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California New Initiative Focuses on Boys and Men

By Mary O'KEEFE

On Tuesday Governor Gavin Newsom announced the California Men's Service Challenge. This new initiative is made through a statewide executive order to address disconnection in young men and boys. It encourages and helps men step up and serve their community through the California Service Corps and volunteer and service opportunities with partner organizations.

"As a father of three boys, I'm deeply grateful to Gov. Newsom for signing an executive order to support our young men and our boys, a comprehensive effort in the state of California to provide purpose and meaning and connection and responsibility and community. This is a much-needed statewide effort at a time when suicide rates among young men are growing," said Josh Fryday during a press conference on Tuesday. Fryday is a member of the Newsom's cabinet who is the GO-Serve director and California chief service officer. Fryday also serves with the California Governor's Council for Career Education.

"Young men are three times as likely to die by suicide than young women. Also this is a time when college rates of young men are going down and a time when California men are more likely to be unemployed and less likely to volunteer in their community. [It is more] likely that for every one young man who steps up to serve – to be part of Peace Corps, AmeriCorps, the California Service Corps – there are two women who step up for these very same programs," he said.

He added there are organizations that focus on helping and supporting boys/men.

"[These organizations help] boys who need a mentor, boys who need role models, boys in need of love and to be seen ... and they don't have it. Today we take an important step to fix this," he said.

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Vows are Made: Streets Will Be SAFE

By Mary O'KEEFE

It has been 10 years since Streets Are For Everyone (SAFE) started its educational outreach about street safety ... and what a difference 10 years can make.

SAFE began as the mission of Damian Kevitt to just "finish the ride." Since the beginning of his non-profit, Kevitt has been able to get people to take part in his organization. Many of whom had never been part of a non-profit but believed in his mission to save lives and to stop what happened to him from happening again. Many joined the movement without knowing Kevitt's origin story; however, after hearing it they became even more devoted to the cause.

In February 2013 Kevitt was cycling in Griffith Park when he was struck by a vehicle that did not stop. Kevitt was trapped under the vehicle, which drove onto the 5 Freeway, and was dragged a quarter of a mile until he finally freed himself. The episode nearly killed him but he fought back. Despite losing his leg, while in



Photo by Mary O'KEEFE
Damian Kevitt, founder and executive director of Streets Are For Everyone (SAFE), celebrated the organization's 10-year anniversary and thanked all of the volunteers and partner organizations for their part in the success of the non-profit.

the hospital he decided to finish the ride he had started that day – and he was going to do whatever it took to make sure streets were safe for cyclists and pedestrians alike.

One year later, he did finish the ride, along with hundreds of his closet friends and complete strangers who wanted to support his mission. According to the SAFE website, Finish the Ride supports the life-saving strategies of Streets Are For Everyone – SAFE – to make roads safer for all road users.

In 2015 Kevitt ran the LA Mara-

thon, something while still in his hospital bed he told his wife and mom he was going to do.

"I didn't know what he was made of until this happened," said Kevitt's mom, Michele Kirkland. "I thought he was pretty amazing already. I knew he was helping people all the time [with] counseling and he had incredible management skills ... but I didn't know what he was made of."

"Carbon fiber," Kevitt joked, referring to his prosthetic leg.

And that, in part, explains what makes SAFE so successful. It takes

on an incredibly serious issue of street safety but all the while at the ready there seems to be a joke and a positive attitude.

At a recent 10-year anniversary event, SAFE highlighted the many people and organizations that over the past decade have been key to its success. The event also touted what it has done so far including working with elected officials to support sensible legislation concerning pedestrian and cycling safety and producing public street safety campaigns.

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Rockhaven Renovations Begin

By Mary O'KEEFE

The construction banners are up and workers with yellow vests can be seen through the gates of Rockhaven Sanitarium as the renovations to the historic property begin.

In July the Glendale City Council announced that the construction/renovation was finally beginning after years of roller coaster-type efforts.

The plan adopted by the council will renovate Pines Cottage for use as a museum and will allow for accessibility improvements including off-site parking.

"... a comprehensive effort to enhance the site's historical and functional

value," senior project manager Arthur Asaturyan told the council, as reported in an

article in CVW in July.

The Pines Cottage is the beginning of the renovation that has been a long time coming.

Rockhaven has had a roller coaster history. The property itself is a tribute to a woman in business, which at the time was uncommon. Agnes Richards opened Rockhaven Sanitarium in 1923 when she rented a cottage in the 2700 block of Honolulu Avenue. She purchased other houses and soon Rockhaven was a well-known sanitarium that offered a safe place for women.

Richards kept Rockhaven going until her death in 1967 when it was passed to her granddaughter Patricia Travis. Travis sold the sanitarium in 2001 to a large hospital corporation, which closed the facility in 2006.

Rockhaven's future was in question until the City of Glendale purchased the property in 2008. One plan was



Photo by Mary O'KEEFE
Banners on the outside of the Rockhaven property indicate that construction is beginning on the historic property

to relocate the Montrose Library to the Rockhaven property and to also create a park. But the economy took a downturn and everything stalled. Since then, the future of property has been in question – what would happen to this historic location? Several buildings on the property have

been listed on the state and national historical registries. The City and Friends of Rockhaven worked together to conduct historical tours of the location but then the City started pulling back on maintaining the site.

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Couldn't Do It Without Them

This has been a different week. For the last 10 or so years I have ridden in the Patriot Day Motorcade. Held on Sept. 11, the motorcade commemorates the attacks on America in 2001 and the lives lost in those attacks. In the motorcade we would ride past several businesses and local schools. We would see students waving flags and cheering on our first responders who were part of the motorcade. The enthusiasm of the students was incredible – especially when considering that many of them weren't even born when the attacks happened. Apparently the solemnity of the day was not lost on them.

But this year I didn't ride in the motorcade. Early in the morning Steve and I were on a plane bound for North Carolina so I wasn't even in town when the motorcade took place. But I relish the photos and the write up that Mary O'Keefe did (you can read it on page 5) that made me feel like I was there.

A special shout-out goes out to Dwight Sityar, a Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce board member, who was essential to organizing this event.

In North Carolina, I was prepared for humid weather; thankfully that wasn't the case. In fact, on Saturday when Steve and I visited a nearby farm we found the weather quite comfortable. (It should be noted, however, that we did spray ourselves – liberally – with

insect and tick repellent.)

As I write this, I am still in North Carolina. The skies are overcast but there isn't much rain – though I heard that SoCal will see a 20% (or greater) chance for rain from Wednesday through the weekend. I'll see about staying a few extra days. Seems the weather in North Carolina will be better than in Southern California.

Let me just say that I know I can stay longer in North Carolina because of the incredible crew I have at the CV Weekly. I'm grateful to them all.

It was a shock to hear about the assassination of Charlie Kirk. To be honest, I really didn't know much about Kirk. I have since learned a lot including that he was relatively young – 31 years old – and had a family when he was killed.

This week's Spiritually Speaking (in the religion section of the paper) offers advice on how to address issues, such as the public killing of people, when talking to young kids. The question posed to local clergy includes, "How do you talk to young kids about the violence and hatred in the world?"

Isn't it sad that this issue even needs to be addressed?

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Taking A Look Outside Our Window

By Mary O'KEEFE

"We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

– Preamble to the Constitution of the United States

Yesterday was Constitution Day. It is the day that commemorates the formation and signing of the U.S. Constitution by 39 men on Sept. 17, 1787.

It seems like a good time to recognize Constitution Day because there has been a lot of discussion about division in our country ... and make no mistake – there is a heartbreaking amount of division. But it is good to remember we have been here before and it didn't lead to a Civil War.

In many of our minds we see that painting by Howard Chandler Christy from the 1940s of George Washington standing tall at the desk as one by one these leaders of the Revolution signed this historic document.

Though all seem to be calm and in apparent total agreement that was not the case. These men all had their own vision of the future of the United States. Some wanted more government while others wanted less. One concern dealt with representation; larger states had their ideas while smaller states had their own.

There was the Virginia Plan, which had a legislative branch consisting of two chambers. This differed from the Confederation Congress, which included only one House. Each of the states would be represented in proportion to their size – in both houses of the national

legislature populous states, like Virginia – at the time the most populous state – would have more representatives than smaller states. The national legislature would have the power to address issues that were beyond the ability of any single state government to handle. And the legislature could also have the power to veto state laws that it found to be against national interest.

Then there was the New Jersey Plan, which included one house legislature for each state, regardless of its population, receiving one vote and it would expand the powers of the national government to address the needs of a growing nation in certain ways, according to the National Constitution Center.

There was a lot of debate, according to historical records, with a lot of yelling; however, it was a debate ... angry, but a debate nonetheless.

In the end there was a compromise, which was the Connecticut Plan, also known as the Great Compromise. Congress would consist of two houses – a House of Representatives and a Senate. The House would be elected on the basis of proportional representation – giving more populous states more seats than smaller states. At the same time, the Senate would be elected on the basis of equal representation with each state – regardless of its population – electing two senators, according to the National Constitution Center.

The Constitution was signed but it would not become binding until it was ratified by nine of the 13 states. And ratification was not done without a lot more debate. Massachusetts held out, opposing the document as it thought it failed in a variety of areas including constitutional protection of freedom of speech, freedom of religion and freedom of the press.

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Are you or a loved one over 50 navigating the real estate market? Trust Phyllis Harb, a certified Senior Real Estate Specialist (SRES), to guide you with expertise, care, and personalized attention. With her specialized training, Phyllis is uniquely equipped to meet the needs of senior homebuyers and sellers, ensuring a smooth and stress-free experience.

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Don't Miss Next Week's Q&A – Phyllis discusses “Best Practices When Accepting A Cash Offer”

NEWS

IN BRIEF

ROSEMONT PRESERVE OPEN GATE MORNING

An “open gate” event is taking place at the Rosemont Preserve on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 21. This is a chance for residents to visit the Preserve and wander the trail at their own pace and enjoy the tranquil setting, the wildlife and the natural beauty. Photographers: bring your camera to capture the morning light and citizen scientists, bring your iNaturalist and Merlin apps to identify birds and add wildlife sightings!

The gate will be open from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., and Friends of the Rosemont Preserve Committee members will be available to answer questions and present this community resource.

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

Those planning on walking the trails should wear sturdy shoes and bring water to drink.

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

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

CVCA ANNOUNCES MONTHLY MEETING

The Crescenta Valley Community Association will have its meeting on Thursday, Sept. 25, this month in the community room at the La Crescenta Library. The meeting will include discussion on land use issues as well as other topics of concern to the community.

The Library is located at 2809 Foothill Blvd. Contact the CVCA at crescentavalleycommunityassn@gmail.com with any questions.

All are welcome.

CVTC ANNOUNCES GENERAL MEETING, WILDLIFE FAIR

The Crescenta Valley Town Council (CVTC) is having its monthly general meeting at the community room in the La Crescenta Library, 2809 Foothill Blvd., tonight, Thursday, Sept. 18, at 7 p.m. On the agenda is a presentation by the LA County Vector Control.

Then on Saturday, Sept. 27 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Two Strike Park, 5107 Rosemont Ave. in La Crescenta, the CVTC will be hosting a Wildfire and Emergency Preparedness Fair. This community event will feature first responders, local organizations and resources to help families stay safe and prepared in the event of an emergency.

In addition, CVTC is gearing up for its annual election. Candidate applications are available on the CVTC website www.thevcouncil.com.

COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED

The City of Glendale has announced the start date for the public review and comment period on the Draft Mobility Element and an extension of the review period for the draft Land Use Element. At this time, no end date has been set for comment period for either draft element. The City will provide public notice when 30 days remain before the closure of this review period.

The public review and comment period for the draft Environmental Justice Element concluded on Aug. 29 following a 61-day review window. Community members are encouraged to review the draft elements and submit comments at GlendalePlan.com.

STUDENT COMMISSIONER APPS OPEN

Applications for student commissioner for the City of Glendale are now open. Student commissioners are active, non-voting members of the Arts & Culture Commission who actively work on promoting arts & culture in Glendale. This position provides an opportunity to represent student voices in advocating for arts & culture in Glendale and gain experience in local government.

Applicants must be students under the age of 25 who live in Glendale and must be able to attend meetings on the third Thursday of the month from 10 a.m. to noon for a one-year commitment. The application deadline is Friday, Sept. 26 at 5 p.m. PST. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/bdzx8kxz>.

Neighborhood Pet Store Day Celebrated at Andersen’s



Photo provided by Andersen’s Pet Shop
Andersen’s Pet Shop has advice for all pet parents – from those who have birds to those who have dogs.



By Mary O’KEEFE

September 27 is Neighborhood Pet Store Day and Andersen’s Pet Shop in Montrose will be hosting a celebration for pets, pet parents and the community.

“We will be having an event in our parking lot we are calling an ice cream social,” said Alyce Russell. She and husband Tom have owned Andersen’s for decades.

The event will be held on Sept. 27 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Andersen’s Pet Shop parking lot, 2218 Honolulu Ave. in Montrose.

Russell added the event will have ice cream that is safe for dogs, vendors who will show off their products, prizes and a raffle.

“There are two rescue [organizations] coming. Big Love Animal Rescue, which [handles] mixed breeds and West Coast Labrador Retriever Rescue,” she said.

Also featured are games for dogs, a guest trainer and an animal communicator.

Russell said the animal communicator is someone who says she can communicate with animals – a practice that has seen a growth in interest via social media over the past few years.

Andersen’s Pet Shop has a long history in the area. It opened in 1940 in La Cañada Flintridge, then was purchased by Clarence “Ducky” Nash – the voice of Disney’s Donald Duck in the 1930s. He owned Andersen’s in the 1950s and ’60s.

“My parents bought [Andersen’s] in the 1960s. It was a pet shop and nursery then and was located on Verdugo [Road],” Russell said. “My husband and I bought [the store] from my parents in the 1970s and moved it here in the 2000s.”

Andersen’s Pet Shop is not just a neighborhood independent business; it is also a generational one.

“This is our passion,” she said. “This is what we’ve done for generations.”

Russell said the importance of having a neighborhood store, as opposed to a big box business, is the relationship they have with their customers. The Russells have seen kids, parents and grandparents come to their store. They know them by their first names and know the names of their pets.

Russell has worked with Pasadena Humane Society for years and has seen how people adopt animals without knowing exactly what they are opting in for – especially during the pandemic.

“A lot of people adopt dogs and cats, then give them up,” Russell said. “Shelters are overrun; it is crazier than it has ever been.”

While she was at Pasadena Humane she set up a program of training new, current and experienced pet owners. She said the shelter saw

a drop in the return of adoptions after owners took the class on which the program is based. She brought that experience to Andersen’s.

People who are thinking about becoming a pet parent for anything from birds to dogs can come into Andersen’s and talk to Russell and her husband on how to prepare for their new family addition. She speaks honestly with those who want to become a pet parent, making sure they understand the responsibility, time and costs of taking on that new addition. An independent pet store with long time experience can offer a one-to-one conversation.

Independent businesses are working hard to stay in business. Online shopping, large corporations/big box stores and rising rents have created challenges for many independent businesses. In 2020, IndiePet was established by pet retailers who modeled their Neighborhood Pet Store Day after the event Small Business Saturday created by American Express in 2010. Its focus is to encourage people to shop locally and support independent pet businesses.

But Andersen’s is not just a favorite of pet parents; it is also a favorite of pets.

“I can’t tell you how many times people will tell me they can’t walk down [Honolulu Avenue] without their dogs [pulling] them into the pet shop,” Russell said. “They come in and we have treats – and they get all the good smells.”

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Board Adopts Budget Changes

By Eliza PARTIKA

The Glendale Unified School District board of education approved the actual expenditures from the 2024-25 school year and the resulting changes to the budget approved in June.

The education code requires the budget to enumerate all revenues and expenditures for the preceding fiscal year. This report must also include any resulting corrections to the 2025-26 adopted budget. The ending balance as of December 2024 was approximately \$48 million, an increase from what was expected.

The District plans to use the additional unrestricted funds for adoption of new textbooks and technology renovations. The board approved to move forward with this report and to adjust the 2025-26 budget accordingly.

“[This is the] reason districts have multi-year projections and the requirement is to keep districts solvent,” said William Young, assistant superintendent of Business Services.

Representatives from the Government Financial Services Joint Powers Authority and Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates (FM3) presented their services to the board and discussed the survey process needed to potentially include bonds and parcel taxes on the ballot for the gubernatorial elections in June 2026 or the presidential elections in November 2028. Bonds and parcel taxes are both forms of local funding through property taxes, voted on and approved by the community.

Bonds and parcel taxes are used by school districts to fund facilities’ improvements and educational programs in schools. The board ultimately approved the partnership, and at the next meeting will discuss whether to move forward with bonds or parcel taxes or both. Funding for

these partnerships comes from the general fund.

The board also approved a grant funding Clark Magnet High School’s robotics program. The grant, provided by the Gene Haas Foundation, started providing grants to schools supporting the expansion of manufacturing trades. This grant would support three highly respected Clark CTE (Career and Technical Education) pathways: manufacturing, engineering and robotics.

Through these pathways, students have the opportunity to earn certifications that make them stronger candidates for elite colleges and universities within their chosen field and simultaneously create opportunities for internships or paid positions at local manufacturing facilities earning \$25-\$40 directly after high school and during the summer. The approved grant provided Clark Magnet with \$250,000 to \$500,000 in funding for the Clark engineering, manufacturing and robotics programs.

Policies relating to student opt-outs continue to be updated according to state law. If a student is opted out of an educational activity, an activity of equal educational value must be provided and prohibits disciplinary action, academic penalty or other sanctions should a student be opted out. Dr. Kelly King, assistant superintendent of Educational Services, said information on opt-outs are included in the parent handbooks sent out at all school sites, and administrators have been trained on how to collaborate with educators and parents.

“I want to emphasize to everyone that they belong. We need to remember to encourage everyone who’s curious, to encourage everyone to come and look at these books. They’re available,” said board member Kathleen Cross.

In the Annual Arts in Schools Report, board members heard how arts funding from Prop 28 was used across the District and brainstormed plans for the 2025-26 year. Last school year, 34 schools received Prop 28 funding to expand access to visual and performing arts education. The District hired four new itinerant arts teachers, credentialed professionals who create arts curriculum and help with logistics, including teaching arts skills aligned with state standards, supervising large groups such as bands and ensembles, preparing materials, supporting exhibitions, assisting with classroom management and accompanying students on arts-related field trips.

This year, along with expanding and improving arts facilities, the board voted to prioritize partnerships with local arts initiatives, like the partnership with the Antaeus Theater group started last year.

Elementary school teachers and leaders created coaching tools to help schools integrate the arts into their curriculum. A database to help with this arts integration was created to assist teachers in funding resources and collaborate across schools. These successes and the student showcases demonstrated the impact of the arts on students, said presenter Dr. Emil Ahangarzadeh, coordinator III, visual and performing arts at GUSD.

“The idea is to work with our students so they go one step beyond the creation process by imagining what the arts can be. It requires our students to respond to others’ art, to make connections between art and everything else,” Ahangarzadeh said.

At its next meeting the board will continue discussing changes to its ethics policy and health care policies.

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Glendale Garden Homes Apartments Project Highlights New State Housing Mandates and Limits on Local Control

The proposed demolition and redevelopment of the Glendale Garden Apartments underscores a growing challenge for local communities: state housing mandates that override local planning preferences.

On June 30, Assembly Bill 130 (AB 130) was signed into law, immediately reshaping how cities across California must process housing projects. While the City of Glendale has acted in good faith to address community concerns, protect neighborhood character and safeguard property it considers historic, AB 130’s new statutory exemptions under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) have eliminated the City’s ability to require an Environmental

Impact Report (EIR) for the Glendale Garden Apartments project, including on the basis of its potential historic status. AB 130 only permits consideration of impacts on the demolition of a historic structure listed on a federal, state or local register before the date of a preliminary development application was submitted.

Glendale has sought to balance state housing obligations with the wishes of its residents. However, under AB 130, qualifying housing projects are exempt from CEQA review, subject only to “objective standards” in zoning and planning. This means Glendale must process the proposed Glendale Garden Apartments demolition and redevelopment

– even though it previously required the preparation of an EIR.

City of Glendale staff is currently reaching out to the residents of the Glendale Garden Apartments and advising them of the impacts of AB 130 on the Glendale Garden Apartments redevelopment proposal.

A public hearing to consider approval of the proposed project will be held before the Design Review Board on Sept. 25 at 5 p.m., in Room 105 of the Municipal Services Building at 633 E. Broadway in Glendale.

“This is not a Glendale-only issue – it’s a statewide mandate,” said Mayor Ara Najarian. “The Garden Apartments project makes clear that AB 130 prevents

cities from shaping projects in ways that reflect local community values. The Sears site and future projects will be processed under the same state laws. While we continue to advocate for local control, we must comply with the law to protect Glendale taxpayers from costly litigation and penalties.”

Mayor Najarian has written, on behalf of the City of Glendale and its residents, a letter to Gov. Newsom asking him and the legislature to put a pause on and reassess the current strategy to housing and affordability.

The City encourages residents to contact their state representatives to express their views on housing legislation that has stripped away local

discretion. Glendale will continue to push for reforms that restore balance between state housing production goals and community character.

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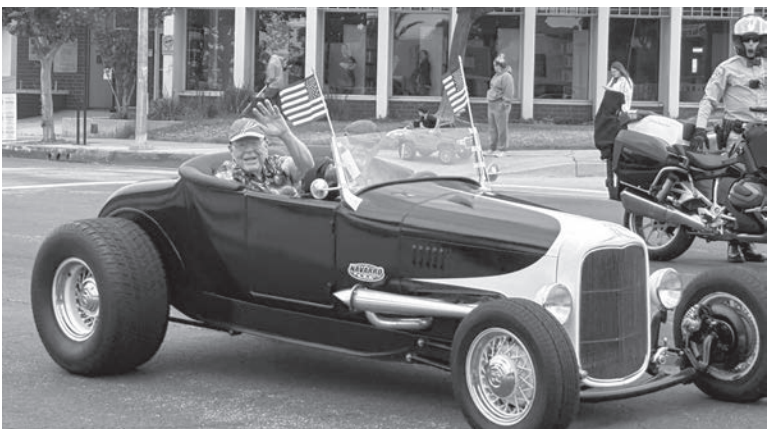
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Motorcade Honors Patriot Day



A banner was prominently displayed on the fire truck that reminded everyone to Remember - Honor - Respect.



The Patriot Day Motorcade, sponsored by the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce, returned to the community without missing a beat – or a cheer – on Sept. 11. The motorcade featured more than 50 hot rod and classic vehicles that

drove through La Crescenta and La Cañada Flintridge. Students and community members stood on sidewalks, waved and yelled “thank you” to the emergency responders who drove by. This support was appreciated

by fire, law enforcement and other emergency responders, especially after battling the wildfires that have already occurred this year. Earlier in the day, veterans from American Legion Post 288 and members and leaders from Crescenta

Valley Armenian Community Center joined firefighters at Glendale Fire Station 29 on Honolulu Avenue to honor the victims of the terrorist attack on Sept. 11, 2001. A flower arrangement from the Armenian Youth Center to honor the fallen

was placed at the base of the fire station’s flag pole.
Photos by Donna LIBRA, Rachelle MILLER and Mary O’KEEFE



Children lined the streets



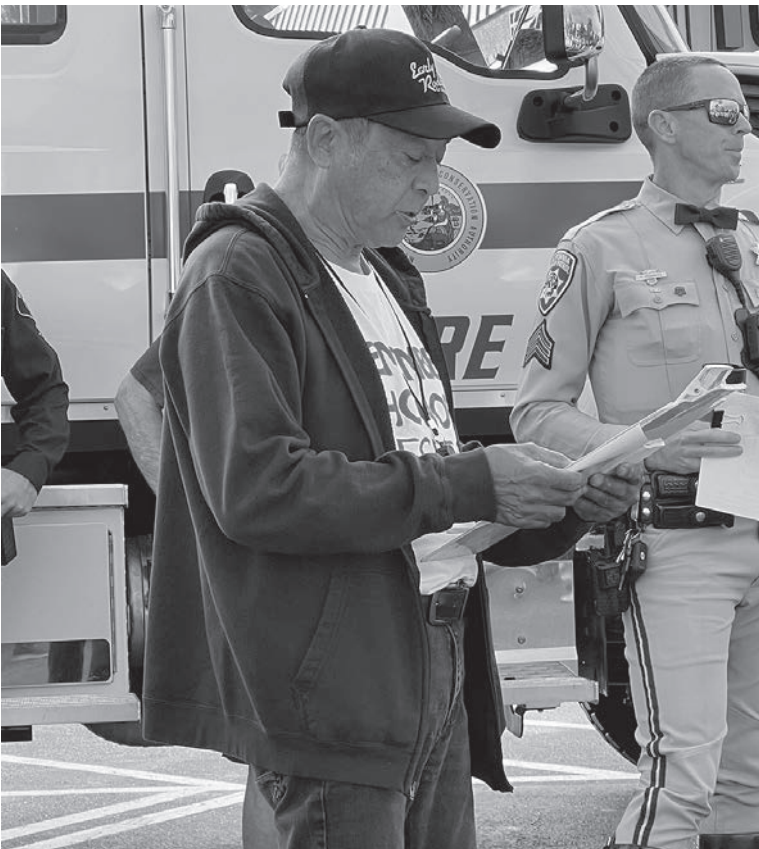
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Obituary
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Our beloved Alma, age 89, left us peacefully at her home in La Cañada-Flintridge surrounded by her closest family on Wednesday, Sept. 3. Short of stature but enormous of heart, she battled numerous health complications for 10 months until she was finally provided with comfort care at her passing. With a heart of gold and a bubbly personality, she made friends and touched the lives of everyone who she came in contact.

She was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Alicia and Ferdinand Allegrini and the younger sister of Diana. Growing up, she attended St. Donato's School and West Catholic Girls High School. It was during that time 73 years ago when she met the love of her life and true soulmate Stephen Joseph Giovanisci at age 16 (both only three weeks apart in age). They were married 68 years ago on Oct. 19, 1957 and led a storybook life, moving across the country and meeting with world leaders and celebrities through Stephen's career. They both started out in Philadelphia and moved with their family to Pennsauken, New Jersey., Wilmington, Delaware, Downers Grove, Illinois, and Moraga, California until finally landing at their most wonderful home in La Cañada-Flintridge in 1974.

She is survived by her husband Stephen as well as her children: son Stephen Joseph Jr. (and his wife Catherine); daughter Linda Marie; grandchildren Nicole Marie (and her husband Edward Ruiz), Christopher Stephen and Joseph Michael (and his wife Lauren); her first great-grandchild Maria Lauren, born a mere seven months ago. All brought great joy to her life and she treated all of her family with love, kindness and generosity.

She was a wonderful mother, homemaker and cook, an excellent artist specializing in oil painting and had quite the talent for gardening and interior design. However, her greatest passion was caring for her animals, namely her four precious dogs (Poochkins, Gabriella, Penelope and finally Bianca, who was with her when she passed) as well as her two horses Mr. Bojangles and finally Ms. Bojingles, who she rode till she was 84 years old. The world is a lesser place without her spirit and she will be missed tremendously.

Services for our beloved Alma will be held on Friday, Sept. 26 at 1 p.m. at Cabot and Sons Mortuary, 27 Chestnut St. in Pasadena, California. Thoughts and prayers are appreciated for this remarkable wife/mother/grandmother/aunt/friend.

Vigil Held for Slain Activist



A candlelight vigil was held on Sunday evening honoring the memory of slain activist Charlie Kirk. The vigil was held at the corner of Honolulu Avenue and Ocean View Boulevard.

Around 80 people were on hand to show their appreciation for the work of Kirk and to offer sorrow over his murder at the hands of suspected killer 22-year-old Tyler Robinson. As of Tuesday, charges against Robinson include aggravated murder. Prosecutors announced they would seek the death penalty.

Photos by Donna LIBRA



CRIME BLOTTER

SEPT. 11

5500 block of Pinecone Road in La Crescenta, when a resident returned to his home he realized several items of his personal property were missing from the interior of the home. Several rooms had been ransacked and a sliding glass door leading to the upper patio had been shattered.

The residential burglary occurred between 10 a.m and 6 p.m.

2800 block of Adams Street in La Crescenta, when a resident returned home she found the rear sliding glass door of her house was partially open and the screen had been removed. Several rooms had been ransacked and jewelry was stolen from the residence between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

SEPT. 10

4800 block of Del Monte Road in La Cañada Flintridge, the interior of a vehicle was ransacked and items were stolen. Security

cameras revealed a dark colored four-door sedan driving southbound on Del Monte Road. The vehicle then stopped next to the victim's car when Suspect No. 1 exited the the passenger side door of the dark sedan and entered the victim's vehicle. Suspect No. 2 exited the driver's side door and entered the victim's car for about a minute then entered their sedan and left the area at 3:28 a.m.

SEPT. 9

4700blockofOakadoPlace in La Cañada Flintridge, an unlocked vehicle's interior was ransacked and items were stolen overnight.

Editor's note: Details included in the crime reports are taken directly from the reports on file. The Crescenta Valley Weekly is not responsible for the incompleteness or inaccuracies in the original reports.



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More Information on Possible Ancient Life on Mars

After a year’s worth of scientific scrutiny, the Sapphire rock sample remains the mission’s best candidate for containing signs of ancient microbial life processes.

A sample collected by NASA’s Perseverance Mars rover from an ancient dry riverbed in Jezero Crater could preserve evidence of ancient microbial life. Taken from a rock named Cheyava Falls last year, the sample, called “Sapphire Canyon,” contains potential biosignatures, according to a paper published this month in the journal Nature.

A potential biosignature is a substance or structure that might have a biological origin but requires more data or further study before a conclusion can be reached about the absence or presence of life.

“This finding by Perseverance, launched under President Trump in his first term, is the closest we have ever come to discovering life on Mars. The identification of a potential biosignature on the Red Planet is a groundbreaking discovery and one that will advance our understanding of Mars,” said acting NASA Administrator Sean Duffy. “NASA’s commitment to conducting Gold Standard Science will continue as we pursue our goal of putting American boots on Mars’ rocky soil.”

“This finding is the direct result of NASA’s effort to strategically plan, develop and execute a mission able to deliver exactly this type of science – the identification of a potential biosignature on Mars,” said Nicky Fox, associate administrator, Science Mission Directorate at NASA headquarters in Washington. “With the publication of this peer-reviewed result, NASA makes this data available to the wider science community for further study to confirm or refute its biological potential.”

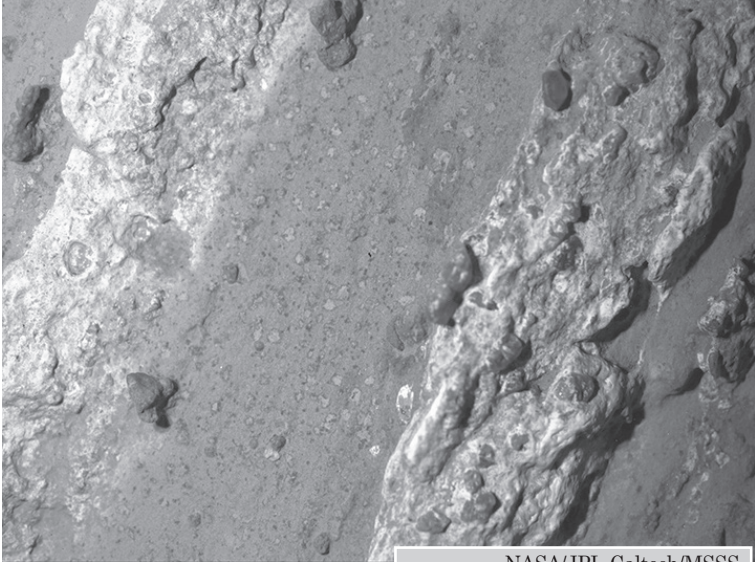
The rover’s science instruments found that the formation’s sedimentary rocks are composed of clay and silt which, on Earth, are excellent preservers of past microbial life. They also are rich in organic carbon, sulfur, oxidized iron (rust) and phosphorous.

“The combination of chemical compounds we found in the Bright Angel formation could have been a rich source of energy for microbial metabolisms,” said Perseverance scientist Joel Hurowitz of Stony Brook University, New York and lead author of the paper. “But just because we saw all these compelling chemical signatures in the data didn’t mean we had a potential biosignature. We needed to analyze what that data could mean.”

First to collect data on this rock were Perseverance’s PIXL (Planetary Instrument for X-ray Lithochemistry) and SHERLOC (Scanning Habitable Environments with Raman & Luminescence for Organics & Chemicals) instruments. While investigating Cheyava Falls, an arrowhead-shaped rock measuring 3.2 feet by 2 feet (1 meter by 0.6 meters), they found what appeared to be colorful spots. The spots on the rock could have been left behind by microbial life if it had used the raw ingredients – the organic carbon, sulfur, and phosphorus – in the rock as an energy source.

In higher resolution images, the instruments found a distinct pattern of minerals arranged into reaction fronts (points of contact where chemical and physical reactions occur) the team called “leopard spots.” The spots carried the signature of two iron-rich minerals: vivianite (hydrated iron phosphate) and greigite (iron sulfide). Vivianite is frequently found on Earth in sediments, peat bogs and around decaying organic matter. Similarly, certain forms of microbial life on Earth can produce greigite.

The combination of these minerals, which appear to have formed by electron-transfer reactions between the sediment and organic matter, is a potential fingerprint for microbial life, which would use these reactions to produce energy for growth. The minerals also can be generated abiotically, or without the presence of life. Hence, there are ways to



NASA/JPL-Caltech/MSSS
NASA’s Perseverance rover discovered leopard spots on a reddish rock nicknamed “Cheyava Falls in Mars’ Jezero Crater in July 2024. Scientists think the spots may indicate that, billions of years ago, the chemical reactions in this rock could have supported microbial life; other explanations are being considered.

produce them without biological reactions including sustained high temperatures, acidic conditions and binding by organic compounds. However, the rocks at Bright Angel do not show evidence that they experienced high temperatures or acidic conditions and it is unknown whether the organic compounds present would have been capable of catalyzing the reaction at low temperatures.

The discovery was particularly surprising because it involves some of the youngest sedimentary rocks the mission has investigated. An earlier hypothesis assumed signs of ancient life would be confined to older rock formations. This finding suggests that Mars could have been habitable for a longer period or later in the planet’s history than previously thought, and that older rocks also might hold signs of life that are simply harder to detect.

“Astrobiological claims, particularly those related to the potential discovery of past extraterrestrial life, require extraordinary evidence,” said Katie Stack Morgan, Perseverance’s project scientist at NASA’s Jet Propulsion Laboratory. “Getting such a significant finding as a potential biosignature on Mars into a peer-reviewed publication is a crucial step in the scientific process because it ensures the rigor, validity and significance of our results. And while

abiotic explanations for what we see at Bright Angel are less likely given the paper’s findings, we cannot rule them out.”

The scientific community uses tools and frameworks like the CoLD scale and Standards of Evidence to assess whether data related to the search for life actually answers the question “Are we alone?” Such tools help improve understanding of how much confidence to place in data suggesting a possible signal of life found outside our own planet.

Sapphire Canyon is one of 27 rock cores the rover has collected since landing at Jezero Crater in February 2021. Among the suite of science instruments is a weather station that provides environmental information for future human missions, as well as swatches of spacesuit material so that NASA can study how it fares on Mars.

Managed for NASA by Caltech, NASA JPL built and manages operations of the Perseverance rover on behalf of the agency’s Science Mission Directorate as part of NASA’s Mars Exploration Program portfolio.

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CVWD Grapples with Line Problems

A water pump line issue occurred Wednesday morning in the area of Pennsylvania and Honolulu avenues. Crescenta Valley Water District (CVWD) was on scene and successfully isolated valves that continued providing water service for customers. No customers were affected by the break; however, traffic in the area was slowed. The westbound side of Honolulu Avenue was shut down while repairs were being made, according to a CVWD spokesperson.

Unfortunately, CVWD had another, more significant, break. A 12” line at Community and Ramsdell avenues affected pedestrian and vehicle traffic especially in the area of Crescenta Valley High School. Neighbors in the immediate area were notified. CVWD estimated the repairs would go into the night, according to CVWD.



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BOYS AND MEN from Cover

The California Men's Service Challenge is calling on 10,000 young members throughout the state to step up and serve their community, to be mentors, tutors, sports coaches and leaders every single day, Fryday added.

"We are going to be sending a very clear and a very powerful message to our young men: We need you and have created paid service opportunities through the California Service Corps and volunteer opportunities with our partners, whether you have a weekend or a year to give," he said.

Newsom said the initiative is to address the feeling that many boys and men have that they are not being heard.

"They don't feel heard. They feel increasingly isolated, they feel increasingly alone. We have an epidemic of loneliness and so much of that is manifesting and

metastasizing online in a very profound and consequential way," Newsom said during the press conference. "We have a crisis in this country of men and boys and for decades, candidly, we've neglected it because some of us have been scared to enter the fray, because somehow we felt it was a zero-sum game, that somehow if we're focusing on the needs of men and boys, somehow we're taking away from our advocacy around gender equality, taking our advocacy away from women and girls. So you can understand in many ways that tension, but it's not a zero-sum game. And this crisis has become a crisis not just for men and boys, but for women and girls as well."

To find out how to help or to join the California Men's Service Challenge visit www.californiavolunteers.ca.gov/mens-service-challenge/.

WEATHER from page 2

In February 1788 a compromise was reached and other states then agreed to ratify the Constitution. In June 1788 the Constitution was ratified and went into effect on March 4, 1789.

And just because the Constitution was signed and ratified it did not mean the debates and arguments ended. Jefferson and Hamilton were adversaries with neither one trusting the other. Their battles were legendary and it took a very strong president— George Washington — to get these two men to work together for the betterment of the country.

Washington wrote two letters, one to Hamilton and one to Jefferson, pleading with them to get along.

In the letter to Hamilton Washington wrote:

"Differences in political opinions are as unavoidable as, to a certain point, they may perhaps be necessary; but it is to be regretted, exceedingly, that subjects cannot be discussed with temper on the one hand, or decisions submitted to without having the motives which led to them, improperly implicated on the

other; and this regret borders on chagrin when we find that Men of abilities — zealous patriots — having the same general objects in view, and the same upright intentions to prosecute them, will not exercise more charity in deciding on the opinions, & actions of one another. When matters get to such lengths, the natural inference is, that both sides have strained the Cords beyond their bearing ... I would fain hope that liberal allowances will be made for the political opinions of one another; and instead of those wounding suspicions, and irritating charges with which some of our Gazettes are so strongly impregnated, & cannot fail if persevered in, of pushing matters to extremity, & thereby tare the Machine asunder, that there might be mutual forbearances and temporising yieldings on all sides. Without these I do not see how the Reins of Government are to be managed, or how the Union of the States can be much longer preserved."

In the letter to Jefferson he wrote:

"How unfortunate, and how much is it to be regretted ... that whilst we are

encompassed on all sides with avowed enemies and insidious friends, that internal dissensions should be harrowing and tearing our vitals. The last, to me, is the most serious — the most alarming — and the most afflicting of the two. And without more charity for the opinions and acts of one another in Governmental matters ... I believe it will be difficult, if not impracticable, to manage the Reins of Government or to keep the parts of it together...."

Isn't it amazing that after 238 years President Washington's voice still rings true? We saw violence throughout our history, including Hamilton's life ending after a dual with fellow politician Aaron Burr.

We have disagreements — our country was born with powerful disagreements — but it was through debate and compromise that made the U.S. great.

We will be seeing temperatures climbing into the high 80s/low 90s but it will not be a dry heat thanks to Tropical Storm Mario. It will be pretty uncomfortable as humidity will be high, thanks to the tropical storm, according to NOAA.

From today through Friday we will get rain though it is not certain how much rain; however, most of Southern California will see some rain. The weekend is not expected to have any rain and temperatures will be back to mid-to-high 80s to low 90s without the humidity.

SAFE from Cover

Kevitt's wife Kylea-Rose leads a program that inspires, and funds, students in middle and high schools to create public service announcements (PSAs) that focus on safety. These PSAs can be seen in many areas, including on monitors at gas station pumps. The PSAs are powerful and unfiltered.

There were several announcements about SAFE on the night of its anniversary celebration, however one that stood out was the creation of a program that helps support those who have been in accidents. This is led by SAFE director of Public Affairs Dayna Galbreath.

"I had a lot of nurses," Kevitt said of his recovery in the hospital after his accident. "I had a great team but [Galbreath] was my favorite nurse in the hospital, and then she made the crazy [decision] to step onto the board [of SAFE] as a volunteer," Kevitt said.

He said she continued working as a nurse while she volunteered with the organization. Kevitt asked Galbreath to leave her nursing job and join his non-profit, at a considerable pay cut. She said yes.

"And she has been working at SAFE ever since," he said.

It was her idea to create a program where victims of traffic collisions, including any cycling or pedestrian accidents, have a place to call to get support. This resource is not just for those who were involved in the accident but the countless others, including family members, who are affected by a traffic collision.

SAFE is planning more outreach and more programs. It is working with an army of organizations that focus on street safety. It has built bridges between these organizations that are everlasting and considers 10 years as just the beginning as the SAFE organization opens chapters in other areas of California and even internationally.

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Planes, Trains and Automobiles – Part 3

The small crowd surged forward as the shiny machine pulled into the driveway. Local Durant Motors representative Harry Harvey addressed the excited onlookers.

“You are about to witness a spectacular feat that no other automobile has ever achieved: the ascent up the sharp grade to the very top of Mount McGroarty where no real road has yet been made.”

It was late September 1925 when this daring drive took place, during the fifth annual Moon Festival of the Tujungans. At the conclusion of Mr. Harvey’s presentation, there was a spattering of applause before the car, and the group, began up the hill on the original road to the Cross of San Ysidro that emanated from John Steven McGoarty’s driveway.

Less than a half mile away, local builder George Washington Harris was admiring his new sign arching over the entrance to the Garden of the Moon (7200 Foothill Blvd.), the home of the Moon Festival. He had completed it just in time for the thousands of visitors who would

come from far and near to enjoy the festivities.

The Tujungan Moon Festival began in 1921 after the Little Landers Colony faded from existence, and its clubhouse (Bolton Hall Museum today) was sold to the American Legion. In need of funds to cover the mortgage payments, the Legion devised the Moon Festival as a way of enhancing its finances.

The self-proclaimed nature builder – Mr. Harris – had designed and built the stone clubhouse just 12 years before putting up this latest creation. Built exclusively of eucalyptus poles, the large arched gateway was underpinned with stone piers and was covered with advertising and topped by a crescent moon and star.

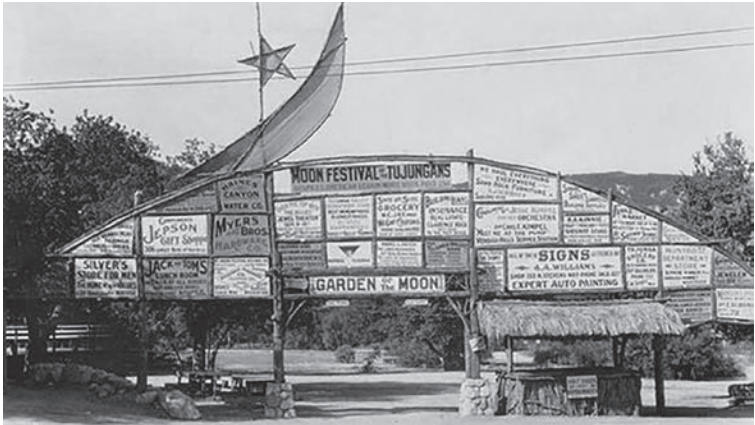
Back above the McGroarty house, the gathering had risen to the highest point in which the Model T could ascend. The Durant Motors Star Car was poised to make history in Tujunga.

Mr. Harvey once again addressed the crowd, “You can see with your own eyes just how steep this is; the

Model T can only scale such a height going backwards! But this Star Car with its special million dollar motor is up for the job! Behold!”

With those words the driver lowered his goggles and revved the engine. With a nod from Mr. Harvey, he pulled the throttle under his steering wheel to its fullest extent and the engine roared. When his foot lifted off the brake the wheels spun, throwing rocks and dust high into the air. The spectators stepped back as the shiny machine began to rise up the incline. At first it was slow going but as the wheels dug in and gained traction the Star Car sped faster and faster up the hill, with the crowd cheering and following behind. The vehicle strained over the final ledge and lurched to a stop right next to the cross, followed by the many exuberant spectators.

This was purportedly the first automobile to ever ascend to the very top of Mount McGroarty. Just months after this feat, Verdugo Crestline Drive was muscled through the hillsides and approached the cross



from the west at a significantly lower grade, making it easily accessible by autos. This is now the way guests are delivered to the cross on Easter morning and the steep section conquered a century ago is only used to descend from the peak. Just keep your foot on the brakes!

There were games that were played, music that was made and dancing – so much dancing took place over the years at the Garden of the Moon. It continued as a place of joy until Dec. 7, 1941 when it closed

for good. With the bombing of Pearl Harbor and the United States’ entry into the war, people apparently weren’t in the mood to dance – for a time.

A play about the life of nature builder George Harris will be presented at Bolton Hall Museum on Oct. 11 at 1 p.m.

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.

GUEST OP-ED » STEPHANIE LANDREGAN

Defensible Space Zone Zero: Balancing Fire Safety with Shade and Climate Concerns

In the wildfire-urban interface (WUI) areas of California and the Verdugo Hills, fire preparation is of immense importance. But for those who live in any foothill community in California, drastic fuel modification changes are coming their way with the intent of creating defensible space ... and the public notification has been zilch.

Zone Zero is a proposed regulation aimed at reducing the likelihood of a home igniting from embers by creating a defensible space. Zone Zero is the first five feet immediately surrounding a structure. The proposed regulation requires that all vegetation and combustible materials be removed: eliminating mulch, wood fencing, plants and trees in this five-foot zone. Any tree or part of the tree’s canopy in this five foot zone is proposed to be removed.

While the intent is clear – protect life and property – is total removal of all vegetation in Zone Zero the right move? Fire scientists feel this is a drastic solution.

Especially removing trees adjacent to urban homes, what are the unintended consequences, particularly for habitat, shade and the urban heat island effect?

Recent fire science supports keeping well-maintained, moisture retaining trees and vegetation which can slow or stop embers. In the Palisades and Eaton fires, mature trees and hedges functioned as ember catchers and saved homes. The

Eaton Fire found that trees protected complete streets and that structures burned trees, not visa-versa. These urban fires were structure to structure fires not vegetation fires.

Zone Zero in a nutshell is to create defensible space

- * No combustible mulch, wood chips, rubber mulch, etc.
- * No sheds, trellises, wood fences, wood piles or storage of materials
- * No plants or trees in Zone Zero
- * Includes all residential, industrial, multifamily and institutional structures in certain very high fire hazard severity zones.

The regulation does not explicitly require removing all trees near structures but, when combined with fire agency and insurance interpretations, it will lead to the removal of canopy trees if trunks or branches overhang within the five-foot zone. A big concern is for trees that are next to multistory buildings.

In Southern California, large shade trees near homes provide cooling and aesthetic value. Mature trees provide critical ecosystem services: filtering air, supporting wildlife, stabilizing soil, and – most crucially – reducing heat. Urban heat island effect refers to buildings, roads and other human-built structures that absorb the sun’s heat more than natural surfaces such as grass, soil and trees, raising the surrounding air temperature sometimes by 15 degrees. Shade trees reduce this effect by cooling the air and

reducing surface heat. Trees help cool neighborhoods, cutting energy use for air conditioning and supporting public health.

With Zone Zero proposing widespread canopy loss near homes, neighborhoods will see an increase in energy bills, especially during summer months. Vulnerable communities, which face higher heat-related health risks and deaths, make canopy loss even more concerning.

Integrating current fire science with urban forestry best practices, defensible space can exist along with mature, maintained trees. Trees and plants should be permitted for their cooling and shading benefits. Zone Zero must holistically balance the need for ignition-resistant zones and the equally urgent need for shaded, healthy, climate-resilient urban landscapes.

For more information visit: www.zonezerofacts.org and <https://bof.fire.ca.gov/projects-and-programs/defensible-space-zones-0-1-and-2>. Submit comment on this regulation writing to PublicComments@bof.ca.gov.

Stephanie Landregan, PLA, FASLA

Stephanie Landregan is a registered landscape architect and senior Southern California director, California Council of ASLA (American Society of Landscape Architects). She is the former director of the Landscape Architecture and Horticulture Programs at UCLA Extension.

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Family Fun Days Carnival Draws Crowds to OLL School Campus

The Our Lady of Lourdes School campus was transformed into a vibrant hub of joy and community spirit during its annual Family Fun Days carnival, held Sept. 5-7. With over 5,500 attendees across three days, the event was a resounding success, offering thrilling rides, classic carnival games, live music, and an array of food and drinks by the Our Lady of Lourdes ministries.

Family Fun Days brings together families, neighbors and local businesses in celebration of community. This year's event was made possible due to the generous support of sponsors including Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Montrose-Verdugo City Chamber of Commerce, Crescenta Valley Insurance, Joselito's Mexican Restaurant - Tujunga, YMCA of the Foothills, Studio Spectrum, Alfred's Pizza, PrintEfex, TrewAudio, ACME, Russell's Moving and Storage, Sunbelt, CV Weekly newspaper, Christiansen's, Illumination & Dynamics, and The Knights of Columbus.

Chairs Amanda and John Buckowski led the dedicated planning committee with passion and purpose.

"Amanda and I have served as the committee's chairs for a few



Chairs Amanda and John Buckowski years now and it's always gratifying to see the joy on kids' faces during and after the event," said John. "We commit ourselves to this carnival year after year for our own kids, including our son who is still an OLL student, but truly for the community."

Family Fun Days continues to be a cherished tradition in the Sunland-Tujunga neighborhood, fostering connection and celebration. To learn more about Our Lady of Lourdes School and upcoming community events, visit ollschooltujunga.org or follow @olltujunga on Instagram.

Elks National Foundation 2026 Scholarship Opportunities Available

The Elks National Foundation (ENF) 2026 Most Valuable Student Scholarship Contest is seeking applications.

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Deadline for application is Nov. 12, 2025.

In addition, the Elks National

Foundation Legacy Awards Program will award 350 \$4,000 scholarships. The Legacy Awards Program offers college-bound high school seniors, who are the children or grandchildren of dues-paying Elks, the opportunity to apply for the scholarships. Deadline for application is Feb. 2, 2026.

For more information, contact Ruth McNevin, scholarship chair, Glendale Elks Lodge #1289, or your high school counselor.

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Summer Sesame-Ginger Noodle Salad

This vegan summer salad is filled with fresh veggies, cold noodles and a tasty homemade sesame-ginger dressing.

Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Dressing Ingredients:

1/3 cup vegetable oil
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1 tablespoon maple syrup
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1 tablespoon fresh ginger (grated)
1 tablespoon toasted sesame seeds
2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
Red pepper flakes (optional)

Salad Ingredients:

8 ounces of soba noodles
1 cup of broccoli florets (chopped)
1 bell pepper (thinly chopped)
1 carrot (shredded)
3 green onions (diced)
½ cup cilantro (chopped)
1 cup cabbage (shredded)
1½ cups edamame (cooked and shelled)


Dressing Directions:

Combine all of the dressing ingredients in a bowl and mix to combine. Cover and refrigerate until ready to assemble the salad.

Salad Directions:

Cook the noodles according to the package directions (about four minutes). Once cooked, rinse with cold water. Drain the noodles and add them to a large bowl with the other salad ingredients. Pour the dressing over the salad and toss to combine. Serve chilled or at room temperature.

Chef Randy Graham, the healthy chef. Providing consistently good vegetarian comfort food recipes. See his cookbooks at Amazon.



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The WellNEST Center is a safe and inclusive space on the Crescenta Valley High School campus that provides supportive resources and crisis information for students and faculty. Services include walk-in support, self-care break area, prevention and self-help resources, assistance with individual and group counseling referrals, weekly lunches with wellness dogs and monthly themed school wide activities.

The Kiwanis Club of La Cañada La Crescenta is a supporter of these important student support services and donated \$500 to purchase items from its Amazon wish list that will support activities for the 2025-26 school year including Suicide Prevention Awareness Week, Kindness Week, Red Ribbon Week, and Mental Health Awareness Week.

The morning Kiwanis Club of La Cañada La Crescenta always welcomes guests and prospective members to its weekly meetings, that includes interesting program speakers. There is no obligation to join. Meetings are on Wednesday mornings from 7:30-8:30 a.m. at Lutheran Church in the Foothills (fellowship hall), 1700 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada.

LCFKiwanisAM.org

NCL, Inc. – Glendale Chapter
Plans Sellebration 2025

The Glendale Chapter of National Charity League, Inc. (NCL) will hold its annual community rummage sale, Sellebration, at the Pacific Community Center, 501 S. Pacific Ave. in Glendale, on Saturday, Sept. 20.

A long-standing event for the Chapter, Sellebration serves the community with well-priced offerings of apparel, toys and home goods; the event is chaired by local resident Megan Crossland.

Over 300 mothers and daughters will spend hours planning, preparing, setting up and working at Sellebration.

“This year’s event invites the community to “Treasure the Finds’ by sifting through the many items until they find their treasures,” said Keisha Wilcox, NCL –Glendale Chapter president. “Sellebration is an event that brings together the Chapter in a single effort to raise money for our philanthropies and fund annual grants for the purchase of equipment and supplies.” The rummage sale is from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The mission of NCL, Inc. – Glendale Chapter is to foster mother-daughter relationships in a philanthropic organization committed to community service, leadership development and cultural experiences. NCL, Inc. – Glendale Chapter was the first chartered chapter in 1951 and is focused on supporting local philanthropies with hands-on service efforts for mothers and daughters to do together. The Glendale Chapter works with over 20 local philanthropies, providing lunches to the homeless at Ascencia and Union Station, assisting at summer camps at the YWCA of Glendale, decorating floats for the Tournament of Roses parade, providing meals to Door of Hope, organizing a blood drive with the Red Cross and many other activities. The Chapter proudly presents an annual senior recognition ball for its graduating class and offers NCL, Inc. traditions such as an annual Mother/Daughter Awards Tea and Fashion Show.



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Halloween Horror Nights 2025: Return Visitors Beware



By Charly SHELTON

Every fall, as the fog creeps in and the screams echo down the backlot, Halloween Horror Nights (HHN) rises again at Universal Studios Hollywood. It has become a seasonal rite of passage for horror fans, drawing crowds for its cinematic-scale haunted houses, cleverly themed scare zones and that addictive scent of churros mixed with fog juice. But this year, with more returning content than ever before, the scare comes not just from what lurks in the shadows, but from the creeping realization that you might have seen it all before.

Let's start with what worked — because when HHN hits, it hits hard. Easily the breakout star this year is Five Nights at Freddy's. Between the practical animatronics,

the lighting design and the sense of dread baked into every hallway, it's a slam-dunk. Red glowing eyes pierce the darkness, sudden reveals bring the jump scares and the set design captures perfectly the grimy, eerie feel of the nearly-abandoned pizza parlor. For fans of the franchise or just fans of good haunt design, this one is unmissable.

Another standout was Terrifier, the gory, chaotic house that somehow manages to be both horrifying and hilarious. Art the Clown does his thing — and if you know, you know — as you wind through a string of gruesome set pieces. Even without having seen the movie, the story is relatively coherent, the effects are wild and the energy is off the charts.

But those high notes come in a playlist that feels awfully familiar. Poltergeist is back, albeit toned

down from previous iterations. Scarecrow: The Reaping makes a return, this time scored by Slash, though the music isn't as forward in this rehash house as it has been in the Universal Monsters houses that Slash scored over the last several years. Monstruos is on its third version now, this time subtitled Ghosts of Latin America, and while the theme of all-female monsters adds variety, the execution doesn't reach the atmospheric highs of earlier years.

The new Jason Universe house is more a remix than a reinvention. Jason appears in multiple settings with some decent effects — a Pepper's Ghost illusion here, a jump scare there — but it feels like another chapter in a well-thumbed book. Fallout had so much potential, especially with the success of the recent series, but it feels too generic,

too reliant on static props and basic masks rather than the creative set pieces and amazing makeup that we've come to expect from HHN.

Meanwhile, WWE Presents: The Horrors of Wyatt 6 offers great set design and mood but unless you're already steeped in the lore of pro wrestling the narrative doesn't quite land. And the Terror Tram, once again under the Blumhouse umbrella, serves as a highlight reel for its greatest hits. It works better this year than last with vignettes from The Black Phone, The Purge, Happy Death Day and M3GAN, but it's still more remix than revelation.

There are bright spots and if you've never been to HHN before, there's plenty to enjoy. But for longtime fans, this year leans too heavily on repeats and only Five Nights at Freddy's really swings for the fences.

Photos by Charly SHELTON

1: Scarecrow Music by Slash uses the same facade as its last run, though the scene is in a different position on the lot.

2: Terror Tram showcases the best of Blumhouse, including the Black Phone 2 villain.

3: Freddy Fazbear attacks from out of the darkness.

4: The Purge walkway as part of the Terror Tram is a great spot for photos, but lacks scares.

5: La Llorona cries over her drowned children in Monstruos 3.

Still, it's HHN; it's the fog, the screams, the adrenaline. And that counts for something.

Halloween Horror Nights is on now, select nights through Nov 2. For tickets and more info, visit [UniversalStudiosHollywood.com/hhn](https://www.universalstudioshollywood.com/hhn).

To see the full video review, scan the QR code attached to this story or search Zipahdeedoodad on YouTube.

THEN & NOW

Then: Does anyone remember our old La Crescenta Library from over a decade ago? The corner of Foothill and La Crescenta then was non-descript. An auto repair place sat on the very corner, and our old cinder block box of a library can be seen behind that.

Now: What a change! The new library is a modern interpretation of Craftsman style, and a dominant feature is the use of real native stone as accent. In the 15 years of its existence, the library has become a thriving community center.

La Crescenta Library
Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV

LCPC Presents Jazz Vespers on Sept. 21 – International Day of Peace

The Jack Lantz Sextet will present a Jazz Vespers concert and worship experience featuring the jazz versions of hymns, spirituals and gospel music in La Cañada Presbyterian Church on Sunday, Sept. 21 at 5 p.m.

LCPC Jazz Vespers is

presented live and in-person in the sanctuary at LCPC. In addition, it will be live-streamed at live.lacanadapc.org.

The Sept. 21 Jazz Vespers program will feature the Jack Lantz Sextet (Lance Rickman, alto and tenor saxophones; Jeff

Kaye, trumpet; Ido Meshulam, trombone; plus Zac Matthews, bass, Dave Marks, drums and Lantz on piano) improvising on a wide range of familiar hymns and gospel music, in swing style. As the United Nations has designated Sept. 21 as International Day of

Peace, the music and liturgy will focus on bringing peace into our complex and challenging world.

No charge (free will offering received) and no reservations required for this hour-long event. All are invited for an extraordinary experience as we

pray and cry for peace in our time.

La Cañada Presbyterian Church is located at 626 Foothill Blvd. in La Cañada. For further information, call the church office at (818) 790-6708 or visit lacanadapc.org.

» REVIEW

‘One Man, Two Guvnors’ at A Noise Within Theatre

By Mikaela STONE

The production of “One Man, Two Guvnors” at A Noise Within Theatre, 3352 E. Foothill Blvd. in Pasadena, brings slapstick comedy and an appreciation for classic theatre into the colorful backdrop of 1963.

Artistic directors Julia Rodriguez-Elliott and Geoff Elliott provide their own spin on the 2011 West End show with singing and dancing transitions that turn a simple set change into what Rodriguez-Elliott calls a “nonstop party atmosphere.” While the original production

of “One Man, Two Guvnors” is underscored by a skiffle band – the New Orleans-rooted music genre that many young British people used to express themselves post World War II – A Noise Within provides not only a talented skiffle band but also the musical talents of a cast that can sing, dance and play the washboard.

Rodriguez-Elliott said she and Elliott chose the play because “we’re living in such challenging times right now that we wanted to open the season [with a play] where we could all be in a room together and enjoy a great story

and a good laugh. We all needed that.”

A Noise Within’s new season, “Songs from the Volcano,” promises poignant plays that explore both human resilience during hard times and the type of person who creates such times. Later this season, Rodriguez-Elliott will direct “Death of a Salesman.”

Kasey Mahaffy, who played Alfred Byrne in last season’s “A Man of No Importance,” leads the cast and this time his stellar performance highlights the wacky antics of protagonist Francis Henshall with eye-

catching physicality and increasingly comedic fourth wall breaks. Whether onstage alone monologuing about the ridiculous problems his bumbling has caused or backed by a stellar ensemble cast, it is hard to take one’s eyes off of Mahaffy.

After all, Francis Henshall’s primary motivation during the first act is getting to eat lunch. Living in Brighton, which Rodriguez-Elliott describes as the British Atlantic city, Henshall has recently lost his job only to find himself employed by both the foppish Stanley Stubbers and Stubbers’ enemy, reportedly

dead gangster Roscoe Crabbe – who is actually Roscoe’s sister, Rachel Crabbe, in disguise. To make matters more complicated, “Roscoe” reaffirms his engagement to the beautiful and wealthy but clownish Pauline, who is now engaged and in love with another man. This story is an adaptation of the classic Italian Renaissance Comedia Del Arte show “The Servant of Two Masters” by Carlo Goldoni.

A Noise Within Theatre rings in its new season with talented actors and directors. “One Man, Two Guvnors” continues through Sept. 28.

Rhapsodia Presents Pianist Abriana Church in Multimedia Recital: Journey Back to Eden

Pianist Abriana Church is set to deliver a mesmerizing multimedia recital as part of the Sundays of Sound series presented by Rhapsodia. This immersive experience weaves biblical Scripture and evocative visual imagery with timeless classical keyboard masterpieces, inviting listeners to reflect on themes of creation, redemption and divine promise.

“I am thrilled to bring this audio/visual concert to new audiences,” Church said. “As a Christian artist, this format allows me to explore the profound creativity and philosophy that align with my mission to glorify God through music.”

The performance aims to transport attendees into “a musical celebration of God’s work in creation and the promise of a redeemed humanity” where sound, sight and story converge in harmonious inspiration.

The performance is at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 21 at the historic La Crescenta Presbyterian Church, 2902 Montrose Ave., where Abriana (now based in Arlington, Northwest Washington) will perform. Originally from Idaho, she began piano studies at age 6 and graduated in 2022 from The Master’s University, a Christian liberal arts institution in Santa Clarita. Her accolades include an honorable mention at the 2021 Los Angeles International Liszt Competition and she has graced stages across the Pacific

Northwest and internationally, from concerto appearances with the Culver City Symphony Orchestra (featuring Prokofiev) to collaborations with the Chamber Orchestra of the Slovak State Opera in Vienna (showcasing Mozart).

Church’s affinity for multifaceted artistry shines through in past collaborations including setting biblical texts to music, and echoes the legacy of mentors like the late Longview piano teacher Martin Kauble. Her previous recitals, including a rendition of Liszt’s “Paganini Etudes,” remain available on the “Martin Kauble Memorial Concert Series” YouTube channel — a testament to her ongoing commitment to enriching communities through live performance.

At the heart of this recital lies Johann Sebastian Bach’s “Passacaglia and Fugue in C Minor,” a monumental work unfolding across 20 intricate variations, building from haunting introspection to majestic, hymn-like grandeur. As Bach himself composed to honor the divine, this piece evokes a profound sense of standing in sacred presence.

Complementing Bach are selections from Frédéric Chopin, the unrivaled “poet of the piano.” Expect his evocative Etudes, including the buzzing energy of “The Bees” (Op. 25, No. 3), the galloping drama of “The Horseman” (Op. 10, No. 12),

and the ethereal, wind-swept lyricism of the “Aeolian Harp” (Op. 25, No. 1). Church will also interpret Chopin’s beloved keyboard arrangement of “La ci darem la mano,” the seductive duet from Mozart’s opera Don Giovanni.

The program rounds out with “Müller und der Bach” (“Müller and the Brook”), a poignant “song without words” drawing from Liszt and Schubert, blending joy, sorrow and quiet contemplation.

Biblical narratives from Genesis and Revelation will be presented in the program to complement the music: lush nature scenes symbolizing creation’s splendor and the intricate biblical engravings of 19th-century French artist Gustave Doré, famed for his vivid illustrations of Scripture and Dante’s Divine Comedy.

This multi-sensory approach draws inspiration from Richard Wagner’s vision of total artwork, akin to ancient Greek drama. “For believers like me, the Bible is the ultimate living drama – the sweeping tale of creation, humanity’s journey and ultimate redemption,” Church explained.

Admission is by donation with freewill offerings gratefully accepted to support Rhapsodia’s mission of supporting emerging artists.

Abriana Church’s performance is a don’t miss opportunity to experience her talent. For more details or to reserve prime seating, visit rhapsodia.org.



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LUTHERAN CHURCH “WORK DAY” TO BEAUTIFY CAMPUS

Lutheran Church in the Foothills (LCIF) is seeking volunteers for its upcoming church “work day” to be held on Saturday, Oct. 4 with a focus on sprucing up the campus. The event, scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., will offer a variety of tasks for volunteers of all skill levels.

Similar to previous work days at LCIF, the day will feature a wide range of activities aimed at cleaning, organizing and gardening. From tidying up indoor spaces to enhancing the outdoor grounds, there will be plenty of options for everyone to contribute. Participants can lend a

hand for as little or as long as they are able and a complimentary lunch will be provided for all volunteers. The church encourages anyone interested in helping to attend.

Service hours are offered to teens looking for community service.

Visit lcifoothills.org for event details. 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 Thursday.

UUCVH Holds Water Ceremony

On Sunday Sept. 21, Unitarian

Question: Even if you keep your young kids away from social media and the news, information can still filter through. How do you talk to young kids about the violence and hatred in the world?

Concerned Parent

Dear Concerned Parent,

First of all, as parents, grandparents, teachers and mentors, we need to accept that we cannot shield our children from much of the tragic news of the world. We can't keep them from disappointment or heartbreak, from friends dying in school shootings, or from the war torn state of the world. Our best defense is a strong offense! A spiritual offense uses the tools of love, peace, inclusivity, patience and oneness as our weapons.

The history lesson that we must convey to our young ones is that the only way hate can grow is if we feed it with more hate. This reminds me of the story of the Native American chief who sat with his grandson and told him of the battle that goes on within people – the battle between two wolves. The first wolf is filled with hatred, anger evil and greed. The second wolf is filled with love, hope, peace, kindness and compassion. The grandson asked him, “Who wins the battle?” The

grandfather replied, “The one you feed.”

Teaching our children that they do have some control over their lives, and the wellbeing of the world, begins with teaching them that where they invest their focus and energy is what will spring forth as their reality. Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. said, “Hate cannot drive out hate. Only love can do that.” Our children can be beacons of light in this world. Even a single candle can light up a room. Reinforcing their own power for good and their ability to be the change they want to see in the world while modeling for them that we are all one people eliminates the whole idea of “enemies,” which counts on the “us or them” mentality. Because we have free will, there may always be some who choose to hate. Letting our kids know that love is the most powerful force in the universe, and teaching them that they can use it for good, is the key to changing the world we all live in.

Rev. Karen Mitchell, CsM

Dear Concerned Parent,

For young children, conversations about political violence should be kept simple, age-appropriate and focused on safety. Parents and caregivers should ask children what they know and feel, reassure them,

limit media exposure and highlight positive actions from “helpers.”

Before you talk

- *Process your own emotions.* Children often take emotional cues from the adults around them. Before talking with a child, give yourself time to process your feelings about the event so you can have a calm, reassuring conversation.
- *Prepare a simple explanation.* For preschoolers, a minimal, factual statement can provide necessary context without overwhelming them. For example, “Sometimes when adults are angry or disagree, they make bad choices and hurt people, but many grown-ups are working to make things safe again.”
- *Limit media exposure.* Younger children may not distinguish between news images on a screen and their own personal reality. Turn off or limit news coverage to prevent repeated exposure to frightening images. If possible, watch news privately on your own device.

During the conversation

- *Start by asking what they know.* Begin with open-ended questions like, “What have you heard or seen about this?”

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Universalist Church of the Verdugo Hills (UUCVH) welcomes the community to its annual tradition, the Unitarian Universalist water ceremony.

Water and stories from summer travels will be shared, and activities will be held. The waters will be mingled to symbolize connections with each other and later used to nourish church gardens. The community will celebrate being together at the beginning of a new “church year” as all look forward to new activities, aesthetics work on the building and outdoor space. There will be social justice work and the chance to support one another on our journeys.

UU water ceremony begins at 10:30 a.m. at 4451 Dunsmore Ave. in La Crescenta or visit the UUCVH website for the Zoom link https://www.uuverdugo.org/.

BBQ AND TABLE GAME NIGHT

On Saturday, Sept. 27, Bethel Church will be hosting a free barbecue and table game night starting at 6 p.m. Friends and family are invited to enjoy food from the grill and fellowship over table games. Everyone is encouraged to bring a favorite

table game or two to share. This should be a fun, low-key event that newcomers and longtime members can enjoy together. Everyone in the community is invited and welcome to attend.

Bethel Church, 10725 Penrose St., Sun Valley bethelsunvalley.com

FUN AT MT. OLIVE PRESCHOOL

Mt. Olive preschool has kicked off the new school year by teaching about science. Students discovered and explored all kinds of fun science activities and learned about gravity, and oil and water (and how they don't mix). Students also experimented with items to learn if they sink or if they float.

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- * Joy of Living studying The Gospel of Mark and the Book of Esther
- * Women of Faith studying living a

purposeful life

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If interested, please contact the church at (818) 405-0763 or Lynda Hessick at (818) 640-6022 or email lyndahessick@gmail.com. The deadline is Wednesday, Sept. 7 to have the book selected to be ordered.

HOLY CRAFT

The community is invited on Sundays at 11 a.m. starting Oct. 21 in the sanctuary foyer of La Cañada Congregational Church. Bring a craft project and supplies along with a snack to share. Attendees will find seasoned knitters, procrastinating gift makers and curious learners coming together to make something beautiful (even if it's just conversation). It's a great way to share a skill, learn a new one (supplies provided) and find new friendships.

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GLENDALE KIWANIS

The Kiwanis Club of Glendale meets on Fridays at noon. On Friday, Sept. 19, the Club will “demote” current president Carl Povilaitis. All are invited to what promises to be a fun afternoon.

The cost to attend Friday meetings, which includes lunch and program, is \$25. All are welcome.

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

SELLEBRATION PLANNED

The Glendale Chapter of National Charity League, Inc. will hold its annual community rummage sale Sellebration on Sept. 20 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Pacific Community Center, 501 S. Pacific Ave. in Glendale. A long-standing event for the Chapter, Sellebration serves the community with well-priced offerings of apparel, toys and home goods; the event is chaired this year by local resident Megan

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REPAIR CAFÉ SFV

The next free community repair event will be held at the Elks Lodge in Tujunga on Saturday, Sept. 20 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Repair Café is a free, roving, all-purpose repair party for and by the community. The event aims to promote repurpose, reuse and

recycle to help keep items from the landfill. Another mission of the Repair Café is to advocate skill-sharing to enable people to regain knowledge in the art of fixing things.

Free repair services offered by volunteers on the date of the event including repairs on small appliances (electrical and mechanical), bicycles, jewelry, textile (machine and hand-sewn), sharpening (knives, tools, scissors), computers (software and hardware), woodworking and gluing. Note: actual available services are dependent on the volunteers attending the event.

Repair Café SFV will also host a Really Really Free Market where people can bring their unwanted items to exchange or give away.

Pre-registration available at Humanitix <https://tinyurl.com/k8kx5s9s>.

Interested volunteers can sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/mrp36hmu>.

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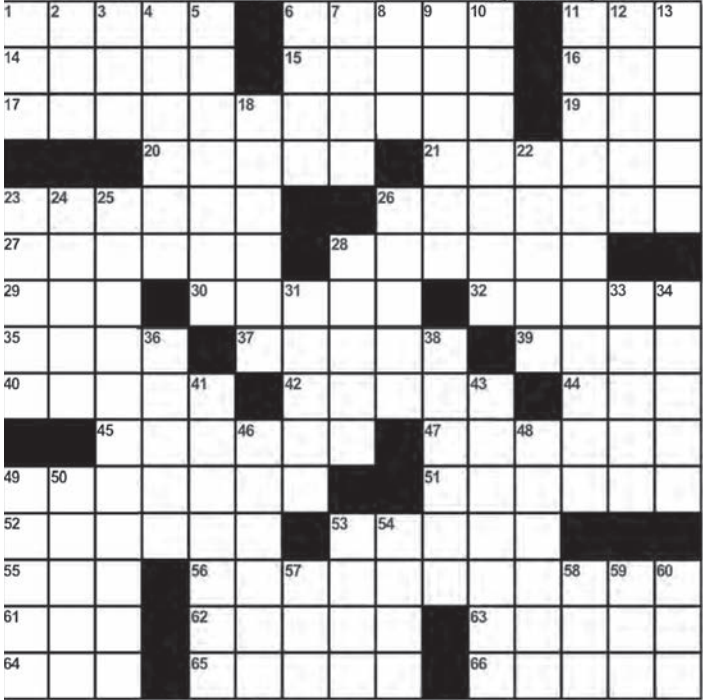


- ACROSS

- Flat-bottomed harbor boats
- It's a matter of taste
- Parking place
- Chicago landing spot
- Alistair or Sam
- Words said before a pastor
- Drives recklessly ...
- Mauna ____
- Cursed
- Scenic walking paths
- Opposite of a crooner
- Far-off
- Elevates
- Beyond ordinary understanding
- Inquire
- Evil spirit
- Casino bandits?
- Average grades
- Traditional bodies of knowledge
- Blockhead
- Creme de la creme
- Comes up short
- "Much ____ About Nothing"
- "The Wizard of Oz" character
- Like the nervous system
- Any person
- Bounce on one's knee, as a baby
- Gathered, as cattle
- Fund one can't touch?
- Country hotel
- Repeat what one hears ...
- To and ____
- Continent separator
- Moon-related
- In great shape
- Oktoberfest tune
- About to weep

I SEE A RESEMBLANCE

By Timothy E. Parker



DOWN

9.18.25

- Costa del ____
- "Tai" follower
- Common deciduous tree
- Takes from by force
- Sushi wrap
- Surgery evidence
- Top-notch
- Finger food of the islands
- Giraffe relatives
- Hires different actors
- Runs from a battle ...
- Classic movie theater name
- Breakfast staple
- Tasty crumb
- Artificial leg?
- Crutch, essentially
- Artist's stand
- A critic's job is to critique ...
- Force units
- Definitely not a rocket scientist
- Grinder in the back
- Kind of wave
- Lifted, so to speak
- Confined to a pig pen
- Parody
- Surround completely
- Chef's sprinkle, sometimes
- Doc
- "That's a lie!"
- Slight smell
- Artist Matisse
- Heavy, durable furniture wood
- ____ good race (competed well)
- Kenan's Nickelodeon co-star
- Biochemistry abbr.
- Propel on water, in a way
- "Don't give up!"

WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

Provided by horoscope.com September 15, 2025 - September 21, 2025

ARIES March 21 - April 19

There seem to be many subtle changes impacting your health. Things could get intense in this department. If you're aware of anything that could be making you ill, it's time to investigate it. You owe yourself the opportunity to create a lifestyle that brings joys and wellness rather than stress and illness. Do the research into the available options and make a start.

TAURUS April 20 - May 20

You could be taking two steps forward and one step back regarding your current health situation. You probably feel you're able to do more than is realistic. If you push yourself to the extreme, you may give up altogether. It's better to go slowly and steadily than overreach and quit. Build up a regimen gradually for the best results.

GEMINI May 21 - June 20

Try and slow down. Do your best not to let your working hours encroach on your leisure time. You seem determined to stick to a busy timetable. You don't always take the chance to get some necessary rest. You can't keep going at this pace every day. Let yourself be pampered now and then. Relax and do nothing, even if only for an hour or two.

CANCER June 21 - July 22

You should be encouraged to talk over any problems that cause you stress. Life could be intense, and underlying issues could rise to the surface. In order to avoid tension headaches and nervous strain, seek professional help if you need it. You'll feel better once you're clear of these issues. Don't hold back. Let it all out.

LEO July 23 - August 22

Some interesting changes are about to happen. They could assist you in more realistically facing up to health issues. If you've been trying to ignore certain symptoms, you will now take a more proactive approach. Expect inspiration to strike, giving you the correct perspective on your problem. You'll know what to do. The result will be success!

VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

The cosmos gives you a chance to talk over health issues with someone who can provide help and advice. If you have any puzzling symptoms, get the best information you can and seek a variety of sources so you have a bigger picture to guide you. You

could be prone to picking up infections. Take extra care when you're out.

LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

This could be a physically tiring period when your energy is low, but you'll perk up in a few days. The cosmos gives you the opportunity to make a fresh start. Determine to get as fit as you can so you can function to the best of your ability no matter what you're doing.

SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

There don't seem to be any health issues for you. The circumstances around you contribute to your happiness or stress. Continue to keep your mind calm and relaxed since this helps to rest your body and keep you balanced in all ways. Take care when you're out, as you might be prone to catching an infection

SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Your urge to improve your quality of life and health is admirable. Use this added motivation to help you soar. Another factor that may help you feel more expansive is letting go of anything to which you cling too tightly. Hold lightly those things you cherish most. The cosmos encourages you to make a new start by reorganizing your kitchen.

CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

You could go two ways with your health issues. You can either work with them in a responsible way or ignore them completely. The cosmos could be making you tired, and life could be intense. Be good to yourself and don't neglect your body. Think thoughts of good health.

AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

You may have a powerful desire to learn more about issues that puzzle you. If your health is one of these, a change of perspective can have a profound effect. The cosmos could encourage you to overindulge. Chocolates and cookies could win out over fruits and vegetables. Be careful!

PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

Your focus on health issues seems quite intense. You may have a lot going on and feel more pressured than usual. Be careful - you may be more prone to catching a minor but irritating infection. Take some vitamin C, zinc, or echinacea. Your ideas about what can keep you healthy will change quite dramatically later. A new perspective might work miracles.



PROBLEM SOLVED » BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT

I Paid \$375 for Hockey Game Tickets I Couldn't Use. Why Won't StubHub Refund Me?

Angelica Niklowitz gets a recurring error when she tries to access the hockey game tickets she buys through StubHub. Can she get a refund for the replacement tickets she has to buy?

Question: I bought San Jose Sharks tickets through StubHub for \$375 but couldn't access them because of a recurring error.

StubHub blamed Ticketmaster and vice versa. I had to buy last-minute tickets directly from Ticketmaster to avoid missing the game. A representative promised an email with replacement tickets or a refund, but it never arrived.

Despite multiple calls and emails, StubHub refuses to refund me citing a policy that requires same-day calls. But its team assured me the email would resolve everything! Now I'm out \$375 and stuck in endless loops with unhelpful agents who refuse to escalate my case. What can I do?

—Angelica Niklowitz, San Jose, California

Answer: If you couldn't use your tickets on game day, StubHub should have either helped you get replacement tickets or refunded them.

StubHub's FanProtect Guarantee promises buyers will receive valid tickets on time "or your money back." By failing to follow through, StubHub breached its policy – and potentially consumer protection laws requiring companies to fulfill paid orders.

In reviewing your problem, I can see what went wrong. You tried to access your Sharks tickets well in advance of the game but received an error message on your app. You let StubHub know about the problem through a message on its app, but no one helped you. Finally, you reached out to StubHub on the day of the game but still you received no tickets.

You did the right thing documenting every interaction. Always keep emails, screenshots and notes from calls. Writing is more effective than calling because you generate a paper trail. Although you say you reached out to StubHub on the day of the game, it apparently had no record of the transaction. And the company told you it has a policy of not addressing problems like yours unless you contact it within 24

hours. (This policy isn't stated in its FanProtect Guarantee.)

But maybe next time, escalate sooner: StubHub's executives can override rigid policies. I publish the names, numbers and email addresses of the top StubHub executives on my consumer advocacy site Elliott.org.

Eventually, you tried to email one of the executives but your message bounced back. Having a valid email address where customers can reach you is essential to good customer service. My research team works hard to keep the email addresses up to date, but executives keep changing their addresses to avoid having to deal with unhappy customers. StubHub has so many consumer complaints that it's currently on our Red List.

I contacted StubHub on your behalf. A spokesperson acknowledged the "breakdown in communication" and admitted you should



Illustration by Dustin ELLIOTT

have received immediate assistance. StubHub issued a full refund plus \$187 in credit – a rare but welcome resolution.

Christopher Elliott is the founder of Elliott Advocacy (<https://elliottadvocacy.org>), a nonprofit organization that helps consumers solve their problems. Email him at chris@elliott.org or get help by contacting him at <https://elliottadvocacy.org/help/>.

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CCLCF EVENTS

The Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge hosts a variety of events for the community. Among them are:

- Early Bird Registration is open for the 32nd annual Thanksgiving Day 5K Run/Walk and Kids' Mile. The fee is \$30 for adults and \$15 for kids. Prices go up Oct. 1. Kids' mile six-week training program is offered to help them get ready

for the big day. It will run from Oct. 18 thru Nov. 22. Visit cclcf.org/run to register. The annual Thanksgiving Day 5K Run/Walk, Kids' Mile and Food Drive will take place at Olberz Park in LCF on Thursday, Nov. 27. Visit cclcf.org/run for more info.

- Registration for Fall II Programming opens Sept. 24 at 9 a.m. Check out new classes offered and returning favorites at

cclcf.org.

- Celebrate Halloween and Dia de Los Muertos at CCLCF's "Dances de Los Muertos" belly dance fantasy theater event on Saturday, Oct. 25. Visit cclcf.org/events for tickets and more info. The Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge is located at 4469 Chevy Chase Drive in La Cañada Flintridge, (818) 790-4353.

COMMUNITY SERVICES & PARKS HOSTS SEPTEMBER EVENTS

- Parents' Night Out is a drop off event for kids 6 to 12 years old. The night includes fun activities, friends, food and a movie. The fee is \$20 per child.

Participants are encouraged to bring pajamas, a blanket and a pillow. It is held on Sept. 19 and Oct. 17 from 6 p.m. to midnight at Sparr

Heights Community Center, 1613 Glencoe Way in Glendale 91208 and on Sept. 26 and Nov. 21 from 6 p.m. to midnight at Pacific Community Center, 501 S. Pacific Ave. in Glendale.

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You can read more at CVWeekly.com/CALENDARTHIS

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