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El Monte Union Solar Boat Team Sprints to Victory at MWD Competition

EL MONTE—Mountain View High School senior Steven Gov blasted out of the starting gate, steering his team's solar boat through the current and sprinting 200 meters toward the finish line of a competition designed to introduce students to the ecological benefits of solar power and resource management.

Gov's skillful maneuvering helped the Mountain View Solar Creations Club record an impressive 13th place overall finish during the Metropolitan Water District's 16th annual Solar Cup — the largest student-based solar-powered boat race in the nation at Lake Skinner in Temecula Valley.

"It was pretty scary operating the boat the first time, but after two minutes I fell in love with it," said Gov, one of 13 Mountain View students to participate in the event. "The best part of the Solar Cup is the teamwork, especially when you get to the competition. It's great to be around so many people who want to learn engineering. We all help each other."

The three-day competition is the culmination of a seven-month MWD-sponsored education pro-



Members of the Mountain View High School Solar Creations Club display their solar-powered boat that competed in the Metropolitan Water District's 2018 Solar Cup competition.

gram in which high school students design, build and race 16-foot single-passenger solar-powered boats, document their progress in two technical reports and create a public service message.

"The Solar Cup is more than just building and racing a boat," engineering teacher and Solar Creations Club adviser Lee Porter said. "It is a collaborative effort that combines physics, en-

gineering, technical writing, visual graphics, problem-solving and community outreach."

"The students work hard through long periods of trial and error, but the reward is being out on the water with your peers, having fun," said Porter, who worked in the aerospace and healthcare industries for 20 years before she began teaching at Mountain View in 2006.

The 2018 Solar Cup featured 38 high school teams from throughout MWD's Southern California service area, including Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura counties. Each school is sponsored by its local water agency, which provides grants to help students equip their boats with solar panels, batteries, steering and related systems.

The Solar Cup featured two racing events — the endurance and sprint. For the endurance race, boats are equipped with solar panels and two solar-charged batteries, as they circumnavigate a 2-kilometer course for 90 minutes. The 200-meter sprint boats are

powered by one solar-charged battery, without the panels. During this race, the Solar Creations Club placed first place among its 11 Foothill Division rivals.

The collective team spirit brings to life more than a solar-powered, seaworthy boat. Students must raise funds to buy equipment, keep precise notations on their progress and pass a series of rigorous inspections by MWD engineers. At the competition, the team is composed of electrical, mechanical, launch

and document specialists, spotters, time keepers, tool and equipment managers, and skippers.

"The Solar Cup has allowed me to use many of my skills and learn new ones," Mountain View senior and Solar Creations President Jessica Lopez said. "I have been able to put my leadership and creative skills to use. I also learned how to use a variety of tools. This has given me a lot of hands-on experience."

The Solar Creations club received its first Solar Cup grant from MWD in 2010, allowing students to employ critical thinking and collaborative learning skills outside the classroom. This year marks the team's seventh appearance at the Solar Cup.

"Our students understand the importance of conserving our natural resources through conservation and green energy and are prepared to act as future gatekeepers of the environment," Mountain View High Principal Jose Marquez said. "I want to congratulate our talented Solar Creations team, led by our innovative teacher Lee Porter, for their inspiring performance at the Solar Cup."

Charter Oak Unified School District Board President, Jane Bock, Recognized as a 2018 Woman of Achievement



2018 recipient Mrs. Bock along with 2017 recipient Zoe Lopez, Glen Oak Elementary 3rd grader and youngest recipient of the Woman of Achievement Award. Also pictured, Dr. Mike Hendricks, District Superintendent, and Brian Akers, Governing Board Member.

CHARTER OAK - For 10 years, Senator Hernandez has recognized women and emerging leaders in the San Gabriel Valley during Women's History Month in March. More than 100 women and young leaders have been honored during the course of this past decade.

These women have come from various disciplines, backgrounds and ages, each with unique stories. What they all have had in common is the profound difference they have made in our community. Dr. Hernandez says, "It has been my honor to work alongside these amazing individuals in Senate District 22."

Jane is a resident of Glendora and has worked tirelessly for the betterment of students and residents in the 22nd Senate District. She was appointed to the Charter Oak Unified School District Board of Education in 2005. Jane is currently the President of the Board. Since Jane's tenure on the Board of Education, some of the highlights include: passage of the Measure CO obligation bond, many facility construction and modernization projects, the creation of career pathways, establishment of a new adult education school, the establishment of the child care center, numerous academic course and curriculum

adoptions, acquisition of large amounts of technology, the opening of the Oak Knoll Virtual Academy, and many school and district related awards and recognition.

Jane started volunteering with PTA positions since 1980 at Washington Elementary School. Jane served as a Treasurer twice and President for six years. She has been the Council President, Vice President, President, and currently the Auditor. While at Washington Elementary School, Jane served on the School Site Council.

Jane has been active with the Rotary Club since March of 2012. She has done their Public Relations, served as Secretary, Chaired the Membership Committee, served on the Committee for the 4-Way Speech Test, the Teacher Mini-Grant program, and Movies in the Park.

Jane is very active with the Charter Oak Education Foundation since 2012. Jane has served as the Liaison from the Board of Education for two years and a Director for two years. Jane has been the Chairperson for the Foundation. Jane has worked hard for the success of the 5K/1M Run Walk, The Turkey Bowl, 5th Grade Knowledge Challenge,

6th Grade March Madness Basketball Tournament, Holiday Fundraiser, the Enrichment Summer School, and the Annual Hall of Fame Dinner. As Chairperson, Jane has been the liaison to the Glendora and San Dimas Chambers of Commerce. The Foundation has raised a large amount of money to support programs, equipment, and services for Charter Oak schools and students.

Jane served on the Charter Oak Women's Club for six years. She served as Secretary and President. They raised money for the Charter Oak Unified School District schools. Other service groups that Jane has served include the League of Women's Voters to assist with the student body election for Citrus College and the Glendora Arrow Corridor Advisory Committee to better that section of Glendora.

Janes donates to and attends the Glendora Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, the Holiday Parade, State of the City Luncheons, the Library's Battle of the Books, and much more.

COUSD is honored to have Mrs. Bock as a caring leader in our District who works tirelessly for the betterment of our students, staff and community.

Ling Ling Chang Takes Oath to Become the 29th Senate District's Next Senator

SACRAMENTO - On Monday, June 25th, Ling Ling Chang (R-Diamond Bar) was sworn in as the State Senator representing California's 29th Senate District. Following a mid-term recall election fueled by objections over the new gas tax, Chang was the top choice by voters to represent the tri-county district.

"It is a great honor to be sworn in today as the State Senator representing my community - the community I grew up in," said Senator Chang. "I am humbled by the trust the voters have placed in me and I recognize the weight of that responsibility. Voters were clear that we need someone in Sacramento to protect taxpayers, and I'm prepared fight tax increases wherever I see them."

During the oath of office, Senator Chang was joined by a number of her colleagues in the State Senate and Assembly. California Chief Justice Cantil-Sakauye administered the oath of office.

Senator Chang joins the California State Senate after serving in the Legislature as an Assemblywoman for one term. During her tenure as a representative of the 55th Assembly District, Chang served as Republican Whip, Vice-Chair of



Mountain View High School senior Steven Gov skippers a solar-powered boat during the 2018 Solar Cup.



Ling Ling Chang (right) takes the oath of office administered by California Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye. Chang's husband, Andrew Wong, witnessed the swearing-in.

the Rules Committee, and as an inaugural member of the Privacy & Consumer Protection Committee.

In her time serving, Ling Ling Chang promoted the importance of STEM education in addition to using technology to improve state government. Chang authored and passed the nation's first law to allow state employees to use sharing-economy services like Uber, Lyft, and Airbnb. For her work Chang was named California's inaugural STEMx Policy Fellow -- part of a multi-state effort to put an emphasis on STEM education - as well as a "Tech Champion" by the Computing Technology Industry Association.

Prior to the Legislature, Senator Chang served as Mayor and Councilmember of Diamond Bar and President of the Youth Science Center, a non-profit promoting STEM education. She currently resides in the City of Diamond Bar with her husband, Andrew Wong.

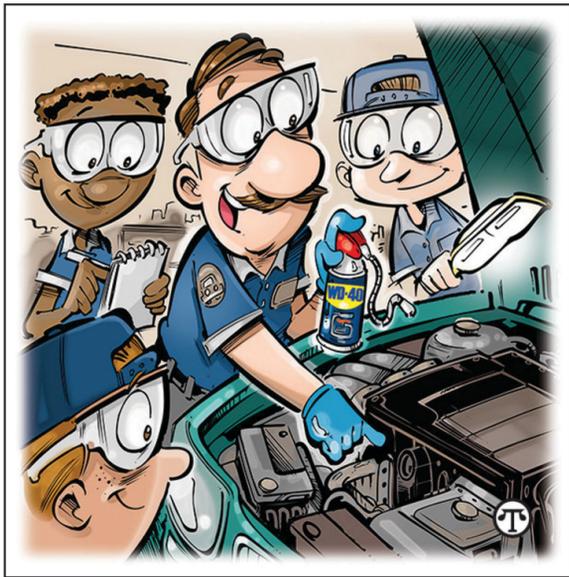
The 29th Senate District encompasses portions of Los Angeles, Orange and San Bernardino counties, including the communities of Brea, Chino Hills, Cypress, Diamond Bar, Fullerton, La Habra, La Palma, Placentia, Rowland Heights, Stanton, Walnut, Yorba Linda and portions of Anaheim, Buena Park, City of Industry, and West Covina.

Technical Schools Create Pathway To In-Demand Careers

When it comes to higher education, one size does not fit all. Every student is wired differently. For some, a four-year college degree may be ideal, but for others, a technical training program may be the best option.

There is growing recognition that hands-on professionals are increasingly valuable and in demand. Companies of all stripes—including WD-40 Company and 11 other transportation industry partners—are stepping up to the plate to support groups like TechForce Foundation, whose mission is to champion students through their education and into careers as professional technicians.

“Our goal is to support naturally skilled tactile learners with tools and resources—like after-school programs, clubs and activities, mentors and experiences—that allow them to engage with the quickly growing and highly technical world of vehicle technology,” said Jennifer Maher, CEO and executive director of TechForce Foundation. “These tools and resources will also allow their



For many young people today, the road to success leads through a technical school education.

parents and influencers to understand there are promising technical career opportunities that they may not have considered.”

Technical schools offer numerous benefits:

A Path to Success: Technical and vocational schools match unique talents with the ways that some students learn

and thrive. TechForce Foundation is a nonprofit organization that offers a learning style test to tell if a technical school is right for a particular student.

Access to Jobs: According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the automotive industry alone will need nearly 76,000 additional technicians in the future to make up for those who will soon age out of the workforce, meaning graduates from automotive technical schools will be in demand.

Focus on Technology: With approximately 100 million lines of code, most vehicles today are computers on wheels. Today’s technicians must use critical analytical and diagnostic skills that are steeped in science, technology, engineering and math.

For more information about finding, funding or attending a technical school, visit www.techforcefoundation.org. (NAPSI)

Experts Offer Senior Homeowners Strategies to Remain in their Own Home

PASADENA – Thursday, June 28th, 4:45pm-7:15pm at Vroman’s Atrium, 709 East Colorado Boulevard, Suite 120, Pasadena. Caliber Home Loans will cover significant new changes to HECM Reverse Mortgages and other strategies and benefits for homeowners 62+ who want to age in place. Slate Ltd. will ad-

dress home modifications to keep seniors safe in their own home and best practices for getting on time and in budget results when working with home improvement contractors. Free admission and parking. RSVP (626) 355-3200 or online at Customer-Care@SlateLtd.com

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Letter to the Editor

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Celebrate July 4th With A Salute To Veterans

As Americans pause to collectively celebrate the founding of our country this July 4th, it is fitting to remember the military veterans whose sacrifice and service have made possible a way of life that we enjoy and hold dear.

In the next few years, the number of veterans that will transition from the military to civilian life is expected to grow significantly. Many of them will enroll in colleges and universities to gain the necessary skills and degrees that will lead to rewarding careers and a good quality of life for themselves and their families. And today's veterans understand

that attending a community college is a good way to stretch their education benefits under the GI Bill.

Citrus College has been recognized for having one of the best veteran's programs in the state and nation. The program, which began in 2007, is housed in the college's Veterans Success Center (VSC), a 3,000 square foot facility. The VSC is known for its welcoming atmosphere, as evidenced by the sign over the entrance that reads, "Welcome Home." It is hardly surprising that Citrus College has been designated a Military Friendly School®

by GI Jobs magazine for the eighth consecutive year, a designation the college is proud to have earned.

As the July 4th holiday approaches, we are reminded that we owe our nation's veterans a large debt of gratitude. They have made tremendous sacrifices for their country, and they deserve our heartfelt thanks and appreciation. They also deserve an opportunity to acquire an education that will result in rewarding careers and will allow them to continue contributing to society as they succeed in life.

Dr. Edward C. Ortell
Citrus College Governing Board Member

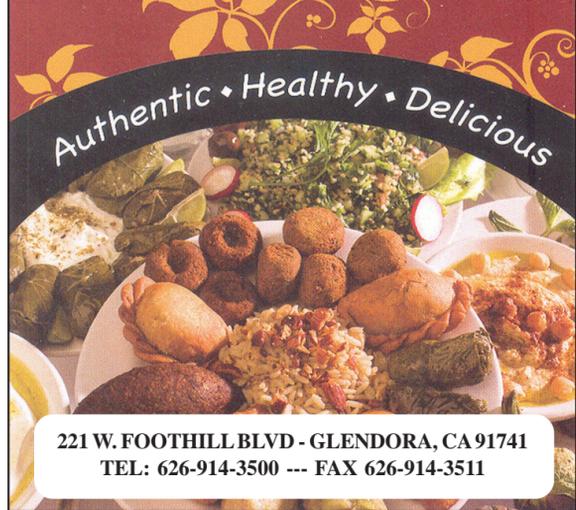
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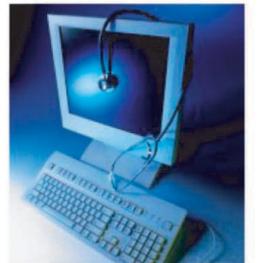
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Fourth of July Spectacular

Kalimba, a tribute to Earth, Wind and Fire to headline entertainment

BALDWIN PARK – City of Baldwin Park officials along with Baldwin Park Unified District Board of Education Members invite residents, along with family and friends, to a celebration of national independence, community comradery, and entertainment at the annual 4th of July Spectacular.

The event will be held at Sierra Vista High School's athletic field, 3600 Frazier Avenue, on Wednesday, July 4, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. It is free and open to the public.

Event organizers said the 4th of July Spectacular offers something for the entire family. For example, several vendors and youth organizations including Baldwin Park Unified School District campus clubs will be on site to sell food, offer giveaways and share information about their services. A free "fun zone" complete with a 26' giant slide, obstacle course, gladiator jousting, face painting, balloon artistry and an

amazing strolling stilt walker among other attractions will be set up for younger visitors.

Beginning at 6:45 p.m., "Kalimba" a tribute to the music of Earth, Wind and Fire, will reprise the classic sound of R&B, soul, funk, jazz, and disco pop. The tribute band is a nationally touring band that provides a satisfying experience that transports audiences back to the excitement of the unforgettable hits such as the "Shining Stars," "That's the Way of the World," "Devotion," and "Let's Grove," among others.

As the sunlight fades away on Independence Day, officials will prepare the crowds for a professional, over-the-top fireworks showcase.

Officials with Pyro Spectacular by Souza have been hired to take the helm of the fireworks extravaganza, set to synchronized music, beginning at about 9:00 p.m. Pyro Spectacular also facilitates Southern California's popular fireworks shows at Dodgers and Angels stadiums, as well as the Rose Bowl.

"We are glad to bring the high-quality spectacular show to our hometown," said Armando Nava, program coordinator with the Department of Recreation and Community Services.

Baldwin Park's 4th of July Spectacular has been part of the summer festivities for many years, officials noted. The event is a family-friendly celebration, officials said; therefore, alcoholic beverages are not permitted.

Event organizers recognize that the highlight of the Independence Day celebration will be the fireworks showcase, but they encourage the community to join in the festivities early on as well. The 4th of July Spectacular traditionally draws as many as 6,000 people throughout the evening, with another 3,000 visitors to culminating on the Sierra Vista High field by the time the fireworks show begins.

"This event marks the start of our Summer Spectacular season and kicks off the celebration of Parks and Recreation Month festivities," said Manuel Carrillo, the city's Recreation and Community Services director.

Doors open at 5 p.m. at Sierra Vista High School Athletic Field. Free "fun zone" open for younger visitors. Performance by "Kalimba, Tribute to Earth, Wind and Fire" from 6:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m., Synchronized Fireworks Show will be at 9:05 p.m.

For more information about the upcoming 4th of July Spectacular, please contact Armando Nava at (626) 813-5270, Ext. 330, or visit www.baldwinpark.com.

Los Angeles County Continues to Chip Away at Housing Shortage

Mosaic Gardens at Westlake Provides 125 Units of Affordable Housing for Chronically Homeless and Homeless Households, Low-Income Seniors and Families

LOS ANGELES COUNTY – Officials from the Community Development Commission/Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (CDC/HACoLA) helped celebrate the grand opening of Mosaic Gardens at Westlake (Mosaic Gardens), which offers 125 units of affordable housing developed by LINC Housing Corporation. Mosaic Gardens will provide affordable housing for chronically homeless and homeless households, including those who are frequent users of the Los Angeles County healthcare system, as well as low-income seniors and families. The CDC/HACoLA provided \$1.6 million in Affordable Housing Trust Funds for the acquisition, construction, and permanent financing of the project.

The development includes 63 units reserved for chronically homeless and homeless households, who are frequent users of the County's healthcare system. Additionally, 35 units are reserved for low-income seniors, 25 units for low-income families, and two units for onsite managers. The People Concern will

serve as the lead service provider for the special needs units and LINC Cares will provide an on-site resident service coordinator to serve all residents at the property.

Monique King-Viehand, Executive Director of the CDC/HACoLA stated, "With so many persons experiencing homelessness in Los Angeles County, or being severely rent burdened, we are committed to addressing homelessness in a holistic, comprehensive, and compassionate manner. We are proud to once again partner with LINC Housing on another outstanding development rich with supportive services designed to help its residents move forward."

Mosaic Gardens features two multi-story towers. The first tower is a five-story building includes two stories of subterranean parking, a community room with kitchen, two open courtyards, laundry facilities, and an elevator. The second tower is a four-story building above one story of subterranean parking, and includes a community room, central courtyard, laundry facilities,

and an elevator. The complex also features a community garden, computer lab, health and wellness room, fitness center, playground, offices for case management, and a roof deck with views of downtown Los Angeles and Hollywood hills.

Mosaic Gardens at Westlake includes 15 units for mobility-impaired residents and eight units for sensory-impaired residents. All of the units in the senior building have universal design features that will enhance the quality of life for seniors, allowing residents to age in place. The development is pursuing LEED for Homes Platinum Certification and will exceed state energy efficiency requirements by 31% through the inclusion of a variety of green building features, including drought-tolerant landscaping, high-efficiency and dual flush toilets, ENERGY STAR appliances, fans, and lighting.

For more information on Mosaic Gardens at Westlake, please visit LINC's website at linchousing.org/westlake, or e-mail mosaicwestlake@jSCO.net.

Arcadia Leadership Academy Forming

ARCADIA - The City of Arcadia is offering a free, behind-the-scenes look into the City's operations for Arcadia residents 18 years and older starting in September 2018. This powerful community leadership program grants you an all-access pass that immerses you in the inner-workings of Arcadia's City government. The Academy produces empowered, inspired, and engaged resident leaders who strengthen our community and play an active role in Arcadia's future.

"The Leadership Academy is a priceless opportunity to get to know your City and have your voice heard," said a 2017

Leadership Academy Graduate. "The program helps residents learn more about the City's operations and builds stronger ties between the City and its residents."

The Academy takes place on Wednesday evenings over a period of nine weeks between September 11 and November 6. This exclusive access to the City will include one-of-a-kind tours of City facilities, hands-on demonstrations, meet and greets, and interactive presentations by executive leadership on the ins and outs of each City department. Dinner is also provided.

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to experience Arcadia like you've never seen it before. Gain a new perspective on what it takes to be a premier organization that values service and excellence. If you are interested in applying to be part of the fall program, please visit the City website at ArcadiaCA.gov/academy for the current application. Space is limited and will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline to apply is August 30, 2018.

For additional information, please contact Laena Shakarian at lshakarian@ArcadiaCA.gov or 574-5434.

Fiscally-Cautious Budget Adds \$69 Million To The Rainy Day Fund And Directs Resources Toward Mental Health

LOS ANGELES COUNTY – Supervisor Kathryn Barger applauded the adoption of the county's final 2018-2019 budget that "focuses on the County's priorities and key issues while still taking a fiscally cautious approach to the use of resources."

"As I have stressed a number of times previously—and I'm sure I will again—it is critical that we remain committed to our fiduciary responsibility as stewards of public funds, and to ensure that tax dollars are being spent in an efficient and cost effective manner," she said.

She also applauded the county CEO Sachi Hamai and her team for including \$69 million to the county's rainy day fund. "We have enjoyed many years of economic growth, but the reality is that this can't last forever," Barger said. "An eventual downturn is inevitable, and this reserve is so critical to ensuring the continued provision

of services in the face of economic challenges."

However, she also stressed the importance of funding support and treatment for those suffering with mental health issues.

"The over \$93 million of Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funding going to support a variety of programs and needs this next year will go a long way toward improving mental health service provision across the County," she added. "The utilization of MHSA funding is imperative to the

County's strategic plan to improve mental health, and I look forward to ensuring that these resources are being used in a way that maximizes the county-wide impact."

The CEO is expected to return in the fall with the FY 2018-19 Supplemental Budget recommendations, which will include updates as a result of revised FY 2017-18 year-end figures, further clarification on the impacts of the approved budget at the state level, and updated information as appropriate.

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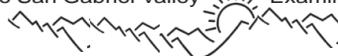
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Billionaire Soros Supporting PACs and ACLU

George Soros, 87-year old immigrant from Hungary in the late 1940's, is a name that might not be familiar to all but he has become a political activist supporting progressive candidates who support and adopt his agenda. In 2004, Soros donated \$23,581,000 to various 527 Groups (tax-exempt groups) aiming to defeat George W. Bush in his presidential campaign. After Bush's election, Soros backed a new political fundraising group, Democracy Alliance, a network of progressive donors with an agenda to spend \$374 million in 2014 to elect liberal candidates to offices.

George Soros contributed \$1 million to Priorities USA Action, a super PAC backing Barack Obama; and, contributed heavily to Hillary Clinton, first with \$1 million then another \$6 million and finally \$2.5 million in August 2016.

Soros became involved recently in the Sacramento County's District Attorney's re-election campaign and as reported by the Sacramento Bee "to fix America's criminal justice system." Incumbent District Attorney Anne Marie Schubert was elected in 2014 with 58% of the vote and all of sudden started struggling in her re-election campaign. Her opposition was candidate, Noah Phillips, deputy prosecutor, who received outside campaign money. Reported was \$400,000 from George Soros' California Justice & Public Safety PAC. Schubert contributed \$23,194.40 of her campaign money to support the initiative to fix Prop 57 re-defining violent crimes and re-establishing DNA collection. Schubert has changed her registration from Republican to "no party preference," perhaps to take the Soros PAC target off her back.

Erika D. Smith, Sacramento



Shade's Perspective
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Former Mayor of Glendora
Bee, 5/18/18, reported: "During the last election cycle, Soros dumped more than \$3 million on district attorney candidates in six states, flipping seats in Louisiana and Mississippi. And back in 2014, his Open Society Foundation gave the American Civil Liberties Union a \$50 million grant to elect progressive prosecutors in big cities with large jail populations."

The New Yorker, Benjamin Wallace-Wells, June 8, 2018, wrote an article, **The A.C.L.U. Is Getting Involved in Elections—and Reinventing Itself for the Trump Era** basically announcing, through its new executive director, Anthony Romero, the ACLU will become more partisan and more active in political campaigns.

In Charlotte, North Carolina, the ACLU became involved in radio ads against a Democrat Sheriff of Mecklenburg County saying Sheriff Carmichael "... had maintained an agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) that deputized his officers to identify undocumented prisoners and turn them over to federal agents ... " The ads continued with ... "Sheriff Carmichael works with Trump's deportation force - detaining people for deportation, tearing families apart." The op-

position candidates in this race, supported by the ACLU, of course, promised they would not work with "Trump's deportation forces". Carmichael lost and contributed that loss to the outside forces.

Wallace-Wells in his article also tells us the ACLU plans to spend more than \$25 million on races and ballot initiatives on the November elections.

In San Diego, Republican interim district attorney Summer Stephan faced the same daunting financial onslaught from PACs supporting Democrat Genevieve Jones-Wright. The San Diego Union Tribune reported as soon as the race began, Soros and his California Justice & Public Safety PAC contributed \$402,459 in television ads, digital ads, and campaign literature and mailings to Jones-Wright.

Akonadi Foundation, based in Oakland, contributed \$150,000 to Alliance San Diego PAC also supporting Jones-Wright. California Justice & Public Safety PAC, as of May 19th, according to the San Diego Union Tribune, contributed \$848,853.50 in support of Jones-Wright.

I've begun to dig, looking around at PACs and special interests to find their ultimate goal. The billionaire club interested in forwarding their own agenda and their own wallet will become more prevalent. A Philadelphia district attorney race came under the financial barrage of money with less success than we conservatives had in California. Oregon has a Safety and Justice Action Fund mirroring the goals and agenda of George Soros and his progressive agenda.

It is up to the average citizen to sort that out and that is not an easy task for the citizen who votes regularly but has no intense, serious connections or political background.

Labberton -III

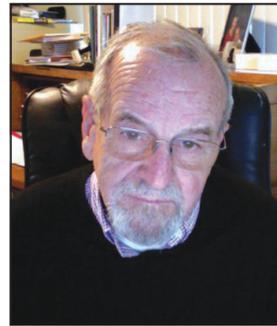
This is the third column in which I am reviewing a speech by Dr. Mark Labberton, the president of Fuller Theological Seminary, an international evangelical institution in Pasadena, California. For months I have been seeking to hear from evangelicals how any among them could continue to support Donald Trump. This speech, given in May at a conservative Christian college, is the clearest answer I have thus far seen. Last week I reviewed Dr. Labberton's analysis of two critical issues that must be addressed by any evangelical leader: THE ISSUE OF POWER and THE ISSUE OF RACE. This week I turn to the two other signal issues Labberton identifies, THE ISSUE OF NATIONALISM and THE ISSUE OF ECONOMICS (direct quotes from the speech will appear in bold type).

THE ISSUE OF NATIONALISM

Strong nations throughout history have been tempted to assume that their military prowess backed by a deity's blessing guarantees their right to dominate other tribes and peoples. Israel assumed that God's authority justified its claim to be "first" in a complex world. The temptation is to assume that one's nation has a claim on being first if that claim is backed by a deity's blessing. On the contrary, Dr. Labberton suggests that this claim was only an evidence of Israel's arrogant unfaithfulness to the God of history

"Nationhood has a legitimate place, but not a central or a top-tier one. ... For white evangelicals to embrace a platform and advocacy that promotes, prioritizes and defends America above all and over all is to embrace an idolatry ... that has proven disastrous."

The nationalism that demeans other nations, particularly nations primarily populated by people of color, violates the universal truth of the gospel. Dr. Labberton holds that the notion



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that any nation has the God-given right to declare that it is first, contradicts God's universal love. The clear implications of immigration policies that demean others **"do not reflect Jesus Christ, but rather a cold white heart."**

THE ISSUE OF ECONOMICS

While all of Dr. Labberton's four issues have implications focused on what is currently taking place in The United States, the issue of economics comes the closest to making a definitive claim. The author narrows his focus as he considers the policies of the current administration concerning how the poor are treated. **"The current administration's rhetoric which is odious, pejorative and totalizing against our international neighbors ... demonstrates a gospel of fake news when it ignores any needs or concerns that threaten our self-interest."**

Dr. Labberton offers a clear rebuke against tax policies **"that create more national indebtedness and elevate the top 1% to even higher levels of wealth while cutting services and provision for children, the disabled and the poor. The economic policies that seek to defend the marginalized are castigated as disgusting 'entitlements.' One has to ask how this is reconciled with being followers of Jesus."**

While these four issues—power, race, nationalism and economics—form the central concerns in this speech, by no means do they exhaust the issues

by which any administration and any leader must be judged. Among other vital matters, there are dishonesty, immorality, corruption and integrity and a trust in violence. And what about policies that separates children from their parents? About that, Trump suggested that the problem was not what is happening to children, but listening to them crying did not play well with the American electorate.

(If you would like a copy of the speech, I will provide one by e-mail). While I have read this speech with certain assumptions, my conclusion nevertheless must suggest that any faithful evangelical digesting it cannot but realize that on the basis of clear evidence no Christian can honestly continue to support Trump and the policies of his administration.

After working for the last month on an analysis of the Labberton speech, I recently realized that the speech responds to a somewhat different question than the one I had originally raised, and focuses on reasons why Christians cannot support Trump. There being no clues in his speech as to why evangelicals should support Trump, I have concluded that for many evangelicals party loyalty and conservative political ideology are just more important than the Christian faith.

It is now obvious that there is developing a serious split among evangelicals regarding support for Trump, a split that will continue to widen as long as honest Christians examine the evidence. While Dr. Labberton does not articulate a definitive personal position, I find it impossible to believe he could have come to any conclusion other than this: NO HONEST CHRIST-CENTERED EVANGELICAL CAN CONTINUE TO SUPPORT DONALD TRUMP OR THE GREAT MAJORITY OF HIS POLICIES.

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"TIME JOCKEY" - Historic Monuments

By Joe Castillo

California History Trail ...

Throughout California the remains of its history were marked with bronze plaques to commemorate the significant and historical event which occurred there. In some cases, the plaque has stood the test of time and still stands as it was placed nearly 100 years ago, however in many cases the plaque has either been removed, either legally or illegally, and is no longer visible for the public to enjoy. But with or without a plaque, the historic event which took place at the location happened at one time and its significance to California history still remains. Here is a short list of the plaques which were placed during the 1920's for the American public to enjoy. Perhaps you can verify if they still exist at the site or not nearly 100 years later.

In 1924, a tablet was placed

at San Carlos Pass near the Mexican border by Professor Herbert E. Bolton who located the historic site. Bolton traced Juan Bautista de Anza's trail as he led his Spanish troops north through California. The trail became known as the De Anza Trail and the site in the southern mountains marked the route he took through rough terrain. At St. Ann's Church in Columbia, a plaque was erected in 1925 for \$200 for the purpose of raising awareness for the restoration of the historic church. Near Tule Lake, is the site of where the only general was killed during the Indian Wars. General E.R.S. Canby was killed during the War with the Modocs and to memorialize his death and the death of all others who lost their life in the war, a \$150 donation was made in 1925 to erect a monument in his honor. In 1925, in

front of the Bidwell Mansion in Chico, a contribution was made to commemorate the historic sites. One marker was placed at the site of an old adobe along the Oregon Trail, while another used a polished granite stone as a base for a bronze plaque to identify General Bidwell's historic importance. In Napa County, at Bale Mill, a plaque was placed to mark the restoration of the mill in 1925. The plaque contains a replica of the mill in relief form. In Palo Alto, near a tree where Gaspar de Portola camped during his explorations, a plaque was placed in 1926 to commemorate the site. Later, a California Historical Landmark plaque was also placed near the same site. At Donner Summit Bridge, a plaque was placed dedicated to 'Pioneers who blazed the Overland Trail through these mountains'. The plaque contained a relief reproduction of the covered wagons drawn by six heads of oxen.

Each of the plaques identified above were placed by the Native Sons of the Golden West after funds were raised for the installation of the monuments. Over 90 years later, the historical sites still remain but whether the actual plaque also remains has yet to be seen....

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More and More Illegal Fireworks

The 4th of July brings us to a 30 day statistic period involving fireworks. Fifteen days before and after the 4th of July. This includes legal and illegal fireworks.

I will admit that I like things that go "Boom!" I enjoy fireworks and was glad to have the opportunity to work with Pyro Spectacular for the Queen Mary Fireworks Display every weekend. I know what these controlled fireworks launches can do and the dangers that come with them, a misfire and massive explosion with a 5 inch mortar that blew everything up five feet on either side of the tube. Also, the concussion that nailed some of the boaters that "illegally" got too close to the detonation field.

The safety procedures while loading is very strict. After a misfire or failed fire, special safety procedures must be followed. Certified professionals working these events do everything they can to keep everyone safe.

Now you get home brewed fireworks and so called "experts" blowing off illegal and legal fireworks where people are getting hurt and fires being started. There are deaths and injuries that certainly can be avoided.

Strangely, the 2017 statistics are still in the works, so we can work off of 2016 stats.

Children younger than 15 years of age accounted for 31 percent of the estimated 2016 injuries. Thirty-nine percent of



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the estimated emergency room treatments, with critical fireworks-related injuries were to individuals younger than 20 years of age. Young adults 20 to 24 years of age had the highest estimated rate of emergency room admissions, fireworks-related injuries (4.9 injuries per 100,000 people). Children younger than 5 years of age had the second highest estimated rate (4.4 injuries per 100,000 people).

New York Giants professional football player Jason Pierre-Paul, who almost lost his football career when he was involved in the fireworks injury that blew off much of his right hand in 2015, has become an advocate against the use of fireworks use by armatures. "Leave fireworks to the fireworks professionals," Pierre-Paul says in a video that he made.

Fireworks can kill, and here are some of the idiots that lost their lives because of fireworks. On May 15, 2016, a 38-year-old male from Arizona was fatally injured in the garage of his single-family home while apparently attempting to manufacture fireworks. In the victim's home, investigators found a large quantity of fireworks and firework manufacturing components, which had been purchased online from an out-of-state suppli-

er.

On July 4, 2016, a 42-year-old male from Florida suffered fatal injuries when the fireworks device he was lighting malfunctioned. The victim was trying to set off large mortar-type fireworks in a PVC pipe that was anchored to the ground.

A 27-year-old male from Georgia died shortly after from a fatal fireworks accident. According to the witnesses at the scene, the victim accidentally placed a firework in a tube upside-down and then lifted the tube above his head. The firework exploded from the bottom and blew part of his head off.

On July 5, 2016, a 26-year-old male from Kansas fell off the roof of his home after a mortar type fireworks device exploded in his hand near his chest. According to the witnesses, the victim was on his roof shooting fire-arms and blowing off fireworks. The explosion knocked the victim backwards off the roof.

There were 114 fireworks-related deaths between 2001 and 2016, for an average of 7.1 deaths per year.

Averages of 230 people per day end up in the ER for firework-related injuries.

Fireworks start an average of 18,500 fires per year, including 1,300 structure fires, 300 vehicle fires, and 16,900 outside and other fires. These fires caused an average of three deaths, 40 civilian injuries, and an average of \$43 million in direct property damage.

Most cities in the San Gabriel Valley DO NOT permit fireworks. Criminal citations with possible jail time and \$1,000.00 fines can be expected.

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Is The USA Distancing Itself From Past Allies?

Recently there were three major obstacles that the market had to contend with if the primary bull trend was going to prevail. All three have since retreated: (1) The yield on the 10-year Treasury breached 3.1% but has since declined to 2.92%. (2) WTI crude oil traded as high as \$71.84 per barrel as recently as May 23 but was \$69.28 per barrel last week. (3) The upstart U.S. Dollar Index (DXY) hit a fresh six-month high recently of 95.02 before settling back to close last week out at 94.79.

Investors should embrace what matters most to the stock market - the economy. Consumer confidence, revised GDP, the payrolls report, average hourly wages, the pace of manufacturing, new orders, and domestic oil production were all higher. Worth saying again: these factors were all improving.

The U.S. economy is the largest in the world. At an estimated \$20.4 trillion in 2018, the U.S. represents a quarter of the global economy. The U.S. economy is bigger than the entire 28-nation European Union, whose combined 2017 GDP was \$17.3 trillion. It is also about equal to the three Asian giants of China, Japan, and India, combined.

The Atlanta Fed's model currently forecasts second-quarter GDP growing at a stunning 4.8% annual pace. They explained that's because the forecasts for second-quarter real consumer spending growth and second-quarter real private fixed investment growth increased from 3.4% and 4.6% to 3.5% and 5.4% (respectively).

A fresh bottom-up earnings estimate is significant in that the estimated year-over-year earnings growth rate for Q2 2018 has increased from 18.6% on March 31 to 18.9%. All 11 S&P sectors are predicted to report year-over-year earnings growth. Seven sectors are projected to report double-digit earnings growth for the

In A Nutshell What's up in the Economy?



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quarter, led by the Energy, Materials, and Information Technology sectors.

Because of the upward revisions to sales estimates, the estimated year-over-year sales growth rate for Q2 2018 has increased from 7.8% on March 31 to 8.6% today. Ten of the 11 sectors are projected to report year-over-year growth in revenues. Four sectors are predicted to report double-digit growth in revenues: Energy, Materials, Information Technology, and Real Estate.

Not knowing if the market can tune out the noise factor of all that is occurring outside U.S. borders, there still is a growing case for a summer rally as second-quarter earnings season approaches. For Q1 (with 98% of the companies in the S&P 500 reporting actual results for the quarter), 77% of S&P 500 companies have reported a positive EPS surprise and 77% have reported a positive sales surprise, according to FactSet.

If past is prologue and Q2 sales and earnings post a similar trend to that of Q1, then all this back and forth for the S&P will very likely give way to an upside "breakout." Money is flowing into the U.S. from all around the world as a safe haven trade. Seeing the underlying market fundamentals strengthening like this argues that the least path of resistance for equities is higher, and maybe sooner than we all might think.

The aftermath of the G7 meeting was intense. Initially Presi-

dent Trump offered to drop all tariffs as soon as other G7 members did the same. This would have been an amazing outcome. If the G7 nations had agreed, these tariff and trade spats would no longer disrupt the stock market. However, G7 leaders did not agree, so President Trump refused to sign the agreement and he flew to Singapore. This caused German Chancellor Angela Merkel to say that it was "sobering and a little depressing" to see the U.S. refuse to sign the agreement.

The "G6" countries in the G7 have a smaller combined economy than the U.S., so when President Trump taunted them for being hypocrites on trade, they did not have a good response. G6 countries have multiple tariffs on U.S. goods as well as a massive trade surplus. For instance, the U.S. imposes a 2.5% tariff on German vehicles, while Germany imposes a 10% tariff on U.S. vehicles. This is one reason Mr. Trump is justified confronting our allies. Germany has a lot more to lose, so I feel they will likely work with the U.S.A. on an amicable solution.

President Trump has a very outspoken core of economic advisors in his inner circle, so I expect more confrontations with major trade partners in the upcoming months. However, if Trump's ultimate goal is the removal of most tariffs, I don't think the stock market will continue to react negatively to these escalating trade spats. The bottom line is that if U.S. trade deficits continue to decline, then annual U.S. economic growth in the 3% range is much more sustainable. That could be good for the stock market and the economy.

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I got a call from Medicare, asking if I'd like a new card without my SS number on it. Was that for real? Or was it a scam?

Scam. Medicare does NOT call you. Medicare does not charge for these new cards. Also, if anybody you don't know calls you and asks, "Can you hear me?" do NOT answer "Yes." Scammers record your "Yes" and use it later to access other accounts.

What causes all the big ups and big downs in the stock market? It's scary!

"Brexit" was a year ago. Now it's N. Korea and Trade. If you look at stock market charts that are short-term, it can look pretty scary. However, if you look at stock market charts that are 1-year or more, you'll typically see a much better picture.

Let the dust settle. You've heard the saying, "Buy low. Sell high." When the price of stocks go down, financial professionals advise investors to buy. When the price of stocks goes up, financial professionals advise investors to sell. I encourage my clients to diversify their investments into different types of investment products. Having all of your in-



Julia Yoder

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How do economists figure out if our economy is getting better or worse?

Economists look at statistics compiled by the Census Bureau, the Bureau of Labor Statistics,

the Bureau of Economic Analysis, for example, and conclude whether the economy is in a slowdown or a recovery. The consumer-related indicators are: employment, retail sales, new-home sales, personal income and spending, and the consumer price index (oil and food excluded). Of course, there are un-ending arguments regarding what should be included or excluded in these reports. As we know, resulting reports can be altered by the detailed information sourced. In other words, facts can lie. For example, if they only count full-time employment, what about all the folks who lost their full-time employment and are now working one or two part-time jobs? If they only count those receiving unemployment benefits, what about those who have used up their benefits but are still unemployed?

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Baldwin Park City Council Approves a Proposed Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget with a Projected General Fund Surplus

BALDWIN PARK - Baldwin Park concluded the 2018 Fiscal Year (FY) with a General Fund surplus. The City's Finance Department presented the City Council a General Fund surplus budget for FY 2019. The projected FY 2019 surplus of \$2.2 million includes the \$2 million set aside for community enhancements. The Council adopted the budget in a unanimous vote at their regular council meeting Wednesday evening.

"Baldwin Park's budget is bal-

anced for next year," Mayor Lozano said. "The City's economy is strong and shows no signs of slowing down. Baldwin Park's Council, Chief Executive Officer and the Finance team deserve credit for increasing General Fund reserves to hedge against any future economic setback."

Mitigation fees from cannabis account for most of the current year's surplus. The City received about \$990,000 in cannabis-related revenue since the permitting of cannabis began in 2016.

It is projected that the City is also set to receive approximately \$4 million in additional revenue annually.

Another contributing factor for the surplus is the retirement of the 2007 Safety Pension Obligation Bonds which provides a savings of \$1.9 million.

Over the past year, the City has identified new agency needs, such as the addition of a Code Enforcement Supervisor position which will enhance public safety. As well as the employee's Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), rising costs of retirement contribution and retiree health insurance with CalPERS, and general insurance costs. To its credit, the City has resumed the process of identifying agency cost-saving initiatives which funded some of these requests.

The City has taken several steps to increase its reserves. It anticipates an increase of approximately 40% to the General Fund reserves by the end of fiscal year 2019 which will be 3 times larger than the required minimum adopted General Fund Reserve policy.

To review the proposed budget, go to the City of Baldwin Park Website at <https://www.baldwinpark.com/finance/budgets/1458-fy-2018-19-proposed-budget>

Is It Hot Enough For You?

How many times do you hear that phrase in the course of the summer? We hear about the importance of taking care of ourselves during hot weather on the news and read about it in various publications. We are told to drink lots of water to keep hydrated, especially when exercising or doing physical labor. I know I sometimes feel a visit to Classic Coffee in the Glendora Village for a famous frozen hot chocolate will hit the spot.

Take a moment and think about your car...it gets hot too! We often take for granted just how hard it does work for us in all kinds of weather. When you see a car sitting on the side of the road with steam rising from the hood, that is an overheated vehicle!

Many things will cause a car to overheat... a hose, radiator, head gasket, thermostat, water pump or even the computer controlled electric fans may not be functioning. With so many critical components that have to work together to keep the engine cool, we recommend an inspection every 3 to 4 months of these items.

I keep repeating this statement and here it is again, it is always less expensive to maintain your car versus waiting for it to break and then fixing it. Most newer cars have a warning system to alert you of a failure. Please don't ignore these warnings. We have many customers who kept driving after a warning light came on and destroyed the engine.

If you think your car is overheating, get to the side of the

road quickly and safely. Turn off your radio and air conditioner, then turn your heater on to high while keeping the engine idling. If no heat comes out, turn the car off as soon as possible, no heat means no coolant in the engine.

It is never wise to try to drive a car with a problem, unless safety is a concern. Most drivers have a roadside assistance program... if you don't, ask us about our free assistance service with some purchases.

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ABC Offers Free Training on the Sale and Service of Alcoholic Beverages

GLENDORA - Now that most students are enjoying the academic relief of summer break and families are taking advantage of the warm weather for vacations, the Glendora Police Department would like to remind everyone of the sometimes tragic consequences of excessive alcoholic consumption. Every summer, the Glendora Police Department is summoned to the scene of significant and sometimes fatal traffic collisions which involve impaired drivers.

The Glendora Police Department, with the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC), encourages responsible alcohol consumption with a pre-designated driver or service to provide transportation. Additionally, it is the responsibility of each business that sells alcohol to ensure that the pur-

chaser of an alcoholic beverage is at least 21 years of age and is not intoxicated at the time of the purchase. The California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) is encouraging ABC licensees and their employees to take advantage of free training sessions in an effort to increase public safety and help reduce underage drinking.

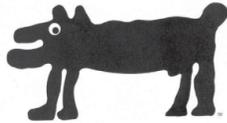
ABC's Licensee Education on Alcohol and Drugs (LEAD) program has been providing free training to the public since 1991. The LEAD program educates businesses on laws involving the sale and service of alcoholic beverages. Thousands of alcohol industry employees in California are trained through this program every year. The training is offered throughout California and preregistration is required. ABC licensed businesses, their em-

ployees, or any member of the general public who is interested in attending LEAD training can select a class and sign up by the following link: www.tracelead.abc.ca.gov/traceleadpublic/register/screens/information.aspx

ABC's mission is to provide the highest level of service and public safety through licensing, education and enforcement. To learn more about ABC programs that help protect communities, prevent alcohol-related harm and potentially save lives visit https://www.abc.ca.gov/programs/programs_PE.html ABC is a Department of the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency.

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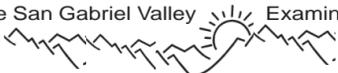
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TOPS Meeting

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

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

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

ARCADIA Specialty Summer Camps

Looking for something fun and educational for your children this summer? Registration for week-long specialty camps is now open. These Specialty Summer Camps offer academic and creative programs for youth of all ages. A list of these fun and exciting camps are 3D Art, Computer Animation, Engineering with Legos, Science, Sewing, Skateboarding, Video Game Coding.

Specialty Summer Camps are one week long from June 11-August 10. Prices vary depending on the camp. Extended care in the morning and afternoon is also available for most camps. Don't miss out and sign-up early! For more information, please visit our website at www.arcadiaCA.gov/recreation or call the Recreation Office at 626.574.5113.

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Do you have a talent you want to share or have a love for teaching? The City of Arcadia is always looking for quality, dedicated instructors to offer a variety of programs to residents and surrounding communities. The best contract instructor candidates are individuals who combine a sincere interest in community service with a desire to supplement their existing income. Go to www.ArcadiaCA.gov/recreation for the Prospective Instructor Application or call the Recreation Office for more information.

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.

BALDWIN PARK Independence Day Celebration

Enjoy a morning filled with games, contests, prizes, music, and best of all food on Tuesday, **July 3rd** from 9:00 am-1:00 pm. Join us to celebrate Independence Day with a BBQ luncheon, which includes: Hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, corn in a cup, potato salad, and fruit. So come with an empty stomach. Lots of games, including a twisting contest, watermelon eating contest, piñata, and more. Tickets are \$8 at Julia McNeill Senior Center. Last day to register is Monday, July 2nd. For more information, please visit the Julia McNeill Senior Center or call (626) 813-5245, Ext. 323

Reagan Library and Camarillo Outlets

On Wednesday, **July 11th** from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm we will be visiting the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library. The Library features multiple exhibits that highlight and illustrate the life and times of America's 40th president, Ronald Reagan. Permanent exhibits include the actual Air Force One that served seven U.S. Presidents from 1973-2001, a full-sized reproduction of the Oval Office, Ronald Reagan's memorial site, as well as exhibits on the Berlin Wall and the Secret Service. Explore the all-new and most comprehensive exhibit of the Mongolian leader Genghis Khan and his treasures. We will also be heading to the Camarillo Outlets for some shopping and dining as well. Limited Tickets! Meals not included. Tickets are \$30 for Baldwin Park Residents and \$35 for Non-Residents. For more information, please visit the Julia McNeill Senior Center or call (626) 813-5245, Ext. 323

McNeill Fitness Program

A challenging but accessible workout regimen, which includes basic calisthenics, arm workouts, legs and torso, and a steady run/walk around Morgan Park. Nutritional guidance is also offered. Eating well and exercising will not only improve your overall health, but also improves your mood and energy levels. Group meets in senior center dining hall Monday through Thursday from 8:00am – 9:00am. This class is free to participate. For more information on the class or registering, please visit the Julia McNeill Senior Center or call (626) 813-5245, Ext. 323

COVINA Tech Talk

The City of Covina Parks & Recreation Department is offering Tech Talk. This is a great opportunity for seniors to learn how to navigate the digital world. Bring one electronic device at a

time, such as a cell phone, tablet or nook, iPad, laptop computers, and more! Tech Talk is free and is taught by members of our Covina T.E.A.M. (Teens Endeavor to Accomplish More) in a one-on-one setting. Program takes place at the Covina Senior Center (temporarily located at Lark Ellen Elementary School, 4555 N. Lark Ellen Ave., Covina). Tech Talk is on **June 28**, from 3:30-4:30 pm. For more information, call (626) 384-5380.

Oldies But Goodies Singing Club!

The City of Covina Parks & Recreation Department hosts Oldies but Goodies Singing Club at the Covina Senior Center (Temporarily located at Lark Ellen Elementary School, 4555 N. Lark Ellen Ave., Covina) on Thursdays (June 28, July 12 and 26 and August 16 and 30) from 2:15-3 p.m. For more information, call (626) 384-5380.

Free Ice Cream Social! (Ages 50+)

The City of Covina Parks & Recreation Department, along with co-sponsor AGA, inc. is hosting Free Ice Cream Socials at the Covina Senior Center (temporarily located at Lark Ellen Elementary School, 4555 N. Lark Ellen Ave., Covina) on Friday, July 6 and August 3 at 12:30 p.m. For more information, call (626) 384-5380.

BUNCO!

The City of Covina Parks & Recreation Department is hosting BUNCO at the Covina Senior Center (temporarily located at Lark Ellen Elementary School, 4555 N. Lark Ellen Ave., Covina) on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month, 1-3 p.m. The cost is \$2. For more information, call (626) 384-5380.

Senior Lunch Program

The City of Covina Parks & Recreation Department hosts a daily nutrition program for senior citizens at their senior programs site, located at the former Lark Ellen Elementary School, 4555 N. Lark Ellen Ave., Covina. Lunch is served Monday-Friday at 12 pm. For those 60 and older there is a \$3 suggested donation. For those under 60, the fee is \$5. For more information, call (626) 384-5380.

Community Garden Parcels

The City of Covina Parks & Recreation Department has a Community Garden located at Cougar Park. Parcels are now available. Grow your own vegetables alongside other gardeners who are passionate about gardening and growing healthy organic produce! Annual fee of \$50 for large or handicap accessible parcel, and \$44 for small parcel. Applications are available at covina.gov. For more information, call (626) 384-5340.

Basketball And T-Ball

The City of Covina Parks & Recreation Department is offering Winter Basketball for ages 18 months-11 years and T-ball for ages 3-6. These programs provide instruction and fun in a non-competitive atmosphere. For more information or to register, please call (626) 384-5340 or visit covina.gov.

Walk The Walk

The City of Covina Parks & Recreation Department offers "Walk the Walk." This is a casual walking experience where you can walk at your own pace, improve your heart's health, and meet new friends. Wear your walking shoes and bring water. The walk takes place on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. at the Covina Senior Center (temporarily located at Lark Ellen Elementary School, 4555 N. Lark Ellen Ave., Covina). For more information, call (626) 384-5380.

Medicare & Vitality Center

The City of Covina Parks & Recreation Department in conjunction with Inter Valley Health Plan, invites seniors to the Medicare & Vitality Center on Tuesdays, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. and Fridays, 9-11:30 a.m. at the Covina Senior Center (temporarily located at Lark Ellen Elementary School, 4555 N. Lark Ellen Ave., Covina). Obtain information on how to maintain your vitality and stay healthy. Vitality Center offers free screenings, informative presentations, "Doc Talks" and refreshments. For reservations, call (800) 251-8191, ext. 625. For more information, call (626) 384-5380.

DUARTE Meals on Wheels

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

Hot Lunches at Senior Center

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

Alzheimer's Safe Return Registration

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

Volunteering Does Your Heart Good!

The Duarte Senior Center is always in need of volunteers. If you would like to give back to the community, please consider being a Senior Center volunteer. For more information call 357-3513.

GLENDORA Glendora Adult Basketball Program

Southland Sports Association is offering adult basketball leagues in Glendora. Participants must be 18 years of age or older. Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday leagues begin the week June 25, 2018.

Registration will be accepted, Monday, June 18, through Friday, June 22, 2016.

For more information, please contact Frank Ortiz, Adult Sports Coordinator, at (818) 425-9789 or go to www.ci.glendora.ca.us.

Alzheimer's Peer Support Group

Caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's can be frustrating, challenging, and sometimes distressful. This peer support group is designed to share experiences, coping strategies, information, and ideas with each other, and to offer understanding and encouragement to one another. We meet the **2nd Thursday of each month** from 6:30-8:30 pm at Glenkirk Church, 1700 Palopinto Ave., Glendora, in Room #11. We caregivers look forward to lifting each other up as we journey through this season of life. For more info, visit glenkirkchurch.org 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 re-learning (reading, writing, speech), caregiver support, current events, card games, snacks, resocialization, exercise, music, speakers, day field trips, and stroke support. Lunch is available (\$3 senior lunch or \$2.75 deli sandwich). For more information, please call Sonia Schupbach at (626) 963-6186. The program is **Wednesdays** 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Co-sponsored by The After Stroke Center and the Glendora Community Services Department.

Cars 4 the Community

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

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

Instructors Needed At The La Fetra Center

The City of Glendora's La Fetra Center is looking for new class instructors! We are seeking out instructors to teach the following: Cooking classes, Spanish lessons, and American Sign Language (ASL) classes. Share your talents with your peers! If you would like more information on teaching a class at the La Fetra Center contact Jennelle Markel at (626)9148-8235, or email at jmarkel@ci.glendora.ca.us.

LA VERNE

Get About Transportation

Get About provides transportation for seniors aged 60+ and disabled residents of Claremont, La Verne, Pomona, and San Dimas. The door-to-door service can be used for shopping, doctor's appointments, church, senior nutrition sites and many other locations within the four cities. The service operates seven days a week and membership is free.

To Register: (909) 621-9900
To Schedule a ride: (909) 596-5964

For more information, contact Abby Nuyda at 909.621.9900, Extension 228.

MONROVIA

Senior Blood Pressure Screenings

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

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

Caring Crafters

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

munity Center.

Senior Stretch & Exercise Class

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

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

SAN DIMAS San Dimas Toastmasters Club

The San Dimas chapter of Toastmasters International, Toast To The Best Club, Club # 5880 meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday from 7PM to 8:45 PM. Learn to motivate and lead. Challenge yourself with Toastmaster's proven education programs. Let us help you grow your strengths and accomplish your goals. Become a better speaker and learn to communicate with confidence. Learn these skills and more in a supportive, self-paced, fun atmosphere. Meets at the Faith Lutheran Church, Parish Hall, 505 E Bonita Ave. Contact Art Douglas at (951) 505-0555.

WEST COVINA TOPS Meeting

TOPS (Take Pounds Off Sensibly) meets **every Thursday** at 6 pm at the West Covina Senior Center, 2501 E. Cortez St in the classroom building. The weight loss group seeks members who wish to lose weight and maintain a healthy lifestyle. Meetings last until about 7:30 and the first meeting is free. Visitors are always welcome. Come for support with your weight loss journey. You can do it! For more information, contact Erika Hernandez 626-384-0502 or email: ehernandez57@aol.com

Go West Shuttle Service

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

- For questions on the location of shuttle stops, assistance in locating the stop closest to you, and route schedules please call (800) 425-5777.
- The fixed-route service operates Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- The fare is only \$1.00 each way.
- No Service on Thanksgiving, Day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, President's Day, Labor Day, Memorial Day, and Independence Day.

Senior Lunch

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

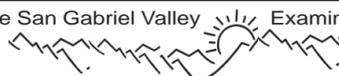
There is a suggested lunch donation of \$2.00 for those 60 years and older. Persons younger than 60 years old pay \$4.00, and persons with disabilities younger than 60 years pay \$3.00. West Covina Senior Citizens Center is at 2501 East Cortez Street.

Summer Evening Entertainment Series

COVINA - The City of Covina Parks & Recreation Department presents its annual Summer Evening Entertainment Series. This free entertainment series will take place at two locations this year. At Covina Park, 301 N. Fourth Ave. the City will host live concerts on Mondays (7:30 p.m.), Kids' Night Out on Tuesdays (6:30 p.m.), and Covina Concert Band on Thursdays (7:30 p.m.).

At Heritage Plaza, 400 N. Citrus Ave. will have Millennial Night (7:30 p.m.) that will show various live action films on July 11 and 18. Bring your chairs and blankets, food trucks and ice cream for sale, and for those 21 and over, bring your favorite craft beer or bottle of wine to enjoy with friends.

For more information, please visit www.covina.gov or please call (626) 384-5340.



4th of July DUI Enforcement Operations

GLENDORA - Officers from the Glendora Police Department's DUI Enforcement Team will be deployed over the Independence Day holiday to stop and arrest alcohol and drug-impaired drivers in the Department's ongoing traffic safety campaign. DUI Saturation Patrols will deploy in areas with high frequencies of DUI collisions and/or arrests.

High Visibility Enforcement using both DUI checkpoints and DUI Saturation Patrols has proven to lower the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol or drug impaired crashes. Research shows that crashes involving an impaired driver can be reduced by up to 20 percent when well-publicized proactive DUI operations are conducted routinely.

Officers will be looking for signs of alcohol and/or drug impairment. "We want everyone to enjoy the holiday, so please be responsible and plan ahead to ensure a safe celebration,"

stated Glendora Police Chief Lisa G. Rosales. Specially trained officers will be available to evaluate those suspected of drug-impaired driving, which now accounts for a growing number of impaired crashes.

In recent years, California has seen a disturbing increase in drug-impaired driving crashes. The Glendora Police Department supports the continued effort from the Office of Traffic Safety that aims to educate all drivers that "DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze." If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, you might be impaired enough to get a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs, and can result in a DUI.

Drivers are encouraged to download the Designated Driver VIP, or "DDVIP" free mobile app for Android or iPhone.

The DDVIP app helps find nearby bars and restaurants that feature free incentives for the designated sober driver, from free non-alcoholic drinks to free appetizers and more. The app even has social media ties and a tab for the non-DD to call Uber, Lyft or Curb.

The cost of a ride home is inexpensive! Drivers caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspensions and other expenses that can exceed \$10,000.

Funding for this DUI operation is provided to the Glendora Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, reminding everyone to 'Report Drunk Driver - Call 9-1-1.'

GCCC President Recognized For His Outstanding Leadership

GLENDORA - On Monday, June 11, 2018 at Glendora Community Coordinating Council's general meeting Gene Morrill was recognized for his outstanding leadership and service while serving as President from 2016-2018. His service to our community has been greatly appreciated.

The Glendora Community Coordinating Council meets the second Monday of each month at the Continental Restaurant for lunch and are always looking for new members and volunteer award recipients. Please visit our website at www.glendora-coordinatingcouncil.org for information on joining our organization or nominating a person for award recognition.



Glendora Community Coordinating Council President Gene Morrill receiving the outgoing president's plaque from Joe Cina.

Trash And Recycling Services Delayed One Day

BALDWIN PARK - Waste Management of San Gabriel Valley's curbside residential trash and recycling and commercial pick-up schedule will be delayed by one day beginning on Wednesday, July 4, and throughout the week in observance of Independence Day.

In addition, all Waste Management operations will be closed on

Wednesday, July 4, with normal operations resuming on Thursday, July 5.

Customers in the cities of Arcadia, Baldwin Park and Diamond Bar should place their carts out for pick-up one day later than usual, beginning Thursday, July 5 through Saturday, July 7.

Customer service is available at 800-266-7551.

Auxiliary Fundraiser

COVINA - Citrus Valley Medical Center Inter-Community Auxiliary is once again having Pop-o-licious on Friday **June 29**. And again on Friday July 13. This event is by popular demand. Everyone loves popcorn. Pop-o-licious offers a variety of flavors. The events are from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm in the Brown Bag Room of the hospital's cafeteria. On Monday July 16 and Tuesday July

17 Masquerade Jewelry is back in the Brown Bag room of the hospital's cafeteria from 7:30 am to 4 pm. The auxiliary needs volunteers come join us! The hospital is located at 210 W. San Bernardino Road in Covina. For more information call Tiffany Ramirez, Director of Volunteer Services at (626) 915-6237 or email her@tramirez@mail.cvhp.org



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Glendora Police Department Auxiliary Recognize With Gene Beckwith Memorial Humanitarian Award



Gene Morrill, President of the Glendora Community Coordinating Council presenting Auxiliary Judy Gillham, Greg Gillham, Susan Salas Linda Hermann and Diane Dailey with June's Gene Beckwith Memorial Humanitarian Award.

GLENDORA - The Glendora Police Department Auxiliary was created in 1970 to train volunteers who could be called upon during emergency situations or in the event of a disaster. The Auxiliary program has since evolved into a multi-task-oriented program whose success relies in the

commitment and unique skills of community-minded individuals who provide an extra pair of eyes, ears and assistance to our community. In 2017 they volunteered a total of 5,918 hours, patrolled a total of 17,799 miles, did 980 vacation house checks, removed 1,787 signs, did 1,132 citizen's

assists and 250 special details to name a few. If a monetary value were to be put on the number of volunteer hours these Auxiliaries have contributed it would equate to approximately \$168,426.28 the City of Glendora has saved in 2017 as a result of these volunteer efforts. The Glendora Community Coordinating Council is truly honored to recognize the Glendora Police Auxiliary with June's Gene Beckwith Memorial Humanitarian Award.

The GCCC is always looking for volunteers from the city to be recognized each month. If you have a nominee please visit our website at www.glendora-coordinatingcouncil.org for a form and contact information. GCCC would like to thank Agape Physical Therapy for being our meeting sponsor.

Medical Auxiliary Needs Volunteers

COVINA - The Citrus Valley Medical Center Inter-Community Auxiliary needs volunteers. If you are a senior citizen, retired, or simply looking for something to do, join the auxiliary and be a volunteer! Volunteers are needed in the following areas: The Front Desk; the Gift Store; The Sur-

gery Waiting Room; the Bargain Box; Newspaper Delivery to patients and other areas of the hospital. Call Tiffany Ramirez, Director of Volunteer Services at (626) 925-6237 or email her at tramirez@mail.cvhpa.org to start the volunteer process.



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