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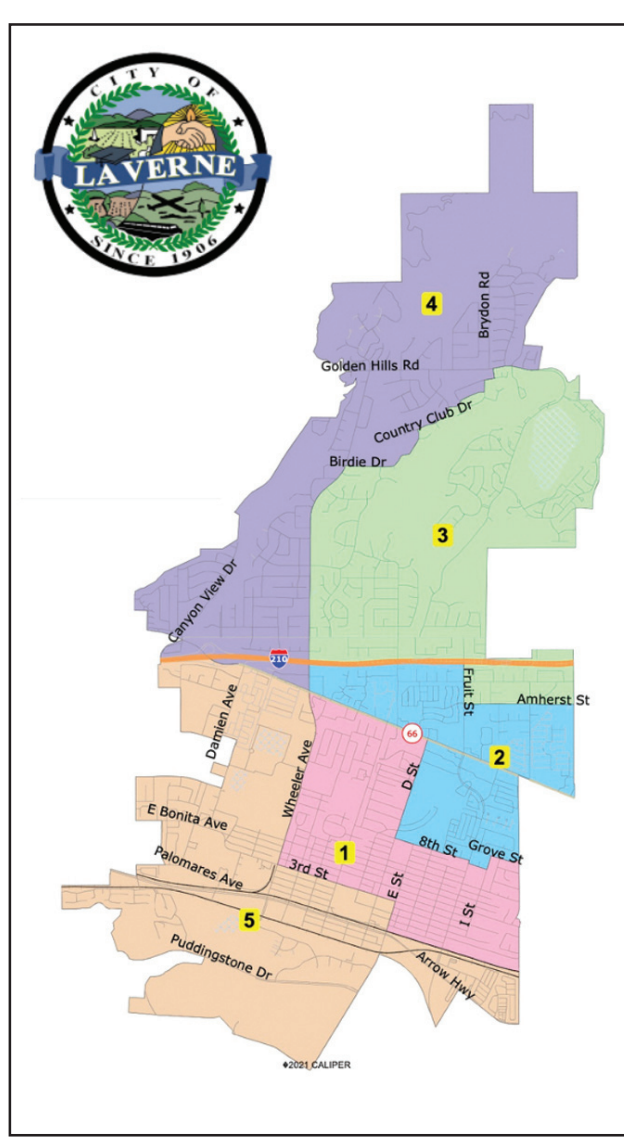
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# La Verne Adopts Council District Map For June 2022 Election

**LA VERNE** – After going through the districting process and months of deliberation, the La Verne City Council adopted a map of the city with five districts which established a new by-district electoral system with a rotating mayor in the City of La Verne.

Prior to selecting a map, the La Verne City Council voted in favor of adopting a map with five districts and a rotating mayor rather than a four-district system with a mayor elected at-large. The Council then adopted Ordinance No. 1106, which immediately established the five council district electoral system and adopted their preferred map. Council also moved to introduce Ordinance No. 1107, which also establishes the same new election system but does so through a process that requires two readings. Once the ordinances have been codified, the City will be sending out notices alerting voters of the changes.

Both ordinance approaches were utilized to ensure the City had legal backing to show it had met the State's December 15 deadline. The second reading of Ordinance No. 1107 adopting this election system and map will be held on Monday, December 6



**ADOPTED COUNCIL DISTRICT MAP**

**June 2022 Election**  
Districts 1, 3 & 4

**March 2024 Election**  
Districts 2 & 5

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at 6:30 p.m. Ultimately, this new election system will be utilized for the City's next election,

which will be held in June 2022. The map adopted by Council includes district boundaries along Wheeler Avenue, Foothill Boulevard and D Street.

With this approval, the City determined when each district seat will be up for election. Districts 1, 3 and 4 (the two districts north of the 210 Freeway as well as the district that captures most of the Downtown La Verne area) will be up for election in June 2022. The two remaining districts, Districts 2 and 5, which encapsulate southwest La Verne and the eastern district bordered by D Street, the 210 Freeway and 8th Street, will be up for election

in March 2024. The City's local election timeline follows the State's primary dates. In gubernatorial election years, they are conducted in June. In presidential election years, La Verne's local elections are conducted in March. La Verne voters will vote for a council representative in the election when the district seat of their residence is open. Residents can determine which district they live in by accessing this interactive map. The adoption of Ordinance No. 1107 will complete La Verne's districting process. In July, the City of La Verne hired the National Demographics Cor-

poration to guide the City's districting process, which included four legally required public hearings, evaluating and revising draft maps and receiving public comment on communities of interest and map submissions. Beginning in September, the City held one virtual public hearing and three hybrid hearings to solicit public feedback.

Throughout the process, NDC sought feedback from the public to identify and protect communities of interest in the mapping process. Eligible draft maps and comments submitted by the public were posted to the Draft Maps page prior to the third and fourth hearings.

The La Verne community submitted approximately 30 drafted maps, and NDC produced four maps utilizing public feedback on maps, communities of interest and geographical landmarks. During the third hearing, NDC presented the first publication of draft maps to the City Council and gathered feedback from the community and City Council. During the fourth public hearing, NDC presented additional community-submitted maps and the City Council voted to adopt Ordinance No. 1106 and introduce Ordinance No. 1107, as discussed above.

Once Ordinance No. 1107 goes into effect in January 2022, La Verne residents will be notified via mailer or some other similar communications method. The mailer will outline how the new by-district electoral system will affect voters in the June 2022 election and beyond. Questions regarding the City's new by-district election system can contact the City Clerk's Office at (909) 596-8726 or email [cityclerk@cityoflaverne.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityoflaverne.org).

## Monrovia's Thankful & Grateful Holiday Gathering



Monrovia's Grateful Tree all lit up during the Thankful and Grateful Holiday Gathering.

**By Joan Schmidt**  
**MONROVIA** - Last Thursday fellow MAD Town Council Members Michelle Wright, Linda Sells and I attended a new wonderful event presented by the City of Monrovia: "Thankful and Grateful Holiday Gathering."

This community celebration was designed to show the city's gratitude to all who make Monrovia special and rejoice in its diversity. Tina Cherry, Director of Community Services, and her staff did a superb job planning and coordinating this event. There was a delicious meal for dignitaries prior to festivities, and we signed a poster with Monrovia's Pledge on it: "We are honored to be residents, business members, community leaders in the Gem City of the San Gabriel Valley foothills. We are thankful for the opportunity to learn more about our neighbors and grateful for this time to embrace and rejoice our diversity. We are committed to engage in and

contribute to the diverse world around us and facilitate opportunities that result in effective and meaningful participation. We are proud Monrovia. November 2021."

The awesome event was at Library Park. There were free game booths on one side, provided by local organizations such as a bean bag toss, and spinning wheel. On the other side, all kinds of neat activities: arts and crafts, making wreaths, and photos with Santa. Police Chief Alan Sanvictores and Fire Chief Brad Dover also were there with their respective vehicles. There even were free carriage rides.

When the program began, Tina welcomed us and introduced the Mayor and City Council who thanked all attendees. There were presentations by Supervisor Barger, and Representatives from the offices of Senator Anthony Portantino (Kristi Lopez) and Assemblywoman Blanca

Rubio. Also Tracy Cooper-Harris from Congresswoman Grace Napolitano's Office not only presented a Proclamation to the City, but also a Certificate of Recognition to Council Member Larry Spicer for his great support of Military Academy Day in the 32nd Congressional District. Larry himself is a Veteran who served in Korea. His son Larry Jr. graduated from the Air Force Academy this year.

Great entertainment included Christmas songs and music performances by the middle and elementary schools' talented students, ending with the little ones from the Canyon Early Learning Center. Santa arrived and the tree was lit. After the tree was lit, we were treated to the talented Folklorio Dancers. People of all ages had such a great time- the entertainment, the games, activities for the kids, carriage rides and photos with Santa! Thank you Monrovia! What a wonderful evening!

## Weddings Post Covid-19: The Girls Behind The Dress



Five staffers were there that night to help the brides. I ask them if I could take their picture. They agree, letting the brides continue finding whatever will make their dream come true.

**By Jenny Park**  
Kendall Scarone rocks a black leather jacket on a Tuesday night. She's working at Luv Bridal as weddings post Covid-19 are getting back to normal. Having made a wrong turn on the 10 Eastbound Los Angeles, exiting the freeway in a suspiciously graffitied neighborhood, I saw a lone bright light turned on inside a building. White dresses in a wedding dress shop? Yes, please. The last time I tried on a wedding dress was in Brea and the shop was going out of business. Kendall asks me, "When is the wedding date?"

"There is no wedding date. I just wanted to browse."  
"Sure, but you'll have to book an appointment to try on the dresses. Feel free to have some refreshments, anyways," Scarone states as she walks past a fully stocked fridge filled with sodas and water bottles.  
Post pandemic, and the building was filled with groups of people giving their advice about a dress. Families, friends, and back-seat drivers are giving their opinions. Two fitting rooms are occupied and opened and two women are wearing trying on wedding dresses.

"We get to play dress-up for hours," states Jezebel, another staff member at Luv Bridal.  
The wedding gown industry still dominated by production in China, is still connected with the myriad ladies whose dream it is to walk down that aisle. Is it truly worth the dress? I look at the price tag and whistle. Samples are in the triple digits with other high-end dresses in quadruple digits. The one I like is a size 4. Not happening anytime soon.  
"It's really a special moment for the brides and you feel it's an honor to help them find what they are dreaming about," said Aileen.

# Covina's K9 Finds Meth During Traffic Stop



Covina Police Department's K9 Jarno does a photo op with the meth he found. (CPD Photo)

By George Ogden

**COVINA** - On Saturday night, November 18th, Officer Ryan Rasmussen and his K-9 partner Jarno with the Covina police department conducted a traffic stop. During the stop, Jarno alerted Officer Rasmussen that it had detected drugs on the vehicle. Upon further investigation, they located about 65 pounds of methamphetamine during that traffic stop.

Officer Ryan Rasmussen K-9 has been with the Covina police department since 2015. He has become a favorite with the officers and the community.

Back in January of 2017, Jarno, a Belgian Malinois who was 4-years-old at the time, was walking with Rasmussen

when a stray pit bull attacked the K-9 in the 500 block of East Roland Street, near Barranca Avenue. The pit bull headed straight for the K-9 and it locked its jaws on the stomach of Jarno and would not let go, tearing at his flesh. K-9s are taught not to fight with other dogs, so Jarno would not defend himself. The pit bull would not let go until Rasmussen used his taser on the pit bull and he let go and ran off.

Jarno was taken to a veterinarian and was out of service for some time. He has since had a full recovery and working the streets with his partner Officer Rasmussen for the drug bust. He is doing very well for the police department and the community.

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## Allocating Homeless Housing and Prevention Program (HHAP) Funding to Support Cities Interested in Pursuing Homekey Funding from the State

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY** - The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a motion authored by Chair Hilda L. Solis, Supervisor to the First District, and co-authored by Supervisor Janice Hahn on allocating Homeless Housing and Prevention Program (HHAP) funding to support cities interested in pursuing Homekey funding from the State of California.

"Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, Los Angeles County has taken many actions to reduce and prevent the spread of the virus among people experiencing homelessness, including rapidly standing up temporary housing at hotels and motels through Project Homekey," said Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Chair Hilda L. Solis, Supervisor to the First District. "The program has served as a beacon of hope, enabling us to immediately bring some of our most vulnerable indoors to pro-

tect them from contracting COVID-19 and to set them on a path to permanent housing. To that end, it is critical that we continue to use every resource to protect the health and safety of our unhoused neighbors. This motion seeks to do just that - allow the County to support cities to help increase the supply of interim and permanent housing for people experiencing homelessness."

The State of California's Project Homekey Round 1 provided funding to local jurisdictions to purchase hotels and other properties to be used as interim or permanent housing for people experiencing homelessness. Los Angeles County was awarded \$108 million and used the funds to purchase 10 properties with a total of approximately 850 rooms. Two of those Round 1 Homekey sites are in the First District in the cities of Baldwin Park and Commerce.

The state has nearly doubled the amount of funding available in Project Homekey Round 2, providing considerable capital funding for jurisdictions, including cities, to acquire properties. In addition, through this program, the State also offers limited operating funding to applicants that can demonstrate an ability to "match" these funds. However, for some cities, the ability to provide matching operating dollars is a barrier to pursuing Project Homekey and developing housing for people experiencing

homelessness in their jurisdictions.

"Project Roomkey and its sister-program Project Homekey have been two of the most effective tools we have ever had to address homelessness," shared Supervisor Hahn. "I am not surprised so many cities, like Redondo Beach, want to use this model and set up their own Project Homekey sites and we should help them get the funding they need to do it."

The motion approved today directs the County's Chief Executive Office to allocate up to \$2.5 million from the County's initial disbursement of HHAP Round 3 funds to commit operating funds to cities within the County that are not eligible to receive HHAP funding directly from the state and that are pursuing funding through the State's Homekey Round 2 program to develop or acquire permanent housing for people experiencing homelessness.

The motion also directs the County's Chief Executive Office to identify up to \$7.5 million in additional funding, which may include but not be limited to HHAP Round 3 or HHAP Round 4 funds, to enable the County to fully commit to providing cities that are not eligible to receive HHAP funding directly from the state with the amount of local funding needed to draw down the State's Homekey Round 2 operating subsidy.

## Stray Bullet Kills 13-Year Old in His Bedroom

By George Ogden

**PASADENA** - Pasadena police has reported that a 13-year-old boy who was playing video games in his bedroom was killed when a stray bullet was shot into his room on Saturday, November 20. The shooting happened just after 6 p.m. when the bullet came through the window, striking the young teen and killing him.

Police stated that three to five shots were fired in the area, with

one bullet entering the teen's room.

The boy's family took him to an area hospital, but there was nothing they could do and he was pronounced dead on arrival.

The Pasadena Police have requested that if you know anything about this tragic incident, or you saw anything, to please come forward to the Pasadena Police Department. They will keep your information anonymous.

## Hahn Wants Law Enforcement Agencies that Contract with Metro to Have and Enforce Employee Vaccination Mandates

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY** - The Los Angeles Metro Board of Directors Operations, Safety, and Customer Experience Committee unanimously approved a motion by Supervisor Janice Hahn which require law enforcement agencies that contract with Metro to enforce a COVID-19 vaccination mandate for their employees. The motion was adopted as an amendment to an item which would extend Metro's contracts with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, the Los Angeles Police Department, and the Long Beach Police Department and will be voted on by the

full Metro Board on December 2, 2021.

"We need to reimagine public safety on Metro and invest in alternatives to armed officers," said Supervisor Hahn. "In the meantime, we should not extend contracts with law enforcement agencies if they will not make sure their employees are vaccinated. Keeping our riders safe means considering their health too."

If the full Metro Board of Directors approves the item on December 2nd, law enforcement agencies will need to enforce a vaccination mandate for their

employees by July 2022 or lose their contract with Metro. This would include the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

LA Metro currently contracts with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, the Los Angeles Police Department, and the Long Beach Police Department, and is undertaking an ambitious effort to reimagine public safety on its buses, trains, and at its stations. Supervisor Hahn has been a proponent of this work including an effort to bring in trained mental health professionals from the LA County Department of Mental Health.

## Decriminalizing Mobility Through Implementation of the Vision Zero Action Plan

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY** - The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a motion authored by Chair Hilda L. Solis, Supervisor to the First District, and co-authored by Supervisor Janice Hahn on addressing the injustices exposed by the Los Angeles Times analysis which revealed that out of more than 44,000 bike stops made by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) since 2017, 70% involved Latino bicyclists.

"I am deeply concerned that despite talk of reform, more training, and better policies, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department has not addressed the systemic issues of biased policing. In fact, it's only become more pronounced, including in the simple and free act of riding a bicycle," shared Chair Solis. "Bicyclists sometimes operate their bikes on the sidewalks because they feel unsafe competing for road space with cars, especially when bike lanes are nonexistent. Unfortunately, that practice is currently prohibited under Los Angeles County Code, and that provision was used by the Sheriff's Department as the reason to stop bicyclists 8% of the time. The County's Vision Zero Action Plan proposes revising our Code to legalize the operation of bicycles on sidewalks. This proposal is low-hanging fruit that will begin addressing the injustices exposed by the Los Angeles Times' analysis. Biking to work, to run errands, or to school should not be a crime. Instead, residents should have the privilege to use

their bicycle without fear of profiling."

According to the Los Angeles Times' analysis, the stops have been used by the LASD as a tool to "fight crime." However, searches conducted during these stops resulted in finding illegal items just 8 percent of the time and seizing weapons less than 0.5 percent of the time. These bike stops also occurred at greater rates in communities of color such as unincorporated East Los Angeles than in more affluent neighborhoods throughout the County.

In 2020, the Board of Supervisors adopted a Vision Zero Action Plan that seeks to reduce traffic fatalities on unincorporated roadways to zero by 2025. To reach that goal, the Plan proposes a number of engineering, education, and enforcement strategies that make travel safer on County roads without disproportionately burdening certain populations. Of those strategies, there are several related to law enforcement, including a recommendation to legalize the operation of bicycles on sidewalks.

"The reporting by the LA Times shows that the law against riding bicycles on sidewalks is being exploited by law enforcement to stop and search cyclists, primarily Latinos," shared Supervisor Hahn. "That is unacceptable and now we need to change the law. Where there are no bike lanes, we should not punish people for riding their bikes on the sidewalk and making a choice to keep them safe."

The motion instructs the Director of Public Health to collaborate with Public Works, Sheriff's Department, County Counsel, California Highway Patrol, Los Angeles County Development Authority, and the Los Angeles County Superior Court to immediately implement Recommendation B-2 included in the Vision Zero Action Plan to identify process and partners for establishing a diversion program for persons cited for infractions related to walking and bicycling. The motion also directs staff to report back with proposed ordinance language to allow the operation of bicycles on sidewalks and recommended modifications to County Code to further align the Code with the County's Anti-Racist and Vision Zero policies.

The motion further instructs relevant County departments to identify any other recommendations included in the Vision Zero Action Plan that should be implemented in partnership with community stakeholders to further decriminalize and enable the use of non-vehicular and alternative modes of transportation in unincorporated communities. Additionally, the motion instructs the Director of Public Health, in consultation with the Chief Executive Office and relevant County departments, to develop cost estimates and identify funding needs and potential opportunities to support the implementation of these Vision Zero recommendations - and report back with an update on the above directives.

## CHP: Make Safety The Main Course This Thanksgiving

**SACRAMENTO** - The California Highway Patrol (CHP) wants to remind everyone to put safety ahead of turkey and trimmings this Thanksgiving.

The CHP will be kicking off a Maximum Enforcement Period (MEP) beginning at 6:01 p.m. on Wednesday, November 24, and continuing through 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, November 28. During the MEP, all available CHP officers will be on patrol, looking for unsafe driving practices, including seat belt violations, speeding, distracted driving, and signs of driving under the influence of al-

cohol or drugs.

"Wherever you choose to celebrate this Thanksgiving, drive safely," CHP Commissioner Amanda Ray said. "When getting behind the wheel, make certain you and all your passengers buckle up before heading out, and remember to always avoid distractions."

Proper seat belt use is the most effective way to save lives in the event of a crash. Everyone in the vehicle should be safely secured before even starting the car, including children being in

the correct child safety seats.

Thanksgiving weekend is traditionally one of the busiest travel times of the year. For that reason, extra care is warranted. All available CHP officers will be out helping to assure safe travel and to provide assistance to motorists in need.

During the 2020 Thanksgiving MEP, 33 people died on roadways within CHP jurisdiction, 14 of whom were not wearing seat belts. The CHP also made 868 arrests for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

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# What Is Education Cultivating and Hatching Out?

Brad Jones, Epoch Times, November 20th presented an aspect of our education system lurking undercover, but has been found and challenged by parents in our K-12 system, not just in California, but across the country. Parents who object to student-mandated masks in schools to be able to attend, or hotly debated Critical Race Theory (CRT) or the new requirements disguised as a health course, tracking, and perhaps selling, transgenderism, feel they have lost their parental rights and authority over their children's education and health and well-being rights.



**Shade's Perspective**  
Lois M. Shade

**Former Mayor of Glendora** liance" (GSA) clubs, at school. The sold-out CTA conference, billed as the "2021 LGBTQ+ Issues Conference, Beyond the Binary: Identity & Imagining Possibilities ... [had] three classes designed to recruit middle school students to GSA clubs," the source told the Epoch Times.

Shocked to know this is being proposed in our K-12 education system in California? How many parents are aware college students are being taught "...gender is a fluid concept and not based in biology ... California universities have rolled out six "gender identity" choices on admissions applications." I had no idea this was happening, and has been since 2015, and not just in California.

The password into the transgender world is gender dysphoria. Translation: a term that describes a sense of unease a person may have because of a mismatch between their biological sex and their gender identity. This sense of unease or dissatisfaction may be so intense it can lead to depression and anxiety and have a harmful impact on daily life. Better question: Are students who suffer depression or anxiety because of school situations and heavy workloads being told it will go away if they change their gender?

The College Fix is an American conservative news website focused on higher education and "right-minded news and commentary." It was created in 2011 by

journalist John J. Miller and is published by the non-profit Student Free Press Association.

An article I found leaves me aghast -- "Colleges and Universities that Cover Transition-Related Medical Expenses Under Student Health Insurance." The list covers the entire U.S., but the California University list is startling. Go to the article, click on the university that is highlighted and it takes you right to the health information page with transgender information right at the top. This is under and covered by the student health plans at all universities. I tried to find a document on the Legislative Analyst Office's site and eventually had to call and ask about the budget for the state colleges and universities health care plans. I was told the last time a document was available was 2015.

Other phone calls told me students are eligible to be on their parents' health care plans until they are 26 years old, but parents are not allowed to access the health information regarding those charges because the student is an adult. Local K-12 school districts are not experiencing something new in transgenderism, but the spread of something cultivated at a higher level and pushed down to the lower education levels.

When a college student talks about beginning the process, is there more than adequate unbiased psychiatric counseling before allowing the student to proceed? Are parents and family members brought into the discussion? School psychiatrists tell students they have a right to be happy, and transgender is happiness and no one should be allowed to question or stand in their way. Commentary indicates student are instructed to stand firm, reject objections and walk away if pushed too hard.

Are universities required to pay to undo the physical damage as well as the family unity damage?

# Native Americans Lead by Example on Climate Change

The COP26 global climate change summit may have instilled little confidence in world leaders' commitments to reining in carbon emissions, but here in the United States, Native Americans have been leading the fight against fossil fuel expansion in order to protect their lands, water, and air for future generations. We can all draw encouragement and stand to benefit from their real, collective efforts.



Farrah Hassen

Although none of us are immune from the devastating effects of climate change, the New York Times detailed in a June 27 report how many Native American lands from Alaska to Florida are already becoming uninhabitable. Their environmental challenges are further worsened by a history of white westward expansion and subsequent government policies that forcibly relocated tribes to less desirable lands. In the Pacific Northwest, coastal erosion is destroying tribal lands, while in the Southwest, the Navajo Nation struggles to find drinkable water due to a severe drought. On Cherokee Nation lands in the northeastern part of Oklahoma, shifting precipitation and temperature patterns threaten the tribe's ability to grow plants that serve as both a food source and a central part of their cultural heritage.

Already faced with a changing climate, Native Americans have had to adapt to difficult new conditions that foreshadow the struggles ahead for all communities in the U.S. and across the world. At the same time, they are also making a concerted fight against fossil fuel use, which is the primary source of the greenhouse gas emissions causing this new wave of Indigenous displacements and threatening us all in the near future. One of the most high-profile frontlines in this fight is the ongoing campaign against the Dakota Access pipe-

line. Indigenous activists have led the resistance to the pipeline through a combination of non-violent direct action, political lobbying, multimedia, lawsuits, and other tactics. In the process, they have garnered the attention of national media and public officials.

The nearly 1,200-mile Dakota Access oil pipeline passes through four U.S. states from the shale oil fields of the Bakken formation in northwest North Dakota to Patoka, Illinois. A North Dakota section of the pipeline that delivers toxic crude oil about a half-mile from the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe reservation was the site of extensive protest in 2016. The Dakota Access pipeline construction desecrated one of the Tribe's sacred burial grounds and potential spills threaten the Missouri River water supply for eighteen million people. Indigenous activists from around the globe rallied and were often met with violent repression by authorities. They temporarily defeated the pipeline during the final months of the Obama administration.

While the Dakota Access pipeline was nevertheless completed and began operating after President Trump's election, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and their allies have continued their advocacy and made strategic use of federal courts to invalidate key

pipeline permits. The pipeline continues to transport oil and its expansion is under ongoing environmental study by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers despite federal enforcement actions due to multiple safety violations. While President Biden initially pledged to take action, he has instead followed Trump's footsteps to a large extent by allowing the pipeline to operate. Its capacity has since doubled while the Standing Rock Tribe continues to demand its permanent closure.

Evidence indicates that these advocacy efforts by Native Americans have resulted in real reductions in carbon emissions. An August report by the Indigenous Environmental Network and Oil Change International found that, notwithstanding the mixed success of campaigns, Indigenous resistance has "stopped or delayed greenhouse gas pollution equivalent to at least one-quarter of annual U.S. and Canadian emissions." The report reviewed twenty-six campaigns against fossil fuels both in the U.S., including the aforementioned Dakota Access pipeline, as well as in Canada, embodied by the Cree, Dene, and Métis communities in their twenty-year struggle against Canadian tar sands drilling.

Even with the momentary victories, setbacks, and protracted political and legal battles facing the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, this unwavering opposition to fossil fuels led by Native Americans and other global Indigenous communities elevates an empowering, universal message worth embracing: People have a responsibility to protect the Earth and the agency to do so.

Now that's something to be thankful for.

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Parents Bill of Rights says:

- Right to know what's being taught in schools and see the reading material.
- Right to be heard.
- Right to see the school budget and how that money is being spent.
- Right to protect their child's privacy.
- Right to be updated on any violent activity at school.

The legislation is more comprehensive than outlined above listing parents' rights and schools' duties for the students and to start bringing education back to core curriculums and vocational based education.

Jones' article reported on the Oct. 29th-31st California Teachers' Association (CTA) Conference in Palm Springs through an anonymous source with a leaked audio: "... two seventh-grade teachers ... [from] Salinas, Calif., [told] other teachers how to recruit students into LGBTQ clubs, also known as "Gay-Straight Al-

# My Pandemic Forecast for the Winter 2021

We, the people of the world, are in a much favorable position today compared to last winter with the Covid-19 pandemic. After over 5 million reported fatalities globally, we have managed to enrich ourselves with more meaningful and effective tools in the armamentarium against SARS-CoV-2 virus including public health protocols, vaccines, antiviral medications and monoclonal antibody cocktails. Life-saving therapeutics like IV Remdesivir, anticoagulants, IL-6 inhibitors and steroid treatment in severe infections have saved numerous lives and are deployed as standard of care in the hospitals. Much anticipated oral antiviral pills from Pfizer (Paxlovid) and Merck/ (Molnupiravir) were announced for mild to moderate



**Dr. Deepthi Jayasekara, Clinical Professor of Infectious Diseases, Consultant Physician, Chair of Internal Medicine, Emanate Health Hospitals**

Covid-19 infections recently. Once approved by FDA, this will be a paradigm shift in the management of ongoing surges of

new Covid cases among unvaccinated as well as vaccinated.

Merck's Molnupiravir demonstrated 50% efficacy in preventing hospitalization and death if started early in the infection, preferably within 3 days of confirmation or clinical suspicion. This was the first oral Covid-19 pill to gain regulatory approval in the world after Britain granted conditional authorization few days ago. This antiviral, like Tamiflu (Oseltamivir) for the Influenza virus, should be taken twice a day for 5 days. Most importantly, Merck and Ridgeback Biotherapeutics agreed to allow other countries to use their formula when they signed a voluntary licensing agreement to be manufactured and used worldwide. This is an unprecedented move by Biopharma, given the lack of these agreements for Covid-19 vaccine production in resource-deprived countries thus far.

The second Covid-19 oral antiviral, Paxlovid produced by Pfizer, is a protease inhibitor -a more time-tested platform for antiviral medications. This pill, taken twice a day for 5 days, will be prescribed for patients with mild-to-moderate infections who are at risk for progression, and it has shown 89% effectiveness in preventing hospitalization and death from Covid-19. The data for Paxlovid has recently been submitted to FDA for emergency-use authorization. More importantly, Pfizer announced that it has working to provide equitable access to the medication for all people at an affordable price after FDA approval.

# Critical Race Theory: What It Is and How To Combat It. Part 1

**My Opinion: By D. B. Shimel**

In this two part article I shall attempt to define Critical Race Theory (CRT) its origins and how this destructive Marxist philosophy is threatening Americans freedoms.

Because of the immense impact of CRT and the numerous sources of information regarding the definition and implementation it is necessary that I break this discussion into two sections. In this article I will present the definition of CRT.

In part two I will discuss how the Biden Administration is using the DOJ and FBI to spy on American citizens and create data bases on those who protest CRT. Further I will give suggestions on combating this pernicious destructive ideology.

What is CRT?  
The genesis of CRT can be traced back to the teachings of Carl Marx as he described in his Communist Manifesto. In this ideology one finds that Marx divides people into two groups for the purpose of in-sighting distrust and fear between these groups ultimately leading to government tyranny. In the Communist Manifesto Marx pits people who own property and businesses against the working class. This single theme from Marx is the nexus for CRT. That is; all people are either victims or oppressors.

The concept of what CRT is and its origins needs further development. In researching this subject I have found many definitions of CRT so I will attempt to codify this ideology into a single and understandable concept.

To further this discussion I draw upon; Christopher F. Rufo a Senior Fellow at the Manhattan Institute and James Lindsay; both of whom have studied and writ-

ten extensively on the subject.

I quote from James Lindsay in an article he wrote about CRT:

"... Critical Race Theory ... (is) a particular way of thinking about race and racism that developed first at Harvard Law School from the late 1970s through the early 1990s. Its stated objective is to question whether the Civil Rights Movement and Civil Rights Acts legislation improved the racial situation in Western nations, especially the United States. Its true objective is to reorganize the social, cultural, and legal playing field in a way that claims to reverse "historical injustices" around the issue of race, allegedly without reproducing them.

... I'll provide you with two quotes from the book Critical Race Theory: An Introduction by Critical Race Theorists Richard Delgado and Jean Stefancic. These quotes summarize everything that Critical Race Theory is really about in its own words.

First: Critical Race Theory views race and racism this way: race is a political construction that was invented by white people to give themselves power while excluding all other races from it, and racism is the ordinary state of affairs in society, present in all interactions, institutions, and phenomena, and effectively permanent in society ... That is, Critical Race Theory assumes that racism is present in everything under a doctrine known as "systemic racism."

Importantly, this is assessed subjectively according to the "lived experience" of racism and does not depend upon there being any evidence of racism. People who are especially skilled at finding the "systemic racism" in everything are called "Critical Race Theorists."

"Second, Critical Race Theory does not continue the legacy of the Civil Rights Movement, as many incorrectly believe. It is against liberalism and the liberal order upon which Western societies are founded ... This makes Critical Race Theory unreasonable, illiberal, against equality, and anti-American, by definition."

Another source is: Christopher Rufo who defined CRT in a speech he gave at Hillsdale College, titled: Critical Race Theory: What It Is and How to Fight It.

"Critical race theory is ... built on the intellectual framework of identity-based Marxism. ... over the past decade it (CRT) has increasingly become the default ideology in our public institutions. It has been injected into government agencies, public school systems, teacher training programs, and corporate human resources departments in the form of diversity training programs, human resources modules, public policy frameworks, and school curricula."

Indeed, equality ... is explicitly rejected by critical race theorists. To them, equality represents "mere nondiscrimination" and provides "camouflage" for white supremacy, patriarchy, and oppression."

To disagree with Critical race theorists becomes irrefutable evidence of a dissenter's "white fragility," "unconscious bias," or "internalized white supremacy" even if they are not white.

With this I end the discussion on what CRT is and its origins.

In part two I will discuss how the Biden DOJ is using sophisticated techniques and tools to target concerned parents. I will also make suggestions on how people can and are combating CRT at the local, state and national level.

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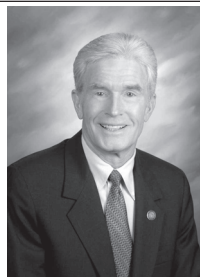
# The Current Administration's Inflation Is No Aberration

Capital Markets are still reeling from the shock of last Wednesday's 0.94% CPI increase. This jump was shocking! The last time CPI rose more was in June 2008, when oil spiked to \$145 a barrel. Assuming this October inflation increase might be sustained for a year it would produce a disastrous 11.9% annual inflation increase!

Inflation is certainly looking anything but "transitory" after CPI figures released last Wednesday showed annualized consumer prices jumping 6.2%. A fifth straight month with inflation higher than 5% also confirmed the fastest price increase since 1990. While this growing inflation threat should cause worry in the general population, Wall Street appears to be discounting the effects. Many continue to argue that the Fed won't get too aggressive and inflation could moderate next year, while some think stocks could even benefit from inflation created increases in asset prices.

While the chattering class is still making the case that this round of inflation is transitory, they're having a challenging time defending not addressing the problem. Ignoring the current CPI reading is especially troubling since the majority in Congress seems determined to create still more demand-side inflation by injecting another huge new dose of stimulus. And, while the President keeps insisting that his Build Back Better bill will cure inflation, he is either very delusional or just overselling his extremely bad spending as well as economic system changing proposal. While the already passed infrastructure bill should help ease some bottlenecks, it is also likely to stoke inflation (before possibly easing it longer

**In A Nutshell**  
What's up in the Economy?



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Out of necessity businesses are passing on higher costs to consumers, with 60% of small business owners raising prices in the previous 90 days (according to a November survey of 560 firms by Vistage Worldwide). Companies are struggling to get materials and are delaying production, adding to demand pressures while a labor shortage is putting upward pressure on wages. Some feel the need for a shift in U.S. economic strategy to jolt pandemic demand through unprecedented fiscal stimulus, while others say supply logjams are at the heart of the issue and only more targeted spending is needed to ease those problems.

"Inflation hurts American's pocketbooks, and reversing this trend is a top priority for me. With the [infrastructure] bill we passed last week, and the steps we're taking to reduce bottlenecks at home and abroad, we're set to make significant progress," President Biden said recently. "Very soon we're gonna see the supply chain start catching up with demand, so not only will we see more record-breaking job growth, we'll see lower prices, faster deliveries as well. This work is going to be critical as we implement the infrastructure bill and as we continue to build the economy from the bottom up and the middle out by passing the

Build Back Better plan."

If you have hopes of Biden's plans actually creating positive change you may also think the border crisis will work out, the Keystone Pipeline will reopen and America will soon become energy independent again. You probably also hope that all of the other ridiculous action points this President is considering might be beneficial for all of us.

Fortunately inflation continues to worry West Virginia Sen. Joe Manchin, who has been warning of fiscal spending and serious price pressures since last summer. Hopefully a few brave patriots will block the insane economic agenda of this White House. "From the grocery store to the gas pump, Americans know the inflation tax is real and DC can no longer ignore the economic pain Americans feel every day," tweeted Manchin, who must vote for the coming \$1.75T social spending package if it has any chance of passing the Senate.

And, while differing opinions exist on the COVID vaccination issue, we all should be concerned when Biden states, "get vaccinated or lose your job"! Has anyone heard him say get vaccinated or lose your welfare, or get the shots or lose your food stamps? Seems this President has his priorities all wrong, again. Why would Biden weaken our national and personal security by firing those who protect us, while ignoring others who are not vaccinated? Hopefully Courts will block his vaccinate or be fired policy indefinitely.

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# Your Money - Ask Julia

**A few words about depression:**

First of all, if you are having suicidal thoughts, call 911 or a hotline right now for help in overcoming those thoughts. A few of the biggest triggers for depression during the holidays are lack of funds, any anniversary of a sad event like the death of a loved one, and loneliness. Add to that Covid fears and restrictions, economic insecurity, government spending, increasing interest rates, healthcare costs, and income taxes. Slow down, take some time for yourself, and think about the reason behind this season. If you're still paying for last year's gifts, be extra budget-wise this year! Don't feel pressured to give a gift to everybody you know. If you're unhappy, or depressed, seriously consider talking with a counsellor, therapist, or pastor. If you have enjoyed all the lights, decorations, and music in the past, then it's especially important to make an effort to enjoy those now. If you are a Christian, remember the origin and meaning of Christmas.

**We're selling our house here in California. Will we have to pay taxes on the profit between the price we paid 20 years ago and what we sell it for?**

At this time, when you sell your primary residence, you will still receive the full benefit of the capital gains exclusion: \$250,000 (filing single), \$500,000 (married filing joint). Remember to calculate in your allowable deductions for major improvements (not maintenance) to your home.

If your capital gain is greater



**Julia Yoder**

than these amounts, you will probably have to pay capital gains tax on just that amount in excess of the exclusion. Check with your CPA.

**I understand that Social Security benefits will be increased 5.9-percent. Isn't inflation even higher than that right now?**

Yes, the rate of inflation is higher than the Social Security COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) of 5.9-percent announced for 2022. The costs of Medicare premiums and deductibles are also increasing. The 5.9-percent COLA does not keep up with these increases. Although a 5.9-percent is historically quite large, SS recipients still find it mandatory to tighten their budgets. Review your current budget and make necessary adjustments. Is there anything you can sell? Could you get a part-time job? Do you have a hobby or craft that you could turn into a money maker? Are there any food pantries, or inexpensive meals at your senior center?

**What is RMD? When does it start? Is there a way to avoid it? Can it affect my tax bracket?**

RMD is Required Minimum Distribution. It's the annual amount that must be withdrawn from a traditional IRA or a qualified retirement plan (401k, 403b, Keogh). Although you are allowed to begin taking penalty-free distributions from tax-deferred retirement accounts after age 59 1/2, you must begin taking distributions upon reaching age 72. The amount of your RMD distribution depends on your age, your life expectancy, and the value of the account. (Refer to IRS tables.) If you do not take RMDs, you might have to pay a 50% federal income tax penalty on the amount that you should have withdrawn. Tax-deferred retirement plans are subject to ordinary income tax. If your RMDs are large, you might be pushed into a higher tax bracket. Plan ahead to figure out the best time to begin taking your RMDs. Note: Roth IRAs contain post-tax money, grow tax-free, and do not fall under the RMD rules. Distributions from certain life-insurance policies can be taken (if done correctly) income tax free, too.

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# Violations of LA County's COVID-19 Protections for Essential Workers Result in Fines to Businesses

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY** - The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors passed several ordinances during the COVID-19 pandemic to help protect LA County's workers. As part of its task of enforcing several of those COVID-19 related worker protections, the LA County Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA) has recently fined two businesses for violations and recovered thousands of dollars for impacted workers and the County.

Investigators from DCBA's Wage Enforcement and Worker Protections division found that a grocery store in unincorporated East Pasadena failed to properly pay its workers in accordance with the temporary "Hero Pay" ordinance, and a construction company in Los Angeles which violated the County's health & safety anti-retaliation ordinance by illegally retaliating against an employee who reported a health violation. The two settlements, in total, resulted in businesses paying more than \$135,000 in back pay and fines.

"At every workplace, employees should not fear retaliation when exercising their right to report misconduct, particularly when it impacts their health and well-being," said DCBA Director Rafael Carbajal. "The County's mission is to promote compliance with all worker protections, enhance

the welfare of the workforce, and protect businesses that follow the law."

To protect and reward essential workers in LA County, the temporary "Hero Pay" ordinance specified that employees who worked in a retail grocery store, a retail drug store, or a large retail store that sells groceries or drugs in unincorporated LA County were entitled to \$5 of "Hero Pay" per hour worked at the store. This ordinance was in effect for 120 days (Feb. 26-June 25, 2021) and has now expired.

In April 2021, DCBA investigated Sprouts Farmers Market in unincorporated East Pasadena by requesting payroll records to determine if employees were receiving the required \$5 per hour "hero pay." DCBA investigators confirmed the violation and informed the business, which had incorrectly believed the store was located in the City of Pasadena and therefore not subject to the ordinance. The business cooperated with DCBA investigators and immediately paid \$82,426.45 in back wages to 75 employees, plus a \$50,000 administrative fine, shared between the impacted employees and the County.

In February 2021, a worker filed a complaint with LA County alleging that their employer, Saban Global Inc., a Los Angeles construction company, violated the "Preventing

Retaliation for Reporting Public Health Violations" ordinance. The employee alleged they had requested the employer to wear face coverings while indoors as mandated by the County's Health Officer Order. As a result, the employer terminated the employee from their position without just cause.

Under this ordinance, employers in Los Angeles County are prohibited from retaliating or discriminating against employees if they complain or provide information to the Department of Public Health or any LA County or non-County agencies or entities about workplace violations of public health laws, rules, and regulations. Examples of retaliation include firing an employee, threatening to fire them, cutting their hours, demotion, suspension, or other discipline. Violations can result in fines up to \$10,000 per violation, per day, and employees can be reinstated.

DCBA investigators confirmed the violation that Saban Global retaliated against the employee and wrongfully terminated them from their employment. The business was assessed an administrative fine of \$3,000. The employee did not want to be reinstated into their previous position.

Business owners can find more details about how to remain in compliance with temporary COVID-19 worker protection ordinances and permanent minimum wage laws by visiting [dcba.lacounty.gov/minimum-wage](http://dcba.lacounty.gov/minimum-wage).

Workers can report possible violations to DCBA's Worker Protections and Wage Enforcement unit



## Car Talk by THE CAR DOC

**What You "AUTO" Know**

**By Gene Morrill - Certified Automotive Specialists**

# Replacing a Car Battery... Why It Takes an Expert!

Our vehicles are much more complicated than they used to be. Each system is controlled by a separate computer module and each car can have as many as twenty of these modules. They each have their own "memory" and they depend upon the car's battery to keep the memory intact.

We all have had to reset our car's clock after a battery disconnect but these days more can be lost than your car's clock time. Here are some of the issues that can occur after a battery power

failure or disconnect:

- Loss of time on the clock, loss of set radio stations and anti-theft lockout
- Stalling, failure of emission monitors
- Loss of power seat and mirror positions
- Door control loss such as locking, driver door switch pad, child lock switches, etc., which are associated with the driver's door. In most of the cases the driver door module acts as a master and others act as slaves in

communication protocols.

If you have replaced your car's battery on your own and you are experiencing any of these issues, please contact us today. We can help your car get its memory back!

Certified Auto Specialists: the friendlier and more helpful auto shop! Feel free to call 626-963-0814 with any questions and we will be glad to help, or visit our website at [CertifiedAutoCa.com](http://CertifiedAutoCa.com).

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# Citrus College Seeks Applicants To Fill Vacancy In Trustee Area 3

**DUARTE** - The Citrus Community College District Board of Trustees is seeking applicants to serve the remaining term of Dr. Edward C. Ortell, governing board member for trustee area 3, who passed away on Oct. 16.

Trustee area 3 includes Duarte and portions of Azusa, Monrovia, Arcadia, Covina and Irwindale.

Applications are due by 5 p.m. on Dec. 8, 2021. The board of trustees will interview candidates during its public meeting on Dec. 14, 2021, and anticipates making a provisional appointment that evening. The appointee will serve until the next regularly scheduled election for trustee area 3 on Nov. 8, 2022.

To be eligible to serve as a member of the board of trustees, an applicant must:

- \* Be at least 18 years of age
- \* Be a citizen of the state of California
- \* Be a resident of trustee area 3, which includes Duarte and portions of Azusa, Monrovia, Arcadia, Covina and Irwindale
- \* Be a registered voter
- \* Not be disqualified by the constitution or laws of the state of California from holding a civic office

Interested candidates must have the ability and time to fulfill the responsibilities of being a member of the board, which include:

- \* Participate fully in the work of the board, which includes attending all board meetings and key college events, studying and discussing policy issues, and participating in trustee education

programs

- \* Be knowledgeable about the communities served by the college and be willing to act on behalf and for the benefit of those communities

- \* Be committed to community colleges and their missions; understand educational, social and economic policy issues

- \* Engage in balancing the needs of many diverse groups; be able to collaborate and build consensus

- \* Contribute to effective functioning of the board and support the authority of the board as a whole

Visit the Citrus College website at [www.citruscollege.edu/admin/bot](http://www.citruscollege.edu/admin/bot) for an application and for more information about the college and the board of trustees.

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# Around the Valley & Senior News

## "TIME JOCKEY" - Discriminatory Taxes

Early Statehood... In 1849, 83,000 men made their way to California after it was announced that gold had been discovered, however 23,000 of the men were not citizens of the United States. The increased population also brought a growth in the number of gold mining camps, most of which were a collection of miners from all over the world. But it was no secret that Americans were resentful of any other non-American miner which came seeking to strike it rich. Even those who spoke English and came from England and Australia were not welcomed with open arms. Other prospectors from Germany, Italy and France were seen as uninvited guests and the worst were those from Latin America, Mexico and China. It was feared by American miners that if foreigners were allowed to dig for gold that most of California's riches would be shipped around the world allowing those who owned the gold to hire laborers to achieve certain goals and complete projects which would benefit them and their home countries. It was a nativist approach but the sentiment was clear that any gold that was un-



Joe Castillo

earthed and or "panned" was still considered "American gold" belonging only to citizens of the United States.

This was a startling position as California had recently been a possession of Mexico and before that belonged to Spain but somehow the precious mineral was only to be owned by those who were citizens of America. Starting in 1850, an infant California State Legislature passed a series of laws which identified "foreign miners" and taxes to be paid by those who were considered "foreign miners". These laws discriminated against non-citizens and were enough to make it very difficult for non-citizens to even

continue their pursuit of trying to achieve a "lucky" gold strike. A vast majority of foreigners moved on and didn't even try to compete against the unfair laws. But the damage had been done.

The hate and prejudice which was felt by many of the foreigners would stay with them for generations to come contributing to racial tensions which still exist one-hundred and seventy years later. California was the perfect storm; a newly acquired possession which went right into statehood, site of one of the most monumental discoveries in world history, the fastest population growth of any state where people from all over the world came and tried to live and work together. California was in the beginning stage of becoming the most cosmopolitan state of the union but prejudicial challenges and racial tensions would remain for years to come. ....

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## Kyle Rittenhouse, Not Guilty of Killing Two

Kyle Rittenhouse, the 17-years-old when the shooting occurred, was found "not guilty" of all charges.

If you recall, rioters in Kenosha were burning and looting the area. Kyle who lives about 15 minutes away staying with his dad in Kenosha was out patrolling the area to help protect a friend's property from rioters.

During the first shooting, the individual attempted to disarm Rittenhouse of his AR-15 and he was shot in the process. He moved away from that scene as other gunfire broke out (according to videos). Soon he was being chased by another individual and was attacked and hit with a skateboard and he as he continued to run, he fell. A number of individuals descend on him and one of them had a handgun. Rittenhouse, while on the ground, fires his rifle striking two people. The one with the handgun was hit in the arm and he ran from the scene and the other was hit in the chest and died.

End result while Rittenhouse



George Ogden  
That's just the way it is!

was trying to protect himself, two were killed and one injured.

The media really messed this whole incident up with their reporting. They came up with all kind of things that were not factual. Now the media is reeling back on those false reports stating that they were given wrong information.

Well, Rittenhouse was arrested and went on trial on the following charges.

COUNT 1: FIRST-DEGREE RECKLESS HOMICIDE, USE OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON.

COUNT 2: FIRST-DEGREE RECKLESSLY ENDANGERING SAFETY, USE OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON.

COUNT 3: FIRST-DEGREE RECKLESSLY ENDANGERING SAFETY, USE OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON.

ING SAFETY, USE OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON.

COUNT 4: FIRST-DEGREE INTENTIONAL HOMICIDE, USE OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON.

COUNT 5: ATTEMPTED FIRST-DEGREE INTENTIONAL HOMICIDE, USE OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON.

COUNT 6: POSSESSION OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON BY A PERSON UNDER 18.

COUNT 7: FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH AN EMERGENCY ORDER FROM STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The jury found him Not Guilty of ALL charges. Video evidence alone proved that Rittenhouse fired in self-defense. In fact, the guy that was shot in the arm and also had the handgun, testified that he may have pointed the gun at Rittenhouse just before he himself got shot.

So he is found Not Guilty and now some people feel it is okay to riot, steal, burn in protest.

If you don't like our judicial system, maybe you should leave the country and find some other place to live.

"That's Just the Way It Is!"

## Emanate Health Foundation to Host its Annual Light Up a Life & Tree-Lighting Event Virtually to Remember Loved Ones

The event will honor Emanate Health Hospice Volunteers and allow everyone to celebrate the life of a loved one by making a donation in their memory. All proceeds will benefit Emanate Health Hospice.

COVINA - A time-honored tradition that continues despite the pandemic, Emanate Health Foundation will host its annual Light Up a Life and Tree-Lighting Event virtually, Dec. 2, at 6 p.m. to pay tribute to the lives of family and friends. To help keep the community safe and healthy, participants can click on emanatehealth.org/LUAL that evening to watch the program.

"While the last 18 months have been a challenge for everyone, let's use the holiday season this year to remember and honor those special people who shared special moments that will always be ingrained in our hearts and minds," said Gilda Dominguez, MS, CCC-SLP, CSSGB, Director

of Hospice.

In addition to the Hospice Tree Lighting festivities, this year's Light Up a Life event will recognize Emanate Health Hospice Volunteers who serve collectively as the 2021 Hospice Honoree. These volunteers give of themselves to provide comfort to families and their loved ones at the end of life. Their stories promise to be uplifting and inspiring.

Light Up a Life is open to anyone who would like to remember a loved one in a special and meaningful way by making a donation in their memory. To make your gift online, visit emanatehealth.org/LUAL. To include your loved one's name(s)

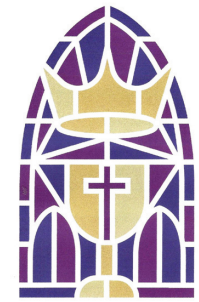
on the Honor Roll that will be presented during the virtual event, please send in your gift by Monday, November 29. Proceeds will benefit Emanate Health Hospice.

Founded by community leaders in 1987, Emanate Health Hospice is one of the few free-standing hospices in the country. The Hospice offers both an inpatient facility and home-based services to assist patients and families in dealing with the medical, social, psychological and

spiritual aspects of a terminal illness. Hospice focuses on maximizing the quality of remaining life and ensuring the dignity of the patient and the family. The Hospice was built and continues to be supported through community donations.

For more information about Light Up a Life, contact Emanate Health Foundation at 626.814.2421 or foundation@emanatehealth.org.

## Open Invitation



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— ANGLICAN CHURCH —

Anglican Church

Now meeting every Sunday @ 4 PM  
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(between Glenwood and Elwood)

## Spode Christmas Dishes Collection

DUARTE - Spode is a brand of China that was first made in the 1770s in Stoke-on-Trent, England. Spode Christmas dishes from the collection of Claudia Noel Heller are on display at the Duarte Historical

Museum until the end of the year. The museum is located at 777 Encanto Parkway, Duarte and is open Saturdays 1-4 p.m. and the first and third Wednesday of each month. Admission is free.

## Advent Market and Yard Sale at St. Luke Episcopal

MONROVIA - A wide range of items including furniture, clothing and holiday goods will be offered at the Advent Market and Yard Sale at Saint Luke Episcopal Church on Saturday, December 4. The event

will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on the St. Luke grounds, 122 South California Avenue at Foothill Boulevard in Monrovia. Proceeds will support the church's ministry and outreach programs.

### Community Articles Are Welcome

We are seeking articles, photos, and news event items for future issues of the San Gabriel Valley Examiner. Information can be sent to SGExaminer@aol.com. We request that articles be in Word format while photos be in jpeg.

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- 1. "Oh, my!"
  - 5. Say untruth
  - 8. Left or right
  - 12. Spiritual leader
  - 13. \*"\_ing Up with Marie Kondo"
  - 14. Great reviews
  - 15. Related
  - 16. Double reed woodwind
  - 17. Fourth deck
  - 18. \*"\_The \_\_\_\_\_," MTV's trailblazing reality show
  - 20. Affirm with confidence
  - 21. I to Greeks, pl.
  - 22. \_\_\_ Baba
  - 23. Powerball and such
  - 26. Swaggering show of courage
  - 30. Spermatozoa counterparts
- DOWN**
- 31. Based on two
  - 34. Has a mortgage
  - 35. \_\_\_ dog, gin and grapefruit juice cocktail
  - 37. DNA transmitter
  - 38. \*"\_The Real Housewives" is full of this type of conflict
  - 39. Write on a tombstone
  - 40. Unwholesome atmosphere
  - 42. Hairpiece, slangily
  - 43. Stitched again
  - 45. Unit of electric current flow
  - 47. Solemn pledge
  - 48. Like nose during hayfever
  - 50. Uncouth one
  - 52. \*"\_Who \_\_\_\_\_ a Millionaire?"
  - 56. Front of cuirass
  - 57. Sixth month of civil year
- ACROSS**
- 58. "Jack and the Beanstalk" instrument
  - 59. Travesty
  - 60. Italian money
  - 61. \*"\_Vanilla Ice Goes Amish" and "Cleveland Hustles" state
  - 62. \*"\_house Masters" on Animal Planet
  - 63. \*Not Khloé or Kourtney
  - 64. Common allergens

**CROSSWORD**

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- DOWN**
- 1. Gelatin substitute
  - 2. Gospel writer
  - 3. "Tosca" song, e.g.
  - 4. Like sunroom, hopefully
  - 5. Balance in the sky
  - 6. \*"\_Pop \_\_\_\_\_" and "American \_\_\_\_\_" pl.
  - 7. Gave the once-over
  - 8. \*"\_Outwit, Outplay, Outlast" show
  - 9. Not active
  - 10. Point of entry
  - 11. Sixth sense
  - 13. Foot, to a child
  - 14. Aussie bear
  - 19. Buzz Lightyear's buddy
  - 22. Brow shape
- 23. \*"\_The Biggest \_\_\_\_\_"
  - 24. Egg-shaped
  - 25. Same as talcum
  - 26. Civil rights concern
  - 27. In the know
  - 28. Raise objections
  - 29. Missouri River tributary
  - 32. Like a desert
  - 33. Crime scene evidence
  - 36. \*"\_Singing competition (2 words)"
  - 38. Curses
  - 40. Feline sound
  - 41. "I think I can, I think I can...", e.g.
  - 44. "For better or for \_\_\_\_\_"
  - 46. "Monty \_\_\_\_\_'s Flying Circus"
  - 48. r in a circle, pl.
  - 49. Deprive of weapons
  - 50. \*"\_Star of wilderness reality shows, \_\_\_\_\_ Grylls"
  - 51. Fairytale beast
  - 52. Street-crossing word
  - 53. Hawaiian island
  - 54. Londoner, e.g.
  - 55. Narrative poem
  - 56. Back of a boat

### November 18, 2021 Puzzle Solution

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## Glendora Holiday Stroll and Tree Lighting



Members of the Glendora City Council, Michael Allawos, Mendell Thompson, Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Boyer, Mayor Karen K. Davis and David Fredendall together with State Senator Portantino and Santa Clause pose for a photo in front of the Christmas Tree during the Glendora Holiday Stroll and Tree Lighting event held on November 19, 2021.

## West Covina's New Mayor, Dario Castellanos

By George Ogden

**WEST COVINA** - On Tuesday, November 15th, the West Covina City Council had their rotation of councilmembers and Mayor. Letty Lopez-Viado had served a good term as mayor and represented the city well for the community.

The city council voted 5-0 to move Dario Castellanos into the Mayor's position. They had a brief ceremony with West Covina Choir in attendance.

Dario's goals for the city include enhancing public safety and making sure all residents feel safe and have access to the services they deserve, fully analyzing expenses to create a sustainable budget, and making West Covina more business friendly.

Dario's city involvement goes beyond City Council. Prior to being elected, he served as a West Covina Planning Commissioner for 5 years. He is also an active member of the Covina Rotary Club and The Greater West Covina Business Association.



Outgoing Mayor Letty Lopez-Viado is presented a gavel by new Mayor Dario Castellanos.



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NOV. 27  
ALL DAY

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