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New Council Sworn In

By Julie BUTCHER

On Tuesday night, the Glendale City Council meeting had two parts. At 6 p.m., the council took up a bit of routine business but only met until 7:45 p.m.

Glendale's city charter specifically requires that the City hold its "organizational meeting" at 8 p.m. This is the meeting at which newly elected and re-elected members of the City council, as well as the clerk and treasurer, take the oath of office, and a new council is seated following the certification of the most recent elections by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

First, City manager Roubik Golanian announced changes to the hours that in-person City services will be available at the City's public counters. Starting in July, hours on Friday will be online and by phone only.

"This reduces operating costs while maintaining convenient access to City services, unlike other agencies that close entirely on Fridays," he explained.

Mayor Ardy Kassakhian announced a free Fourth of July pool party on Saturday, July 4 from 12:45 to 5 p.m. at the Pacific Community Pool and Splash Pad, 509 S. Pacific Ave. The first 100 participants will win free tickets to Saturday night's Crescenta Valley Fireworks show [tickets still available at <https://www.cvfireworks.com/>].

On Sunday, July 5 the public is invited to the 2026 Montrose Car Show (<https://shopmontrose.com/montrose-car-show/>) which Mayor Kassakhian described as "a throwback to days past; there will be cool cars and car collectors out."

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Montrose Hosts 24th Annual Car Show

By Clare BUCHANAN

All types of vehicles will be found on Honolulu Avenue on Sunday, July 5.

On Sunday, July 5 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Montrose Shopping Park Association will be hosting its 24th Annual Car Show. This event is free for all and will be located in the 2200, 2300 and 2400 blocks on Honolulu Avenue.

Montrose's Annual Car Show is an opportunity for folks to engage with vintage collectors and learn more about unique automobiles and motorcycles. This year, there will be 350 hot rods, trucks, vintage motorcycles and classic cars lining Honolulu Avenue for attendees to enjoy. At 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., four cackle cars' engines will also be fired up for show goers. Ear plugs not provided!

Along with connecting with vintage vehicle experts, attendees can also shop at the Harvest Market, which will be open, along with several shops on Honolulu Avenue. Attendees can expect sidewalk



File photo
More than 350 hot rods, trucks, vintage motorcycles and classic cars will line Honolulu Avenue for the annual car show in Montrose.

sales, fresh produce for sale by merchants of the Harvest Market, and snacks to savor while perusing the show. Over 150 stores will be open on Sunday to accommodate visitors interested in picking up a trinket or looking to sit down for a good meal at a local restaurant or café.

"Come shop, eat and play all day! The Harvest Market will be in full swing at the east end of the shopping park. Many stores will be open and some will be offering special items and discounts that day as well as participating in

our annual sidewalk sale!" Said Dale Dawson, Montrose Shopping Park event coordinator.

While shopping or browsing the show, a variety of live music will be playing throughout the event. The Safari Blues Trio will be found on the 2400 block of Honolulu Ave. The Car Show DJ will be located at Honolulu and Ocean View Boulevard, and will be playing some "groovy tunes" from Jan and Dean and the Beach Boys. A local band, The Licata Brothers, will be located at the Harvest Market on Verdugo

and Market Street, playing a number of classic rock hits.

At 1:15 p.m., spectators can sit in on the official awards ceremony, which will honor some of the best vehicles found on Sunday. This ceremony will take place for participants at the check-in booth located in the Chase Bank parking lot, 2314 Honolulu Ave.

While the forecast predicts it to be sunny and warm, this is a rain or shine event, so calendar Montrose on July 5 to support the Montrose Shopping Park's 24th Annual Car Show.

Program Provides Services, Support

By Eliza PARTIKA

Each day, Glendale Police Dept. officers Koryun Petrosyan and Aaron Azodi patrol the city's streets as part of the Substance Abuse and Wellness Resource Program, an initiative that connects people with services and support who are experiencing homelessness, substance use and mental health challenges.

Unlike traditional patrol officers, Petrosyan and Azodi focus on outreach. The two officers are the only members of the unit serving Glendale, La Crescenta, Montrose and La Cañada Flintridge. Alongside licensed clinical social worker and Clinical Program director Sona Hovsepian, they offer housing referrals, addiction recovery resources and other support services.

Many people are unsure what help they need when officers first contact them, Hovsepian said.

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Photo by Eliza PARTIKA
Officers Petrosyan and Azodi offer services to an individual in Glendale.

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» FROM THE DESK OF THE PUBLISHER

The Elusive Bicyclist



I've seen one!
I've actually seen one of the bicyclists for which we created the La Crescenta Avenue bike lane.

I know that seeing bicyclists traveling east to west or west to east along Honolulu Avenue is no big deal – they can usually be seen biking on Saturday and Sunday mornings. But to see an actual bicyclist on La Crescenta Avenue is a big deal – I mean we destroyed an entire traffic lane for these bicyclists not to mention the parking spaces we sacrificed.

I have to share that when I was a kid growing up in Sun Valley – a flat land to be sure – having a bicycle was important. I would drive my bike to elementary and secondary (middle) school. I would drive it to the local store to get candy. I would drive it to the bowling alley (Starlite Lanes) on Lankershim Boulevard. I would pretend it was a horse and ride it. I would ride with no hands. My bike was everything!

Imagine my surprise when my boys didn't care if they got a bike. That was

unheard of! But then I gave it some thought – it's hilly here in the foothills. To ride a bike in the foothills was more of a chore than a joy. So it ended up making sense that they didn't want a bike.

I remember that after I drove a Segway (a "self balancing personal transporter" that was propelled forward by leaning into it) I wanted one of those. Unfortunately, I don't think it would make it up the hill (we live way north of Foothill Boulevard), so I gave up that idea.

Of course, nowadays there are bikes with motors on them – much to the chagrin of deputies, officers and pedestrians who have to keep clear of them or risk getting run over by one! But I digress.

Yup, having that bike lane on La Crescenta Avenue makes a lot of sense – to someone.

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» WEATHER WATCH

Taking A Look Outside Our Window

By Mary O'KEEFE

I continue to watch "The Revolution" on PBS. It is a six-part documentary by Ken Burns, Sarah Botsein and David Schmidt.

First of all, I became a member of PBS [Public Broadcasting Service] to watch this series and actually feel good about spending money for a streaming station. PBS has been struggling since federal funds were canceled by the Trump Administration, though a judge reversed that order. The bottomline is PBS brought us iconic shows, including "Sesame Street," "Masterpiece Theater," "Great Performances" and "American Masters." Our local PBS station introduced me to "Monty Python's Flying Circus" [reruns] and "Dr. Who" [my doctor was Tom Baker]. All of this and some amazing documentaries – especially those from historian/filmmaker/author Ken Burns.

Among the many things that the show "The Revolution" has made me say are "I didn't know that" or "I never thought of that." It also showed how weather played an important part in the fight for independence.

What we often forget is just how different the United States is compared to other countries. We have weather for days, weather that the British troops were not exactly used to but that our Continental Army could use to its advantage.

"I mean, we may not have a country if there hadn't been a rain and then a fog coming in in New York City when Washington was trapped by the British by a mistake he made, a tactical mistake he made," said Burns to the National Weather Service (NWS) in an Instagram interview.

"He's up against the wall, his back up against the heights of Brooklyn, and the British are going to finish him off. And the British general's brother, [Admiral] Richard Howe, is going to come up the East River and prevent the Americans from getting back to New York.

"But a fog rolls in, and Washington is able to overnight take his entire surviving army back over to Manhattan. He'll have to give it up in a few weeks, but it saves Washington. And if he's gone, we're gone."

So there was rain, winds and so much snow. According to the NWS, there was a "Little Ice Age" during the years from 1775 to 1783. This brought extreme weather.

According to an article in Emerging Revolutionary War, the winter of 1779 to 1789 was bad. New Jersey experienced 26 snowstorms, six of those were blizzards. Every saltwater inlet from North Carolina to Canada froze over completely. New York Harbor froze with ice so thick the British soldiers were able to march from Manhattan to Staten Island.

In a March 18, 1789 letter to the Marquis de Lafayette, Washington wrote, "The oldest people now living in this Country do not remember so hard a Winter as the one we are now emerging from. In a word, the severity of the frost exceeded anything of the kind that had ever been experienced in this climate before."

Although most equate the Revolutionary winter with Valley Forge from 1777 to 1778, the worst winter was when General Washington and his men were in the winter encampment at Morristown, New Jersey in the winter of 1779 to 1780.

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NEWS

‘Gaywalking’ – Glendale’s First Gay Parade – Gathers Supporters



By Julie BUTCHER

On Saturday, June 27 more than 150 gay activists, allies, elected officials, friends and families gathered at Urartu Coffee on Artsakh Avenue for Glendale’s first ever Gay PRIDE Parade.

“We’re here today to help keep safe every teenager who would kill themselves rather than speak their own truth,” said Reverend Guy Leemhuis of St. Luke’s of the Mountains Episcopal Church in La Crescenta before his invocation blessing the paraders and sending them off. “We’re here to say, ‘We’re here and we’re queer and we’re not going anywhere.’”

“We call our church ‘the Love Church’ and I wore my collar today because there are some [who] believe God only loves certain people. That’s a lie. We are all favored and sacred in God’s eyes, all one under the Creator. And God doesn’t make any mistakes.

“Do not fall for the trope that dismiss some as ‘those crazy gays.’ Do not allow yourselves to be played, one group against another. We remember Stonewall today. Remember that the Stonewall uprising was started by two trans women. Trans women. That’s who threw those first stones. So often our freedom comes from the most vulnerable among us.”

Organizer Amy Kaufman offered warm words of welcome “to Glendale’s first ever Pride march – we’re calling it ‘Gaywalking’

– on behalf of glendaleOUT. This weekend marks the 57th anniversary of Stonewall, and we honor those who came before us and fought for our rights. We acknowledge we still have a distance to go, here in Glendale and across the country, particularly under the current administration’s bigotry and lies. We are holding this march because some of our neighbors don’t believe that family values include LGBTQIA+ people, that we neither have nor care for our families, that families should look a specific way, and that children only deserve love if they uphold cisgender and heterosexual norms, no matter how it damages the kids or makes ‘family’ a hostage situation. We are here to say families look all kinds of ways, and all of those ways are valid. We are here to support caregivers who fight for their kids to be genuinely *happy*, living authentically as queer or gender nonconforming, and we are here to support and uplift those kids. We are here to show the haters that *we belong in Glendale.*”

The marchers headed out – loudly with music and noisemakers – strutted up Brand Boulevard, headed west on Colorado Street, then up Central Avenue and through the Americana. Local residents and shop owners clapped and honked their horns. Some people cheered from their windows. After a festive dance break in the diagonal crosswalk near the Americana, the march finished up on Brand, then back to Urartu Coffee.

“I saw this was happening and I live in



Photos by Julie BUTCHER

TOP: Before the parade, Reverend Guy Leemhuis speaks to participants. ABOVE: Supporters wore colorful attire in support of ‘Gaywalking.’

Glendale,” “Diana” reported, “so I decided I needed to be here.”

“We’re working to build a support system connecting the LGBT community and the Armenian community, an important intersection,” Burbank City Council member Konstantine Anthony explained

the significance of the day’s events for him.

Glendale school board member Telly Tse said it was important to show up in support “to show that Glendale is filled with allies who want to make sure it feels like a welcoming place.”

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IN BRIEF

CV WEEKLY SHORTENED HOURS

The office of the CV Weekly will close tomorrow, July 3, at noon.

ROSEMONT PRESERVE OPEN GATE MORNING

An “open gate” event is taking place at the Rosemont Preserve on Saturday morning, July 4. 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 9 a.m. to 11 a.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.

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NOTES & NODS

SPECIAL SERVICE AT MOUNT OLIVE

On Sunday July 5, Mount Olive presents a service of national songs and patriotic hymns in honor of the 250th anniversary of the United States of America.

All are invited to the 9:30 a.m. worship service for this special service.

CSL OFFERS GENTLE MOVEMENT CLASS

The Center for Spiritual Living - La Crescenta is offering a gentle stretch and relax chair movement with Michelle Gillette. It takes place every Friday from 10 to 11 a.m. The cost is a \$10 donation.

The class is at Chaffee Hall in the Center for Spiritual Living - La Crescenta.

The Center for Spiritual Living - La Crescenta is also offering sound bath with Pinoko and Dennis on Saturday, June 20 from 1 to 2 p.m. in the sanctuary. \$25 donation.



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Hollywood Bowl Hosts Songs of Hope In A Two-Night Benefit Concert



The Tabernacle Choir benefit concerts represent a 100-year return to the Hollywood Bowl by the Choir. The Choir is made up of 360 volunteer members with 85 orchestra musicians.

By Ruth SOWBY

Two benefit concerts at the Hollywood Bowl by the Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square on June 24 and 25 featured several musical artists including Donny Osmond, David Foster, Katherine McPhee and the Bonner family. Osmond, who sang "I Am a Child of God" while surrounded by children, was especially well-received.

Marking 100 years since the Choir's first performance in 1926 at the Hollywood Bowl,

the historic return united music and charities benefitting women and children around the world.

One hundred percent of ticket sale revenues from the concerts will be donated to charity. These include CARE, Helen Keller Intl. and The Hunger Project. These charities work to improve maternal and child health, expand access to nutrition and education and provide safe environments for women and children.

The Church of Jesus Christ

of Latter-day Saints will match the revenue from concert ticket sales, thereby doubling the charitable contributions associated with the event.

The Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square is a world-renowned, 360-member, all-volunteer choir known for its weekly broadcast of Music & the Spoken Word, which has aired more than 5,000 episodes. Now in its 97th year, the program is the longest-running continuous network broadcast in history.

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Moving Toward the Country's 250th Anniversary

By Mary O'KEEFE

We will soon be celebrating the 250th year of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. This is the last of the articles CVW will be doing that highlight the anniversary.

On July 4, 2026 the U.S. will be celebrating the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The Declaration of Independence became the foundation of the fight for the 13 colonies' independence from the rule of the King of England.

On June 7, 1776 Richard Henry Lee, a delegate from Virginia, read a resolution before the Continental Congress "that these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States, that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved," according to the National Archives.

On June 11, 1776 the committee of five (Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman and Robert R Livingston) was appointed to draft a statement presenting to the world the colonies' case for independence.

From June 11 to July 1, 1776 the Declaration of Independence was drafted with the lead author being Thomas Jefferson.

On July 2, the Lee resolution was adopted by 12 of the 13 colonies – New York did not vote. Then the Congress turned to the Declaration of Independence. It made some edits and worked tirelessly, debating the contents from July 2 to the morning of July 4.

Late on the morning of July 4, 1776 the Declaration was officially adopted. The committee of five took the manuscript copy of the document to John Dunlap, official printer of the Congress, and it was printed. On the morning of July 5, 1776 printed copies of the Declaration were given to members of Congress, to various committees, assemblies and to the commanders of the Continental troops. On July 9 the action of Congress was officially approved by the New York Convention. On July 19, the Congress placed the Declaration on parchment with the title "The unanimous declaration of the thirteen United States of America" and on Aug. 2, 1776 the document

was signed by most members, with some signing over the next few months and one, Thomas McKean, didn't sign until 1781.

Below is the Declaration Of Independence in its entirety:

Note: From the National Archives – The following text is a transcription of the Stone Engraving of the parchment Declaration of Independence (the document on display in the rotunda at the National Archives Museum). The spelling and punctuation reflect the original.

In Congress July 4, 1776

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America, When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.--That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, --That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their

future security.--Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good.

He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only.

He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures.

He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people.

He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within.

He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers.

He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries.

He has erected a multitude

of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harrass our people, and eat out their substance.

He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our legislatures.

He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil power.

He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

For Quartering large bodies of armed troops among us:

For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:

For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world:

For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:

For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury:

For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences:

For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies:

For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:

For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.

He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people.

He is at this time transporting

large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty & perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation.

He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.

He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions.

In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince, whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people.

Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our British brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here.

We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.

You can read more at CVWeekly.com/NEWS

Michel Loy, Patriot, Member of Continental Army

Residence: Loysville, Pennsylvania
Birth: France 1740
Death: 19 July 1823, Loysville, Pennsylvania

As America prepares for its 250th anniversary, CV Weekly will be working with the Daughters of the American Revolution – Don José Verdugo Chapter to gather information on those recognized by DAR as American patriots.

Loy left France because of religious upheaval there. He migrated to Germany then came to America as a young man. He married Margaret Lambert of Chester Springs, Pennsylvania.

When the Revolutionary War broke out he enlisted as a private in the Continental Army serving in Capt. Abraham Dehuff's Company of the Pennsylvania Battalion of Musquetry, commanded by

Samuel Atlee, Esqr. Loy and some other men of the same company were reported as missing. They eventually appeared safe and their reason for missing was not known.

The town of Loysville was named after Loy to honor him as he built a church and many other buildings to establish the town.

His proud descendant is Barbara Jean (Loy) Rogers.



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Illegal Fireworks Warning Issued

By Mary O'KEEFE

Los Angeles County District Attorney Nathan Hochman held a press conference to highlight how dangerous illegal fireworks are during Fourth of July celebrations.

Hochman said he loved fireworks as a kid and couldn't wait for Independence Day.

"You would go down to the beach or some of the parks that would have these fireworks celebrations," he said. He added it was exciting, especially at the end when there would be a final spectacular blast of fireworks.

"I thought it was the greatest thing in the whole world – but here's the problem. People are going beyond just enjoying legitimately lit fireworks displays," he said. "They are going ahead and they are engaging in illegal fireworks and explosives at a level in this country that is absolutely unfathomable and incredibly dangerous."

At a press conference on

Tuesday he shared data and stories of recent cases he dealt with since he has taken on the role of DA. The press conference was held in Jefferson Park where in May a fire ignited in the garage of a home triggering a series of fatal fireworks explosions.

"Just a month and a half ago we had a situation in this neighborhood where illegal fireworks exploded in an ADU attached to a garage and the individual who was involved with those illegal fireworks – Javier Acosta, 26 – ended up dying," he said. "In January of this year two brothers – ages 24 and 13 in Bell Gardens – were dealing with illegal fireworks and illegal explosives devices."

The incident in Bell Gardens occurred in an apartment and investigators found the blast was caused by power used to assemble homemade explosives and fireworks.

"It was believed the older brother was assembling illegal fireworks at that moment," he said. "Last July, in Tacoma, a massive, illegal, commercial-grade fireworks explosion killed one man, critically injured a woman, and destroyed and displaced 19 people from the neighborhood. [It] took down their houses and injured a whole variety of

animals in the process."

Hochman added that these were just some of the examples of what he called a "preventable crime."

"There are many situations in our society where the harm that's going to happen we just can't prevent. That is just life – but when it comes to dying or being gravely injured from illegal fireworks, that is something each and every one of us can prevent," he said.

He added that the DA's office will prosecute the people who make illegal fireworks, "people who sell these illegal fireworks, the people who buy these illegal fireworks and the people who light these illegal fireworks."

"Make, sell, buy, light. It's all a crime. And we're going to prosecute everyone, because it literally is about saving lives in the process," he said. He then shared what his office has found recently regarding illegal fireworks.

"Yesterday, we filed charges against four individuals involving 8,500 pounds of commercial fireworks that were seized from a storage facility in East Los Angeles," he said. "8,500 pounds of illegal fireworks is enough to take down not just that storage site but the entire

block if they were to have gone off."

He added that each of the individuals who were arrested for those illegal fireworks would face over 17 years in jail if convicted.

"We have a case back in May of this year where authorities seized 37,000 pounds of commercially manufactured fireworks at a residence involving four individuals who are each looking at years in state prison," he said. He added that 37,000 pounds of illegal fireworks would destroy multiple buildings and cause grave bodily injury and fatalities.

In June 2024, authorities found 150,000 pounds of illegal fireworks at a facility in Gardena. Hochman said the some of the people who are collecting, and hiding, the illegal fireworks are not doing it for the thrill of lighting them off but as a business. Those who sell will be dealt with by the DA's office; however, he said his office will also deal with those who light them.

Illegal fireworks seem to begin before, and continue after, the Fourth of July.

"Every one of you who are lighting an illegal firework – you are committing a crime," he said.

He added in many areas law

enforcement is using drones to identify where illegal fireworks are taking place.

Firefighters and law enforcement at the conference agreed with Hochman and shared their personal stories of responding to fires caused by illegal fireworks.

Anyone who sees illegal fireworks or knows of someone who is storing illegal fireworks is asked to make a report. People can call LA Regional Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-8477 to make a report anonymously. Anonymous reports can also be made at www.lacrimestoppers.org. People can also go to the WeTip hotline, which is www.wetip.com, and anonymously report people engaged in illegal fireworks.

It is also suggested for those who want to see fireworks to go to legal, organized shows like the Crescenta Valley Fireworks display at Crescenta Valley High School.

CVW also wants to add that those in high fire risk areas along the foothills and throughout areas like Crescenta Valley, Glendale, La Cañada Flintridge, Sunland-Tujunga and Burbank should be especially cautious about illegal fireworks, which can quickly cause a devastating fire.

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CRIME BLOTTER

JUNE 23

800 block of Flintridge Avenue in La Cañada Flintridge, deputies responded to the location concerning a fraud report. A woman reported that she had sent five different gift cards after receiving emails from someone she thought was with the Thursday Club, of which she is a member.

The emails, which appeared to be from someone she knew, asked for donations. Thinking the request was legitimate, the woman sent the gift cards. After an investigation it was found that the individual who the victim thought the emails were from discovered that someone had created a fraudulent email using

her name and had access to The Thursday Club's master email list.

The incident is still under investigation.

The report was made at 10:45 a.m.

JUNE 22

4600 block of Lasheart Drive in

La Cañada Flintridge, a victim of fraud reported that an unknown suspect had made two online purchases using the victim's credit card. The victim received an email notifying him of the transactions. The victim was still in possession of his credit card.

The theft was reported at 1 p.m.

Correction

In last week's article "Courts of July Celebration at CVHS" the name of the pyrotechnician is Robert Hutchins.

Election Results Certified by LA County Board of Supervisors

By Mary O'KEEFE

On Friday, June 26, Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) Dean C. Logan certified the final results for the June 2 Statewide Direct Primary Election, the first day counties are permitted to certify under the timeframe prescribed in the California Elections Code.

A total of 2,227,461 ballots were processed and counted, with 37.81% of eligible voters casting ballots in LA County, according to RR/CC.

The results then went to the LA County Board of Supervisors who declared the election officially concluded.

The Official Election Canvass began on June 3, 2026. All outstanding ballots were reviewed and tallied once verified during the canvass period.

Below are the results from LA County's RR/CC:
LA County Sheriff
Robert Luna 44.15%

Alex Villanueva 21.70%

The two candidates will face off in the November 2026 election.

La Cañada Flintridge General Municipal Election/Member of City Council

Kim Bowman 42.55%

La Cañada Flintridge Unified School District Measure LCF

Yes 64.69%

No 35.31%

Los Angeles City Mayor

Karen Bass 34.27%

Nithya Raman 29.02%

The two candidates will face off in the November 2026 election.

Glendale Community College District Board of Trustees, Area No. 2

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Ross Erlich 33.70%

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Mail-In Ballot Rules Will Not Change According to Supreme Court

By Mary O'KEEFE

On Monday, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that states may continue to count mailed-in ballots that are postmarked by the day of the election but arrive at the clerk's office after Election Day.

In the case *Watson v. Republican National Committee*, the court's majority opinion was written by Justice Amy Coney Barrett; she was joined in the vote by Chief Justice John Roberts and Justices Sonia Sotomayor, Associate Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson and Elena Kagan.

Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) Dean C. Logan on Monday responded to the United States Supreme Court decision in *Watson v. Republican National Committee*. "The ruling affirms California's existing ballot receipt deadline

and requires no changes to how elections are conducted in L.A. County – now or in future elections. The decision leaves California's existing ballot-receipt framework intact. No changes are required under the ruling to how elections are administered in LA County

for the November election or future elections. LA County voters who mail their ballot on or before Election Day will continue to have their ballots counted if received within seven days of the election, consistent with current California law," according to the RR/CC.

RIDE ALONG from cover

"It's difficult to help someone when they don't see the magnitude of the problem," she said, adding that she is "always in awe" of how Petrosyan and Azodi treat people with "such empathy and humanity."

Petrosyan and Azodi begin each interaction by asking about a person's circumstances and offering resource pamphlets and care packages containing food and hygiene supplies. While many decline assistance, those

who accept help may receive transportation, document recovery assistance, shelter referrals through organizations such as Ascencia, LA Family Housing and the YWCA, or connections to medical care and treatment programs.

Housing placements often take months because of long waitlists. In one case, officers spent years assisting an unhoused man before he was approved for housing. When a placement

became available and he could not be located, Petrosyan and Azodi searched for him and transported him to the site so he would not lose the opportunity.

Petrosyan said trust is the foundation of the program.

"By connecting with them about their lives or their mental health, I might be able to convince them to access services," he said. "I kept showing up. I built rapport with him over months and months before he finally opened up to the services we offer."

"When people refuse services, the hope is that we keep doing outreach until there's a moment of clarity," Hovsepian added.

Partnerships are central to that effort. Officers coordinate daily with housing providers, social workers, healthcare professionals and community organizations. Information gathered through conversations and observation can help connect people with housing, medical care, shower services or for those living in vehicles safe

parking programs, Azodi said.

For Glendale resident Raul Rivera, that support helped him overcome homelessness and alcohol addiction, reunite with family and secure permanent housing.

"I tried many things, the church, therapy," Rivera said. "The officers did their part, but only when I did my part did things start to change."

Glendale Police Chief Robert William said outreach depends on partnerships with local organizations that provide housing, healthcare and other services. He also cited a need for donations of nonperishable food, hygiene kits, clothing and volunteers. One of Glendale's newest resources is its Safe Parking Program, which provides designated overnight parking areas for people living in vehicles.

The program operates as overdose and substance-use concerns continue across the region. According to GPD's 2026

"Dirty Drugs" documentary, officers seized 130,000 fentanyl pills in 2024, up from 80,200 the year before. GPD reported about 2,700 narcotics-related calls and arrests in 2024 and 2,500 in 2025. Officers administered Narcan 11 times in 2024 and six times in 2025, excluding use by Glendale Fire Dept. paramedics.

William said the department balances enforcement with outreach.

"Our arrest records, when it comes to substance abuse, have never slowed down," he said. "But we also recognize this is not an issue where people just need to be arrested and that's what solves the problem."

Hovsepian said the program would benefit from additional funding, including a dedicated opioid response team and a second full-time case manager.

For information about the Substance Abuse and Wellness Resource Program or homeless outreach services, contact the Glendale Police Dept.

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VIEWPOINTS

TREASURES OF THE VALLEY » MIKE LAWLER

My Favorite Stories In Local History

Recently I was asked to take a group of high school and college students on a tour of historical sites in the valley.

I'm always impressed with the current young generation. They were eager to learn, receptive to an "old fart" telling stories and, most of all, they were intensely curious. Several times I was asked what my favorite stories were, what interesting crimes happened, what things are still a mystery today. Let's go through what I told them.

You readers know me – I love true crime stories. What's my favorite crime? It has to be the big oil swindle of 1927. Oil wells were sprouting up all over Los Angeles in the 1920s. Why not La Crescenta, too? A couple of local realtors hired a "geologist" to "find oil" in the valley. He found several vacant lots that happened to be for sale where oil was "found" bubbling to the surface. A

big community meeting was held where he told of his findings. Lot prices went through the roof with lots of buyers. Ultimately no one found any oil and the "geologist" quietly disappeared, leaving the realtors much enriched.

What's the most amazing story? It's that famous American author John Steinbeck lived in Montrose! In 1933, Steinbeck was on the cusp of fame, but still struggling financially. Montrose was a place where cheap rent could be had (yes, that's amazing too). He and his wife rented a shack on Hermosa Avenue and lived there for several months until they completely ran out of funds and moved on. While here he was writing "To A God Unknown" and "Tortilla Flats," his first literary success, and he mailed the manuscripts from the Montrose Post Office. He tried to get a job writing human interest stories for the local paper but astoundingly they turned him

down. The shack they lived in on Hermosa was there until last year when it was torn down for an apartment.

The most beautiful story? Rockhaven Sanitarium. At the turn of the century, a nurse who had been working in mental hospitals was horrified by the treatment of women in mental institutions. They were caged, demeaned and sexually and physically abused. In 1923, she started Rockhaven Sanitarium in Verdugo City. With an all-female staff, she treated only women, showing them dignity and respect – a relatively new concept. The sanitarium was a hit and attracted powerful women and Hollywood stars. It lasted until 2006 when the City of Glendale purchased it. It is currently under renovation and will feature a museum and walkable gardens.

The stories that are the most fun? That has to be the spat of

UFO sightings over Tujunga, Glendale and the Crescenta Valley in the 1950s and '60s, including some alien abductions.

The weirdest story? It's the rise of the wild parrot population locally.

The creepiest murder? The relatively recent Santa Claus murders. A seemingly stable guy finished his Christmas Eve duties as an usher at his church then went home, put on a Santa costume, grabbed a gun and a can of gasoline and went to his ex-wife's house where he killed her and her family and burned down the house.

The craziest story was that in the 1800s local leaders drafted a plan to dam the Verdugo Canyon, creating a lake that would have covered much of the valley.

The saddest story? In 1922 a vivacious mother of two young kids came down with incurable tuberculosis. She moved into a

tent in the yard to keep from infecting her husband and children. She could hear them crying for her but didn't dare touch them. Eventually she went to a sanitarium in Tujunga where she died alone.

And finally, the biggest mystery. I toured the young group through the ruins of the Verdugo Lodge, a high-end speakeasy from the '20s tucked into a local canyon. In the basement of the speakeasy ruins is a wall where a door has been cemented over. The kids were excited and enthralled! What's behind it? Why was it closed off? Can we break it down? No, I told them. That, I'm afraid, will have to remain a mystery for now.

Better that way. Food for future historians.

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

VIEWS FROM THE VALLEY » SUSAN BOLAN

Fighting Fire With Fire

Many of you know that I have worked quite a few different jobs in my lifetime. From grocery store "boxboy" to florist, wedding planner and antique dealer, every job I tried, along with all my other life choices, molded me into the well-rounded person I am today. In hindsight, I wouldn't change a thing about how I built my career.

In all of my different roles, the most rewarding one besides motherhood was working at the Los Angeles Zoo. I started in college as a volunteer researcher and animal keeper then, much later, was hired as an education assistant working alongside docents and other volunteers. I so enjoyed the relationships I built with the volunteers that I stayed on to become the volunteer coordinator, overseeing the operations of approximately 900 volunteers. It was a big job.

Prior to the paid Zoo position, I worked for my godparents for 10 years in their family-owned

insurance agency in Glendale. It was in that job that I built my administrative skills using the new IBM business computers and utilized the "World Wide Web" during its infancy. I quickly learned all about home and auto insurance, got my agent's license, handled clients M-Z, and became the sole person in the office who processed claims. The skills and knowledge I gained at the insurance agency paved the way for a 4½ decades-long career as an administrator. Today, I love what I do and have come full circle working as an administrator with volunteers at Action League of the Foothills in La Cañada Flintridge.

Over the years, I continued my own volunteer work, serving in leadership roles in several community associations. Most recently, I have railed against Senate Bill 79, fought overdevelopment in the Crescenta Valley and learned about the Board of Forestry Zone Zero fire

regulations for California that will significantly change how homeowners build and landscape their yards. I have also followed the insurance industry and watched many of the large carriers pull out of the state after the Paradise, Palisades and Eaton fires due to their large payouts and increased risk. I paid attention when CAL FIRE revised its maps that reclassified most of the parcels in our area to the "Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone" category. I became further concerned with the implementation of the La Crescenta Avenue "road diet" that narrowed lanes, affecting emergency evacuation routes out of town. These are the things that keep me up at night and keep me busy during waking hours.

So now it's time to put all of my collective life experiences to the test – my husband and I were recently notified that our homeowners' policies for the house in La Crescenta and our

vacation home in the high desert are not being renewed. This is a company that has insured my family for over 50 years with no claims since the 1980s, that was recently bought out by one that regularly advertises on television. You know the one. The reasons they cited were not due to the high risk of fire, although we are sure that is their primary concern, but the inspection reports called out deferred maintenance like peeling paint on the back door and a few curled roof tiles up top. It's ridiculous but I am not surprised as I hear similar stories from many LA residents that insurance companies are looking for any excuse to terminate policies and downsize their risk pool. Despite our frustrations and expectations of a huge rate increase, we still

feel lucky to have houses to insure. So many in our communities have lost theirs.

The good news for us is that due to my long history I am armed with information and have a plan to fight the insurance company while exploring other options with my very capable agent. I already know what the California Fair Plan is, what D.I.C. (difference in conditions "wraparound" policy) means, and am ready to shift gears on earthquake and umbrella coverage.

In the meantime, we will be working on sprucing up our properties. I'll keep you posted as things develop.

Susan Bolan
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Odd Time for a Traffic Study

I have noticed that there is a traffic study being done on Briggs Avenue near the sheriff's station [4554 Briggs Ave.]. This I suspect is for the project pending approval at Briggs and Foothill Boulevard; however, it is not going to be very accurate because it is being conducted after schools are on summer recess.

I am not surprised that the

study is being done when traffic will be lower. The results will favor the project's approval. If there were to be an emergency during school days there will be parents urgently trying to get to their children and then getting out. All it will take to mess things up is one collision. The County is only thinking of one thing and that is more tax money coming in. Consider the rezoning by Van

Nuys Airport to get more property tax money. And a real good one is allowing homes to be built on a known gas field in the Valley.

There was no consideration of putting homes on top of the gas field. All that mattered was there would be more tax money coming in.

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BETWEEN FRIENDS

Girl Scouts Celebrate the Nation's 250th Anniversary



By Ruth SOWBY

The Crescenta Valley Water District (CVWD) partnered with the Montrose Shopping Park Assoc. & Girl Scout Troops 3301, 7141 and 1411 to make art history. Fourteen Girl Scouts from ages 6 to 11 offered some variations on the old red, white and blue with their unique canvases – six fire hydrants. (Twelve hydrants on Foothill Boulevard will be

Painted by CVWD staff due to increased traffic concerns.) The CVWD board of directors put the word out to beautify the community and celebrate the nation's birthday at the same time, and the Girl Scouts responded with enthusiasm.

"It's beautiful that elements in a community can come together," said James Lee, CVWD general manager. "Here are civic leaders, shopping park representatives, first responders (Glendale fire

fighters from stations 21 and 29) and the Girl Scouts, who will be tomorrow's leaders." CVWD Community and Outreach Intern Dylan Kim suggested to the girls that they "may add a little artistic flair." With that they were off.

The first four commandeered the hydrant in front of Chase Bank on Honolulu Avenue. First to be applied were pre-stenciled gold stars. Next came the blue paint –the majority color for

Photos by Ruth SOWBY
RIGHT: Girl Scouts, parents, Glendale fire fighters and Montrose Shopping Park reps come together to help celebrate the nation's 250th anniversary in paint.
MIDDLE: Under cool skies, Girl Scout Florence Isaksen is ready to paint a fire hydrant.
RIGHT: Capt. Daniel Schaefer of Glendale Fire Station 21 oversees the action at the start of fire hydrant painting. Painters are (from left) Girl Scouts Florence Isaksen, Natalie Naples, Raegan Wilson and Gianna Bykowski.

the hydrant. The girls worked together well with Florence Isaksen from Troop 14111 leading the charge. Watching the action was Capt. Daniel Schaefer, 44, from Glendale Fire Dept. Station 21.

Also on hand was Maureen Palacios, owner of Once Upon a Time bookstore. Palacios is also Montrose Shopping Park Assoc. treasurer. "It's wonderful what the girls are doing," she said.

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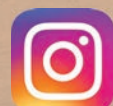
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Santa Monica Beach	Arrival 10:45 a.m.	Departure 3:30 p.m.



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July 4 Parade: Celebrating America's 250 Years

With the theme of "Celebrating Our 250 Years," Sunland-Tujunga's annual summer parade is set for Saturday, July 4 at 10 a.m. The parade, which is sponsored by the Sunland-Tujunga Rotary Club, will begin at the intersection of Foothill Boulevard and Summitrose Street then continue down Foothill, ending at Sunland Park.

This year's grand marshal is decorated military veteran Paul

Pangburn, a longtime member and current chaplain of local American Legion Post 377.

The July 4 parade, which typically draws around 5,000 spectators, will open with a crowd pleasing exhibition presented by the LAPD Motorcycle Drill Team.

Following will be a variety of both new and traditional entries, many of which are sponsored by the Sunland Recreation Center and local community

organizations. Spectators can look forward to imaginative entries including whimsically decorated floats, synchronized cheer groups, sports teams, Sunland's "Oldest Rock," and classic cars including Evan Kifedjian in his tiny garbage truck.

It is important to note that this parade is a "dry parade." For the safety of both participants and spectators, waterworks will not be allowed. There will be no

water balloons, super soakers, squirt guns or water-spewing devices of any kind allowed along the parade route.

To help ensure a safe parade experience for everyone, Foothill Boulevard will be closed from Apperson Street to Fenwick Street. Westbound traffic will be diverted on Plainview Avenue and will be directed to continue on Hillrose Street. Eastbound traffic will be diverted onto Newhome Avenue and will be

directed to continue on Apperson Street. All streets intersecting Foothill between Apperson and Fenwick will be barricaded to prevent vehicular access.

For those interested, there is still time to sign up for the parade. The Rotary Club encourages creative floats and the more the merrier.

To sign up or for further information, contact Sabrina Godinez at (310) 488-3030.

Crescenta Valley Insurance Welcomes Third-Generation Insurance Professional Gavin Dinger

Crescenta Valley Insurance, a full-service independent insurance agency serving California since 1969, recently announced that Gavin Dinger has joined the agency as a licensed sales agent.

Dinger represents the third generation of the Dinger family to serve clients through Crescenta Valley Insurance. He follows in the footsteps of his grandfather Virgil Dinger, who founded the agency in 1969, and his father Rick Dinger, who continues to lead the organization today.

A graduate of Maranatha High School in Pasadena, Dinger continued his education at Glendale Community College where he was a member of the college golf team.

He now brings his energy, dedication and commitment to customer service to the family business as he begins his career in the insurance industry.

"We are excited to welcome Gavin to Crescenta Valley Insurance," said Rick Dinger, president of Crescenta Valley Insurance. "Our agency has always been built on relationships, trust and service to our clients. Seeing the third generation of our family join the business is a proud moment and a testament to the values established by my father more than 55 years ago."

Crescenta Valley Insurance has grown into one of Southern California's respected

independent insurance agencies, providing personal, commercial, life and specialty insurance solutions. As an independent agency, CVI represents many of California's leading insurance carriers, allowing clients access to competitive options and customized coverage solutions.

Dinger will focus on helping individuals, families and businesses identify insurance programs that fit their unique needs while continuing the agency's longstanding tradition of personalized service.

For more information or to contact Gavin Dinger of Crescenta Valley Insurance, phone (818) 862-0812 or email Gavin@cvins.com.



Documentary, Discussion Planned

Associates of Brand Library & Art Center in partnership with Antaeus Theatre Company is screening the 2012 documentary "Joe Papp in Five Acts," directed by Tracie Holder and Karen Thorsen. The film will be followed by an informal discussion about the film and Papp's impact on American theatrical culture.

"Joe Papp in Five Acts" is a documentary that explores the life and enduring legacy of the legendary theatrical producer Joseph Papp. The film tracks

how this street-wise visionary revolutionized American theater by championing inclusion and free, accessible art.

The film is presented in five distinct "acts," each detailing a specific phase and guiding principle of Papp's influential career. These highlight his defining achievements: the creation of Free Shakespeare in the Park and the founding of the Public Theatre in New York.

Toward the end of his life, Papp took a firm stand against the

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) censorship practices and also became a prominent AIDS activist.

Following the screening, there will be a discussion of Papp and his legacy with panelists:

Nike Doukas is the artistic director of Antaeus Theatre Company, an award-winning, actor-driven company dedicated to classical theater. She has directed plays at Antaeus and A Noise Within as well as regional theater companies in Santa Barbara,

Santa Cruz, and Pittsburgh, among others. As an actress, she has appeared at South Coast Repertory Theater, The Pasadena Playhouse, The Mark Taper Forum and Shakespeare Festival LA, among others. Doukas has an MFA in acting from The American Conservatory Theater in San Francisco.

John Bauman is an actor and, for the past 20 years, has managed the careers of writers and directors in the entertainment industry. Bauman

has an MFA in theatre from the University of Washington and as an actor appeared in a New York Shakespeare Festival production of Henry V along with Kevin Kline. He has also appeared in television and regional theatres. Bauman has experience with the Independent Shakespeare Co. in Los Angeles, serving as a board member and chairman of the board.

He is currently on the board of directors of Antaeus Theatre Company.

The documentary screening and discussion will take place on Thursday, July 9 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Brand Library & Art Center recital hall, 1601 W. Mountain St. in Glendale. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Admission is free and open to the public; no reservations required.

Submitted by Reel Art Film Series

When Beneficiaries And Trustees Disagree?

Ask Phyllis!

How Should A Trustee Select A Realtor

Dear Phyllis,
My mother passed earlier this year. She had been living with my brother and his wife. As the eldest daughter, my mother originally named me as the trustee of her trust. However, I later learned that about six months before she passed, my brother had her amend the trust to name him as trustee instead. I am unsure why this change was so important to him or necessary. I work in the financial services industry and am fully capable

of serving in this role. Now, as the sole trustee, my brother has decided to hire a friend to sell my mother's home. I know very little about this individual, other than that he is not particularly active in real estate. I am also concerned about whether this agent has adequate experience with trust sales.

My sister and I have asked my brother to interview another real estate agent. We offered several suggestions, but he refuses. I know that this is his decision,

but I think he is being reckless. I have been following your column for years and am hoping you have some sound advice.

— MM

Dear MM,
Being a trustee is a lot of work, and the trustee can only take a small fee. It is really not enough to compensate for their time and effort. There is typically so much paperwork involved and there are the beneficiaries to account to as well.

Assuming there is a trust attorney why don't you address your concerns with them? If there is not an attorney, you might consider consulting with one. The only other suggestion I can make as a Realtor and not an attorney is that you and your sister might send your brother a letter via certified mail that you believe it is his fiduciary duty to interview at least one other real estate agent.

Phyllis



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Dignity Health Highlights Water Safety as Summer Approaches

As temperatures rise and families prepare for pool parties, beach days and lakeside vacations, Dignity Health is reminding the community about the importance of water safety – especially for young children.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), drowning is the leading cause of injury-related death among children aged 1 to 4 years and the second leading cause for children under 14. On average, more than 4,000 fatal, unintentional drownings occur in the U.S. each year – equivalent to about 11 deaths per day – and an additional 8,000 non-fatal drownings occur annually.

“Drowning can happen in an instant,

often without any noise or noticeable signs,” said Dr. Adam Kramer, emergency physician at Dignity Health Glendale Memorial Hospital. “In as little as 20 seconds, a child or adult can go from being safe in the water to facing a life-threatening situation. As an emergency physician, I continue to see how quickly these incidents can escalate, which is why it is so important for families to remain vigilant and take proper water safety precautions before heading to the pool or open water this summer.”

Dr. Kramer recommends the following water safety tips to protect children, teens, and adults:

- *Supervise at all times.* Never leave a

child unattended near water – even for a moment. Designate a “water watcher” who avoids distractions like phones or socializing.

- *Teach children to swim.* Formal swimming lessons can reduce the risk of drowning, even for toddlers. It’s a vital life skill at any age.
- *Install barriers.* If you have a home pool, use fencing at least four feet high with self-closing, self-latching gates to keep out unsupervised children.
- *Know CPR.* In an emergency, immediate CPR can be the difference between life and death. Take a certified CPR course and keep rescue equipment nearby.
- *Wear life jackets.* U.S. Coast Guard-

approved life jackets are essential for boating, jet skiing or swimming in lakes or rivers – especially for children and weak swimmers.

- *Avoid alcohol around water.* Alcohol impairs judgment, coordination and reaction time – major risk factors for drowning for both swimmers and boaters.

This summer, prioritize safety as much as fun. With awareness, preparation, and proper supervision, most drowning incidents are entirely preventable. Dignity Health remains committed to keeping the communities it serves safe and informed.

People Making News

Kai Purdy Burton of Montrose recently graduated from Morningside University in Iowa with a bachelor’s degree. Kai is among those students who have displayed exceptional dedication and academic excellence, earning general honors for their outstanding performance during their undergraduate studies.

Leo Amari of La Cañada was named to the University of Evansville Dean’s List for the spring 2026 semester.

Students at UE are named to the Dean’s List every fall and spring semester. To merit the honor of being placed on the Dean’s List, a student must have carried a full academic load of 12 hours or more and have earned a grade point average of 3.5 or above.

The University of Evansville is a private university located in Evansville, Indiana. Established in 1854, UE is recognized across the globe for a rich tradition of academic excellence with a vibrant campus community of change makers. Home of the Purple Aces, UE offers over 75 majors, 17 Division I sports and a unique study abroad experience at Harlaxton College in the United Kingdom.

Theodore Smith from La Crescenta was named to the Milwaukee School of Engineering’s Dean’s List with high honors for the 2026 spring semester. Smith is pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering.

Students taking undergraduate courses who have earned at least 12 credits in residence at MSOE, are in good academic standing and have a cumulative GPA of 3.20 or higher are on the Dean’s List. Students on that list who have maintained a 3.70 or higher receive high honors. Students with a term GPA of 3.20 or higher, who are not on the Dean’s List, are on the honors list.

Milwaukee School of Engineering (www.msoe.edu) is an independent, non-profit university that has about 3,000 students and was founded in 1903. MSOE offers bachelor’s and master’s degrees in engineering, computer science, business, nursing, mathematics, user experience and construction management. Faculty are student-focused experts who bring real-world experience into the classroom.

Bucknell University in

Pennsylvania has released the Dean’s List for outstanding academic achievement during the spring semester of the 2025-26 academic year. Among those who earned a spot are Jackson Greninger of Glendale, class of 2027, who is majoring in computer science and engineering, Hanan Phillips of La Cañada Flintridge, class of 2026, who is majoring in economics, and Sara Cooperson of La Crescenta, class 2027, who is majoring in markets, innovation & design.

A student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.0 to receive dean’s list recognition.

Donovan Esquivel of Glendale who is pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in real estate has been named to the Dean’s List for the spring 2026 semester at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

To make the Dean’s List, students must have earned at least 12 credits for the spring 2026 semester and have no disqualifying grades. The GPA threshold varies by college – for the College of Education and the Klingler College of Arts and Sciences,

undergraduate students must have at least a 3.7 to be named to the Dean’s List.

The undergraduate GPA requirement is 3.5 for the following colleges: the Diederich College of Communication, the College of Business Administration, the College of Health Sciences, the Opus College of Engineering and the College of Nursing. All other programs have a 3.75 GPA minimum.

Marquette University is a Catholic, Jesuit university that draws over 8,000 undergraduate and 3,700 graduate and professional students from nearly all states and more than 60 countries.

Find out more about Marquette at marquette.edu.

Racin Delgatty was named to The University of Alabama Dean’s List for spring semester 2026.

A total of 14,306 students enrolled during Spring Semester 2026 at The University of Alabama were named to the Dean’s List with an academic record of 3.5 (or above) or the President’s List with an academic record of 4.0 (all As).

The UA Dean’s and President’s Lists recognize full-time undergraduate students. The lists

do not apply to graduate students or undergraduate students who take less than a full course load.

Joshua Sison of Sunland is among 1,800 students named to the spring Dean’s List Honor Roll of Abilene Christian University. Sison is a senior majoring in healthcare administration.

To qualify, students must be registered for 12 or more credit hours and earn a GPA of 3.6 or higher.

Abilene Christian University serves a diverse student population of about 7,200 with world-class teaching in a Christ-centered community. Founded in 1906, this Carnegie Research 2 university is nationally recognized for undergraduate teaching and undergraduate research. Students choose from 90 baccalaureate majors that include more than 186 areas of study, 77 areas of study in master’s degree and specialist programs, and five doctoral programs.

Learn more at acu.edu.

Belmont University held its spring 2026 commencement ceremonies for graduate and undergraduate students in May. Across four ceremonies, the University collectively recognized more than 1,500 candidates among bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral candidates in its 2026 commencement proceedings.

Grace Williamson Anderson and Emma Swanson, both from La Crescenta, each earned a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing.

Ashley Dietrich, a graduate of La Cañada High School, has been named to the spring 2026 Dean’s List while studying music and psychology at Muhlenberg College.

To be eligible for the Dean’s List, Muhlenberg College students must earn a GPA of 3.5 or better while taking three or more course units during a semester.

Founded in 1848, Muhlenberg is a highly selective, four-year residential, liberal arts college in the city of Allentown, Pennsylvania, with nearly 2,000 bachelor’s and master’s degree-seeking students and a high return on investment.

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TRAVEL & LEISURE

Scene In L.A. - July 2026

By Steve ZALL and Sid FISH

Here are some great new shows coming soon to our Southern California theater scene!

COVID protocols continue to be dictated by each individual venue, so in case the venue requires it bring a face mask to wear during the show. It's a good idea to check with the theater before attending a show to find out what is their current policy.

The information presented in this column is the latest available at the time of printing; however, it should be verified with the theater before definite plans are made.

Here are the shows that have announced opening dates for this month or are already running:

"Palm Springs Aerial Tramway Presents Military Days" During the entire month of July, all U.S. military personnel with valid military identification – whether active, former or retired – receive free admission to the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway along with a special gift during Military Days. Spouses of deployed military members, as well as military widows and widowers, also qualify for the promotion. Military personnel are encouraged to bring friends

and family and receive 25% off regular Tram admission for up to four guests.

While visiting the Tramway, guests can enjoy:

- Fine dining with breathtaking views at Peaks Restaurant or casual, family-friendly fare at Pines Café.

- More than 50 miles of hiking trails within Mount San Jacinto State Park (MSJSP)

- Guided nature walks led by MSJSP volunteers every Sunday at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. through Labor Day weekend.

For the latest information on park programs and events, follow @mountsanjacintosp on Instagram. In addition, educational programs and instructor-led hikes are presented by the Mount San Jacinto Natural History Association. Learn more at www.msjnha.org/events.

The event runs from July 1 through July 31 at the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway in Palm Springs. For more information, call (760) 325-1391 or visit www.pstramway.com/military-days-2026.



"Pageant of the Masters: The Greatest of All Time" Each year, the Pageant challenges its team to re-create some of the world's most celebrated works of art on a monumental scale. This summer's theme, "The Greatest of All Time" (G.O.A.T.) raises the bar, spotlighting legendary artists and masterpieces that have shaped art history across centuries and styles. Audiences will be taken on an unforgettable journey through the works of Michelangelo, Picasso, Monet, van Gogh, Velázquez, Norman Rockwell, Kahlo and more to determine who truly deserves the title of G.O.A.T.

Masterpieces will come alive in a

brehtaking blend of art, music and theatrical wonder presenting a dynamic series of living tableaux where real people step into and embody these iconic works.

Directed by Diane Challis Davy, it runs from July 7 through Sept. 4 at the Festival of Arts Grounds in Laguna Beach. For tickets, call (800) 487-3378 or visit www.foapom.com.



"If/Then" centers on a woman in her late 30s who moves back to New York City for a fresh start after a divorce. The story explores themes of choice, chance and fate, suggesting that while choices have profound impacts, both paths involve joy, pain, struggle and the possibility for new beginnings.

Written by Brian Yorkey, with music by Tom Kitt, lyrics by Brian Yorkey, and directed by Brayden Hade, it runs from July 10 through July 26 at the Zephyr Theatre in Los Angeles. For tickets, visit www.chrtheatre.com.

"The Importance of Being Earnest" is one of the sharpest and most enduring comedies in the English language. Wilde's deliciously constructed farce follows Jack Worthing and Algernon Moncrieff, two young men whose invented identities create a whirlwind of romantic complications, social absurdities and family revelations. At first glance, the play is a glittering comedy of mistaken identities, cucumber sandwiches, engagements and impeccably timed wit. But beneath Wilde's laughter lies a



surprisingly modern question: Who are we when society expects us to be someone else?

Written by Oscar Wilde and directed by Rebekah Walendzak Slepksi, it runs from July 10 through July 25 at the Helen Borgers Theatre in Bixby Knolls. For tickets, visit LBShakespeare.org.

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" From rags to riches, dreams to destiny, Joseph's extraordinary journey will captivate audiences of all ages. Witness his meteoric rise from favored son to betrayed brother, from Egyptian prisoner to Pharaoh's right-hand man. Sing along to iconic hits like "Any Dream Will Do" and "Close Every Door" and let the infectious rhythms of country-western, calypso and French balladry carry you away. It stars Broadway performer and viral vocal sensation Brian Justin Crum in the title role.

Written by Tim Rice, with music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, lyrics by Tim Rice and directed by Larry Raben, it runs from July 10 through July 26 at the Carpenter Performing Arts Center in Long Beach. For tickets, call (562) 856-1999 or visit musical.org.

You can read more at CVWeekly.com/LEISURE.

THEN & NOW



Then: The block of Foothill Boulevard bounded by Rosemont and Raymond avenues had a lot of history attached to it. It was the site of the La Crescenta Hotel (aka The Silver Tree Inn) and a Victorian mansion that later became Kimball's Sanitarium, an insane asylum. By 1960 they had been bulldozed and the sloped lot graded flat. The removed dirt was used to create pads for a small housing tract in La Cañada, just off Angeles Crest Highway.



Now: Amazingly this is the same shot today looking east from Raymond. The empty lot was developed into a new shopping center with a Builder's Emporium, Food Giant (later Alpha Beta), Nahas Department Store and Thrifty Drugs. It is now called The Marketplace, featuring Ralph's, the recently closed Rite Aid and a number of other smaller retail stores and food places.

Ralph's Supermarket
Courtesy of the Historical Society of CV

Tae Yeon Lim to Perform for GNC

On July 15 from 12:10 p.m. to 12:40 p.m., pianist Tae Yeon Lim will be performing for the free admission Glendale Noon Concerts series at the sanctuary of Glendale City Church, 610 E. California Ave. in Glendale.

<http://glendalenoonconcerts.blogspot.com>

She will be performing works by Gabriel Fauré and Franz Schubert: Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924), "Romance Sans Paroles, Op. 17, No. 3" and "Barcarolle, Op. 26, No. 1" and Franz Schubert (1797-1828) "Impromptu, Op. 90."

Tae Yeon Lim is known for her powerful performance style, combining energetic delivery with an intelligent touch. Originally from South Korea, Yeon Lim currently lives in Los Angeles where she is active as a pianist and conductor.

Revealing a musical talent at an early age, she was 11 when selected to perform Mozart's "Concert Rondo" with the Sorisam Chamber Orchestra. She was also invited to perform in the prestigious Chosun Journal Young Artist Debut Series at Sejong Arts Hall in

Seoul.

Yeon Lim studied at the Manhattan School of Music with the pioneering American pianist James Tocco and Kumi Ogano, continuing to earn her D.M.A. at the University of Southern California, Thornton School of Music, where

her mentors were the renowned piano pedagogues Stewart Gordon and later Sergei Silvansky.

Her recording of Joachim Raff's "Complete Music for Cello and Piano," released on the British Toccata Classics label, includes the world premiere of the Swiss composers "Sonata for Piano and Cello Op.183."

Her solo recitals have included performances at the Richard Nixon Presidential

Library and Museum, the Brand Library and Arts Center, and the Alhambra Performing Arts Center.

An active concerto soloist, Yeon Lim has performed with orchestras throughout Southern Asia and California, including the Los Angeles Sinfonietta and the Vicente Chamber Orchestra.

A passionate chamber



Tae Yeon Lim

musician, she has collaborated with members of the Capitol Ensemble and many other prestigious musicians in Los Angeles and San Diego and participated in concert series at "Great Music at St.

James," Classical Sundays at 6, Chamber Music @ All Saints, Beverly Hills and Le Salon de Musiques.

A versatile artist, Yeon Lim has emerged not only as a pianist of note and as a sought

after teacher. She is currently curator of the chamber music series at St. Timothy Catholic Church in West LA where she is also the music director.

Celebrating Glendale's 120th Year as a City

The membership of The Glendale Historical Society (TGHS) will gather on July 11 at 9:30 a.m. for its annual meeting and to celebrate a milestone – Glendale's 120th year as a city.

A presentation will be made marking the special occasion. A review of the 2025 - 26 business year will also be given and the election of board members.

Admission is free for TGHS members

and \$20 for non-members.

Registration is required; register at <https://tinyurl.com/4pmw5xy8> by July 6.

Not a member? Join today and attend the event at no charge.

Those with questions can email events@glendalehistorical.org or call (818) 242-7447.



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WEEKLY HOROSCOPES Provided by horoscope.com June 29, 2026 - July 5, 2026

ARIES March 21 - April 19
Rather than follow your intuition, you may have a tendency to do what your friends do with regard to staying fit and healthy. This probably isn't working out very well for you. Take time this week to assess your situation and do what feels right to you. Your body is unique and needs special care. You won't get the results you want by following someone else's path.

TAURUS April 20 - May 20
This week your health is back under your control. You may have experienced some strange symptoms recently that appeared and then receded just as quickly. This phase is over and now you can take action to create the results you want. If you haven't begun a diet or exercise routine yet, this is a good time to begin. Start slowly for best results.

GEMINI May 21 - June 20
Your social life is keeping you awake. While this is a great time to make friends and new connections, you

also need to think about your body. Get out and have fun, as it's doing you good. But remember to work out, drink plenty of fresh water, eat well, and get some sleep. Try not to go out every night of the week, as it's important to have some time to unwind.

CANCER June 21 - July 22
This may be a good time to get the help of a personal trainer. If you aren't sure how to go about getting the body you want or the look you deserve, then get someone to show you how. Not only will this person be able to guide you, you'll also learn how to get there by the shortest possible route. You'll get results, because he or she won't let you fail.

LEO July 23 - August 22
It's time to examine your beliefs about health and healing. If you keep getting ill, one course of action may be to examine your thinking. If your thoughts tend to go around in the same negative groove, you may be doing yourself a disservice. Being mindful about watching yourself from

moment to moment will help you home in on the problem.

VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22
It may be a good idea to feed your nerves this week, as you may have a lot on your plate. Besides making sure that your diet is up to the mark, it will help you to work out on a regular basis. If you spend some time every day exercising in whatever way suits you best, you'll feel so much more relaxed. Try dancing or swimming if the gym doesn't suit you.

LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22
Partners are going to give you a lot of help and support, especially where your health and fitness activities are concerned. If you don't work out together, maybe you should try it. In this way, you can give each other the encouragement needed to reach your targets. It may also be a good idea to adopt a healthy new eating regimen and discover the benefits of cooking and dining together.

SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 21
The more you read about the benefits of exercise and a good diet, the more determined you are to make the changes necessary to your own good health. You don't have to jump into the deep end right away. You can begin by taking more walks in nature and gradually building up your strength and stamina. Trying to do too much at once will act as a deterrent.

SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 - Dec. 21
Don't be surprised if deep-seated emotional issues come to the surface. Although they may seem to have nothing to do with your health, they have everything to do with it. You can release them by working out vigorously on a daily basis and also by being mindful in your approach to life. This encourages you to let go of negative thoughts and relax in spaciousness and peace.

CAPRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan. 19
The stars may be encouraging you to pamper yourself more than usual this week. This may not be such a

bad thing. You've been pushing very hard for quite a few months now, and sometimes you forget to care for your body and overall health. Think about visiting a health club or local spa and enjoying the chance to relax.

AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18
It may help to get a regular routine sorted out in terms of your health and well-being. You do have a tendency to be erratic with your exercise and diet. You tend to switch direction and change focus from day to day. If you want to get results, try to stick with the regimen you've set. Don't veer off course.

PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20
You may be tempted to buy into a new diet scheme that will encourage you to pay good money in order to lose so many pounds over so many weeks. It may seem like the best thing since sliced bread, but it probably isn't. Make sure you read a few genuine testimonials before you get out your credit card. If it feels right, go for it; otherwise don't bother.

CALENDAR this

GLENDALE KIWANIS

The Kiwanis Club of Glendale meets on Fridays at noon. On July 3, the Club is dark in observance of Independence Day. On July 10, the Club hosts the Pasadena Humane Society.

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

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

DANCING AS EXERCISE

Dancing As Exercise is a free event sponsored by the Los Angeles County Park program for seniors (50 plus).

There will be music from 10 a.m. to noon each Friday in the Park's building at 3901 Dunsmore Ave. in La Crescenta. Light refreshments and water are provided along with socialization and information about other park

activities.

Dancing, perse, is not required; single persons are welcome.

CCLCF EVENTS

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

•*Camp Runamuk*: Camp Runamuk (ages 5-10) runs weekly through Aug. 14 with exciting themes each week. Learn more/register today at cclcf.org/register

•*Summer Camps*. Coach Andy's Summer Sports Camps, Skyhawks Sports Summer Camps, Junior & Pre-Teen Ceramics Camps, Musical Theatre Dance Camp, Cooking Camps, Art Camps, Professor Egghead Camps, and a Speech & Debate Camp promises something for everyone! Camp ages range from 4 to 14. Register today at cclcf.org/register.

see CALENDAR THIS on next page

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ACROSS

1) Quite some distance off	40) Bothered (with "at")
5) Type of cheese	41) Slightly wet
10) Clothes-info locales	42) Border order?
14) Longest arm bone	43) Give a Bronx cheer
15) Man of fables	44) Substance found in flour
16) Son of Isaac and Rebekah	46) Evil nation in the Bible
17) Punjab princess	49) Pale
18) Electric-car company	51) Three things after "space"
19) Abounding	57) Honky-___ piano
20) Three things after "space"	58) "Four Quartets" poet T.S.
23) Loud, in music	59) Deli condiment
24) Food that never decays	60) Flip-a-coin test answer
25) Historical records	61) Distribute proportionately
28) Speak indistinctly	62) Affirm positively
30) Naval commando	63) "Don't overdo it"
31) "The 12 Days of Christmas" musician	64) Borgnine's "From Here to Eternity" role
33) African antelope	65) Bird's home
36) Two things after "space"	

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- Mystic enveloper
- Patriotic symbol
- "Interview With the Vampire" author Rice
- Drops from above
- Goatlike creatures of myth
- Least big
- Bring forth
- Arias, e.g.
- Petty clash
- Product of a good horror film
- Like much of the world's population
- Foot-in-mouth incident
- Full of beef fat
- Army rank (Abbr.)
- Make butter
- On a yacht, perhaps
- Teller's call
- Base of the neck
- Barbecue rod
- Zodiac lion
- Two fives, for one
- Neutral possessive
- Ganges access
- "Good going!"
- Very familiar with
- End of the Greek alphabet
- Something fishy
- One who falls for a star?
- Professional horse rider
- Depressed urban area
- Large pasture
- Not glossy, as a photo
- Public square, in ancient Greece
- Biological subdivision
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- Chases away, as a fly
- Severely hearing-impaired
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- Wasps' nest location
- Some loaves of bread
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PET OF THE WEEK

Meet Freddy, our 5-year-old "granddog," a maltipoo who walks with a Big Huge smile on his face when he's visiting us in La Crescenta. My mom lives in Burbank, but Freddy can be seen roaming the streets of La Crescenta often and especially LOVES 2 Strike Park. Freddy's very friendly and enjoys the 2-legged humans the most. Freddy brings a smile to everyone he meets and is very excited to join CV Weekly Pet of the Week!!

CV Weekly loves to hear about your pets!
Send a pic and small caption to steve@cvweekly.com to share your lovable pets with the community!

MAKE SOME SPACE

By Timothy E. Parker

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Sears Left Me Without A Refrigerator For Six Months – How Do I Fix This?

Karen Plaskon's refrigerator breaks under her Sears Master Protection Agreement and Sears approves a replacement. But after months of delays, canceled orders and endless excuses, she's still without a working fridge. Can a consumer advocate end her six-month wait for a resolution?

Question: I've been without a refrigerator for six months despite paying for a Sears Master Protection Agreement. My fridge failed in February and Sears approved a replacement in April. I ordered a Frigidaire, but delivery delays led Sears to cancel it and recommend a GE model in June. I'm still waiting.

A few years ago, Sears resolved a similar issue by giving me a cash payout. This time, it claims it no longer offers that option. I've spent hours on calls, getting shuffled between departments blaming "manufacturing delays." Meanwhile, retailers like Costco deliver fridges in days.

Sears' runaround has left me exhausted. How can I get them to

honor their agreement? – Karen Plaskon, Grants Pass, Oregon

Answer: Sears should have honored your protection agreement promptly. Its own precedent shows cash payouts are possible under the plan. While Sears isn't legally required to offer refunds, its refusal to resolve delays violates the implied covenant of good faith in service contracts.

Stringing you along for half a year is unacceptable. Sears has a track record of doing the right thing – eventually. In fairness, all the back-and-forth between you and Sears left me with a little whiplash.

You did the right thing by documenting calls and escalating to executives, confusing as it may have

been. In cases like this, a paper trail is critical. Always follow up phone calls with emails summarizing discussions. If a company stalls, an appeal to executive contacts can help. I publish the names, numbers and email addresses of the Sears executives on my consumer advocacy site Elliott.org. I think you were more than patient with Sears.

I would have spent a little less time on the phone and more time writing. A paper trail is essential when a company like Sears stalls on a delivery. Also, I would have appealed this to the executives much sooner. Six months is way too long to wait.

I contacted Sears on your behalf. A representative reviewed your case and agreed to cancel your



order and give you a full refund. Now you can buy the refrigerator you want from Costco, or any other store that will deliver your appliance quicker.

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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CALENDAR THIS from previous page

•**Fall I Registration:** Fall I registration opens July 29 at 9 am. The Fall I session is eight weeks and starts on Aug. 24. View upcoming Fall I class info as it becomes available at cclcf.org/register.

•**Coach Andy's Wiffle Ball Classic:** Save the date. Coach Andy is putting together a Wiffle Ball Classic for ages 8-12 on the weekend of Aug. 1 and Aug. 2 at CCLCF. Register a team of three to five players to compete for the championship in a fun-filled tournament. More info is coming soon.

•**CCLCF Open House:** CCLCF will host an open house on Sunday, Aug. 16 to showcase classes and programs. Free class demos, music, games & more. More info coming soon.

The Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge is located at 4469 Chevy Chase Drive in La Cañada Flintridge, (818) 790-4353.

DRAG QUEEN BINGO AT WOMEN'S CLUB - EAGLE ROCK

Hot on the (5-inch) heels of ANSWERS for page 15

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Pride and the Fourth of July, Icon Lewis will provide the (figurative) fireworks.

This fundraiser for the WTCC (Women's Twentieth Century Club) features a no host bar. BYO snacks or purchase them onsite.

Wear the rainbow or the red, white & blue. Tickets are \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door. Doors open at 6 p.m., games start at 7 p.m. Purchase tickets at <https://tinyurl.com/25etnjb6>.

SOCAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OPEN HOUSE

The Southern California Genealogical Society is having its 2026 Open House on July 11 at the library at 417 Irving Drive in Burbank from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Everyone is welcome, especially those interested in family history.

Enjoy snacks, beverages, library tours and more! For those who have family history questions experts will be available to help from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

ALL INVITED TO 5K RUN/WALK

All are invited to the Happy

Miles family fun 5K run/walk on Sunday, July 12 at Griffith Park. Register at signurpace.com. There will a kids zone and a kids race, too! On-site paperwork and registration is at 7:30 a.m.; the race starts 8:30 a.m. Meet and park at intersection of Griffith Park Drive and Crystal Springs Drive; level trail.

Hosted by The Way to Happiness Foothills Chapter, based in Montrose. For any questions, phone (818) 319-9827 or email cameron.8dinc@gmail.com.

FLORAL DESIGN WORKSHOP & FUNDRAISER

On Saturday, July 18 from noon to 2 p.m., the Women's Twentieth Century Club welcomes new club member and celebrated florist Amelia Posada of Birch & Bone for an intimate, hands-on workshop/fundraiser at the clubhouse.

Posada has created floral works of art for clients including Netflix, HBO, the Sundance Film Festival and Vanity Fair, and her work has been prominently featured in several print media. See more of her work and learn more about her on Instagram at [@birchandbone](https://www.instagram.com/birchandbone).

Join her for an afternoon of creativity, connection and gorgeous blooms as she guides participants through the techniques behind her signature style – skills that can be carried to a dinner party, celebration or soiree.

Every ticket directly supports the WTCC historic clubhouse! Tickets are available on a sliding scale, depending on the level of donation guests would like to make.

Members get 10% off with a special discount code – they need to check their email!

Space is limited! Get tickets on Eventbrite at <https://tinyurl.com/2mvmnn3>.

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT

Those who can, do; Those who can do more, volunteer. Author Unknown

Little Landers Historical Society is seeking volunteers to help support its mission, "To preserve and maintain Bolton Hall Museum and the historical record of Rancho Tujunga."

Positions on the Bolton Hall 2026 board of directors are open. Other opportunities to volunteer include museum docents, committee members for ongoing projects, special event and exhibit coordinators, administrative, archival or library assistants, facilities maintenance and more. Potential volunteers are asked to reach out with questions. Email LittleLanders@BoltonHall.org, phone (818) 352-3420 or send a letter so P.O. Box 203, Tujunga, CA 91043.

MONTROSE LIBRARY EVENTS

•The Montrose Library hosts canasta on Tuesday afternoons from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

•The Back Alley Painters is a vibrant group of adult artists who gather to create, share their work, offer constructive feedback and enjoy each other's company. Participants are asked to bring their own art supplies – whether watercolor, acrylic, ink or pencil (no oil paints). Meetings are every Monday from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. •Mahjong is a game of skill, strategy, calculation and a degree of chance. Players of all levels are welcomed! Players meet every Thursday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Montrose Library.

The Montrose Library, 2465 Honolulu Ave. in Montrose (818) 548-2048.

NATURE JOURNALING PROGRAM AND GLENDALE OUTDOORS! (GO!) COMMUNITY PROGRAMS AT DEUKMEJIAN

Nature Journaling Program

and Glendale Outdoors! (Go!) Community programs continue at Deukmejian Wilderness Park. To learn more about the Glendale Outdoors! (GO!) Community Program visit <https://tinyurl.com/kjv88w6a>.

To learn more about the Nature Journaling Program visit <https://tinyurl.com/2b5u6p6x>.

CELEBRATE NATIONAL STAMP COLLECTING

Community members are invited to join the Glendale/La Crescenta Stamp Club, a community of stamp enthusiasts that meets regularly to share their passion for this timeless hobby.

The Glendale/La Crescenta Stamp Club meets every third Tuesday at the LA County Library - La Crescenta located at the corner of La Crescenta Avenue and Foothill Boulevard, 2809 Foothill Blvd., at 7 p.m. in the second floor community room.

For more information about the club and upcoming meetings, call (818) 903-4451.

ACTIVITIES AT SUNLAND SENIOR CENTER

The Sunland Senior Center offers a selection of classes and activities daily. Whether seniors are looking to exercise or dance or are interested in art, theater, or knitting, the Center has something for everyone. Sunland also hosts bingo on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and a movie matinee on the big screen at 1 p.m. on Thursdays; on Mondays and Fridays there is country line dancing from noon-1:30 p.m. The Sunland Senior Center runs programming from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. with a donations-based lunch served daily from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sunland Senior Center is located at 8640 Fenwick St. in Sunland. For further information, call (818) 353-9571. These special events are free.

BUSINESS

NEWS FROM THE CV CHAMBER » ROBIN GOLDSWORTHY

Summer Slump? I Don't Think So!

While some businesses go quiet during the summer months, that's not the case with the Crescenta Valley Chamber of Commerce! The chamber has a busy summer planned.

On July 23 at 5:30 p.m. we are having a "members only" barbecue at Bob Smith Toyota. This is a way to celebrate our members who are part of the CV Chamber of Commerce! Becoming a member is easy – just call the chamber office at (818) 248-4957 or talk to our Membership chair Steve Pierce. He'll have all of the information you need to make the CV Chamber your home! At the July 23 event there will be delicious food and great music – all at no cost to our members. Thank you to CV Chamber board member Pete Smith for allowing us access to the Bob Smith Toyota dealership!

On June 12, we had a joint ribbon cutting with the Montrose-Verdugo City Chamber of Commerce celebrating the one-year anniversary of Sabrina's Pizzeria Napoletana in Montrose. What a delicious event! Attendees had the chance to taste some of the great food that Sabrina's prepares plus hob-nob with some dignitaries including City of Glendale mayor Ardy Kassakhian and council person Elen Asatryan! We are so happy for Sabrina's and wish them many more years of success.

On June 24 at 6 p.m., chamber members met at Thee Elbow Room in a casual setting to enjoy great food, cold brews and each other's company. We had a busy evening and are grateful to the many folks who came out! We look forward to meeting again at 6 p.m. at Basin 141 at

2265 Honolulu Ave. on the last Wednesday of the month – July 29. It's a great time to just relax, order some great food and meet with other members of the CV Chamber.

In June the CV Chamber welcomed two new board members: James Lee (of the Crescenta Valley Water District) and Dimitri Camperos. These two people are ready to "roll up their sleeves" and volunteer with the other board members of the CV Chamber. Welcome, James and Dimitri – we appreciate you two!

We have some dynamic members to welcome!

- 1-800 Autopsy: "We are a 'Totally Autonomous Thanatology Specialty Service Company,' whose principal duty is upholding our mission of commitment, dignity, and respect to those who place

their trust in us. We pledge to never stray from our focus, and continue to 'Broaden Society's Perspective of Death.'" 2629 Foothill Blvd. Suite 387 in La Crescenta, call (818) 957-2178 or visit www.1800autopsy.com.

- Abe's Lock: Abe's is a family owned and operated business. We don't just sell locks and keys – we specialize in security and peace of mind. Abe's Lock has been providing services to La Crescenta and many local cities for over 90 years. Located at 2820 Honolulu Ave. in Verdugo City; call (818) 249-5128 or visit www.abeslock.com.

- Andersen's Pet Shop: "Family owned and operated for over 60 years. Where pets and people come together! We have grown into a full supply and grooming shop. We can

groom, bathe or do a routine teeth cleaning for your furry best friend. Not just a pet store – it's a pet grooming salon." Located at 2218 Honolulu Ave. in Montrose. Call (818) 249-1724 or visit www.andersenspets.com.

To learn more about the Chamber visit us www.crescentavalleychamber.org or click on the QR code.

*Robin Goldsworthy, President
CV Chamber of Commerce*



NEWS FROM THE MONTROSE VERDUGO CITY CHAMBER » MOLLY BURKE

Celebrating Summer in Montrose

June was a wonderful month of connection, celebration and learning here in Montrose. Thank you to everyone who joined us for our ribbon cuttings celebrating Sabrina's Pizzeria Napoletana and Perlas Ice Cream Shop, our Candlelight & Cabernet Mixer at The Seasoned Table, and our Dinner & Discover workshop! We're also incredibly grateful to our event hosts, speakers and community partners who helped make these gatherings possible. Bringing people together, welcoming new faces and uplifting our amazing small businesses is at the heart of what we do and we love seeing our community come together.

As we settle into summer, there are still plenty of ways to support local. Be sure to check out the Montrose Shopping Park Association's Sammy the Soccer Ball Scavenger Hunt; several of our Chamber members are participating! It's a fun way to explore the shopping district, discover new businesses and experience everything Montrose has to offer with family and friends.

As summer continues, we're also busy preparing for one of Montrose's favorite traditions. The 47th Annual Montrose Oktoberfest, proudly supported by Babaians Law Firm, returns on Saturday, Oct. 3 from noon to 10 p.m.! With carnival rides and games, delicious food, cold beer and wine, free contests, kids' activities and live entertainment lining Honolulu Avenue, Oktoberfest is a celebration of community that brings neighbors and visitors together year after year.

Thank you for your continued support of the Montrose-Verdugo City Chamber of Commerce and the businesses that make our community thrive. We hope you'll enjoy the rest of your summer, shop local whenever you can and join us as we continue celebrating everything that makes Montrose such a special



One of the recent ribbon cuttings was for Perlas Ice Cream Shop.

place to live, work and gather.

Celebrating Our New MVCC Member:

- * *Crescenta Valley Lions Club* – "Together, we will continue to uplift neighborhoods, inspire new generations of Lions, and strengthen our service impact across the globe." e-clubhouse.org/sites/crescentacanada

Celebrating Our Returning MVCC Members:

- * *It Takes A Village Kids* – A unique kids clothing boutique located in the heart of Montrose. ittakesavillagekids.com

- * *Daniel Fraise Insurance Agency* – Whether you're looking for home insurance, business insurance or anything in between, our reliable and experienced team can help. fraiseinsurance.com

- * *3-2-1 Acting Studios* – The premier acting school for kids, teens and adults, with acting classes in Los Angeles and Live Online. 321talentshowcase.com

- * *Nix Marie* – A women's boutique specializing in clothing and carefully-sourced accessories, home goods and jewelry. nixmarie.com

- * *Mosaic Hair Studio* – Why visit multiple salons when you can find everything in one place? From hair and nails to lashes and brows,

we're your one-stop destination for all your beauty needs. mosaichairstudio.co

- * *Community Center of La Cañada Flintridge* – A nonprofit community hub providing classes, camps, events and programs for all ages in the foothill communities since 1948. cclcf.org

- * *US Storage Centers Montrose* – Self-storage facility with drive-up access, electronic gates and 24-hr video recording. (818) 659-3264

- * *Gina Feeds* – Local catering company that's passionate about preparing, cooking, presenting and eating great food. They look forward to spicing up your event or feeding your family! ginafeeds.com

- * *IHeart Home Care Services* – If you're searching for experienced and personable in-home senior care in the Glendale area, then you've found the right place! (310) 704-9413

MVCC Upcoming Events:

Saturday, Oct. 3 – 47th Annual Montrose Oktoberfest from 12 p.m.-10 p.m. in the 2200-2400 blocks of Honolulu Ave. in Montrose. Go to bit.ly/montroseoktoberfest for more information!

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Molly Burke, President/CEO
MVCC*

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PRIDE PARADE from page 3

Organizers from Glendale OUT summed up the history and significance of Glendale's joyous, peaceful inaugural Gay Parade.

"Since 2023 and the internationally televised riot at GUSD the day they were going to proclaim June as Pride month to today, while things have calmed down from the initial days, it's never stopped. Having a Pride parade in Glendale is an absolute act of resistance and perseverance for this community, and we are proud to be able to contribute to the continued legacy of Stonewall.

"In Glendale, the LGBTQIA+ plus community isn't a handful of malcontents and their allies; it's families, kids, neighbors, educators, students and the people who work here and visit here and spend money here. This Pride season, we pay homage to the breadth of our queer community," the organization shared.

IN BRIEFS from page 3

FOURTH OF JULY PARADE: UPDATED INFO

The Rotary Club's Fourth of July Parade in Tujunga announced that American Legion 377 member and veteran Paul Pangburn is this year's grand marshal.

Donations are still being sought. Checks can be mailed to Sunland-Tujunga Rotary Club, PO Box 366, Sunland, CA 91041.

The Parade will start at 10 a.m. on Summitrose Street and feed onto Foothill Boulevard.

FIREWORKS TICKETS AVAILABLE

Tickets to the CV Fireworks display at Crescenta Valley High School are \$9 (pre-sale) and available at the office of CV Weekly (3800 La Crescenta Ave. #206, La Crescenta 91214), J's Maids & Maintenance, (3550 Foothill Blvd., La Crescenta 91214), Bob Smith Toyota (3333 Foothill Blvd., La Crescenta 91214) and CV Insurance (3156 Foothill Blvd., La Crescenta 91214).

Gates open at 4 p.m.

CONCERTS, LECTURES AND MORE AT MT. WILSON OBSERVATORY

On Sunday afternoon, the public is

invited to Sunday Afternoon Concerts in the Dome. On July 5, the Brass Quintet will be performing Bernstein's "Suite from West Side Story" and more...

On trumpets are Dan Rosenboom & Rob Schear, Laura Brenes on horn, Alex Iles on trombone and Doug Tornquist on tuba.

Performances are at 3 p.m. and 5 p.m.

Note: Access to the dome performance level is via a 53-step staircase. There is no ADA-compliant access. No children under 6. Tickets are \$65 each.

FRIEDMAN'S BILL HEADS TO SENATE

On Monday, the U.S. House of Representatives passed Congresswoman Laura Friedman's legislation to designate the United States Postal Service facility on San Fernando Road in Glendale as the "Paul Ignatius Post Office." The bill now heads to the Senate, where it is led by Senator Schiff.

The legislation brought together Democrats and Republicans from the California Delegation. Friedman urged the Senate to take up and pass the bill without delay so the designation can be signed into law.

WEATHER from page 2

They were trapped by one of the worst winters on record. The Continental Army lacked food, clothes and sufficient shelter, according to mountvernon.org.

I think with the nation celebrating the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence we should remember the sacrifice made for freedom, and watch "The Revolution."

The June Gloom we have been experiencing is expected to be less gloomy as the marine layer will shrink in our area, according to NOAA.

But with that shrinking comes warming temperatures. Today should be in the low to mid 80s, which brings us closer to our normal for this time of year. Temperatures will continue to rise through next week with temperatures expected in the high 80s/low 90s.

GCC from cover

A complete list of Fourth of July events happening in Glendale can be found at <https://www.glendaleca.gov/government/departments/office-of-the-city-manager/july-4-events>.

Glendalian Herbert Molano addressed the council during public comments to continue his advocacy for the Charter Review Committee, which next meets on Thursday, July 2 at 5:30 p.m. in the Municipal Services Building, Room 105, to recommend an independent Audit Commission to oversee the city's finances and contracts. Molano pointed out that the city budget is \$1.28 billion and that only three of 91 contracts for more than \$1 million have been audited and that of the three auditing positions budgeted only one is filled.

"A commission that is accountable to the public is on the Charter Review Committee's agenda and is one of the most impactful things we can create for the City of Glendale to ensure the City is providing judicious accountability for the way it spends our money," Molano urged.

At 7:45 p.m. the council reconvened for the formality of installing a new council.

"Every election is a reaffirmation of something extraordinary. In this country, in a democracy, authority is not passed from one person to another through force but through a freely expressed will of the people. And this peaceful transition of responsibility is one of our nation's greatest traditions and one we should never take for granted," said Mayor Kassakhian beginning the swearing-in ceremony.

The mayor addressed candidates who did not win.

"Putting yourself before the voters takes courage and running for office is never easy," he said. "Every candidate who steps forward helps keep our democracy vibrant and helps renew the faith we have in our democratic institutions. Public service doesn't begin or end on Election Day and I hope each of you will continue finding ways to serve our community."

"Disagreement is healthy. It's part of being a democracy. Personal attacks - questioning each other's motives and treating neighbors as enemies - is not," Mayor Kassakhian emphasized.

You can read more at CVWeekly.com/NEWS



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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Directors of Foothill Municipal Water District will conduct a public hearing on July 27, 2026, at the hour of 4:00 o'clock p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, to consider the adoption of an ordinance establishing compensation for directors of the municipal water district and for persons representing the municipal water district as a director of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. The Board will consider compensating such person for up to ten meetings per month at the rate of \$156.11/meeting.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE all interested persons are invited to attend and provide written and oral comment. Board Secretary, Nina Jazmadarian
Foothill Municipal Water District

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