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# Patriot Day - Glendora Remembers The Tragedy of September 11

By Jayam Rutnam

**GLENDORA** - As is done every year, a Glendora tradition of remembering the tragedy of 9/11 with a Community Remembrance Service known as Patriot Day, was held outside the Glendora City Hall at 6 p.m. Chairs were lined up close to the Memorial for Military service members who gave their lives for our country. There were two fire engines parked in front of the City Hall building. The ceremony started with a welcome speech by Reverend Karen Davis of the First Christian Church. Karen is the Chaplain for the Glendora Police Department and also a Glendora Council Member. It was in the morning of September 11, 2001. There isn't one person who will not remember where he or she was, when they heard of the brutal attack on America, sixteen years ago. As always, Chaplain Karen Davis gave a touching and meaningful speech recalling the tragic events of that day.

Community leaders, members of the various Fire Departments, Officers and Explorers of the Glendora Police Department, Government officials, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and residents of Glendora and surrounding cities gathered in Glendora to re-



Glendora's National Day of Service and Remembrance was held on September 11, 2017 at 6pm on the front lawn of Glendora City Hall.

member, honor and mourn the over 3000 people who perished during and after the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in New York, fell.

Noticeable dignitaries present were the Mayor of Glendora Gary Boyer, Mayor Pro Tem Mendell Thompson, Glendora Councilman Michael Allowos and Glendora Police Chief Lisa Rosales. Among the distinguished guests were Connie and Gary Andrews of Andrews Inc.

The Presenting of Colors was by the Glendora Police Department Honor Guard and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cub Scout Pack 482. The Na-

tional Anthem was beautifully sung by Olivia Andonian of the Glendora High School Royal Stewarts. The call to worship was by Reverend Dr. Hillary Chrisley of Glendora United Methodist Church. The Invocation was by Reverend Neil Earle of Grace Communion International. The Scripture was read by Reverend Mike Platter of Glendora Community Church. The "Reflections" were read by Glendora Police Department Corporal Nancy Miranda, Glendora Police Officer Jonathan Salinas and two members of the Los Angeles Fire Department. Candles were handed out to the visitors, which were lit at this time and Harold Cone had the audience join him in singing God Bless America.

Here is a part of Glendora Police Corporal Nancy Miranda's "Reflections" of that day. "For many, September 11 is just another day, but we gather here today because it is more than that. Each person killed that day has a story, and a legacy that must never be forgotten. One such person is Sergeant Walter Weaver, age 30, of the New York Police Department. Sergeant Weaver was killed in the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks while attempting to rescue the

victims trapped in the World Trade Center. Sergeant Weaver had been a member of the New York City Police Department for nine years, and was assigned to the Emergency Service Unit, Squad 3. He is survived by his parents and two brothers. Walter

other members of Truck 3 of the ESU. Weaver was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor during the Annual Medal Day ceremony on December 4, 2001. The New York City Police Department Medal of Honor is the highest award that may be bestowed upon a member of the service. One of Walter's colleagues wrote about him: "He was a good kid who just loved the job and wanted to work for ESU in the worst way. He left us doing what he loved ... and will be missed. A true hero ... he saw death that day, shook his fist, walked into it, and became part of the most heroic and successful rescue effort ever seen." We remember and give thanks for Walter and the many others who saw danger, death and destruction that day and were willing to walk into it to protect and serve.

Those who participated at the Patriot Day ceremony were, the



Glendora Police Corporal Nancy Miranda reads some reflections of the tragedy of 9/11 as Police Chaplain Karen Davis looks on.

Weaver became an officer with the New York City Police Department (NYPD) in 1992. He was first assigned to the 47th Precinct and in February 1998 Weaver fulfilled his dream of becoming a member of the NYPD's Emergency Services Unit (ESU). On September 11, he was last seen rushing to the scene of the disaster with three

Cub Scouts from Pack 482, Boy Scouts from the Glendora Service area, the Glendora High School Pipe Band, Members of the Glendora Police Department, Members of the Los Angeles County Fire Station 85, 86 and 151 and the City of Glendora Community Services Department. "We Will Never Forget"

## West Covina's New Police Chief

By George Ogden

**WEST COVINA** - At the September 5th West Covina City Council Meeting, City Manager Chris Freeland introduced Marc Taylor, 59, as the incoming Police Chief for the city. Taylor is not a stranger to the city of West Covina. He spent 31 years as a West Covina police officer and retired back in 2012. When he retired, he was a Commander for the police department.

Taylor was selected from about 30 candidates who sparked interest for the job. He was appointed by city manager Chris Freeland. At the meeting, Taylor addressed those at the Council meeting with emotional comments and excitement about returning to the city as the Police Chief. He introduced his wife Betty and the rest of the family. When he was done, the audience, Council and staff gave him a standing ovation. The overflow crowd was happy to see Taylor back with the city.

Taylor presently lives in the city and will be signing a five-year contract that may have options after those five years. In 1981, Taylor started with the West Covina Police Department as a



West Covina's new Chief of Police Marc Taylor addresses the City Council Meeting.

part-time police officer. Two years later, he was hired as a full-time regular. Basically, he is familiar with every aspect of the West Covina Police Department and its operations because he worked them in the past.

Taylor seems to be a good

choice for many reasons. He also has his roots in the City of West Covina and surrounding area.

After the city Council meeting, he thanked many of those who attended the meeting. He is looking forward to once again serve the city.

## Honor Flight Southland Continues to Serve

**DUARTE** - Honor Flight Southland is a unique organization. Their mission is to safely transport American Veterans, at no cost to them, to Washington DC to see the Memorials built in their honor. Craig Van Doren leads the organization for the LA area and shared experiences at a recent Kiwanis meeting. 93 year old WWII Veteran, Pat Hofferbert shared his own touching experience. It is an honor for the club to hear their stories and be able to help financially as well. You are all invited to help Welcome Home the next group on October 8th at 3:05 p.m. at the Southwest Baggage Clam at LAX.



Veteran, Pat Hofferbert, Cheryl Reynolds, Duarte Kiwanis President, Craig Van Doren, Honor Flight Southland.



Boy Scouts from Glendora and Cub Scouts from Pack 482 assist in the lighting of the candles during the "Passing of the Peace and Sharing the Light" portion of the program.

## 15th Annual Taste of the Town: Cruising Through Cuisines

**AZUSA** - The Azusa Chamber of Commerce presents the 15th Annual Taste of the Town Cruising Through Cuisines on October 10 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the National Guard Armory 1351 W. Sierra Madre Avenue, Azusa CA.

The Azusa Chamber of Commerce is thrilled to host the 15th annual Taste of the Town

featuring local eateries, wines, craft brews, opportunity raffles and live auctions. Guests will have the opportunity of sampling a variety of cuisines of over 30 restaurants including already confirmed wineries and breweries: Lagunitas Brewing Company, MillerCoors, Mountain Vista Winery and PRP Wine International.

Tickets are \$40 advanced and \$50 at the door. Ticket purchase includes all you can eat and drink, souvenir wine glass and opportunity for door prize. For vendor or sponsorship opportunities, please contact Susie Vander Loop at [susie@azusachamber.org](mailto:susie@azusachamber.org). To purchase tickets, visit [www.azusachamber.org](http://www.azusachamber.org).



# Glendora Woman's Club Honors Carolyn Cunningham For Service

By Joan Hallidy

**GLENDORA** - The Glendora Woman's Club honored club member and past president Carolyn Cunningham with the club's "Club Woman of the Year" Award for 2017 during a presentation at a recent club meeting.

The special service award presented to Mrs. Cunningham was established in 1982 to recognize outstanding service to the club over a period of years.

In honoring Mrs. Cunningham, who has just completed serving four consecutive terms as president, her service began when she joined the Woman's Club in 2004. Since that time, she has served as second vice president of programs for three terms and as a third vice president of ways and means for two terms.

In addition, Mrs. Cunningham has served on numerous committees and special projects. Also, she has held many chairmanships, including Philanthropy, Budget, Annual Fashion Show, Welcome Tea, and again this year as chair of the Welcome Tea on September 19. Other committees and projects have included the club's Glendora Library Memorial Book Program, Budget committee, and the An-



Glendora Woman's Club immediate Past President Carolyn Cunningham, at left is pictured receiving the club's "Club Woman of the Year" award for 2017 from presenter Sue Bauer, Past President and board member, during a recent presentation. The special award is in recognition for outstanding service to the club over a period of years. Photo by Rose Myers

nual Fashion Show committee.

And since 2008, Mrs. Cunningham has either chaired or co-chaired the Music-Drama Department, one of the club's four active departments.

During Mrs. Cunningham's award presentation by Past President Sue Bauer, Mrs. Cunningham received a "Club Woman of the Year" recognition pin and a gift of an engraved crystal plate with stand. She also re-

ceived a special award plaque in appreciation for her serving four consecutive terms as club president.

For information about joining the Glendora Woman's Club, membership, special events, or service projects, call Patty at 909-929-0684; for information about renting the clubhouse for an event or meeting, call Ryan at Ritz Catering at 909-592-1130.

# San Gabriel Unified, City Police Department Launch Community Engagement Partnership

**SAN GABRIEL** - San Gabriel Police Department has kickstarted a new outreach program with the San Gabriel Unified School District tasked with fostering positive relationships between the police and schools.

The School and Community Engagement Team (SCET) is based out of the District office and includes Officer Martin Garcia, crime prevention Officer Stacy Gutierrez and a rotation of cadets. SCET formalizes previous police outreach efforts and will help establish best practices for building positive relationships with students, as well as address any community-wide issues affecting SGUSD students.

"San Gabriel Unified is dedicated to providing all students with the best possible educational experience, regardless of personal or academic obstacles," SGUSD Superintendent Dr. John Pappalardo said. "We are thrilled to partner with the San Gabriel Police Department to further our efforts to support the needs of our students and offer a supportive learning environment."

SCET will create community and school-tailored outreach programs that will strengthen early intervention efforts, reward positive behavior and increase student and parent engagement.

"We believe enforcement should be a last resort, and we should be leading the community and local students with education and compassion," Garcia said. "We are going to do our part to support SGUSD in its pursuit of educating children in a safe, welcoming and engaging environment."

The team will collaborate with San Gabriel Unified principals and administrators to determine how to best serve the unique needs of the District's eight schools, but will also encourage spontaneous engagement efforts. In one instance of impromptu outreach, a police officer threw a pizza party for students and teachers.

Every sworn member of the police department will also visit one of the public schools in San Gabriel; afterward, the officers will serve as each school's resource officer. Field officers will visit their schools weekly, and other department members



San Gabriel Unified has partnered with the San Gabriel Police Department to launch the School and Community Engagement Team (SCET), which aims to foster positive relationships between the police and schools. SCET includes officers Martin Garcia and Stacy Gutierrez, who are based in the District office.

will visit once a month.

"We want children to understand that we're here as a resource and that we're working together to make the quality of life better," San Gabriel Police

Chief Eugene Harris said. "Everybody at the department understands that kids are important, and that is where our best policing effort starts."

# San Dimas Toast To The Best Club

**SAN DIMAS** - The San Dimas chapter of Toastmasters International, Toast To The Best Club, Club # 5880 meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday from 7 PM to 8:45 PM. Learn to motivate and lead? Challenge yourself with Toastmaster's proven education programs. Let them help you grow your strengths and accomplish your goals. Become a better speaker and learn to communicate with confidence. Learn these skills and more in a supportive, self-paced, fun atmosphere.

They had a great September 7th meeting this past Thursday. They voted in 4 new members and a 5th joined. Tim Cheng won the Best Speaker award with his 9th Competent Communicator project. Dan Lee



Dan Lee won best table topics, in center Tim Cheng won best speaker and JoAn Haase ACB, CLB won best evaluator.

won in Table Topics which were thought provoking questions presented by Xuling Wu-Gerbl, ACS CL. And JoAn Haase, ACLALB, was the best evaluator.

A group of people standing

in a room Description generated with very high confidence Thursday, September 21st, they will have four speakers including two ice breakers by new members Anny Qian and Roy Fisher. Elsa Tovar will do a speech as will Xuling Wu-Gerbl, ACS CL.

You can stop by to meet with them at the Faith Lutheran Church, Parish Hall, 505 E Bonita Ave (Between Walnut & San Dimas canyon Rd) San Dimas, CA, 91773-3004 [http://5880.toastmastersclubs.org/]. Contact is Art Douglas, DTM, VP of Membership of Toast To the Best (951) 505-0555.

# Afternoon of Antiquity Appraisal Fair



**GLENDORA** - An antique buffet, porcelain collectibles, a favorite painting, glittering costume jewelry...are your treasures and family heirlooms worth more than you think? Come to the 2nd Annual Visual Aides Booster Club of the Eye-Das Foundations' Afternoon of Antiquity Appraisal Fair to find out. This enlightening and fun event will be held on Saturday, **September 23** from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm, at the Glendora Library's Bidwell Forum, 140 South Glendora Avenue, Glendora.

Now is the chance to clean out your garages and attics and find out if those collectibles, baskets, paintings, books, or family heirlooms that are stored away are really treasures that may be worth some money. Besides being a great way to spend a Saturday afternoon, it's really fun and interesting to see all the things people bring and to find out the history behind these items.

Niles Grace, formerly The Instant Appraiser on A&E's "The Incurable Collector", will evaluate all items brought to the event. No firearms, coins or fine jewelry, please.

This adult only event will also include wine and hors d'oeuvres. There will also be several Special Gift Baskets. Tickets for these baskets will be sold at the event. Admission is \$25 (pre-sale); or \$30 at the door, while each item to be evaluated is \$10. Registration of items to be evaluated is from 1:00 - 2:00 pm, with evaluations from 2:00 - 5:00 pm.

This is the only major fundraiser for EYE-DAS, with all proceeds going to benefit the blind and visually impaired of the San Gabriel Valley. The EYE-DAS Foundation is a charitable nonprofit 501(c)(3) Organization. To purchase Admission or Evaluation tickets, please contact Jo Cox (626)963-8835 or Rose Wentz (626)963-6413.



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## LA County Library In Search Of Older Adult Volunteers To Tutor Kids In Reading

*New Reading STARS Program Will Provide Free Reading Tutoring in Select Library Locations*

LOS ANGELES COUNTY - LA County Library is seeking older adults over the age of 50 to volunteer as reading coaches to students in grades K-3, as part of its new Reading STARS program.

Reading STARS (Students and Tutors Achieving Reading Success) is an intergenerational tutoring program that pairs older adult volunteers with children not reading at grade-level, to help motivate them to become better readers. Beginning this fall, the program will offer free, one-on-one and small group tutoring at five LA County Library locations: Compton, Hawaiian Gardens, La Puente, Lake Los Angeles and San Fernando.

According to a recent study from the Annie E. Casey Foundation, "Double Jeopardy: How Third Grade Reading Skills and Poverty Influence High School Graduation," one in six children who are not reading proficiently in third grade do not graduate from high school on time.

"Because grade three is such a critical point in a child's development, the goal of Reading STARS is to help ensure that students are reading at the appropriate level before they reach grade 4, setting them up for future success," stated Skye Patrick, LA County Library Director. "And our libraries are safe afterschool learning environments for these children."

Because the tutoring service is free, the program also seeks to help break the economic barrier of private tutoring, which is often cost-prohibitive for many library customers within the five communities.

To participate in the program, volunteers must reside in the LA County Library service area,

preferably local to one of the five participating libraries, and must commit to tutor at least six hours a week during the entire school year. Volunteers must also complete our volunteer application process. Once selected, Reading STARS tutors will attend a two-day training session. Tutors will also receive a stipend of \$100 for each complete month of tutoring sessions. Prospective volunteers interested in the program may visit Colapublib.org/ReadingSTARS, or call (562) 940-8520, for more information.

This program was supported by LA County Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services and funded in part by the LA County Library Foundation.

## Recent Earthquake In Mexico Is A Reminder For Los Angeles County Residents And Businesses To Prepare

LOS ANGELES - The recent 8.1 magnitude earthquake that hit offshore Chiapas, Mexico (U.S. Geological Survey: 11:49 p.m. PDT) on Thursday, September 7, reminds Los Angeles County residents and businesses that a catastrophic earthquake could occur at a moment's notice. The Los Angeles County region is vulnerable to large-scale earthquakes similar to the one that struck Mexico. The County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office, Office of Emergency Management (OEM) wants to remind all County residents and businesses to take the necessary steps now to prepare for earthquakes and other hazards and threats. The following are some preparedness tips on what to do during an earthquake:

- To receive emergency notifications, register your cellular telephone and landlines at Alert LA County, go to <http://lacounty.gov/emergency/alert-la>.
- When you are in public places, be aware of your surroundings and identify your safe spaces.
- If you experience shaking, the recommended actions are to Drop under a piece of furniture. Take Cover under the piece of furniture by protecting your head and neck with one arm/hand. Hold On to the piece of furniture's leg to keep it from shifting or uncovering you until the shaking completely stops. Never run out of buildings during an earthquake as most people are injured by falling debris as they try to exit buildings during the shaking.
- If you experience shaking and are in a wheelchair or walk-

er, lock your wheels, and cover your head and neck area with a pillow or some type of object that will deflect the debris from falling on to you.

For information to register online for 2017 Great California ShakeOut, access <https://shakeout.org/california/register>.

For more information on how to prepare for earthquakes and other hazards and threats in Los Angeles County, OEM has available online the County of Los Angeles Emergency Survival Guide - <http://lacounty.gov/emergency>.

Also, Los Angeles County residents, renters, and business owners, including persons with disabilities and others with access and functional needs, may call 211 LA County at any time for emergency preparedness information and other referral services. The toll-free 2-1-1 number is available 24 hours a day and seven days a week. 211 LA County services can also be accessed online by visiting [www.211la.org](http://www.211la.org).



**EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**  
(Schedule may be subject to change)

**Sunday, September 17, 2017 (10 a.m.-2 p.m.) - 5th District**  
City of South Pasadena Police & Fire Open House and Emergency Preparedness Fair  
1422 Mission Street, South Pasadena, CA 91030

**Monday, September 18, 2017 (1-3 p.m.) - 5th District**  
Los Angeles County Workforce Development Aging Community Services & Office of Emergency Management Preparedness Seminar  
Altadena Senior Center  
560 East Mariposa Street, Altadena, CA 91001

**Wednesday, September 20, 2017 (1-3 p.m.) - 1st District**  
Los Angeles County Workforce Development Aging Community Services & Office of Emergency Management Preparedness Seminar  
Potrero Heights Park Community and Senior Center  
8051 Arroyo Drive, Montebello, CA 90640

**Saturday, November 4, 2017 (10 a.m.-2 p.m.) - 1st District**  
2nd Annual Disability & Aging Faire and Los Angeles County Workforce Development Aging Community Services & Office of Emergency Management Preparedness Seminar

City of South El Monte Community Center  
1530 Central Avenue, South El Monte, CA 91733

**Saturday, November 4, 2017 (9 a.m.-2 p.m.) - 1st District**  
2nd Annual Montebello Pet Fair  
Montebello City Park  
1401 West Whittier Boulevard, Montebello, CA 90640

## September is California Pedestrian Safety Month

*Remember! Pedestrians Don't Have Armor*

GLENDORA - The California Office of Traffic Safety is again announcing that September is "California Pedestrian Safety Month" which began last year in response to the rising number of pedestrians being killed and injured on California roadways.

The Glendora Police Department will be joining with other law enforcement agencies, city and state transportation agencies, pedestrian advocates and walking clubs to promote public awareness aimed at both drivers and pedestrians alike to always be aware of each other and share the road responsibly.

This month draws attention to the 892 pedestrians who were killed on California roadways in 2016 alone, accounting for over 24 percent of all roadways deaths in the state, up from 17 percent just a decade ago. The Glendora PD investigated 14 pedestrian involved collisions in 2016. Most injuries are life changing and permanent. Officers will join the effort by providing additional enforcement during the month of September. Residents are being asked to sign the "Safe Driving Pledge," an agreement between them, the school district and the Glendora Police Department affirming that they will

drive safely around schools. For more information, contact <http://www.ci.glendora.ca.us/departments/police/traffic-division/safe-driving-pledge>

Both drivers and walkers are cautioned to put down the cell phones, since electronic distractions are seen in increasing numbers of pedestrian crashes. Other factors for drivers include unsafe speed and failure to see and yield to pedestrians in crosswalks and intersections. For pedestrians, the major dangers are jaywalking and thinking that they can be seen at night, especially while wearing dark clothing. To learn about the dangers of being a pedestrian, who is at risk and safety tips visit Pedestrian Safety.

The California Office of Traffic Safety continues to remind motorists that "Pedestrians Don't Have Armor." This public service announcement highlights the importance of pedestrian safety awareness, regardless of whether one is on foot or behind the wheel.

Funding for this enforcement campaign is provided to the Glendora Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

## Byron Nelson Former Azusa Police Chief Passes On

AZUSA - Byron Nelson served as chief of police for five years in the City of Azusa. He died at the age of 77 in Port Angeles, Washington.

Former Mayor Eugene Moses said, "I was mayor of Azusa when he became Chief of Police, Byron was an excellent chief. He took his job seriously and always strived to make Azusa a safer and better city to live in. He was a hard worker and always put Azusa first."

A memorial service will be held in Azusa. The time is 1:30pm, October 7, at the Azusa Senior Center at 740 North Dalton St.



**Byron Nelson - Former Azusa Police Chief**

## City Offers Business License Amnesty Program Until December 1, 2017

AZUSA - The City of Azusa is offering a temporary amnesty program for business license tax.

The City's Municipal Code authorizes the levy and collection of a Business License Tax from businesses operating in

the City. The City of Azusa has retained MuniServices to conduct a business license compliance review.

Residents and local business owners, who might be unaware of the requirements to obtain a

license, will have the opportunity to obtain one without penalties being assessed, during the provided amnesty program, beginning Sept. 1st through Dec. 1st, 2017.

Under the City's temporary amnesty program, businesses will receive a one-time penalty waiver, if the application is submitted in accordance with the program guidelines.

To take advantage of this amnesty program and for more information regarding requirements for business licenses, please contact the City's Business License Division at (626) 812-5249.



**Dr. Barbara R. Dickerson**  
President, Citrus Community College District Board of Trustees

six-year timeframe. This spring, Citrus College joined more than 60 California community colleges in conducting pilot studies using multiple measures for assessment. Early Decision students from the college's high school feeder districts participated in the study. Rather than using a placement test alone, these students were placed using their overall high school GPA, the highest level math course they completed in high school and the results of an Accuplacer test.

The results were impressive. By using multiple measures for assessment, an additional 26.6 percent of students had the opportunity to start college in a transfer-level English course, and an additional 21.5 percent had the opportunity to start in transfer-level math.

The advantages of using multiple measures assessment and

limiting remedial coursework are rapidly gaining recognition. Recently, the California State University System announced that, starting in fall 2018, it will no longer place students in remedial classes. In addition, the California State Legislature passed legislation that requires community colleges to use multiple measures assessment to maximize the probability that students will complete transfer-level coursework in math and English within a one-year timeframe. The bill also prohibits community colleges from requiring students to enroll in remedial coursework, unless it can be shown they are highly unlikely to succeed otherwise. It is estimated that by using placement strategies such as these, students could save, on average, one to two semesters of unnecessary remedial education.

I am very pleased that Citrus College is part of this national higher education movement to redesign the way students are assessed and placed in college courses. The college is already working with its local K-12 school district partners to better align curriculum and to prepare graduating seniors for college-level coursework. By using multiple measures to assess their abilities, they will be placed more accurately, save time and money that would have gone to unnecessary remedial courses, and ultimately graduate sooner to become productive members of the 21st Century workforce.

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# \$27.5 Billion Proposed With No Voter Guide

The Democrats are working hard to protect their supermajority so they can pass a tax - any tax - more taxes without any Republican votes. The can even pass bills that become measures for the 2018 ballot without Republican support. To protect that supermajority they need to keep Democrat Sen. Josh Newman (DS-29) in his seat in Sacramento.

While the focus of Democrats now is housing they have decided you can't have housing without parks and can't have parks without water so they now have a fist full of those measures they would like to see on the ballot and passed. According to the L.A. Times the list runs something like this:

- \$3.1 billion for park improvements - AB 18 Garcia (D-Coachella)
- \$450 million for voting system improvements AB 668 Gonzalez Fletcher (D-San Diego)
- \$3 billion for low-income housing development SB 3 Beale (D-San Jose)
- \$3.8 billion for water and parks improvements SB 5 de León (D-Los Angeles)
- \$500 million for Salton Sea improvements SB 701 Hueso (D-San Diego)
- \$7.9 billion for water improvements - proposed initiative by Nature Conservancy and the Environmental Defense Fund
- \$8.7 billion for water improvements - proposed initiative -- Gerald Meral, former deputy director of the state Department of Water Resources



**Shade's Perspective**  
**Lois M. Shade**  
**Former Mayor of Glendora**

The \$3 billion low income housing bond has been proposed upward to \$4 billion to add housing for veterans; and, there is one other proposal floating around for \$9 billion but that isn't getting much support from even the most liberal Democrats.

In case you don't have your calculator handy, mine says that is a total of \$27.5 billion ... yes! BILLION in bonded indebtedness the Democrats are proposing for this state. And, the sad part of this is, as a rule of thumb, the interest on these bonds tend to be almost as much as the bonds themselves. So when I look at this on the ballot, I'm going to say to myself, \$27.5 billion in bonds is really probably closer to \$51 billion by the time they are paid off. And, I'm going to go out on a limb here and speculate my grandkids will be ready for retirement before that's all paid off.

And, speaking of the ballot, SB 606 Berman (D-24) is proposing a smaller voter guide be mailed out to voters ... maybe a couple of pages just to let them know

there is an election.. Current law requires the voter information guide to contain the full text of the measure and provide the differences between current law versus what is being proposed so voters are able to compare the two items. We usually read a name or group in support and their argument for and a name and group in opposition and their reason for opposing. Currently the Secretary of State (SOS) must establish a process that allows voters to opt out of receiving a hard copy in the mail and receive it electronically ... ie via email.

SB 606, however, merely requires the Secretary of State on future voter guides to provide the internet address where the voters can find the full text of the ballot measures, if they are interested in reading it, if they have a computer, if the Internet isn't down, if the computer isn't at the repair shop .... The concern of those supporting this measure is in 2016 the voter guide was 224 pages ... really bulky. This is their way of solving the big and bulky problems along with the cost of that kind of printing and mailing.

My solution would be to quit loading up the ballot. You legislators were sent to Sacramento to do the business of the people of this state and do it with the tax dollars we already send you. If you can't do that every-day- business without 224 pages every election, maybe you need to find a new job ... and, we the people, need to seriously consider finding new leadership to do our business in this state.

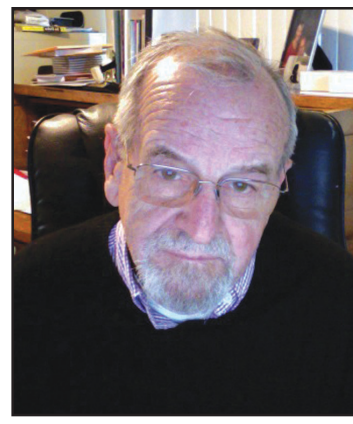
# To Those Christians Who Voted For Donald Trump

Have you had enough?

Every survey indicates that a significant number of Americans have had more than enough! Pundits of almost every political hue have detailed the reasons why the Trump egotistical escapade has been a disaster. Perhaps David Remnick, writing in the August 28th New Yorker, has expressed it for many of us. *"This is the inescapable fact: on November 9th, the United States elected a dishonest, inept, unbalanced, immoral human being as its President and Commander in Chief. Trump has daily proven unyielding to appeals for decency, unity, moderation or fact. He is willing to imperil the civil peace and the social fabric of his country simply to satisfy his narcissism and to excite the worst inclinations of his core followers."*

As I reenter the national frenzy after my August hiatus, I want to address a few words specifically to one constituency whose adherents supported Trump by a staggering 81%, and whose votes guaranteed his Electoral College majority. I refer to Christian evangelicals.

Just what is it in the President, or his policies, that still evokes



**Charles H. Bayer**

your support? Is it his nobility, his character or his treatment of women, minorities, society's nobodies, the least advantaged both in this nation and around the world? What policies has he championed that call for your allegiance and reflects the ethical standard Jesus described?

There surely lie at the core of anything to be called "Christian" certain persistent ethical presuppositions. I could tell you what I believe they are for me, but everyone who claims some relationship to a Christian identity must think that one through. There are more than enough clues, beginning in Scripture, for anyone to form more than a guesstimate of whether what is happening in this nation--sup-

ported by many who call themselves "Christians,"--approximates the ethical standard one finds in Jesus.

There are those who hold that Jesus' Kingdom is entirely of another reality, and who see no relationship between the ethic of Jesus and the world in which we live. If that is where you stand by what standard do you call yourself a Christian? Or perhaps if the foundation of your religious commitment is wholly devoid of anything to be found in his life and teachings, in what way is he your life's guide?

Then there are those whose understanding of our culture is totally derived from a political commitment. So be it, but in this column I am limiting my comments to those calling themselves by his name. While the Christian faith does not give us a political agenda, to assume that one of the world's greatest moral authority offers no standards by which we are to live individually and together, is to deny him and his will in which God's reign is to be manifest on earth as is shaped in heaven.

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# 9-11 Brought Us Together, Now We Tear Ourselves Apart

When the lowlifes of the world tried to destroy the United States on September 11, 2001 when they attacked the World Trade Center and killed thousands of people, We Came Together. This country became strong as well as other free countries around the world. We rose up against those who attacked freedom as we know it.

Those freedoms that we held so sacred included the freedom of our citizens and the history of our country. We held hands across this nation. Today I look out there and I am awestruck.

This country in 16 years has become separated through politics, race, and diversity. The very freedoms that many gave their lives for as been compromised. The very history that we try to maintain had been compromised. We hear, it's Trump's fault, or it was Hillary that caused this. You hear so much lies, I have to tell you, I am pretty tired of it. How about you?

The latest is DACA. People are jumping all over this because Trump wants to eliminate it and ordered Congress to create another plan within six months. This is targeted at the very people that DACA affects. If I read correctly, what he wants to do includes citizenship. I may not particularly care for the way Pres. Trump presents various issues and how he wants to resolve them. He doesn't do a very good job of this at all. I feel there should be a better way for people to offer their own personal opinions in public about our president. People around the world look at this. Yes, we have freedom of speech, but we should be able to select the words a little more carefully.

Today, we have people attacking the history of this nation. They have identified things that have nothing to do with racism, but our history. Now it is identified as something that is extremely negative and racist. I'm



**George Ogden**  
**That's just the way it is!**

still taken back that somehow the Confederate flag is racist. I'm not sure who came up with that idea. I have never looked at that flag like that. It was part of our history on how we became one country again. It was not all about keeping or retaining slavery. It was more about equal opportunity and taxation. The North was known as the Union, and today we still have unions. They work, supposedly, to assist with equal pay for a job that is being done. It also helps with benefits. The Confederates, when you look at the slavery issue, many of the workers, did in fact get paid. They were paid as second-class citizens without question. After the war, many of those workers who were called slaves, nothing really changed for them. They stayed on the plantation and worked. They were no longer a piece of property that was owned, but a free person to move on to other plantations for better pay, get jobs other than plantation work and to get an education. Strangely enough, there are still people in this country that are owned. Just look at the professional sports players along with their contracts. They are bought and they can be traded. The only difference is the subject who is being traded or bought gets to keep the money.

Diversity has changed this nation. However, it has become a racist issue. We are not allowed to openly make comments on who commits the most crimes in this country by ethnic race. Most news media today are careful

when they are describing the criminals, and often, they will leave out the race of these people that have committed these horrible crimes. Why is that?

Over the last 15 years, I have seen this country come apart. Many years ago, I attended a support rally for somebody that was running for Congress. When she spoke, one comment stuck out in my mind, even today. Her comment was, "the reason I'm running for Congress is because we need better Latino representation." I thought to myself, really? I was standing with a small group of white people and had to make the comment, "I guess she won't be representing us." Professional politicians run for all the wrong reasons today. Because the diversity in the political arena has changed, they make new laws that in my opinion are unconstitutional. A perfect example is forcing cities into district elections. They basically divide up the cities according to race because of the location where people live. This is just wrong for so many reasons. It is racist within itself. It denies the opportunity of the people of a particular city the opportunity to select those who have been most successful in life through education, business, and opportunity. If you have two highly potential people that live in the same district that could effectively guide a city in the correct direction that is needed, you can only pick one and only if you are in that voting district. You will have people voting from different districts on my tax money. This is called taxation without representation. Why do I feel that this is discrimination of the voter's rights?

If we continue in the same direction of self-destruction through the political arena, through discrimination, through racist hate, we will not need a terrorist to tear apart our country. We can do it ourselves.

*"That's Just the Way it Is!"*

# "TIME JOCKEY" - Golden Oak

By Joe Castillo

**Placerita Canyon ....** Gold! It was the one word which changed the face of California and perhaps the entire world. Millions of people migrated west to the Golden State in search of a much better way of life and perhaps get rich in the process. Towns grew where nothing existed before and roads were constructed which previously were used by only livestock. Almost everyone thinks that the great gold rush started with the discovery of gold at Marshall's Mill in 1848 but in reality gold was actually discovered in Southern California six years prior in 1842. The story never reached the popularity of the major gold rush of the mother lode country but it raised the interest in California of a major discovery of the precious metal.

It all started in 1839 when the Mexican government awarded a 48,000 acre land grant to Antonio Del Valle in the Santa Clarita Valley. Del Valle named his new parcel the Del Valle Rancho and proceeded to use the land to grow crops and raise livestock. On March 9, 1842, Del Valle's brother-in-law, Francisco Lopez y Arbelo was working on the rancho of his wife's family. It was a rather warm day in the Santa Clarita hills and Lopez dismounted off his horse to rest under a tall oak tree. He sat down and leaned against the oak to take a short siesta or sleep. Lopez's story was that he fell asleep and while asleep he dreamt of being surrounded by gold and becoming rich and popular. But alas he woke up and realized it was only a dream. Now he was feeling hungry and walked over to the closest Sycamore tree to pull up some wild onions to satisfy his hunger. But to Lopez' sur-

prise clinging to the roots of the wild onions were a collection of gold nuggets. Lopez had discovered gold in Santa Clarita. Soon prospectors from Sonora came with their panning, sluicing and dry washing methods to mine for San Fernando placer gold and in nearby San Feliciano Canyon. The Gold Rush was on but in a short six years the much larger version of a gold rush would overshadow the Placerita Canyon strike.

Today, Placerita Canyon is a Los Angeles County park with a nature center, museum, picnic benches and a California State Historical Landmark plaque at the site of the discovery of gold. The old oak tree still stands 22 feet tall but the inside of the trunk has been burnt out by vandals. The creek running nearby is very

shallow and slow moving but probably is stronger during the winter months. The trail leading up to the oak tree and historical marker is being reconstructed and passes underneath the paved highway and through a short tunnel. On the walls of the tunnel are painted scenes of Placerita Canyon, from the days of the Native American Indians, through the Spanish-Mexican era and finally with life on the Del Valle Rancho. The historic site is named "The Oak of the Golden Dream", and is a reminder of the premonition of golden riches which became a wealthy reality for Francisco Lopez.....

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# Is This Bull Market as "Fragile" as the Press Implies?

You can count on seeing scary stories whenever the market starts to correct. After a sharp drop on a recent afternoon, the Wall Street Journal blared on page 1: "Stock Market's Late Day Selloff Makes Some Investors uneasy." The first paragraph said the Dow's decline "lays bare the fragility" of the recent rally.

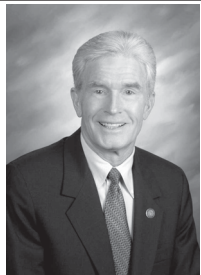
Fragility?! This bull market has recovered from dozens of major shocks in the last eight years. The cause of the recent dip (says the Journal) was "a round of disappointing earnings from companies ranging from big-box retailers to technology behemoths." But this is what Wall Street has been saying here all along - that weaker earnings come out late, and August is often the most dangerous month of the market's annual cycle. We've seen this before in August corrections as recently as 2011 and 2015.

On August 18th economist Ed Yardeni published a detailed record of 57 panic attacks during this 8-year bull market, including two panics in the last few months - and surely more will come in the next few months.

On August 22nd the news media was focused like a laser on Trump's latest remarks. In an amazing display of tunnel vision, the Big Three Networks (ABC, CBS, and NBC) spent 77.6% of their evening news broadcast on a single statement by the President. According to the Media Research Council, CBS Evening News dedicated all 21 minutes and 13 seconds of their total evening news time to the Trump statement.

It takes just one minute to show what the President said. The

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other 20 minutes was a parade of talking heads pouring outrage into an echo chamber which added no new facts, just a long and boring filibuster.

CBS found NO time for the dramatic developments in Korea, in which the murderous North Korean dictator at least temporarily "blinked" in his game of chicken with the U.S. military. They also ignored the radical leaders of Iran threatening to pull out of the nuclear agreement, with their parliament chanting "death to America."

Also missing from that Tuesday's evening news was any follow-up on their previous fixation with Trump's alleged connections with Russia. In doing so, they ignored a Politico report about how the "Obama team was warned in 2014 about Russian international interference," but were "too quick to dismiss the possibility that the Kremlin incursions could reach the United States." Likewise, the networks did not discuss the President's infrastructure proposal in any detail. NBC was the lone network to mention it, but only in passing.

On August 20th, I watched the entire 60-minutes of "Meet the Press," which only covered Char-

lottesville. Not a word about Barcelona, North Korea, Iran, Congress, the eclipse, Russia, China, or the stock market.

The sad news is that there will likely be deadly Islamic terrorist attacks almost every month for the foreseeable future. There is no way that rational people (the majority) on Planet Earth can put into place the necessary mechanisms to stop sick lone-wolf terrorists from driving into crowds or shooting up a public square. Any new "Big Brother" means of tracking any and all suspicious people would probably end up harming more innocent folks without eliminating major terrorist acts. In a free society how do you stop hateful people on all sides leading destructive demonstrations, facing off with angry intent against their stated enemies?

But the press doesn't have to cover it, ad nauseum, and we don't have to watch it. If you pay attention to history, common sense, and provable facts, I think you will be a long-term bull. However, we face important decisions every day: What will we read, watch, and believe? Are we going to let the Internet and cable TV whip our emotions into a frenzy over instances of hate, stupidity, and strife? Or will we sit back with well-written, well-researched information and find out what is really happening in the world?

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# Your Money - Ask Julia

*I'm 65 and money is really tight. Is now a good time to get a Reverse Mortgage?*

If you want to get a Reverse Mortgage based on current guidelines, you need to act fast as your counseling must be completed, processed, and assigned a Case Number by October 1. Effective October 2, HUD (Department of Housing and Urban Development) is increasing mortgage insurance premiums and lowering lending limits for reverse mortgages, or HECMs (Home Equity Conversion Mortgage). At the origination of the mortgage, upfront mortgage insurance, based on the maximum claim amount (regardless of the draw amount) will be 2-percent (up from 0.5-percent), and the annual mortgage insurance premium will be 0.5-percent (reduced from 1.25-percent). The maximum amount available will lower by approximately 10-percent, based on the new Principal Limit Factor.

*What's the difference between a Medicare HMO and a Medicare Supplement plan?*

With Medicare HMO plans: 1. The HMO company takes over Medicare, 2. The customer has to get the approval of the HMO before having most procedures, and 3. The customer typically pays less per month than with a Medicare Supplement plan. With Medicare Supplement plans: 1. the supplement helps pay what Medicare does not cover, 2. supplements do not change Medicare; they work with Medicare, 3. The customer can still use any provider who accepts Medicare, and 4. Supplement plans are more expensive than



**Julia Yoder**

Medicare HMO plans because they do not control usage.

*My husband and I are looking for tax-advantaged investments that will also be tax-advantaged for our beneficiaries. What do you offer?*

There are three tax-free investments: municipal bonds, Roth IRAs, and permanent life insurance. Municipal bonds pay very little interest. Roth IRA's have income limits. Permanent life insurance is often the best place to save retirement dollars because it offers tax-free living benefits and tax-free money for beneficiaries. The second-best tax-advantaged place to save retirement dollars is in a fixed-indexed annuity. This type of annuity can offer bonuses, access to your money, and living benefits, as well as being tax-advantaged for your beneficiaries. Whether insurance or annuity, both carry guarantees, (based on the strength of the company), that you cannot lose the money you put in.

*Our house is too big now that the kids are grown and moved out. The problem I see with selling and buying a smaller home or condo is that this home is*

*paid for, and the property taxes are under Prop. 13. What advice can you give me?*

The proceeds from the sale of your home will probably pay-in-full for a smaller house or condo. Relatively new laws might let you transfer your property tax base.

*We get contradicting answers to our questions from our CPA, our financial services guy, our mortgage guy, our insurance guy, and our attorney. They see the details from their viewpoint, but they don't see the big picture of us and our lives. Is there a way to get some simple, clear answers and put them into one neat package?*

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The ACCU Visa® Platinum GiveBack program was established to designate a portion of the revenues from everyday transactions to worthy causes. The dollars accumulated through the GiveBack program are tallied each quarter and divided into four equal shares. Three staple ministry partners are granted a share on a recurring basis each quarter, and a fourth deserving ministry is selected each quarter, on a rotat-

ing basis.

For the 2017 second quarter GiveBack, ACCU has identified Eastern Nazarene College as the fourth recipient of this charitable donation program.

This GiveBack arrangement, established in 2012, has allowed ACCU and its members to donate over \$160,000 to mission-aligned organizations who are making an impact for the Kingdom.

President/CEO Mendell L. Thompson explained, "We want to extend heartfelt thanks to our ministry partners who inspire us to continue living out our mission, and to our members for making that possible. Through this Visa GiveBack, we all get to experience the joy of making a positive difference in lives and communities across America. Now that's rewarding!"



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By Gene Morill - Certified Automotive Specialists

## Electric Vehicle Updates

- According to the ChargePoint report, 542,000 electric cars have been sold in the U.S. to date.

- Tesla Model S is by far the best-selling electric car in the U.S.

- Bloomberg New Energy Finance released a study recently forecasting that electric cars will be reducing oil demand significantly by 2040.

- Ride-hailing firm Lyft plans

to deliver at least one billion rides in electric, autonomous vehicles by 2025.

- According to the most recent data compiled by the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB), the 1997 Accord and 1998 Civic were the most stolen cars nationwide in 2016.

- Nissan will be showing the next-generation Leaf all-electric car during National Drive Electric Week, following right after the global reveal on September 5.

- Volkswagen's Electrify America subsidiary is partnering with Texas-based EVgo to establish a network of electric vehicle charging stations across the United States.

- Bloomberg analysis piece points to natural gas vehicles having failed in a race won by cheap gasoline prices and growth in electric vehicle sales.

- Lyft is focusing on self-driving cars.

- Lyft says it got a boost from Uber's woes!

- UK plans to stop sale of all diesel, petrol cars by 2040.

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# Around the Valley & Senior News

## AZUSA Volunteer Drivers Needed

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## TOPS Meeting

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) #950 Azusa has been serving the San Gabriel Valley since 1967 and has successfully supported and assisted men and women in their pursuit to lose weight. Through group support to start living the good life by eating healthy and doing exercise.

TOPS is a non-profit weight loss group which meets weekly every Thursday at 9:00AM to 11:00AM at Soldano Senior Village in their meeting room in Azusa. There is no obligation, all visitors are welcome.

For more information, call Norm Klemz, 626-967-8829

## ARCADIA Orchid Hobbyists Meeting

San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists invite you to our **Sept. 21** Monthly Meeting at the L.A. County Arboretum, 301 N. Baldwin Ave. Arcadia, Ca. Judging at 7:00 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m. Our program will be an A.O.S. Webinar on the Orchids of Mexico. Refreshments. All are welcome.

## Father Daughter Dance!

Fathers, Grandfathers and Uncles, treat your princess to a night filled with fun and excitement while creating wonderful memories together. Come dressed in your most elegant attire for an evening featuring gourmet dining, a DJ, dancing, exciting games, and activities. This event is for girls ages 4-13 and is \$52 per couple, \$12 for an additional daughter and will take place at the Arcadia Community Center, 365 Campus Drive, Arcadia on Friday, **September 29**, 6:30-9pm. Advance registration is required. No registration will be taken on site. For more information please call 626.574.5113.

## Grief Support Group

Church of the Good Shepherd, United Methodist in Arcadia (400 W. Duarte Rd. Arcadia, CA 91007) is beginning the third round of the 10 week grief support group. This group will begin meeting on Tuesday, **September 19th** from 7pm-8pm for ten weeks in the library. This group is open to the community regardless of religious affiliation. We will gather weekly with tea and engage in deep listening and uplifting support. People at all stages of grief are welcome to join this support group. Please email Linda Brown at childcenter@csgum if you are interested or if you have any questions.

## Tennis Anyone, Classes and Camps

Tennis Anyone has been teaching successful tennis classes for the Arcadia community since 2012. Tennis Anyone believes in the development of tennis players from beginning through competitive tournament levels. Their goal is to run a comprehensive program of classes that will suit the needs of all ages and levels of players. Coaches are energetic, dynamic, friendly, fun, and passionate about the game.

This summer, Tennis Anyone is offering Pee Wee, Beginner

Junior Tennis, Intermediate/Advance Junior Tennis, Small Group, and Adult classes, as well as weeklong camps. Don't miss out and sign-up today! For more information, please visit our website at [www.arcadiaCA.gov](http://www.arcadiaCA.gov) or call the Recreation Office at 626.574.5113.

## Arcadia Senior Card Club Looking For New Members

The Arcadia Senior Card Club is accepting new members. Arcadia residency is not required. Play contract bridge or Pinochle. The group meets at the Assistance League Community House, 100 So. Santa Anita Avenue every Monday from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Lunch is provided for a nominal fee or bring your own lunch.

The group is open to men and women 50 or older. The annual dues are \$5.00. For more information call 626-281-6771.

## Fall 2017 Registration for Adults 50 years +!

The City of Arcadia Recreation & Community Services Department - Senior Services Division is offering fall classes for adults (50 years of age and older). The course offerings include oil painting, yoga, strength training, line dancing, tai chi, zumba gold and aerobics. Registration is now open on-line, for walk-in, fax-in or mail-in. Courses are offered at the Community Center, 365 Campus Drive.

For class dates, times and locations, please contact Arcadia Senior Services at 626.574.5130 or log onto [www.arcadiaCa.gov](http://www.arcadiaCa.gov).

## COVINA Home Gardeners Meeting

The Friendship Garden Club is inviting members and friends of the community to attend our first meeting this Fall on Thursday, **September 28th** at 12:00 - 3:00 PM. We will meet at The Covina Woman's Clubhouse, 128 S. San Jose, Covina, CA. The building is one block south of Badillo and San Jose. Our business meeting will begin at Noon, then our program, followed by a complementary tea organized by a committee of members. Our meetings are free to the community.

We have a docent from The Huntington Library And Gardens. Chris Atkinson will inform us about the newest changes to the Gardens. She will speak for a half hour and then there will be time for questions.

## Volunteer Your Gift Of Music

Volunteer Services of Citrus Valley Health Partners is looking for volunteers to share the gift of music with the patients, families and staff. If you sing or play an instrument and have a passion for bringing peace, comfort and joy to others please call Tiffany Ramirez, Director of Volunteer Services at (626) 925-6237 or email at [tramirez@mail.cvhp.org](mailto:tramirez@mail.cvhp.org) to start the application process.

## DUARTE Blood Pressure Checks

Health Care Partners will provide a medical assistant to do free blood pressure checks. No appointment needed. **Every 2nd Tuesday** of every month from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. For more information call the Senior Center at (626) 357-3513.

## Meals on Wheels

Eligible seniors can receive a hot lunch and cold dinner plate delivered each weekday, or seven frozen meals delivered once a week by YWCA Intervale Senior Services. For more information, please contact the Duarte Senior Center at 357-3513 or Intervale at (626) 214-9465.

## Hot Lunches at Senior Center

The Senior Center serves hot

lunches Monday through Friday to individuals over 60 years, or the spouse of someone over age 60, and must check in by 11:45 a.m. for lunch. Reservations are requested by calling 357-3513, 24 hours in advance, and 48 hours, in advance, for a choice day. The suggested donation is \$3. The Duarte Senior Center is located at 1610 Huntington Drive.

## Alzheimer's Safe Return Registration

Safe return is a service of the Alzheimer's Association to help identify, locate and return Alzheimer's victims who wander and become lost. The one time registration includes identification items, preventative information, membership in the Alzheimer's Association, and participation in a nationwide search system. Call the Duarte Senior Center at 357-3513 for an appointment.

## GLENDORA Celebrate Constitution Week!!

Celebrate National Constitution Week, **September 17 - 23rd**, with Serrano Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution commemorating the 230th anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution.

Celebrate by reading this magnificent document and flying your flag.

## Glendora Adult Basketball Program

Southland Sports Association is offering adult basketball leagues in Glendora. Participants must be 18 years of age or older. Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday leagues begin the week of September 25.

Registration will be accepted, Monday, September 18 through Friday, September 22.

For more information, please contact Frank Ortiz, Adult Sports Coordinator, at (818) 425-9789 or go to the City of Glendora website at [www.ci.glendora.ca.us](http://www.ci.glendora.ca.us).

## Alzheimer's Peer Support Group

Caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's can be frustrating, challenging, and sometimes distressful. This peer support group is designed to share experiences, coping strategies, information, and ideas with each other, and to offer understanding and encouragement to one another. We meet the **2nd Thursday of each month** from 6:30-8:30 pm at Glenkirk Church, 1700 Palopinto Ave., Glendora, in Room #11. We caregivers look forward to lifting each other up as we journey through this season of life. For more info, visit [glenkirkchurch.org](http://glenkirkchurch.org) or call Glenkirk's church office at (626) 914-4833.

## Regional Food Bank Distribution Program

The La Fetra Center and the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank invites SENIORS (Ages 60+) to participate in the Commodity Supplemental Food Program. Current Food Bank participants can receive a FREE food kit once per month which contains items such as canned meats, canned fruits and vegetables, dry milk, cereals, and related products.

Participants must meet the following income guidelines to be eligible: one person household income must not exceed \$1,211 per month and a two person household income must not exceed \$1,640 per month. You



must provide income verification and a photo ID with birthdate at your first visit. The La Fetra Center distribution takes place on the **Fourth Tuesday of Every Month** from 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. For additional information, please call the Center at (626) 914-8235.

## Glendora After Stroke Center

A non-fee program for stroke survivors and their families. This supportive program offers re-learning (reading, writing, speech), caregiver support, current events, card games, snacks, resocialization, exercise, music, speakers, day field trips, and stroke support. Lunch is available (\$3 senior lunch or \$2.75 deli sandwich). For more information, please call Sonia Schupbach at (626) 963-6186. The program is **Wednesdays** 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Co-sponsored by The After Stroke Center and the Glendora Community Services Department.

## Cars 4 the Community

Glendora Rotary has a new and exciting vehicle donation program, called Cars 4 the Community. We are asking for your old car, boat, motorcycle or RV, running or not, be donated and receive a 100% tax deduction for the proceeds.

This program helps our schools, community, country and the world. Call 626-963-0814 for more information.

## Introduction To Computers And Internet Learning

Never touched a computer before?! You did, but felt confused? It's never too late to learn! Explore the basic skills to enrich your knowledge and understand the terminologies and access the online world through the Internet. Our hands-on practice can accelerate students to master computer learning while making it easy and fun. Register online at [www.ci.glendora.ca.us](http://www.ci.glendora.ca.us) or at the La Fetra Center; 333 E. Foothill Blvd. Glendora. \$120 Tuesdays, September 26- October 31, 11:15am to 12:00pm

## MONROVIA Senior Blood Pressure Screenings

The Department of Community Services invites active adults and seniors, 50 years and older, to attend a monthly blood pressure screening. The free program is hosted by Methodist Hospital. The program is designed to detect high blood pressure. For additional information, please contact the Department of Community Services at (626) 256-8246.

Blood Pressure Screenings is at the Community Center, 119 West Palm Avenue on the **Second Tuesday of the month** from 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. and on the

## Fourth Wednesday of the month from 9:00am - 10:00am Caring Crafters

If you have an interest in knitting, crocheting and hand work or would like to learn, join us at the Monrovia Community Center **every Wednesday**. The Friendly Crafters is a social group that meets every Wednesday from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and is designed to foster friendships and provide social opportunities while crocheting and knitting. The group always welcomes new participants to teach and share new ideas! This free program is offered to all Seniors and Active Adults! Crafters meet every Wednesday from 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Monrovia Community Center.

## Senior Stretch & Exercise Class

Stretching is essential for our bodies. The Department of Community Services invites seniors to join our weekly senior stretching and exercise class. The class includes stretching techniques geared toward seniors over 50, though the class is great for anyone in need of a good routine. Movement increases range of motion, relaxation, and decreases risk of injury. Participants should wear comfortable clothing and shoes. Bring a towel and bottled water. For additional information, please contact the Department of Community Services at (626) 256-8246.

Classes are at the Community Center, 119 West Palm Avenue on Mondays from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Fee: \$2 per class.

## SAN DIMAS San Dimas Toastmasters Club

The San Dimas chapter of Toastmasters International, Toast To The Best Club, Club # 5880 meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday from 7PM to 8:45 PM. Learn to motivate and lead. Chal-

# Shepherd's Pantry Fall Donation Drive

**GLENDORA** - The Glendora Library and Shepherd's Pantry are partnering again this year to help those in need. Starting September 1 through September 30, the Glendora Library will be collecting non-perishable food and toiletry items for needy families in our community. Items needed include canned goods (such as vegetables, tuna, and fruit), jars and packaged food (such as rice, pasta, cereal, peanut butter and jelly), and non-food items (such as diapers, shampoo, toothpaste and toilet paper) - no expired food items, please. For a complete list of recommended food

items, please visit the Shepherd's Pantry website at [www.shepherdspantry.com](http://www.shepherdspantry.com). Donations can be dropped off in the Shepherd's Pantry collection box located on the main floor of the Library during regular library hours.

## WEST COVINA Go West Shuttle Service

The Go West Shuttle service consists of three alignments (Red, Blue, and Green) that serve destinations throughout the city including Plaza West Covina, Eastland Shopping Center, Heights Shopping Center, West Covina Civic Center, West Covina Senior Center, Cameron Community Center, and many more.

- For questions on the location of shuttle stops, assistance in locating the stop closest to you, and route schedules please call (800) 425-5777.

- The fixed-route service operates Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

- The fare is only \$1.00 each way.
- No Service on Thanksgiving, Day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, President's Day, Labor Day, Memorial Day, and Independence Day.

## Senior Lunch

The West Covina Senior Center has an award-winning lunch program that provides a **daily lunch service** for seniors, Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m. The lunch program is funded in part by the Los Angeles County Area Agency on Aging.

There is a suggested lunch donation of \$2.00 for those 60 years and older. Persons younger than 60 years old pay \$4.00, and persons with disabilities younger than 60 years pay \$3.00. West Covina Senior Citizens Center is at 2501 East Cortez Street.

items, please visit the Shepherd's Pantry website at [www.shepherdspantry.com](http://www.shepherdspantry.com).

Donations can be dropped off in the Shepherd's Pantry collection box located on the main floor of the Library during regular library hours.

Glendora is a wonderfully caring community and your support is greatly appreciated!

The Glendora Public Library is located at 140 S. Glendora Avenue. For more information, visit the Library's website at [www.glendoralibrary.org](http://www.glendoralibrary.org) or call us at (626) 852-4891.

# Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library Presents 'Herstory: Chinese-American Women, 165 Years of Struggle and Success

**MONTEREY PARK** - Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library will present an exhibit on the legal history of Chinese-American women, "Herstory: Chinese-American Women, 165 Years of Struggle and Success," September 1-30 in the main lobby located on the first floor of the library.

The exhibit presents the stories of ordinary people who fought for their rights, and in doing so, helped to shape a new world for Chinese Americans and the rest of the world. The exhibit features the legal cases fought in the U.S. Supreme Courts and the supreme courts in various states. These legal cases present a rare look of Chinese-American women's history going back to 1885 when the California State Supreme Court ruled that Chinese-American children had

a right to public education and to attend public schools.

"Herstory" is a traveling exhibit that has toured the National Museum of History (Taipei, Taiwan), the Historic Public Meeting Hall (Tainan, Taiwan), Chicago Public Library, San Francisco Public Library, Los Angeles Public Library, Hawaii State Public Library, and others. The exhibit is provided to the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library by curator, Chang C. Chen, Ph.D., J.D., who is dedicated to the documentation of the legal history of Chinese Americans. The public is invited to a reception on Sunday, September 10 at 2 p.m. in the Friends Room where they can meet Dr. Chang C. Chen and hear her story of why and how she collected photographs, personal stories and the timeline of legal history for the exhibit and her

book, "Herstory: The Legal History of Chinese American Women."

The exhibit is part of the library's "Global Citizens: One World, Many Stories" ongoing programming sponsored through a Library Innovation Lab grant from California Humanities to engage the community in a variety of programs that support diversity and family history. "Library Innovation Lab: Exploring New Ways of Engaging California's Immigrant Communities" is a new statewide competitive grant program offered by California Humanities.

For more information about the free program, contact the library at 626-307-1368. The Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library is the city's public library located at 318 S. Ramona Avenue, Monterey Park.



## Duarte Chamber of Commerce Appoints Sheryl Lefmann as New President and Chief Executive Officer

**DUARTE** - The Duarte Chamber of Commerce has announced the appointment of Sheryl Lefmann as their new President and CEO. She will assume duties from retiring President/CEO Jim Kirschner on September 18, 2017. Sheryl has been a long-time community consultant and volunteer for various entities within the city of Duarte for 12 years, most recently as a planning commissioner and a board member for the Duarte Chamber.

"It is such an honor to have been selected for this role," said Lefmann. "As a resident of Duarte, the San Gabriel Valley community has always been a part of my life. I am thrilled for the opportunity to build on the success of my predecessors, to work with a highly-engaged board and outstanding staff to support and strengthen a very proud, growing, business-friendly community."

"We are very excited to have Sheryl serve as the President and CEO of the Chamber. She brings a wealth of Chamber knowledge, expertise, and contagious enthusiasm to our Chamber and we look forward to starting our next chapter", said Chamber Chairperson Tina Carey.

Sheryl resides with her husband, Norman, in Duarte. Her professional background includes decades of working for government entities and serving on boards and committees. She



**Sheryl Lefmann - Duarte Chamber New President and CEO**

earned her Bachelor of Science in Public/Business Administration.

Currently in its 97th year, the Chamber is poised for the future. Recently, the governing board was increased to bring even more diversity in business representation. In addition, the Chamber moved to new an office and is

working to enhance and expand services to members by utilizing new technologies.

The Duarte Chamber of Commerce a staple in the city exists to promote and encourage businesses to succeed while enhancing the Chamber's relationship with the surrounding community.

## Glendora Woman's Club Names Philanthropies And Service Projects For For 2016-17

By Joan Hallidy

**GLENDORA** - The Glendora Woman's club and its four departments of Cards, Garden-Crafts, Music-Drama, and Pot-pourri have announced the names of their philanthropy chair Camille Clarke.

The list of the 13 Service projects and programs that received monetary and in-kind donations included the following: Covina Valley Hospice, EYE-DAS (Eye Diseases Are Serious) Organization, Glendora After Stroke, Glendora Community Coordinating Council-Camperships and Holiday Basket Program, Glendora High School-Scholarships (Four), Glendora Public Library, Glendora Library's Memorial Book Program, Glendora Library Patron Sponsor for "Night on the Plaza" event, Glendora Welfare Association, Pennies For Pines of U.S. Forest Service, Shepherd's Pantry, and YWCA-WINGS Shelter.

Funds for the monetary donations were raised from the club's Annual Fashion Show, department events, and through a special arrangement with the New Unto Others Thrift Store in Glendora. For that project, community residents are now able to provide, and through year-round support for the club by making purchases at the store and also by



**One of the Glendora Woman's Club's ongoing monthly service projects is the Shepherd's Pantry located in Glendora. Pictured is Gloria Liddle, the service project chair, looking over some of the food items donated by club members for Shepherd's Pantry at one of the club's monthly meetings. The Pantry serves those family in need in 10 area communities. Photo by Rose Myers.**

donating saleable items to the store naming the Glendora Woman's Club to receive the credit. This arrangement takes the place of the club's former rummage sale that had always been held at the clubhouse.

The Glendora Woman's Club, organized in 1908, has a long history of involvement and service in Glendora. It is presently one of the oldest active service organizations in Glendora, and one that maintains its own clubhouse, both for club events and available for rent for special occasions and meeting.

In 2012, the club celebrates the 100th Anniversary of one of the club's major accomplishments--the founding of the Glendora Public Library in 1912.

Also on that same date in history in 2012 the Glendora Public Library celebrated 100 years of continuous service to the City of Glendora.

For information about membership, special events, or service projects, call Patty at 909-929-0684; for information about renting the clubhouse, call Ryan at Ritz Catering at 909-592-1130.

## Another Successful Duarte High School Graduate heads to College

**DUARTE** - Lauryn Higginson is a remarkable young woman. She is a recent Duarte High School graduate, a former Key Club Member and a silver medal winner in Microbiology at the recent National ACT-SO event. Lauryn is heading to San Diego State University and stopped by to pick up her scholarship.

For further information on speaking or joining the club, contact Dr. Diane Hernandez at drdiane@drhernandez-optometry.com



**Lauryn Higginson and Cheryl Reynolds, Duarte Kiwanis President**

## Monrovia Unified Reopens Middle School as Computer Science Magnet with Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony



**Santa Fe Computer Science Magnet School Principal Geoffrey Zamarripa snips the gold ribbon to celebrate the computer science enriched curriculum on September 6.**

**MONROVIA** - Santa Fe robotics students guided their robot to launch plastic balls into a basket while another group of students operated a green screen photo booth as their community celebrated the reopening of their school as a computer science magnet during a ribbon-cutting ceremony Sept. 6.

Monrovia Unified expanded opportunities for students to learn computer science skills and concepts in partnership with Code to the Future, a leading creator of immersive computer science curricula.

"Students who have established a foundation in computer science at two of Monrovia Unified's elementary schools will now be able to continue their learning at Santa Fe," Code to the Future Director of Programs Jake Steedman said. "Monrovia Unified is taking the lead in capitalizing on the potential of computer science as a fun, engaging and important teaching platform."

Santa Fe students will program, use algorithms and apply computational thinking to code projects that strengthen their computer science skills and demonstrate learning in core subject matter. This year, Code to the Future will collaborate with science teachers to implement these skills into its lessons, providing

a variety of opportunities for students to showcase their learning.

For example, students in science classes can create websites that users click through to learn about the natural rain cycle. Students can also create gaming programs in an educational format as their skills advance.

"Our partnership with Code to the Future will give our students a deeper understanding of computer science and provide more opportunities to apply their computational thinking throughout other subjects," Santa Fe Principal Geoffrey Zamarripa said. "I am excited to see what our students will create and how they will use their new skills in other subjects throughout the year."

Students use an online coding platform, Scratch, developed at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. They learn the conceptual framework of coding through block-based learning, which creates sections of coding that students can format to create different sequences. Students then move on to text syntax, where they can create the coding language as they develop a stronger foundation.

"We wanted to provide students with the tools to apply computer science in a real-life setting," Board of Education President Bryan Wong said. "Our stu-

dents will be able to learn these skills from elementary school all the way through their senior year, tackling ever more complex and demanding tasks and discovering new ways to express their learning."

Students will take an elective computer science class which will provide an opportunity for students to expand their computer science skills into other subject areas. Science courses will implement a computer science lesson twice a week. The computer science courses will also complement the robotics program.

"Our District is dedicated to immersing our students in a rigorous academic environment and providing them with the latest tools and information," Monrovia Unified Superintendent Dr. Katherine Thorossian said. "The opportunities available in Monrovia Unified are the result of collaborative efforts at all levels: from the leadership of our Board of Education, to the focused efforts of our administrative team, to the innovative instructional practices of our teachers, to the palpable support of the Monrovia community. The success of our students results directly from these multi-faceted partnerships."

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# Man Found Dead in West Covina Parking Lot After Whittier Shooting

By George Ogden

**WEST COVINA** - Crime scene tape cordoned off most of the parking lot of Buffalo Wild Wings near the corner of Citrus and Workman in West Covina on Friday, September 8th.

Apparently, a number of individuals became involved in a shooting in Whittier and the victims drove to the West Covina area not realizing that young man had been shot in the back seat. He died at the scene.

Most of the information is still vague about the incident. However it has been established that there was a shooting on Penn Street and Newlin Avenues in Whittier around 3:15 AM. Police officers responded to the area to investigate the



The crime scene at Citrus and Workman in the parking lot of Buffalo Wild Wings.

shooting and found nothing.

Around 4 AM, West Covina police officers received calls about a victim who had been shot in a vehicle in the parking lot of Buffalo Wild Wings. When officers arrived they found the victim, a young adult male, in the backseat. As details emerged from the shoot-

ing in Whittier, it was confirmed that he was a victim of that shooting. The vehicle also had two other individuals that were not injured from the shooting. The vehicle sustained a number of bullet holes from the shooting.

It is not clear if the victim died immediately after the

shooting, or bled to death as the other victims drove around. This will be determined through the investigation.

The West Covina Police Department along with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department are investigating the crime. The coroners office was also called to the scene to conduct their investigation as well. The body was removed around 2 PM.

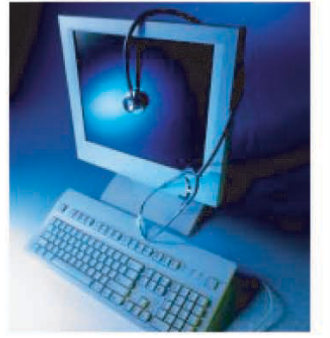
West Covina police officers and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department are investigating the shooting.

No further details were available as the investigation continues. Anyone with information can reach Whittier police at 562-567-9200. Tips may also be submitted anonymously to L.A. Regional Crime Stoppers at 800-222-8477.

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