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Glendora's Annual All Class Reunion Picnic

by Marti Edwards Mason, Class of 68

GLENDORA - Glendora's Annual All Class Reunion Picnic was the biggest Reunion Picnic on record in its 19 years of existence. Upwards of 430 guests and classmates attended throughout the day. The weather was a beautiful 76 degrees. The oak trees in Finkbinder Park held their heads high being decorated with the Glendora Tartan colors of red and black balloons and red table-tops. Thanks to Mona Souza of the Glendora Women's Club for all her hard work decorating and posting signs.

The registration tables were teaming with happy faces as they signed the yearly guest book and looked over the tables to purchase raffle tickets for the 100 prizes and give away coupons. There were Glendora T-shirts for sale as well as books and old annuals. Classmates poured over the old annual tables looking for pictures of old girlfriends and boyfriends.

The potluck tables of food were generous. There were several entries for the food contest and the first and second place trophy statues of a chef, from S & S Trophies, were a big hit this year. Winners of the food contest were: Main Dish, 1st Place - Karen Duke, beef and bean dish, 2nd Place - Cathy Garland Garcia, Green Chili Rice dish, Side Dish, 1st Place - Gregg



Classmates poured over the old annual tables looking for pictures of old girlfriends and boyfriends.

Vieth, Corn dip, 2nd Place - Barbara Lamb, pasta salad, Dessert, 1st Place - Signe Nelson, Carrot Cake, 2nd Place - Jonna Wiltshire, Pistachio Jello Salad.

The food contest and our potluck tables were not the only food surprises. Classmate, Richard Moore, brought tri-tip and oysters with helpers to bar-b-que and an overabundance of helpers to taste. "Delicious" doesn't begin to describe the garlic roasted oysters. Stand in line, classmates.

Raffle prizes began to be announced at 12:00. Food contest winners were announced at 1:30. Raffle prize announcements continued the entire day in rapid suc-

cession with 100 prizes to announce and give away. Prizes were gift certificates from local restaurants and restaurant chains and beautifully decorated gift baskets, decorated by the talented Susan Lepkojus from the Glendora Women's Club. Baskets consisted of a wine and chocolate basket from Glendora's new CocoVino store uptown. Tickets to the Grand National Roadster Show in January with shirt and hat. Alosta Brewery gift certificate and shirt and hat. Two baskets from Glendora's Historical Society, each containing two tickets to tour Rubel castle, a mug and glass and hat. A cake decorating basket with pans and utensils. A basket of goodies from The Glendora Women's club and a strong, happy donation from Sam at Top Hat Liquors of a case of my favorite wines.

Thank you to all the generous contributors to the Reunion.

To add to the successful, eventful day, Dave at Marie Calender's came to the Picnic bringing 70 Pieces of Marie Calender pie. Joyous classmates consumed it all! Thank you to

generous Dave at Marie Calender's.

The class of 1969 wanted to leave their Legacy on the Glendora Annual All Class Reunion by matching funds for the 50/50 making the prize total \$500.00. Nancy Graham headed up this memorable legacy to the class of 1969 and challenged other classes to do the same. Nancy presented the All Class Reunion with a generous gift from the class of 1969 to ensure the Reunion will continue into its 20th year in 2022. Thank you, class of 1969 from all your classmates! The winner of the 50/50 was Robert Kobus, class of 1975. Congratulations, Robert.

Another highlight of the day was our class of 1975 bagpiper, Jeff Cullen. Something about the bagpipes makes us all stand at attention and Jeff played our favorite tunes.

Our All Class Reunion Picnic Photo, taken at 3:00 every year memorializes our event. And a good time was had by all. See you all next year!



Sherryl (Prestesater) Cahill (61), CocoVino basket winner.

An Anniversary and Renewal of Vows That Never Came

By George Ogden

WEST COVINA - A planned 25th Anniversary and renewing of Wedding Vows came to a screeching halt when the bride was hospitalized with Covid on the day of her event. They had set up the banquet hall for their 25th anniversary and a remarriage for the couple at the West Covina VFW.

The bride woke up on the day of their event with shortness of breath early in morning and she was taken to the hospital. They planned on keeping her for 3 days to see what was going on with her. Within a couple of hours, they found out that she had the Covid and is not doing well. They had family coming in from Peru and a few other countries for their anniversary and wedding event.



Banquet Hall all set up for the big event but was never used. The bride was hospitalized that day with Covid.

This was heartbreaking for everyone involved to cancel this event. Instead of a celebration, the husband of the woman and family used this time to remove all the decorations. The woman is in critical condition with no further information on her condition.



19th Annual Glendora All Class Reunion Picnic

Fifth Annual "Great California Shakeout" Set for October 21

Following FEMA's "National Preparedness Month" in September, individuals and communities throughout California will participate in the Great California ShakeOut earthquake drill.

Held annually on the third Thursday of October, the International ShakeOut Day is set for Thursday, October 21, 2021.

During the self-led drill, participants practice how to "Drop, Cover, and Hold On". Endorsed by emergency officials and first responders, the safe response to an earthquake is to:

DROP where you are, onto your hands and knees. This position protects you from being knocked down and also allows you to stay low and crawl to shelter if nearby.

COVER your head and neck with one arm and hand

• If a sturdy table or desk is nearby, crawl underneath it for shelter

• If no shelter is nearby, crawl next to an interior wall

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(away from windows)

• Stay on your knees; bend over to protect vital organs

HOLD ON until shaking stops

• Under shelter: hold on to it with one hand; be ready to move with your shelter if it shifts

• No shelter: hold on to your head and neck with both arms and hands.

The ShakeOut is free and open-to-the-public, and partici-

pants include individuals, schools, businesses, local and state government agencies, and many other groups. To take part in the ShakeOut, individuals and organizations are asked to join the drill by registering to participate www.ShakeOut.org. Once registered, participants receive regular information on how to plan their drill and become better prepared for earthquakes and other disasters.

The 2021 Glendora Hometown Christmas Parade IS BACK!

GLENDORA - The 2021 Glendora Hometown Christmas Parade IS BACK! The 2021 Glendora Hometown Christmas Parade is set to take place Saturday, December 11, 2021, at 9 AM sharp. The parade's motto is "All About Kids" and the theme this year is "An Old-Fashioned Christmas."

The Glendora Christmas Parade Committee is now looking for entries for this year's parade. To enter please visit GlendoraChristmasParade.com

This year's parade starts downtown in The Glendora Village at Bennett led by a special flyover, the Glendora Police Department Color Guard, and much more! The parade routes down Glendora Ave then will head west on Foothill Blvd and finishes north on Grand



2021 Glendora Christmas Parade December 11, 2021 9:00 AM

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Please join us Saturday, December 11 for some Holiday fun starting at 9 AM. Please also be aware of street closures due to the parade route so please plan accordingly.

The Glendora Christmas parade is brought to you by the Glendora Christmas Parade

Committee, City of Glendora, Glendora Kiwanis, Rotary Club of Glendora, and the Glendora Chamber of Commerce.

For more information, please visit Glendorachristmasparade.com or call the Glendora Chamber of Commerce at (626) 963-4128.

Glendora Women's Club Tour the San Dimas Train Station



Rick Reyes, train agent, relating train station history and experiences to the ladies of the Glendora Women's Club. Glendora Women's Club members present for the presentation are Joanne Jean, Susan Lepkojus, Carolyn Cunningham, Connie Halbert, Loretta Salazar, Suki Duran, Gretchen Peterson, Marti Mason, Hellene Spear, Chris Ohrmund, Rose Myers.

by Marsha Mason

SAN DIMAS - One of the many opportunities the Glendora Women's Club has to offer is their interest in our community and getting to know our local rich history. The Women's Club tour points of interest every month, such as, Glendora's Pioneer Cemetery, Claremont's Botanical Gardens, Glendora's Rubel Castle and most recently, The Santa Fe San Dimas Train Depot at 210 W. Bonita Avenue, San Dimas.

The train station has an old rail of the original track on display from 1887. Touring the train depot is open to the public by appointment. Rick, the station archivist and Santa Fe train Agent (self-made and appointed) is a retired railroad worker with a wealth of knowledge and experience about the San Dimas Station. His own career on the railroad give him his own railroad stories to exuberantly pass on to listeners making the tour come alive. The station is a museum of railroad memorabilia and artifacts with over 3,000 books available for extensive research. There are hundreds of donated historical documents and pho-

tographs. Train enthusiasts are encouraged to tour and share their knowledge of trains and local lore. Teachers might consider a field trip for their class to the San Dimas Train Station. The Historical Train Depot welcomes volunteers. Become a member of the Pacific Railroad Society (PRS). Donate to keep the old depot open to the community. The building is owned by the City of San Dimas and leased to the Pacific Railroad Society for \$1.00 annually to maintain. Come and see the old freight dock, baggage and mail room, the waiting room and lobby for the old travelers.

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Glendora High School Tennis Team Wins Inter High School Tennis Championships



Glendora High School freshman team pose for a photo at the Goddard Middle School courts. Coach Amanda Rodriguez is standing on the extreme left.

GLENDORA - The Inter High School Tennis Championships are in full session, with Glendora High School playing against various other High Schools. The 19 member team played against Colony High School of Ontario. The games were played at the Goddard Middle School Tennis courts. Glendora High won 17 games to 1. Go Glendora High!

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Public Health Encourages Residents to Plan for a Safe Halloween

LOS ANGELES COUNTY - As the highly transmissible Delta variant continues to account for 100% of COVID-19 strains seen among samples sequenced in the Los Angeles County area, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) urges residents to plan for a safe Halloween.

While the County is in a better place this year with 60% of the nearly 10.3 million L.A. County residents fully vaccinated, Halloween can still present COVID-19 transmission risk this year. When planning your

Halloween activities, think about your and your family's level of risk and remember where COVID-19 spreads more easily:

- Closed spaces with poor air flow
- Crowded places with many people nearby
- Close contact settings especially where people are talking, laughing, screaming, or breathing heavily close together.

The safest activities will be those that are outside, including outdoor costume parties, pumpkin patch visits, outdoor

ghost tours, hayrides, and trick-or-treating - when done safely. Wherever possible, aim to be outside, particularly if you are with individuals, including children, that are not yet vaccinated; masks covering your nose and mouth should be worn if in crowds or close contact with others not in your household. Helpful information for residents, business, and event organizers to prevent the spread of COVID-19 during holidays can be found online, visit: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/holidays.htm>

Arcadia Announces City Council Redistricting Community Workshop

ARCADIA - The City of Arcadia is seeking public input on the redistricting of City Council districts. Every 10 years the United States conducts a census to count the

population. Upon the completion of the United States Census, the City Council District Map is realigned to reflect Arcadia's current population.

On Wednesday, November 10, 2021, the City of Arcadia will host a Community Workshop at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 240 W. Huntington Drive to provide an overview of the redistricting process, to solicit input from Arcadia residents on communities of interest, and to introduce the City's redistricting mapping tool. The public is encouraged to attend the Work-

shop to learn more about the redistricting process and understand their impact on helping shape the City's new districts.

Additional public meetings will be conducted over the next several months and the public is invited to comment on redistricting issues discussed during those meetings. For more information regarding the City's redistricting process, please visit the City's website at ArcadiaCA.gov/redistricting. If you have any questions regarding the redistricting process, please email us at CityClerk@ArcadiaCA.gov.

As COVID-19 Cases Among Pregnant Women are Monitored, Public Health Encourages Expecting and New Moms to Get Vaccinated

LOS ANGELES COUNTY - The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) continues to track the impact of COVID-19 on expecting and new moms and newborns in Los Angeles County and continues to urge expecting and new moms to get vaccinated.

As of October 5, there are 13,161 pregnant women in L.A. County who tested positive for COVID-19. Seventy-six percent of pregnant women testing positive for COVID-19 are Latina/Latinx, 11% are White, 5% are African American/Black, and 5% are Asian. Although rare, women infected during their pregnancy can pass the virus to their new-

born. Among the 12,919 births where there was testing information, 63 infants tested positive for COVID-19. Twelve pregnant women who tested positive for COVID-19 tragically passed away.

Because pregnant and recently pregnant women are more likely to get severely ill from COVID-19 compared to non-pregnant women, Public Health continues to urge and offer vaccination to women who are pregnant, breastfeeding, trying to get pregnant now, or might become pregnant in the future.

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and pregnancy experts, including the American

College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine, and the American College of Nurse-Midwives recommend that pregnant and lactating women be vaccinated against COVID-19. Studies have affirmed the vaccines' safety in all stages of pregnancy and the vaccines do not cause any fertility problems.

Resources are available to assist pregnant women and women of childbearing age get the facts, at: <http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/docs/vaccination>

Vaccinations Continue to Protect Against COVID-19 Worst Outcomes

LOS ANGELES COUNTY - COVID-19 case rates for teens are 8 times greater for those unvaccinated than those vaccinated and for unvaccinated adults over 50, case rates are fivefold higher than those for their vaccinated counterparts, 1,124 cases per 100,000 unvaccinated people compared with 222 cases per 100,000 vaccinated people.

Among residents 12 and older, unvaccinated people are 12 to 22 times likelier to be hospitalized than vaccinated residents 12 and older. Death rates are 32 times higher among unvaccinated residents 18 to 49 years old, 8 deaths per 100,000 unvaccinated people compared with 0.25 deaths per 100,000 vaccinated people, and 20 times higher among unvaccinated adults over 50, 99 deaths per 100,000 unvaccinated people compared with 5 deaths per 100,000 vaccinated people. These numbers demonstrated the true magnitude of the protection afforded by the vaccines.

Among the more than 5.7 million fully vaccinated people in L.A. County, Public Health identified 60,689 people fully vaccinated who tested positive for COVID-19 as of October 9. In all, a little over 1% of fully vaccinated people in L.A. County have

tested positive. Of those who tested positive, 2,043 were hospitalized, which translates to 0.04% of all fully vaccinated people. There have been 311 deaths among fully vaccinated people or 0.005% of fully vaccinated people passed away.

On October 18, Public Health confirmed 4 new deaths and 948 new cases of COVID-19. The number of cases and deaths likely reflect reporting delays over the weekend. Of the four new deaths reported, one person who passed away was over the age of 80, one person who died was between the ages of 50 and 64, and two people who died were between the ages of 30 and 49. To date, Public Health has identified 1,478,622 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of L.A. County and a total of 26,418 deaths.

There are 638 people with COVID-19 currently hospitalized. Testing results are available for nearly 8,904,000 individuals with 15% of people testing positive.

"To the families grieving the loss of a loved one to COVID-19, we send you our deepest sympathies and keep you in our thoughts and prayers," said Barbara Ferrer, PhD, MPH, MED,

Director of Public Health. "We join the nation in mourning the death of former Secretary of State General Colin Powell, who has died of COVID complications at the age of 84. While our data demonstrate the tremendous power of vaccines to prevent severe outcomes of COVID infection, this tragic loss highlights the fact that for vulnerable people, including older adults and those with underlying health conditions including immunosuppression, there is still a small but serious risk of hospitalization or death even after vaccination. This is why masking and distancing remain important layers of protection when transmission of COVID remains high or substantial; and increasing vaccination rates is the best strategy for reducing exposure risk for everyone."

Vaccinations are widely available throughout L.A. County and are always free and open to eligible residents and workers regardless of immigration status. Anyone 12 and older living or working in L.A. County can get vaccinated. Appointments are not needed at many sites and all Public Health vaccination sites where first, second, and third doses are available.

Bonita Unified Receives No. 1 Ranking on California Reading Report Card

LA VERNE/SAN DIMAS - Bonita Unified School District has been ranked number one out of 287 of the most populous school districts in the state for excellence in reading comprehension according to the California Reading Coalition (CRC) California Reading Report Card.

Among California school districts with 100 or more socioeconomically disadvantaged Latinx third-graders, Bonita Unified topped the Reading Report Card with 64% of the subgroup meeting or exceeding California grade-level standards, according to California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) English language arts (ELA) testing from 2017-18 and 2018-19. The report card represents 72% of all California students tested.

"Bonita Unified is proud to be recognized for our exemplary

reading program. It is a great honor for our District," Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services Matt Wien said.

BUSD's No. 1 ranking is the capstone of a 15-year commitment by the District to boost reading comprehension across all grade levels. Through a collaborative process, Bonita Unified has developed a research-based reading program to ensure grade-level reading by fifth grade.

These programs include SIPPS, which bolsters phonetic skills for new and struggling students in grades K-2, and the Benchmark Advanced Reading Program, a core ELA program that covers all K-5 ELA and English language development standards.

"The District strives to provide our teachers with all the tools they will need to teach reading

foundational skills and remediate students who need extra support," said Chris Ann Horsley, Bonita Unified's Senior Director of Elementary Curriculum. "I am confident that our system, along with our well-trained classroom teachers, intervention specialists and para-educators will continue to serve our students well into the future."

Bonita Unified teachers work closely with school librarians, parents and families to ensure that students are reading high volumes of fiction and nonfiction selections.

"Reading comprehension is the foundational pathway for academic success and achievement," Bonita Unified Superintendent Carl Coles said. "Being ranked as the top district is a testament to Bonita Unified's ability to stay consistent with practices that show results."

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COVID –Questions, Contradictions and Confusion

COVID mandates have aroused more confusion and questions than answers. Statements from medical communities are contradictory and political communities issue no information only mandates fueling push back against vaccinations.

A debate I had is whether we really have a COVID vaccination or is it just a shot to offset the horrific reactions some persons get from the virus. I grew up with the original definition of vaccination being “the act of introducing a vaccine into the body, made up of microorganisms or a piece of the virus in a weakened state, to produce immunity to a specific disease.” Those diseases include measles, mumps, chicken pox and small pox diseases that have virtually disappeared. That doesn't seem to be the case for COVID and the mutations that keep popping up even after the shot is administered.

Center for Disease Control (CDC) decided to redefine vaccine by changing words in the original definition. Today, “immunity” is “protection” and “vaccine” is now a “preparation” used to stimulate the body's immune response against diseases. That has led to complex discussions and questions asking if CDC changed the definition to hide the fact the shots, called vaccinations, are not 100% effective or even producing the results people expected. Rep. Thomas Massie of Kentucky responded to the changed definition by tweeting, “CDC has been busy at the Ministry of Truth.” Key word, truth, seems to be absent across all levels at all agencies compounding frustrations and in particular, parents of school age children.

California public school districts, working with strapped budgets due to 6.4% overall declining enrollment, are now faced with parents rebelling against Gov. Newsom's forced COVID vaccinations. Newsom, touting his first in the nation school mask requirement for students and staff, is now attempting to implement a first in the nation require-



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

ment for COVID vaccinations for all school-age students attending public, private and charter schools. If, or when, FDA approves a vaccine, Newsom would have to issue another executive order or the legislators would have to pass legislation going into an election year.

One school district decided to survey parents asking if they supported mandated vaccinations for school aged children. Voting NO were:

- 56.5% of pre-schools parents;
- 67.2% of elementary parents;
- 71% of middle school parents;
- 64% of high school parents.

Vaccine requirements are subject to medical or personal belief exemptions.

Rolling out again are headlines documenting the double standard promoted by Newsom's executive orders and his lifestyle with COVID. Issuing mandates for all school age children to be masked and vaccinated belies reports his daughter, aged 12, has not yet been vaccinated. Other contradictions:

- Shut down all public schools only for us to discover his children had been attending private school all along. A friend told me her grandson never missed a day in private school, didn't mask up and never caught COVID.

- Newsom's son goes to day camp without masking up as other kids are either in lockdown or forced to mask up.

- Newsom is caught dining inside the expensive French Laundry Restaurant with a lobbyist without a mask while all of us are forced to eat outside trying to keep our local restaurants, laced with restrictions, in business. That 5-figure booze bill is something our small businesses can only dream about.

- Businesses failing and Newsom decided to spend extra money on a “big wheel spin” awarding cash prizes to those who vaccinated rather than keep businesses in business.

Assemblyman Kevin Kiley's latest blog: Gavin Newsom is asking a Court of Appeals to **remove the vaccine mandate** for a union that gave him \$1.75 million [prison guards] to thwart his recall. Kiley said, “I am demanding Newsom end every other mandate immediately. If it isn't needed for his biggest donors, it isn't needed for schoolchildren or anyone else. One of those Special Interests, the SEIU union, gave \$6 million to Newsom's anti-Recall campaign. Yesterday, SEIU's leader was arrested for embezzlement, fraud, and other felonies. The Sacramento Swamp is the grimeiest in America.”

Babylon Bee, a political satire publication posted: [Kids Form Union and Donate Millions to Newsom So They Won't Have to Get Vaccinated](#). Article reads, “Children in California have formed the first-ever Kids Union, a powerful political lobbying force designed to influence policy in Sacramento. Their first order of business was to raise millions of dollars—mostly by mowing lawns and selling lemonade—in order to donate a bunch of money to Governor Newsom so they will be exempted from all vaccine mandates. Hey, it worked for the teachers' union ... “referring to California Teachers Association's anti-recall donation of \$1,815,616.

More confusion and questions: Can schools require a shot that isn't a vaccination? Are there concocted agreements requiring the push to COVID vaccinate?

The Playoffs and Monday Night Football, at the Same Time.

Well, with Monday & Thursday Night Football and the Dodger Play-Off games going on, I was surprised that the games were on around the same time. So, who the heck did the scheduling??? So, which one do we watch???

What do we do, we bring in another television into the same room and watch both. Hopefully you have some type of online service to allow you to do this.

Now that you are watching two games at the same time, are you supposed to drink twice as much beer and double up on the chips and snacks?

Well, that Giant / Dodger game was an eye-opener... I think everyone knows that wasn't a strike except one person... well maybe the ump has seen the replay by now and also knows.

Now, what the heck is going on with these TV commercials? It appears there is a culture change with these commercials



George Ogden
That's just the way it is!

and some don't make any sense and you really can't understand what the hell they are saying. One commercial pops up often with some guy “yelling” something and he is talking in some type of modified English and/or slang. Not only do I not understand him, I am not sure what the product is. This guy is so annoying and irritating. I find myself yelling at him while he is screaming on TV to “Get Off and Shut-up!” I then MUTE the volume. Once I find out what this product is, I will NEVER use it.

As for these other commercials, they also use modified words so you really can't understand what they are saying. On top of that, they come on over and over again during the games. MUTE, MUTE, MUTE, not going to waste my time to try and figure out what they are actually trying to say.

Back to the games. The announcers really need to listen to themselves. “Are You Kidding Me?” That seems to be their main expression. Since these games are on those pay per view channels, wouldn't it be fun to hear, Are You Kidding Me! Or... What the Heck Just Happened? How about, What the Heck is that Dumb-Ass Swinging At? Okay, enough of this, we know that is not going to happen.

I guess we are stuck with the scheduling times and those dumb commercials that we can't understand.

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Properly Dispose Your Prescriptions on October 23 in Honor of National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

Drop off your expired or unneeded prescriptions at designated drug collection sites on Saturday, October 23, from 10 AM-2 PM in honor of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) National Prescription Drug Take Back Day.

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day aims to provide safe, convenient, and responsible ways to dispose of prescription drugs, while also educating the

public about the potential of medication abuse.

Properly disposing of expired or unneeded prescription drugs eliminates the potential for misuse, abuse, or accidental poisoning. Improper disposal methods include flushing unused or expired medications down a toilet or throwing them in the trash, both of which can be hazardous to public safety, public health, and the environment.

Find a collection site near you by entering your zip code on the DEA's website (https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/index.html). Collection sites located within a 3-mile radius of the City of Duarte include the Azusa Police Department (725 N Alameda Avenue, Azusa) and the Baldwin Park Police Department (14403 Pacific Avenue, Baldwin Park).

Lights, Camera, Worker Action!

As many of us resorted to watching copious movies and shows during the early months of Covid-19 lockdown, Hollywood's behind-the-scenes workers kept laboring tirelessly to bring us that content. Deemed “essential workers” by Governor Gavin Newsom, they support one of California's most lucrative industries yet have been subjected to exploitative working conditions both before and during the pandemic, often working 16- to 18-hour days without breaks for meager wages.

These issues came to the forefront this Summer as film and television workers, represented by the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE), bargained for a new contract with the major film and television studios that form the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers (AMPTP), such as Disney, Warner Bros., Netflix, and Amazon. The camera operators, grips, editors, and other technicians and artisans that make up the IATSE membership routinely work on a contract basis similar to “gig workers” in the tech industry.

“We're the original gig workers,” noted IATSE's president, Matthew Loeb. “Like non-union, freelance workers, many of our highly-skilled members go to work at different times, for different employers, at different locations,” Loeb explained. “The difference is, our people have healthcare and retirement benefits, can negotiate for better wages and conditions, and have a voice and power because they work together through their union.”

These workers also increasingly confront many of the same employers as tech companies have moved into the film industry. Streaming media productions, in particular, pay reduced wages compared to traditional film and television. The pandemic further highlighted this wage disparity as well as the growing



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trend of online film releases replacing theater screenings.

In addition to better pay, IATSE members have demanded changes to their excessive work hours and lack of breaks by calling for daily rest periods of 10 hours without exclusions and weekend rest periods of 54 hours. Currently, some producers frequently pay a penalty fee instead of providing lunch breaks. Long hours on set can also have severe consequences for worker safety and quality of life. Working over 10-hour days without breaks has led to deadly accidents. In a notorious 1997 case, camera assistant Brent Hershman was killed when he fell asleep at the wheel and crashed his car into a utility pole after working a 19-hour day and preceded by four 15-hour days on the set of “Pleasantville.”

As of this writing, a tentative agreement has been reached between IATSE and AMPTP, for now averting a strike that would have halted most film and television production. The studios thus far seem willing to address some of the main points of contention made by IATSE members. Workers would secure mandated rest periods as well as increased meal penalties on production companies, so that they can actually take breaks.

According to IATSE, the new contract would also include the “achievement of a livable wage for the lowest-paid earners” and “retroactive wage increases of three percent annually.” Although

the contract's details remain forthcoming, it would offer “improved wages and working conditions for streaming” media productions. So-called “new media” companies, like Amazon and Netflix, had been contributing less to worker benefits on their film and television productions and providing them shorter turnaround times between work shifts.

This latest labor dispute is bigger than just the immediate impact it could have had on the entertainment industry. More importantly, it's about the fundamental issues of realizing worker dignity, safety, and the right to an adequate standard of living.

Currently, thousands of nurses, miners, and factory workers, among others, are on strike in America. At first glance, workers may have the upper hand. And yet, big tech corporations still diminish the right of workers to receive healthcare and other entitlements by rebranding them as “gig workers.” This seeming victory for IATSE, at the moment, could very well inspire and rein-vigorate other drives for worker rights. But it also needs an organized labor movement across all industries to sustain such momentum in the days ahead.

IATSE members must still vote to approve the new three-year contract. What is clear in this case, however, is just how significant the threat of a major strike, buttressed by united union support, led to a breakthrough in negotiations between the workers and studios.

Loeb hailed the tentative agreement, declaring, “This is a Hollywood ending.” For the sake of film workers, let's hope their new contract with the studios provides them with the resolution they thoroughly deserve, rather than ongoing conflict destined for Hollywood sequels.

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As Mr. Spock Of Star Trek Would Say "This Is Illogical"

A discourse on the COVID - 19 crisis and vaccinations.

My Opinion: By D. B. Shimel

According to the dictator occupying the White House; “If everyone were vaccinated then the Pandemic would end”. Really! The true definition of a vaccine is to prevent one from getting a disease. Small Pox was eradicated from the human population by an effective vaccine.

Over half of the population of this Nation has received the “Vaccination”. If the vaccine is so effective, why have so many people who have been vaccinated gotten the COVID virus? Many vaccinated have died.

Is it logical to say that the vaccine really prevents people from getting COVID? “NO - it is illogical”.

If it does not prevent one from getting COVID what does it do?

Recently, the CDC changed the definition of what the word vaccine really means. The word Vaccine no longer means a prophylactic used in the prevention of a disease.

Ivermectin has proven to be of great value to those who have gotten the disease but the MSM has labeled it as poisonous. A recent article in the Rolling Stone magazine stated that in a town in Arizona the local hospital had to turn away people with gunshot wounds to treat people who overdosed with Ivermectin - the horse drug. The article turned out to be a total lie!

Ivermectin has proven to reduce the likelihood of getting COVID and increased the likelihood of survival. Monoclonal Antibody treatments are saving lives. Many states have opened clinics offering this life saving treatment. Now the CDC is regulating where government pro-

vided supplies of this life-saving medications are going - punishing non-complicit states by limiting the medication supply to “red” states.

What the CDC, Dr. Fauci and the MSM are not telling you is that all over the world the “vaccine” is killing people. Further, data show (data are always singular) that the majority of pregnant women who get the shot in the first and second trimester abort the baby. The data also points out that young men from teen years to their 30's are dying of heart diseases.

A retired nurse, recently testifying before a city council meeting, summed up the hysteria about the “unvaccinated”: “Why do the protected need protection from the unprotected by forcing the unprotected to use the protection that doesn't protect the protected in the first place?” A truly logical question!

How does this vaccine work? In an attempt to trick the body's immune system into creating antibodies, modified messenger-RNA (mRNA) molecules are injected into a person's body. This modification is a ‘spike protein’ that is attached to the mRNA.

According to several recognized virologists, an unintended consequence of the shot is: the injected mRNA molecules attach to the linings of the veins and capillaries. When the human body's immune system sees the mRNA, with its ‘spike protein’ attached to the linings of blood vessels the immune system attacks and destroys them. While destroying these invading molecules the body's immune system destroys the lining of the vessels as well.

If the vaccine is not truly a vaccine and may even present a real threat to the recipient then why is this travesty being perpetrated on America?

Simply put the answer lies in; “who profits”?

The big pharmaceutical companies (big pharma) and despotic oligarchs are those who profit.

Big pharma gains because our Government is paying these companies billions of dollars for a “vaccine” that is ineffective and perhaps dangerous. Who is paying the price? We Americans are!

The despotic oligarchs, in our government (federal, state and local), profits in two ways.

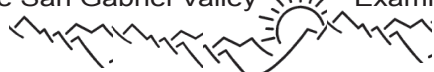
One way is through demanding compliance with their dictatorial mandates thus they gain control over the people through fear. The fear of getting a disease that has a survival rate of over 99%. Fear of losing one's job. Fear of being ostracized and prevented from enjoying a normal life. In some cases, the fear of being arrested and jailed for non-compliance.

The second way the politicians gain is through large contributions to their political campaigns made by big pharma and social media companies.

If our government does not require people to get the annual shot for influenza; and COVID is a member of the same family of viruses; then why does the government demand we get the vaccine?

Is any of this insanity logical? I survived COVID and most likely you can too!

Will the world survive the vaccine and the oligarchs who are profiting from it?



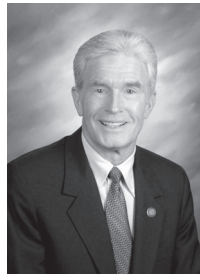
Volatility Continues as September Indicators Weaken

The end of the third quarter was finished off with the dismal market month of September. However, the historically powerful fourth quarter is here. October through December is usually when money is on the line. In the last 20 years the Dow Jones Industrials gained 4.5% during fourth quarters vs. a cumulative 1.2% gain in the first three quarters combined. That trend continued easily in a turbulent 2020, when the Dow was down 2.65% during the first nine months of 2020, then up 10.2% during the final quarter of 2020. But, 2021 has new obstacles facing the final quarter of 2021.

My colleagues on Wall Street are still expecting quarter-end window dressing to boost the most powerful growth stocks. That includes anticipated strong forecasts for sales, earnings, plus positive analyst revisions, which typically precede earnings surprises. October has been seasonally strong in the past 30+ years, and November is usually even stronger. Essentially what happens is that consumers cheer up as the holidays approach. When we gather with family and friend's consumer sentiment naturally rises. When consumer sentiment rises investor sentiment also improves, one reason year-end rallies are common. Additionally, year-end pension funding as well as bonus announcements typically start by Thanksgiving.

Might we see a festive spirit around the Thanksgiving and Christmas now that big crowds are returning to sporting events, vacation spots, ocean cruises? This administration's spending and liquidity pumped into the USA's economy also cannot be ignored. But all is not well, and investors will be keeping a close

In A Nutshell
What's up in the Economy?



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eye on rising costs as the Q3 earnings season kicks off. Price pressures could pose a problem for corporate profits in the current quarter and beyond. Supply chain bottlenecks, labor problems and outsized demand driven by excess cash are leading to shortages, while a jump in raw material costs is pressuring companies' bottom lines.

Recent vaccine mandates and related labor disruption caused by those mandates certainly can't be helpful. We should expect this battle between personal freedoms and government oppression to further challenge businesses during this fourth quarter. The airlines are already suffering because of government vaccine mandates, and many more industries will show visible stress if proposed additional government vaccine mandates for all companies with over 100 employees are implemented (as Biden proposed).

Costs have emerged as a great wild card for this quarter as well as the outlook for the economy. If companies continue having to pay more for products and labor, and they're unable to pass these higher costs on to end purchasers or consumers, profitability will suffer. Companies have already attempted several techniques to clamp down on costs,

such as cutting back on customer services and conveniences, or using shrinkflation, where product sizes are slimmed down but prices are kept the same.

Economists at Goldman Sachs have cut their outlook for U.S. growth this year and next, pointing to a delayed recovery in consumer spending. Growth of 5.6% on an annual basis is now expected in 2021. The pace of growth is decelerating, but it's still ongoing. Given the significant labor shortages and inflationary pressures, analysts on Wall Street will be looking to see if demand continues, and what transportation backlogs also mean for the important holiday spending period.

Stocks and U.S. Treasury's continue to be volatile after an extremely weak jobs report added to speculation about the Federal Reserve's plan to taper its bond-buying program. September was the slowest month for job growth this year, with just 194,000 jobs added compared to consensus estimates for a half-million, signaling a slowing of the labor market recovery, and perhaps complicating the Fed's decision on when to begin scaling back monetary support. This is the last jobs report before the November FOMC meeting. Inflation concerns pushed long-term interest rates higher, with the benchmark 10-year yield rising to 1.61%. No one, not even THE GREAT PRETENDER in the White House can paint this as a positive report.

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Your Money - Ask Julia

What other changes (besides 5.9-percent increase in benefits) are set for Social Security?

The 5.9-percent increase in benefits, starting in 2022, include benefit recipients of disability as well as retirement. Those who are employed and/or self-employed will pay social security tax on their earned income up to \$147,000. To qualify for SS benefits, you must accumulate 40 credits, limited to a max of 4 credits per year. Starting in 2022, you'll have to earn \$1,510 to get 1 credit. If you are receiving SS benefits and still working, your earned income limit increases by \$600/year to \$19,560. Earn more, and your SS check will be reduced by \$1 for every \$2 earned. During the months prior to your full-retirement-age birthday in 2022, you'll lose \$2 for every \$3 earned over the \$51,960 earnings limit. Benefits will not be withheld if you continue working after your full-retirement-age birthday.

I've been getting SO MANY phone calls and so much mail about enrolling in various Medicare Supplement and Prescription drug programs. How can I know if these guys are real or if they are fakes?

If you suspect that you are being taken advantage of, or have questions about an insurance offer, scheme, or agent, call the Dept. of Insurance 1-800-927-4357, or go to www.insurance.ca.gov Open



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enrollment is from October 1 to December 7, 2021. Here are some tips: 1. Make sure the person is a licensed insurance agent. 2. Don't accept uninvited sales calls of any kind. 3. Over the phone, never give out personal information (Medicare Card number, Social Security number, bank account numbers, or credit card information). 4. Be aware: Medicare has no official sales reps. 5. Federal regulations prohibit marketing of Medicare products wherever healthcare is delivered. 6. Federal regulations prohibit offering free meals for listening to a sales presentation or for signing up in a particular plan. 7. Federal regulations prohibit selling additional insurance products during any sales or marketing presentation for a Medicare Advantage or prescription drug plan. 8. Read and understand the plan.

Can I take money from my annuity to help a relative?

Contact your agent, or the annuity company to ask them the

particulars about your policy. Some allow you to take out up to 10% per year after the policy's first year (up to a pre-set amount of your initial investment), waiving the usual early-withdrawal contractual penalties and fees. You can spend the money you take from your annuity for any reason; it's your money. Annuities are great, and only become a nightmare if you do not follow the policy's rules. (Driving a vehicle is usually great, but can become a nightmare if you don't follow the rules of the road.) The most common mistake heirs make is to cash out an inherited annuity, sometimes losing thousands of dollars.

My mom served in the military. How do I help her get her VA card?

Find out where her local VA office is, and either present her 214 Discharge papers, (or they might be able to find her in their computer system), and fill out an application. Make an appointment with a VA patient advocate.

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Conserve-a-Palooza Returns with New Water-Efficiency Giveaways and Regional Partnerships

MONROVIA - Conserve-a-palooza has returned for a second year as the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (Upper District) ramps up its drought messaging and educates residents about the importance of continuing to conserve water. Conserve-a-palooza is a five-week online program where residents within Upper District's service area have an opportunity to win free water-use efficiency devices by answering conservation related trivia questions promoted on social media. The program will begin October 18th and will end the week of November 15th.

The trivia will be posted on Upper District's social media platforms - Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn - at the beginning of each week. Trivia questions will involve firescaping, landscaping with native plants, eliminating water waste, and trusting your tap. Residents who are interested in playing will

have until Thursday of every week to complete the trivia, in which three participants will be randomly selected as winners and announced every Friday by an Upper District Board Director.

Partnerships and sharing of resources are more important now more than ever as California undergoes another drought. To increase community awareness about current conditions and share valuable information from other agencies, Upper District is excited to partner with the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District and the Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster. Additionally, as an EPA WaterSense Partner, Upper District will incorporate WaterSense tips and resources made available to the public. Every week a new topic will be introduced and a "Water Smart Minute" video will be released that involve topics like "Waters that Connect Us" or eliminating breeding spots for mosquitos.

"We are excited to reintroduce Conserve-a-palooza and incorporate messaging from Watermaster and the SGV Mosquito and Vector Control District to reenergize the public to practice water-use efficiency," said Ed Chavez, Board President for Upper District. "Upper District, especially during this time of virtual learning, will continue to find innovative ways to creatively engage residents to conserve and encourage homeowners to switch to EPA WaterSense labeled devices."

Several giveaways include a collection of gift cards, \$300 native plants vouchers, high-efficiency washer machines, wireless rain sensors, leak detection kits, and smart irrigation controllers. To get the latest information and trivia, visit www.upperdistrict.org/conserveapalooza/. Follow Upper District's social media handle, @upperdistrict, to start playing.

National Federation Of Business And Professional Women's Clubs Advocate For Displaced Afghan Women

Washington, D.C.-The National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs (NFBPWC) have begun outreach and support to welcome the displaced women arriving from Afghanistan. The immediate goal of the Afghan Women Project is fundraising to provide much-needed clothing. This is part of a larger endeavor aimed at helping the women integrate rapidly into our American way of life through mentoring, advocacy, allyship, and acculturation ini-

tiatives. NFBPWC will open paths to professional business resources and provide practical assistance and mentoring to those who seek career and business advice. Our practical intervention is aimed to fill a gap in government resettlement services.

"As visas are processed and the women wait to be resettled, we are hearing first-hand what we can do to help. Most displaced Afghans left wearing only the clothing on their backs. Although the women have ac-

cess to clothing and supplies at U.S. military base retail centers, the clothing designed for female military personnel is inappropriate for those who practice hijab (modest clothing). We are on a mission to elevate the needs of these women" said Megan Shellman-Rickard, President of NFBPWC. Donations to the project will be accepted through a fundraising campaign which is open until October 31, 2021. To donate, please visit <https://www.nfbpwc.org/Donate>.

Repairophobia

What is repairophobia, you ask? It is the fear of auto repair. When I read this term, I said to myself, "Yes, it is about time it had a name!" What are the reasons consumers have this dreaded condition?

- Many consumer news reporters love to feature a certain shop or auto repair chain routinely ripping drivers off. They go under cover and take a well-maintained vehicle into the shop and then share with the public the long list of repair items the shop claims are needed. This hurts all auto repair shops, not just the culprit who apparently can't earn enough money being honest. The majority of auto repair shops are honest, hard working individuals. The con artists are few and far between.

- Consumers are worried that they won't have enough money if they take their vehicle in for routine maintenance and the service advisor informs them they need a repair as well. They hadn't budgeted for more than the routine service. Always ask for a price before you tell any shop to proceed with a repair. If you can't afford to have it done right then, tell them you will have to come back at another time.
- Consumers may be pressed for time and don't want to be without their vehicle for very long. Even if the shop offer rides to and from home or work, they like the convenience of having their ride ready to go when they are.
- Consumers aren't experts in auto repair! They may be highly

intelligent individuals, but this isn't their area of expertise. Ask the service advisor to explain what is needed in layman terms. If they start spouting off phrases you don't understand, tell them. It is up to them to make you feel comfortable. If you are at the shop when they are explaining, tell them to show you. If you are on the telephone, get an explanation you feel good about.

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Retired Teachers Week to Be Celebrated November 7-13

Do you remember your fourth-grade teacher? Your freshman teacher in high school? Most likely, you do! And your Retired Teachers never forget their students and are still concerned about education.

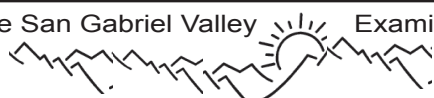
Each year the California Retired Teachers Association (CalRTA) celebrates its founding by holding a Retired Teachers Week. This year's celebration is November 7-13. Founded in 1929 by Pasadena teacher Laura Settle, the young CalRTA had only six members. Now the state organization has over 40,000 members!

Although retired, these retirees make an impact on their local communities. Volunteering is a major contribution CalRTA retirees make. Many volunteer in the classroom or in community organizations. Recent volunteer services by teacher retirees add up to two million hours, which translate to \$65 million!

Of equal importance is that CalRTA members, like other public employees, give back to their communities and the state economically through pension spending. This spending results in jobs for many as well as increased federal, state, and local tax revenues.

Finally, Retired Teachers make direct contributions to their communities through classroom teacher grants and scholarships to future teachers. This year the California Retired Teachers Association is giving forty \$100 grants to classroom teachers. Those interested may sign up on the website: <https://calrta.org/teacher-grants/...no> strings attached!

Membership in CalRTA is open to all retired teachers as well as to any others interested in joining this active organization. For membership information, call Patricia Dietrich at (626) 446-8437 or go online to calrta.com.



Around the Valley & Senior News

"TIME JOCKEY" - The Gold Rush Spread

They Came From All Over...
On January 24, 1848, James Marshall discovered a nugget of gold along the shores of the American River and word slowly trickled out of the historic discovery. By June 1848, the announcement hit Hawaii, then word reached Oregon. By August, news spread to Mexico, Chile and Peru and soon thousands of immigrants were figuring ways to get to the goldfields of California. Americans from the Eastern states only started to arrive California by mid-1849 but once they started coming it was hard to stop them from arriving and became the start of the "49ers" and the California Gold Rush.



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possession of the United States for less than 3 years after being a Spanish-Mexican possession for over 200 years.

The largest group of immigrants to come to California were the Mexicans or "Sonorans" as they were called. The Sonorans came in the quickest and fastest moving north from Mexico, traveling 3 days to gold fields, establishing their claims and then started to pan for gold. But the dominance by the Sonorans ended when American prospectors arrived and soon conflicts resulted between both groups. Heated and violent conflicts erupted and tensions escalated between the different mining parties. In time, the Sonorans decided they could take no more and slowly began to withdraw back to the Mexico. It was a difficult role to accept as California had only been a

Europeans from Germany, England, Ireland and Scotland were readily accepted by the American miners as were Austrians as they were Caucasians, and even Australians from the English penal colony were welcomed. But Chinese immigrants received the worst treatment of all and were given menial and demeaning jobs and roles. Only Native Americans were treated just as poorly and their lands were easily taken by the Anglo miners. Oft times, contests were held to determine if Chinese immigrants were "below" the stature of Native Americans. In one contest, Chinese immigrants were forcibly pushed into a river to see if they could survive and when they drowned because they

could not swim, it was deemed that their stature was below that of a Native American because Native Americans knew how to swim.

Such was life in the goldfields of California with racial and ethnic tensions existing among the different nationalities trying to live together with a common goal of gaining economic prosperity and survival. During the early 1850's, California was a lawless state with only vigilante law, law by force and discrimination becoming the self-appointed rule of law. The California Gold Rush brought a large number of people of different backgrounds and countries from around the world to California in search of a precious metal. Combine this event with change of California from a Mexican territory to the 31st State of the United States made for an almost perfect scenario that would create a "boiling point" of racial and ethnic tensions that had not been seen before in California, and would start California on a path of trying to figure out how a large and growing population could live happily and safely together....

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Seen Or Heard Around Town And All Around

By Ed Torres

1. Some folks familiar with the ongoing "Durham Report", are rankled that the investigation seems to have moved along at the speed of a glacier — explanation: almost as slow as a dead snail (R.I.P. little snail) — others who are also familiar with the report, hope it melts into *nothingness*... While some old guys, really old (surprisingly), wonder if it's a report about "Bull Durham Tobacco", and say they want some.

2. Some people, apparently, believe that if others do not agree with them on any political issue, the others ought to be *banned-from-society*... They have forgotten or were not aware, that *America* is a "TEAM", and to accomplish *team goals*, Americans of all types and views need to work together, harmoniously... Folks, *time out*: what happened to interparty *political camaraderie*, commonsensical courtesy and *Freedom of Speech*?

3. A couple of adolescents (in a public place), oblivious to their surroundings, were overheard saying to themselves, that because they had not liked the *ethnic* composition of their prior school, their families *arranged* to have them *move* to a different city... Even so, in spite of what some might hear or say, great strides *HAVE* been taken toward the improvement of ethnic and race relations in America.

4. Generally speaking, some *seem to suggest* that, for example, regarding the mandated Corona Virus "vaccinations", *any views* expressed in opposition, have no merit, and are simply an attempt to undermine President Biden...

5. It appears that many national *news organizations*, seem to care less about offering clear facts and sensible explanations — in their *news* articles and reports — and more about presenting *PERSUASIVE ESSAYS*, trying to sway readers or listeners to a par-

ticular point-of-view... But, buckaroos, *news stories* and persuasive essays are not the same thing.

6. Coach Urban Meyer has coached college teams, successfully, for years, and is the current coach of an NFL team... Periodically, according to some, he has suggested that he is a *good religious man*... Recently, a video showed Coach Meyer at a "sports bar" — and a possibly intoxicated younger woman, backing up to him and performing a *grinding dance*... The video, reportedly, then showed the (middle aged-grandfather) coach, touching the young woman with his hand, in a *lecherous* manner — some believe that he is not who he presents himself to be... In the recent past, Coach Meyer has been mentioned as possibly being, once again, a future college coach — at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles.

7. One day you're a child sitting on your mother's lap, the next you're working to put food on the table and saving money for emergencies, then you're looking in the mirror, wondering who that old haggard person is looking back... In later life, while reminiscing about the past: time did fly those times you were having fun, and even when you weren't...

8. Some who support legal

abortions (seem to say), that they do so in *good conscience*, because they fear that otherwise, abortions would be performed by *back-alley quacks* (not referring to duck quack quacks)...

9. Some parents and grandparents, who believe their "kids" are being indoctrinated by their teachers and professors — with political views with which they disagree — seem to be incapable or unwilling to counteract the supposed *indoctrination* of their "children"... Are parents *lallygagging*? Yes, *lallygagging*, that's the question...

10. America does not prepare enough of its people to fill positions in certain fields, such as in medicine — and it seems the nation too is deficient in training enough of the non-university prepared work-people it needs (such as "tradesmen" and truck drivers)... Those in government, and in business & industry, who are responsible for overseeing the nation's economy, apparently have not had the vision to foresee and create, needed programs — work programs to keep up with the nation's economic demands... But, some say there does seem to be an over-abundance of college educated "hamburger flippers", with \$100,000 college loans to pay...

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Anita May Baldwin Statue To Be Unveiled At Le Méridien Hotel

ARCADIA - The Anita May Baldwin Statue at the Le Méridien Hotel will be unveiled on Monday, **October 25** at 11:00 a.m. Anita is the daughter of the City's founder, Elias Jackson "Lucky" Baldwin. Famed artist Alfred Paredes, who created the Elias Jackson "Lucky" Baldwin statue on the corner of Huntington Drive and Holly Avenue, has finished sculpting his daughter Anita, where she will be featured on the opposite end of the Huntington Drive islands' hotel property.

"We are very excited to be bringing Anita back to Arcadia," said Mayor Sho Tay. "I would like to thank the Shen, Liu and Chen Families, Jeff Lee, the Dextra Baldwin McGonagle Foundation, Heather D. Gibson and Margaux L. Gibson, and the Arcadia Historical Society, for their generous donations."

"I am honored to have the opportunity to recognize one of the founding women of Arcadia, not

only for her role in the development of Arcadia but also for her charitable contributions to the San Gabriel Valley," said Council Member April A. Verlatto. "I am grateful to the City Council for unanimously supporting my motion to dedicate the artwork on this corner to the legacy of Anita Baldwin and for all the generous donations from the community that made this dream a reality."

The Anita statue was sculpted by local artist and southern California native, Alfred Paredes, and is aptly named, "A Legacy of Charity" in honor of Anita's contributions to life in early Arcadia and throughout California. "On behalf of the Baldwin family, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the Arcadia City Council, the Arcadia Historical Society, the Le Méridien Hotel and all those who have supported this effort to pay homage to my great-great grandmother, Anita May Baldwin," said Ms. Margaux Gibson. "This magnificent statue

of Anita will showcase a strong woman who was ahead of her time. I am proud to call Anita May Baldwin my great-great grandmother, and I am truly proud to be a part of this historic project."

The Le Méridien Hotel's Grand Opening Celebration is also being held on October 25, 2021.

Historical Society Tribute to Claudia & Alan Heller

DUARTE - The Duarte Historical Society & Museum invites you to a Tribute to honor Claudia & Alan Heller on Friday, October 22, 2021.

Claudia Heller is retiring as President of the Duarte Historical Museum Board. Both Claudia and Alan have been enthusiastic volunteers for Du-

arte. Please join us for an evening full of memories and a stroll down memory lane. Tickets are available through the Duarte Museum website ranchoduarte.org/heller-tribute. Questions? Call or text Holiday Heller at 909.262.7668.

Gift Shop Fall Craft Fair

ARCADIA - Just in time for the holidays, the Arcadia Community Center Gift Shop is hosting the Fall Craft Fair on Saturday, **October 23** from 9am to 2pm at the Community Center, 365 Campus Drive. The Fall Craft Fair is free and open to the public. It will feature many one-of-a-kind-items: jewelry, sweaters, floral ar-

rangements, pillows, wreaths, t-shirts, ornaments, and many more hand-crafted items. A live band, Global Affair, will provide music entertainment and there will be two \$50 gift card drawings during the event. For more information call the Recreation and Community Services Department, Senior Services at 626.574.5130.

FPH Auxiliary Announce 2021 Scholarship Winners

GLENDORA - The Emanate Health FPH Auxiliary is pleased to recognize the outstanding students who received scholarships this year. These winners are working towards a degree in the medical profession. Thanks to the fundraising of the Hospital Auxiliary and the Junior Volunteers, along with the generosity of The Emanate Health Foundation,

individuals and families, 12 scholarships were awarded.

2021 Scholarship Recipients: Sarah Eltiste, Corina Michelle Cervantes, Victoria Olivas, Megan Kong, Kayla Carter, Sam Gennaoui, Nadine Ghezzi, Angela Prince, Audrey Nicole Canoy, Iris Loaiza, Christopher Rivera, Gabriel Tyler Macias.

- ACROSS**
- *Core of Persia today
 - *Belgian village where Roman soldiers enjoyed warm mineral springs
 - Pitch symbol
 - More luminous star
 - Abbott and Costello or Rocky and Bullwinkle
 - Eurasian goat-like antelope
 - Team's ranking
 - Make someone angry
 - Mix in
 - *Formerly Ceylon (2 words)
 - What tide does half the time
 - Reggae subgenre
 - Back then
- STATEPOINT CROSSWORD**
- ___ profundo
 - Depleted (2 words)
 - Wet firecracker
 - Catch in a net
 - Hip bones
 - Dormer without D
 - Schiller's poem
 - "It is silent" in sheet music
 - Discharge
 - Admirer
 - Earlier in time than, archaic
 - Not out (2 words)
 - Pinocchio and his kind
 - Evergreen creeper
 - "A League of Their Own" member, e.g.
 - Command to a fly

CROSSWORD

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- THEME: ON AN OLD MAP**
- *Formerly Siam
 - Rain forest ruminant
 - Irish for Ireland
 - It's under a fig leaf?
 - Shockingly graphic
 - Impersonator
 - Manlike man-eater of fairy tales
 - Crunchable information
 - Popular '60s drug
 - A _____ move
- DOWN**
- Opposite of outs
 - Fish eggs, pl.
 - Affirm solemnly
 - Lowest points
 - Seeking damages
 - Kenosha Kickers' music
 - On the sea
 - *Once named Kampuchea
 - Trunk appendage
 - Shining armor
 - Facsimile machine
 - Fire-starter in fairy tales
 - Trojan War military action
 - Red-dot pointer, e.g.
 - Cigar residue

October 14, 2021 Puzzle Solution

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Azusa City Council Appoints Dennis Beckwith To Fill Vacant Council Position

Councilmember to Fill Temporary Appointment Until Nov. 2022 General Election

AZUSA—At their public special meeting on October 13, 2021, the Azusa City Council conducted candidate interviews and appointed Dennis Beckwith as the City's newest Councilmember. Mr. Beckwith, who serves as the Director of Development for Gift and Estate Planning at Azusa Pacific University, fills the Council seat left vacant by the unexpected passing of former Councilmember Uriel E. Macias in August of this year. Per the California Government Code, Mr. Beckwith can hold the seat until the next general municipal election in November 2022. He would be eligible to run for the Council seat in that election, as voters decide who will fill the seat for the remainder of the term expiring in November 2024.



Azusa Councilmember Dennis Beckwith

The City held an open application process whereby any registered voter in Azusa could apply for the vacant Council seat. The City received eight applications, and vetted all applicants in a public meeting, offering an opportunity for the candidates to introduce themselves, respond to Council questions, and address community members present.

"While the reason we are here is solemn in nature, this also marks an important moment for the City of Azusa", said Mayor Gonzales. "Mr. Beckwith is a longtime resident of our community and brings new strengths and ideas to our City's leadership. A

special thank you to all the dedicated community members who took their time to apply for this open position, and to our city staff for their due diligence in ensuring a professional and timely process through such difficult circumstances," he said.

Mr. Beckwith took the oath of office on Thursday afternoon, October 14, and his appointment was formally ratified at Monday's regular City Council meeting.

"I look forward to building upon the good work of the City Council, staff and our diverse community partners in moving this city forward. I am humbled by the circumstances of this appointment and deeply honored for the opportunity to serve our community in this new capacity. I firmly believe in the potential and future of Azusa and pledge to do all I can to work in the best interest of our residents", said Mr. Beckwith.

Citrus College Governing Board Member Dr. Edward C. Ortell Passes Away At Age 82

GLENDORA - Edward C. Ortell, J.D., who served on the Citrus Community College District Board of Trustees for more than 50 years, passed away on Oct. 16, 2021, at the age of 82.

First elected to the board of trustees in 1969, Dr. Ortell represented Trustee Area 3, which includes Duarte and portions of Azusa, Monrovia, Arcadia, Covina and Irwindale. In 2020, he was honored for being the longest-serving community college trustee in the state of California.

A staunch advocate for community colleges, Dr. Ortell will be remembered by his colleagues as a public servant who demonstrated an unwavering and dedicated commitment to Citrus College and its students.

"The board extends our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Dr. Ortell," said Dr. Patricia A. Rasmussen, president of the Citrus Community College District Board of Trustees. "For more than 50 years, Dr. Ortell has advocated on behalf of all community colleges and was instrumental in helping promote significant initiatives at Citrus College. I served alongside Dr. Ortell since 2007, and I will always remember him for his passion, devotion and commitment. This loss is enormous, and we will all miss him tremendously."

Prior to Dr. Ortell's election, the Citrus Junior College District expanded to include students from Claremont, Duarte and Monrovia. Soon after he took office, the district was renamed the Citrus Community College District to reflect the college's evolving role.

As a trustee, Dr. Ortell held all board offices, including more than 10 terms as board president. He also served on other boards and associations, including the California Community College



Dr. Edward C. Ortell - Citrus College Governing Board Member

Trustees Board, the California Master Plan for Education Task Force and the Los Angeles County School Trustees Association.

Throughout his tenure, Dr. Ortell provided extraordinary vision and guidance for Citrus College. Areas of growth during his time on the board included the expansion of student services, an increase in the rates of students transferring to four-year colleges and universities, the introduction of new vocational education programs, and the construction of many new buildings, such as the Haugh Performing Arts Center.

"Our Citrus College community is deeply saddened by the passing of Trustee Edward C. Ortell," said Dr. Greg Schulz, superintendent/president of Citrus College. "He was a visionary leader who expertly helped the college navigate five decades of change and innovation with passion and enthusiasm. A community college graduate himself, Dr. Ortell was a tireless champion of higher education and fiercely believed in the transformative power of community colleges. His loss is not only felt at Citrus College, but throughout the San Gabriel Valley. Our thoughts and condolences go out to Dr. Ortell's family during this ex-

traordinarily difficult time."

A professor emeritus of business and computer technology at Pasadena City College, Dr. Ortell also authored two college textbooks on mathematics and received several National Science Foundation grants. He was also the former executive director of the Pasadena Education Association. Additional honors include receiving the CBS anchor Ralph Story Service Award, the Community College Association We Honor Ours Award and the Duarte Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Civic Service Award.

Upon receiving the Community College League of California Fulfilling the Trust award for the third time in April 2020, Dr. Ortell reflected on his many years of service:

"Receiving this recognition from the Community College League of California is very humbling. It is definitely an honor to be among those whose service to the state and its students is being celebrated," Dr. Ortell remarked in 2020. "I am very appreciative of the support that the citizens of Duarte have shown me throughout the past 50 years, and I am grateful for the opportunity to collaborate with my fellow board members, as well as with Citrus College faculty, staff and administrators."

Bikers Come Together and Answer the Call to Help Family



Bikers answer the call for a fundraising event for fallen rider.

By George Ogden
WEST COVINA - The SGV bikers rallied together to raise money for the family of a motorcycle rider that was killed on 60 freeway near Euclid Avenue a few weeks back (early Sept). The unidentified biker, a 25-year-old rider who was on 2021 Harley Davidson, made an evasive move to avoid a vehicle and went down and was ejected off the bike. The rider was then hit and run over

by a tractor-trailer semi. The rider was pronounced dead at the scene.

When the call went out, they came by the hundreds. They gathered in West Covina to raise funds which include serving of food and donations requests.

The family was greatly appreciative of the efforts of all that came out to support the event and generous donations.

Community Articles Are Welcome

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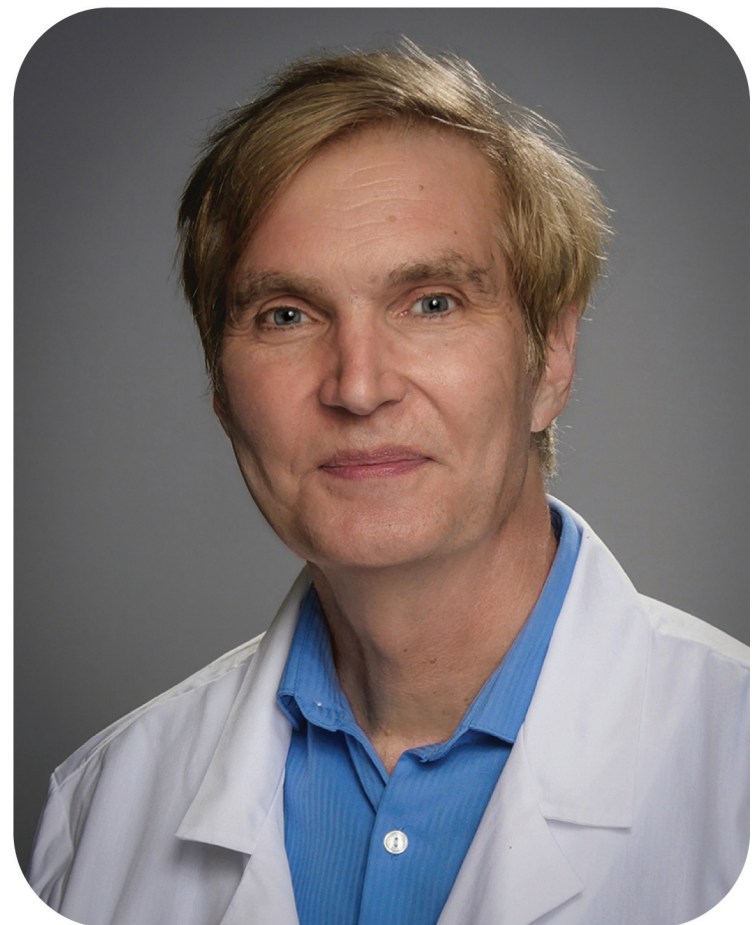


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