Oak Grove Drive in the City of La Cañada Flintridge. This corridor connects the two cities with the unincorporated community of La Crescenta-Montrose," according to the Public Works. "Within a half-mile radius of the study corridor there are a variety of

destinations, including 14 schools, four hiking trails, six parks, the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), major retail stores and numerous restaurants. Enhanced active transportation infrastructure will improve mobility and accessibility along the corridor, which is also surrounded by both low- and high-density residential dwellings. The Plan will help shape future active transportation improvements along Foothill Boulevard and guide the transformation

of the corridor to support all users of the roadway."

Public Works has held several outreach meetings including at Crescenta Valley Town Council meetings, four walk audits (including Saturday's walk) that focused on the Glendale portion, La Crescenta and La Cañada Flintridge, a bike audit and a community outreach workshop.

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Stormy Weather

The last time I remember having such intense weather was back in the late '90s; in 1997-98 it was an El Niño year. I was working at Art Center College of Design and came home to pick up the boys for a dental appointment. There was two-three inches of standing water in our step down living room.

Being the mature woman that I was, I panicked and called Steve to tell him to get home immediately. I remember that he and our son Patrick set up some sort of pump to empty the room of water and then they tore down the walls and installed green board that resists moisture before prepping the room for new paint. What a mess!

I remember, too, that I had a guest stop by and when she was getting out of her car she dropped her keys in the gutter. The torrent of water was so fierce that it swept away her keys, probably depositing them in a nearby drain never to be seen again.

Another occasion of damp carpeting in the room due to rain necessitated the installation of some drainage on the west side of the house. Where there was previously dirt, which would absorb the water then regurgitate it into our living room, we had concrete poured with drainage pipes installed. Suffice it to say that we've lived in the house for more than 30 years and have never had to worry again about any water damage in that area from rain.

When we were gone on our (fantastic)

trip I had a friend stay at the house to watch over the house and the dogs. I was confident that since we had a new roof installed within the last five to 10 years leaks would not be a problem. Unfortunately I was mistaken.

Apparently the winds were pretty mighty that accompanied the rain and snow that visited our area. We have a tile roof and the tiles are pre-molded with a nail hole to secure it to the roof. Unfortunately, one tile was not secured and slipped – probably due to the wind and rain. This allowed water to get under the tarpaper and enter one of the bedrooms. Thankfully it wasn't gushing but it did cause a mess that my houseguest had to clean up and monitor. I was so embarrassed!

When there was an interruption in the rain Steve went onto the roof and found the offending tile and moved it back into place. Despite the heavy rains we've had these last few days there haven't been any leaks – and believe me, I've checked!

We're supposed to have a break in the rain until next Tuesday giving Steve a chance to return to the roof to permanently secure the tile. Of course I'll be at the bottom of the ladder – unable to catch him if he falls but at least I can call paramedics.

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» WEATHER WATCH

Taking A Look Outside Our Window

“More than a century of burning fossil fuels as well as unequal and unsustainable energy and land use has led to global warming of 1.1°C above pre-industrial levels. This has resulted in more frequent and more intense extreme weather events that have caused increasingly dangerous impacts on nature and people in every region of the world,” according to a statement from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) released on March 20.

You know how sometimes you're driving along and all of a sudden an emergency vehicle with sirens appears? You didn't hear the siren even though it was close. Well, some studies have shown this is a growing issue as the sounds of sirens are more common now than in the past. This is not just because there are more responding emergency vehicles on the roadways, which is part of it, but also we hear siren-type noises more often, like when a car alarm goes off, and have become complacent to these sounds. Data has shown that some drivers will respond in erratic ways when they hear emergency sirens – either coming to a sudden stop in front of the emergency vehicle or, instead of slowing down, speed up.

This seems to be how some people hear the warnings about climate change. It is not because they don't care or even because they don't believe but in some cases it is simply a matter of too many sirens going off at once. The problem is, as with emergency sirens, if we ignore them we are ignoring the reason the siren activated in the first place. When your car alarm goes off, you may think it is a false alarm but there is a small part of you that thinks, “I better

check, just in case.”

Again – this is how many of us have looked at climate change. This latest IPCC report states that there are “multiple, feasible and effective options to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to human-caused climate change, and they are available now” – but countries need to act fast.

“This Synthesis Report underscores the urgency of taking more ambitious action and shows that, if we act now, we can still secure a livable sustainable future for all,” stated IPCC chair Hoesung Lee.

In 2018, IPCC reported on the challenge required to keep global warming to 2.7 degrees Fahrenheit. “Five years later that challenge has become even greater due to a continued increase in greenhouse gas emissions.”

More than a century of burning fossil fuels, as well as unequal and unsustainable energy and land use, has led to global warming of 2.0 degrees F, according to the report.

In other words, the sirens are activated and going off even louder as the danger comes closer.

Ignoring the obvious is something all societies have done since the dawn of time. It seems to be human nature to think that in the end we will be fine – the “we survived worse” attitude. One of the best sci-fi films to highlight this view of the world is the 2021 “Don't Look Up.” To me this is a cross between a docudrama and science fiction. “Don't Look Up” follows two astronomers who attempt to warn humankind of an approaching comet that will destroy the planet.

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CVCA TO MEET TONIGHT

The Crescenta Valley Community Association will have its monthly meeting tonight, Thursday, March 23 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. The meeting will include discussion on local issues as well as an opportunity for Foothill area residents to bring their own concerns. Contact the CVCA at crescentavalleycommunityassn@gmail.com with questions and for Zoom meeting information. All are welcome.

GCC ANNUAL JOB FAIR OPEN TO STUDENTS AND PUBLIC

Glendale Community College's Annual Job Fair will be held today, Thursday, March 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Plaza Vaquero. A career panel will be held from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the Student Center. More than 50 employers from industries ranging from tech to entertainment will be sharing information about their companies and recruiting new employees. Students, alumni and community members are invited to "dress to impress" and to bring their resume.

Free parking will be available in GCC Lots B and C. For additional information visit glendale.edu/jobfair or contact Career Services at careerservices@glendale.edu.

OFF-RAMP CLEANUP

The monthly cleanup of the La Crescenta Avenue offramp of the 210 Freeway is Saturday, March 25. Volunteers meet at the 2700 block of Altura Avenue at 7:30 a.m. for instructions, safety vests and tools.

GO BIRDING AT THE ROSEMONT PRESERVE

The community is invited to tour the Rosemont Preserve with Jodhan Fine on Saturday, March 25 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Visitors will learn about the birds that are seen and heard during the walk. Fine is an Occidental College student and a member of the Moore Laboratory of Zoology. He has a keen interest in birds and has published research papers on unusual bird sightings. Bring binoculars and consider downloading the free Merlin bird app in advance by accessing <https://merlin.allaboutbirds.org/download/>. Be sure to download Merlin's "US: West Coast" bird information.

This tour will be limited to 15 people; those who would like to attend can RSVP to rosemontfriends@gmail.com.

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

This event is free to the public and suitable for all ages. Sorry, no pets please.

CVTC SPECIAL MEETING FOCUSING ON CLEARANCE NOTICES

On Thursday, April 4 the CV Town Council is hosting a meeting to address the numerous brush clearance notices received by local residents. The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. at the La Crescenta Library, 2809 Foothill Blvd.

Space is limited; RSVP to kerri@thevcouncil.com.

Editorial

Celebrating the Lives of Those Who Passed

By Mary O'KEEFE

The Crescenta Valley Weekly is inviting the community to join in a celebration of life/ Irish wake on April 1 at St. Luke's of the Mountains Episcopal Church in Sadler Hall.

As the neighborhood paper we have close ties to those leaders who volunteered and dedicated their time to this community. Recently we lost many of those leaders and in the first part of this year local residents have seen the loss of many loved ones.

Both Robin [Goldsworthy] and I are of Irish descent and in our traditions the wake is a time to mourn and to celebrate the life lost. It is a time to not ignore the grief and sadness but to embrace the gifts that were shared by the one who has now passed — one last party to celebrate the deceased.

For me, we had a memorial for my father when he died that included the American Legion Irish Brigade pipes and drums; however, the wake was held at the nearby horse track Dad used to go to. It was a place where he took my kids and allowed them to eat junk food — something I did not allow. He had set aside some money and we brought for everyone there the last round of chips with canned cheese and other heart-stopping items. For my uncle, the family held the traditional Catholic funeral but then his wake was held at the American Legion where he had set aside money so he could buy the last round for all who attended. And my great grandfather's wake was a barn square dance. It always seemed to lessen the pain of the loss when we all shared silly stories of those who had passed, life lessons that had been taught and how we will carry on their memories.

For Robin, it was the huge Boston Irish family support she received when her sister died. She doesn't get to spend a lot of time with her Boston family but when she was in need they all were there for her. They celebrated together.

As CVW reports on so many of those who have died, we talk to family and community members and share in their grief, which is why we thought we would bring our Irish-American tradition to the community to share as neighbors.

"We have all suffered losses in the community so as a community we can celebrate those lives," said Father Guy Leemhuis of St. Luke's of the Mountains Episcopal Church.

He added that COVID-19 had not only taken loved ones but had changed the way we mourned as it was more in isolation. This will offer an opportunity for those who lost loved ones to share in a more traditional way, surrounded by their community.

And of course there can't be an Irish wake, or any Irish event, without music. Irish musician Ken O'Malley and his band will be performing at St Luke's from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on April 1. O'Malley is well known throughout the Irish community and beyond. He brings the Irish culture to his audience in song and stories of his homeland. The Irish News described him as "without question, the single most enduring, influential and proficient of all Irish musicians in Southern California."

O'Malley was born and raised in Ireland but made his way to America about three decades ago. He immediately found work playing at Molly Malone's, the legendary Irish pub in Los Angeles, and never stopped playing. He has been part of bands like The Mulligans, Blended Spirits and The Twilight Lords.

While living in Dublin, at 15 he opened for the legendary balladeer Paddy Reilly at the Old Sheiling Pub. By the time he was 18 he was a professional musician. He has released several albums including "The White Seahorse" and "Women of Ireland."

Although Irish wakes often involve a wee bit of the drink, this event will be more of a fruity punch event making it family-friendly. As are Robin and I, and is CVW tradition, almost everything circles back to community support so although there are no tickets to purchase anyone who can is invited to donate to the Fire House youth center. There will be an opportunity to record some memories of those who have been lost; bring photos to share as well.

It doesn't matter how long ago the loss has been; we invite everyone to join in the celebration of those lives and how their memories have made your life fuller.

And we all grieve differently and for different reasons. For some it is the loss of a loved one, for others it is the loss of the way of life, like moving from high school to college. We invite all to come.

St. Luke's is located at 2563 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta. The event is free on April 1, and is from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. with live music by Ken O'Malley from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The parking lot is off Cross Street with additional parking on the street.



Ken O'Malley and his band will be performing at St Luke's from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on April 1. Photo provided by Ken O'MALLEY

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Brief History of St. Patrick’s Day

By Mary O’KEEFE

Friday, March 17, was St. Patrick’s Day—a day when everyone in the U.S., regardless of heritage, celebrates as if Irish with corned beef, cabbage and – yes – a pint. But the man at the center of the celebration is so much more than the color green and clovers.

St. Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland. Although his story is a mix of facts and folklore, the bottom line is that Patrick’s story is about forgiveness, respect and the love of God.

St. Patrick was born in Britain

in the fourth century and was kidnapped and enslaved by Irish raiders when he was 16. He spent a lot of his captivity as a shepherd. That meant he spent a lot of time away from people and outdoors giving him a time for reflection and prayer. He eventually escaped his captivity after about six years but then, as the tale is told, had a revelation from an angel who told him to return to Ireland as a missionary.

For 15 years he was in religious training and then, after he was ordained as a priest, he returned to Ireland to minister to Christians

who were there and also wanted to bring the word of God to those who had not heard/accepted Him.

He combined the Irish Druid traditions, including bonfires that honored those gods, with Christian religious days like Easter. He superimposed a sun symbol that the Irish honored onto the cross creating the Celtic cross. He would also have meals when he would invite all with everyone welcomed at the table.

Today, many of those traditions are remembered and celebrated on March 17 when everyone celebrates as if Irish.

NOTES & NODS

LCIF News

Lutheran Church in the Foothills invites everyone to enjoy a hearty soup supper on Wednesday evening, March 29 at 6 p.m. in the church’s Fellowship Hall. Worship service follows at 7 p.m. It will be the last “soup supper” of the Lenten season at LCIF.

Sunday services are held at 10 a.m., in person and online. Children’s church is offered each Sunday.

As LCIF looks ahead to Easter, it is welcoming donations of individually wrapped candy for its annual Easter egg hunt. Candy can be dropped off during church services or anytime during the week at the church office. The church continues to accept canned goods as well for its ongoing food drive to feed the hungry.

Visit lcifoothills.org 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.

Red Cross Blood Drive in La Crescenta

La Crescenta Presbyterian Church is hosting a Red Cross blood drive on Sunday, March 26, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The blood drive will be held at La Crescenta Presbyterian Church, 2902 Montrose Ave. in La Crescenta.

For more information or to sign up, visit redcrossblood.org and search “91214” for local blood drives, or contact La Crescenta Presbyterian at (818) 249-6137.

Walk and Word

In March, 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 March 26. 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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By Mary O'KEEFE

“Be stewards of this community where all are served,” Leemhuis said.

Council President Chris Kilpatrick said as he was watching the news he saw that members of “our own” Montrose Search and Rescue team responded. The Council wanted to thank MSAR for its service.

“The devastation was enormous,” he said. “It would be like every building from here to Orange County [destroyed].”

One of the first missions they were on was the rescue of a woman. Once they got her out of the rubble they heard another voice calling out. That was her 18-year-old son who rescuers were able to pull out of the devastation.

He said the residents made certain they were fed by giving them soup.

"Whether we were in the middle of rubble ... one bucket, one brick at a time clearing away a pathway to find a victim or standing on the corner, they felt our presence. They would say 'America's here' then they looked at our patches and said 'Los Angeles,'" Sheedy said.

He said it was an experience that none of them will ever forget.

Then safety personnel, including Capt. Robert Hahnlein from LASD-CV Station, Maria

Officer Bay reminded drivers of the hazards on the roadways due to the rain. He said CHP officers and tow truck drivers are responding to motorists along the freeways, which could cause distractions. Bay reminded those who drive the freeways to move a lane away from the shoulder when it is safe when encountering those responding to an emergency.

The Council was introduced to the newly appointed Glendale Community College superintendent/president Dr. Ryan Cornner who shared the many opportunities offered at the college. He added there were numerous new courses added to the curriculum. CVW is scheduling a walk-through of the campus with Dr. Cornner to highlight all the new additions, the vision for the future and the traditions that are honored.

Some refer to community college as the alternative path, but it “is the path,” Cornner said of choosing GCC.

Both the Land Use Committee and the Crescenta Valley Community Association (CVCA) had members speaking at the meeting.

Ines Chessum of the Land Use Committee spoke about a recent meeting she and CVTC member Donna Libra attended regarding a county ordinance that would reduce parking requirements for multi-family housing throughout LA County's unincorporated areas, a portion of which includes La Crescenta/Montrose.

“Donna and [I] went to the public hearing to speak out against [the ordinance]. There was a lot of community opposition to it,” Chessum said. “It was voted ‘no,’ which was a great accomplishment.”

Kilpatrick said he was at the hearing and there were about 12 people in attendance from the public, about six of those were representing CVTC and Land Use. He praised the Land Use Committee for being so involved and for writing a professional brief sharing the CV view of the parking proposal.

CVCA member Susan Bolan shared a lot of information on developments proposed for Foothill Boulevard.

“The Crescenta Valley Community Association is a cross-jurisdictional, volunteer organization that represents the different communities of the valley in matters of preserving our historical structures, monitoring and encouraging thoughtful growth design, and promoting open space to maintain and enhance the suburban quality of life in the Crescenta Valley,” according to the CVCA website.

The organization concentrates a lot of its attention in the far north Glendale area. Bolan spoke about several proposed buildings along Foothill Boulevard including a 34-unit apartment building in the 3900 block of Foothill on the southeast corner near Lowell Avenue and Foothill that could reach upwards of 51 feet and in the 3400 block of Foothill Boulevard, the former site of Trader Joe's that is now a Dollar King store.

"It had been zoned, because of the size of the lot, for 58 units," Bolan said.

But the developer has been in negotiations with the City of Glendale for about two years to build a 76-unit housing complex, Bolan said.

The development backs up to New York Park and underground parking is proposed.

CVCA members also spoke about a project that has been sitting on the back burner for over 20 years but now looks like it is moving forward on La Tuna Canyon Road in Tujunga. The project is a gated community that will include 221-single family homes. The project, titled the Canyon Hills Development, has received major opposition from the community. The plans were approved in 2005 and that approval will expire in 2025. The developer, Whitebird Inc., wants to begin construction before that approval expires.

Bolan shared a photo of the proposed project that showed homes along the hillside just north of the Foothill (210) Freeway on- and off-ramps at La Tuna Canyon Road. There is a petition of those against the project, which would cut through a wildlife corridor. As of Wednesday the petition had 159,040 signatures.

For more information on this project or to sign the petition, visit <https://tinyurl.com/26yehzp2>.

The Land Use Committee meets the first Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. To find information on the meeting go to Committees at www.thecvcouncil.com.

CVCA meets the fourth Thursday of the month and meetings are still virtual. The meeting tonight, Thursday, will include a discussion on Rockhaven Sanitarium, Mountain Oaks and the Verdugo Mountains historic mining site with guest speaker historian Mike Lawler. Also on the agenda will be a discussion about the Chevy Chase Estates Homeowners Association's recent victory to have an unpermitted and oversized deck removed from a hillside home.

To join tonight's CVCA meeting, which is held virtually at 7 p.m., visit <https://zoom.us/j/91644895134?pwd=dE9Fem5ZVC9mcFdUMFBMRThld1lvUT09>; meeting ID: 916 4489 5134; password: 826439.



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Revised Annual Brush Clearance Notices to LA County Residents in Fire Hazard Severity Zones

The County of Los Angeles Fire Dept. (Department) recently mailed the Annual 2023 Brush Clearance Notices to residents in Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZs). There are approximately 60,000 homeowners who will be receiving this notice for the first time while others have been part of the Department's annual brush clearance program for many years. Over the last two years, the fire department integrated a geospatial database into the Defensible Space Inspection Program that is far more accurate than visual identification used in previous

years. Using criteria-based mapping, numerous parcels have been identified within the FHSZs that have never been inspected. California Health & Safety Code, Section 14902, allows recovery of inspection program costs. In 1989, the Los Angeles County Dept. of Agricultural Commissioner, Weights and Measures, was authorized by the board of supervisors to recover their inspection program costs. The fire department resisted imposing this fee until 2022. Working with the board of supervisors, the fire department agreed to phase in the brush

inspection fee over a three-year period. In 2022, the fee was \$50 (to be billed on the 2023 property tax bill); in 2023, the fee will be \$100 (to be billed on the 2024 property tax bill); and in 2024, the fee will be \$151 (to be billed on the 2025 property tax bill). These fees will be assessed on all declared hazardous properties whether or not they are cleared by the property owner. The fee is intended to offset the Department's costs in an effort to keep the Brush Clearance Inspection Program cost neutral. Brush clearance inspections are scheduled to begin on April 1 in desert communities, on May 1

in inland communities and June 1 in coastal communities. If hazardous fire conditions exist on a property at the time of inspection, the property owner will be issued an Official Inspection Report that will indicate existing violations and provide specific clearing instructions and a compliance deadline. Information regarding brush clearance requirements and responsibilities can be obtained on the website <https://fire.lacounty.gov/fire-hazard-reduction-programs/or> by contacting the Brush Clearance Unit at (626) 969-2375.

Obituary

Robert "Bob" Eichensehr



March 6, 1933 – March 4, 2023

Bob was born in Johnstown, Pennsylvania to Robert and Jessie Eichensehr. The first of three children, he adored his siblings and treated them as such. He was born during the darkest days of the Depression when a dresser drawer was made into a bassinet.

When Bob was a senior in high school the doctors told his father that he would not survive another Johnstown winter, so the family moved to Burbank. Bob landed a job at Lockheed where he received many letters and citations of accomplishment – the least of which was 15 years of perfect attendance. While at Lockheed he worked on the development and the production of the most secretive and advanced aircraft in the sky. He retired in 1991 after 40 years.

One morning while eating his favorite breakfast at his favorite diner he spotted his future wife, the daughter of his favorite waitress. He and Glenda married and settled in Montrose where they raised nine children. Bob once said the best part of his day was when he came home and his presence would be announced with a loud and joyful shout of "Daddy's home!"

Bob loved to spend the afternoon at the track where he would marvel at Glenda's gambling prowess. He was an accomplished griller whose meats always came out just right. And on Thanksgiving he would take over the kitchen where he mastered his mother-in-law's recipe for stuffing.

He was a mischievous man who loved to "clown" people but never with malice.

His marriage to Glenda lasted 67 years until her passing in December. He is survived by his brother Ronald; daughters Denise, Gayleen and Shona; sons Glenn, David, Robert Joseph and Francis; 11 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister Joyce, daughter Darlene and son Charles.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated on Friday, March 24 at Holy Redeemer Church, 2411 Montrose Ave. in Montrose with interment of he and Glenda immediately following at San Fernando Mission Cemetery.

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MARCH 18

2800 block of El Caminto Street in La Crescenta, a homeowner reported finding black paint on the ground of his landscaping. He believes the vandalism was done by a family member who threw paint onto the landscape. The resident's surveillance video captured the relative committing the vandalism by throwing paint onto the resident's vehicle earlier in the month as well as capturing video of him doing the same type of vandalism at another property. The vandalism on the landscaping occurred between 2 a.m. and 4:30 a.m.

MARCH 17

Angeles Crest Highway, mile marker 34.14 in the Angeles National Forest, a driver reported that she had parked her vehicle at the location and went for a hike. When she returned to her vehicle she attempted

to unlock the driver's side door with her key but after several attempts was not able to open the door. After taking a closer look she found the door handle mechanism had been damaged. Nothing was found to be missing from the vehicle.

The incident occurred between 11:45 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

MARCH 15

2700 block of Community Avenue in La Crescenta, the glass on the front door window of a home was shattered. It did not appear anyone made entry into the home between 12:47 p.m. and 12:57 p.m.

2400 block of Prospect Avenue in Montrose, a catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle overnight.

MARCH 14

4400 block of Saint Francis Place in La Cañada Flintridge,

a resident reported that about 2:30 a.m. he heard a car alarm activate near his home. The alarm activated three times. He looked out the window and saw the source of the alarm – a four-door light colored vehicle, possibly a Ford Expedition. When he checked his unlocked vehicle the next morning he found several items had been stolen.

The theft occurred overnight.

MARCH 6

Big Tujunga Canyon Road/Trail Canyon Road in Angeles National Forest, a driver parked his vehicle at the location, went for a hike and when he returned found that the rear window of his vehicle had been smashed. Several items including personal information and computer equipment were stolen.

The vehicle burglary occurred between 10 a.m. and 12:49 p.m.

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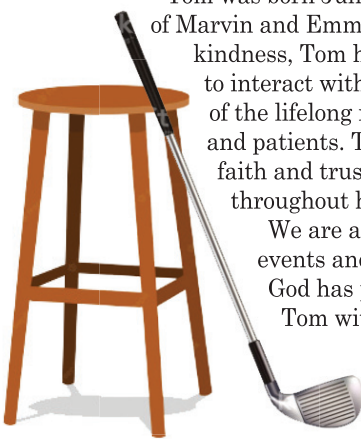
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Thomas H. Sawyer, D.C.
June 28, 1956 – March 7, 2023

Where is one’s home... Who is family...



Thomas H. Sawyer, D.C. passed away the evening of March 7.

Tom was born June 28, 1956 in Grand Junction, Colorado, the son of Marvin and Emma Zoe Sawyer. Born with a spirit of heart and kindness, Tom had a vision of helping and healing. Tom’s ability to interact with sincerity and respect were the cornerstones of the lifelong relationships he developed with family, friends and patients. Tom was humbled by the many who put their faith and trust in him to heal them physically and emotionally throughout his successful life and chiropractic career.

We are all faced with the emotional challenges of life events and physical challenges predicated by the toolbox God has provided each of us. Life, it would seem, dealt Tom with many more challenges than would appear to be the norm. Early life was full of accidents and injuries and, seemingly, just bad luck. In Tom’s later years, it would be artificial hips, knees and the fusing of both wrists – all of which led to his retirement from the profession he so loved much sooner than desired. While retirement was a crushing blow, Tom faced it with dignity and grace and with unwavering positivity and care for others.

Tom was preceded in death (16 short months ago) by his cherished mother Emma Zoe. He also leaves behind brother Ron (Doneen), sister Karen (Mark), niece Morgan (Robert), nephew Ben (Lauren), great nieces Kensley and Jaelyn, and great nephew Waylon. We are grateful for his life and love, and we loved him dearly. Tom will be especially missed by his devoted dog Zoey.

Upon retirement, Tom chose to continue to serve the community, friends and strangers alike. Tom devoted his time, love and energy to his friends and those in the community that were in need of help. Tom assisted those with hardships by providing financial assistance for food and rent, kind and motivating words, respectful guidance and his love. Tom kept his mounting physical issues private to protect family and friends from worry. A diseased pancreas ultimately led to other internal issues that took his life. It would seem that God wanted Tom to join his team in heaven so much that he brought him

home much sooner than we would have liked. Throughout all, Tom remained positive and dignified, as was his way.

Immediate family encouraged Tom to return home to Colorado, as it seemed a natural segue in retirement. There was much hanging out to be done, golf holes to be played, jokes to be told and life to be lived. However, unbeknownst to family was a “family” in the greater Montrose/La Cañada/La Crescenta area. In the days leading up to his passing, when we saw Tom for the last time – and following – it was clear how fully embraced by his friends and patients he was. It was clear there was heartfelt love for Tom by so many. The man on stool No. 2 was a big part of your lives ... cherish that each of you were a huge part of his. We now have an understanding of why Tom had stayed in your community for so many years.

So ... Where is one’s home? It was/is with you and your wonderful, loving community...

So ... Who is family? It is all of us...

The Sawyer family thanks you all for taking care of Tom for these many years, for being such goods friends, for loving and embracing him for who and what he was ... far too many to name here. Suffice it to say whomever he talked to, whomever he engaged, was instantly part of Tom’s life, a life for which he cared deeply for each and every one of you. We can never repay you for how you helped us over the last weeks. Your kind words, your tears, your stories, your embraces, made us feel ... well, like family. Please keep Tom in your heart always.

Rest in peace my brother, my in-law, my uncle, my great uncle, my mentor, my confidant, my hero ... my dear friend.

Family and friends are holding a very informal get together on March 26 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tom’s friends will be spreading the word.



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Glendale Elks Lodge Hosts Auto Show



Photos by Richard SNYDER

ABOVE: All types of cars were on display at the fundraising Glendale Elks Lodge Auto Show on Sunday.
BELOW: The car show was a family friendly event that appealed to guests of all ages.



By Richard SNYDER

Car lovers have one thing in common – they love to congregate and show off their prized vehicles. That's one reason a fundraising car show event is the perfect way to get the community mingling.

Even those who can't find enough folks with true classics, there are people in the community who are proud of their lowered vehicles, decked out time-honored "modernish" autos produced in the '50s, '60s, and '70s and original antique motorcars. People will come out to admire the cars, and some might even be willing to bring out their old jalopies if there is a fun category to recognize oldies but goodies on wheels.

Organizer Jack Wright was told by one person that, at one time, he owned a brand-new burgundy-colored 1970 Chevy Malibu convertible with a four-on-the-floor.

"If you had it today, the car would be worth a small fortune!" said Wright.

The Elks Lodge Auto Show on Sunday collected revenue from those who displayed their cars, participated in silent auctions and raffles and bought food (breakfast, lunch and snacks was for sale). Prizes included a chance to win an expensive bottle of wine

or brandy, a stay in a cabin up at Lake Arrowhead and even a multi-tasking exercise bike.

Funds raised provide scholarships for deserving Glendale High School students and those who attend John Marshall, Benjamin Franklin and Eagle Rock HS. The money raised is also spent on dictionaries that are given to third grade students in Glendale and La Crescenta elementary schools. Funds also provide Christmas gifts and meals for families in need.

For 14 years, the Glendale Elks Lodge hosted this major fundraising event.

"We also help Boy Scouts, the Little League, and veterans," said Chairperson George McCullough. "We distribute flyers at other car shows such as the Glendale Cruise Night. Anyone can join the Elks Lodge though most members are locals who live within a 10-mile radius."

Elks Lodge 1289 is located at 120 E. Colorado St. in Glendale. For more information, visit <https://tinyurl.com/9xudud2e>.

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There was talk of protective bike lanes that have posts that separate the lane from vehicle traffic on the roadway. Another option has parking spaces moved away from the curb, using the cars as protection for the bike lane. It would be the roadway then parked

Sunday's tryout is one of two

In addition to completing the timed hike, there are several other steps needed to complete membership. Leum details these to applicants who RSVP to Sunday's tryout (info@lacosar.org). For example, applicants must live within 30 minutes of Crescenta Valley Sheriff's Station; be at least 20.5 years old; pass an oral interview with the team; obtain an EMT license at some point during the application process; apply to become a reserve deputy sheriff



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TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

The Montrose Rodeo of 1947 – Part 1

Last week I covered the 1945 Montrose Rodeo that had promised to be a yearly event. It did continue in 1946, '47 and '48. But let's focus only on the 1947 rodeo, which turned out to be the grandest of the four.

Year to year, each rodeo was somewhat the same, save for the location. The location in 1945 was Onandarka Ranch (today's Oakmont Woods off of La Crescenta Avenue). In 1946 it moved to a big vacant lot in the 2900 block of Honolulu Avenue. It was back at Onandarka in 1947 and in 1948 moved to Mountain Oaks at the bottom of New York Avenue.

In 1945 and '46, the big event, auxiliary to the rodeo itself, was a dance held at the American

Legion Hall the night before the rodeo. But for 1947, a huge parade and a beauty contest were added to the mix. The "Queen of the Rodeo" was to be selected by popular vote with ballot boxes placed in Montrose businesses. The winner would be crowned by film star Dennis Morgan at the Rodeo Dance following the big parade on the Saturday before the Sunday rodeo. Besides the honor of being the queen, prizes included \$200, a trophy, a throne made out of a cut-up beer barrel, a large toy wagon and a cowgirl doll.

But the big parade seems to have been slated to be the main event, perhaps bigger than the rodeo itself. Several celebrities would be involved. Former child-star (now adult) Jackie Cooper was recruited as the grand marshal. Cooper had a lifetime career in entertainment but was best known for his roles in "The Champ," "Treasure Island" and as Ensign Pulver in "Mr. Roberts."

Another dignitary was La Cañada resident Dennis Morgan. Morgan was a huge star at that point, best known for "Christmas in Connecticut" and "God is My Co-Pilot." He also served as honorary mayor of Crescenta-Cañada. Glenn Strange was yet another star to lead the parade. Strange was a perennial "bad guy" in B-westerns in the 1930s and '40s. But when Boris Karloff stepped away from his Frankenstein role, Glenn

Strange took his place for such greats as "Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein."

Just like the Montrose Christmas Parade, the Montrose Rodeo Parade entries included pretty much everyone who wanted to march in the parade, and many prizes were to be handed out for best cowboy costumes, best decorated horse, best wagon, etc. Among the participants were troops of Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts, equestrian teams from all over, decorated wagons and a stagecoach, and a huge entry of young riders from the Onandarka Stables. Riding with the Onandarka Riders was cowboy film star Charles Starrett who played the "Durango Kid" in B-westerns. The Montrose Sheriff Mounted Posse was featured along with sheriff mounted posses from other cities. Marching bands included the Glendale High Marching Band and the Crescenta-Cañada Community Band.

And just to add a strange note to the parade, a blimp was slated to do low fly-overs along the parade route, dumping hundreds of balloons out that would (hopefully) drift down to the kids watching the parade.

And speaking of strange notes to the festivities, here's a doozy. In the late '40s, Glendale was making motions to annex Montrose (it succeeded in 1952) and there was considerable pushback from some locals. Escalating those tensions,

some Glendale group unadvisedly put up a huge sign on the edge of the Montrose shopping area saying "Shop Glendale." A group of the rowdier Montrose merchants (and rodeo promoters) responded by hanging a Glendale shopper (in effigy) from the tall sign, and posing for a front-page photo in the local newspaper. It really was a disturbing image and a few residents complained that the dark-faced dummy hanging by the noose had undertones of a racial lynching.


The newspaper defended the merchants involved under the headline "Racial Charges Hurlled As Locals Hang Horse Thief." The article went to call the display a "practical demonstration of the old west's only sure cure for horse stealing." Wow, inappropriate!

Next week, the "Wiskerino" beard-growing contest and, of course, the rodeo itself.




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How the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Grant Program will Benefit CA

In 2021, Congress passed the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law – a long-overdue and historic investment in our nation's transportation and infrastructure. After four years of "infrastructure week" with no infrastructure, this bill will bring millions in funding to California and help communities up and down the state.

The infrastructure bill provides funding to repair and build new sidewalks, bridges, roads and bike lanes. It will also help expand our electric vehicle charging capacity, improve our public transportation infrastructure and update our local airports so they can meet the needs of our communities.

Many communities in Los Angeles are disproportionately impacted by gaps in our infrastructure and transportation systems and, as a result, are disconnected from stable jobs, good schools, clean water, high-speed broadband and community resources. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law will right those wrongs by making historic investments focused on connecting

these underserved communities to opportunity. It will help ensure better access to affordable internet, more reliable transportation options and clean drinking water.

California is on track to receive nearly \$385 million over the next five years to expand our electric vehicle charging capabilities with more funding available to communities through EV-focused grants. I have long been championing making electric vehicles accessible and affordable for my constituents, and this funding is a huge step in the right direction.

One of the most notable benefits our district will see from these grants is an update to our region's airports through an airport terminal grant program. Our airports have been a source of noise pollution for surrounding communities, have become outdated over the years and are not equipped to handle the high number of passengers that utilize them. As part of this airport grant program, I secured \$30 million in funding for the Hollywood Burbank

Airport. These critical funds will be used towards constructing a brand new, energy-efficient terminal building and reducing noise pollution for residents in the surrounding neighborhoods.

Additionally, the Los Angeles International Airport will receive \$50 million in funding through the grant program to improve the terminals' roadways and update terminal parking. Both airports are critical to connecting our communities to the world, providing jobs for people who call our district home and stimulating our local economy through tourism.

Over the two decades that I have served in the U.S. House, I have been a vocal advocate for infrastructure investments and now we will have a rebuilding effort the likes of which we have not seen since the Eisenhower Administration. These dollars are an investment in our future and coupled with an even stronger investment in our human infrastructure will help pave the way to a more prosperous future for all Americans.

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‘Dr. Seuss Wonderland’ at La Crescenta Elementary School



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La Crescenta Elementary School librarian Carole Mulder stretches “Dr. Seuss Day” through the entire month of March. On Tuesday, she was accompanied by the Dr. Seuss character The Cat introduced in the book “The Cat in the Hat.”



Photo by Ruth SOWBY
Samuel Kang, 10, La Crescenta Elementary School fifth grader, reads Dr. Seuss books in his “free time.”



Photo by Suzanne SAVAGE
Suzanne Savage’s fifth grade class takes part in Read Across America Day starring Dr. Seuss. Librarian Carole Mulder dresses as The Cat in “The Cat in the Hat,” one of more than 60 books written by Theodor Seuss Geisel.

By Ruth SOWBY

As part of the National Reading Month of March, the library at La Crescenta Elementary School could be considered “Dr. Seuss Central.” Murals of Dr. Seuss characters line the walls, costumes of Dr. Seuss characters hang from the ceilings and books by Dr. Seuss (the moniker of Theodor Seuss Geisel) are stacked on shelves. Librarian Carole Mulder is so passionate over many of Dr. Seuss’ 60 books that she patiently supervised each of the school’s 430 students as they came to the library this month, class by class, in honor of Dr. Seuss.

On Dr. Seuss’ March 2 birthday

(also known as Read Across America Day), Mulder dressed as The Cat from Dr. Seuss’ “The Cat in the Hat” to welcome students and their teachers to the library. Mulder would read to them and encourage them to read for themselves. She counted on the costumes, decorations, books and free magnetic bookmarks to keep the interest of the children, ranging in age from 4 to 12. That did the trick for 10-year-old Samuel Kang. It was hard to pull him away from library hour.

“I read in my free time,” he said.

Mulder even invented and put together Dr. Seuss games for the kids to play such as “Toss the Cat in the Hat” and Pin the

Hat on the Cat.” She bought her game supplies and room decorations from the Dollar Store; no parents were asked for money. The \$600 Mulder estimates she spent came from the school foundation and the PTA.

Mulder feels it was worth it. Besides promoting a love for reading, the month of Dr. Seuss may also promote empathy.

“When you spend time in another character’s shoes, like the children are doing, empathy may come,” said Mulder. And, according to Dr. Seuss, “The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you’ll go.”

Glendale AYSO Boys’ Soccer Team Wins Western State Championship



U14B Western State Champions.

The American Youth Soccer Organization’s 14 and Under Boys Sectional All-Star team won the 2023 Western States Championship.

The team finished the All-Star season with a record of 14 wins and one loss then went on to win the Area 1C All-Star playoffs to finish second in the Section 1 Championship, which qualified them to play in the Western States Championship games.

The games were held in Moorpark, California on March 12. The semifinal opposing team was from Garden Grove with the Glendale boys winning by a score of 2-1. The final championship game was against Canyon Country with the final score being 5-0 in favor of Glendale.

The last time a team from Region 88 won the Western States Championship was in 2017 when the 14 and Under girls team, coached by Gary Barseghian, took first place.

Adam Coppersmith, the team’s coach said, “I am so proud of the boys and winning the

championship. They all worked so hard throughout the season and were very committed to each other and the team. What makes this so special is that most of the boys have played together and have been friends for many years making the team camaraderie special and unique. I am very fortunate to be able to enjoy this memorable journey with the boys and families.”

In addition to Coppersmith, the boys’ team was coached by Assistant Coach Elijah Wasson.

The champion team players are Leo Desrosiers, Luca Boghossian, Jack Coppersmith, Ewan Kokorowski, Owen Wasson, Isaiah Tahk, Michael Watanabe, Liam Kokorowski, Michael DeLeon, Andrew Schaeffer, Nicolas Sarkissian, Dominic Ponce, Neil Harzman, Tyler Freemon and Xaviar Graham.

At the March 21 Glendale City Council meeting the city planned to recognize the champions with the mayor’s commendation.

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Sell Out Crowd Celebrates Museum Milestone



State Senator Anthony Portantino with two Gala guests.



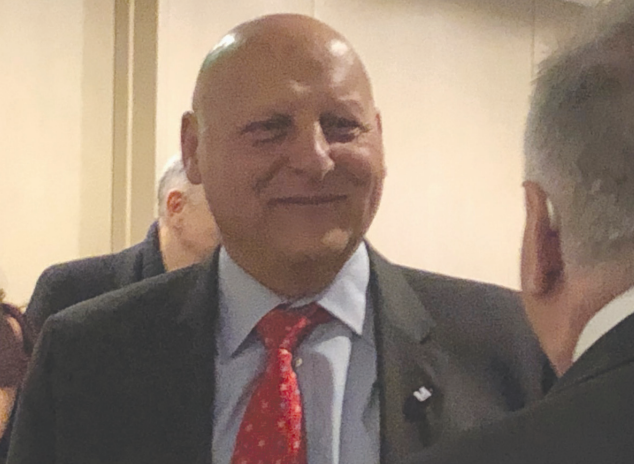
Assemblymember Laura Friedman took part in the celebration.



CVW Publisher Robin Goldsworthy with Supervisor Kathryn Barger.



CVW Publisher Robin Goldsworthy and Glendale Mayor Ardy Kassakhian



Councilmember Ara Najarian chats with a fellow guest.



Emcee Kev Orkian kept the audience entertained.

By Robin GOLDSWORTHY

An estimated 1,000-plus supporters attended the Elevate Gala on Sunday night at the Fremont Century Plaza in Los Angeles that celebrated the completion of the first phase of the historic Armenian American Museum and Cultural Center of California in Glendale. Plans for the expansive museum include spaces for permanent and temporary exhibitions, an auditorium, learning center, demonstration kitchen, archives center and gift shop.

While much attention will be given to Armenian American heritage, the mission of the Armenian American Museum and Cultural Center of California is to promote understanding and appreciation of America's ethnic and cultural diversity by sharing the Armenian American experience, according to the museum website.

Sunday night's event was attended by an assortment of dignitaries including State Senator Anthony Portantino, Assemblymember Laura Friedman, LA County Supervisor Kathryn Barger, City of Glendale Mayor Ardy Kassakhian, Councilmembers Ara Najarian and Elen Asatryan and former Los Angeles City attorney Mike Feuer, among others.

A highlight of the evening was the singing of the national anthems of America and the Republic of Armenia by soprano Mariné Ter-Kazaryan. In addition to performances by Ara Dance Studio and Orkian, an invocation for the evening was given by Archbishop Hovnan Derderian, Bishop Torkom Donoyan, Rev. Hendrik Shanazarian and Monsignor Parsegh Baghassarian.

State Senator Portantino and Mayor Kassakhian, along with Elevate Gala Committee chair Diana Timuryan and museum director Shant Sahakian, also gave messages of greeting and congratulations.

Several naming opportunities remain; anyone interested in learning more should visit the museum website at armenianamericanmuseum.org.

Photos by Robin GOLDSWORTHY

Local Wealth Management Team Recognized by Forbes

Morgan Stanley (NYSE: MS) announced that The Jewel City Group based in Pasadena has been named to Forbes Magazine's 2023 list of America's Best-In-State Wealth Management Teams.

Forbes Best-In-State Wealth Management Teams ranking was developed by SHOOK Research and is based on in-person, virtual and telephone due diligence meetings to measure best practices, client retention, industry experience, credentials, review of compliance records, firm nominations; and quantitative criteria, such as: assets under management and revenue generated for their firms.

"I am pleased that The Jewel City Group is representing Morgan Stanley," said Gregory Laetsch, complex manager of Morgan Stanley's Los Angeles office. "To be named to this list recognizes The Jewel City Group's professionalism and dedication to the needs of their valued clients."

Morgan Stanley Wealth Management provides access to a wide range of products and services to individuals, businesses and institutions, including brokerage and investment advisory services, financial and wealth planning, cash management and lending products and services, annuities and insurance, retirement and trust services.

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People Making News

The following local students earned dean's list honors for Emerson College's fall 2022 semester. The requirement to make dean's list is a grade point average of 3.7 or higher for that semester.

Isabel Moon of La Cañada is majoring in theatre and performance and is a member of the Class of 2023; Sam Kellman of Glendale is majoring in media arts production and is a member of the Class of 2025; Nicole Smith of Tujunga is majoring in theatre and performance and is a member of the Class of 2025; and Liqun Zheng of La Cañada Flintridge is majoring in media arts production and is a member of the Class of 2025.

Based in Boston, Massachusetts, opposite the historic Boston Common and in the heart of the city's Theatre District, Emerson College educates individuals who will solve problems and change the world through engaged leadership in communication and the arts, a mission informed by liberal learning. The College has approximately 4,161 undergraduates and 554 graduate students from across the United States and nearly 70 countries. Supported by state-of-the-art facilities and a renowned faculty, students participate in more than 90 student organizations and performance groups.

Approximately 1,700 students were named to the dean's list in fall 2022. Biola students are placed on the dean's list to honor those with a GPA of 3.6 or higher while enrolled in 12 or more credits and whose cumulative GPA is at least 3.2.

The following local residents were named to the dean's list: Emily Low of Sunland, majoring in comm sciences disorders; Alique Malakian

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of Tujunga, majoring in kinesiology; and Molly Mittelberg of La Cañada Flintridge, majoring in nursing

Biola University is a nationally ranked Christian university in the heart of Southern California. It was recently recognized as one of America's best colleges, earning a spot in the top tier of the "best national universities" category of U.S. News and World Report's Best Colleges 2023 rankings.

Founded in 1908, Biola is committed to the mission of biblically centered education, scholarship and service – equipping men and women in mind and character to impact the world for the Lord Jesus Christ. With more than 6,000 students at its Southern California campus and around the world, Biola's nine schools offer more than 150 academic programs at the bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels.

For more information, visit biola.edu or call (562) 777-4061.

Natalie Berner from Glendale was recently named to the dean's list at the College of William & Mary for the fall 2022 semester.

In order to achieve dean's list status, a full-time degree seeking undergraduate student must take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 3.6 Quality Point Average during the semester.

William & Mary is the second oldest institution of higher learning in the United States.

Ethan Sharp of La Cañada Flintridge was among more than 1,750 students who received degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Madison during a commencement ceremony at the Kohl Center on Dec. 18, 2022. Sharp attended the College of Letters and Science and received a Bachelor of Science degree in economics and mathematics.

Tufts University recently announced the dean's list for the fall 2022 semester.

Local students who earned dean's list honors are: Veronica Habashy, class of 2026, Rucha Kadam class of 2023, and Caroline Nowak, class of 2023, all from La Cañada Flintridge.

Dean's list honors at Tufts University require a semester grade point average of 3.4 or greater.

Tufts University, located on campuses in Boston, Medford/Somerville and Grafton, Massachusetts, and in Talloires, France, is recognized among the premier research universities in the United States.

Sean Metz from La Cañada Flintridge who attends Hankamer School of Business at Baylor University was among the more than 5,100 Baylor University students named to the fall 2022 dean's academic honor list. The list recognizes Baylor undergraduates for their outstanding academic work during each semester.

Students honored on the dean's list earned a minimum semester grade-point-average of 3.70 with no grade lower than a "C" while enrolled in at least 12 graded semester hours.

Baylor provides 127 baccalaureate programs in fields as varied as business, engineering, pre-medicine, computer science, nursing and music, along with 79 master's programs, 50 doctoral programs (including the Juris Doctor), the Education Specialist program and Master of Laws program. www.baylor.edu.

Sheri Morton Named 'La Cañadan of the Year'

The Kiwanis Club of La Cañada announced Sheri Morton as the La Cañadan of the Year for 2022 in recognition of her decades of exemplary volunteer service. On Wednesday, April 19 at 11:30 a.m., Morton will be honored at a celebratory luncheon held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Recreation Hall, 1830 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada Flintridge. Since 1951, the award has been presented to an individual or couple for outstanding leadership and broad-based service that has positively enhanced the La Cañada Flintridge community.

La Cañadan of the Year committee chairperson Terry Piasky said, "We are thrilled to acknowledge Sheri's countless hours of volunteer service. We look forward to bringing the public together to honor and thank her for her selfless contributions, which have benefited so many in the foothill's community."

Morton moved to La Cañada in 1957, attended local schools, and was in the first graduating class at La Cañada High School. She attended Pasadena City College and graduated from California State College, Los Angeles, where she obtained her teaching credentials.

Morton taught in the Glendale Unified School District where she fondly recalls, "my teaching career was rich and varied!" Her teaching purview ranged from English, Yearbook, ELS, coaching after-school sports, being in charge of the computer lab and more. While she was teaching, Morton also earned her master's degree

in education from Cal State LA. She was a recipient of a fellowship from the UCLA Writing Project where at a workshop she met her future husband David. They were married in 1990 and in 1996 their daughter Maggie was born.

After boasting a 30-year career in education, Morton retired to assist her mother. She is following in her mother's footsteps and gives back to the community. In 1990 she was a charter member of the Cañada Auxiliary of Professionals (CAP) and Auxiliary of Assistance League of Flintridge (ALF).

Morton joined the La Cañada Thursday Club, where her daughter became a Les Fleurette debutante, as a tribute to her mother who was a past member. She has held multiple positions in the Club and is currently the 2022-23 president having served previously as president from 2016-18.

As deacon at La Cañada Presbyterian Church, Morton served on the church's Senior Ministry Task Force, developing a Senior Resources Guidebook. She has overseen the Red Cross blood drive. For over 15 years, she has cooked for more than 100 retired church members at the semi-annual Anchor luncheon.

After attending the Red Cross "Map Your Neighborhood" program, she and several neighbors organized a disaster plan for the 50 houses on their street. What started as disaster preparedness has turned into an annual block party rekindling friendships.

Morton is currently on the La Cañada Flintridge Sister Cities



Association board of directors, which cultivates the community of La Cañada Flintridge with sister city Villanueva de la Cañada, Spain, igniting friendships around the world and launching far-reaching youth programs.

Her volunteerism is not limited to La Cañada. Morton also serves on the Fine Arts Club of Pasadena board of directors, which supports the arts and artists of the local community and its environs by encouraging the creation, execution and appreciation of work in all branches of the fine arts.

Always on the lookout to help others, Morton thrives at volunteer work in the community she loves, providing service with a smile.

Members of the public are welcome to attend the luncheon celebration. Tickets are \$50 per person and may be purchased by going to: lacadakiwanis.org and clicking on the "La Cañadan of the Year" tab. Tickets may also be purchased by mailing a check to Kiwanis Club of La Cañada – "La Cañadan of the Year," P.O. Box 33, La Cañada Flintridge, CA 91012. Ticket purchasers need to be sure to include their name, email, contact phone and the name of any guest(s). The deadline to reserve tickets is April 12. For additional information, call (818) 568-6411 and leave a message or email lacadakiwanis@gmail.com for a response from a club member.

O'Brien, Dove at Village Poets Reading

Village Poets of Sunland-Tujunga invites poets and friends of poetry to the second of this year's monthly readings. It will be held in-person on Sunday, March 26 at 4:30 p.m. at Bolton Hall Museum, 10110 Commerce Ave. in Tujunga. Featured will be poets Toti O'Brien and Linda Dove.

Toti O'Brien is the Italian accordionist with the Irish last name. Born in Rome, living in Los Angeles, she is an artist, musician and dancer. She is the author of "Other Maidens," "An Alphabet of Birds," "In Her Terms," "Pages of a Broken Diary" and "Alter Alter."

Linda Dove holds a Ph.D. in Renaissance literature and teaches college writing. She is also an award-winning poet of four books: "In Defense of Objects," "O Dear Deer," "This Too" and "Fearn" as well as the scholarly collection of essays, "Women, Writing, and the Reproduction of Culture in Tudor and Stuart Britain." Poems have been nominated for a Pushcart Prize, the Robert H. Winner Award from the Poetry Society of America, Best of the Net and Best Microfiction. More recently, she has acted as a cultural



Linda Dove

critic, writing reviews and editing creative work for several internationally recognized visual artists. She lives on the eastern edge of Los Angeles where she



Toti O'Brien

serves as the faculty editor of MORIA Literary Magazine at Woodbury University.

Two segments of open mic will be available and refreshments

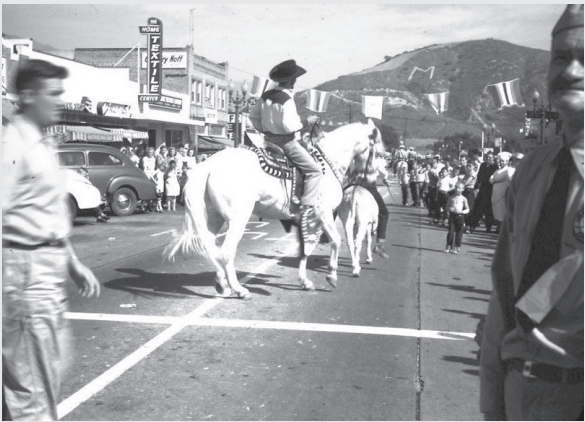
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NOW »Here's that same view today looking east on the 2200 block of Honolulu Avenue. Not sure a local rodeo would fly in modern day Montrose. The hillside where the big "M" was is nearly gone having been removed for both the Verdugo Hills Hospital and the freeway.

Senekeremian, Lee to Perform



On Wednesday, April 5 at 12:10 p.m., the Free Admission Glendale Noon Concerts program will be performed live in the Sanctuary of Glendale City Church, 610 E. California Ave.

Cellist Joo Lee and pianist Harout Senekeremian will perform duo works by Samuel Barber (American, 1910-1981) "Sonata for Cello and Piano in C minor, Op. 6" (1932), "Allegro ma non troppo," "Adagio-Presto" and "Allegro appassionato;" Antonin Dvorak (Czech, 1841-1904) "Silent Woods, Op. 68" (1883), George N. Gianopoulos "Gianopedie" and Robert Schumann (German, 1810-1856) "Fantasiestucke, Op. 73" (1849), "Zart und mit Ausdruck" ("Tender and with expression"), "Lebhaft, leicht" ("Lively, light") and "Rasch und mit Feuer" ("Quick and with fire").

Joo Lee is an LA-based cellist who loves to balance performances and life. She plays with many ensembles, such as Delirium Musicum, and plays for orchestras including San Bernardino and Santa Barbara Symphony orchestras, and LA Opera. Lee has recorded for media like "Family Guy," "American Dad," "Star Trek" series, "League of Legends," "Onward" and "The Call of the Wild." She has been invited to teach masterclasses

and to judge for numerous competitions.

Lee enjoys hiking and running. She received honors at Juilliard School Prep, BM from New England Conservatory and MM from University of Southern California.

Harout Senekeremian began playing the piano at the age of 4 with the encouragement of his father. His first teacher was Vatche Mankerian, who studied at the University of Southern California. Senekeremian started actively building and solidifying his technique under Mankerian's supervision. At age 9, he began studying under the tutelage of Dr. Louise Lepley at the prestigious Colburn School of Performing Arts. There he played in many master classes with pianists Yefim Bronfman, Robert Levin and Earl Wild, among others. In 1997, Senekeremian performed Mendelsohn's "Piano Concerto No. 2" with the Glendale Symphony. He also actively collaborated in chamber music groups including a live performance of Brahms' "C Minor Quartet" on 91.5 KUSC. Upon high school graduation, Senekeremian entered the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, studying piano with Alvin Chow. In his freshman year at Oberlin he had played all of Liszt's "Transcendental Études" and in his sophomore year he held a two-night concert performing all 10 "Scriabin Sonatas." At Oberlin, Senekeremian performed Rachmaninoff's "Second Piano Concerto in C Minor, Op. 18" with the conservatory orchestra. Upon graduation, Senekeremian began his masters under Arkady Aranov at the Manhattan School of Music. Senekeremian has taken a keen interest in non-traditional repertoire with a specialization in the solo piano music of French composer Charles-Valentin Alkan, playing in concert all of the composer's major works. He is also an eager participant in the performance of new music.

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It’s been four months since Brigitte Yvon bought her garage shelving along with installation from Home Depot. But no one has installed it yet. Can she get a refund?

Q I purchased garage shelving from Home Depot last spring. The shelving, including parts and labor, cost about \$10,000. I was able to schedule an installation for about five months later. I reached out to my contact at Home Depot to confirm the installation date. My contact verified in writing that the installation would happen on Aug. 31 between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. But the installer did not show up. I asked Home Depot what happened and a representative said the installer “could not make it.” After some back-and-forth, we agreed on another installation date, Sept. 12 at 9:30 a.m. The installer called at 9:47 and said he would be another 45 minutes. At 10 a.m., I called Home Depot and told them I had to go to work, that I was canceling the order and wanted a refund. I had taken five hours off of work waiting for this installer at this point. A manager eventually wrote me and told me that I could either have the raw materials and be refunded for the labor – and it would not be covered by a warranty – or I

could schedule for a third time. I refused to schedule and asked for a refund. The manager gave me the runaround and I insisted on a refund and asked to speak to their manager. I have contacted Home Depot escalation and heard nothing. It’s been weeks and I have heard nothing from the manager or Home Depot and I do not have the shelving installed. I also have not received a refund.

– Brigitte Yvon, Encinitas, California

A : If Home Depot can’t install your garage shelves as promised, you deserve to get all of your money back. Nothing upsets customers more than a contractor who makes them wait – with the possible exception of a shoddy job. I receive regular complaints from consumers who were left waiting by technicians and installers. They miss hours of work and the service providers often act as if they don’t care (if they show up at all). I reviewed the correspondence

between you and Home Depot. The contractor claimed the first delay was because of a “miscommunication,” and the second one was because of bad weather. Under your agreement with Home Depot, you had three days to cancel your installation and receive a full refund. But there must be an exception for failure to perform a timely installation. It looks like you waited more than five months for an appointment and then misconnected with a service provider on two occasions before finally calling it a day. And a Home Depot representative told you that you could get your money back for the labor only – but then the company put you on hold again. I publish the names, numbers and email addresses of the Home Depot executives on my consumer advocacy site, Elliott.org. A brief, polite email to one of them may have helped you sort this out quickly. I contacted Home Depot on your behalf. It agreed to refund your materials and labor but insisted that

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CALENDAR this

GLENDALÉ KIWANIS
The Kiwanis Club of Glendale meets on Fridays at noon. This week on March 24 the guest speaker is Katherine Yamada.
The cost to attend, which includes lunch and program, is \$20.
The Club meets Friday afternoons at the Elks Lodge, 120 E. Colorado St. in Glendale.

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GAMES PEOPLE PLAY
The community is invited to play games with supporters of Bolton Hall Museum on March 25 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The afternoon of exploring and playing family friendly board and card games is suitable for ages 6 to 96. Based on the Museum’s current exhibit, Toys & Games, Past & Present, young people are invited to see and learn vintage games and adults will relive the games of their youth.
This event is co-sponsored by the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council and 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 by visiting BoltonHall.org.

VILLAGE POETS READING CONTINUE WITH TOTI O'BRIEN AND LINDA DOVE
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Two segments of open mic will be available and refreshments will be served. Suggested donation is \$5 per person for the cost of refreshments and to donate to the Little Landers Society.

EASTER WEEKEND FUN
Church of Scientology Mission of the Foothills hosts a Saturday afternoon of Easter fun, including live bunnies to hold and pet, crafts, Easter egg hunt, bunny hop dance, refreshments and photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny (wear your Easter best!). The event takes place on Saturday, April 8 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Church of Scientology Mission of the Foothills, 2254 Honolulu Ave. in Montrose (entrance and free parking at the back of the building). There is no charge and all are welcome! Please phone (818) 957-1500 or email foothills@scientology.net to let organizers know you are coming.

‘CHIPS’ SCENES SHARED
Guests of the 2nd Saturday presentation on April 8 at the Bolton Hall Museum will see TV scenes from the late 1970s program “CHiPS” that were filmed on the not-yet-completed local 2 and 210 Freeways. CHiPS was about the adventures of two California Highway Patrol motorcycle officers and aired on NBC from September 1977 through April 1983.
Presenter for this program is local filmmaker John Newcombe who will be showing his compilations of many scenes from “CHiPS,” “Adam- 12,” “Emergency!” and other programs and movies that were filmed locally.
This event is at 1 p.m., is free and open to the public and everyone is welcome.
Bolton Hall Museum, home of Little Landers Historical Society, is located at 10110 Commerce Ave. in Tujunga.
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27 Bull's-eye pooch of "Our Gang"
28 Presided over
30 Kanye, to North
31 Jockey Willie
33 Navigate
36 Goalie's protected spot
37 British gun
38 Fawn's mother
41 Ali Khamenei's

country
42 Billie ___ King
43 Secluded valleys
44 Peyton Place's main street
45 ___ publica
46 Give the impres-sion
47 Finer than fine, to a collector
48 "Volsunga Saga" king
49 Haciendas
51 Sultry singer Horne
52 Kilt feature
53 Word in a lover's vow
54 Abscam, for one
56 Bridge support
57 Emir's dears
59 "There But for Fortune" singer
60 Bay fed by the River Erne
63 Landers and Jillian
64 Mexican sauce
65 Big House tenants
66 Guidonian note
67 Road map abbr.
68 "___ Lottery"

(Philip K. Dick novel)
69 Window piece
70 Freeze start
71 Word in MPH
72 Dutch town
73 Bedouin lodging
74 Script studier
75 Zealots
77 Feedback start
78 Request
another decision
81 Prohibition crime-fighter
82 Frank
86 Credit
87 Ells, e.g.
90 Silent star
Novello
91 Came down to earth
92 "___ Angel"
93 Purplish black
94 Weed in the Bible
95 Signals the auctioneer
96 Birthplace of Joyce and Yeats
97 Mrs. Dick Tracy
98 Beatrice d'___

DOWN

1 Like a clothes-hanger jimmy
2 Superior: Ger.
3 Just
4 ___ one's horizons
5 Filled completely
6 Bovine band
7 TV's "You ___ There"
8 Dan Marino, once
9 Upper crust
10 Bearing a likeness to
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12 Capital of Uzbekistan
13 Adapted for grinding, as teeth
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23 Panetta or Spinks
26 Paver's stuff
29 Twilights, poeti-cally
31 Imitation
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33 Term for addressing royalty
34 ___ bien
35 New England resident
36 Bishops' domains
38 Laundry need
39 Spanish jar
40 Spout
42 Heckle
43 James Cagney film
46 Restrain
48 Protected, at sea
56 Class of birds
51 Model Hurley
52 Connects, as culpability
54 Mythical fire dweller
55 One ready to drive, in golf
56 Part of a Southern meal
57 Dulcimer's kin
58 Throw in a chip
59 Cattle stoppers
60 "It ___ Come Easy"
61 Member of the sax section
62 Hideout
64 Tone down
65 Vegetable con-tainers
68 "Que ___" (Doris Day hit)
69 Hang in there
70 Monkshood
73 Screen, for one
74 Telecast
75 Coppers
76 "Komm, Gib Mir ___ Hand" (Beatle record-ing)
77 Expedition starting points
78 Hale of "Gilli-gan's Island"
79 Ralph Lauren's line
80 Satisfied a blackmailer
82 Slaughter of baseball
83 Gabor and Marie Saint
84 Match by type
85 Koala's perch
88 Opus ___ ("The Da Vinci Code" villains)
89 Roberto's "rah"

ANSWERS on page 17

Don't worry too much about trying to have a perfect figure. The stress of trying to achieve it can work against you in a number of ways. Have goals, but don't make them so hard to reach that you get discouraged. The way to good health includes taking good care of yourself and knowing your limits.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME: CECILY MONDRAGON. Case number 23GD00042. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles 600 East Broadway Room 279, Glendale, CA 91206. To all interested persons: 1. Petitioner CECILY MONDRAGON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: a. Present Name: SELENE LUNA VALENZUELA to Proposed Name: LUNA SELENE VALENZUELA. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: MAY 17, 2023 Time: 8:30 AM Dept.: D Room: b. The address of the court is same as noted above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Published Crescenta Valley Weekly March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2023.

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WEATHER from page 2

Warning: SPOILER ALERT ahead.

The astronomers, portrayed by Jennifer Lawrence as Kate Dibiasky and Leonardo DiCaprio as Dr. Randall Mindy, start out as pure scientists. They look at data, analyze and share their findings. There are no politics, at least not at first, but that's before they make the really big, substantial discovery that could change everything ... that's when the purity of knowledge becomes tainted by human greed, power and fear.

Dr. Mindy becomes swayed, and corrupted, by the power of public attention. He becomes the face of science and gets dazzled by the attention forgetting his true mission of warning the world. Dibiasky continues to follow the science but is not heard over Mindy's celebrity.

Dibiasky is turned into a meme joke on the internet, which basically destroys her credibility. People at first think this might be a threat but through the power of television actors who portray themselves as journalists, along with politicians and easily corrupted scientist-types, the public is assured there is nothing to worry about and everyone believes them – not science fact. Even the President, portrayed by Meryl Streep, tells everyone this too shall pass. Then, as is often the case, the President's political life is threatened so the life-ending comet now seems like a perfect distraction.

The countries' attempt to destroy the comet with nuclear devices fail ... it is interesting how often science fiction turns to nuclear bombs to save humanity but the bomb rarely does the job. Anyway, because all the signs of imminent destruction have been ignored the Earth is doomed. In the end people are shocked that this happened, wondering why they weren't warned ... even though they were, over and over again. The rich and powerful find a way to escape to another planet, although there is a bit of poetic justice after they landed, and Mindy finally realizes his mistakes. By the way, Dibiasky, the female scientist who actually first discovered the comet, never wavered on her findings, its danger and her duty to warn others. Just saying.

Normally I like more subtle films that the audience has to work through to see the true meaning but "Don't Look Up," even with its hit over the head, scream in your ear and, at times, tantrum approaches to get attention, was really fun and terrifying all at the same time.

It is actually what this IPCC 2023 report is all about: a warning that the proverbial comet is coming but there are solutions. We can no longer expect to completely destroy the "comet" but maybe we can redirect it to lessen the impact. The one action we cannot take is to ignore it.

For our short-term future, it looks like we may be drying out, according to NOAA. The storm that hit on Tuesday and Wednesday this week brought some lower snow levels, about 4,000 feet, which caused traffic to be escorted through the grapevine on Tuesday night into Wednesday morning. But starting today there should be a drying trend with a little warming with temperatures expected to be in the high 60s.

Enjoy the dry weather over the weekend because beginning next week, around Tuesday and Wednesday, there is another rainstorm predicted.

AYSO from page 12

Youth Soccer Organization) is part of the larger American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO), which is headquartered in Torrance. The national website is located at www.ayso.org. The National organization is broken down into 14 Sections. Each section is comprised of one or more areas and each area is made up of various regions. Region 88 is part of area C of section 1.

AYSO Region 88 has been a Platinum Region since 2004.

AYSO Region 88 generally serves the communities of Glendale, Montrose and La Crescenta. However, since AYSO does not have residency requirements, Region 88 also has players from Los Angeles, Tujunga, Sunland, La Cañada, Eagle Rock and other nearby communities.

Submitted by Harry HANNESSIAN

GCC from COVER

for the next mayor, which will take place on April 4. However, given the limited time to address the issue, the council will be unable to rectify the issue before April 4. In light of this, Asatryan told the council that she wants to reconsider the policy issue at a later date. She also made it clear that she wants to be considered for the Housing Authority Chair on April 11 because (according to a separate resolution) the Housing Authority Chair ultimately decides who the next mayor will be. The council took this event seriously and agreed to revisit the dilemma.

According to Councilmember Ara Najarian, the council will vote on Thursday to allocate \$500,000 to fund a bus service for South Glendale residents to visit Deukmejian Wilderness Park. This will provide opportunities for Glendale residents to visit the park who otherwise might be unable to.

A motion was passed authorizing the city manager or his designee to execute annual amendments with

CDM Constructors, Inc., extending the existing agreement for the operation and related engineering services at the Glendale Chromium Operable Unit, for annual terms, for a total of five years. This is an EPA Superfund site that was identified in 1986 as being a source of contaminated groundwater.

The council voted yes on a motion to continue Mechanical and Field Service at the Grayson Power Plant, adding the amount of \$180,000 to replenish the contract amount for the emergency service work provided to Unit No. 4 Boiler Waterwall Tube Cleaning.

The council voted in favor of revisions for the nomination and selection process for boards and commissions. These included revisions to term limits, and the addition of youth commissioners to the Arts and Culture Commission, Parks, Recreation & Community Services Commission, and Transportation & Parking Commission.

The city council then turned its

attention to an ordinance proposed by the Community Development Dept. that would authorize a statutory development agreement between the City of Glendale and Adelfia Properties II, LLC to work on the Lucia Park Project at 620 N. Brand Blvd. and 625 N. Maryland Ave. The council voted yes on the ordinance, marking a development partnership between the City of Glendale and Adelfia Properties and the conclusion of the meeting.

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