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# Azusa Celebrates 65 Years Since The End Of The Korean War

By Jorge V. Rosales

AZUSA - Friday, July 27, 2018 was the 65th anniversary since the end of the Korean War. For the past 14 years the Azusa

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8070 (VFW), American Legion Post 180 (AL), Veterans Memorial Committee (AVMC), and the City of Azusa (City) have hosted an Annual Korean War Armistice Day Ceremony in front of Azusa's City Hall to honor all Korean War Veterans alive, dead, and missing-in-action. The ceremony was started by John P. Moreno, Korean War Veteran in 2005 to honor all Korean War Veterans, known as "the Forgotten Soldiers," and as an opportunity to get together and see each other, perhaps for one last time.

The Korean War began on June 25, 1950 and ended on July 27, 1953, with the execution of an Armistice which ended three years of bitter warfare on the Korean Peninsula, stopped the spread of Communism in Korea, and established a committee of representatives from neutral countries to decide the fate of thousands of prisoners of war on both sides. More than 1.7 million Americans faced forbidding terrain and harsh combat in Korea.



Seventeen Korean War Veterans who were in attendance at the Ceremony and are in front of Azusa City Hall's water fountain flanked by Baldwin Park Councilwoman Susan Rubio (right) and Azusa Police Lieutenant Xavier Torres (left).

In the space of 37 months, the United States lost nearly 36,574 soldiers and 103,284 returned home wounded. Even today, 64 years after the guns went silent 7,926 Americans are still missing in action.

In attendance at the ceremony were over 150 persons, including approximately 20 Korean War Veterans from Azusa and surrounding cities. They were honored with the presence of Hec-

tor Elizalde for Congresswoman Grace Napolitano; Jorge Marquez for Senator Dr. Ed Hernandez, O.D.; a Representative for Assemblywoman Blanca Rubio; and Eva Thiel-Maiz and Hoang Nguyen for L.A. County Supervisor Hilda Solis. Azusa Mayor Joe Rocha was out of town so the welcoming remarks were delivered by Councilman Eddie Alvarez.

Tom Sanchez, AVMC member,

who was the Master of Ceremonies, commenced the ceremony at 10:00 A. M. followed with welcome remarks by Jesse Martinez, Vietnam War Veteran and VFW Commander, who requested the Presentation of Colors by the VFW Color Guard; the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance by Yolanda R. Pena, AUSD Board member and AVMC member; the singing of the National Scarlet Biberstein of Saint Frances of Rome Music Ministry and the invocation by Reverend Roque Fernandes, also of St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church..

The keynote speaker was Eddie Alvarez, Azusa City Councilman and Retired U.S. Navy Senior Chief petty Officer who spoke

about three family members who fought in WWII and two who fought in the Korean War the meaning of the Armistice executed 65 years ago which was not physically the end of the war but discussions on how to end it and deal with the vast amount of prisoners on both sides. His comments were followed by Biberstein who sang "Thank You, Soldiers" to the Korean War Veterans in attendance, followed by the reading of the eight names of Azusans killed in the Korean War by Jorge V. Rosales, U.S. Army Veteran and AVMC member, the 21-gun salute by the VFW Memorial Team, and the playing of Taps live by two AMVET buglers and the Laying of the Wreath in front of the Veterans Monument by Lieutenant Xavier Torres, Azusa Police Department.

A highlight of the ceremony was when the master of ceremonies asked that all Korean War Veterans please stand if they could or simply raise their hands. At that moment AVMC members began handing out to each Korean War Veteran a long-stem Yellow Rose which signifies joy, happiness and friendship.

The ceremony concluded with the singing of "God Bless America" by all in attendance led by Scarlet Biberstein, after raffles of a Korean veteran cap and a large coffee cup were conducted and closing remarks by Commander Martinez and the Benediction by Reverend Fernandes.

# Jan Qualkenbush - Dean in Achieving Excellence in The Towing Service



Jan Qualkenbush Owner of Jan's Towing shows off his Award as "The Best Towing Company."

By Jayam Rutnam

GLENDORA/AZUSA - Just about everybody who owns a car and lives in Glendora and Azusa, has utilized the services of Jan's Towing, the largest automobile towing company in Glendora, Azusa and many surrounding cities.

Glendoran Jan Qualkenbush whose name is well known in the San Gabriel Valley, has a business that is successful mainly due to the outstanding service he provides to members of the community. Jan started this business in 1979 and is very close to completing four decades of service, in 2019. Someone said, "All Lasting Business is Built on Friendship," which is veritably the case of Jan Qualkenbush, who surrounds himself with friends he has associated with through his business.

It's no fun, to be stuck on the freeway with a flat tire, a dead battery or a smoking engine. When you call Triple A, inevitably it is a "Jan's Towing" tow truck that will be dispatched, meaning that the wait will not be that long. Jan's Towing has trucks that can

handle medium and heavy situations. He also prides himself in hiring personnel such as dispatchers and drivers, who are customer oriented, experienced and people friendly. Jan is ably assisted by his Operations Manager for fifteen years, Susan Dunklen.

According to Jan's sister Jackie, Jan is the kind of person, who wants to help others. He tries to help people better themselves. He is a very community minded person and makes his trucks available for various functions, including the Christmas and Homecoming Parades. He also sponsors a Golf Tournament in La Verne. Janice said that "Jan is very hard working and he loves the towing business."

Former Mayor of Azusa, Eugene Moses said he has known Jan for 30 years. He said Jan's a tough and honest individual that can handle any problems that comes his way. Over the years he has won my respect and honor to know him because of his dedication to his friends, family and his community. He runs his business with integrity, generosity and with many years of experience.

Jan's Towing is Police and Sheriff Department certified for the cities of Glendora, Azusa, Arcadia, Irwindale, Temple City, Covina, Duarte and Sierra Madre. They are also the tow company of choice for the U.S. Forestry Service Mountain Recovery and the California Highway Patrol in Baldwin Park, Altadena and also the preferred tow company of the Irwindale Motor Speedway and the NASCAR Race Recovery in Ontario. Jan's Towing was voted in as the "Best Towing Company" by the Reader's Choice Awards arranged by the San Gabriel Valley Tribune.

Jan's Towing is located at 1045 Kirkwall Road in Azusa and also on 134 N. Valencia Avenue in Glendora. Their telephone number is 626-984-1841.

gentleman became so successful. According to his sisters Jackie Nelson and Janice Hurst of Glendora, Jan is the youngest of five children, the name Qualkenbush is of Dutch origin, although Janice says, the family is a mixture of English, Scottish and Dutch. Everyone I spoke to were in agreement, "Jan is a remarkable man, kind hearted, compassionate and very giving." I asked a gentleman who has business dealings with Jan's Towing, as to what it was that makes Jan different in business, he said "Jan is impeccably honest and he takes no BS!"

Starting with one tow truck in 1979, Jan's sister Janice recalls how their Mom would help keep it squeaky clean. He now has about fifty towing vehicles of all kinds. What also makes Jan's Towing a success, is that Jan believes in investing in the biggest and most sophisticated equipment. He has Peterbilt rotator 65 ton trucks that can handle just about any heavy job, an assortment of flatbeds, Landoll trailers and Real Lift Tow trucks which

received a basket. The remainder were shared in support of many who are invisible in their service to various organizations. If you are interested in joining Duarte Kiwanis or being a speaker at a future event, contact Tina Carey at [tinac51@aol.com](mailto:tinac51@aol.com).



Azusa Police Lieutenant Xavier Torres in front of the Azusa Veterans Memorial Wall after laying the wreath underneath the monument's Korean War bronze plaque and the names of the eight Azusans killed during the Korean War.

# Duarte Kiwanis Club International Service

DUARTE - Reyna Diaz and the Duarte Kiwanis Club continue to support folks in need in El Salvador. Recently, Reyna was able to travel to El Salvador and help a number of families. This child (pictured) is four years old and lives in a small town. She has never slept in a bed - she's always been in a hammock. When asked, the family told Reyna they could really use a bed. With the help of Duarte Kiwanis, Reyna was able to buy a twin bed with all the bedding for them.

In another part of the country, Reyna found Fusalmo, an organization supporting an afterschool program to help keep kids out of gangs. In this case, students are being trained to work in call centers. Duarte Kiwanis along with Reyna were able to provide the organization with headphones, cameras and a 3D Printer.

Finally, 80 food baskets were provided folks in need - 40 families on a small island where they earn only \$2.00/day each re-

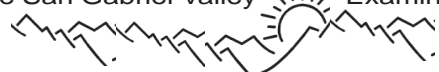


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## Boys Of Belvedere To Hosts Second Annual Golf Tournament August 10, 2018

MONTEBELLO - Hosting their second annual Golf Tournament, the Boys of Belvedere are set to tee off this worthy event. The fundraiser will be held on Friday, August 10, 2018 with an 8 am tee time at the Montebello Country Club. The charity fundraiser will only charge \$125 per golfer (\$500 per foursome) and \$100 to sponsor a hole.

Tee Time will also be based on Best Ball Scramble with opportunities to purchase

Mulligans and a chance to win lots of money on a nearest-to-the-hole competition. After the tournament all the golfers will join the Boys of Belvedere for lunch and take part of a raffle to win top prizes like a brand new set of Ping Golf Clubs. Other prizes will be given away. For more information call Eddie Preciado at 323-973-3462 or Andy Walters at 626-510-0116. You can mail your check in to the Boys of Belve-

dere, PO Box 2462, Montebello, CA 90640 or check out our website at [BoysOfBelvedere.org](http://BoysOfBelvedere.org) and pay it through PayPal right on the website.

Please help support the Boys of Belvedere raise money for scholarships to five high schools, Christmas for Children, Thanksgiving Dinners for the community and helping the families of Veterans at Christmas time.

## Azusa Man Arrested After Attacking Family and Police



This is the grandmother's house on the left with his neighbor on the right. This is where the altercation with police took place.

By George Ogden

AZUSA - On Tuesday, around 10:30 PM, July 24, Azusa Police Department received a desperate call from a lady who claimed her grandson is going crazy and knocking out windows in her home and cars in the area.

When officers arrived at the home in the 700 block of South Vincent, they found an individual who was bloody and screaming at family members who were trying to calm him down. The officers attempted to talk with the unidentified 22-year-old Azusa man, only to have him turn on them and wanting to fight them. He challenged the officers and attacked them after he failed to follow commands to stop. As they attempted to restrain him he resisted and continued to fight the officers. During the altercation, the suspect continued to pull on

items attached to the gun belt. Concerns that he may secure something and use it against the officers; they finally deployed the use of a Taser to bring him under control. The officers did not want to be put into a position where they may have to use deadly force to neutralize the situation.

This basically resolved the aggressiveness of the suspect and he was taken into custody.

The officers treated the man for his injuries that he received from knocking out windows. They also transported him to the hospital as a precautionary measure to see whether or not he needed to be treated for drugs or any other injuries.

One officer was also injured

and had to be hospitalized. The nature of the injury was not disclosed and the officer is expected to recover in time.

Apparently this whole thing was over the fact that the family did not fix his broken cell phone. He started yelling and then went crazy according to the grandmother and that is when he started damaging the home, knocking out windows and then going outside and breaking car windows in the area.

The family felt he was loaded on something which caused him to get violent.

The police have responded to this area in the past. The bail was set for \$50,000 and had three felony charges filed against him.

## 5 Ways to Set Up the Ultimate Workstation for Kids

This school year, you can help set up your kids for success. It's all about having the perfect study zone at home. Here are five cool ideas for creating a workspace for kids that will promote great study habits and inspire learning.

1. Find the right real estate. Every child learns differently. So, depending on the person doing the studying, the perfect space could be a quiet, bright corner of the house away from the hustle and bustle, or it could be in the midst of family life and activity. Experiment with each set up, periodically checking in with your child to see what's working and what's not.

2. Upgrade visual learning. Is your child a visual learner? Upgrade study time in any sized space with a short throw projector that automatically adapts the projection brightness to the lighting conditions in the room. One option that allows you to control the projector wirelessly from a smartphone or tablet is the Casio Ultra Short Throw LampFree Projector XJ-UT351WN which features a mercury-free laser and LED hybrid light source, making it an eco-friendly and safe option for young students.

3. Embrace the principles of natural wellness. It is said that certain essential oils can promote focus and improve concen-

tration. These can be diffused, rolled, or simply inhaled to give students a boost when it comes time to cram for an exam.

4. Make time for music. Studies have found that music can help improve memory. And making music can be an effective stress reliever in the face of school-induced stress. Consider outfitting your child's study area with an affordable, lightweight instrument like a Casio CT-X Keyboard, which features an extensive library of 600 tones and 195 rhythms, supporting diverse musical genres. Whether it's a 20-minute study break, or a jam session once homework is complet-

ed, make it possible for musical creativity to come to life.

5. Incorporate educational tech. Education tech tools can help synthesize classroom concepts. Be sure your child's workspace incorporates new tech like ClassPad.net, a web-based mathematics resource for K-12 and beyond, which students can use to draw geometry figures free-hand and input calculations as they would on real scratch paper. Great for study buddies, the tool allows for simultaneous work with calculation, graphing, geometry and data analysis/statistics. (StatePoint)

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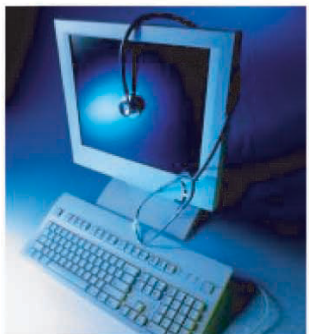
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## Monterey Park Police Arrest Commercial Burglary Suspects

**MONTEREY PARK** - On July 25, 2018 at approximately 2:00 a.m., an officer conducted a traffic stop in the area of Atlantic Boulevard and Garvey Avenue. The officer recognized the subjects and vehicle as those matching the description from nine previous commercial burglaries that had occurred in Monterey Park since February 2018.

The follow up investigation and video evidence led detectives to believe these suspects committed at least nine commercial burglaries in Monterey Park. Both suspects are career criminals and have extensive criminal histories with multiple burglary arrests. The two suspects were booked for warrants and suspicion of commercial burglary [836(a)(3)/459 PC].

The suspects are identified as Timothy Carver Johnson, 52, from Los Angeles and Otis Lee Wishum, 63, from Los Angeles.

Johnson's arrest record dates back to 1985. Wishum's arrest record dates back to 1969.



**Timothy Carver Johnson, 52 and Otis Lee Wishum, 63.**

Johnson is currently being housed at the Los Angeles County Men's Jail. He is being held on \$20,521 bail. Wishum is being housed at the Monterey Park Police Department. His bail is set at \$21,000. Both Johnson and Wishum are set to be arraigned in the Alhambra Superior Court on Friday, July 27, 2018.

## County To Develop Centralized Resource Hub For Transitional Age Foster Youth

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY**—The Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a motion by Supervisor Kathryn Barger to create an online Centralized Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Hub to provide vital access to programs and services to youth, caregivers, social workers and advocates.

The proposed online Centralized TAY Hub will improve the county's ability to serve TAY as they age out of the foster care system by helping them connect to education, career and housing resources.

"The county has created countless programs over the years to provide valuable job training, access to transportation, educational stability and other services to foster youth. Yet, we continue to have a number of Transitional Age Youth exit out of the child welfare system facing poor outcomes and at risk of becoming another devastating statistic of homelessness, substance abuse addiction and mental health issues," Supervisor Kathryn Barger said. "We need to develop a coordinated system so youth know what is available to them and are connected to the right services at the right time to en-

rich their lives."

The 4-0 vote gave the Chief Executive Office the directive to explore means to develop and launch the Hub, coordinate with the Office of Child Protection and other relevant departments and agencies, and develop Management Appraisal Performance Program goals to ensure streamlined and effective service delivery.

Department of Children and Family Services Director Bobby Cagle cited that there are about 10,000 TAY in Los Angeles County who would benefit from this program.

"We have to do what we can to provide them with the tools and resources they need so they can achieve their dreams and live the lives they hope to lead when they reach adulthood," Cagle said. "As with any vulnerable population, we have learned that individual departments cannot effectively serve a child in isolation. We know that enhanced coordination, along with the better integration of resources, will improve services for our foster youth and help them achieve self-sufficiency."

## Glendora Police Department Announces National Night Out Against Crime Event

**GLENDORA** - Join the Glendora Police Department in celebrating the 35th Annual "National Night Out Against Crime" event which will take place on Tuesday, **August 7th** from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. This Free event has a brand new location; please join us at the Glendora Library Bidwell Forum and patio at 140 S. Glendora Avenue.

The entire community is invited to join us and enjoy free hot dogs provided by the Glendora Police Officers Association, have their children fingerprinted and faces painted and the kids can

also try their hand at winning a free backpack. Booths will include Auxiliary Volunteers, Social Media Team, Code Enforcement, along with Glendora City Departments, such as the library, community services water and more. Bring your families, neighbors and friends and join us for a night of fun.

National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for and participation in local anticrime programs as well as sends a message to criminals let-

ting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. Residents throughout Glendora and across the nation are asked to turn on their porch lights, lock their doors, and spend the evening outside with neighbors and law enforcement to help build stronger police-partnerships and neighborhood unity in our fight for a safer community.

For additional information, please contact Community Services Officer Nita Ulloa-Pedroni at 626 914 8268.

## Azusans Will Walk Against Crime

*Residents will participate in National Night Out with a Healthy Walk*

**AZUSA** - The Azusa Police Department and the City of Azusa will observe National Night Out by asking its residents to join them in a stroll around the Target Store on Tuesday, **August 7, 2018** from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. After the stroll participants can mingle at the Target Store and pick-up free promotional items to be given away by the event sponsors and guests.

The event is set to begin at the Target Store located at 809 N. Azusa Avenue. Target is the national sponsor of the free event which is designed to promote crime prevention awareness throughout the nation.

"The Azusa Police Department and the City of Azusa would like to thank Target for their sponsorship of this program," said Azusa Police Chief, Steve Hunt. "It allows the public to interact with their civic leaders and Azusa's police, fire and safety personnel to obtain information about their respective prevention and safety

programs."

National Night Out is a campaign by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) which works in cooperation with thousands of crime watch groups and law enforcement agencies throughout the country.

"The National Night Out campaign has proven to be an effective, inexpensive and fun program to promote neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships in our crime fighting campaign for a safer Azusa," adds Azusa Mayor, Joseph R. Rocha.

National Night Out is designed to:

- \* Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness
- \* Generate support for and generate participation in local anticrime programs
- \* Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships, and
- \* Send a message to criminals

letting them know that neighborhoods are organized against crime

Participants will rally at the Target Store at 6:30 p.m. to begin the easy stroll around the Target Store and adjacent blocks. At the end of the walk all participants will be treated to a healthy fresh fruit snack and a drink. Sponsors of the event and the Target Store will award all walk participants with free gifts and a raffle at the conclusion of the event.

Sponsors of the event include: Azusa Police Department, Azusa Light & Water Department, Target Stores, Azusa Beautiful, Azusa Health Center, Azusa's LA County Fire Station 32 and 97 and the Explorers Program, Metro Gold Line, National Guard Armory and the Azusa Chamber of Commerce.

For more information on National Night Out, please contact the city at 626-812-5200.

## Reintroduction of Endangered Frog Continues in Angeles National Forest

**ARCADIA** - Recovery efforts for the federally endangered Southern California population of mountain yellow-legged frogs (*Rana muscosa*) moved forward with the release of over 250 tadpoles by Los Angeles Zoo to their historic ranges in the Angeles National Forest on July 26. This continues the release of the species in both the Angeles and San Bernardino National Forests. This year's efforts began last month and will continue throughout the summer and in the years ahead. The regional effort is the result of a partnership between U.S. Forest Service, Los Ange-

les Zoo, San Diego Zoo Global, Henry Doorly Zoo (Omaha, Nebraska), California Department of Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Geological Survey, and others. The frogs are being bred in captivity at the zoos and reintroduced to their native streams in the San Bernardino, San Gabriel and San Jacinto mountains.

In 2002, it was estimated that fewer than 100 adult frogs remained in the wild. Threats to the species include habitat loss, pollution, non-native predators and the deadly amphibian disease chytridiomycosis, which is

caused by chytrid fungus. Scientists determined that captive rearing offered the species the best chance of recovery. Other measures being taken to help the species recover include removal of non-native fish and bullfrogs from streams and conducting research to inform future actions.

Recovery efforts, now in their 12th year, have resulted in nearly 5,000 frogs being released into their historic range. Breeding at several sites in the Angeles and San Bernardino National Forests has been observed in post-release surveys by USGS.

## "TIME JOCKEY" - C. Hart Merriam

**By Joe Castillo**

**Indian History...** Dr. Clinton Hart Merriam was born in 1855 and died in 1942. He was an American anthropologist, zoologist, mammologist, orthographer, ornithologist, entomologist, ethnographer, photographer and naturalist. He began his career studying birds, completed his doctorate and then proceeded to study mammals and zoology. In 1899 Merriam accepted a commission to organize and direct the Harriman Alaska Expedition which was financed by E. H. Harriman. About 1900 his natural history interests became directed to California where he built a home in Lagunitas, Marin County, and about this time he began to record observations on California Indians.

When Harriman died, his widow offered Merriam a lifetime grant to research the topic of his choice. Merriam was considered an expert in the field of mammalogy and it was expected that he would choose it to continue his life's work. However, Merriam felt a deep need to help California Indians and decided to learn the language and document the tribal life of all the Indians located in California. He planned to study the living habitats and

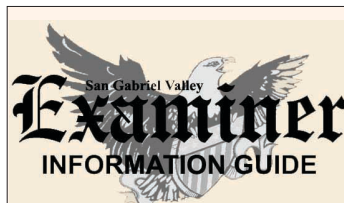
condition of the Indians including the food sources, clothing needs and housing requirements similarly to how he studied mammals and other animals. It was his plan to learn how the Indians lived, their way of life, and as such could learn their language while also identifying their tribal boundaries.

From 1910 to 1937, Merriam dedicated himself to his new purpose in life. He became a leading member of the American Anthropology Association which included such leading anthropologists such as Dr. Alfred (A.L.) Kroeber, Dr. Roland Burrage Dixon, Dr. Charles Peabody, D. I. Bushnell, Mrs. Hubert Howe Bancroft, Charles Lummis, A.C. Vroman and Mrs. Phoebe Hearst. Members were located as far away as Alaska, Australia, Berlin, Mexico, Bombay, New Zealand and The Hague. It was the leading anthropology association in the world.

Merriam began his study of California Indians in 1903 and arrived at the Fort Tejon Rancheria in 1905 to write about the various Indian tribes who had been relocated from Southern California locations. He recorded and took pictures of the last remaining members of various

tribes in order to preserve their memories and recollection of past tribal customs and languages. But Merriam had one disadvantage in that he didn't know the various Indian languages and was dependent upon translators to help him speak with the various tribesmen. One of the translators was Mrs. J.V. Rosemyre (nee Narcissa Higuera), who was born in San Gabriel around 1852 and relocated to the Fort Tejon reservation moving onto a Rancharia. Rosemyre was married to Dr. James V. Rosemyre who was a volunteer observer at the reservation. Rosemyre became Merriam's primary translator and in his notes he documented what she said regarding the various Indian people and tribes located at the reservation. It was Merriam's dedicated works that led him to document the lost Indian tribes and languages so that today we have his works which provide much of the information we now know about the Native Americans of California.....

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# 2020 Initiative Repeals SB 54 Religion—When It Heals And When It Harms

Children, Family, and Community Protection Act is an initiative, filed on April 28th and on June 22nd received title and approval to circulate. Filed by Don Rosenberg, father of a young man killed by an illegal immigrant, and a coalition of parents and citizens, said this effort would end SB 54 Sanctuary State law. Ravi Mehta, former chair of FPPC, is attorney of record with Attorney General's Office.

The initiative would address three major areas with the first being SB 54, the California Values Act (Sen. Kevin De Leon), AB 450's infringement of employers right to work with law enforcement and ICE, and AB 60 known as Motor Voter. AB 450 has already been invalidated by the court but this initiative reinforces that action and it will not be legal to happen again.

Children, Family, and Community Protection Act requires:

- State and local law enforcement to interface and work with federal officials and attempt to verify the immigration status of arrestees.
- Criminal penalties for rogue politicians who might attempt to declare their jurisdiction a "sanctuary" from the law and become non-compliant. Fine is a minimum of \$10,000.
- Repeal of sections of the Labor Code criminalizing private employers who cooperate with federal immigration authorities and frees all California employers to use the federal E-Verify system when hiring.
- Prohibition on issuing driver's licenses or identification cards without verifying citizen-



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ship or immigration status.

• Revocation of an illegal alien's California Driver's License or renew the one he/she poses putting an end to the State's ability to automatically register illegal aliens to vote.

What our Secretary of State, Alex Padilla, published and is reprinted in Ballotpedia says: **1853. (18-0002) Requires Use of State and Local Law-Enforcement Resources for Federal Immigration Purposes. Restricts Voter Registration Process. Initiative Statute.** Supporters have until Dec. 19 to gather nearly 366,000 signatures in order to qualify the measure for the November 2020 ballot.

Don Rosenberg spoke before the Santa Clarita City Council, and his message was replayed on Fox News, encouraging the Council to join a federal lawsuit withdrawing from Sanctuary City status. Roseberg said, "For those ... who don't seem to have a problem and recognizing this crime, I'm asking you to pick one of your loved ones and kill them

for no reason. And then maybe you will have a little bit of an idea of walking in my shoes."

Rosenberg's son, Drew, a second year law student, was killed in a 2010 in a collision in San Francisco by a Honduran immigrant who had entered the country illegally. LA Times, Steve Lopez, 1/14/18 recounts the incident:

"Drew was riding his motorcycle at an intersection and a Honduran-born man named Roberto Galo hit Drew at low speed and then, either in panic, confusion or an attempt to get away, hit him again."

Rosenberg told Lopez, "He backed up, drove over him a second time, and then went forward again. The rear tire was on my son's abdomen. He was probably already dead at that point ..."

Rosenberg went on to tell Steve Lopez that Galo was in the U.S. on temporary protected status which means he could have qualified for a drivers license but didn't have one. Five months before Drew's death, Galo was stopped by police and cited for going the wrong way on a one-way street and driving without a license or insurance.

After the accident that took young Rosenberg's life, Galo was convicted of voluntary manslaughter, sentenced to six months in jail, and was released after 43 days. Rosenberg's message in the Daily Signal to Gov. Brown: "I wish he would get on the bullet train, first stop to hell, and he should get off and stay there."

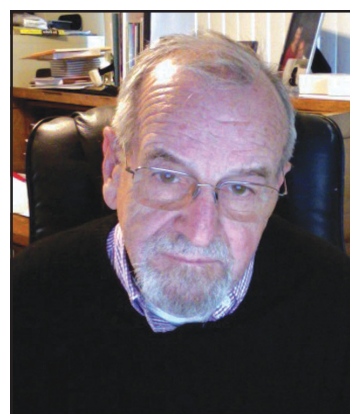
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Anyone having taken only a cursory look at religion—now or in its long history—must realize that sometimes it has been the source of healing and hope, and sometimes it has produced bigotry, war and brutality. While we must avoid oversimplifying a very complex set of societal dynamics, when religion, or some form of it, has been dominant in any culture it is obvious that the result has been either peace, compassion and justice, or violence, cruelty and injustice. When religion has only been a neutral thread in the cultural fabric it has probably been ignored by almost everybody.

I begin by looking at religion when its major thrust has been a commitment to a healing centered in an ethical imperative. Nothing has encapsulated this spirit any better than what has been called "the golden rule": "Do to others what you would have others do to you." While this perspective lies at the core of the Christian commitment, it is also embodied in every major world religion, as well as in the perspective of a variety of lesser-known sacred traditions. Let me draw from various religious precepts that parallel the Christian affirmation.

- Buddhism—"Hurt not others in ways that you yourself would find hurtful."
- Hinduism—"Do not do to others what would cause pain if done to you."
- Islam—"None of you truly believes until he wishes for his brother what he wishes for himself."
- Judaism—"Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."
- Sikhism—"No one is my enemy, none a stranger, and everyone is my friend."
- Sufism—"The basis of Sufism is a consideration of the hearts and feelings of others."
- Brahmanism—"Do naught unto others which would cause you pain if done to you."
- Jainism—"One should treat all creatures in the world as one would like to be treated."
- Zoroastrianism—"Do not do unto others whatever is injurious to yourself."

This perspective can be ex-



**Charles H. Bayer**

panded to include major philosophical traditions that undergird most religious systems, and confirm the positive relation between philosophy and religion.

Plato—"May I do to others as I would that they should do to me,"

Kant—"Act as if the maxim of thy actions were to become by thy will a universal law of nature."

Confucius—"Do not do to others what you do not want to be done to you."

If these ethical precepts offer the formula for any religion that is a blessing wherever and whenever it takes root, what of the converse? I suggest that the more any religion is fixated on the exclusivity of its own doctrine, the greater the probability that war, violence and bigotry will follow in its wake.

Among faithful Jews, the political clout of the ultra Orthodox has been a major factor in resisting any resolution of the Palestinian stalemate. This kind of religious bigotry has also been endorsed by American Christian fundamentalists. John Hagee, president of "Christians United for Israel," holds that this support will eventually lead Israeli Jews to accept Jesus as their messiah and be saved from the eternal punishment awaiting all those who do not call Jesus "Lord."

No religious fundamentalism is more harmful these days than the commitment to doctrinal purity in a variety of Muslim sects, beginning with the Taliban. The horror facing us is not born of Islamic culture but Islamic fundamentalism. The absolutism of certain Hindu sects has kept armies on both sides of the indistinct borders in the Indian state of Kashmir.

## Our Heroes Have Always Been Cowboys

Willie Nelson said it best. "My heroes have always been cowboys." That was true of a lot of kids, like me, growing up in Phoenix in the 1950's and 60's. Our "Valley of the Sun" was the home to lots of country stars and a flourishing radio, music, and local television market that fostered a lot of rock-in-roll and rockabilly entertainers including Lee Hazelwood, Waylon Jennings, Duane Eddy and Glendale, Arizona's own Marty Robbins. If you don't recognize him, he was the fellow with the white sport coat and the pink carnation.



**Charles Lopresto**

"The world needs more cowboys." However, a person who referred to themselves as a "Cultural specialist" was offended by "the image of a White man on horseback not being 'welcoming' to other groups." Huh?

As a "common sense specialist" myself, thank you very much, I would like to remind this rocket scientist that a cowboy is an occupation, not a race, and not a gender. By the way, we do have "cowgirls." Maybe the good professor should read a little history as well. Yes, a cowboy is a person of a certain occupation, just like a policeman, a fireman or a construction worker. I guess he fails to grasp the concept of "The Village People." And if he would actually read history instead of trying to rewrite it he would learn that as many as one third of the cowboys in the old West were Black. And a number of Hispanics and Native Americans eventually became cowboys as well, all seeking opportunities in the changing West. Yes, some cowboys were Indians.

That culture of the old West, my friends and I grew up with, had lots of heroes of many shades of skin. We emulated Zorro as much as we did Davy Crockett, complete with a cape and a toy fencing sword with a tip fitted for a piece of chalk, so we could carve the "Z." And who remembers "O.

Henry's Robin Hood of the Old Southwest, The Cisco Kid." We loved them all. And did you ever hear of Bass Reeves? He was a deputy U.S. Marshall in Texas, Arkansas, and the Oklahoma territory who dispensed justice at "Judge Parker's convenience." Reeves is believed to be the inspiration for "The Lone Ranger." Did I fail to mention this? Bass Reeves was also an African-American.

Obviously, I take some exception to the negative symbolism the professor attributes to the "man on horseback." In a remake of the film "Monte Walsh" often seen on TV, William Devane played an old cowboy named Brennan who was talking to Mr. Slocumb, a tenderfoot bureaucrat. Brennan tried to explain what a cowboy was. "All they got is freedom and pride. Keeping their word and looking out for one another. All they got is their rules." Slocumb asked, "Where are these rules written down?" His reply, "They are not written down, you damn fool, they are LIVED." And that summed it up.

Cowboys had a code of the West and it involved loyalty, honesty, faith, patriotism, and respect. The world of Roy Rogers, Gene Autry, John Wayne and Randolph Scott was the one we grew up in. We knew the code of the West, not cultural specialists, cultural misappropriation, and nuances applied to the plain old truth.

The kids today have their Harry Potter, and their superheroes with magical powers and I guess that is fine for them. But unless they lived on a ranch or grew up in a town like Phoenix, when it was more of a town than a city, than they may have very little in common with the old western characters. Too bad. Few of them today believe what we believed, that "our heroes have always been cowboys."

## Weed Not Good Enough, RECALLED!

Has anybody ever heard of the CBCC? I had no idea what the heck that was. It stands for California Bureau of Cannabis Control. So I guess it's true, cultivating weed can create jobs.

I could care less if you smoke weed, but if you do chances are you can't work for us. According to federal law, marijuana is still illegal. I know the majority of the police officers in the state of California will not arrest you for small amounts of marijuana for recreational or medicinal use. However, if you give a police officer a hard time, he can revert back to the federal law, take you into custody and impound your car. Your car will be impounded for transporting weed, and you never know, it may take 30 days for that investigation to clear your automobile. I would recommend that you don't mess with the police officers when they find your weed, just go along with the program.

I'm rather entertained by what's going on with the new laws in California and the requirements for cultivating and



**George Ogden**

*That's just the way it is!* selling weed. This CBCC goes out and tests marijuana from the cultivator to the distributor. I was shocked to hear that 80% of what was tested was rejected and did not pass the standards that are set in place for the state of California.

Some of the main issues are inaccurate labeling, poisons in the product (contamination from pesticides), bacteria, and various other chemicals in the product. There have also been weight issues where the product is not weighed properly and the consumer is not getting what they pay for.

Of the 31 testing facilities or labs, most of these are in

While passionately held doctrine is the precursor to bigotry, war and bloodshed throughout history, we find no clearer evidence of the destructive nature of doctrinal purity than in The United States. We begin with the Salem witch trials of February 1692 and May 1693. These trials resulted in the execution of twenty people, all but one by hanging. Fourteen of those executed were women. Five others (including two infant children) died in prison. The trials eventuating in these executions were conducted under the auspices of religious leaders, basically members of the Protestant clergy, who recited Biblical texts to prove the validity of their God ordained doctrinal purity.

Consider the slaughter of aboriginal tribes in America's west, ... with the cross of Jesus going on before." Or reflect on the immoral political blasphemy of the Trump Administration that resulted in the separation of children from their parents, a policy justified by Attorney General Sessions, who quoted a passage from Romans 13:1 as proof that God demands obedience to government sanctioned law. (Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.)

In the history of the American South, either in an era politically dominated by Democrats or Republicans, doctrinally pure Christians evoked the same Biblical evidence proving the divine endorsement of the slave trade and slavery, lynching, segregation, the KKK, the white citizens councils and segregation ... right down to God's support of this Administration's draconian immigration policies.

So it is not religion that corrupts society, but doctrinal exclusivism. The argument that one can properly claim both Christian ethics and doctrinal orthodoxy as the basis of a legitimate faith may be valid. But beware, that perspective may be a slippery slope resulting in the bigotry evidenced today by a significant body of conservative Christians.

Northern California. When the agents go out and they find an issue with the product, they can order a recall.

I never thought that in my lifetime that I would ever hear that a government agency is ordering a recall of weed. I find it a bit humorous. You have to ask yourself, these people are recalling marijuana? What is the matter with them? Are they high?

These safety tests can take up to two weeks which can create a problem for the distributors. I am not sure how they restrict the sales of the weed that become suspect if it takes two weeks to get an answer on whether or not it is safe.

It amazes me, that this same marijuana that may be used for medicinal purposes can also make you sick or kill you because of the chemicals in the pesticides has been applied to these plants during their grow period.

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# When Will All The Fear Mongering End?

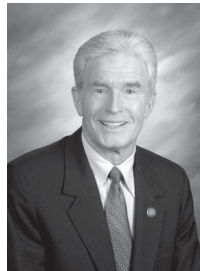
It's been six months since the stock market staged its first "tariff tantrum" in late January, after President Trump announced his first small tariff increases on some washing machines and solar panels.

The seemingly endless stream of negative trade news seems to have claimed its "first casualty." CNBC has been trying to convince their viewers for much of this year that tariffs and trade wars would have significantly negative consequences for the U.S. economy. This relentless negative news apparently finally has caused viewers to change the channel. Maria Bartiromo of Fox Business News decisively "out rated" CNBC's Squawk Box during the second quarter. Bartiromo, who has great instincts on what viewers want, said, "I feel that audiences want something different." Overall, Fox Business News had the highest ratings for six of the top seven business show time slots on cable, so I suspect CNBC might even become less negative.

CNBC's Jim Cramer recently indicated that Trump may be right about tariffs and that the U.S. has been taken advantage of by Germany and other countries. Speaking of Germany, U.S. Ambassador to Germany Richard Grenell met the heads of BMW, Daimler (Mercedes) and Volkswagen (Audi, Bentley & Porsche) a little over a week ago in Berlin and told them that the U.S. would resolve the brewing trade dispute if they would just abolish their 10% to 25% tariffs on U.S. vehicles. In turn, the U.S. would drop most tariffs on vehicles imported from the European Union. The German auto heads, not surprisingly, were reported to have "liked" what they heard from Ambassador Grenell.

Both British Prime Minister Theresa May and German Chancellor Angela Merkel said that they would be ready to support negotiations on reducing tariffs but "would not be able to do this only with the US", adding that tariffs had to be "negotiated with all the countries we trade with in the automotive sector." Although France does not export vehicles to the U.S., they are not anticipated to be a stumbling block. It appears that the Trump Administration's threat to impose tariffs

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anywhere in the world that there is an "imbalance" could result in more equitable trade with minimal or no tariffs as one likely outcome. All that tariff speculation that you have heard on the fake news stations may have been misleading speculation, since it is evident that the Trump Administration's ultimate objective is freer or at least fairer trade.

So far tariffs may have even helped reduce the trade deficit. The Commerce Department announced recently that the US trade deficit declined 6.6% to \$43.05 billion in May (much better than the economists' consensus estimate of \$43.6 billion). Exports rose 1.9% to \$144.89 billion, while imports rose 0.4% to \$210.68 billion. The US trade deficit is (at least for now) at the lowest level since October 2016 (due partially to booming domestic crude oil production as well as soybean exports, which doubled in May to \$4.14 billion).

The recent surge in exports is projected to have added 1.4% to the USA's GDP growth in the second quarter! One key to sustaining strong GDP growth remains narrowing future USA trade deficits.

Recently China began imposing a 25% tariff on U.S. Soybeans, so it will be interesting to see how badly that impacts future soybean exports. Trump's more recent offer of aid to farmers, a \$12 Billion proposed package for the coming months, is in response to China's tariff retaliation.

President Trump and European Union President Jean-Claude Juncker reached a preliminary trade agreement last Wednesday. Europe will eliminate tariffs on cars and other manufactured goods and will import more soybeans and LNG. In exchange, the US will eliminate its smaller tariffs on European cars as well as steel and aluminum tariffs.

Planned (threatened?) tariffs not yet in effect may not be imposed.

News of the deal boosted stocks both in the US and in Europe, although there are still plenty of details to work out and Juncker must now convince all 28 European states to negotiate these details. France and Germany, for instance, often have different trade priorities, the WSJ reports. The agreement is somewhat vague and the upcoming negotiations with Europe are sure to be contentious as the US remains embroiled in major trade disputes with China and other trading partners.

The Trump Administration's biggest recent commentary generator - the meeting with Russia - is raising speculation that a balancing force to OPEC's oil cartel could become an alliance between Russia, Saudi Arabia and the USA. Russia and Saudi Arabia are big swing producers and the Trump Administration has lobbied them to boost production as sanctions are re-imposed on Iran. Saudi Arabia has already pledged to boost its crude oil production and is all too happy to put pressure on Iran due to the seemingly endless proxy war it is having in Yemen against Iran. Russia will likely have to make any help it offers the Trump Administration very confidential, since Russia is unlikely to support any new action openly hurting Iran. Russia may ask for a tradeoff, such as a pledge that the US will quit interfering with Russian military operations in Syria.

Recent news out of the Fed revealed a couple of interesting details. First, the Fed seemed relieved to finally hit its 2% inflation target after failing to hit it since 2011. Second, the FOMC talked about tariffs a lot and hopefully will use this excuse to postpone further key interest rate hikes. Frankly, I still think one more interest rate hike is likely this year of a quarter point, but the fact that market rates remain remarkably "well behaved" may force the Fed to cut back on planned future rate hikes.

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# Your Money - Ask Julia

*How much life insurance I should have?*

Ask yourself how much your heirs will need to maintain their lifestyle without you. As a rule of thumb, you can withdraw about 4-percent annually from the earnings on a sum of money before touching the principal. If you currently earn \$50,000 annually, and purchase 5 times your annual income - a \$250,000 policy - your heirs would be able to safely withdraw \$10,000 per year without touching the principal. Ask yourself, "Is \$10,000 a year going to be enough to replace your \$50,000 annual income?"

*We are thinking about cancelling our life insurance policies, for now, and buying some term insurance later?*

My strong advice: Do not cancel your life insurance policies. Look at some alternatives. It's a lot easier to get a new, possibly less expensive policy when you are still insured. Think about this: What if you apply for life insurance 10 years from now, but your health is no longer good. You could be "rated" (required to pay a higher premium), or worse, "declined" insurance altogether.

*I lost my job and don't want to leave my retirement account with that company! How do I move it without having to pay taxes?*

To avoid the risk of having to pay taxes, it's a matter of doing the paperwork properly so that



**Julia Yoder**

the money is transferred in a timely manner to another qualified account. In a 12-month period, you can do an unlimited number of institution-to-institution transfers, but only one if the funds are handled by you. It's best to use the services of a financial professional to help you with this.

*A mortgage loan officer is quoting me a higher rate than I can find online. Why is there such a discrepancy?*

Be sure to read the fine print online. Often the rates posted on the internet, on the posters in your bank, and on billboards are based on the borrower having stellar credit, making a 20-percent down payment, and "buying down" the rate by paying an additional one or more points (1 point equals 1 percent of the loan amount). The mortgage rate you find on the internet usually does not take into consideration all of your specific financial details

such as accurate credit history, income, expenses, available funds, and appraised value of the property. A real-person loan professional will "pre-dig" into any problems that might cause a delay during underwriting. Be honest and open. If there's a problem you are aware of, a well drafted Letter of Explanation gives the underwriter more understanding. A new ruling makes it easier to remove items from your credit report that are not yours. Keep in mind that mortgage loan officers working at banks and credit unions are limited to the loans offered by that institution. Independent loan officers have access to multiple wholesale lenders, and are experts at helping you exercise your right to shop for rates. They shop for and explain the best loan options that fit your particular needs.

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## THE CAR GURU

WHAT YOU "AUTO" KNOW

By Gene Morrill - Certified Automotive Specialists

## The Role of the Check Engine Light

Your car has many computers that monitor your engine for the best performance, your transmission for proper shifting, your braking system for safe stopping, and it monitors many other devices to make sure they are working properly. If a system detects a problem, it needs to alert you, so you can bring the car in for service. This is the role of the check engine light.

The check engine light looks different from car to car. It is usually a yellow or orange color. It will rarely be red. Most of the time it illuminates in the shape of an engine. If the check engine light comes on solid (not blinking), you can continue to drive the car until you have a chance to bring it in. This does not mean you should ignore it.

When the check engine light is on, the car defaults to a backup system that controls all the important systems. Driving around for a short time until you can set up an appointment is no problem, but continuing to drive more than 20 miles is a bad idea.

If the check engine light is blinking rhythmically, this indicates a serious problem! A computer system has had a major malfunction that will damage the catalytic converter. If you notice a blinking check engine light, you do not need to stop in the middle of the bridge and call a tow truck,

but you do need to stop driving as soon as it is practical. Whether the check engine light is solid or blinking, it's a good idea to drive gently.

The modern car is more complex than ever, and many folks believe a small hand-held code reader will tell you what's wrong with the car. This is incorrect information. It is called a code reader for a reason; it reads the trouble code for the major systems only. A code reader will not tell you the complete story of the car's condition.

Please don't diagnose or replace parts based on a code reader device. The only way to correctly find all the issues with your car is to use a scanner. The scanner does what it says; it scans all the modules and systems of the car, instead of a select few that a code reader does. Most cars have 20 to 100 modules; a code reader is not set to read even half of those.

Quick story; we recently had

a car come in with a catalytic converter code. It would be easy to recommend and replace the part. The cost was \$1200.00. Testing and analysing the system with scan data revealed that an oxygen sensor (one of the four that are on this car) was the culprit. The cost was \$400.00. We felt good doing a proper diagnosis and repair. The customer was also happy!

No one wants to pay for expensive testing, but it beats changing parts and losing that hard-earned cash we all want to spend elsewhere. Please use a shop that is well equipped and don't rely on the old code reader any more.

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## Don't Say Goodbye Without Preplanning

by Maria Cho

It's never too early to plan for the important occasions in our life. In fact, every day we are making plans for our immediate and not so distant future: family dinners, coffee with a friend, vacations, weddings, visiting children or grandchildren, retirement. But have you ever considered planning how your loved ones will remember you?

Pre-planning your funeral doesn't have to be sad. In fact, it can be a celebration of your life and a way to say goodbye on your terms. Pre-planning could be one of the best gifts you leave your family with.

**Why Future Plan?**

Planning for a family member or loved one's death after the fact can be an incredible burden, leaving important decisions and expenses left to those who are grieving. Often times this leads to disagreements and fighting at a time your family and friends should be comforting each other. Doing your own pre-planning now helps alleviate a lot of stress later.

Nowadays, people usually say that they do not have the money to pre-plan but many do not realize funeral costs are expensive and require a lot of time.

Remember when my grandmother passed away in 1988. I was an only child and had no idea how much a funeral cost. Of course, if I had asked oth-

ers to help me with a wedding, then there would be a lot of help. However, with a funeral, there was none. I ended up having to plan a cremation for my grandmother. She always told my mother she NEVER wanted a cremation, but at the time we had no choice.

This tragic event is what sparked my passion to want to help others plan for their future. I want to make sure no one has to go through what I did with my grandmother. And it's why I want to help make sure people have some peace of mind when their loved ones pass away.

**Lock in Prices Now**

If you plan for the future now, you will be able to lock in today's prices. Funeral home prices are constantly changing every year.

It's the same concept as planning a vacation ahead of time - it's cheaper to buy airline tickets in advance than

buying your ticket the day of. So why not plan your ticket to heaven now?

In 1998, I bought a cemetery plot for \$1,000 plus an additional \$3,600 for services at Holy Cross Cemetery. Today those prices are now \$16,000-\$20,000. That is a devastating increase in price.

Of course, all funeral homes have different prices. An expensive service does not guarantee a pleasant funeral, nor does a low-cost service mean a disappointing service. But one thing is certain - when you're stuck having to make quick, last-minute decisions, you will pay more than you would have if you pre-planned.

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# Help Teens Learn Driving



Keeping young drivers on the road to safety are DMV testing programs and parent-driver contracts.

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### How Teens Can Learn

This is made easier with an online driver's test program. It uses accurate, up-to-date questions based on the official state DMV handbook and traffic laws. The questions are often identical to those on the offi-

cial driver's license test.

As a result, aspiring drivers who take the practice tests and read the DMV manual are 73 percent more likely to pass the official test than those who study the manual alone. The program is called Driving-Tests.org and can be found at <https://driving-tests.org>.

### What You Can Do

One good thing you can do as a parent is create a parent-driver contract. It helps form

an open line of communication about the importance of safety and the expectations that come with the new and profound responsibility of driving.

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# The Little Mermaid at the Candlelight Pavilion



### By Patrick Murphy

If you are a fan of Disney's movie "The Little Mermaid", or if you are a fan of musical theater, you will immediately become a fan of this wonderful live performance at the Candlelight Pavilion.

Outstanding performances, impressive costumes, delightful sets and very entertaining ensemble numbers, all coalesce into a wonderful experience of musical theater for all ages.

The play "The Little Mermaid" which opened in 2008 on Broadway and the animated classic by the same name were inspired by the 1837 Hans Christian Andersen story of a mermaid who falls in love with a human prince and longs to become human to be with him.

The love-stricken little mermaid enters into a pact with the evil sea witch, Ursula trading her melodic voice for legs enabling her to win the heart of the Prince or face dire consequences. Her quest is complicated by the treachery of Ursula. Will love prevail?

The movie's memorable songs: "Kiss the Girl," "Under the Sea," "Part of Your World," "Poor Unfortunate Souls" and "Les Poissons" are performed with great skill and exuberance by this talented cast. But this musical does not stop with the movie's musical numbers, it has its own songs including: "If Only (Triton's Lament)" and "Beyond My Wildest Dreams.

Erin Dubreuil takes command of the stage as Ariel from her opening song. She is talented and exudes charm as the lovely mermaid. Desmond Clark is that whimsical crab, Sebastian. Tyler Burk delivers a memorable performance as Prince Erik. Alex Allen (Scuttle), Ryan Watson. (Flounder), Nicholas Alexander (Flotsam), Anthony Vacio (Jetsam),

Donovan Wright (King Triton), and Andrew Metzger (Chef Louis).

The ensemble truly shines throughout this musical and includes: Emily Chelsea, Yadira Del Rincon, Judy Fernandez, Erin McIntyre, Helen Tait, and Samantha Wass play Ariel's Mersisters and Princesses. Evan Borboa, Fernando Carsa, Daniel Justin, Matthew Olsson, and Aaron Shaw round out the ensemble.

The scenery is beautiful and scene changes are seamless. Lighting, costumes, and choreography all converge to create a visual masterpiece. The Creative team include: John Lalonde directs this truly enjoyable musical. Chelsea Morgan Stock is the talented choreographer. Julie Lamoureux is the music director.

This is a play for the entire family. The audience comprised all ages and all were thoroughly captivated by the singing, dancing, and music.

Tickets for the Candlelight Pavilion's presentation of Disney's "The Little Mermaid" are available by calling (909) 626-1254, ext 1. Regular ticket prices range from \$63-

\$78 which includes both dinner and show.

If you have never had the pleasure of visiting the Candlelight Pavilion, I would be remiss to exclude the fact that coming here is an experience not to be missed. You are greeted at the door by Mick Bollinger who makes every guest feel like family. The staff is attentive and professional. The dinner is nothing short of delicious and deserts are decadent and feature home-made ice cream.

While enjoying your sumptuous dinner, you are entertained by the world-renowned Michael Ryan on guitar. He is a professor of music at the University of La Verne as well as being an acclaimed composer and vocalist.

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# Nathan Hang's Troop 491 Eagle Scout Project



L to R, Furthest Back Row: Phillip Tran, Tom Woolley, Jerry Fialkowski, Troop 491 Scoutmaster Michael Moya, Sal Bottancino, Van Hang (with drill) L to R, Middle Row: Kitty Hang, Tyler Tran, Spencer Moya, Adam Erickson, Justin Mendez, Aamir Sajjad, Nick Hollanders, Greg Healy Seated L to R, Ryan Healy, Eagle Scout Project Leader Nathan Hang, Andrew Healy

**GLENDORA** - Nathan Hang's Troop 491 Eagle Scout Project was a Picnic (Area) in Big Dalton Wilderness Park. On The morning of July 20 and the following day of July 21, 2018, Nathan Hang, age 17, of Troop 491 Glendora, lead 13 of his fellow Boy Scouts and 17 adult Scout leaders and other volunteers, on an extensive refurbishment of picnic tables and grills in the Big Dalton Wilderness Park in the hills above Glendora. This service project was part of Nathan's requirement to earn the rank of Eagle Scout. After Nathan met with City of Glendora Parks and Recreation official, Raquel Zepeda, they decided the old wood on the six picnic tables in the covered picnic area needed to be replaced and the permanent grills to be scraped, sanded down and repainted. Nathan

and his team removed and replaced 30 planks of heavy 2"x12"x10' wood, all of which needed to be cut, primed and installed onto the metal table supports with new bolts. Refurbishing the grills was dirty, grimy work for the Scouts but the results were clean, nearly new looking grills. Nathan chose this site for his project to help the "hikers that go through that area and... since the benches are new and the BBQs are clean, people will be able to have more comfortable time in the area." Finding the money to pay for the Service Project was also part of Nathan's work towards Eagle Scout rank. The costs of materials were paid for through direct donations of friends and family and through Facebook. A long time Scout, Nathan joined the Boy Scouts in 2012, choosing Troop 491

of Glendora as his troop. After years of outdoor adventures and learning Boy Scout skills with his friends, Nathan moved up the ranks to Life Scout, during which he held the positions of Patrol Leader, Troop Guide and finally Senior Patrol Leader this last year. Nathan is a 2018 graduate of Glendora High School and will be attending San Diego State University in the Fall. The Eagle Scout Service Project, or more simply the Eagle Scout Project, provides Boy Scouts in the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) the opportunity to demonstrate leadership skills while performing a project for the benefit of his community. This is the culmination of the Eagle Scout candidate's leadership training, and it requires a significant effort on his part.

# Baldwin Park's Home Depot Helps West Covina VFW

**By Staff Writer**  
**WEST COVINA** - Over the last year, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8620 in West Covina has had a very rough time. A water spigot broke during the night and flooded the building, July of last year. The facility was closed for nearly 6 months for repairs. Still dealing with the insurance company for their losses, the facility was slowly put back together and basically opened in December of last year. However, there were still additional repairs that needed to be done.

A number of people and organizations have donated to the veterans to keep their VFW post open. With the news of the plight of the veterans in trying to finish the work at their VFW facility, Home Depot of Baldwin Park, who are neighbors of the VFW which is directly across the freeway, came to help out. They were able to give a sizable grant that was utilized for products to finish up and to do some rehabilitation of the post. Not only did they provide a grant, they also provided manpower. For two days, employees and volunteers from Home Depot worked on the building inside and out.

Cat Flores, from Home Depot, who is the Pro Department Supervisor, spearheaded assisting the VFW with this project. She came by to evaluate some of the needs of the facility. She submitted the information and helped expedite the process.

Frank Sanchez became the Project Manager and is the Management Committee Chairman for the VFW who basically supervised the project along with VFW Commander



Cat Flores (left) and Frank Sanchez work inside the facility while employees from Home Depot work on the outside.

Ogden. Members from the VFW, friends of the VFW, along with a number of people from Home Depot worked on the facility for two days. This included painting the outside of the building, the inside of the building including restrooms, installing new lights and air ducting for the air-conditioning system and much more.

Other members and guests who later came to the post after the project was done were not only completely surprised but very impressed with all the work that had been completed and how nice the building looked.

The VFW and the manage-

ment officers along with the members of the VFW greatly appreciate the efforts of Cat Flores and Home Depot of Baldwin Park for everything that they done for the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and its veterans. Commander Ogden stated, "It is without question that Home Depot is doing more for Veterans."

The Commander has encouraged people from the community to come on by and see how the cocktail bar and the rental hall now looks. You can see what successful efforts can do when businesses and community come together to help out.



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