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Homework House, Serenity Foster Care and Adoption, and the Dream Center L.A. stopped by to promote and inspire the shared priorities of each organization.

Pastors of the Dream Center in LA, Matthew and Caroline Barnett, joined the ACCU staff for an update on the current success and vision of the Dream Center, not to mention Pastor Matthew's World Marathon Challenge accomplishment. The Dream Center has been a longstanding partner of the Credit Union, leveraging the affinity VISA Giveback Card to raise money while members use their card in everyday purchases.

Additionally, honored with the 7th Annual "FIRST" Award from FIS/Miser, ACCU's database core system vendor, the Credit Union was recognized for its "innovation in a product or service

that benefits the local community, charity, or employee group of the institution". The award came in the form of a \$5,000 charitable gift, to be directed to the charity or charities of

and Caroline Barnett, Pastors of the Dream Center and others. ACCU's choosing. As a result, ACCU selected both Serenity Adoption, Inc. of

Covina and Neighborhood Homework House of Azusa, to support the community-changing work being done for underserved

communities. President/CEO Mendell L. Thompson presented checks to Executive Director Jennifer Hicks of Neighborhood Homework House, and to President/CEO Bobbi Thomas of Serenity Adoption, Inc., in the

amount of \$2,500 each, for their investment and good works in the community. Each of these two leaders appeared personally to participate in a photo opportunity commemorating the donation.

# **Mesa Glen Care Center Celebrates Mother's Day**



## West Covina Crash Kills One Injures Two



# **America's Christian Credit Union Celebrates Community Partners For Cultural Impact**

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Mendell Thompson CEO of ACCU and Fawn Imboden of ACCU with Jennifer Hicks of Neighborhood Homework House and Matthew

Two Thousand five hundred and 00,

Seated: Bob Aparicio, John and Kris Aparicio, their mother Rosa Aparicio. Standing: Frank Mangisi Administrator of Mesa Glen Care Center, Patricia Cruz (Activities Director) and Perla Alvarez RNA

#### **By Javam Rutnam**

GLENDORA - Mesa Glen Care Center celebrated Mother's Day on Friday May 12th, 2017 with all their staff and residents. Many relatives visited the Care Center to visit their mothers on their special day. All the dining tables were adorned with vases of fresh flowers. The music was provided by Tony Millot of K-Tone, a DJ who is quite popular, who sang many nostalgic "oldies."

Patricia Cruz, Activities Director, Perla Alvarez RNA and members of the staff were very busy, attending to the residents' needs. All the staff were also kept busy serving the residents and their guests.

The luncheon consisted of Parmesan Crusted Tilapia, Parmesan Crusted Chicken, Stuffed Mushrooms, Zuchini Medley, a Tower of Deserts, Apple Cider and Raspberry Lemonade.

We spoke to the Aparicio familv from Pico Rivera, who were visiting their mother Rosa who is 98 years old. They said that they had suggested moving Rosa to a care center that was closer to them in Pico Rivera, but they had heard many good comments about Mesa Glen Care Center in Glendora and decided that Rosa would be happier there.

Mesa Glen Care Center have

many activities to keep the residents occupied, including, arts and crafts, bingo, and most of all, the residents speak about the caring staff staff who are genuinely friendly and attentive. Mesa Glen Care Center, located at 638 E. Colorado Avenue in Glendora is a CMS 5 Star Rated Community. You may contact them for tours of their facility at 626-963-6091.

Accident scene at Puente and Lark Ellen Ave. (Photo Courtesy of Tim Avila)

By George Ogden

WEST COVINA - Just before noon on Saturday, May 13, 9-1-1 operators received calls of a major traffic collision at Puente and Lark Ellen Avenues in West Covina. When first responders arrived they found three vehicles that were involved in the traffic collision. One driver was trapped in his 65 Chevy Impala. Two other drivers were injured.

It was said that the Impala was traveling southbound on Lark Ellen when it struck a vehicle in the southbound left turn lane and then crossed Puente Avenue on a red light and struck a Volkswagen head-on that was in the northbound left turn lane.

One of the calls to dispatchers stated that one of the vehicles was on fire. When the fire department arrived, they quickly attended to the victims of the crash and started cutting out the driver from the Impala. He was transported to the hospital, where

he later died from his injuries. The driver of the Volkswagen sustained serious injuries and was hospitalized and is expected to recover. The other driver received minor injuries.

The intersection was closed for a number of hours because of the accident investigation and the removal of the vehicles.

The names of the victims, and the deceased, have not been released, and the accident is still under investigation.

# **DART - Opportunity for Kids to Serve their Community**

**DUARTE** - The Duarte Area Resource Team (DART) has been a great organization to help young people in the Duarte Community find service opportunities within the area. This year, there will be 15 young people graduating - and those 15 have served over 7000 hours in service to our community. Kalina Gittins has actually been involved with the Public Safety programs through the CHYLL program since she was in 6th grade. This past weekend, Kalina participated in

the ACT-SO event at the Duarte Community Center and was awarded a gold medal in photography. Maria Huerta has over 300 hours of service and Marisol Arias has provided an amazing 1094 hours of service! The DART program has been the recipients of a number of CAL-GRIP grants targeted at gang prevention and intervention. In the first year of receiving a CAL-GRIP grant, there was a 50% reduction in juvenile arrests in the Duarte area. Aida Torres, Crime Prevention Specialist (and Duarte Kiwanis Member) shared that the DART program currently serves up to 45 young people per month with service opportunities as well as activities including college recruiting visits. The Duarte Kiwanis Club is proud to support this great program.

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



Duarte Kiwanis member, Aida Torres, graduating senior DART members, Marisol Arias, Maria Huerta, Kalina Gittins, and Duarte Kiwanis President, Cheryl Reynolds.



# **India Food and Spices Expands at New Location**

#### By Jayam Rutnam

DUARTE - India Food and Spices in Duarte has been in business for over two decades, retailing foodstuffs from India to a clientele from all over Southern California. They are also famous for their informal home style restaurant which is attached to the store, serving Indian Vegetarian and Vegan food.

They had their Grand Opening on Saturday May 13th, 2017, (Now across the street) at their spacious new location. The Duarte Chamber of Commerce organized the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at 11:15 a.m.which attracted clientele and friends from all over Southern California. A complimentary free buffet lunch was served to all their customers. Indian Bollywood music was heard blasting outside the store which was packed with customers.

The new location is brand new, with a state of the art kitchen serving fresh food. The grocery store has all the various food-



Seen at the opening was the whole Khosla family, Suneel, Onkar Sud, Seema, Himanshu, Neha, Uruashi Khosla and Sushma Malmotra.

stuffs that one would need to make Indian curries. They have everything from Basmati Rice to

Pickles and Chutneys of all kinds. India Food and Spices is now located at 2221 Huntington

Drive, Duarte, Ca. 91010. Telephone 626-357-6899.

# **Ten \$1,000 Scholarships Awarded By The Inter-Community Hospital Auxiliary**

Inter-Community Hospital Auxiliary held their annual Scholarship Luncheon. Ten very deserving and inspiring young people, who are entering or expanding their medical careers, were awarded \$1,000.00 to use towards their educational expenses.

Those receiving scholarships were: Azusa Pacific University; Katie Skutvik, Family Practitioner, Madison Markstrom, Occupational Therapist and Miranda Sturdivant and Jenna Winslow, Bachelors of Science Nursing. Attending Western University; Jessica Guillen, Physician Assistant and George Asahi, Dr. of Osteopathic Medicine. Students from Cal Poly: Angela Wang and Katie Wang, Bachelors Food and Nutrition/ Dietetics and Mt. SAC students Rachel Guo and Chris-

Nursing.

It was very rewarding and inspiring to hear from these young people, who are not only committed to their patients and giving back to the community, but are on a path towards

COVINA - On May 4th, the tine Del Real, Associate Degree a life of personal and professional success.

> The Inter-Community Auxiliary raises the funds to award it's scholarships through proceeds from their Bargain Box Thrift Store, at 216 E. Row-

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land St., Covina, it's Gift Shop, in the hospital, and vendor sales. We would also like to thank the Citrus Valley Health Partners Foundation for their generous support of our scholarship program.



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# **City of West Covina Recognizes 2017 Small Business Award Winners**

the 2nd Annual West Covina Small Business Week, the City awarded the 2017 City of West Covina Small Business Awards. The awards included the Innovative Use of Resources Award, the Women in Business Award, and the Small Business of the Year Award. The Innovative Use of Resources Award was nominated by the University of La Verne Small Business Development Center (SBDC) honoring a West Covina small business that has leveraged available business resources to grow their business and ensure their success.

The award was presented to Diltex, Inc. (Owners, Kinoo & Dil Singh).

Diltex Inc. began working with the University of La Verne Small **Business Development Center** (SBDC) in 2015 to expand their customer base through federal and manufacturer certification programs. Today, the company has received their 8(a) certification from the U.S. Small Business Administration and developed strong working relationships with



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WEST COVINA - As part of senior management from companies like HP, Dell, Samsung, and LG. As a result, Diltex Inc. has been able to increase sales by 50% in 2015, and 62% in 2016, creating two full-time jobs to support the company's growth. Diltex, Inc. is located at 1750 W. Cameron Avenue, Ste 110, West Covina, CA 91790. Mrs. Kinoo and Mr. Dil Singh are a prime example of small business owners who have successfully utilized the resources available to them to ensure the growth of their business.

> The Women in Business Award honored a West Covina small business owned by a woman that has shown unparalleled success, tireless involvement in our community, and outstanding advocacy for the success of women in business.

The award was presented to The Lab Creative Arts Studio (Owner, Valerie Ramirez).

In the past three years, the Lab Creative Arts Studio (The Lab) has had over 4,500 classes and workshops, inspiring over 5,000 students of diverse backgrounds. The Lab is located at 541 N. Azusa Avenue, West Covina, CA 91791. The owner of the Lab, Ms. Valerie Ramirez, has 15 years of experience in studio ownership and team direction. Dance teams from the Lab have received local and national awards and recognition, having won competitions at varying dance levels. The dance studio will look to add to its list of accolades this spring, when it will be featured on the upcoming NBC dance competition reality show, "World of Dance." Ms. Ramirez's students have also had success in the professional dance industry, having been hired for marketing campaigns of large corporations, dancing roles on numerous television shows, and joined world tours of well-known recording artists. Under Ms. Ramirez's direction, students are given lessons in hard work, humility, commitment, and humor - an approach that has helped to shape hundreds of her pupils. For Ms. Ramirez, the Lab was founded to create a lasting legacy and lay a foundation empowering the next generation of girls to reach their goals. The Lab Creative Arts Studio is a great example of a successful woman owned business that has made outstanding efforts in furthering the success of women.

The Small Business of the Year Award honored a West Covina small business that has shown growth and/or sustainability of their business and exemplary commitment and dedication to our community.

The award was presented to Crossfit Insurgent (Owner, Brian Franzen).

Crossfit Insurgent is a local gym located at 2229 E. Garvey Avenue North, West Covina, CA 91791, that offers a variety of classes for different fitness levels. The owner of Crossfit Insurgent, Mr. Brian Franzen, has been described by those that know him as an ethical, hardworking, passionate, and dedicated owner. He opened his gym in October 2013, and has been so successful that he has already had to expand his gym space. Memberships have risen consistently since its grand opening; having grown from 30 members when he opened to over 250 members today. Mr. Franzen has also been an advocate for providing afterschool programs to the youth and established the "Maria's Kids After School" program at his gym. The "Maria's Kids After School" program provides a free, safe, and fun environment for positive personal growth among middle school and high school students. Crossfit Insurgent has had great success, and has shown exemplary commitment and dedication to our community, serving as a model for small businesses in West Covina.

For additional information and photos of the winners, please visit the West Covina Small Busiwebpage: ness Week www.westcovina.org/WCS-BW2017.

#### **Barger Seeks To Expand Critical Funding For Local Service Providers Of Developmentally Disabled** LOSANGELES COUNTY opmental Disabilities Services that are impacted. AB 279 ex-

The Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a motion by Supervisors Kathryn Barger and Shelia Kuehl to support Assembly Bill 279 (D-Holden) which seeks to remedy a critical funding issue for the developmentally disabled local service providers that are at great risk of closing down. AB 279 will extend necessary authority to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and regional centers to adjust the rates of service providers to comply with legally binding local mandates enacted in the jurisdiction in which they employ workers to meet service needs under the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Act.

"The 1969 Lanterman Devel-

Act proclaimed that people with developmental disabilities and their families have a right to get the services and supports they need to live like people without disabilities," said Supervisor Barger. "Unfortunately, state funding reductions over the past 20 years coupled with increased costs have significantly eroded developmental services and the quality and access to care provided. The state must help address the wage gap and ensure that vital services can continue for many of our most vulnerable residents." When California raised the

tends that recognition to local ordinances raising minimum wage at a different pace than the state. There are currently 80,000 residents in Los Angeles County living with developmental disabilities, who along with their families and loved ones, rely on community-based programs to provide vital services and support. Service providers across the county have expressed their ardent support for this issue.

bursement rates to meet local mandates, many service providers will have to shut their doors, leading to a shortage of services available to people with disabili-

# **Monterey Park PD Conducts Successful Distracted Driving Enforcement Effort**

MONTEREY PARK - The message is clear: It is illegal to hold and use a cell phone while texting, calling or using apps while driving

During the month of April, motorists caught violating California's distracted-driving law received a clear message from Monterey Park law enforcement during a high-visibility enforcement campaign.

"Using a hand-held phone for calls, texting or the apps while driving is something we all know is dangerous, but too many drivers are doing it anyway. So when we see it, we will stop you for it," said Monterey Park Police Chief Jim Smith.

Monterey Park PD issued 193

citations to violators of California's distracted-driving law during the recent enforcement period. The law provides that it is illegal to hold and use a cell phone while texting, calling or using the apps while driving. It must be affixed to the vehicle, may be operated in hands free mode using voice activation, or used with the motion of a single swipe or tap of the driver's finger.

"Distracted driving kills too many people for us to ignore the facts and pretend it's okay—it is not acceptable to text and drive," said Chief Smith. According to the latest data from the US Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety

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minimum wage, it recognized a responsibility to provide a mechties. anism and funding to adjust rates

> Administration, 3,477 people were killed nationwide, and another 391,000 were injured in motor vehicle crashes involving distracted drivers in 2015.

> Offenders caught texting and driving face fines of \$162 and higher for a second violations. Though the high-visibility enforcement effort is over, law enforcement officers will continue watching for distracted drivers to make sure all motorists keep their eyes on the road, and their hands on the wheel.

> This campaign is funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

# **Arcadia Beautiful Commission Celebrates** Arbor Day

**ARCADIA** - On May 25, 2017 at 5 p.m., the Arcadia Beautiful Commission will hold its annual Arbor Day Celebration at the 300 block of West Wistaria Avenue. Each year, the Commission celebrates Arbor Day by sponsoring a tree planting event in the com-

our friends and neighbors, and for future generations.

The City of Arcadia places a high value on its trees and the positive effect they have on the community and the environment. This strong commitment to an urban forest is evidenced by the comprehensive guidelines the City has in place to ensure a continued high population of healthy trees. The City has been designated a Tree City USA for 23 consecutive years, recognized by the Arbor Day Foundation, in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management. The City also received the Tree City USA Growth Award this year, which recognizes higher levels of

tree care by participating Tree City USA communities. The Growth Award highlights innovative programs and projects as well as increased commitment of resources for urban forestry.

Trees are assets to our com-

**City of West Covina** Memorial Day Ceremony

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WEST COVINA - The City of West Covina will hold its Annual Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 29 at 10am at the City of West Covina Civic Center Courtyard located at 1444 West Garvey Avenue South, West Covina.

The Memorial Day Ceremony will feature the National Anthem performed by the West Covina High School Choral Department; a presentation of the flags by the San Gabriel Valley US Army Color Guard; and guest speakers from the Elizabeth Dole Foundation.

On September 27, 2016, the Elizabeth Dole Foundation launched its Hidden Heroes Campaign. The campaign seeks to create national awareness and support for the 5.5 million loved ones providing care to a wounded, ill, or injured service member or veteran. The campaign also encourages these military caregivers to come forward and selfidentify, so they can receive the resources they critically need. The City of West Covina recently became a "Hidden Heroes City" in support of military caregivers and veterans.

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In addition, the City of West Covina would like to remember all residents who served in the military who have passed. This year we are asking that if you would like to place your family member on a list to be remembered each Memorial Day, please contact the City of West Covina **Community Services Department** at (626) 939-8489. On Memorial Day, please arrive at least 30 minutes early to receive a flag to place near the West Covina Veterans Memorial in remembrance of your loved one. Family and friends of the fallen are invited to attend as the City pays tribute to these heroes from West Covina.

"Memorial Day is a reminder that we will never forget those who lost their lives in honor of patriotism and love of this country. Participation in this event is a way for all of us to pay tribute to those in our community," said City of West Covina Mayor Corey Warshaw.

For more information, please contact the Community Services Department at (626) 939-8489 or visit www.westcovina.org.

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munity. This year, join your Arcadia Beautiful Commissioners, Mayor Amundson, and Council Members in planting five trees along West Wistaria Avenue. In honor of Arbor Day, the Arcadia Beautiful Commission will be giving away free tree planting brochures, Camphor saplings, and various other gardening items to participants. The trees planted on this day will represent a gift for

munity when properly planted and maintained. They help improve the visual appeal of neighborhoods, increase property values, reduce home cooling costs, remove air pollutants and provide wildlife habitat, among many other benefits.

For more information about Arcadia's Arbor Day Celebration, please call the City Manager's Office at (626) 574-5434 or lshakarian@ArcadiaCA.gov.

# **Covina Officers Sniffed Out Indoor Pot Grow Operation**

#### By George Ogden

COVINA - In the early morning hours of Saturday, May 13 around 2:30AM, the Covina police detained two suspicious persons in the 1000 block of E. Edna Pl. which is in a commercial area. During the interview, the officers could smell marijuana coming from the building. They continued with the interview with the two subjects who admitted they were growing pot in the building. The officers furthered their

investigation and found over 100

plants growing inside the building. They were also reprocessing this into hashish oils and other types of products of this nature.

Additional investigators were brought in when the evidence was removed. They also contacted the owner who stated he knew pot was being grown inside the build-

Michael Ray Valdez, 28, of Hacienda Heights was taken into custody for drug manufacturing. Officers also found evidence of identity theft and drug paraphernalia. Bail was set at \$50,000. Additional charges may be pending.





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# Taxing Home Ownership Out of Reach | Part Of Me Wants To Be Left

I was a little taken aback this weekend when I read in a local paper that more and more of our millennials - those between the ages of 18 to 34 -- were still living at home. I know from personal experience that is happening generally, but never suspected we were talking about those as old at 34.

The Legislative Analyst Office says home prices today are about two and half times higher than the national average. Personal experience tells me a person in Colorado can own a 5,000 square foot home for far less than half the price of a 2,500 square foot home in California with lots of open space, not crammed into minimum lot sizes or 3 stories off the ground.

Maybe the reason more and more of our "kids", no matter how old they are, are living at home is because the way the economy in this state is being addressed by our Governor Brown and progressive Democrats. Got a problem ... no problem ... we can find a tax or a make a new tax on something to fix that problem.

We have the highest poverty rate, one of the highest tax rates and are in the bottom 10 in education in this country. How do you fix these statistics with another bond or another tax?

But Sacramento Democrats are already trying to fix the housing problem with another bond and more "fees". AB 71, would repeal of the interest tax deduction on vacation homes generating an estimated \$220 million a year for the affordable housing fund; SB 2 would allow a \$75



#### Lois M. Shade **Former Mayor of Glendora**

transfer fee on all real estate transactions; and, the ultimate solution, when all else fails, another bond. This time a \$3 billion construction bond adding more debt to the state and depending on how it is structured, taking more money out of the general fund which supports law enforcement. These progressive led "solutions" have gone to the suspense file for the time being, but beware, they will be back again.

The increased gas tax not only will hit our "kids" trying to get to work but will hit again at the grocery stores when the big rigs bringing that food to those stores start paying an extra 20 cents a gallon for diesel fuel. And, we find out now, it isn't really to fix potholes but it will go to a myriad of other Sacramento agenda items. That pothole pea should have been funded by one of the other money pods we are all paying into that is less critical right now than decaying infrastructure statewide.

Extra gas costs to get to a job, and maybe scared silly they might not keep that job, could keep many of those "kids" from moving out on their own. The new mandatory minimum wage Brown supported, along with Gavin Newsom, gubernatorial candidate in 2018, has a proven track record in the San Francisco area. When the \$15 minimum wage went into effect there, small businesses had to lay-off some and other businesses just had to close the doors. As that mandatory minimum wage rises will there be more fall-out leading to fewer jobs and more remaining at-home "kids"?

Single payer insurance plan being proposed by Democrat Ricardo Lara (Bell Gardens) now running for Board of Equalization, tells us this would be a state run medical insurance program that covers all things for all persons, no co-pays, no deductibles, and would prohibit any competition from others in the open insurance market place. 9.5% payroll tax is the initial proposal to pay for this plan. No one can possibly believe that a simple 9.5% payroll tax can cover the costs of this program, can they? How do you "sell" a \$100 billion plan to anyone in a state with the highest poverty rate, threatened job losses as mandatory wage hikes kick in, with a 9.5% payroll tax?

Surely all those "kids" still living at home, can't believe half this stuff being fed to us daily about tax after tax after tax and they have to be sick and tired of the pea under the pod tax games being played in Sacramento. And, most of all saddened they are not able to take part in the American dream by becoming a homeown-

Last week I hit another year's marker on my way may through the decade as an octogenarian. Part of me is still ready for any venture that comes in my path. But part of me just wants to be left to retire in peace.

The end of graduate school in the 1950s brought me face to face with America's struggle to secure civil and voting rights for all her citizens. Then came the persistent call for me to do what I could to help bring an end to the war against Vietnam. That summons consumed me for the next decades, and took me to the legal boundaries-and even beyond. I have often related stories of my involvement at the heart of that struggle, including a frightening encounter with a Chicago grand jury. Women's rights, economic justice and climate change have been among my foci in more recent years. And now we are faced with a disastrous national Administration headed by an ignorant prevaricating egomaniac.

Closer to home, I am involved in my retirement community in an effort to continue our hundred year emphasis on providing a home for those who have spent their working years in religious or charitable not-for-profit agencies, particularly persons with limited financial resources.

All of these concerns have involved struggles which are both vigorous and tiring. Many of my neighbors among our 300 com-



**Charles H. Bayer** 

munity members just want a quiet peaceful retirement without conflict. And that is also what part of me longs for. Among the escapes from my focus on the above named struggles has been watercolor painting. Every year I produce a few new paintings from which I make and sell hundreds of greeting cards. The money earned is dedicated to a fund offering support for members of our community who are short of needed financial resources.

Everything these days takes more time. Buttoning a shirt can be a twenty-minute exercise. So I work more slowly, and now need to spend 26 to 30 hours a week producing these 700 word efforts. By the time I choose the topic, do the research, draft and rewrite and rewrite again, work with my proofreader, rewrite some more, send them to the places where they are published, dispatch about 400 to e-mail recipients, and write back to

thoughtful responders, the week is gone. No, I haven't gotten rich from all this effort. In fact I have never earned a cent. But alas, my art has suffered and I have not made a single brush stroke for months, so I long to get back to my water-collars

I began to submit these columns eight years ago, and except for 4-6 weeks every summer, I have not missed a weekly deadline. A comment occasionally comes from critics suggesting it may be time for me to hang it up. When these opinion pieces of mine are no longer of value, or when my mind has skidded to a halt, I have good friends who will tell me that it is time to quit. But that day has not yet arrived.

Perhaps it is delusional on my part, but I believe these mostly political comments need to be made. I do not believe that we should hold our peace and let Donald Trump do whatever massages his ego. I continue to believe that the distortions inherent in his understanding of America are tragically misguided. I may not be around to observe what might happen as he continues to devalue and distort the American dream, but my grandchildren will live with the effects. So for their sake-and perhaps for yours I am driven to continue with this effort a bit longer.

Contact Charles Bayer at candwbayer@verizon.net

# **Thanks for Being a Drunk and Alcoholic**

Being drunk, a drunkard or an alcoholic isn't beneficial to anyone, to themselves or the people

Many of us either know or have been around people who are alcoholics that drink too much. I always love the denial, I'm not an alcoholic, and I'm not a drunk, when in fact they are.

For me, I haven't drank for about 20 years. I drank every day, loved my beer. I would say one out of every five drunks I was a real jackass. Hell, sometimes I woke up drunk. Then I decided to simply quit. Guns and alcohol don't mix, and I made the decision to quit drinking. I can't get loaded off of weed, and I don't take pills so I guess I am pretty boring. I didn't go to any classes, didn't talk to special people, I just quit. The same with smoking, I quit April 1, 1974. I had that tobacco cough and did not realize that I was allergic to nicotine. Would you believe this nicotine habit I had back then still shows up today in my medical records? I'm going to hash over some of the sad things that are going on around me. I will change the names to protect the guilty. Many of you know what my status is a commander in West Covina and handle the VFW which has a cocktail bar and a hall rental. We try to follow some pretty strict rules and to try and keep those safe that come into the facility to have a cold one. We had this one guy, let's just call him East Coast, that would get sloppy drunk, get loud, get obnoxious, and make crude comments to some ladies including those that would come in from the rental hall to get a cocktail from the bar.



George Ogden That's just the way it is! cided that it would be best for this individual to no longer be welcomed in the VFW. He was basically 86'ed and was not allowed back into the facility. It is sad, because when he is sober he is a great guy. However, we always had to find him a ride to get him home and keep our community safe. Then one day, we saw on the video that he drove home and that was it. Three months after he was kicked out, he returned drunk and we refused to serve him at the bar. He became angry and argumentative and aggressive towards me. That was his critical mistake. He will never return under any circumstances now. We have a high ranking NCO that was with the Army for over 34 years and now retired. This should automatically give him respect. He is one of the greatest people that you can meet until he starts getting drunk. That's usually five or six drinks and he continues on to well over a dozen on many cases. He has what we call a trophy wife and often times treats her like a piece of garbage making derogatory comments about her and her past personal life in a relationship she had with to the point it becomes very racist. His choice of joking around when he is drunk with the sexual overtones that is way over the

top. The Auxiliary President came into a meeting and she presented these issues to the management committee in which he is part of. It became a joke to him.

He claims he is not an alcoholic, just a binge drinker. RE-ALLY? Well, he's a binge drinker almost every time that he comes in to the VFW facility. He becomes uncouth and vulgar with sexual innuendos and insinuations in his crude behavior. He has become very embarrassing to the VFW and its members. This is not to say what it does to his wife. He disrespects her in public when he is drunk. This is a high-ranking retired NCO from the United States Army that has gone out of his way too degrade himself, his wife, and basically the VFW. This same individual, early on in his marriage, would publicly degrade his wife and say he wanted a divorce over and over again. He would publically put on a display of hate for her son as well. I went out of my way to try to help with this marriage and found out it was a horrible mistake on my part to try and help salvage it. She stays married to him because of her culture and that her family would disrespect her if she got a divorce. So we have two people that will to do nothing to help themselves. Well then, they belong together. So for you people that think you drink too much, then you've already taken the first step. Put yourself in check. Be a casual drinker, or a controled drinker. If you can't do that, then maybe you shouldn't drink. Don't make other people miserable, because the end result would probably be you will die alone.

# "TIME JOCKEY" - Lake Vineyard

#### **By Joe Castillo**

Home... Benjamin Wilson's new home of Lake Vineyard was a 40-acre site which included parts of today's San Gabriel, Alhambra, San Marino, Pasadena and South Pasadena. On the property was a ranch with a shallow pond fed by underground springs from Old Mill Canyon and Wilson Canyon. The pond also served as a swimming hole for the local boys and sometimes girls. In the hot summers, young people came from all around to swim in the

with the Lake Vineyard property given to his oldest daughter Maria, who was now married to James de Barth Shorb. Maria and the Wilson estate received the 1,300 acre Lake Vineyard ranch estate while Shorb received his own 500 acres which he named San Marino after his boyhood home in Maryland. The ranch was renamed to Mound Vineyard and both rancho properties fell under the management of Shorb himself. It was a lot to handle, but he imposed a steady management financial losses were suffered by Shorb as blight and drought caused the San Gabriel Winery to cease operations and the financial boom of the 1880's turned sour leaving landowners with debt and non-producing ranchos.

Shorb died in 1896 leaving behind his wife of 29 years and eleven children but other remembrances still exist. Wilson's subdivided tracts eventually led to Shorb's establishment of the City of Alhambra, which included streets named after his own chil-

they are around.

cool, refreshing water of the lake. Wilson named the pond Lake Wilson and for years while the water remained high enough it was center of recreational activities.

Years later, the water level dropped leaving Lake Wilson a muddy hole. The City of San Marino excavated the site and turned it into a recreational center for the new city. It became a park and today it's officially known as Lacy Park. Wilson lived at Lake Vineyard until his death in 1878. He deeded his real estate holdings to his daughters style and sought new ideas to ease its maintenance. In what may have been Shorb's crowning achievement, he used adobe titles to create a drainage system to turn a swamp into well irrigated and fertile lands. He used the water system to try growing exotic crops such as bananas which he had shipped from the Sandwich Islands.

Learning new progressive ideas, Shorb developed a steel pipe irrigation system for his vineyards while his contemporaries were using ditches and primitive wooden gateways. Serious dren. When the Southern Pacific Railroad lines were placed, Shorb's Station was named as the lone train stop in Alhambra. Benjamin Wilson and James de Barth Shorb were the first of wealthy landowners to develop property in the Western San Gabriel Valley but their brilliant idea of using galvanized pipes in the conveyance of water was an innovative idea which would drive housing development and crop expansion for decades to come ...

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# **Azusa Unified Students to Perform at** 11th Annual Mariachi Benefit Concert

AZUSA - Students of Azusa Unified School District will continue the tradition of celebrating Mexican musical heritage for a good cause at the 11th annual Mariachi Benefit Concert from 6 – 8:30 p.m. Friday, May 19 at the Gladstone High School Gymnasium, 1340 N. Enid Ave., Covina.

More than 70 students between 4th and 12th grade representing Mariachi de Azusa and

**Health Presentation** 

Danzantes de Mountain View will perform. They will be led by trumpet instructor Bobby Loya, the original trumpet player of legendary Chicano rock band Willie G. & Thee Midniters.

Ticket prices are \$10 for adults and children under 18 are free. Tickets may be purchased at the door in cash only. Tickets may also be purchased with a check in advance at the Azusa Unified School District office (546 S.

Citrus Ave., Azusa) Monday -Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

All proceeds from the concert will support Azusa Unified School District's after-school mariachi program for students ages 8 - 18. For more information or for tickets, contact the Educational Services Depart-

#### "That's Just the Way it Is!" The management committee dement at (626) 858-6182. **Applications Now Available For Summer Leadership Academy Cancer Immunotherapy**

vices in partnership with Methodist Hospital is having a free health presentation on Tuesday, May 23 at 1:30pm. This lecture will take place at the Arcadia Community Center at 365 Campus Drive. Dr. Daniel H. Kim, Radiation Oncologist, will discuss recent advances in cancer immunotherapy which have been

Arcadia - Arcadia Senior Ser- called "game changers" and a turning point in the fight against cancer. Dr. Kim will highlight some of the major breakthroughs, and limitations, as well as future directions for this new exciting medical advancement. If interested in attending please call the Arcadia Community Center at 626.574.5130. This program is for individuals age 50 and over.

**GLENDORA** - Looking for a fun summer camp for your fifth or sixth grade graduate? Consider the Leadership Academy. Applications are now available for the five-day Leadership Academy for students who have completed fifth or sixth grade in the Glendora or Charter Oak School District. The purpose of the Leadership Academy is to train and inspire young children to become leader in their community and to teach them the necessary skills.

The Leadership Academy will be held Monday through Friday, June 5-9 from 9 a.m. to noon at the United Methodist Church located at 201 E. Bennett Avenue in Glendora. The program is not affiliated with the church. Information was distributed through the Glendora School District and

can be found on line at the Kiwanianne website, www.glendorakiwaniannes.org. The application is also online at this website.

To enroll students, parents should complete the application form and mail it with a \$25 check by May 19. Only 30 children will be accepted for the program. For more information, call (626) 963-6179. Previous participants will not be accepted.

The program includes sessions on leadership vision, integrity, courage, conflict resolution, public speaking and how to combat bullying. Students will also engage in craft projects and team building exercises. For the seventh year, the program is sponsored by the Glendora Kiwaniannes with funding from the Arsalyn Project which is part of the Ludwick Family Foundation.



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# **Reality Show: Trump and His Tax Reform**

The latest polls indicate that the political environment in Washington is the top economic risk cited by every demographic category - by age, income, gender, racial/ethnic group, and political affiliation. This isn't a stretch, given the fluidity of recent events. In the long run, stock prices will reflect whether Trump's policies create more disposable income, boost profits, and raise salaries. Cutting taxes helps in the short term, but the long-range goal is to beat inflation through higher income and growing retirement nest eggs.

Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin states Trump's tax reform will create 1.7 million new jobs, save families \$4,600 per year, raise wages 8%, and bring an end to corporate "inversions" by eliminating incentives to export profits and jobs and instead promote more U.S. manufacturing jobs. It all sounds good and the stock market has been in rally mode leading up to this pronouncement of the "Make America Great Again" tax plan that now has to work its way through Congress in order to be realized.

Critics are already fanning the flames over some perceived pitfalls of the Trump tax plan, stating that if it doesn't find a way to replace lost tax revenue in the early years, the government will have to borrow trillions to pay its bills. Granted, the new tax plan assumes the new incentives will result in a 4% rate of GDP growth that will drive tax receipts making the plan revenue neutral, but after the economy posted preliminary first-quarter GDP growth of only 0.7% in Trump's first quarter in office,



it's no surprise the doubters of this grand stimulus scheme are making lots of noise.

First off, they warn that another \$2 trillion of deficit spending - if not matched by revenues - will blow a hole in the bond market, meaning credit-rating reductions for U.S. debt, with weaker demand for Treasuries followed by soaring interest rates and inflation. But these are the same critics that refuse to tangle with the biggest and most threatening of all fiscal forces - entitlement spending that soaks up over 60% of every dollar of the federal budget (and rising), primarily for Social Security and Medicare.

After seven years of modest declines, the federal budget deficit is projected to add nearly \$10 trillion to the federal debt over the next 10 years, according to projections from the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office, if the current tax system is maintained. The numbers reveal the strain government debt will have on the economy even before President Trump proposes to slash tax rates and ramp up spending.

The deficit figures will be a major challenge to House Republicans, who were swept into power in 2010 on fears of a bloated deficit and who made controlling red ink a major part of their agenda under former President Barack Obama. Statutory caps imposed in 2011 on domestic and military spending helped temper the deficit, but those controls are likely to be swamped by Social Security and healthcare spending for an aging population - toxic political election-year fodder for the debate over any budget legislation.

Congressional leaders will now have to choose between the virtues of fiscal prudence and the demands of the new president, who wants to spend \$1 trillion on infrastructure over the next 10 years, plus a surge in military spending and large tax cuts for individuals and corporations. Democrats are likely to oppose large tax cuts, but they will press Mr. Trump to make good on his promise to spend big on infrastructure.

Senate Democrats will likely go along with the \$1 trillion plan to rebuild the nation's roads, bridges, rails, transit systems, airports, sewer systems, and power grid. But in the words of Senator Chuck Schumer of New York, the Democratic leader, "We will not cut middle-class programs like education and health care to pay for it," And so goes the conundrum for the Congressional budget committee for the next few months.

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# Your Money - Ask Julia

In southern California, I cannot pay my rent AND save 20percent for the down-payment on a house. My rent payment is close to what a house payment would be, and I really want to buy a house. I'm afraid of adjustable loans - that's how people lose their home. I see that there are loans with a smaller down-payment, but then there's mortgage insurance. Is there any way for me to buy a home?

First of all, if you were to move, you'd have to save a couple months' worth of rent for the security deposit and first month's rent, right? Save up one more month's rent, and you probably have enough for your down payment for a house or condo. Before you get too excited, there are also 'closing costs' which usually run several thousand dollars. Now, before you get discouraged, you might be able to get the seller to pay your closing costs, or get a gift (no expectation of repayment) from a friend or relative. When it comes to adjustable loans, they are not the ugly beasts they used to be. And, with more stringent qualification guidelines and more transparent disclosures, it is easier to understand these loans and how they work. There are ways to reduce or 'eliminate' mortgage insurance with many conventional loans (except FHA). How is your credit report and scores? How much debt do you have in relationship to your income? (Use an online calculator to help determine your debt-to-income ratio. Try for 40percent, or less, debt-to-income ratio.)



Julia Yoder

I'm in my early 30's and my parents tell me that I should talk with a financial professional about retirement savings. *Honestly*, why?

Your parents probably wish they'd talked with a financial professional when they were your age. They care for you and want the best for you. It's never too early to learn about financial opportunities and pitfalls. With this knowledge, and some long-term help from a financial professional, you'll be enabled to develop a strategy to reach your goals. Ask your parents if they will gift you a start-up amount (for tax reasons, up to \$14,000). By the way, you can start saving for retirement with as little as \$50 a month.

I cosigned a car loan with our son. He faithfully makes his payments, and only has one more year to pay it off. I applied for a car loan and was declined. They said that if his car loan were paid off, they'd give me a loan. My son's car payments don't come out of my budget! How can they do this to me?

As you knew when you cosigned your son's car loan, if he were to miss payments, you would be responsible. "His" car loan is also "your" car loan. Since he only has one year until payoff, ask him to look into refinancing in his name only. You might consider offering to covering any fees. He will feel more grownup and independent, and you will be free from this financial burden.

#### What is a ''Discount Health Plan" ad why is it so inexpensive? Is there a catch?

Discount Health Plans are NOT Health Insurance. These health plans contract with health care service providers to offer discounted health care services to plan enrollees. However, an enrollee in a discount health plan must pay the entire amount of the discounted services. For legitimate discount health plans, go online to: www.CalStarBenefits.com/ 28485.

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Christian Credit Union is announcing the launch of its annual college scholarship contest. Consistent with its advocacy for higher education, the credit union has allocated funds for four \$500 scholarships to be distributed to high school seniors, or college students (undergraduate and graduate students included) who are attending an accredited institution. America's Christian CU's scholarship program is held annually to support local and national students who exemplify

and Teach."

President and CEO Mendell L. Thompson expressed the importance of supporting education through scholarships. "Furthering one's education in a Christian institution allows a person to cultivate a deeper understanding of God and the gifts He has bestowed. Developing and exercising these gifts on life's pathway allows them to be used for His glory. We believe in equipping the next generation for success, and education plays a major role traditional and instead ask contestants to submit a video that conveys what the student has identified as their gifting and how they intend on impacting culture.

All entries are due by May 31, 2017 at 5pm PST. Entries will be



reviewed by the executive leadership team on a basis of merit, community involvement, scholarship and relevancy.

For more information and to apply for the scholarship, visit www.americaschristiancu.com.

# Man Posing as DMV Employee Arrested for Committing Online Fraud

Suspect claimed he could "fix" problems with driver licenses and registrations for a fee

SACRAMENTO – Investigators with the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) have arrested a Los Angeles man for defrauding more than 50 people by impersonating a DMV employee and falsely promising to "fix" suspended driver licenses and problems with vehicle registrations for a fee.

Antoine Marquis Hale was taken into custody at his home on April 6, 2017 and charged with identify theft for unlawfully possessing the personal identification information of his victims, theft by fraud, and commercial burglary linked to the illicit collection of money from his victims. He pleaded guilty to the felony offense and faces up to six months in jail. Sentencing is scheduled for June 5, 2017.

The 26 year old posted advertisements that displayed the DMV logo on websites such as Craigslist and Offer Up. He claimed to be a DMV employee who could remove suspensions from a person's driver record, correct problems with vehicle registration, and pro-

vide other DMV services. In exchange, he would charge his victims between \$250 and \$400.

While serving a search warrant at Hale's home, DMV investigators seized his phone and answered it as victims called to try to get their money back. A large number of those calling appeared to live in the Inland Empire. Since this suspect admitted that he learned to carry out this fraudulent activity from others, investigators believe this scam may be continuing to take place throughout California and Nevada.

"Scammers often times pretend to be someone you trust, like a government official, family member or a person from a company with whom you do business," said DMV Investigations Chief Frank Alvarez. "Never send money or give out your personal information to anyone who is soliciting their services."

Consumer Tips:

Conduct Online Searches -Type a company or product name into your favorite search engine with words like review, complaint or scam.

Do Not Believe Caller ID -Technology makes it easy for scammers to fake caller ID information. If someone calls asking for money or personal information, hang up.

Consider How You Pay -Credit cards have significant fraud protection built in, but some payments do not. Wiring money through services like Western Union or MoneyGram is risky because it is nearly impossible to get your money back.

Talk to Someone You Trust - Before you give up your money or personal information, talk to someone you trust. Con artists want you to make decision in a hurry; they might even threaten you. Slow down, check out the story or tell a friend.

If you or someone you know may have been a victim of DMV related fraud, you can report it to your nearest DMV investigations office. Locations can be found here: https:// www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/ dmv/offices/investigationsoffice.

The state of autonomous vehicles and the cybersecurity of connected cars is constantly changing, so I sometimes hesitate to report on the latest and greatest for fear it will be "old news" by the time it is published...but since some of you have been asking...here goes!

• A company called NuTonomy is testing these vehicles in Boston even though Uber had a crash of its autonomous vehicle in Arizona in March.

• Legislation has been reintroduced recently dealing with improved cybersecurity for cars (and airplanes). Senators Ed Markey and Richard Blumenthal's proposal hopes to create cybersecurity and privacy standards for today's connected vehicles, as well as a rating system for cars. Rep. Ted Lieu hopes to prevent attacks on connected cars with his introduction of the Security and Privacy in Your Car Study Act.

• Intel Corp., wants to dominate technology for self-driving cars with plans to purchase Mobileye NV.

• Tony Aquila of Solera Holdings is deeply concerned about vehicle owners' privacy. If not properly protected, the detailed data from technology (including brake sensors) could be used in ways that would not benefit vehicle owners.

Some states are moving ahead with their own rules and regulations hoping that the federal government will start moving forward on such quickly. The biggest holdup may be the old "who is liable" if things go wrong.

The change is coming... we just don't know how quickly...

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# **Housing Rights Center To Host Free** Workshop On Rent Increases, Evictions, **Discrimination, Foreclosure And More!**

MONTEREY PARK- The Housing Rights Center (HRC), and the City of Monterey Park, will be hosting a FREE 'Housing Rights Workshop' for Monterey Park landlords, tenants and community members on Monday, June 5th from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at the Bruggemeyer Library Friends Room located at 318 S. Ramona Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754. HRC will present information and resources regarding housing discrimination and landlord-tenant rights and responsibilities.

Topics will include: discrimination against families with children, disability rights, sexual harassment, evictions, repairs, security deposits, rent increases, substandard conditions, and much more!

Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, known as the "Fair Housing Act," provides protection from discrimination in all housing related transactions based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status and disability. Furthermore, the California Fair Employment and Housing Act provides additional protections against housing discrimination based on marital status, ancestry, sexual orientation, and source of income. The California Unruh Civil Rights Act also provides protection from housing discrimination based on age and protects the right to freedom from violence and intimidation in housing.

For more information, or to RSVP for this FREE workshop, please call Oscar at (800)

477-5977 extension 1103. TTY users please call (213) 201-0867. This location is handicap accessible.

HRC is California's largest nonprofit, civil-rights agency dedicated to promoting and securing fair housing. HRC investigates over 1,600 housing discrimination complaints annually and assists over 17,000 individuals with their housing-related concerns. Individuals who believe they are victims of housing discrimination or who have questions about the fair housing laws or their landlord-tenant rights are encouraged to contact HRC for additional information at 1-800-477-5977 (voice) or 213-201-0867 (TTY). Additional information is also available at www.housingrightscenter.org.



# ALLEY/SENIC

# **Around the Valley & Senior News**

#### **AZUSA Volunteer Drivers** Needed

Do you have some extra time to spare? Are you a good driver? The Azusa Senior Center has a great volunteer opportunity for you! The Azusa Senior Center is currently recruiting volunteer drivers to deliver lunches to our homebound seniors in the city of Azusa between the hours of 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. If you are interested, please contact Lynda Prewitt for more information at (626) 812-5204, ext. 5303.

#### **TOPS** Meeting

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

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

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

#### ARCADIA **Orchid Hobbyists Monthly Meeting**

San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists welcome you to our May 18 monthly meeting at the L.A. County Arboretum, 301 N. Baldwin Ave. Arcadia, Ca. Judging at 7:00 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m. Our program will be a American Orchid Society Webinar, titled Demystifing Dendrobiums, by Ron Mc Hatton. Refreshments. We hope you will join us!

#### Arcadia Senior Card **Club Looking For New** Members

The Arcadia Senior Card Club is accepting new members.

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

women 50 or older. The annual dues are \$5.00. For more information call 626-281-6771.

#### COVINA **Volunteer Your Gift Of** Music

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

#### DUARTE **Blood Pressure** Checks

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

#### Meals on Wheels

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

#### Hot Lunches at **Senior Center**

The Senior Center serves hot lunches Monday through Friday to individuals over 60 years, or the spouse of someone over age

**Glendora Genealogy** 

60, and must check in by 11:45 a.m. for lunch. Reservations are requested by calling 357-3513, 24 hours in advance, and 48 hours, in advance, for a choice day. The suggested donation is \$2. The Duarte Senior Center is located at 1610 Huntington Drive.

#### **Alzheimer's Safe Return Registration**

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

#### GLENDORA **Regional Food Bank Distribution Program**

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

Participants must meet the following income guidelines to be eligible: one person household income must not exceed \$1,211 per month and a two person household income must not exceed \$1,640 per month. You must provide income verification and a photo ID with birthdate at your first visit. The La Fetra Center distribution takes place on the Fourth Tuesday of Every Month from 1:00 p.m.3:00 p.m. For additional information, please call the Center at (626) 914-8235.

#### **Alzheimer's Peer** Support Group

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

#### **Glendora** After **Stroke Center**

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

#### Cars 4 the Community

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

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

#### MONROVIA **Tenth Annual** Senior Blood **Pressure Screenings**

The Department of Community Services invites active adults and seniors, 50 years and older, to attend a monthly blood pressure screening. The free program is hosted by Methodist Hospital.

#### The program is designed to detect high blood pressure. For additional information, please contact the Department of Community Services at (626) 256-8246. Blood Pressure Screenings is

at the Community Center, 119 West Palm Avenue on the Second **Tuesday of the month** from 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. and on the Fourth Wednesday of the month from 9:00am - 10:00am

#### **Caring Crafters**

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

#### Senior Stretch & **Exercise Class**

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

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

#### **WEST COVINA Go West Shuttle** Service

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

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

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

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

#### Senior Lunch

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

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

# **Older Americans Month** Luncheon 2017: Age Out Loud

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it is a phase of life where inter- non-members and go on sale use this opportunity to learn

GLENDORA - Getting old- icans Luncheon at the La Fe- for as long as possible, and

# **Monthly Meeting**

Genealogy Group will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 23 in the Elm Room of the La Fetra Center, 333 East Foothill Blvd, Glendora. There will be a refresher course led by Pat Chavaria at 6:00 PM. Our business meeting follows at 7:00 PM. Our speaker will be Linda Serna. She will present "DNA: The Basics Simplified." Linda will address what is DNA? what companies do testing? what tests are available, as well as an explanation of each and caveats to results. As well as how to determine which person to test to get the results you desire.

Linda Serna has been involved with genealogy in researching and writing family stories for 30 years. In addition, she was privileged to work as a genealogist for the first season of PBS's Genealogy Roadshow program. Currently she is a member of the Southern California Chapter of

GLENDORA - The Glendora the Association of Professional Genealogists (SCCAPG), the Genealogical Speakers Guild (GSG), the California State Genealogical Alliance (CSGA), the Polish Genealogical Society (PGS-CA), the Genealogical Society of Hispanic American (GSHA-CA), as well as being past Vice President of Programs for the Orange County California Genealogical Society (OCCGS). Over the last eight years, Linda has written and given several presentations on various topics for different groups in California and New Mexico, as well as teaching the Intermediate/Advanced class at her home group about twice a year. She is always in the process of writing new presentations. Her loves, in addition to public speaking include history, writing, and traveling. She especially likes seeing how individual stories fit in and make up the fabric of history.

ests, goals, and dreams can get a new or second start. Today, aging is about eliminating outdated perceptions and living the way that suits you best.

On Thursday, May 25 at 11:30am the La Fetra Center will host its annual Older Amer-

# St. Luke's Monrovia **Presents Final Evensong**

Episcopal Church in Monrovia will present the final Evensong performance of the 2016-2017 season on Sunday, May 21, at 4 p.m. at the church, 122 South California Avenue at Foothill Boulevard in Monrovia. A wine and cheese reception in Guild Hall will follow the public performance, and a freewill offering will be taken.

"Evensong ... is a very tiny fragment of the worship offered to God by Christian people every hour in every part of the world," notes a description by England's Coventry Cathedral. "When you come to Evensong, it

MONROVIA - St. Luke's is as if you were dropping in on a conversation already in progress - a conversation between God and people which began long before you were born and will go on long after you are gone."

The program, directed by St. Luke's Music Director Kent Bennett Jones, will include John Blow's Let My Prayer Come Up, William Smith's Preces and Responses in G, and Richard Farrant's Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in G Minor. Declare His Honor, by Henry Purcell, will feature staff singers Caitlin Stave, Trisha Rivera, Colin Stave and Sean Gabel.

# Happy 67th Birthday To Friendship Garden Club!!

gardeners are invited to celebrate with us on Thursday, May 24th at 12:00 pm. We meet in The Covina Woman's Clubhouse, 128 S. San Jose, Covina, CA. That is one block south of Badillo, between Barranca and Citrus in the Old Town area.

This is a salad bar pot-luck, so please bring something to share.

Besides celebrating our 67th birthday, we will be installing

COVINA - All local home our officers for the upcoming year.

> As is the tradition, the members are planning to dress for our vintage-themed hat parade. There will be prizes for the best theme related, the most beautiful and the funniest hat. Be sure to use fresh flowers on your hat.

Please contact Jeanette Gulli at 909-599-1904 or email jhgulli@verizion.net with your questions.

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On Thursday, May 18th, JoAn Haase ACB ALB will be Toastmaster and speakers will be Tim Cheng, Idaly Acosta ACS CL and Rich Watson ACS. You can stop by to meet with us at the Faith Lutheran Church, Parish Hall, 505 E Bonita Ave (Between Walnut & San Dimas canyon Rd) in San Dimas. [http:// 5880.toastmastersclubs.org/]. Contact is Art Douglas, President of Toast To the Best (951) 505-0555.

from April 24 to May 19. Tickets include lunch and entertainment. Please join us as we celebrate Older Americans Lunch and together we will #ageoutloud!

The City of Glendora will use OAM 2017 to focus on how older adults in our community are redefining agingthrough work or family interests, by taking charge of their health and staying independent

how we can best support and learn from our community's older members.

Join us and ACL as we speak up for #OAM17 and #AgeOut-Loud this May!

Tickets must be purchased in person at the La Fetra Center: 333 E. Foothill Blvd. Glendora, CA 91741. Please call the La Fetra Center at (626)914-8235 for more information.



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#### Glendora Woman's Club Past Presidents A Sri Lankan Pride Parade To Honored at Club's 109 Anniversary **Be Held On Rose Parade Route**



Glendora Woman's Club past presidents attending the club's 109th special celebration in April are, seated from let, Mary Hanna, Carolyn Cunningham (current president), Shirley Geimer (Holding one of the birthday cakes), and Gloria Liddle; standing from left, are Rose Myers, Diana Williams, Marilyn Edwards, Sue Bauer, Gerry McIntosh, Gilda Skinfill and Helen Storland.

#### By Joan Hallidy

**GLENDORA** - The Glendora Woman's Club honored the club's past presidents and celebrated 109 years of service to Glendora during a recent anniversary celebration in April, said Club President Carolyn Cunningham.

Attending this year's special celebration were the following 11 past presidents listed with their term of office: Shirley Geimer, 1983-85; Rose Myers, 1985-87, Marilyn Edwards, 1989-91; Mary Hanna, 1991-93; Diana Williams, 1993-95; Helen Storland, 1995-97, 2005-97,2005-07; Gloria Liddle, 1999-2001; Sue Bauer, 2003-05, 2011-13, Gilda Skinfill, 2005-

and Carolyn Cunningham, 2013-2017.

The Glendora Woman's Club is one of the oldest active service clubs in Glendora and one that maintains its own clubhouse at the same location at 424 N. Glendora Avenue. The club was organized on April 28, 1908, with 75 charter members, at a meeting held at the Glendora Opera House in downtown Glendora.

As the club marks 109 years of service t the community, one of the club's many successful service projects especially stands out---the founding of the Glendora Public Library by the Glendora Woman's Club in 1912. The Glendora Public Library by the Glendora Woman's Club in 05; Gerry McIntosh, 2009-11; 1912, through City Ordinance

No. 43, and through the Glendora Woman's Club's gifting to the City of the club's Free Library, a service project established and maintained by the club since opening the Library on April 10, 1911.

On display at the special celebration were many of the club's awards, records, the club's first press book beginning in 1908, and the photos from the club's archives, said historian Rose Myers.

For information about membership and special events, call Karen at 626-375-5200; For information about renting the clubhouse for a special event or meeting, call Ryan at Ritz Catering at 909-592-1130



Sri Lanka Foundation President Dishan Jayasinghe and his wife Anarkali, with community leaders, Sri Lanka Associations, Dance Groups, Artists, floatmakers, decorators and designers, who are coming together to make this event the best ever. Also in picture are Keith Ranga who heads the Committee, Ananda Markalanda, Badraji Jayatilaka, Navaratnam Nandakumaran and Senani Abeygoonesekara.

By Jayam Rutnam

**PASADENA** - Saturday July 15, has been proclaimed Sri Lanka Day for 2017. The Sri Lanka Foundation of Los Angeles will be celebrating the occasion by organizing many Sri Lankan activities, including cultural dances, music, drummers, fashion shows with food stalls serving a variety of Sri Lankan delicacies. Many businesses and Sri Lankan organizations will also be represented at this colorful and extravagant exhibition of colors and costumes. This event will be held at Paseo Colorado, Garfield Promenade.

The "Sri Lankan Pride" parade will be a procession of "elephants" followed by Sri Lankan leaders, dancers, drummers and floats. This year they have expanded and enhanced the parade

# **America's Christian Credit Union Honors And Celebrates Heroes**

**GLENDORA** - In partner-veterans, and first-responders, ship with Project Glendora Yellow Ribbon and American Legion Riders - Chapter 835, America's Christian Credit Union (ACCU) is gearing up ing Ceremony at 8 a.m. on for its 4th annual Patriot Week Tuesday, May 23rd, during commemoration, May 23rd which various heroes will be through 25th at its corporate celebrated for their commendheadquarters in Glendora. Pa- able service to the community triot Week is a tradition that began with the vision of inspiring the community to commend and support America's everyday and extraordinary heroes, including U.S. military,

the week leading up to Memorial Dav.

This year, the celebration will kick-off with an official Openand country. On Wednesday, May 24th, our local heroes will be surprised with delivered homemade treats and baked goods. The Patriot Week celebration wraps up on Thursday,

May 25th with the Family Day & Awards Ceremony, during which Lt. Col. Vic Bezjian will be recognized for his outstanding legacy of service to the United States Air Force. ACCU welcomes and invites veterans, first responders, and other community heroes to come out mented ACCU's President/ to be recognized for their dedicated service and sacrifice for our country.

charities that support our heroes. "As a community, we look forward to this memorable week during which we can express a magnified exclamation of thanks and honor to those who have sacrificed so much for our freedom," com-CEO, Mendell L. Thompson. For more information or to get involved in this year's Patriot Week festivities, please contact Nikole Pearce at npearce@americasccu.com.

with larger floats and more participants depicting the rich history and culture of Sri Lanka.

The procession will proceed on part of the Rose Parade route on Colorado Boulevard between Marengo and Los Robles Avenues. The Guests of Honor will be the Mayor of Pasadena Terry Tornek and his wife Maria.

The Sri Lanka Foundation is located in Los Angeles. The Foundation's mission is to educate the citizens of the world on Sri Lanka and the achievements of its people, as well as aid in the advancement of the Sri Lankan community worldwide. They can be contacted at info@srilankafoundation.org

# Women's Day at New **Beginning Church**

WEST COVINA - New Beginning Christian Fellowship Church Women will celebrate their annual Prayer Breakfast Women's Day Program on May 20 and May 21.

The Prayer Breakfast will be on May 20 at the California Country Club. The Speakers will be Mrs. Amanda Johnson on "All Glorious Within; Mrs. Yvonne Bullock on Daughter of the King and Ms. Kris Edwards on the King.

The Women's Day Program will be Sunday, May 21 at 3:30 P.M. at the Church. The Guest Speaker is Rev. Dr. Damali Smith Pollard. She accepted her call to

the ministry in 1996. She is a frequent speaker at Churches and conferences and always happy to share the Gospel. She is a sexual assault survivor and has moved from setback to success. She knows God has a plan for her life and tries to mentor others that have gone through the same experiences. She is married to Felix Pollard and the mother of four children.

The Chairperson of these services is Ms. Shonte Daniels. The church is located at 114 S. Glendora in West Covina. The Pastor is Elder Terry Whitehurst. Contact number is (626)562-1547.

## **Remembrance; A Concert**

LA VERNE - Windsong years. Southland Chorale will present a concert entitled Remembrance on Sunday, **June 4** at 4 p.m. at the Rock of the Foothills Lutheran Church, 4620 Wheeler Ave., La Verne, corner of Baseline/ Wheeler. The concert is dedicated to the memory of Dave Davis, long-time Windsong member, who served as Treasurer for many

The Fauré Requiem will be the featured piece, along with selections by Eric Whitacre and Samuel Barber, and a piano solo by Felix Macovei. Tickets are \$15 if ordered early; \$30/family; \$20 at the door. To guarantee your seat, reserve your tickets by calling 909 983 9879.

Patriot Week will also serve as an opportunity to raise much-needed funds for various

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May 30 event showcases students' skills to prospective employers

GLENDORA - Citrus Colcosmetology and lege esthetician students will compete in the annual Cosmetology Hair Show on Tuesday, May 30, from 7-9:30 p.m. in the college's Haugh Performing Arts Center, 1000 W. Foothill Rd., Glendora.

This year's competition is themed, "The 1800s Meet the New Millennium." Contestants will be required to prepare models by adding a modern twist to the hairstyles of the Georgian, Victorian and Regency eras. Judges will score contestants based on execution, attention to detail, creativity, originality and other criteria in three categories: hair and makeup, makeup glam-

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owners and local artists comprise the judging panel. Previous judges have included alumnus Omar Cosmo, hairstylist and educator for Redken Hair Color; Devin Graciano, alumna and director of business development/ education at Label. M; and Janine Ker, whose work has been featured in numerous trade magazines.



The public is invited to attend this unique and exciting event, which supports Citrus College's expanding cosmetology and esthetician programs, as well as fund future activities. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7.50 for children. For more information, call the college's cosmetology department at 626-914-8710.

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# **Easter Baskets for Children | Glendora Kiwaniannes'** at YWCA WING Shelter



Glendora Woman's Club members display the 24 Easter Baskets assembled by clubmembers for the 24 children currently staying at the YWCA WINGS Shelter. Members pictured are, from left, Susan Lepkojus, Mary Moore, Evie Larimore, Eleanor Shetron, Connie Robert's, Helen Storland, Connie Halbert, and Rose Myers, project chair. (Photo by Shirley Geimer)

Glendora Woman's Club's service projects each year at Easter time is the YWCA WINGS (Women In Need Growing Strong) Shelter for battered women and their children.

For the club's recent Easter project, Woman's Club members packaged and wrapped 24 Easter Baskets, one for each of the 24 children currently staying at the Shelter. Each basket was filled with toys ad gifts based on the

GLENDORA - One of the child's age and gender, said project chair Rose Myers.

> During the year, the Woman's Club also sends Mother's Day corsages and gift bags for the mothers staying at the WINGS Shelter on Mother's Day. Also included in the Woman's Club's included in the Woman's Club's service project are personal supplies, clothing for children, and gifts for children at Christmas time.

that the Glendora Woman's Club has selected the WINGS Shelter as one of its ongoing service projects, said Mrs. Myers.

For information about joining the Woman's Club, special events, or service projects, call Karen at 626-375-5200; for information about renting the clubhouse ballroom or hall for a special event or meeting, call Ryan at Ritz Catering at 909-592-1130.

This year marks the 29th year

# **Artist in Residence Grant**

GLENDORA - At their May 3 meeting, the Glendora Kiwaniannes heard how seven Glendora Unified School District teachers used their \$500 Artist in Residence Grant. "It's truly inspiring how these creative teachers used a small amount of money to do big things in the classroom," said Mary Jane Bettfreund, president of the Kiwaniannes. The Kiwaniannes have funded the program for at least two decades.

Maureen Kolby, a third grade teacher at Sellers, used her grant fund to bring in an art teacher to teach her class about shapes and colors. Using the information, the children drew their names and decorated them elaborately. Chris Burgan, who teachers drawing and painting at Glendora High School, was able to purchase art supplies and frames with his grant. He brought in a professional artist who demonstrated, from start to finish, an oil painting. Burgan plans to frame his students' work and hang them at the local library and other locales around town.

Joelle Santiago, an instructor of music at Cullen, brought a professional musician to class to demonstrate instruction in the trumpet and trombone. Jana Jacobsen, a fifth grade instructor at Sutherland who loves history, brought clay, glaze and fabric and had her students create clay pots. "The Colonists were not able to bring many breakable items to the new world," she said. Ms. Jacobsen assigns students to be a character from the American Revolution, and they re-enact a war. The students also made a quilt and saw how colonists made items such as this in that era. "I'm trying to make history come alive," she said. "Students learned



Glendora Unified School Teachers received grants of \$500 each for the Glendora Kiwanianne Artist in Residence program to bring the arts into the classroom. The teachers attended a Kiwanianne meeting May 3, to talk about what they did with the grants. Front row: Linda Shook, Beth Phillips, Maureen Kolby, and Jana Jacobsen Back Row: Mari Helm, Azure Edwards, Joelle Santiago and Chris Burgen.

that our forefathers had to make everything from scratch!"

Beth Phillips, a third grade teacher from La Fetra brought a professional musician who was part of a band that won the Star Search contest, to her class to give five mini lessons in music. He spoke about the history of music, how it has a relationship to brain function and learning, and demonstrated the trombone and guitar. Using material they could bring from home, students made simple instruments and learned to play a song together.

Azure Edwards, who teaches art at Sandburg Middle School, purchased ink and screens to do a silk screen project. Her sister, a graphic arts, skyped the class to talk to talk about careers in graphic design and how to use Photoshop to make a stencil design. "Students got to see first hand her work site and to learn about careers in the field," said Edwards. Students then make

their own stencil designs for tshirts and hats.

Mari Helm and Linda Shook. both from Whitcomb Continuation High School, worked with students about art and the environment. "We are always working with students to recycle, reuse and repurpose items," said Shook. A local artist who uses glass she finds at thrift shops and turns them into art for home and garden, gave students lessons in how to do this. The teachers purchased the glass and materials and students created new works of art from repurposed glass items.

"The Kiwaniannes want to thank members of the community who attended our Community Tea in April. The money raised from that special event helps to fund these grants for teachers," said Bettfreund. The program was coordinated by Peggy Olson, club member.

**FPH Auxiliary Holds Its First General Meeting Of The Year** 

GLENDORA - The first general meeting of the Foothill Presbyterian Hospital (FPH) Auxiliary was held at The Village Eatery in Glendora where the members enjoyed a delicious breakfast buffet. Garry Reynolds, the new auxiliary president for 2017, greeted the members, introduced his board and talked about the plans for the upcoming year. One of the highlights of his term will be the sale of raffle tickets for the "dream car", a beautiful 2017 Ford Fusion hybrid worth over \$40,000, so generously donated by Colley Ford. The members were excited by the prospect of raising money for the hospital's building fund and the scholar-



Garry Reynolds, president of FPH Auxiliary, proudly shows the members the beautiful 1917 Ford Fusion, donated by Colley Ford, the group will be selling raffle tickets for this year.

price of the tickets is \$25.00 or at Hilltop Real Estate in downfive for \$100. They can be pur- town Glendora. For more infor-

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# It's All About Children's Health with Kids & Teens Medical Group

# **All Are Invited To Fairmount Memorial Day Observance**

GLENDORA - The Fairmount will be available at the site. Pioneer Cemetery Board of Trustees cordially invite all Glendora and Azusa residents to attend their 141st Annual Memorial Day Observance at the Cemetery at 11:30 AM on Monday, May **29**. The entire Glendora City Council and some of the Azusa City Council will join Glendora and Azusa Police and Los Angeles County Fire Department representatives in honoring those who died in war that Americans might live in freedom.

Fairmount Pioneer Cemetery is the final place of rest for the founders of both Azusa and Glendora. Veterans of the Civil War, Spanish-American War, World War I and World War II are interred at Fairmount. Each year since Fairmount was founded in 1876, local residents have gathered there on Memorial Day to place flowers on their graves and offer a solemn remembrance of their service.

They will be joined by the Glendora Police Honor Guard, Boy Scouts of America, teams from the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars and other community groups in a heartfelt and homespun tribute to our founders and heroes. The official address is 301 Baldy Vista Ave., Glendora but the Cemetery can be better reached west off of Barranca Avenue just north of the railroad tracks in the new Lyon Homes La Colina development. Parking and restroom facilities

The Trustees will announce a new formal agreement with Lyon Homes for improvement of the Cemetery at the event. Lyon Homes has committed to finish all improvements by Memorial Day 2018. The map showing agreed upon improvements will also be available for viewing.

"This agreement is 15 years in the making from Monrovia Nursery through City Ventures to Lyon Homes", said Fairmount Ceme-

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