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#### Half-Cent Sales Tax for Housing on the November Ballot

Supervisor Kathryn Barger issued the following statement on Tuesday after the Los Angeles County Supervisors voted 4-0 to place the United Way's Citizens Initiative Measure, commonly known as the Affordable Housing, Homelessness Solutions and Prevention Now initiative, onto the November 2024 ballot:

"Today's action by the Board of Supervisors is purely ministerial in nature. Backers of this half-cent tax dutifully collected the number of signatures needed to qualify the initiative for the upcoming November ballot. The Registrar Recorder has completed validating those signatures and the Board voted today to submit the ordinance, without alteration, to the voters pursuant to Elections Code.

"To be clear, today's action by the Board of Supervisors is not to unilaterally approve and impose this tax initiative. The power to enact this new tax rests in the hands of the voters in the coming General Election."

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# Hearing the Roar of the Engines – the 2024 Montrose Car Show

By Robin GOLDSWORTHY

Whether a lover of hot rods, classics, exotics or more, the Montrose Car Show has something for everyone.

For the 22nd year, the Montrose Shopping Park Assn. is hosting a car show like none other. Admission is free to the Montrose Car Show, planned for Sunday, July 7 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. along Honolulu Avenue west from the 2200 block, including its adjacent streets. The highly-anticipated event showcases a variety of vehicles.

"Approximately 325 vehicles, including hot rods, classics, exotics, trucks and motorcycles, will be on-site," said MSPA business administrator and events coordinator Dale Dawson.

Among the cars featured will be the popular "cackle cars," whose thundering noise originates from their nitro-fueled engines.



"[An expected] four cackle vehicles will fire their engines one at a time in two demos at 10 a.m. and again at 12:30 p.m. on Ocean View Boulevard just below Honolulu Avenue," said Dawson.

Earplugs are provided, he added. ing lot. It is coordinated by show In addition to showing off their manager Tom King and announcer

vehicles, car owners will be vying for one of 25 trophies commemorating the 22nd Annual Montrose Car Show. The ceremony takes place at 1:15 p.m. at the check-in booth located on the Chase Bank parking lot. It is coordinated by show

Dwight Sityar. King and his family work the event in conjunction with various car club members who safely guide the entrants in and out of the show space.

The car show is a "gift to the community" by merchants of the  $see\ CAR\ SHOW\ on\ page\ 7$ 

# Local Volunteers Search Island for Missing Man

By Robin GOLDSWORTHY

Greece is known for historic architecture, delicious cuisine and world famous olive oil – and most recently a missing retired Los Angeles County sheriff's deputy.

Albert Calibet, 59 of Hermosa Beach, went missing on June 11 while on a hike on the Greek island of Amorgos. The island was experiencing an extreme heat wave at the time with temperatures reported at over 100 degrees.

Among the volunteers who headed to the island of Amorgos was local volunteer Steve Goldsworthy (husband of CV Weekly publisher Robin Goldsworthy).

"We were asked by a member of Albert's family to look for him," said Goldsworthy. "We wanted to use our search and rescue expertise and also wanted to support Albert's family."

Goldsworthy, who is a member of the Montrose Search & Rescue team, made it clear that the trip was not depart-



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#### » FROM THE DESK OF THE PUBLISHER

# The Wait is Over

present The Finest.

The Finest is a list chosen by our readers of who and what they think are the best in the Foothills ... and beyond. In the magazine included with this week's newspaper is a wealth of information on everything from The Finest cardiologist (Dr. Eric Lee) to The Finest bakery (Berolina Bakery & Pastry Shop). The magazine has a shelf life of one year and we know our readers will repeatedly visit its pages to learn who and what their neighbors think are the best in their field.

On the pages of The Finest you'll get a chance to learn more about many of these people and businesses, too. This is especially helpful when unexpected events occur and you need to react quickly. For example, you need a caterer for an event you're planning. The Finest can tell you who your neighbors think is The Finest (Gourmet A go go). Your stove goes on the fritz - who do you call? Fosters Appliance was a favorite.

The Finest is a reflection of the opinions of our readers and I'm proud that we're able to give voice to our thousands of readers. Their opinions matter, after all, and are valuable.

Let me quickly outline for you the process of identifying The Finest.

Ballots are in the paper and online for about six weeks. Readers fill them out and

It's taken five long years, including one submit them to the office of CV Weekly. Because pandemic, but CV Weekly is finally ready to there are thousands of entries, additional staff is hired to do the tallying. Once the tallying is over, sales staff goes to the winners to let them know they've been named as The Finest in their category. Many of the winners end up on the pages of The Finest magazine, giving you the chance to learn more about them. Finally, a celebratory party is held for the winners to acknowledge their hard work.

During COVID I didn't think it fair to publish The Finest since so many businesses were closed. I wanted to wait until the pandemic was totally over before launching the project - and 2024 was the year.

I'm proud of The Finest and of everyone here at CV Weekly who pulled it together. As you can see there are many "moving parts" to creating this magazine and without their focus it couldn't happen.

But after all - they make up The Finest



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#### **» WEATHER WATCH**

#### Taking A Look Outside Our Window

By Mary O'KEEFE

Have you heard of coral bleaching? I had heard of it and have seen photos but I never realized how far reaching this was and how it affects the ocean as a whole.

Over one quarter of all marine life relies on coral reefs at some point in their life cycle. Corals are the building blocks of reef ecosystems and vital to life on Earth, according to marineconservation.org.

Coral bleaching is when the reef's waters stay hot for too long and the coral becomes stressed and expels the marine algae living inside its tissues, called zooxanthellae, stated marineconservation.org.

So basically when this happens the coral, which is a living thing, spits out the algae, which leaves a white skeleton behind. In addition, some coral feeds itself; however, without zooxanthellae it would starve.

Scientists tell us that once we hit an increase of 1.5 degrees Celsius, coral reefs will struggle to survive. If during this decade we don't keep below 1.5C in global warming, the harsh reality is we will see more mass bleaching events and the rapid decline of our global icon. In just seven years, our reef has suffered four severe mass coral bleaching events – these happened faster and were more severe than scientists predicted. If we don't act to halt this pollution we risk the future of our precious reef, according to NOAA.

In 2005, the U.S. lost half of its coral reefs in one year in the Caribbean due to a massive bleaching event. The warm waters expanded southward that centered on the northern Antilles near the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. Comparison of satellite data from the previous 20 years confirmed

that thermal stress from the 2005 event was greater than the previous 20 years combined, according to NOAA.

Not all bleaching is due to warm water. In January 2010, cold water in the Florida Keys caused a coral bleach that resulted in the death of some coral. Water dropped 6.7 degrees Celsius, which was lower than the typical temperatures. Now researchers are looking into the affect of this bleaching due to extreme temperature drop, according to

So why does this matter? Why should we care if the extreme temperatures kill off the coral? Well, again we look to "Star Trek" and specifically "Star Trek VI – The Voyage Home." If you remember, and I am certain you have all seen this amazing film, the world was being destroyed because a ship of aliens was attempting to get a response from its comrades, the humpback whale. The film, as only "Star Trek" can do, highlighted the human arrogance that one species is more important another. In this case the humpbacks had long died off due to human activity. And just as the Earth was about to receive its poetic justice, Capt. Kirk, Spock and the crew of the Enterprise traveled back to the past to grab two humpback whales and plop them into the ocean so they could tell their fellow whales all is well and to move on. The Earth was

The problem is that, as much as I hate to admit it, "Star Trek" is a fictional world. We don't have anyone who can travel to the past to correct our arrogance and ignorance. We have to do something now.

Coral matters because ... well ... first of all, it is a living thing so it should matter

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# NEWS

## Hot Time at the Fair

By Clare BUCHANAN and Hayden FRANKLIN

The 18th Annual Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce's annual Hometown Country Fair was held at CV Park on Saturday, June 22 to celebrate and connect the community. The Fair provided a variety of vendors, events and amusements for all ages. Vendors included local businesses and artisans, community organizations like CV High School's Falkon 589 robotics team and the Historical Society of the Crescenta Valley, and service organizations including the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept. (LASD) – CV Station, Glendale Police Dept. (GPD), California Highway Patrol (CHP), U.S. Forest Service and the Crescenta Valley Water Dept.

With this large collection of service organizations at the Fair visitors had access to a large number of resources and information for organizations that are dedicated to protecting their homes and their lives.

U.S. Forest Service representatives spoke of this summer's high risk of wildfires due to vegetation resulting from heavy rains, which made the grass grow tall and thick.

"There are a lot more grasses, which only takes one hour of sunlight [to dry out]," said a U.S. Forest Service representative.

Those who stopped by their booth received urgent messages that included having a preparedness plan in place in case of emergency. It was also recommended that people hold fire drills and to make sure their houses are properly prepared for the wildfire season by clearing brush and other dry vegetation.

The representative added there is a lot of technology that can keep residents informed including PulsePoint, which follows fire department callouts.

CHP, LASD and the GPD also had informational booths at the Fair.

Recruitment was on the minds of all law enforcement. CHP is also looking for youth for its Explorers program and volunteers for its senior program. Those interested can find more information at www.chp.ca.gov.

GPD answered questions from residents who had concerns of safety in their neighborhoods. GPD members also urged interested parties to apply as officers or staff at GPD. They also have an Explorer program and are looking for volunteers. More information can be found at www.

29th Annual Cruise Night on July 20 on Brand Boulevard and reminded everyone to participate in the Annual National Night Out on Aug. 6.

"We are a part of the community and we are here to make the community safe," Milligan said.

Due to the Fair being held in June this year rather than April the heat was sweltering with temperatures reaching the upper 90s. Despite the heat the energy of the visitors at the Fair never faltered and several games and events were hosted during the course of the event with participation from the crowd. The Fair events started off with a dog show when contestants could show off their furry friends, then the games continued with a pie-eating contest for the little ones and ended with a water balloon tossing contest that felt fairly appropriate for the hot summer day. GPD officers participated in the water balloon toss to the delight of the kids.

Several non-profit organizations set up booths at the Hometown Country Fair, offering pamphlets, flyers and brochures on their individual missions and projects. The Impact Foundation LA was one of these.

Founded to honor Chace Taylor Malone, who passed away in 2021, Impact Foundation LA is led by Chace's mother, Victoria Malone, as well as a group of Chace's close friends who serve

Ambassador Program.

anxiety and depression.

According to Victoria Malone, Impact Foundation LA also provides "referrals to professional services here in the community." CV Cares is a program that is part of Impact Foundation LA, and is funded by the Centers for Disease Control. CV Cares is dedicated to "identifying local" the effect of a possible concrete and steel bike path built in problems and finding local solutions."

At the Hometown Country Fair, Impact Foundation GPD Sgt. Milligan invited everyone to the GPD upcoming demonstrated the proper use of Narcan. CV Cares also reaches the community through its Youth

> Other organizations also showed their support for the community at the Hometown Country Fair, such as the Friends of Rockhaven. Friends of Rockhaven is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving Rockhaven, a local landmark and former sanitarium created for women by women. Friends of Rockhaven offered local history and

on the non-profit's board. Impact Foundation LA's mission good conversation, showcasing the only known LGBTQ+ is to spread awareness about mental health issues such as resident of Rockhaven, Peggy Fears, through colorful

> The Verdugo Wash Neighborhoods Coalition (VWNC) was also present and members distributed information on their initiative, Save The Wash. Patrick Murphy, a spokesperson for VWNC, said the coalition is worried about the middle of the Verdugo Wash, which has been proposed by the City of Glendale. Murphy pointed out how the bike path could cause a variety of issues for neighbors living by the wash, such as privacy and security concerns, as well as obstacles for wildlife that use the wash as a thoroughfare. Murphy noted VWNC has participated in the Hometown Country Fair before; this year was the organization's third vear in attendance.

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at the Fair. **BOTTOM**: The water balloon toss was a contest featuring youngsters and GPD officers and was welcome on the hot day.



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#### **CVCA Meeting Tonight**

The Crescenta Valley Community Association will have its monthly meeting tonight, June 27 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Making a presentation is guest speaker Anita Enander, former mayor of Los Altos and a founding member of Our Neighborhood Voices, a volunteer organization working to put an initiative on the statewide ballot to return land use control to local

Contact the CVCA at crescentavalleycommunityassn@gmail.com with questions and for Zoom meeting information. All are welcome.

#### Fireworks Tickets Available

Tickets to the July 4 CV Fireworks Extravaganza are now on sale at the following locations: the offices of Bob Smith Toyota, 3333 Foothill Blvd. in Crescenta, Crescenta Valley Insurance, 3156 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta, CV Weekly/CV Chamber of Commerce, 3800 La Crescenta Ave. #206, La Crescenta and J's Maintenance, 3550 Foothill Blvd, in La Crescenta.

#### SCE Plans Maintenance on Local Lines

Routine maintenance will soon be performed on the electrical equipment in the local area. To keep crews safe, it is necessary to temporarily turn off power so upgrades can be installed or repairs made to the grid.

Acknowledging that having power shut off is inconvenient, SCE is attempting to isolate outages to the smallest area possible in order to complete the work safely and to promptly restore power.

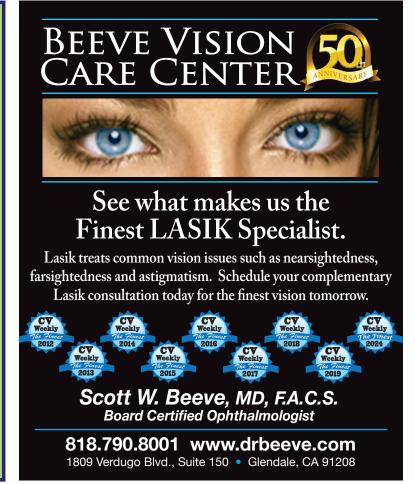
#### **Golf Classic Planned**

The 33rd Annual Golf Classic is planned for Sept. 16 at Oakmont Country Club, 3100 Country Club Drive in Glendale, to raise funds for USC Verdugo Hills Hospital (USC-VHH). The classic will begin at 9 a.m. The proceeds of this year's golf classic, Around the World in 18 Holes, will be used to support the construction of a new IR/Cath Lab for diagnosis and treatment of cardiac

This year's tournament is in loving memory of long-time foundation board member John Taylor.

To learn about sponsorship opportunities or to signup, email Barbara Jordan, Foundation Systems specialist, at Barbara.Jordan@med.usc.edu or call (818) 952-2226.





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#### **Lutheran Church to Host Events**

Join Lutheran Church in the Foothills for a fun and active evening at the Rosebowl! Lutheran Church in the Foothills is hosting a 5K walk around the iconic stadium on Monday, June 24. Meet at the Brookside Golf Club (1133 Rosemont Ave. in Pasadena) at 6 p.m. to participate in the walk. Whether the preference is to walk, jog, rollerblade or bike, this event is open to everyone. Bring a water bottle and dress for the weather. There's a chance of even winning a prize! This pet-friendly event is a great way to get some exercise, enjoy the outdoors and take in the beauty of the Rosebowl.

Lutheran Church in the Foothills is also taking sign-ups for Lutheran Night at Dodger Stadium. Join the church community for an exciting evening of baseball on Friday, Sept. 6 at 7:10 p.m. The LA Dodgers will be facing off against the Cleveland Guardians, followed by a spectacular drone show with fireworks. Tickets for Lutheran Night at Dodger Stadium are \$35.

For more information or to sign up for either event, visit the church's website lcifoothills.org. For general information about the church, groups to join, 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 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through

#### St. Bede The Venerable in La Cañada to Host Ancient Relic of St. Jude

St. Bede the Venerable in La Canada Flintridge will host the ancient relic of St. Jude the Apostle, cousin of Jesus, on Thursday, June 27 from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the Church.

Veneration will begin at 2 p.m., Mass will be offered at 7 p.m. and veneration will end at 10 p.m.

The relic, widely believed to perform miracles, is a piece of bone from St. Jude's arm that centuries ago was separated from his remains.

The bone is inside a wooden reliquary carved in the shape of an upright arm that gives the gesture of imparting a blessing. This visit is part of the Tour of the Relics of St. Jude the Apostle, which has already made over 100 stops throughout the United States since it began last September, and marked the first time the relic has left Italy in 1,700 years.

Admission is free and open to people of all faiths.

St. Bede the Venerable is located at 215 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada Flintridge. Additional information can be found at the website at www. bede.org or by calling (818) 949-4300.

Learn more about the St. Jude the Apostle of the Impossible Tour at: https://apostleoftheimpossible.com.

#### 'SCUBA,' a Vacation Bible School at La Crescenta Presbyterian

Kids from age 3 to incoming seventh graders are invited to a weeklong deep-sea adventure at "SCUBA," a Vacation Bible School at La Crescenta Presbyterian Church taking place Monday through Friday, July 15-19, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Kids will dance, sing, craft, explore, play and more as they learn to thank God for his loving kindness. The cost of this weeklong adventure is per family unit: \$60 for one child; \$100 for two children; \$140 for three or more children. T-shirts are included. Register at LCPC.net/VBS

"SCUBA" will take place at the La Crescenta Presbyterian campus at 2902 Montrose Ave. in La Crescenta. For more information, contact Jesiah@lcpc.net or call (818) 249-6137. To register, visit lcpc.net/vbs.

#### Mt. Olive Offers Community **Breakfast Bible Study**

Mt. Olive Lutheran Church reminds the public that all are invited to its monthly breakfast Bible study at Panera Bread Restaurant, 990 Town Center Dr., Suite A in La Cañada on the third Saturday of each month at 8:30 a.m. The Book of Ephesians is currently being studied.

All are invited.

#### **ICF Hosting Summer Mass and** Champagne Brunch

Italian Catholic Federation Branch 374 is hosting a summer Mass with Father Jim Bevacqua at Lakeside Golf Club (see note below) on July 14. Mass is at noon and the champagne brunch is at 1 p.m.

The menu is coffee, iced tea, lemonade, classic Caesar salad, cheesy bread, pasta primavera (vegetarian), butternut squash ravioli with kale (vegetarian), chicken parmesan and Italian cookies (gluten-free meal is available; please advise at the time of reservation).

Reserve a spot for this memorable event. Send an email to Kris Jardino at Kris@harbandco.com. Please make reservations no later than Thursday, July 4. The cost for ICF Members is \$60; for non-members it's \$70.

Make checks payable to the Italian Catholic Federation and mail to Mark Mannarelli, 771 Forest Green Dr., La Cañada 91011. Checks must be received by Friday, July 5.

Note: When using MapQuest, drivers must put in the address for the Smokehouse Restaurant, 4420 W. Lakeside Drive in Burbank. Pass the Smokehouse restaurant and proceed along the same street until

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it dead-ends into a guarded gate. Let the guard know you are there for the Harb party and the summer Mass.

#### Vacation Bible School at Mt. Olive

Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 3561 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta, will be hosting its 2024 Vacation Bible School (VBS) for K-sixth grade children over the week of Aug. 5th-9th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily. It will be packed full of fun, spiritual growth and memories. Joyful music, worship and games will introduce the "Moving Mountains" theme centered on Psalm 121. Age-based Bible studies will help VBS participants grow in their understanding of God and community. Lessons learned and friends made will reach way beyond this one week of day camp at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church! The cost is \$20 for the entire week for one child, or \$15 each for two or more children. Call (818) 248-4253 or email office@ molc.org to register by Aug. 2.

#### U.S. Independence Worship Service at Mt. Olive

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In commemoration of the hardfought independence of our United States of America (from 1775-1783), and in celebration of the unanimous adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4th, 1776, Mt. Olive church will feature national hymns and songs from its ELW hymnal at the worship service on Sunday, July 7 at 9:30 a.m.

Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 3561 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta

#### Walk and Word

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 June 30. 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

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# The Future of JPL and the Mars Sample Return Program

By Mary O'KEEFE

he February layoffs at Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) were a hit to the science community and the local area as hundreds were laid off Lab and many other outside contracts were canceled. Congressional representatives warned against the layoffs as a knee jerk reaction to budget cuts but that did not deter NASA from moving forward with laying off 530 people at JPL.

The 2024 Congressional approved budget was about a half a billion dollars less than NASA was budgeted in 2023. This decrease meant that something at JPL had to take a hit and that something was Mars exploration, specifically the Mars Sample Return mission. NASA had to cover the \$509 million gap in spending and turned to JPL.

Since its conception the Mars Sample Return mission has been ambitious. A "Dare Mighty Things" type of project — something JPL is known for around the world. But the reality was that NASA had to cut the budget somewhere. JPL is NASA's federally funded research and development center. However, employees of JPL are actually paid through Caltech.

The Mars Sample Return is a mission in which the Mars Sample Return rover would land in Jezero Crater near the Perseverance rover's landing site. Perseverance has already been collecting samples from specifically selected areas of Mars, including collecting samples from areas it drilled below the planet's surface. These samples are collected by a robot then placed onto a Mars ascent rocket. The plan is for the Mars ascent rocket to blast off the surface of Mars and rendezvous with an orbiter that would bring it back to Earth.

Representatives, including Judy Chu, Adam Schiff and Mike Garcia, have been making their concerns known about the February layoffs.

"I'm extremely disappointed with the impending JPL layoffs announced, and my thoughts are with the workers who will be impacted and their families. These cuts will devastate workers and Southern California in the short-term, and they hurt the long-term viability of not just our Mars Exploration Program but also many years of scientific discovery to come," Chu said in a statement regarding the February layoffs. "I'm not done, however, helping lead the fight with my California colleagues in Congress to reverse NASA's premature and misguided budget cuts to the Mars Sample Return Mission. I'm hopeful in the coming weeks we can work to broker a deal with the Administration and Congress to restore funding to the levels necessary to rehire workers and promote the kinds of scientific discovery JPL has been on the frontlines of for decades."

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simply because of that; however, thousands of marine animals, including sea turtles, crabs, shrimp, sea birds and jellyfish, to name a few, depend on the coral reefs. The reefs provide shelter, spawning grounds and protection from predators. They support organisms at the base of the ocean food chains.

"Coral bleaching impacts peoples' livelihoods, food security and safety. Coral reefs are natural barriers that absorb the force of waves and storm surges, keeping coastal communities safe. Without them, we must rely on manmade seawalls that are expensive, less effective and environmentally damaging to construct. Bleached coral also compounds the overfishing crisis by removing links in the food web and depriving some fish and crustacean species of a place to spawn and develop. Anyone relying on these animals as a primary source of income or protein will be in trouble. Finally, reef tourism brings in billions of dollars each year and supports thousands

of jobs. Bleached coral reefs, devoid of magnificent marine species, jeopardize it all," according to the World Wildlife Federation (WWF).

Although it does take a very long time to turn the process of coral bleaching around it can actually be done. Humans can start by reducing runoff of storm water and fertilizer and avoiding herbicides and pesticides. And of course we have to address climate change. We can no longer pretend it is not affecting our world ... no matter how many states decide to remove it from their dialogue.

There will be a slight cooling trend today with highs in the mid 80s then a slight warm up over the weekend with highs in the upper 80s ... but nothing like what was experienced last weekend.

There is an Air Quality Alert in affect through Tuesday at 7 p.m. This is partially due to surrounding fires but mostly because of the high pressure that we are experiencing. This high pressure traps smog and smoke, according to NOAA.

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# Juneteenth Celebrated in Verdugo Park



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NOTES & NODS from page 4 morning. Because people will be outdoors and social distancing will be practiced, masks will be

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strenuous, there are level paths at

the park. There are ramps from the

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group gathers after the hike.

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't's A Family Affair! Bring your blankets, coffers. baskets, eats and treats and let's celebrate together."

So read the flyer urging community members to gather in Glendale's Verdugo Park on June 19 for "A Freedom Celebration."

Between 1 p.m. and 6 p.m., over 100 Lillian. supporters celebrated with barbecues, music and games. Budding entrepreneur and CVHS 10th grader Ariel Lakes offered for sale crocheted bookmarks, cellphone covers, pod covers and beaded bracelets from prices ranging from \$5

to \$20. She's saving money for her first car and took advantage of Juneteenth crowds to fill her

Lake's mother Lillian is one of the founders of the Glendale group that has been putting on local African American celebrations starting with Kwanza in 2010.

"We celebrate families and freedom," said

Juneteenth, officially Juneteenth National Independence Day, is a federal holiday in the United States celebrated annually on June 19 to commemorate the ending of slavery in the United States.

Photos by Ruth SOWBY

LEFT: Nate, Charity, 11, and Katrese Sutton were one of many families celebrating Juneteenth at Verdugo Park in Glendale. Charity holds her young adult book about the holiday.

ABOVE: CVHS student Ariel Lakes, 15, takes advantage of Juneteenth crowds to sell her handmade crochet items and bearded jewelry at Verdugo



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1700 block of La Barranca Road in La Cañada Flintridge, scratches along the body of a vehicle were reported by a resident. The vandalism occurred overnight.

700 block of Angeles Crest Highway in Tujunga, the driver side

keyhole and glove compartment lock of a vehicle had been punched and items were stolen between 12:50 p.m. and 4:45 p.m.

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ment-related.

"This was a private search," he said; the search had no affiliation with the sheriff's department and the department didn't sanction the venture.

"But when asked, we felt compelled to go," he added. A benefactor paid for the trip and local resident Mike Leum coordinated efforts.

Goldsworthy traveled to Greece along with retired Los Angeles Sheriff's Dept. sergeant and former MSAR coordinator Joe Larios, Calibet's brother Oliver and Calibet's girlfriend. The flight from Los Angeles International Airport to Athens took over 15 hours encompassing three different flights followed by an hour ferry ride to Amorgos.

From the start, Goldsworthy, who is the technology director for LASD- SAR teams, found limitations to what technology could be used in Greece to find Calibet. For example, strict privacy laws in Greece prevented access to cellphone records – something that Goldsworthy accesses regularly in the United States to find missing people. He said that if he had

access to the records, he thinks that he could pinpoint Calibet's location. Despite not having access to those records, though, he thinks the impact rescuers could have on the search wasn't diminished.

"We utilized an interactive mapping system to track our assignments and where our folks were searching," he said. "The Greek fire department was using drones. Plus we were able to have several important witness statements clarified, which narrowed down the exact time Calibet was last seen."

Another limitation Goldsworthy found was the number of rescuers available to his team.

"We only had five or six people on the island out searching," he said. He added the attitude of the Greeks, though, was "very helpful."

"In addition to using drones to look for Calibet, the shepherds would keep their eyes open," he said referencing the goat shepherds that were prevalent on the island. He added that police were as helpful as they could be but were limited to the information they could provide due to privacy laws.

The terrain of the island was very rocky. "Sometimes we were just walking on rocks, not dirt like our trails here," Goldsworthy said.

The island also contained rock structures that had been erected over hundreds of years, resulting in thousands of structures. Due to the high temperatures it was not inconceivable that a hiker would attempt to get out of the heat by ducking into one of these structures. Goldsworthy said that canines, in addition to drones, might be the best way to investigate the many rock structures. A canine team was brought in from Athens and was quickly dispatched.

Amorgos has no predators on the island; so Goldsworthy was hopeful that if Calibet succumbed to heat exhaustion he would find refuge in a rock structure. However, there are dangers associated with heat exhaustion.

"Initially, heat exhaustion can cause confusion," Goldsworthy said. This brought into question whether Calibet, if suffering from heat exhaustion, would have the presence of mind to seek shelter or water. Or would he decide to try to return to his hotel?

"There are any number of possibilities that Calibet might have pursued if he was suffering from heat exhaustion," Goldsworthy affirmed.

Calibet is just one of several people who are missing after setting off for a hike in extreme temperatures. Goldsworthy said eight people were missing at one point; three were later found deceased.

"These are people who chose to go hiking in adverse temperatures," he said. "We always advise people as the temperatures rise, don't go hiking."

Goldsworthy returned to Los Angeles in the early morning hours of June 21. Another local of team of four replaced his team in Amorgos to continue the search.

Though happy being part of what he considers is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, Goldsworthy said he's disappointed with the outcome

"I'm happy I went," he said, "but disappointed that we didn't find Albert."

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But other concerns surround more layoffs that may be in JPL's future.

"That's why the members of the California delegation [Chu, Schiff and Garcia] are still fighting to have sufficient funds for the 2025 process, which is still in play," said Representative Judy Chu.

The Biden Administration requested \$25.4 billion for NASA in the budget for fiscal year 2025. That is an increase of \$508.7 million over fiscal year 2024.

The budget has yet to be voted on but the House and Senate appropriation committees are discussing the budget proposals.

These meetings are what need to be concentrated on, Chu said.

In April, NASA Administrator Bill Nelson and associate administrator for NASA Science Mission Directorate Dr. Nicola Fox shared the path forward for the Mars Sample Return Program, which included going outside JPL to find innovative designs. Other agencies have been working on the Mars Sample Return Program including the European Space Agency. Nelson and Fox did state that if JPL had an innovative plan they would look at that as well.

According to a press release on June 7, "NASA is moving forward with 10 studies to examine more affordable and faster methods of bringing samples from Mars' surface back to Earth as part of the agency's Mars Sample Return Program. As part of this effort, NASA will award a firm-fixed-price contract for up to \$1.5 million to conduct 90-day studies to seven industry proposers. Additionally, NASA centers, NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Southern California, and Johns Hopkins' Applied

of the Mars Sample Return

Program.

When asked about the JPL layoffs, those past and those possibly in the future, and where those scientists and engineers will find work, Chu said that was a concern.

"What I'm really concerned [about] is [scientists/engineers] have probably a minimum of two decades worth of experience with Mars Sample Return project. That's so much expertise and knowledge that is lost because they were laid off, and that is going to hurt JPL for sure — but it will hurt our scientific endeavor as a whole," Chu said.



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Physics Laboratory are producing studies. Once completed, NASA will assess all studies to consider alterations or enhancements to the Mars Sample Return architecture."

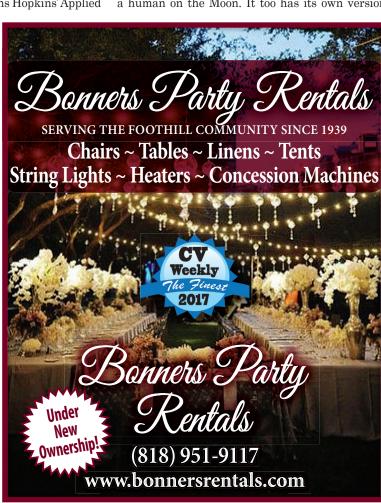
There have been reports that Boeing had also applied, according an article on May 17 with space. com: "Boeing has put forward its own idea to help NASA get its Mars Sample Return project back on track and on budget."

However, in a June NASA release only seven companies were listed including Lockheed Martin in Littleton, Colorado, SpaceX in Hawthorne, California, Aerojet Rocketdyne in Huntsville, Alabama, Blue Origin in Kent, Washington, Quantum Space in Rockville, Maryland and Whittinghill Aerospace in Camarillo, California.

However, the chance of future layoffs at JPL continues to be a concern.

"There is a chance that JPL could be the one selected for this proposal that should come forth in October," Chu said. "And I think we have to see what happens with the 2025 budget. I do have to express this, though: I'm concerned that the Mars Sample Project is absorbing almost the entire share of NASA funding reductions and that's not fair."

As stated in the June 6 CVW article, "JPL: Is the Past Repeating Itself?" a short history of JPL included that of founding member Qian Xuesen, who was kicked out of the country during the "Red Scare" in the 1950s. This scientist then went to China, the land of his birth, where he started the Chinese space program. China is still active with its space program and, in fact, has plans to land a human on the Moon. It too has its own version



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# VIEWPOINTS

#### **VOICES OF THE VERDUGOS <<< CRAIG DURST**

# The Old Flagpole, Gone to Pieces

The first six lots of the Little in record speed, the building was Lands Colony were sold on March 17, 1913. The Little Landers declared they would restore to the American people their lost inheritance of individual independence and lift the standard of living higher than ever before. A tall order indeed, but this utopian-minded group set out to prove that hundreds of people, living on small lots with intensive cultivation not only of soil but also of social, intellectual and spiritual life, could create a fine existence for themselves. This colony would become Tujunga.

Early business for the colonists was the construction of a stone clubhouse. It would serve as the setting for meetings, church services, weddings and all other social events of the day. Over 200 persons - men, women, and children – were present for the laying of the cornerstone in April of that year. Completed

dedicated on Aug. 22, 1913, and the future looked bright for these new colonists.

Soon a small, excited group was on hand just outside the clubhouse as workers began the process of raising the community's first flagpole. A single beam of wood, 40 feet in length, was laid before them. The thick base was seven inches square and tapered to 3.5 inches at its top. The bottom section was square for 13 feet then became octagonal in shape for the next 17 feet until becoming circular for about the last 10 feet.

The old flagpole held the red, white and blue high and proud through many years and events. The clubhouse became the American Legion Hall (1921), which became Tujunga City Hall (1925), then a Los Angeles municipal facility (1932) and finally Bolton Hall Museum and home to the Little Landers

Historical Society (1981). In 2005, the grounds surrounding the stone hall were being renovated with the intention of restoring the 91-year-old flagpole. After careful inspection it was determined to be beyond repair and scheduled to come down. A new 45-foot flagpole was crafted and dedicated on Dec. 4, 2009.

What became of the ancient wooden beam after retirement? Initially it was cut into numerous large pieces and stored away in a horse barn in Sunland; all but the top four feet, which was put on display in the southwest corner of the museum. There it still has the original pulley that hoisted Old Glory so many times before. Today, an American flag with 48 stars, as was flown in the early days of the Little Landers, accompanies this top section. The remaining round length of the pole was then chopped into many pieces. One of these can be found as the

stand for the stereoscope on display. Another is the doorstop to the gift shop adorned with a sign that reads, "The Door Stops Here." Then a whole slew of 14-inch slices were cut, eliminating the upper, round section. These slices were then varnished and turned into awards given to supporters of the historical society. Some included a metal plaque reading, "Piece of the Original 1914 Bolton Hall Flagpole."

The last sections of the flagpole sat undisturbed until I learned of their existence in 2020. I had just become involved with the Verdugo Hills Cemetery and had an idea. I asked for the remaining pieces to benefit the cemetery and received them. The uppermost section was then cut into 11/2 inch slices. These were then distributed to dozens of creative individuals who turned them into amazing pieces of art. They were auctioned at the centennial celebration in 2022, raising thousands of dollars for the care and maintenance of VHC. With the remaining pieces in my possession, the old flagpole has been accounted for except for some of the very bottom. That may still be in the back of the dusty horse barn.



Craig W. Durst, AKA The History Hunter, is a historian of the Tujunga Rancho and President of the Friends of Verdugo Hills Cemetery. He can be reached at craig@thehistoryhunter.com.

#### **NEWS FROM CV CARES <<< VICTORIA MALONE**

## Have You Heard the News?

Crescenta Valley community, to the misuse of drugs and how it have you heard of The Chace Taylor affects communities. But don't be Malone Impact Foundation LA fooled; this is not about communities (ImpactLA) and its project CV Cares?

For those who don't know us, and even for those who do, we will be sharing our column in the CVW help reach out to the community.

this community. There has always and why we need ImpactLA and CV been a struggle to bring attention Cares.

other than our own.

There has always been a trend to kick the "drug use can" down the street stating that it was the problem today and in upcoming months to of others and it would never affect our family, our youth, our adults ... There is a silent battle going on in but that is exactly what is happening

the line for a substance (drugs) that kills everything in its path? COVID put a spotlight on this very question. We have not taken care of our own mental well-being.

"In the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic, global prevalence of anxiety and depression increased by a massive 25%," according to a scientific brief released by the World Health Organization (WHO). "One major explanation for the increase is the unprecedented stress caused by the social isolation resulting from the pandemic. Linked to this were constraints on people's ability to work, seek support from loved ones and engage in their communities."

But these factors were part of everyday life for so many - even before the pandemic. When people do not have the support and resources to work through these factors they often turn to self-medicating, even when they know the possible outcome. Yet, they are so overwhelmed by the struggle they think this will "numb the pain." When suffering and struggling without support and resources self-medicating becomes its own war - and in any war there are causalities and losses.

I write this and share this with you as the mother of a son who died in 2021 of an accidental overdose. In the height of the pandemic, Chace Taylor Malone died from a pill tainted with Fentanyl. The anguish and despair that was brought not only into my life but the lives of our family members and Chace's friends led us to gathering and discussing how this happened. We spoke about the struggle we individually watched and experienced Chace go through. We wanted to understand how this happened to someone we loved so dearly and who loved all of us. What I came to understand, after the fact, was that although my son had friends from all groups and ages and

Why would we put our health, our he gave them so much in support relationships and our very lives on and care, he struggled. He had what I thought were bouts of depression. I thought they were situational. I did not understand at the time he suffered with functioning depression, which led to isolation. He would become anxious. This vicious cycle of functioning depression, isolation and anxiety continued for years. Looking back, the cycles were not just situational; they were how he was struggling through later years of his life.

> Because of the love, support and encouragement he gave to those he knew throughout his life, when we lost him so many he had touched reached out to us. We truly saw the "Impact" he had made on so many ... not just here in the Crescenta Valley, but everywhere he had been. His closest friends - Jerry Lee Butt III, Ryan Shumway, Taylor Poage, James and Kate Heinemann, John Song, Robby Alonzo and Matt Trowbridge - suggested to me and Chace's older brother Blake Malone and Jordan Marshall that we do something to share the essence and loving support Chace gave to those around him but that he couldn't give himself. They wanted more than a scholarship in his name. They asked, "How do we share and express the impact of Chace Taylor Malone?"

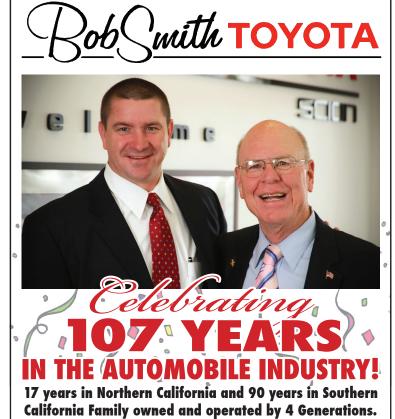
And thus, The Chace Taylor Malone Impact Foundation LA was created. Months after our submission to the IRS. The Impact Foundation LA Inc. was given 501(c)(3) nonprofit and 509(a)(2) public charity status. Since then, the IFLA has supported eight different individuals with resources including direction to local professional support services. Some of these referral participants have also received financial funding support. Through our fundraising and donation support, the IFLA can provide financial support when needed and when our funds are available. The IFLA has helped a

young man get off the streets and into rehab. We have a participant of our efforts now thriving and working with our organization to help others who want to meet their own healthy lifestyle choices. And only two years into our efforts we met [now former] CVHS students Rebekah DeBoskey and Payton Ashe who offered to lead the way with their peers as student ambassadors.

We've connected the IFLA with the CVHS on-campus WellNEST and provided opportunities for IFLA to get involved and support the students on campus in ways that include tabling during "awareness weeks," bringing speakers for specific topics and connecting with other campus clubs and associations.

After that connection came the idea from Mary O'Keefe to start a community coalition. The coalition bridges organizations and services in the community to move and act on issues facing the community that align with the IFLA's purpose and endeavors. The Crescenta Valley Substance Misuse Prevention Coalition, aka: CV Cares, was created in 2022 and by 2023 was awarded a grant from the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) as a program of the White House. CV Cares has mobilized and taken the student ambassador program forward with more than 10 new student ambassadors added for the

That is basically our origin story and we are constantly moving forward to bring awareness and support to the community. Last weekend we were at the CV Chamber of Commerce Hometown Country Fair where we shared demonstrations on how to use naloxone – Narcan – nasal spray, which can mean life or death to someone who is overdosing. We also were able to give Narcan nasal spray away, for free, to those who watched the demonstration and completed a short survey.



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# BETWEEN FRIENDS

# Cañada Auxiliary of Professionals Hosts Girl Scout Mentorship Event

Auxiliary of Professionals (CAP) hosted its first Girl Scout as they begin to consider post-Mentorship Event and dinner for high school plans. Many of the approximately 50 Cadette, Senior, Girl Scouts, leaders and parents and Ambassador level Girl Scouts, expressed their gratitude to the leaders and parents within the La keynote speakers and mentors Cañada Girl Scout Service Unit. for taking the time to explain The event consisted of a multi-their career journeys, offer advice industry keynote panel, along and provide the Girl Scouts with with multiple rounds of industrythese future leaders. Topics and education road-mapping ranged from career prospecting, perspectives. interest alignment, growth and educational paths. The featured feedback from all involved that keynote speakers included Nagin CAP has decided to host the event Cox, NASA; Danielle Maurizio, for a second time next year for LA County Sanitation Districts the Girl Scouts of La Cañada and (LACSD); and Elizabeth Yang, Kutak Rock LLP.

The Girl Scouts appreciated surrounding areas.

he Assistance League the opportunity to speak with of Flintridge's Cañada women representing a variety several philanthropic programs. philanthropic programs, social 790-1328. of industries and career levels answers to their questions. The specific mentorship, to inspire mentors offered a variety of career

> The event received such positive will expand to include Girl Scout Services Units in some of the

To learn more about Cañada activities, and membership, visit

CAP members participate in Auxiliary of Professionals, its ALFlintridge.org or call (818)

Written by Ano FEKETE



Photo provided by CAP Girl Scouts and presenters at CAP career event 2024 Nagin Cox, Danielle Maurizio, Elizabeth Yang

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# Rotary Club Celebrates Success of 7th Annual Car Show



Over 200 vehicles were part of this year's Cars for Cops & Kids Car Show.

The Rotary Club of Glendale Noon announced the success of the 7th Annual Cars for Cops & Kids Car Show held at Verdugo Park. This year's event showcased over 200 vehicles, attracting hundreds of car enthusiasts and community members.

The event featured a wide variety of cars, from classics to modern marvels, and culminated in the awarding of 48 trophies to the best entries. Thanks to the generosity of the event sponsors and the community's overwhelming support, the car show raised over \$60,000, contributing to a total of more than \$350,000 since its inception in 2017.

All proceeds from the Cars for Cops & Kids Car Show are dedicated to supporting local youth programs with a special focus on initiatives for at-risk youth organized by the Glendale Police Foundation. This year's show was a success, reflecting the community's commitment to making a positive impact on the lives of young people in the area.

Lt. Joshua Wofford, a Rotarian and one of the event's co-chairs. said, "This event is a testament to the power of community. Together, we are driving change and creating opportunities for our youth."

Sgt. Teal Metts, also a Rotarian and co-chair, added, "Seeing the

support from our community and the smiles on the faces of the kids we help is incredibly rewarding. We are making a real difference."

The Rotary Club Glendale Noon appreciates participants, sponsors, volunteers and attendees and is grateful for their support and enthusiastic participation. These contributions are instrumental in supporting the Rotary Club mission and enriching the lives of local vouth.

Anyone interested in learning more about Rotary or would like to help make a difference in the community can visit www. GlendaleRotary.org to learn more.



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# Family Bingo A Sweet Night at the Community Center



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State Senator Anthony Portantino was one of the guest game callers at bingo night hosted by the Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge.

Community Center auditorium was full of families enjoying a night of bingo on Saturday, May 25 as part of the LCF Fiesta Days. Over 100 attendees started the night with a visit to the Handel's Ice Cream Sundae bar before the first game

Special guest game callers

included State Senator Anthony Portantino, LCF Councilmember and Game Sponsor Keith Eich, Sundae Bar sponsor Carrie Grochow with Engel & Volkers Real Estate, and three-game sponsor Jonathan Rodriguez with CA Flat Fee Real Estate. Winners received prizes donated from local businesses including

Envy, Massage Photography, Sports Yoga Rebel, Bird's Nest Baby, Flintridge Bookstore, In Takes a Village, Fresh Brothers Pizza and Moo Moo Mia.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will go toward program scholarships.

# High Tea Fundraiser



The La Cañada Flintridge Orthopaedic Guild recently held a high tea at the T Room on Honolulu Avenue in Montrose.

The funds raised designated for the children who receive care at the Luskin

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# Combining Technology and Expertise to Give You the Most Accurate Diagnosis

Then it comes to successfully treating men with prostate cancer, making as accurate a diagnosis as possible is critical. The team of urologists at USC Verdugo Hills Hospital (USC-VHH) offers men who need to be evaluated for prostate cancer a technology called MRI/ultrasound fusion-guided biopsy.

Biopsies for prostate cancer involve taking small samples of tissue from the prostate gland to determine the presence of cancer. Traditionally, these biopsies were performed blindly and randomly, a technique that didn't always provide doctors with the most accurate picture of a patient's actual disease burden.

The urologists at USC-VHH use a technique that fuses two types of imaging. Patients undergo an MRI, which can identify the parts of the prostate gland that appear abnormal and that are most important to biopsy. Later, that imaging is combined with live ultrasound, which guides urologists to the locations on the prostate that should be biopsied based on the findings of the MRI.

These so-called targeted biopsies fuse two types of images and will



become the new gold standard, predicts Amir Lebastchi, MD, a urologist with USC Urology, part of Keck Medicine of USC, and an assistant professor of clinical urology at the Keck School of Medicine of USC. "We have a state-of-the-art fusion system at USC-VHH," said Lebastchi, who sees patients at USC-VHH. "The MRIultrasound fusion is the best available technology and is not widely

available yet."

Better biopsies help the urologists at USC-VHH determine the two most important factors in developing a treatment plan for patients. Studies have shown the superiority of this type of prostate biopsy to accurately determine the aggressiveness of the cancer. It also does a better job at locating the cancer within the prostate, which helps surgeons create

an effective treatment plan for the individual patient.

The team at USC-VHH is also using a new approach to performing the actual biopsy called a transperineal biopsy, which reduces the chance of infection during biopsy and eliminates the need to take antibiotics. This technique, in which the needle passes through the perineal skin rather than the rectal wall, reduces the risk of infection to nearly zero and avoids the development of antibiotic resistance.

"Our goal is to give our patients the best possible outcomes and offering the newest techniques and technology will help us achieve this goal," Lebastchi said.

To get more information or to make an appointment at USC-VHH, call (818) 790-7100 or visit USCVHH.org.

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**USC VERDUGO HILLS HOSPITAL COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER FOR AGING** ADRIA NAVARRO, PH.D., PROGRAM MANAGER

# Sorting Through Medicare

At USC-VHH's Community Resource for Aging, we sometimes encounter individuals struggling to understand the complexities of Medicare - and it's no wonder as there are many nuances to consider. These are some of the basics, but if you'd like to take a deeper dive, a good resource is medicareinteractive.org.

What is Medicare?

Medicare is the federal health insurance program for people aged 65+. It also provides health insurance for younger people with certain disabilities and for individuals with end-stage renal disease.

What are the Different Components or Parts of Medicare?

Part A covers inpatient hospital care. Part B covers outpatient care like doctor visits, lab tests, ambulance services, certain preventative care such as screenings and vaccines, and other outpatient services such as physical therapy, home health services, and durable medical equipment. Part D covers prescription drugs.

What is the Difference Between Original Medicare and Medicare Advantage?

Original Medicare is paid for and administered by the Federal Government's Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) while Medicare Advantage Plans are a type of private insurance (like an HMO or PPO) offered by insurance companies that contract with CMS.

The major differences between original Medicare and a Medicare Advantage plan are: What's Included:

Original Medicare allows you to opt out of Part B (outpatient care) and does not offer Part D (prescription drugs). However, Part D can be added through what is known as a private drug plan (PDP). This is more of an a la carte approach.

Choice of Providers: Like most HMOs, Medicare Advantage plans have a defined geographic network of healthcare for services once deductibles are providers you can see and require pre-authorization for specialized care.

With original Medicare you can access care anywhere in the United States (as long as the provider accepts Medicare\*), you can choose any provider and you do not need a referral or approval to see a specialist. If you have a second home in another state, this may be important to consider. Note neither type of Medicare plan will cover healthcare outside the U.S.

Costs:

Both original Medicare and Medicare Advantage have cost structures much like insurance we have had all our lives.

There is a monthly premium (except for Part A which is free, if you have contributed through Medicare taxes over the course of your work life).

There are annual deductibles that must be met before costs are covered. There are co-payments met.

In 2024, original Medicare premiums for Part B (outpatient) begin at \$174.70/month based on an income of \$103,000 or less and adjusts up on a sliding scale from

Under original Medicare, Part D (prescription drugs) would also need to be purchased separately using a PDP and the average premium for such a plan is \$55/ month.

Medicare Advantage plans all have different premium costs but, as stated earlier, Part A, B and D along with vision and dental are generally bundled together in this premium cost.

The major difference between the two in terms of costs is that all Medicare Advantage Plans have maximum out-of-pocket (MOOP) caps for Part A and Part B expenses. For 2024 the MOOP is \$8,850. Original Medicare on the other hand does not have a MOOP. So while upfront costs

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may be lower with original Medicare, there is no cap on potential costs.

Key takeaways:

Explore your options, preferences and budget before you turn 65.

Remember that Medicare Part B and Part D are not automatic or mandatory but are critical resources for remaining healthy.

\*According to the Kaiser Family Foundation, only 1% of doctors don't participate in Medicare and 83% of primary care physicians accept new Medicare patients.

Our complimentary community assistance available to all (regardless of your health providers) at USC-VHH Community Resource Center for Aging. We welcome your phone call at (818) 949-4033 or email to Aging-Resources@med.usc.edu.

Wishing you accessible health and social care!

FLINTRIDGE

from CV CARES on page 8

On Tuesday, we began our Summer now understand who we are and Speaker Series with a discussion on what we do here in your community. hypnotherapy by Carmela Tunzi, series in coming months.

The team has so much it is working on. When you see or hear You can reach out via: about IFLA and CV Cares you will https://theimpactfoundationla.org/

We know that local problems founder of Mind Flow Hypnosis/ require local solutions. We hope to Sherman Oaks Hypnosis. We will be part of the solution to face the offer more through our speaker struggles we all encounter in our own Victoria Malone,

"Because It Matters"

and https://theimpactfoundationla. org/cvcares and donate at: https://theimpactfoundationla.org/

Executive Director, IFLA Program Director, CV Cares

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## TRAVEL & LEISURE

# USH Offers Buy A Day, Get A 2nd Day Free Ticket Option

A Day, Get A 2nd Day Free general admission ticket, available now through Oct. 9.

Guests can purchase the special Buy A Day, Get A 2nd Day Free ticket option online now at https://tinyurl.com/38hv3w7c through Oct. 9, and enjoy their second day free for their return on select dates, with all visits completed on or before Dec. 18, 2024.

There are no blackout dates for the first visit Jaws shark. as part of this special limited time offer, which excludes Universal Express and Universal Express Unlimited. Blackout dates apply to the second visit and restrictions apply.

Families, friends, kids and adults can all share in the adventure by exploring the theme park and its signature world famous Studio Tour, which offers an insightful peek at the inner workings of an authentic movie and television production backlot along with an array of special-effect attractions, such as the reimagined "Earthquake -The Big One," "King Kong 360-3D" "Fast & Furious – Supercharged" as well the Jupiter's Claim original film sets from the horror epic Mayhem, among others.

'niversal Studios Hollywood is offering a chance to experience the Studio Tour's 60th guests the chance to purchase Buy anniversary, which features reissued Glamor Trams and an array of nostalgic enhancements including an opportunity to step off the tram and onto a legendary movie set where an original, fully restored 1964 vintage Glamor Tram awaits. The area also provides opportunities for additional memorable photo opportunities and social media posts, including a giant King Kong backdrop and the theme park's original hanging

> From the moment guests traverse the theme park's red carpet entry and pass through its signature arch, they are met with thrill rides and attractions, including the interactive land Super Nintendo World™ featuring the critically-acclaimed Mario Kart<sup>TM</sup>: Bowser's Challenge ride; The Wizarding World of Harry Potter<sup>TM</sup>, the highly immersive land that features Hogsmeade<sup>TM</sup> Village, Harry Potter and the Forbidden Journey<sup>TM</sup> and Flight of the Hippogriff™ rides; Jurassic World – The Ride; Illumination's award-winning The Secret Life of Pets: Off the Leash and Despicable Me Minion

For more information, visit Now through Aug. 11, guests will also have UniversalStudiosHollywood.com.

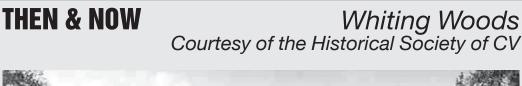
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THEN: This photo from the website of the Whiting Woods Property Owners Association shows the entrance to Perry Whiting's property before development, probably in the '30s or '40s. Surprisingly this property had a scandalous beginning. When Mr. Whiting acquired the property in the late teens, it consisted of a small drinking establishment and 10 small cabins. The whole business had been closed under the Red Light Abatement Act, which tells us what their business was! He then bought the adjoining property from a Chinese man who had a lucrative trade in opium way up high in the canyon. Whiting built a beautiful home and lived here quietly until the property was developed in the '50s and '60s.



NOW: There are few places that are as beautiful, or even more beautiful now, than they were before. Whiting Woods is one of those places. The oak trees have been preserved, the landscaping is lush and the homes are gorgeous.



# JUST FOR FUN

#### **CALENDAR this**

#### **GLENDALE KIWANIS**

meets on Fridays at noon. On June 28, Marlene and Yudi will present "Autism in Entertainment." The cost to attend Friday meetings, which includes lunch and program, is \$20. All are welcome.

The Club meets Friday afternoons at the Elks Lodge, 120 E. Colorado St. in Glendale..

#### CCLCF HOSTS UPCOMING **EVENTS**

On June 29, the following classes eight-week classes begin: From 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., beginning guitar class is being held for kids ages 11-13.

From 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., a beginning acting class is being held for kids 7-10 years old.

From 11 a.m. to noon, a beginning improv class is being held for kids 7-10 years old.

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The Kiwanis Club of Glendale class continues on Wednesdays from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. through July 31.

> On Fridays through Aug. 9 (note there is no class on June 28), CCLCF his having ballroom line dancing from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The cost is \$50 per person.

On Fridays from 6:30-7:30 p.m. traditional ballroom dancing is taught. The cost is \$50.

Youth and Teens summer camps continue.

Basketball Blitz is taught by Coach Andy from Assist Athletics. Level 1: For 5-6 year olds, six weeks on Tuesdays through July 30. No class on July 2 and July 9. The cost

weeks on Mondays through July 29. No class on July 1 and July 8. The cost is \$180.

Soccer blitz camp is for ages 5-12, LA CRES PRES From noon to 1 p.m., a beginning All Things Italian Cooking is for ages 6-10, Hands on Science, Coding & of patriotic and Americana music, Games is for ages 6-10. Registration features the Foothill Brass Septet

An adult beginner belly dance in a variety of summer camps including those that focus on sports, art, ceramics, cooking, S.T.E.M. and Dungens and Dragons.

> Tennis summer is on Wednesdays through Aug. 7 (no class on July 3).

CCLCF with CS Productions present "Mean Girls: High School Version" based on the 2004 film. Showtimes are Friday, June 28 at 7 p.m., Saturday, June 29 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Sunday, June 30 at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors and \$15 for students. Opening night tickets are \$30, which includes admission to the reception.

Register at CCLCF.org or call (818) 790-4353.

Community Center of La Cañada Level 2: For 7-8 year olds, six Flintridge is located at 4469 Chevy Chase Drive in La Cañada Flintridge.

#### **AMERICANA 2024 AT**

Americana 2024, a free concert

directed by Noel Collins, will take place on Thursday, July 4 at 8 p.m. in the courtyard of La Crescenta Presbyterian Church, Montrose Ave. The show features music by Bagley, Rossini, Anderson, Dvorak, Denver and more.

The CVHS fireworks show will be viewable following the concert so attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair for comfort.

#### DANCING AS EXERCISE

Dancing As Exercise is a free ongoing weekly event sponsored by the Los Angeles County Park program for seniors (50 plus) as a form of staying healthy.

There is live music every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to noon in the Park's building at 3901 Dunsmore Ave. in La Crescenta.

Light refreshments and water are provided along with socialization and information about other park

Dancing, per se, is not required;

single persons are welcome.

#### CANASTA IS CALLING

Canasta – an activity that will brighten your day with fun and relaxation. Those who have not played before - don't worry; we will teach you! Come on Tuesday afternoons to play canasta from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Montrose Library, 2465 Honolulu Ave. in Montrose (818) 548-2048.

#### FRITZ COLEMAN RETURNS TO SOLO COMEDY

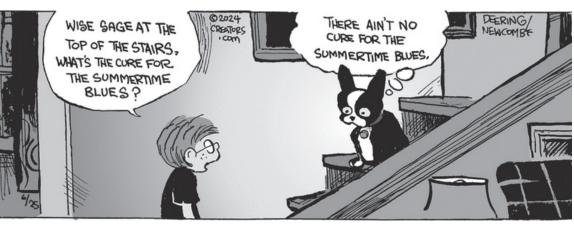
Legendary comic Fritz Coleman is performing a series of shows at the El Portal Theatre from his latest solo comedy show "Unassisted Living," now airing on Tubi.

Coleman will be at the El Portal Theater, 5269 Lankershim Blvd. in North Hollywood, on July 21 and Aug. 18. Tickets are \$35 and \$45.

https://www.elportaltheatre. com/fritzcoleman.html

> see CALENDAR THIS on next page

June 17, 2024 - June 23, 2024



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#### ACROSS -

- 1) Stock reducer
- 5) Political plot 10) Pork serving
- 14) Long, extended film
- 15) Sorrowful song
- 16) Greek liqueur 17) Fishing pole attachment
- 18) Metric liquid measure
- 19) German wife
- 20) It produces poor results
- 23) State flower of Indiana
- 24) Chain units
- 25) Heavy burdens
- Mawr College 30) It usually smells
- 31) Song of joy
- 33) Fish for fish sticks 36) What workout fanatics

- 40) Wee toymaker
- 41) Two sizes too small
- 42) Undercooked, as steak
- 43) Females of the species
- 44) Mirror reflections
- 46) Main blood vessel 49) Actor's memorizations
- 51) Airborne bit of gossip?
- 57) Historic Icelandic writings
- 58) Backwoods weapon 59) Extra layer in winter?
- 60) "... and the twain shall meet"
- 61) Two quartets
- 62) Barely gets by, with "out"
- 63) Quick gait
- 64) Kitchen ants and gnats
- 65) On its way, as an email

#### DOWN

- 1) Peasant
- 2) Imitative one
- 3) In \_\_\_ of (instead of)
- 4) Lunar and solar events

- 8) Consent and Reason, for two
- 9) Old stringed instrument
- 10) Dracula's resting place

- 21) Simple shirt
- 22) Swashbuckler Errol of old Hollywood
- 25) At an earlier date
- 26) Christmas song
- 27) American mil. branch
- 29) Charlotte of sitcom TV
- 32) Barbecue leftover 33) Ragged part of a mountain

- 38) More than an exaggeration
- 44) Atlas features
- 45) French "sea"
- 46) Hollywood rep
- 48) Calf-catching contest
- 50) Spot of land
- 53) Some parasites

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- 5) Instruments in string quartets
- 6) Sci-fi visitor
- 7) Flagmaker Ross
- 11) One of the Great Lakes
- Mountains (Arkansas range)

- 28) Oscar title starter
- 34) Beast of fairy tales
- Frome"
- 39) Evidence of changes
- 43) "Little" literary mouse
- 47) Community of nuns
- 49) Some boxing blows
- 52) Bit of blood
- 54) Studio singer's need
- 56) Relax

#### ARIES March 21 - April 19 Delving deep into your psyche has you

WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

exploring your inner world and confronting a lot of unresolved issues or past traumas. Aries. When you face those fears and anxieties head on, you find healing, Accept this gift of spiritual growth whether you believe in a higher power or not.

Provided by horoscope.com

#### TAURUS April 20 - May 20

You've got some time to re-evaluate your friendships this week, Taurus, and you may find yourself reflecting on the quality and authenticity of your relationship with your BFF and other close members of your social circle. While some connections may naturally fade away this summer, others get stronger. Either way it's nice to get

#### more clarity.

\*\* GEMINI May 21 - June 20 Gemini, did you hear us? You can relax a little. So why do you find yourself thinking about your job and questioning your long-term aspirations? There's undeniable energy in your 10th house now, so it's hard to forget about your responsibilities just like that. If you must put in some hours, figure

#### out a way to work smarter, not harder.

CANCER June 21 - July 22 You're ready to kick it in an exotic location, but travel plans can face unexpected hurdles or require adjustments during this Saturn Rx cycle. If you're stuck at home, you can at least take a more introspective approach to travel, focusing on personal growth and inner exploration. Lame compared to lying on a beach somewhere but hey, Cancer, it's

#### LEO July 23 - August 22

something.

be a b\*tch.

You'll be doing a bit of a deep dive into the unconscious this week, Leo, looking for unresolved traumas and fears surrounding intimacy and transformation. It's good to get this kind of stuff out of the way now so you can have some fun later! Karma can

#### 👪 VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

You're going to have lots of time to think things over this week, Virgo, so don't avoid spending time in your head. You can learn a lot from past relationships now, but that doesn't mean you have to give someone a second chance. Forgive, forget and move on (maybe with someone new this summer!).

#### **LIBRA** Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

It's time to prioritize yourself for a change, Libra. With lots of energy in your house of wellbeing, self-care activities like exercise, healthy eating and stress management are great ways to kick off the summer. Oh, and it's probably time to change up the color to

something more summer-y at your next mani-pedi appointment!

#### **SCORPIO** Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

You've got some time on your hands this week, Scorpio, and you can use it to reflect on the things that truly bring you joy and fulfillment. Let your creativity blossom into new areas. By applying just a little bit of discipline to your hobbies and leisure activities (especially sports), you could

#### become a pro by the end of the summer!

SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21 Start addressing those unresolved family issues this week so you can build stronger, more authentic relationships with family members, especially if you're going to be spending a lot of time together soon. By confronting past traumas or insecurities, Sag, you can build resilience and create a more stable emotional foundation to build

#### better memories on top of.

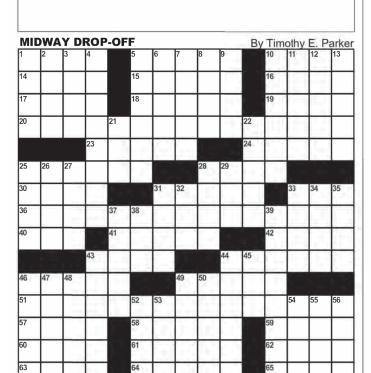
A CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19 Forget about whatever obstacles have been getting in your way lately when it comes to expressing how you really feel, Capricorn. Connecting with people is getting easier now; can you feel it? And all it took was a little attitude adjustment on your part. Stop feeling shy, hesitant or overly critical about

#### your social skills and just say hi. AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

Before you plunk any money down for a beach rental or a flight to Paris, Aquarius, think about your priorities and what really matters to you. A slight shift in your spending habits means focusing on more meaningful pursuits this summer. Indulge in something you really want, but don't feel obligated to follow through with plans that

#### make you feel meh. PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

How are you feeling about yourself, Pisces? Your self-image, identity and how you present yourself to the world is on blast this week. When you start to feel self-doubt or insecurity creep up, though, wake up and remember who TF you are. You're amazing. and you deserve a summer filled with love and happiness.



- 13) Looks sullen

- 35) Changes color, in a way

- 55) Bad sign

 $see\, ANSWERS$  on page 5

#### PROBLEM SOLVED » BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT

# I sent \$2,000 to the wrong person on Zelle. Can I get my money back?

Ayotunde Fatusin just lost \$2,000 after he accidentally transferred it to the wrong person. Bank of America won't reverse the transaction. But should it?

pestion: I accidentally sent a \$2,000 Zelle payment to the wrong phone number through Bank of America, and it went to a random person instead of the person I intended for it to go to.

I was able to get the phone number and name of the random person, so I know where it went. I reached out to them and they didn't reply. I contacted Bank of America and after a 45-day investigation, it told me it was not able to do anything about it.

I am frustrated and don't know what to do at this point because that's a lot of money for me to send and lose like that. Can you help me get my \$2,000 back?

> -Ayotunde Fatusin, Riverside, California

nswer: Bank of America should have promptly reversed the transaction.

Regulation E, authorized under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act (EFTA), protects consumers like you when funds are transfered electronically. It allows you to dispute an ATM withdrawal, debit card purchase or electronic funds transfer.

The rule specifically protects you from an incorrect electronic fund transfer to or from your account. According to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB), Regulation E applies to transfers made through Zelle. And lately, banks have been reversing erroneous transactions under pressure from the CFPB.

I have more information on erroneous Zelle transfers in my free guide on my consumer advocacy site, Elliott.org.

So why didn't Bank of America reverse your transaction after its "investigation?" That's a great question. It looks like your case dispute was handled in a highly automated way and I wonder if any human actually had a chance to review your complaint. Banks have been reversing erroneous transactions on a case-by-case basis but it appears these cases must first be seen by a person.

There's also the timing of your case. It appears that you had the problem at about the same time banks started to reverse the transactions so your case may have just fallen between the

cracks.

I publish executive contacts for both Bank of America and Zelle on my consumer advocacy site Elliott. org. You could have appealed to one of them and possibly got the charges reversed. But even with my involvement, this case was far from easy.

Before I get to the resolution of your case, let me state the obvious. You'll want to check, double-check and triple-check the phone number when you send something through Zelle. Transactions are very difficult — and often impossible—to reverse.

I contacted Bank of America on your behalf. The bank reached out to you and asked you to fill out some forms, but then went quiet. A few weeks later, I asked about your case again. And this time it decided to act. I received an update from you shortly after that.

"Just wanted to update you that I received my money back!" you wrote. "I really appreciate your help throughout this entire process because you definitely made this journey a lot easier."

I'm happy to help. But this was a journey no one should have to

Christopher Elliott is the founder of Elliott Advocacy (https://elliottadvocacy.org), a nonprofit organization that helps consumers solve their problems.

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#### **CLASS OF 1994 CLASS REUNION**

Crescenta Valley High School alums are having a reunion on Saturday, June 29 at the Elks Lodge, 120 E. Colorado St. in Glendale from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Tickets are \$65 (\$80 after May 12) per person. To buy tickets, visit www.eventbrite.com and enter Crescenta Valley High School in the search bar or visit https://tinyurl.com/yv55925v.

#### CLASSIC FILM SERIES AT DOCTORS HOUSE

The Glendale Historical Society is partnering with the Alex Film Society for its 2024 Classic Film series at the Doctors House in Brand Park. Film fans: bring your chairs, blankets and picnic dinners and enjoy these free outdoor screenings in the park this summer.

On July 13: "Crime Wave" (1954) and on Aug. 3: "Bye Bye Birdie" (1963).

Glendale's Community Services and Parks will again provide its 17x10-foot LED projection screen.

Gates open 5:30 p.m.; program begins at 7 p.m.

The Doctors House is located in Brand Park, 1601 Mountain St. in Glendale.

#### REIKI CLASS OFFERED

A reiki 1 class is offered on Saturday, July 12 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in La Crescenta. The class is being facilitated by Heather Parker. Text (678) 568-9009 for more information. www.skeh.org

#### GOLF CLASSIC PLANNED

The 33rd Annual Golf Classic is planned for Sept. 16 at Oakmont Country Club, 3100 Country Club Drive in Glendale, to raise funds for USC Verdugo Hills Hospital (USC-VHH). The classic will begin at 9 a.m. The proceeds of this year's golf classic, Around the World in 18 Holes, will be used to support the construction of a new IR/Cath Lab for diagnosis and treatment of cardiac conditions

This year's tournament is in loving memory of long-time foundation board member John Taylor.

To learn about sponsorship opportunities or to sign up, email Barbara Jordan, Foundation Systems specialist, at Barbara. Jordan@med.usc.edu or call (818) 952-2226.

You can read more at CVWeekly.com/CALENDARTHIS



Wishing you all calm and health!

NOTICE OF COMLETION AND AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE WEST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AREA PLAN

The County of Los Angeles (County) is the lead agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the proposed project identified below. The purpose of this Notice of Availability (NOA) is to notify agencies and the general public that a Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) has been prepared to evaluate the potential environmental effects of the proposed project and to solicit comments on the scope and content of the PEIR.

PROJECT NAME: West San Gabriel Valley Area Plan PROJECT NAME: West San Gabriel Valley Area Plan PROJECT NUMBER: Project No. 2023-003982 PERMIT NUMBERS: Advanced Planning Case No.

RPPL2023005880 Environmental Assessment No. RPPL2023005884 General Plan Amendment No. RPPL2023005882 Ordinance No. RPPL2024002630 Zone Change No. RPPL2023005883 State Clearinghouse No. 2023110351

PROJECT LOCATION: Unincorporated communities of Altadena, East Pasadena-East San Gabriel, Kinneloa Mesa, La Crescenta Montrose, San Pasqual, South Monrovia Islands, South San Gabriel, Whittier Narrows, and South El Monte Island.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The West San Gabriel Valley Area Plan

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The West San Gabriel Valley Area Plan (WSGVAP) is a new community-based plan that focuses on land use and policy issues that are specific to the unique characteristics and needs of the WSGVAP lanning Area. The WSGVAP is intended to respond to local planning issues, guide long-term development, foster harmonicus and coordinated growth balanced with natural preservation, improve connectivity and walkability, generate a thriving business friendly region while enhancing sustainability in the built and natural environments, and ensure equitable decision-making throughout the WSGV Planning Area. Area-wide and community-specific goals, policies, and implementation programs are established for the WSGVAP to support these objectives. The WSGVAP would execute these goals primarily through, but not limited to, the following Project components: a General Plan Amendment to establish the WSGVAP as part of the General Plan, consisting of land use, mobility, conservation and open space, public services and facilities, economic development, and historic preservation elements; changes to land use and zoning designations to accommodate targeted growth, provide consistency, and preserve natural resource areas; and, an amendment to Title 22 (County Planning and Zoning Code) to implement the goals and policies of the WSGVAP through the establishment of a Planning Area Standards District (PASD) and updates to or reorganization of existing community standards districts (CSDs).

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: As presented in POIENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: As presented in the Draft PEIR, the proposed Project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts to Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Noise, and Transportation. The Draft PEIR evaluated potentially significant environmental effects of the proposed project, identified feasible mitigation measures to lessen such impacts, and identified a range of reasonable

#### **LEGALS**

alternatives to the proposed project. The Draft PEIR included analysis on the following environmental topics not expected to analysis on the following environmental topics not expected to result in any significant impacts: Agriculture/Forestry Resources, Energy, Geology/Soils, Greenhouse Gas (GHO) Emissions, Razards/Hazardous Materials, Hydrology/Water Quality, Land Use/Planning, Mineral Resources, Population/Housing, Public Services, Recreation, Tribal Cultural Resources, Utilities/Service Systems, and Wildfire.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The public comment period associated with the release of this NOP will commence on Thursday, June 27, 2024, and end on Monday, August 12, 2024. Comments may be sent no later than 5:00PM on August 12, 2024, to Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning, Attention: Evan Sensibile, 320 West Temple Street, 13th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012, or emailed to wsgvap@planning.lacounty.gov. All correspondence received shall be considered a public record.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING: The County will conduct one virtual public meeting to present the project and receive comments on the PEIR. The public meeting will be held virtually, online via Zoom Webinar on Thursday, July 18, 2024, starting at 6:00 PM. The link to the virtual public meeting can be found on the project

planning.lacounty.gov/long-range planning/wsgvap/documents/

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The NOA is available for public review online in English, Spanish, and Chinese at planning. Jacounty.gov/long-range-planning/wsgay/documents/or or planning. Jacounty.gov/long-range-planning/wsgay/documents/or or planning. Jacounty.gov/ environmental-review/public-notice/ (under "Advance Planning Pacients").

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# Exhibition at Back Door Bakery and Café

The Artist Coalition is dedicated to providing artists with a space to display their work and enriching the community with a diverse range of exhibitions. Its inaugural exhibition continues through Sept. 14 at Back Door Bakery and Café.

"We are passionate about supporting local artists and fostering a vibrant arts community here in Los Angeles," said Ale Wood, one of the Coalition's hosts. "This exhibition provides a platform for our talented artists to showcase their unique

perspectives and connect with every type of person, whether they love art or have yet to explore that world."

The opening exhibition on June 21 featured a diverse selection of artworks, including paintings, sculptures, photography and mixed media pieces. Patrons had the opportunity to buy their work directly through the artist or the coalition

"As artists ourselves, we understand the challenges of finding affordable exhibition

spaces," said Mercedes Del Castillo, another host of the Coalition.

"We want to create an accessible and supportive environment where artists can thrive."

The exhibition will be co-hosted by Deb at Back Door Bakery, Sunland-Tujunga, who has offered her space for the event.

"We are delighted to collaborate with the Artist

Coalition of the Foothills," said Deb. "Supporting local artists is essential for

the health of our community."

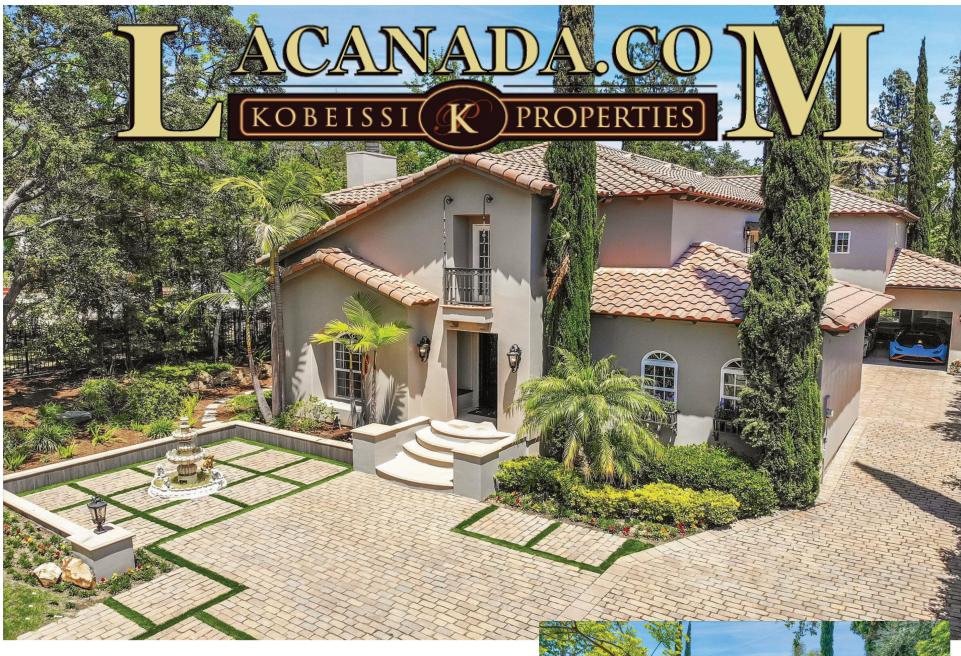
The Artist Coalition of the Foothills is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting and supporting the arts in Los Angeles. The Coalition provides a forum for artists to connect, share ideas and learn from each other.

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