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Glendora Mayor Karen Davis, Glendora Council Members, Library Trustees and Guests.

By Jayam Rutnam **GLENDORA** - The sun was shining brightly on a Friday afternoon of February 28th while the Scottish Tartan bagpipers from Glendora High School entertained those who attended a very special celebration, . It was the Glendora Public Library celebrating fifty years at their 140 South Glendora Avenue location. This is probably the most accessible and prominent location in Glendora, which adjoins Glendora City Hall and the Glendora Police Station.

The Glendora Library Board of Trustees presented the celebration, with help from the GPL Friends Foundation, and the Li-

brary itself. Board President Tomoko Toland and Trustee Erica Landmann planned and coordinated the festivities, and Trustee Steven Flowers, Director Stone, and Mayor Karen Davis all spoke at the event. Also, in attendance were Board Vice-President Brianna Chew, and Trustee Doris Blum. The GPL Friends Foundation Executive Director is Maggie Lara, and the Foundation's President is Bo Gutzwiller.

Reading clubs and a public library have a long history in Glendora dating back over 100 years, beginning with organizations such as the Athena Club in 1904, and the Glendora Women's Club in 1911. After the incorporation of Glendora as a City in 1911, the Glendora Public Library was adopted as a department of the city government in 1912 and moved to the east area of City Hall in 1922. Growth of the Library led to the construction of a new facility just south of City Hall, and the doors at 140 S. Glendora Ave opened to the public on February 28, 1972.

"Outside of the pandemic, the Glendora Public Library and Cultural Center building has approximately 5,000 visitors a week. It's home base for 130,000 volumes, including books, ebooks and audio books, both on CD and via download, music,



Glendora Public Library Director Janet Stone.

movies, magazines, computer databases, access to the Internet and digital resources that can be used from home, office, school and on site. It's a gathering place for exploration, discovery, and

discussion. And it's the headquarters for an expert and mobile staff, ready to connect the community with the world of ideas, information, and imagination."

PARKING

Bonita Unified Teachers Receive Mini-Grants from La Verne/San Dimas Educational Foundation



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Educational Foundation is very proud to continue our charity work within Bonita Unified.' La Verne/San Dimas Educational Foundation President Anthony Porter said. "With

Abandoned Boat Found

The Bonita Unified School District Board of Education recognized Bonita Unified teachers who received mini-grants from the La Verne/San Dimas Educational Foundation.

- Twenty-five Bonita Unified School District teachers were awarded mini-grants from the La Verne/San Dimas Educa-

SAN DIMAS/LA VERNE tional Foundation, providing financial support for educators who aim to augment classroom experiences for their students. The mini-grants, totaling

\$9,483.81, were presented to this year's winners during Bonita Unified's Board of Education meeting on March 2.

"The La Verne/San Dimas

Ukraine and all those standing

bravely against violence and

To donate to help Ukraine,

tyranny."

Glendora City Hall Lights Up in Solidarity of Ukraine

GLENDORA - The City of Glendora joins cities across the country in lighting City Hall in blue and yellow in solidarity with Ukraine. This simple gesture is one-way the community can show support for those affected by the violation of sovereign nations seeking the same unalienable rights we hold to be self-evident, and wish for all.

The lights on the main City Hall façade will be active beginning at dusk on March 3,2022 and will remain blue and yellow as long as the war continues in Ukraine.

"I agree that an attack on democracy in Ukraine is an attack on democracy every-



The blue and yellow lights on the main City Hall façade.

where. Whenever there is injustice and oppression in our world, none of us can truly rest," said Mayor Karen Davis. "We stand with the people of visit usaid.gov.

these teacher mini-grants, we will continue to fulfill our mission of empowering our communities as well as support and celebrate student success."

Bonita Unified teachers have already used the grant money to fund projects such as library expansions and providing more mental health and wellness resources in their classrooms.

"Our teachers are an integral part to Bonita Unified's success," Bonita Unified Superintendent Carl Coles said. "With these mini-grants, we hope our teachers continue to provide enriching experiences for our students and help them exemplify our District goals of equity, mastery and a focus on results."

Since 1983, the La Verne/ San Dimas Educational Foundation has been committed to enriching and enhancing educational opportunities for Bonita Unified students and teachers. The Foundation's primary function is to recognize and reward student and teacher achievement inside and outside of the classroom, including the provision of teacher minigrants.

"Thank you to the La Verne/ San Dimas Educational Foundation for your longstanding commitment to support the well-being of our students and teachers at Bonita Unified," Bonita Unified Board of Education President Derek Bahmanou said. "We look forward to many more years of partnership and support in transforming the lives of Bonita Unified students."



IRWINDALE - A derelict vessel was found adrift on Los Angeles Street west of Azusa Canyon Road in Irwindale on Friday, March 4. It was promptly removed from the roadway by Irwindale city yard crew.

The boat was anchored to the street sign before it was abandoned.

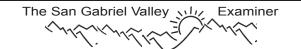
Catalytic Converter Theft Suspect Arrested



GLENDORA - On March 2, Glendora officers responded to the area of the 600 block of South Grand Ave after a witness observed a catalytic converter theft in progress. Officers located the suspect vehicle as it attempted to leave the area and contacted Sergio Lara. Three cut catalytic

converters were located including tools to commit the theft. A very realistic looking airsoft handgun was also recovered.

Lara was arrested for felony vandalism, grand theft, possession of burglary tools, and being a felon in possession of pepper spray.



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Sprinkler nozzle retrofit/ replacement on existing spray heads			SAN GABRIEL VALLEY			
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For further information, contact the District at (626) 969-7911 or by email (info@sgvmwd.com).



Where healthy comes from

When it Comes to Stroke, Every Second Counts.

Stroke patients who receive treatment quickly achieve better outcomes and faster recovery. Queen of the Valley Hospital is now a designated Comprehensive Stroke Center, where our medical experts treat even the most complex stroke cases. Learn more about our state-of-the-art technology and award-winning stroke care team here: emanatehealth.org/stroke

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INSA GELES C March 10 - 16, 2022 **Baldwin Park to Celebrate Downtown**

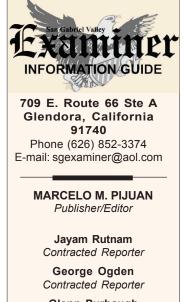
Beautification at Ribbon Cutting

Downtown Improvements Strengthen Multimodal Connections to Local Transit Center

City of Baldwin Park will mark the end of its downtown beautification project with a ribbon cutting ceremony held adjacent to the Bank of America at the intersection of Maine Avenue and Ramona Boulevard on Friday, March 11 at 11 a.m.

The City's downtown beautification project amplifies Baldwin Park as the "Hub of the San Gabriel Valley," reflecting Baldwin Park's vibrant, transitfriendly community. Teal and blue accents now color Downtown Baldwin Park in an homage to the City's rich heritage.

"The beautification and revitalization of Downtown Baldwin Park is a priority for the city," said Baldwin Park Mayor Emmanuel J. Estrada. "The City has been committed to creating this well-planned downtown area that generates opportunities for our businesses, improves quality of life for residents, enriches the walkabil-



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BALDWIN PARK - The ity experience for pedestrians and encourages multimodal transportation through increased access to the Baldwin Park Transit Center."

> The City installed 30 new decorative street light poles with LED fixtures and new decorative traffic signal poles at three intersections along Ramona Boulevard in Downtown Baldwin Park.

A cold mill and asphalt concrete overlay, removal and replacement of a decorative crosswalk, ADA improvements and ramp upgrades, installation of six wayfinding signs, two

Arcadia Announces March 15 Public Hearing On City Council Redistricting

ARCADIA - The Arcadia City Council is seeking public input on draft maps for the redistricting of City Council districts. The next public hearing to review draft maps is scheduled for Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 240 W. Huntington Drive. Please note that the City Council meeting begins promptly at 7:00 p.m.

At this meeting, the City Council will consider adopting one of five potential maps that are currently under considerentry monument signs and street furniture, such as bicycle racks and benches, improve the aesthetic and usability of the City's downtown and underline its dedication to pedestrian and bicycle safety.

The City paid for the downtown revitalization and beautification work, which cost approximately \$2.9 million, through a collection of grants focused on Downtown Baldwin Park and supporting safe and efficient travel for non-motorized, or multimodal, transportation.

ation. These maps under consideration will be posted on the

City's website at least seven days in advance of the public hearing. For more information regarding the City's redistricting process, please visit the City's redistricting page on the website at ArcadiaCA.gov/redistricting. If you have any questions regarding the redistricting process or wish to submit comments prior to the public hearing about draft maps, please

> email CityClerk@ArcadiaCA.gov.

course on Prop 19, passed by the

voters in November 2020, but

Prop 19 has gotten the Death

Tax designation because if we

pass along our main residence or

any other property to our kids or

grandkids the property will be

reassessed and could possibly tax

those kids right out of the prop-

now known as the Death Tax.

48th Assembly District Republican Committee Monthly Meeting

GLENDORA - The 48th Assembly District Republican Committee is having their regular monthly meeting on Saturday, March 19th at the Peppertree Café, 1020 E. Rt. 66, Glendora. Reservations are required. \$20 for a full breakfast begins at 8:30 a.m. with speaker at 9:00 a.m.

Speaking this month is Susan

Public Health Revises Masking Guidance and Reminds Residents that Vaccines Still **Provide the Most Powerful Protection**

close contact with other workers,

customers and/or members of

encouraged to assess their per-

sonal and family risks and may

decide that wearing a mask is the

right decision for them. In decid-

ing, individuals should consider:

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health conditions that create el-

evated risk for severe illness

ily members in the household

including young children not yet

hold work in a setting with vul-

nerable individuals at elevated

risk of severe illness from COV-

Order also updates requirements

for pre-entry vaccination or neg-

ative test verifications. Vaccine

verification in health care and

congregate care settings is still

required. Pre-entry vaccine ver-

ification also remains required

for entry to indoor mega events,

with a negative test result as a

substitute for those not fully vac-

cinated. Pre-entry vaccine veri-

fication, or verification of a neg-

ative COVID-19 viral test, is now

The modified Health Officer

• Does anyone in the house-

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· Are there unvaccinated fam-

• Are there individuals in the

Furthermore, residents are

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ID?

LOSANGELES COUNTY -Given that the County is now at the Low Community Risk Level, Public Health has modified the Health Officer Order to update the County's masking guidance. Under the modified order, indoor masking is now strongly recommended, but not required, for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals in public settings and businesses, except in high-risk settings where federal or state regulations continue to require masking. Masks will be required while indoors at all schools until March 12 when masking indoors for both vaccinated and unvaccinated students, staff, teachers, and visitors, is strongly recommended.

The settings where masking continues to be required also include public transit, transportation hubs, all health care settings (including long term care and adult and senior care facilities), correctional and detention facilities, homeless shelters, heating and cooling centers, and emergency shelters.

At all sites where masking indoors is no longer mandatory, employers will be required to offer, for voluntary use, medical grade masks and respirators to employees working indoors in

East San Gabriel Valley Cropwalk 2022

GLENDORA - The East San Gabriel Valley CROP Hunger Walk is to be held Sunday, March 13, beginning at 1:00 p.m. at 201 E. Bennett Ave, in the city of Glendora.. This year, to help practice physical distancing and keep everyone safe, they will be starting the Walk in 15 minute interval "waves" of no more than 25 people in a group.

In addition to registering on the CROP Walk page, be sure to sign up for a "wave" - to walk individually or with your group! https:// events.crophungerwalk.org/ 2022/event/glendoraca

They invite you to also follow their Facebook page, East San Gabriel Valley CROP Walk, for updates.

Looking to make a difference and help the most vulnerable in these challenging times, the East San Gabriel Valley CROP Hunger Walk has set a goal of 150 Walkers and hopes to raise \$12,000 to help stop hunger and poverty here in our community and around the strongly recommended, but no longer required, at outdoor mega events and indoor portions of bars, nightclubs, and lounges.

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Public Health notes that as mandated safety measures decrease at many sites and public spaces, individuals are encouraged to take advantage of the powerful protections offered by the FDA approved COVID vaccines and boosters.

When looking at case rates for residents five years of age and older from February 13-19, unvaccinated residents were almost two and a half times more likely to be infected with COVID-19 when compared to those fully vaccinated, but not boosted, and more than three times more likely to be infected than people who were vaccinated and boosted.

Unvaccinated people were also four times more likely to be hospitalized for COVID-19 when compared to those fully vaccinated, but not boosted, and nine times more likely to be hospitalized than people who were vaccinated and boosted.

The difference is most stark with deaths. For the period of February 6-12, fully vaccinated individuals were 18 times less likely to die from COVID-19 than unvaccinated individuals.

world, through self-help initiatives. A portion of the funds raised here in Glendora will go to St. Vincent de Paul (which provides a number of resources out of St Dorothy Church in Glendora for anyone in need), and Shepherd's Pantry(a wide array of services for Glendora & surrounding cities).

For more information about the East San Gabriel Valley CROP Hunger Walk, contact Rev. Dr. Hillary Chrisley or Rev. Karen Davis at (626)335-2240.

Emanate Health Announces New Visitor Policy as COVID-19 Cases and

Officer Robert H. Curry. "Visits

from loved ones are a very im-

portant part of the recovery pro-

cess for our patients, who will no

doubt be excited to receive more

cember, the number of COVID-

19 inpatients in Los Angeles

County was less than 1,000.

Emanate Health had 16 COVID-

19 inpatients—down from a high

of 151 in January-with the

number of cases and hospitaliza-

tions continuing to drop follow-

federal, state and county officials

have rolled back mask mandates,

which will help to promote a pre-

With the improving numbers,

ing the winter surge.

For the first time since De-

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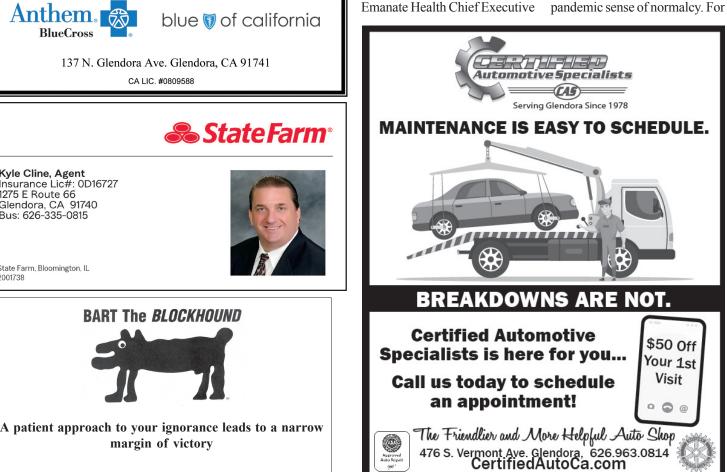
Hospitalizations Continue to Drop

guests."

COVINA. — Emanate Health, the largest health care system in the San Gabriel Valley, has updated its visitation policy as COV-ID-19 cases and hospitalizations continue to fall. The new policy allows patients to receive up to two guests at a time during regular visitor hours.

The updated policy applies to Inter-Community Hospital in Covina, Queen of the Valley Hospital in West Covina and Foothill Presbyterian Hospital in Glendora.

"We're very happy to welcome back the family and friends of patients to our three hospitals, now that the spread of COVID-19 appears to be subsiding," said Emanate Health Chief Executive



its part. Emanate Health consulted with officials of public health agencies to update its visitation policy.

The new visitor policy now allows two guests to visit a patient at one time. These guests can stay as long as they wish within regular visitation hours, which are between 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. Exceptions will be made for patients at the end of life, pediatric cases and patients who require the presence of a caregiver.

Visitors-who must present identification and be at least 18 years old-will also be required to wear a mask and comply with vaccine or testing requirements per the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. Guests who are booster-eligible must have received the booster shot to visit patients. Patients with COVID-19 or under investigation for potential exposure to the virus may not receive visitors.

The Emergency Department at each of the hospitals will allow one visitor per patient unless the patient is COVID-19 positive or suspected of having the virus. Labor and Delivery, and Mother-Baby Care will allow two support persons, and the Pediatrics Unit will also welcome two guests. NICU will allow one parent to visit at a time. Hospice will allow two visitors at all times without limitation.

'Emanate Health's new visitor policy and the state's lifting of mask mandates may represent a turning point in the battle against COVID-19 locally," Curry said. "We all want a return to pre-pandemic days and fully enjoy the presence of family and friends without fear of the virus."

The San Gabriel Valley

FDA Releases More Pfizer COVID Vaccine Documents

Any opinions are mine based on the research I have done. I am not in the medical field; if you have any concerns you should talk with your doctor.

In August 2021, the Public Health and Medical Professionals for Transparency (PHMPT) submitted a request to the Federal Drug Administration (FDA) to release the documents used to obtain the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the COV-ID vaccine. The PHMPT is made up of medical, public health professionals and scientists from Harvard, Yale, UCLA and other institutions. The request was made via the Freedom and Information Act (FOIA).

The FOIA request was to make public the 400,000 pages that Pfizer had submitted to the FDA in order to get the approval of the Pfizer COVID vaccine. Let us look at the data to see how effective and safe the COVID vaccine is. Let us look at the data to see adverse reactions, active and inactive ingredients. Why hide anything.

The FDA being the FDA, ignored the request. In February 2021, it claimed in a legal brief to the court it needed 75 years to process and release the data. It did not have enough staff to release more than 500 pages a month. They wanted until 2096 to release all the data.

PHMPT sued the FDA in September 2021 in a US District



Karin Schott

Court arguing the release of the documents is a matter of urgency at a time where millions of Americans are facing mandates to get vaccinated or face repercussions. The FDA started releasing smaller sets of documents in November and December 2021 while the legal case was ongoing. This data revealed safety concerns. On January 6, 2022 the judge rejected the FDA's claim and instead required the agency to release 12,000 documents by January 31, 2022 and an additional 55,000 pages per month there after. On February 2, 2022 the federal judge amended his order requiring the FDA to release documents according to the below schedule, speeding up the release to months instead of decades.

• 10,000 pages due on March 1 and April 1, 2022

• 80,000 pages due on May 2, June 1 and July 1, 2022

• 70,000 pages due on August 1,2022

the first day of each month until all the documents are released.

Pfizer then wanted to intervene with the FDA on the release of the data to make sure legally exempt information did not get disclosed inappropriately. The federal judge said no.

From the recently released data, more than 1,200 vaccinerelated deaths occurred within the first 90 days following the release of the Pfizer COVID vaccine. Yes that's right, Pfizer's data, which the FDA had, showed more than 1,200 people died after receiving the Pfizer vaccine. Major media outlets have not covered this, why? Don't you want to know?

The documents have nine pages of adverse events during the same time period as the deaths. Watchdog groups are currently analyzing the data as it is released and trying carefully to examine it. What were they hiding, what are they hiding, what surprises will we find.

Pfizer's March 1 data is available for review at https:// phmpt.org/pfizers-documents/

Karin Schott is a long-time Glendora resident, having lived in the city since 1989. Currently retired, having spent 34 years as a software engineer. She spends her time with gardening clubs, dancing classes, yoga classes and volunteering for Glendora causes. She defines • 55,000 pages per month on *herself as a "truth-seeker"*.

Covering War Without Prejudice

War's grim reality is recognizable wherever it occurs. As in Ukraine, the casualties are heartwrenching. The destruction spreads. Civilians flee their homes and livelihoods for dangerous journeys across borders. No matter the nation or race, war's tragedy is the same.

You wouldn't get that sense, however, from Western media coverage of the war in Ukraine. Mainstream outlets have readily trafficked in blatantly racist and hypocritical depictions of the conflict. The media narrative of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan had been one of the U.S. pursuing terrorists, with scant attention given to the suffering inflicted on civilians in those countries. By contrast, reporters express shock at the plight of Ukrainian civilians and imply that they are more deserving of coverage than war victims elsewhere.

When reporting on Ukraine, Western journalists have gone even further at times and have couched the humanitarian crisis in explicitly prejudicial terms. In a notorious example from February 27, CBS News senior foreign correspondent Charlie D'Agata stated on air that Ukraine "isn't a place, with all due respect, like Iraq or Afghanistan, that has seen conflict raging for decades. This is a relatively civilized, relatively European...city..."

Public outrage followed his remarks, but so did other instances of racist and biased reporting. In an interview with the BBC, a former deputy prosecutor general of Ukraine felt compelled to distinguish "European people with blue eyes and blond hair being killed." The BBC host merely responded, "I understand and respect the emotion."

Journalist Phillipe Corbé on France's BFM TV drew an even more direct distinction for the victims in Ukraine by altogether dismissing the victims of the war in Syria: "We're not talking here about Syrians fleeing the bomb-



Farrah Hassen

ing of the Syrian regime backed by Putin. We're talking about Europeans leaving in cars that look like ours to save their lives."

These instances are indicative of a racist lens that Western journalists use far too often when covering conflicts, with the implication being that war is to be expected or is even acceptable for people who don't look "European." It is a dangerously racist narrative that must be denounced whenever it is presented. It also contradicts the history of Europe as the battleground for some of the deadliest wars the world has ever seen.

Media outlets have also served as an echo chamber for partisan political objectives. While they may lift up President Biden and other global leaders' rightful denouncements of Russia for illegally invading Ukraine in violation of the UN Charter, they often remain silent when these same leaders fail to condem violations of international law in other cases.

This is evident in the over fifty-year Israeli occupation of Palestinian territories as well as the seven-year war in Yemen, which I have written on. In the case of Yemen, a coalition led by Saudi Arabia and supported by U.S. weaponry has continuously bombed, starved, and collectively punished Yemeni civilians, yet the war receives little media attention and the public has largely ignored its victims.

This month also marks the eleventh year of on ongoing, brutal war in Syria that has killed over 500,000 people. Although it began as an popular uprising for Syrian dignity, it has since mutated into a proxy war involving Russia, Iran, the U.S., Turkey, and terrorist groups. Over 10 million Syrians have been driven from their homes in what has become the world's largest refugee crisis. The Western media has largely forgotten these Syrian victims, and rarely examines why the war continues. Even worse, European countries closed their borders to Syrian refugees and asylum seekers, and Former President Trump imposed a "Muslim ban" which prohibited Syrians from seeking asylum in the U.S.

Acknowledging this double standard in media coverage of Ukraine does not diminish the importance of solidarity with the Ukrainian people or the need for robust diplomacy to end the war. There are no limits to compassion. Empathy must also be extended to innocent Russian civilians struggling from the impact of global sanctions as well as political repression at home.

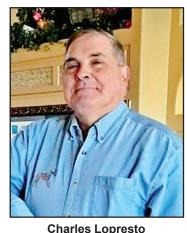
As I remind my students, international law must be respected and upheld by all countries for it to be effective. When politics or other factors lead to selective enforcement, it loses its power and legitimacy. So too with war reporting. As the Arab and Middle Eastern Journalists Association concluded: "Newsrooms must not make comparisons that weigh the significance or imply justification of one conflict over another."

Regardless of their home country, the victims of war always deserve proper dignity and compassion.

Farrah Hassen, J.D., is a writer, policy analyst, and adjunct professor in the Department of Political Science at Cal Poly Pomona

My Turn: Our Problems Are Only Deck **Chairs During The War In Eastern Europe**

Funny how the burning issues of the day have more or less disappeared. The only thing burning are bombed structures in the Ukraine. All the issues that the legacy media, the entertainment stars and the politicians told us were the end of the world, have temporarily, at the least, been sent to the back pages of the newspaper. Remember how gun control was needed or the world would come to an end? Now we are receiving a day by day illustration of why our forefathers drafted the 2nd amendment which included the rightful possession of arms in the first place. Remember the Coronavirus which shut down our entire society? Unless he is disguised as President Zelenskyy, Doctor Fauci has disappeared. I guess the virus wasn't as immortal as he told us it was. Then there is climate change which we were told was deadly, the most deadly, as a matter of fact. Where is Greta Thunberg now? It is kind of stupid to complain about fossil fuels when it is the very thing that could actually stop this war. That



is provided some people who are pushing climate change will return to reality while Vladmir Putin is causing a climate change of his own. When someone like him is threatening us with nuclear bombs, those other "someones" who are talking about windmills and solar panels are looking stupid. It is likely they are stupid. Stupid enough for John Kerry to contemplate whether or not Putin would observe climate change sensitivities while he is raping an entire country. Crime on American streets seem of less importance when it is being played out on a larger scale in Kyiv. Smash and grab takes on a whole new meaning. Can American fascism, White Supremacy or bigotry compare with the real thing in the Ukraine?

The proprietors of our current foreign policy thought they could sweep Afghanistan under the rug, until Russia came along and pulled the rug out from under us. Afghanistan, just like Benghazi always comes back. It just comes back with different names and different accents.

Quite simply, the big things we thought were the end of the world may mean very little if a real end of the world is threatened. You have heard the old saying about misguided priorities as being like "deck chairs on the Titanic." We worried about rearranging the deck chairs on the Titanic, which was called "our fundamental transformation of America." That is until now, when the Titanic hit an iceberg named Putin. Yes, icebergs never change unless climate change melts them. With folks like Putin always showing up, I wonder how long we can afford to wait for that to happen?

Smashing Someone's Face Into Their Cake Is Dangerous!!!

You see it all the time, smashing someone's face into the cake



groom on their wedding day. With this tradition, is the classic smashing cake into each other's faces or the other option of feeding to each other nicely. Too often this gets way out of hand they both get messed up. In some cases it has caused kind of a food fight between the two and that cake ends up being their ammunition. When this happen and all is said and done, there is no cake...

on their birthday. This has become a ritual these days. The fun tradition not only waste the cake but can also be dangerous.

Often, the cake has wooden or plastic dowels inside the cake. This holds the layers together so they don't slide around. When you smash someone's face into the cake, this can cause an injury or a possible fatal injury. This is exactly what happened with a woman who got injured after her face was smashed into her birthday cake. A wooden dowel went through her eye and fell short of going into her brain. She has

George Ogden That's just the way it is!

posted what happened to her all over social media to warn people. There was a case where this happened at a frat house on someone's birthday. I tried to find this case, but not sure if this was in Australia or South Africa. They rammed this guy's head into the cake and the plastic dowel went through the eye and into the brain. He died from the injury.

There have been all kinds of injuries from burning candles burning their faces to setting hair on fire. Some do the "power slam" and actually knock people out, breaking their nose, knocking out teeth, causing black eyes and more. The worst part of all of this, you ruined the cake!

Where on earth did this tradition originate from? Well, there are two theories... The first theory is that it originates from the Mexican tradition...

They celebrate what is called, the Mordida. The Mordida is a tradition when the first birthday boy or girl's face gets shoved into the cake (usually by the parent) to take their first bite of cake. Everyone around them sings, Mordida! Mordida! It means bite in Spanish. Mom or dad will come up behind the child usually after blowing out the candles and boom... face in the cake. Everyone then cheers and lots of pictures are taken.

The second theory originates from the tradition of the bride and

Personally, I don't care for this action at birthdays or weddings. We end up losing the cake, that means we don't get any. This is a big loss of money and simply a waste all the way around. Cleanup is a nightmare and some icing stains clothes, carpets and floors.

Another sad issue here, often someone, maybe in the family, has spent a lot of time and money to make the cake, an "art piece", for their special day, and in a flash, it gone and destroyed. This may cause the creator to get their feelings hurt. All their time and money, along with their talent is simply wasted.

Friendships have been lost because of this... people get mad and then an argument or fight breaks out and whole evening is ruined for everyone.

Many people find this ritual sickening and disgusting.

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Glendora Woman's Club First Animal Activists

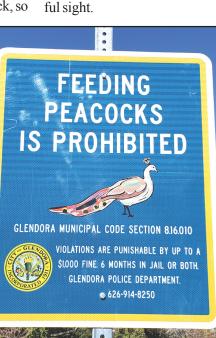
By Marsha Edwards Mason

GLENDORA - One of the first acts of the Glendora Woman's Club in 1909 was to provide hitching posts in shady places for horses. The dirt roads were being used by motor machines for the first time and speeds were dangerous for people, horses and livestock, so

the Woman's Club secured stop signs at busy street corners.

The Women's **Christian Temperance** Union provided abundant water for thirsty horses, hounds and humans with a Floral Fountain, located on the west side of Michigan (Glendora) Avenue about 100 feet south of the Pacific Electric Railway.

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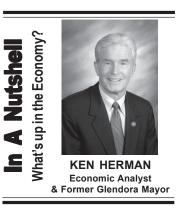
The Russian Putz

Putin's war is not going the way he thought it would. Ukraine pushed back Russian advances over this past weekend. The Russians are massing bigger armored columns in preparation for another push, but Ukrainians are increasingly convinced they can hold them off as arms flood into the country from the international community. One of Putin's biggest mistakes was thinking Ukrainian forces would be ineffective despite fighting Russianbacked separatists since 2014.

If you want to know what Putin is planning, apparently the thing to do is to listen to what he tells Emanuel Macron and assume he will do the opposite. Recently, he told Macron he would not invade Ukraine. He also promised not to bomb civilians or encircle Kyiv. He also lobbed shells into civilian areas of Kharkiv, Ukraine's second-largest city, and sent still more tanks rolling toward Kyiv.

The NYT's Tom Friedman's Three Scenario's for How this War Ends lays out the stakes, which are extraordinary at this point. Barring the kind of miracle where the Russian people rise up against Putin, the consequences for the world, including Russia, Europe and the US, will be enormous. The Kharkiv bombing underscores the lunacy of Putin's plan. Kharkiv was supposed to be one of those places full of ethnic Russians that would embrace their Russian "liberators." Indiscriminately killing their children is not the way to win their hearts and minds.

Vladimir Putin has succeeded in one task US Presidents and diplomats have failed in for years. He has united the EU in support



of NATO and NATO interests in Europe. Sanctions imposed on Russia and its banking system are destroying the Russian economy. The *WSJ* cites sanctions experts looking for a 10% drop in GDP, escalating inflation and collapsing living standards.

Most Americans realize that Russia has tremendous leverage over Europe, due to its massive reserves of crude oil, natural gas and other petroleum products, but they don't realize Russia also has some leverage over the U.S. The U.S. has been importing more crude oil from Russia, especially on the West Coast, due to the decline of Alaska's crude oil output and the Biden blunder of shutting down the Keystone Pipeline. So, if the U.S. did what Germany just did and tried to curtail Russian energy imports, then the record prices at the pump on the West Coast could soar higher, so the Biden Administration is in a conundrum, since \$5 per gallon gasoline is now common in California.

President Joe Biden made a plea for unity in his State of the Union, asking Americans to unite behind a shared political vision and against a geopolitical foe. The bulk of his speech pushed for progress on his stalled economic

agenda, which he is touted as a cure for inflation. West Virginia Democratic Senator Joe Manchin told CBS News after the speech, "I've never found that you can lower costs by spending more," which is really all you need to know about whether the President had improved the odds of getting something through Congress.

One other factor in these warnings about war with Ukraine is the "Wag the Dog" narrative – the habit of some politicians to mask their domestic problems with war rhetoric. Joe Biden has runaway inflation and other financial challenges at home, so forcing our attention to Ukraine helps change the media focus. He is clearly using the Russian/ Ukrainian situation to distract our attention from bigger problems at home.

The current inflation is at its highest level in 40 years under Joe Biden. But Joe has a plan he's going to cut prices by telling businesses to lower their prices. Are these politicians really this dumb? They must be because they all squealed their approval when Joe Biden made the stupidest statement in presidential history.

Joe Biden: "We have a choice, one way to fight inflation is to drive down wages and make Americans poorer. I think I have a better idea to fight inflation, lower your costs not your wages."

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Your Money - Ask Julia

I'm young, so this might come across like a dumb question. What does the pandemic and the Russia-Ukraine war have to do with inflation and the supply chain in America?

Not a dumb question. The pandemic caused some businesses to shut down. The government padded unemployment checks. Some states allowed the unemployed to defer rent, and homeowners to defer mortgage payments. Now that people grew to like staying home, many companies do not have enough employees to manufacture or deliver products and services. That adversely affects the supply chain. Most Americans have been aware that we get many goods from China, but were unaware that we also get many goods from Russia. Globally, countries depend on other countries for goods. When manufacturing plants are shut down, or trade is cut off, and travel bans or no-fly zones are established, there's a negative impact on availability of certain finished goods, parts, and ingredients. It's the rule of supply and demand. The demand for goods becomes greater than the supply available. That raises prices for goods, also known as inflation

If inflation continues to rise, are we possibly headed into a recession?

As consumers, we feel the monthly effect of a declining economy. The government doesn't declare it a "recession" until the U.S. economy has endured a 6-month long downturn. Whether or not a monthly downturn becomes a recession, it's always important to get your own financial house in order. Get out



Julia Yoder

of debt! Almost all credit cards and home-equity lines of credit are adjustable interest rate. When there's a recession, interest rates go up, sometimes dramatically like in the 1970's. Consumers found themselves struggling to make minimum payments. Put money into an emergency fund! This money needs to be exclusively for urgent, absolutely necessary, and totally unexpected expenses. It should be 3-6 months of living expenses, and accessible by paper checks, as well as ATM. IF there's no recession, having your house in financial order will still be a really good place to be.

With mortgage interest rates still historically low, would this be a good time to take some of the equity from our home and invest in some rental properties?

Mortgage rates are low, and real estate property prices are high. If you lost your income, how long could you make your mortgage payments? If your rental(s) have vacancies, can you afford to pay the mortgage(s) without the rent income? Although not all-inclusive, here are some more things to think about

before making this decision. Cost: mortgages, taxes, insurance, upkeep, repairs, vacancies. Do you plan to be the landlords, or hire a property manager? Emergencies: liquid funds (easily accessible), life insurance to cover expenses and/or pay off debts with the loss of income of one of you due to illness or death. New laws in California are more tenant-friendly, not landlord friendly. Learn everything you can about obeying these relatively new laws. Exit plan: How many years do you plan to hold these properties? Will you hold these properties in the name of a trust? Will you be utilizing 'exchanges'? Learn about your options.

Taxes nearly wiped out the interest earned on my CDs. If I put my money into an annuity, when would I have to pay taxes?

Money in an annuity grows <u>tax</u> <u>deferred</u>. You don't have to pay taxes on the growth until you start taking distributions or withdraw funds. This is important. While your money is sitting in an annuity, the amount you put in, plus the interest it is earning, is compound growing rather than being spent to pay taxes.

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By Gene Morrill - Certified Automotive Specialists

Check Engine Light - Ignore It or Fix It?

Years ago, when drivers' first saw their check engine light illuminate, they not only paid attention to it, they panicked. Many immediately pulled their car over to the side of the road and called for help. Now many drivers simply ignore it. It may be annoying to see it illuminated all the time, but they get by. Some drivers have even chosen to cover it up with a piece of duct or electrical tape (yeah...I've seen that!).

When your check engine light illuminates it shouldn't be ignored. No...you don't need to panic and call for a tow truck but you do need to get it checked out. It is telling you that one of your vehicle's systems needs attention! Here are the possible systems:

- Ignition System
- Fuel Injector
- Emission Control
- Faulty Oxygen Sensor
- Mass Air Flow Sensor
- Spark Plugs and Wires



Your car in many ways is a multi-computer system on wheels and when a light of any is sort illuminates it is telling you something is not right and that it has done all it can do to correct the problem. When a car is brought into our shop we connect it to a diagnostic scan tool and our technicians analyze the data streams. These include:

- Idle Speed
- Throttle Response
- Engine Temperature
- Fuel System Pressure
- Manifold Vacuum
- Exhaust Emission Levels
- Other Key Indicators

The scan tool gives them trouble codes stating why the check engine light illuminated. The technicians at Certified Automotive Specialists can then correct the problem and reset your car's computer. Ignoring the light can cause serious problems down the road that require an expensive repair and at the very least it plays havoc with your fuel economy. One word of caution...never ignore a flashing check engine light! This is when you need to pull over immediately and call us for a tow. This indicates a critical problem such as catalytic converter damage.

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Postal Service Expands Next-Day Delivery Options for Businesses With Rollout of USPS Connect

Program Offers New, Affordable Package and Document Delivery Options

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Postal Service today launched USPS Connect — a set of four delivery solutions that leverage ongoing network improvements, new equipment, new pricing and enhanced operational precision to meet evolving business needs.

"USPS Connect provides businesses of all sizes what they have been asking for — an affordable way to meet consumer demand for fast delivery," said Louis De-Joy, Postmaster General and CEO. "A pivotal point in our Delivering for America plan, it positions us to more fully leverage our network capacity to increase volume and revenue so we can continue to serve the American people with affordable, reliable mail and package delivery."

The USPS Connect program offers several options to help businesses of all sizes meet growing consumer demand for affordable, fast local, regional and national deliveries and returns:

• USPS Connect Local is a new way for local businesses to affordably and quickly reach local customers. It is rolling out in select locations starting today. USPS Connect Local offers affordable next-day service in all locations, with same-day delivery, Sunday delivery and pickup options in select locations. This offering also includes USPS Connect Local Mail, an affordable First-Class Mail option for documents up to 13 ounces. Businesses can enter USPS Connect Local packages and mail at the receiving dock of the designated postal facility or take advantage of free en-route pickup when their carrier delivers their mail. Free flat-rate bags, boxes

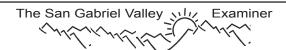
and envelopes are available via Click-N-Ship.

• USPS Connect Regional provides next-day regional entry and delivery of Parcel Select packages and Parcel Select Lightweight packages. Businesses should consult with USPS representatives to identify the entry points and options that work best for them. Most packages will be delivered the next day within a broad specified region.

• USPS Connect National provides delivery solutions for businesses of all sizes. They can benefit from the Postal Service's new mail processing equipment and reconfigured network to receive reliable delivery of packages through First-Class Package Service, Parcel Select Ground and Retail Ground. • USPS Connect Returns is a service for businesses to offer their customers convenient returns, with free en-route pickup by their carrier or drop-off at a nearby Post Office location.

"We've listened carefully to our business customers to develop this program," said Jakki Krage Strako, chief commerce and business solutions officer. "We're increasing next-day deliveries. We're also giving smaller businesses big-business rates and all businesses more userfriendly ways to interact with us."

Businesses interested in learning more may visit uspsconnect.com, call 855-MY-USPSCONNECT (855-698-7772), email uspsconnect@usps.gov or visit usps.com/business/businessshipping.htm.



"TIME JOCKEY" - Foreign Miner's Tax

Early California Injustice... The history of California includes numerous people, places and events which have shaped this great state in becoming a significant state of the United States. But for all the positive events which has happened in California's 170 plus years, there have been a number of negative events which have occurred as well. One of them was the Foreign Miner's Tax of 1850. Introduced at the First California Constitutional Legislature held in San Jose in December 1849, the Foreign Miner Tax of 1850 (official name was "An Act for the better regulation of the Mines and the government of foreign Miners") was eventually passed on April 13, 1850. The name of the Act sounded like it would improve how mines were operated and how foreign miners would be aided as part of their mining endeavors. But the Foreign Miner's Tax had a much more discriminatory and sinister element.

When the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo was signed on February 2, 1848, one of the main provisions was the granting of U.S. citizenship to landowners and Native Americans and was the first treaty in U.S. History to allow for the protection and rights of nonwhite people. The Treaty concluded the War Between the United States and Mexico, allowing the United States to acquire the western territories which would later become the states of California, Nevada, Colorado, Utah, Arizona and New Mexico. In summary, the Mexican citizens who lived in the western territo-



Joe Castillo

ries when the Treaty was signed and California was acquired, would be given U.S. citizenship and rights. But when gold was discovered on January 24, 1848, word slowly spread through the United States and the entire world.

By the time California became a state in 1850, thousands of gold seekers were already in the Mother Lode foothills panning and mining for gold. The Mexicans who were already in California in 1848 had established their claims in some of the more successful claiming sites and were bringing in regular finds of gold. In addition, Chinese miners who had been working in domestic jobs during Mexican occupancy were also working successful mining operations along the rivers of the Sierra foothills. But when California became a state and gold was drawing thousands of prospective miners to the state, a number of complaints were filed that the Mexican and Chinese miners had the best claims along the Mother Lode rivers. The claims were

filed by American miners who had come west as part of the Gold Rush and legislature was drafted to tax miners who were not American born citizens.

As most of the "foreign" born miners were Mexican-born or Chinese-born miners, the law and tax was directed at them. It didn't matter that the Mexican-born miners had been born in California when it was still a possession of Mexico or that Chinese-born miners had been in California for decades, all that mattered was that they were foreigners and would have to be taxed. The tax amount was \$20 a month, which today would equal \$600 a month. Miners were earning \$6 per month at that time resulting in a serious strain on "foreign" miners to pay the tax and in time many were forced to quite mining and return to their homelands. To make matters even worse, American miners became "selfappointed tax collectors" and attempted to make "foreign" miners pay the tax. Some "foreign" miner could not pay and were physically beaten and their possessions taken as their penalty. This vigilante approach as well as anti-Chinese and anti-Mexican discriminatory actions caused a number of racial conflicts between the various ethic groups in California...

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Butter My Brioche, Not My Chardonnay

I've been in the wine industry for a little over 30 years and, for most of it, the prevailing wind in California has been chardonnays that exhibit high concentrations of "butter" and "oak" characteristics. These qualities, although highly desired in some circles, historically were thought to be, if you will, a "handshake" only to the wine and not a "conversation". Some domestic brands I've tasted over the years, they seem more like a dissertation! Oak, after all, is supposedly used sparingly like pepper in a dish. It's mainly to "compliment" a dish, not to dominate it.

The "butter" character comes from a secondary fermentation called malolactic fermentation. This happened where bacteria converts malic acid into lactic acid and carbon dioxide. This produces a diacetyl which smells like "heated butter". If the malic acid is not converted then you have wines, generally, that are lighter on their feet with great acidity and ready for food. In most cases these "malo wines", for me, are too rich, too alcoholic, too buttery, over oaked, and lacking the proper acid to suit any cuisine. Case in point, Far Niente's Napa Valley, 2019 Chardonnay is a requiem to its previous vintages because it has zero malolactic fermentation. Though the oak is more than nuanced, still, it's perfectly integrated. This reminds me of cru white Burgundy.

For better or for worse, this is a ballet the winemaker must dance to achieve the requisite balance. Some winemakers tend to have a heavy hand when adding

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sugar (grape concentrate) to their wine. I know what you're thinking; and, yes, winemakers do add sugar to wine, albeit restrictively by law, in France and Germany. The difference is the heavy handedness of some domestic winemakers based on conventional thinking (sales) while ignoring Mother Nature's gifts (climate and rain) that their vineyards live in from year to year. This practice is called chaptalzation. Usually, winemakers implement this when natural sugar levels are too low which happens more often in cooler climates, unlike Napa Valley, Sonoma Valley, among others, where fruit struggles to ripen. Yet, it doesn't mean, necessarily, that the winemakers won't substantiate the sugars for a desired effect anywhere around the world.

It's these sugar levels, or wine types, that are counterproductive to a hearty appetite. For example, when I was a very young bar manager in the 90s, I took over the wine program for an "Asian inspired" restaurant, in Santa Monica, California, and was immediately tasked with raising our price per customer average. This seemed to be a simple scenario with a fundamental solution (or so I thought). Instinctively, I

started with enhancing the wine knowledge of an already talented service staff which I inherited. But after exhaustive training techniques, the results were unchanged and my GM was starting to wonder if he made the wrong choice. One evening while walking along the busiest row of tables, I listened to the pitches of my staff. They were good at what they were doing because there was a bottle of chardonnay on virtually every table, but no food anywhere to be found. This was my "ah ha" moment. My epiphany came suddenly as I realized that most, if not all, of our guests were, literally, drinking their dinner! After having a glass or two, the sugar in the wine was sapping their appetites and, consequently, they resorted to splitting entrees instead of having their own serving as intended. Problem solved. I figured it out and then got fired. Still, the only butter on my table is accompanied with a knife and not a glass. Cheers.

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Seen Or Heard Around Town And All Around

By Ed "Hondo" Torres

1. Some say, "Believe none of what you hear and half of what you see." That is, believe none of what you hear until you confirm that what someone is saying is true, and not a lie or a rumor or an exaggeration – *in other* words, confirm that what is being said is not misinformation, or television or heard on radio to represent something impar*tial*, but are actually deceptions, propaganda or misrepresentations... 2. In love-divorce and war (yup), be especially wary, it is said, because everyone needs to be careful of what is being reported about any event or conflict. Additionally, during conflicts, people need to be particularly aware of the differences and similarities between opinions and facts. 3. Some politicians and pundits believe Russian leader Putin is a *devil* who deserves to be assassinated by American or European saints, while others think that neither in America nor in Europe (nor anywhere), would saints assassinate for television ratings or political votes. 4. Many seem to forget or are so uneducated and unwise, that they do not know that in relatively recent modern-times, American president John F. Kennedy was assassinated. 5. Some believe that they are totally knowledgeable of what the conflict between Ukraine and Russia is all about — because the print and broadcast news media has-fully-and-objectively-informed-them... Others say, "Not-so-fast."

can help that country resolve its border problems caused by the hundreds of thousands of Ukrainians crossing into Poland - *apparently* the experience she has gained in solving the "open border" problem on the American-Mexican border will be helpful to her?

7. Obviously (but by no means disinformation... Similarly, seeking to minimize the current some things seen or heard on conflict in Europe), it ought to be noted that just as conflicts in could be *staged* events that seem families or in neighborhoods sometimes inadvertently begin, it is important to understand that conflicts, skirmishes and wars sometimes start because of miscalculations — when some of the ones involved fail to understand, prior to the open conflict, how serious the underlying problems that had arisen were, to the others. 8. Carl von Clausewitz, the noted German military general of the early 1800s, receives credit for the observation that War, is merely the continuation of politics and diplomacy by other means... With that in mind, what "diplomatic-or-political ends" (what final results, in essence), do the Russians and Ukrainians have in mind? 9. In fact (at the time of this article being written), some see the Ukrainian-Russian conflict partially as a deadly "Kabuki dance", a vague theatrical *drama*, maybe with an element of stereotypical Wrestlemania, where either one or both of the participants are not fighting totheir-FULL-CAPACITY, but rather are "pulling their punches" and playing to world public opinion - and in that way, engaging "in a war" (as Clausewitz suggested), whose real aim is to win a political or diplomatic victory. 10. And, meanwhile, does anyedly is being "prepped" to visit one wonder why, seemingly, somany old American politicians

are so-ready to send so-many young Americans to go fight yet another war, " ... over there, over there \dots "- can you hear the tune?

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Azusa Pacific University Names Dr. Adam J. Morris as 18th President

AZUSA - Adam J. Morris, PhD, a nationally recognized and accomplished senior administrator and lifelong advocate for Christian higher education, will become the 18th president of Azusa Pacific University on July 1, 2022.

The Board of Trustees unanimously selected Morris from an impressive pool of candidates, citing his distinguished 30-year career in higher education marked by visionary leadership, stellar strategic planning skills, and significant advancement expertise that have fueled organizational transformation and innovation and brought hundreds of millions of dollars in support of institutional endeavors. His appointment follows a comprehensive, nationwide search by a Presidential Search Committee that included trustees, faculty, staff, and administrators.

Morris currently serves as Executive Vice President, Chief Transformation Officer, and Chief Institutional Advancement Officer at Biola University. As Chief Transformation Officer, Morris drives institutional strategy, implements change, enhances mission effectiveness, and strengthens organizational efficiency and financial stability. As Chief Institutional Advancement Officer, he oversees all university-wide fundraising initiatives, and the Alumni and Parent Relations programs. The Enrollment Division, University Analytics, and the Center for Marriage and Relationships also report to Morris. Since joining Biola in 1990, he has held numerous advancement positions with increasing levels of leadership.

APU's Board of Trustees chair, Tom Miller, praised Morris' wealth of experience, demonstrated leadership, and unmatched commitment and devotion to Christian higher education. "Dr. Morris is a uniquely gifted man of God who will bring both his Christ-centered vision for higher education and his transformational mindset to APU at a critically important turning point in this university's history. His vast leadership, academic, financial, and relational expertise, along with a deep passion for and total commitment to our mission, are game changers for APU," said Miller. "Strategically focused on the critical needs of our students, informed by deep analytics and the higher education marketplace, Dr. Morris will lead this God First university in a powerful and forward-thinking manner that fulfills our mission to cultivate disciples and scholars ready to impact the world for Christ."

Morris expressed excitement about joining Azusa Pacific University, with its vibrant 123-year legacy of Christ-centered higher education. "The

> call from God to join the APU community could not have been stronger

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Adam J. Morris, PhD - 18th president of Azusa Pacific Universitv

and I am both humbled and honored to be invited to assume this sacred position of leadership," said Morris. "APU has a long and rich history of faithfulness to mission so needed in today's culture and an incredible academic reputation. The strength and vision of APU's faculty, staff, and students will lead the way and I look forward to what God will accomplish in us and through us in the months and years to come."

"Nine months ago, we embarked on the comprehensive work of identifying the next president of Azusa Pacific University," said Lucie Moore, chair of the 14-member Presidential Search Committee. "Dr. Morris embodies the spiritual and intellectual qualities that define APU and will be a champion of APU's mission. He not only has an extraordinary record in fundraising, but he also has a deep understanding of finance and the challenges facing higher education. I could not be more pleased with who God called to be the next president of Azusa Pacific University."

Morris graduated from Biola University with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. He earned a Master of Arts in Theology and PhD in Christian Education from Talbot School of Theology. He has consulted with numerous other private colleges and universities and parachurch organizations and has enjoyed serving on several nonprofit boards.

Morris lives in La Habra Heights, California, with his wife, Faith, and has four adult children, two in-law children, and four grandchildren.

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