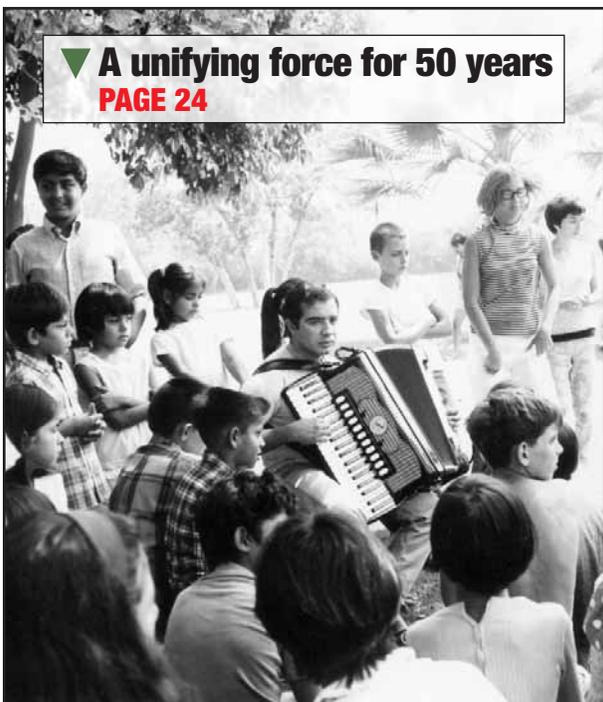
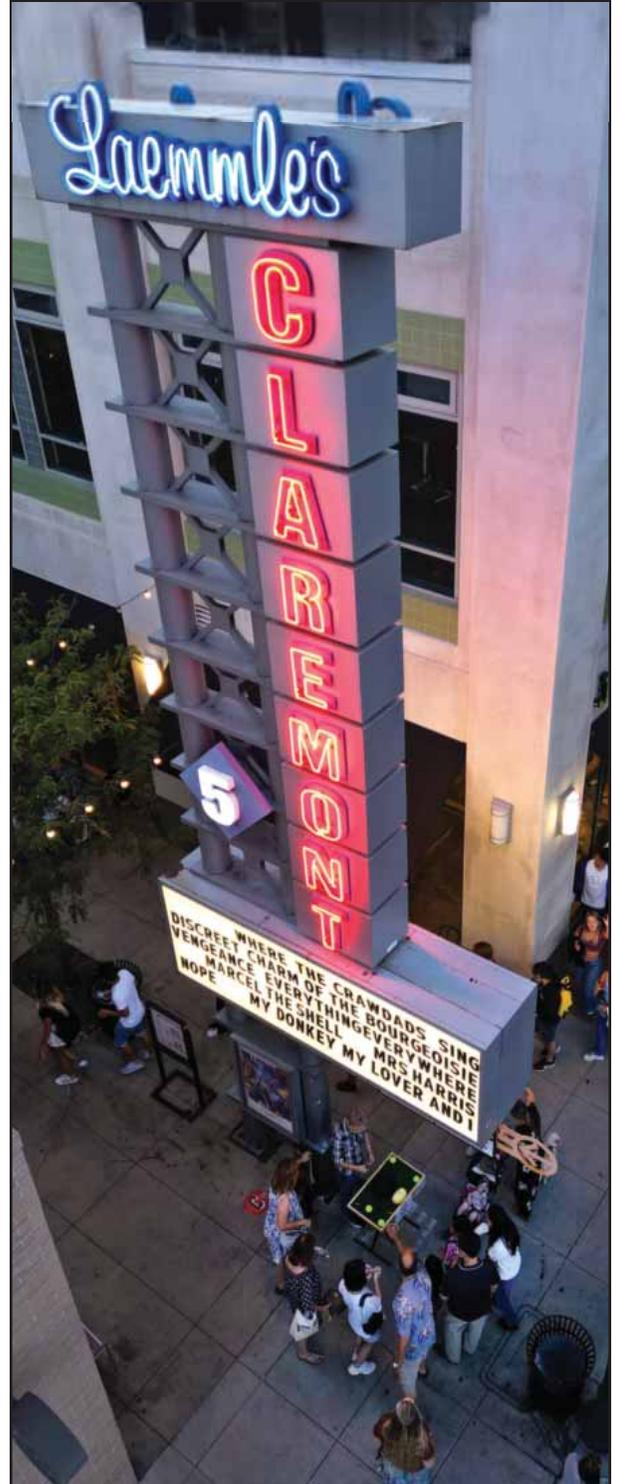
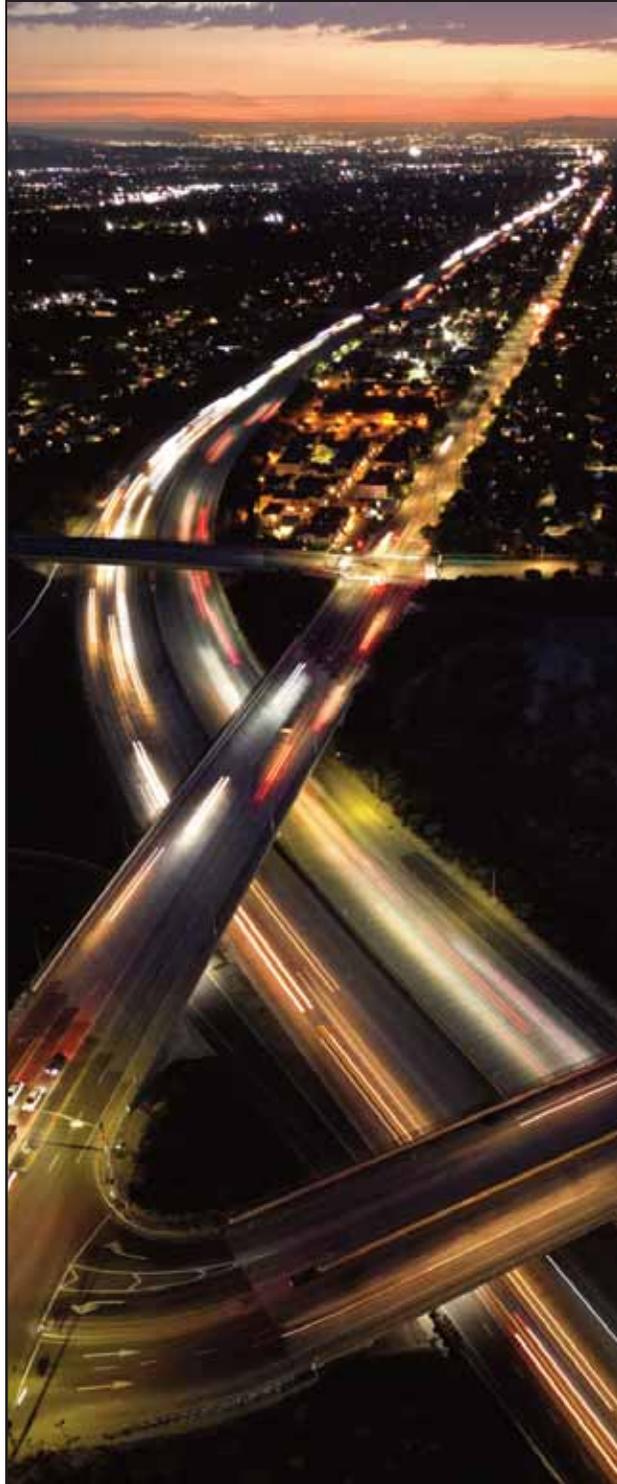
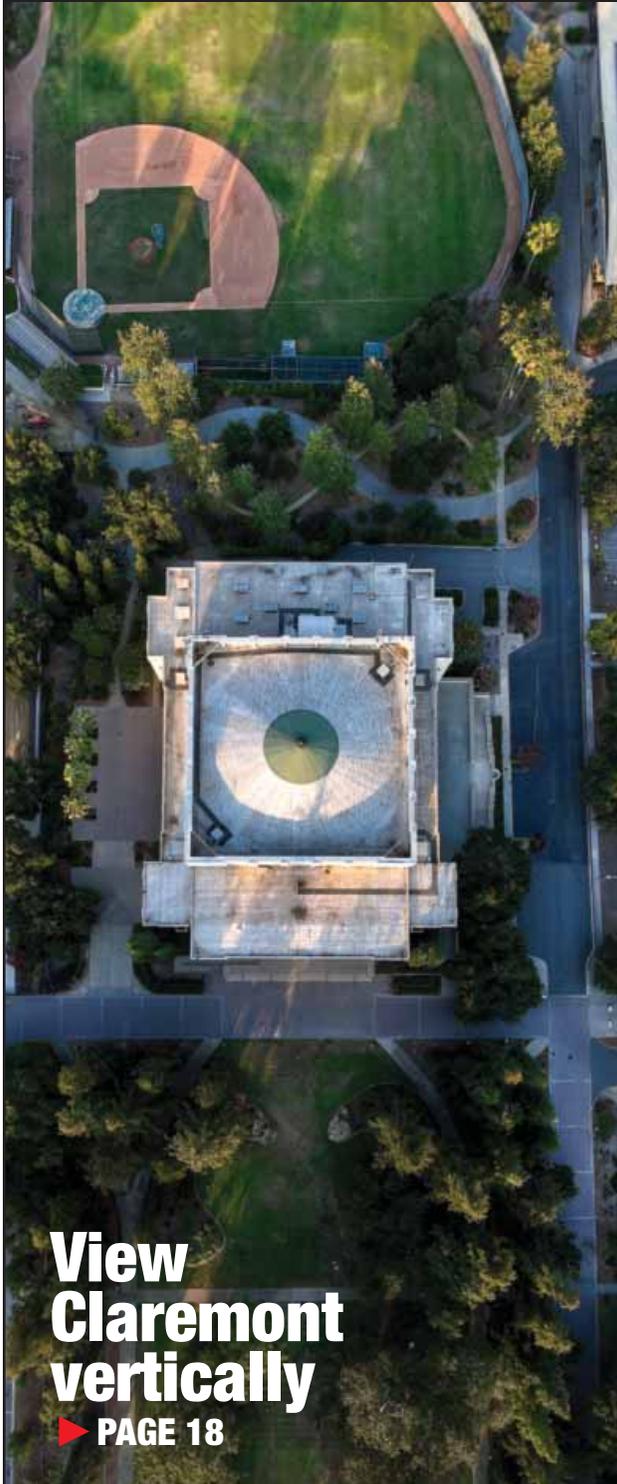


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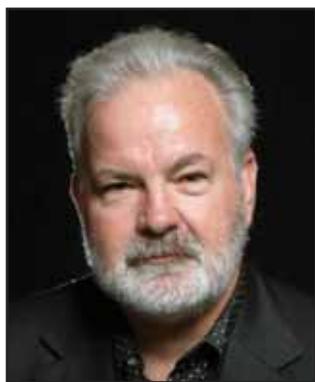
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# Welcome to the COURIER's 2022 Almanac, wherein we ask, "What makes Claremont, Claremont?"

by Mick Rhodes  
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**O**ur work here represents a slice of what the City of Trees is known for. Publisher Peter Weinberger explores our urban vistas, storied architecture, and mountain views with stunning photography in "Vertical Claremont."

Longtime COURIER reporter and award-winning photographer Steven Felschundneff takes us through the history of El Barrio Park, one of 22 in this city of 35,610. He also writes a charming first-person "letter" to a (mostly) dearly departed tree, and contributes a photo

essay on Claremont's Monday night concerts in Memorial Park.

Reporter Andrew Alonzo talks to some of the altruistic folks who make up Claremont's astoundingly robust charitable sector, with 104 registered nonprofits, and checks in on how recent water use restrictions are impacting Claremont parks.

And finally, COURIER summer intern Melina Tisopulos brings us a thought-provoking profile of an Afghani immigrant family starting life anew in Claremont.

These are the types of stories we write every week in the COURIER. And I have a confession: it's impossible to cover "What makes Claremont, Claremont?" comprehensively in the 20 or so pages we have for editorial content, and that's a quality problem.

Our city's outsized footprints in the arts, culture, education, business, and politics offer us seemingly near never-ending story avenues; one week we might feature a local couple's

75th wedding anniversary, and the next begin a multi-part, deep-dive investigative report.

We also have the great advantage of being home to seven world-class private colleges, all of which bring an international pool of talent to our small town in the form of professors, lecturers, writers, musicians, artists, thought leaders and political figures. Between a fascinating, highly engaged population and the Claremont Colleges community, we never lack for interesting things to write about. Again, it's a quality problem.

To be sure, "What makes Claremont, Claremont?" represents a good cross section of our city. But still, it's a snapshot. I hope you enjoy this glimpse, but if you want more, pick up the COURIER at newsstands around town, or better yet, subscribe. I promise our deep dive coverage of the City of Trees and the surrounding communities will round out your perspective going forward.



Padua Park is just one of the many parks in the City of Trees — one out of 22 to be exact. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger

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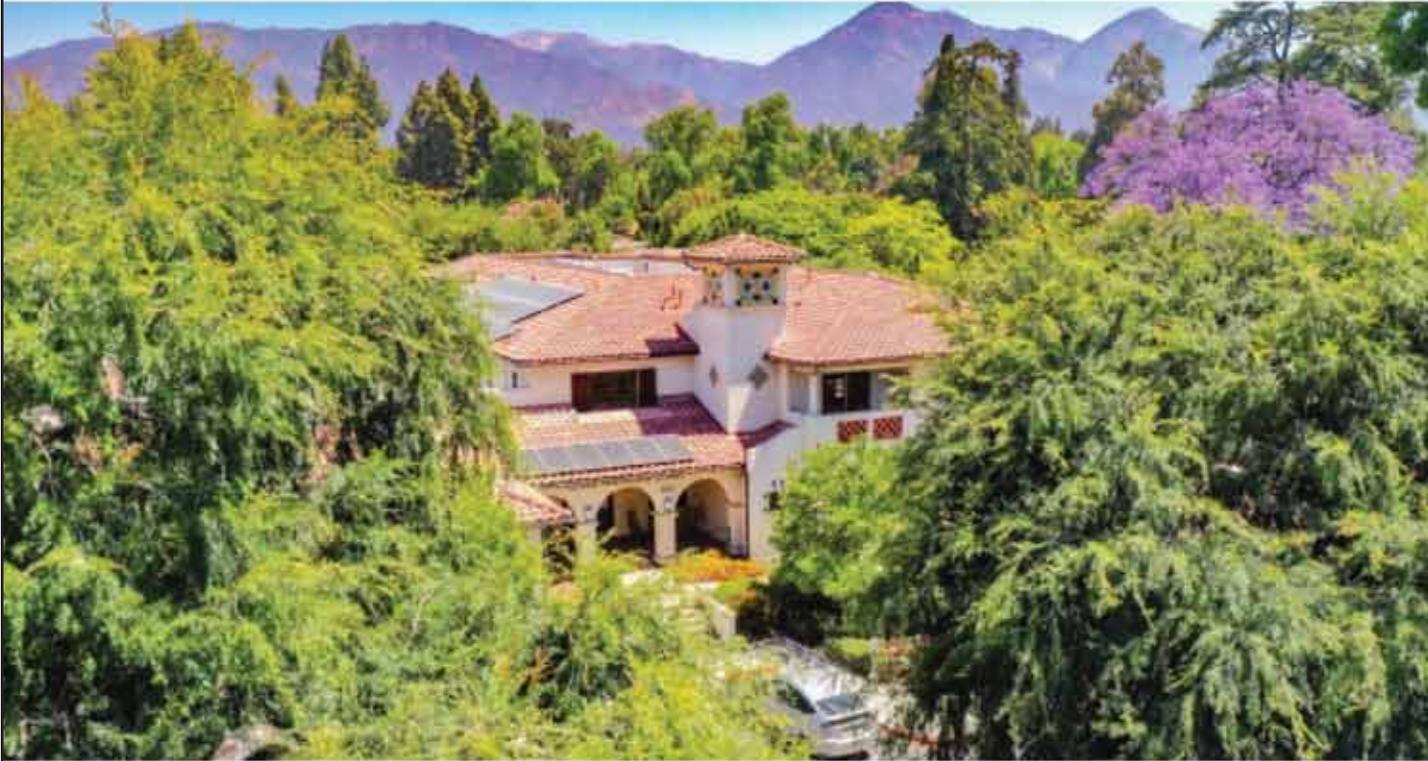
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**Cher Ofstedahl, chief executive officer of both Trinity Youth Services and Children's Foundation of America, inside her busy office on Tuesday, July 26. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo**



# City of giving: how Claremont is more than just trees

by Andrew Alonzo  
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**O**ne hundred and four. One might suspect that to be the number of restaurants and hair and nail salons that span the City of Trees. But that triple-digit figure represents the number of nonprofits registered in Claremont.

The sum seems quite high, but when one takes a minute to recount the quantity of nonprofits that reside here, one quickly needs more digits.

There's AgingNext, Ability First, the California Botanic Garden, the COURIER, Claremont Forum, Claremont Sunrise Rotary, Kiwanis Club of Claremont, Crossroads Inc. ... and the list goes on for 96 more entries.

With so many nonprofit organizations in our little town, the COURIER got to talking with CEOs, executive directors, and various leaders to understand how important they are to the identity of Claremont.

Each leader was asked four questions: How important are nonprofit organizations to a community? What does your organization do to benefit the community? How does the community give



**Claremont Educational Foundation's 2022-23 president-elect Emily Cavalcanti, left, current president Christine Leible, center, and immediate past president John Heitkemper, smile for a portrait at the 2022 Fourth of July parade. Photo courtesy of CEF officials**

back to you when you give so much to them? And, how important is your organization to the fabric of Claremont?

When answering the first question, all four of the leaders we spoke to agreed: nonprofits are essential for any community.

**D**avid Shearer, executive director of Claremont Heritage — the organization charged with preserving the city's history and heritage — shared that nonprofits cover many of the expenses and necessities often left underfunded by government, institutional, or school district aid.

"Nonprofits kind of pick up the slack," Shearer

said. "They see a need and address it."

"Nonprofits have deeply engaged and active community members who give their time and their philanthropic support," according to Christine Leible, president of Claremont Educational Foundation, John Heitkemper, CEF's immediate past president, and Emily Cavalcanti, CEF's 2022-23 president elect, who collaborated on an email response. "Nonprofits are critical to building strong communities that serve a vital purpose. In many instances, nonprofits fill gaps that are valued by the community, but are underfunded."

When answering the second question, the various responses hammered home the idea that with

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**Larry Grable, executive director of the Service Center for Independent Life, inside of his Spring Street Center office on Monday, July 25. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo**

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so many nonprofits in the area, a variety of needs are met.

Some organizations provide educational support for Claremont's youth, such as CLASP, CEF, and the Claremont School of Music. Shoes that Fit, quite succinctly makes sure needy children have shoes. The Newcomers Access Center helps refugees transition into Claremont.

Still others provide resources for women, such as Crossroads, Inc. and the Woman's Club of Claremont. The Children's Foundation of America and Trinity Youth Services ensure children in foster care receive resources typical government aid doesn't cover, such as contacts or braces.

And that's just the tip of the iceberg. There are more that work to address local climate issues like Sustainable Claremont, or food insecurity around the foothills corridor such as Inland Valley Hope Partners.

Larry Grable, executive director of the Service Center for Independent Life, said that for 42 years the organization has helped seniors and adults with disabilities around Claremont "remain safe and stable in their own home." The nonprofit offers career building workshops, math and cooking courses, a weekly food pantry, grocery delivery and home care services.

Just before speaking with Grable in late July, he was on the phone with a client who needed "grab bars"

installed in her home to allow her safe, stable access to her shower.

"A lot of these people can't afford, like you just heard, grab bars in their home when they're coming out of a nursing home," Grable said. "People don't have money and are not budgeted for that, so we can go in and perform [that work] for no charge. The services that we provide save money, save lives."

Most leaders, like Grable, gave similar answers when asked how the community shows its support to the nonprofits, such as donating money, goods, or time.

Most show their support through

dollars, but Grable and others interviewed for this story believe showing up as a volunteer is the best way to demonstrate you care, especially since COVID-19 reduced volunteer numbers.

Cher Ofstedhal, CEO of both Children's Foundation of America and Trinity Youth Services, also said that due to the current landscape nonprofits face — with a pandemic and rising prices affecting everyone — it's difficult for nonprofits to fund current operations.

"Because, unlike other types of

businesses that can raise the cost of a hamburger or a widget or whatever it is that they're selling [to] pay for the economic increases, nonprofits just don't have that luxury," she said. "Even nonprofits like ours that are fee-for-service are tied to government contracts that don't change, so when prices go up, we have no way to ask for more money."

The final question — With 104 nonprofits in the area, do they really play a role in the identity or fabric to what makes Claremont, Claremont? — received a grab-bag of responses.

As the record keepers of Claremont's long history, Shearer agreed, saying "Yes, it's extremely crucial," a sentiment echoed by CEF's Leible.

Grable said SCIL, even with its four-decade presence in the community, is still a mystery to some.

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**"People still don't know we're here," he said. "[But] the people that know we're here, we're extremely important [to them]. We're probably one of the first calls they make if they have an issue or problem."**

**— Larry Grable**

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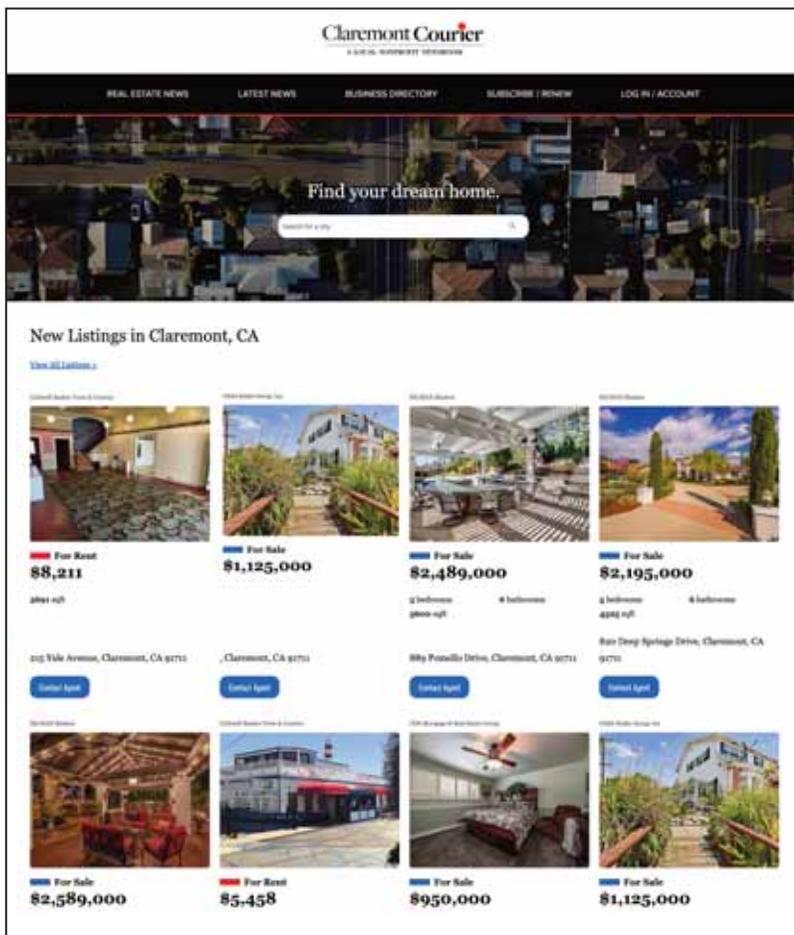
To learn more about the nonprofits listed, view the online version of the story on [claremont-courier.com](http://claremont-courier.com).



**Right: David Shearer, executive director of Claremont Heritage, outside of the Garner House on Friday, July 30. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo**

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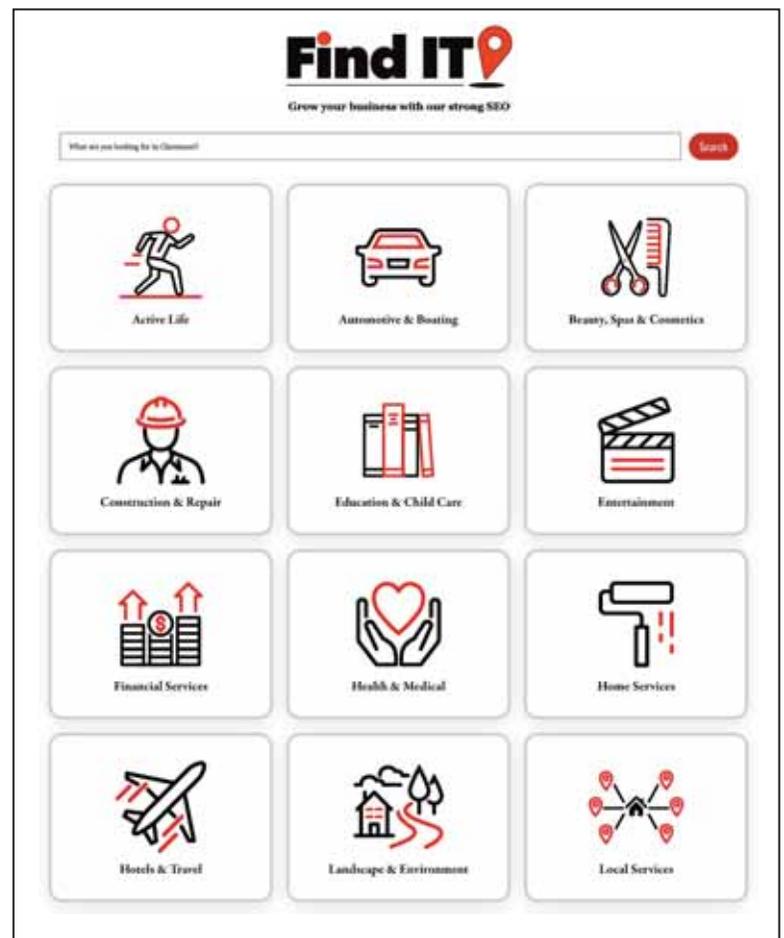
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# A balancing act

## Keeping Claremont's drought-choked parks green

Vail Park in Claremont still sports a spring look with green grass and healthy trees. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger

by Andrew Alonzo  
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Every week, Claremont Community Services Director Jeremy Swan takes a stroll around one of the city's 20 public parks to ensure one thing: that their greenery hasn't faded away.

Due to the ongoing drought and concerns over water usage, in May the Claremont City Council voted to "reaffirm the critical water shortage facing the region." A month later, Golden State Water and the city implemented strict regulations that would have residents reduce their water usage by 20 percent. To read about the restrictions, visit [claremont-courier.com](http://claremont-courier.com).

The move forced Swan and his staff to rethink how they would keep the City of Trees' parks green. Now more than two months into the new rationing rules, Swan gave the COURIER an update on the parks' status.

"There has been some browning of certain areas in some of the parks," Swan said. "A lot of that has

to do with irrigation concerns that we've been working to fix.

"If we have an irrigation break, either a main line or anything, the park may be down for about a week or so because we're having to turn the water off [and] get it fixed. We've had that happen in a couple of our parks, but then we're going to push water back in those areas to not have the grass turn brown."

The city has also turned off the water fountains at Claremont Village Plaza and near Padua Hills.

Twenty parks span the 13.47 square-mile area of Claremont. They include Blaisdell, Cahuilla, Chaparral, Claremont Hills Wilderness, College, El Barrio, Griffith, Higginbotham, Jaeger, June Vail, La Puerta, Larkin, Lewis, Mallows, Memorial, Padua Avenue, Rancho San Jose, Rosa Torrez, and Shelton parks. Higgin-

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**Top to bottom: An ariel view comparison of La Puerta Sports Park on July 21 and August 1. COURIER photos/Matt Weinberger**





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botham's Sycamore Canyon is counted as its own park by the city.

The parks hold not only a great portion of the City of Trees' trees but also generations of sentiment, and amenities for locals. Youth soccer games and other sports and the city's annual summer series of movies and concerts are all held there.

"We're a small community, but we have a very active park system," Swan said. "Citizens and the community members love the parks. They love to get outdoors and visit the parks to be active. If the parks are not maintained, then people aren't going to want to go there and they're going to find something else to do."

Unease over park browning has been on the minds of Swan and his colleagues ever since the new restrictions came into play.

"There's always a worry or concern because once it hits that [brown point], what are we able to do to bring them back?" Swan said. "I call it the razor's edge of balancing browning; how can we maintain everything with the least amount of water?"

The good news from Swan is that during recent walks, none of parks around the city had gotten to the level of browning seen in the drought of 2015. But current restrictions have him thinking about how to prevent a simi-

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Top to bottom: Jaeger Park pictured on July 21 and August 1. COURIER photos/Matt Weinberger



Left to right: A birds eye view Padua Avenue Park 11 days apart. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger



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lar fate.

“You need to maintain a certain level of water for the urban forest and if you don't, we run the risk of losing trees,” Swan said. “And if we do lose a 50, 60-year-old tree because it doesn't receive [enough] water, us planting a 15-gallon tree is not going to replace the carbon emissions in the urban environment.”

Claremont residents appear to be playing their part in reducing water usage. In June 2022, Claremonters cut water consumption by 45% when compared to June 2021, according to city councilmember Jennifer Stark,

who is also vice chair of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments' Water Policy Committee.

With the drought raging, there is no end in sight for rationing in Claremont.

“If the [20% usage reduction] number is maintained, I believe that we're still staying with the one day a week watering and everything like that,” Swan said. “If the numbers do not maintain, it could even get worse. But my understanding is we're kind of staying with it.”

Over the last five years, the city has updated a few parks, Lewis,

Cahuilla and Blaisdell among them, with drought tolerant landscaping designed to help reduce water usage. Swan hopes to outfit other city parks with similarly drought friendly plants through Metropolitan Water District rebates and other means.

“The importance [of green parks] overall is it is a welcoming environment,” Swan said. “If you go to the park and you see them brown, it's like they're not being taken care of. We really want that welcoming and warm feeling of coming to the park. It's comfortable, it's being well maintained, and having that green grass is

what we really care about.”

**I**n a town appropriately dubbed the City of Trees, parks help make Claremont, Claremont. They act as a social hub, where families and friends congregate.

“Parks can make or break the community,” Swan said. “If you don't have a park or you don't have the area for people to congregate, where are they going to go? Parks are vital to the community. The parks are part of what make Claremont special.”

For more information on city parks, visit [ci.claremont.ca.us](http://ci.claremont.ca.us).



Vail Park shows signs of browning, but overall looks green given it's the hottest time of the year. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger

# Ode to a Tree

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Dear tree,  
 I never wanted you. Truth be told, when you first came to our home on Forbes Avenue, I was a teenager and took no notice. I could be forgiven because in those days the yard was a bit of a jungle, with lemon trees, oleander and ivy obscuring the nondescript old grove house. So, a tiny sapling just blended into the thicket. Besides, I had other priorities.

It wasn't until after my parents died and I became the new caretaker of the old grove house that I considered you at all. That was in April 1999, when I officially moved back to Claremont with  
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The last sunset photo of the red ironbark eucalyptus at 2235 N. Forbes Avenue the night before the tree crew from the city came to remove it in March. The tree's absence is not entirely sad because now the cactus garden can be the desert oasis envisioned. COURIER photos/Steven Felschundneff



The red ironbark eucalyptus at the Forbes Avenue home lost a major limb during the devastating January 21 windstorm, which ended up blocking the home's driveway. Though the tree was badly damaged it still looked pretty solid, however the city's arborist deemed it unsafe and the tree was later removed.

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my lovely girlfriend Grace. By then, you were no longer hidden by the thicket and dominated your corner near the driveway.

I remember your rough texture, and dark color, which inspired the name: red ironbark eucalyptus. I remember the soft rouge flowers, the breeze through thousands of leaves and, yes, your habit of dropping branches and other debris.

In summer's unending heat, those thousand leaves provided respite. The flowers brought the squawking hordes of florescent parrots. In the golden light of a late fall sunset, you stood starkly silhouetted against the growing darkness.

**T**here was another red bark eucalyptus on the north side of the yard, but you were my favorite. I'm not sure why. Maybe, like with people, it was just chemistry.

Soon after our arrival, Grace had an announcement: "I want a cactus garden." But you had a secret. You were not ours but part of the collective "urban canopy" of street trees, and were spared the chainsaw that took down every other living object that stood in the way.

The scrappy remains of the jungle slowly receded, revealing a clean slate for grass palm, Hercules club, barrel cactus and way too much agave. At first, as native of Australia, you kind of fit in to the new aesthetic. But then your messy side came out.

Every summer, untold scores of wedge-shaped leaves dropped from your branches coming to rest in the

most inconvenient places, mocking me as if to say, "I shall defy any and all attempts at raking." Your dark red sap stained the newly installed decomposed granite, turning it into a hardened cake resembling asphalt. And then there were the berries.

"The fruit is a woody cup-shaped to shortened spherical capsule," as the berries are so delightfully described in your botanical identification. The description failed to mention, however, that these spherical capsules would number in the thousands and literally cover the landscape. Like the leaves, the berries found the most challenging areas to rest, lodging themselves between rocks or inside the thorny protection of their cactus coconspirators. The little devils could be dangerous. Acting like a field of ball bearings they'd deliver a nasty encounter with gravity to the inattentive passerby.

Over the years, I learned to live with the notion that our yard would never be completely free of all the debris. So, we did our best to make the center pathway and core garden clean while leaving you to your corner.

**B**ut then came January 21, and the odd forecast for wind, which seemed unusual in early winter. By late afternoon it was decidedly breezy. Just after sunset, the gusts really picked up, pelting the old grove house with rocks and spherical capsules. Around nine, we

made the incalculably poor decision to go check out the storm.

The hurricane winds had already torn off one of your massive limbs, blocking the driveway where you stood sentry for decades. The deafeningly loud wind obscured the sound of your limbs falling. As Grace stood by in disbelief, a giant limb twisted and fell from the tree to the north.

The next day, it was the same sad story throughout the City of Trees. In every neighborhood, the wind had ripped up stately old oaks, toppled the tallest pine around, damaged homes, blocked streets and torn up sidewalks.

Your glorious limbs lay in the street for weeks, slowly dried in the sun, and were scavenged by fire-

wood collectors, until the workers came and hauled the detritus away. A few days later the white dot appeared on your trunk.

The neighbors expressed general confusion over the white dots, which marked nearly every red ironbark eucalyptus up and down the street. Before long we knew the truth. The dots meant the city's arborist had declared the tree unsafe.

To my untrained eye you appeared to have survived the storm rather well. The ferocious winds had removed much of your summer bulk, so trimming could be put off a year or two. But my opinion mattered little. On the last night you were here, I took your picture one last time silhouetted against the setting sun.

On March 9, with an audience of friends and neighbors, the efficient tree cutting crew came, and within ten minutes brought down what the storm had not. For a brief time, you lay across Forbes, blocking travelers.

**S**ince your departure, it hasn't been entirely sad. For one, the cactus garden can at last be as we envisioned, a desert oasis. From the red asphalt earth, a eucalyptus bush erupted from your still-living roots, which I am actively trying to kill. Sorry. And, of course, those infernal berries may not be gone yet, but production has ended. I have no doubt that will be your lasting legacy.

I do miss the shade over our land these last few months as summer takes its hold. This fall, I imagine the parrots won't return, or will pass overhead heading to another feeding ground. Standing on Forbes, the sunset will now be unobstructed.

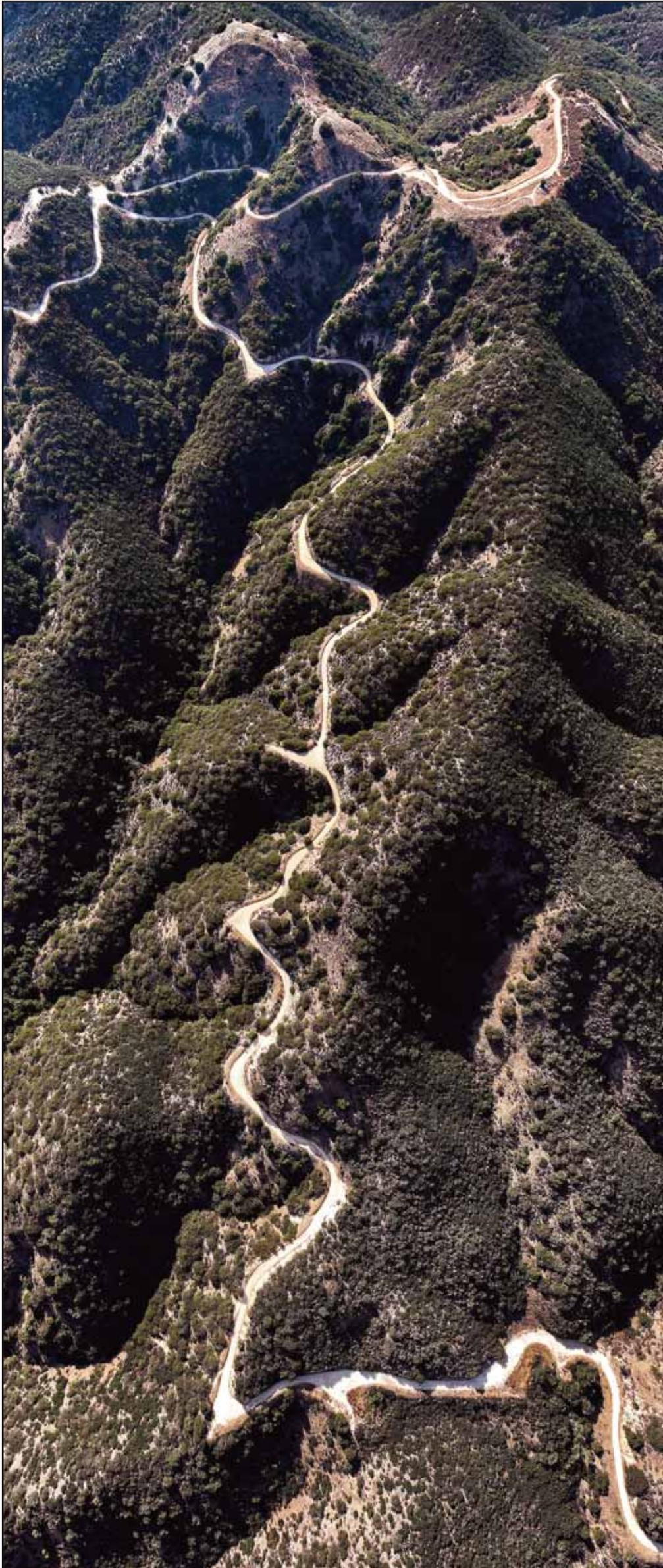
Goodbye Mr. Tree,  
Steven



The red ironbark eucalyptus can be seen protruding from the "jungle" of plants in front of the home on Forbes Avenue in this 1998 photo. Within a year, the jungle of plants would be removed and replaced with a cactus garden. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff



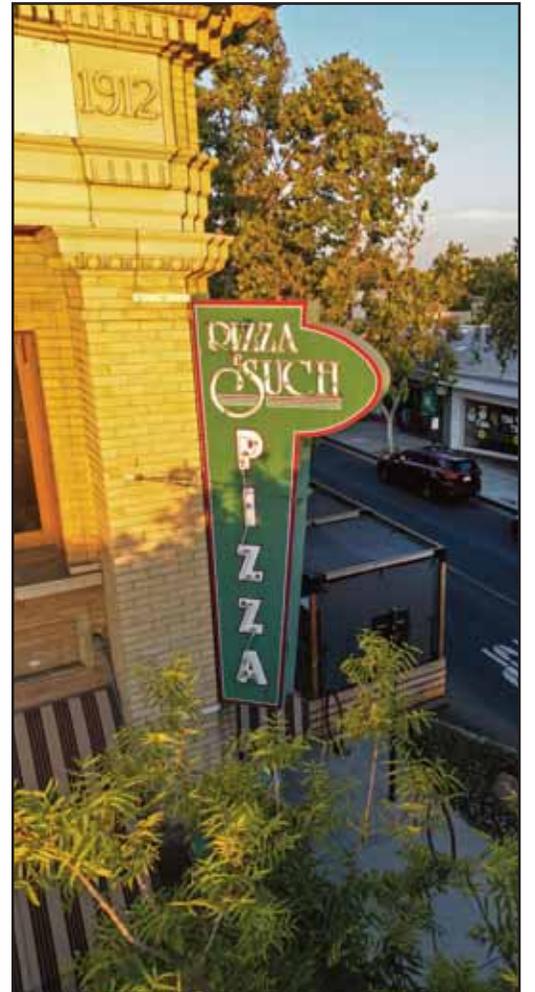
In March, workers with West Coast Arborist begin the process of cutting down the red ironbark eucalyptus in front of the old grove house.



The twists and turns of the Claremont Wilderness Park 5-mile loop trail snake up the mountain as seen from directly overhead. The photo is actually three photos, stitched together to create the full image.

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See unique aerial community views from top to bottom



Ever turn your head when looking at something for a different view? Have you seen movies on a vertical format? Hollywood filmmakers have strictly kept to horizontal formats since the very beginning of silent movies. But because of social media, that is changing.

Photography and story by Peter Weinberger

**Make no mistake**, form imitates life. It influences how we see, observe, and communicate. It impacts the devices produced to capture pictures and video, how we watch them, and of course, how we use them. Most of us will agree, a photo is worth a thousand words.

But this is all changing. Motion pictures are shot on widescreen, using a super-wide horizontal shape on what's called a 2:40 screen. It was not long ago



**San Antonio falls is just minutes north of Claremont in the San Gabriel mountains. It provides fresh water directly from Mt. Baldy for most of the year.**

that televisions had a 4:3 format that looks almost square. We can't forget 35mm film that is 3:2, and the most common high definition (HD) option in a 16:9 format. But there's a new player that is shaking the way we capture our lives. The vertical image.

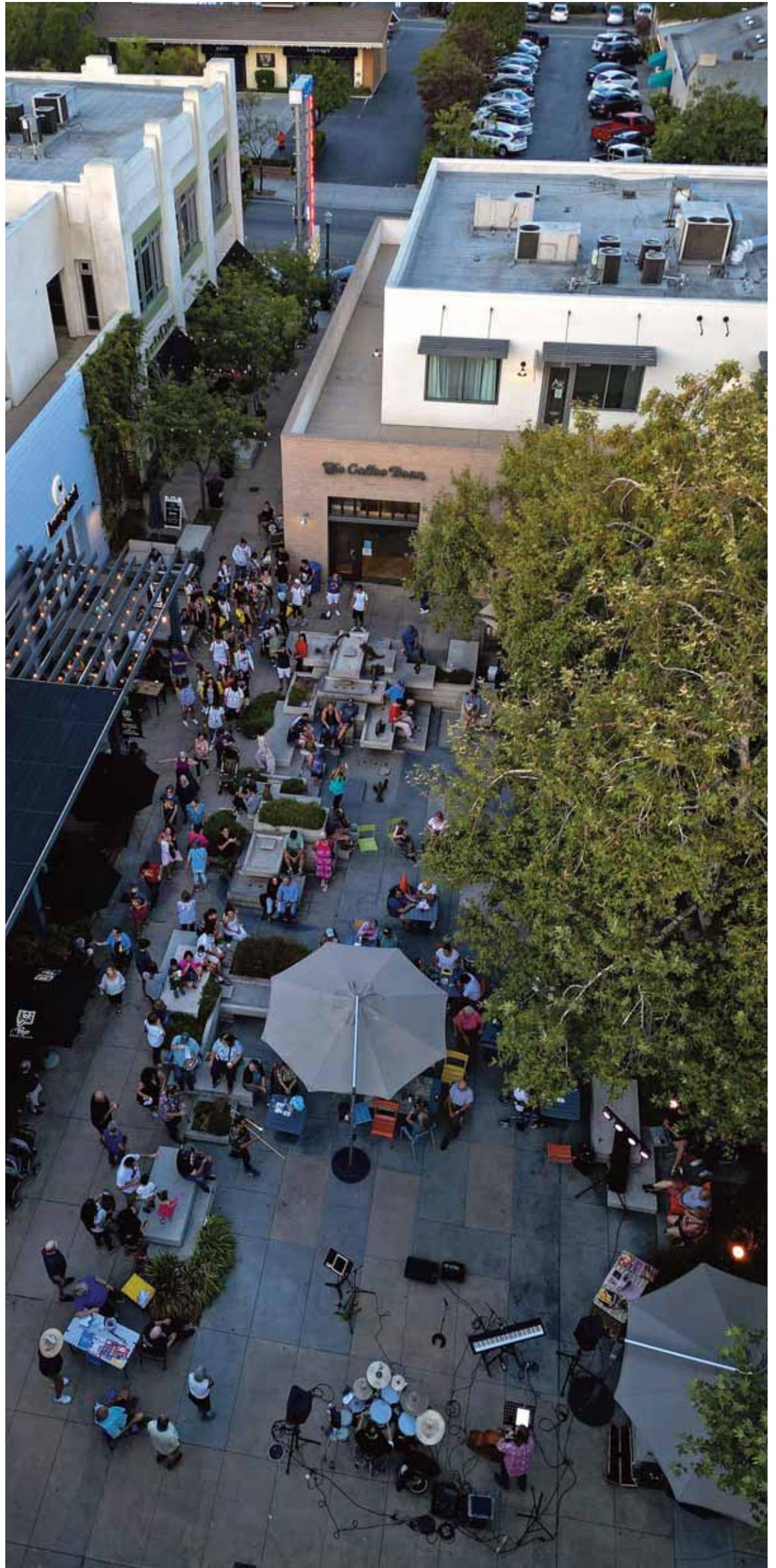
Why? Because social media is changing the way we photograph. Instagram started out square, but now offers vertical and horizontal options. But what has caught the world by storm is TikTok, a short form video sharing app that's gone vertical. TikTok takes the HD shape of 16:9 and switches to 9:16.

In fact, if you have not heard of TikTok, you will soon. In 2021, it became the most popular website in the world. Yes, even more than Google, Facebook and even Apple. Some people say it's changing the attention spans of our youth with its emphasis on short, vertical video clips. You can shoot up to three minutes — considered light years on social media — but be careful, TikTok doesn't like long videos that don't hold viewers from beginning to end. To alleviate this problem, most TikTok users produce videos closer to 20 to 30 seconds.

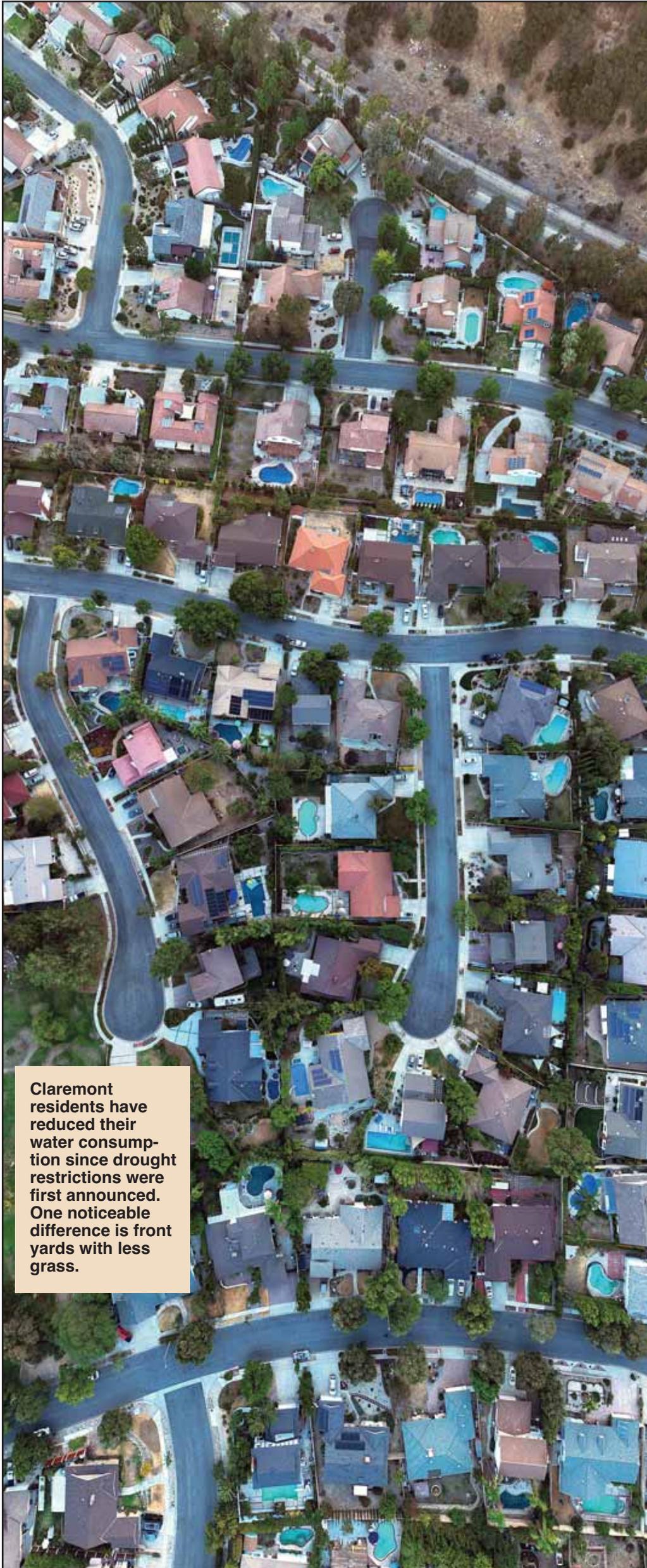
Imagine telling a story strictly using a 20 second, vertical video clip. That's exactly what's happening.

Smartphones are largely used vertically; even high-end cameras are being turned on their sides for

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**It's Saturday evening in the summer as music fills the air in the courtyard outside the Laemmle theater.**



Claremont residents have reduced their water consumption since drought restrictions were first announced. One noticeable difference is front yards with less grass.

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vertical. As a photojournalist, I'm never afraid to tilt the camera, but only when the picture would benefit from a vertical format. Content determines shape.

The COURIER website can only publish horizontals on most pages, mainly because we use a very popular website management system called WordPress. But all this is changing, too.

To embrace vertical visuals, I created a photo essay showing Claremont and other local sites near us, in various vertical formats. This was an enormous challenge both visually and technically. And since drones are new to this game, I used two specific drones that can handle different formats.

These vertical images (and the corresponding video) were photographed using three different methods: the TikTok approach of a 9:16 format; the multiple image approach that stitches three images together for strong verticals; and of course, the old-fashioned way of simply cropping to a vertical image.

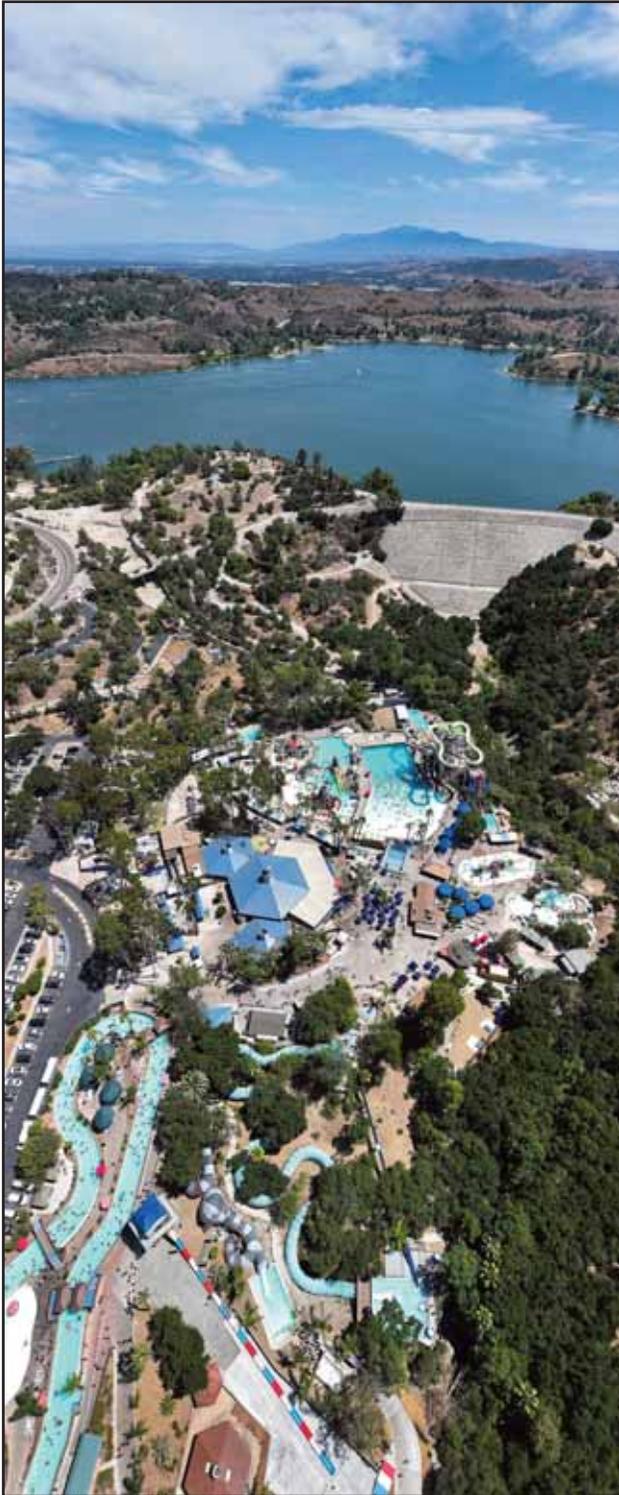
What ends up happening is each image shows a unique point of view and style. If there was a subject that could not be photographed vertically, I moved on. In some cases, the drone would be in the same position for hundreds of shots, either to fill the frame or capture peak action.

After taking the images, the next challenge was to design a page that would show off the unique shapes and angles. For the print edition, the page is an open canvas. No problem. But the website, with its horizontal restrictions, creates more challenges. So, I went with a vertical video in addition to shooting stills.

In the end, I believe we met our goal. Our readers see our community from a different point of view. And that's always a good thing.



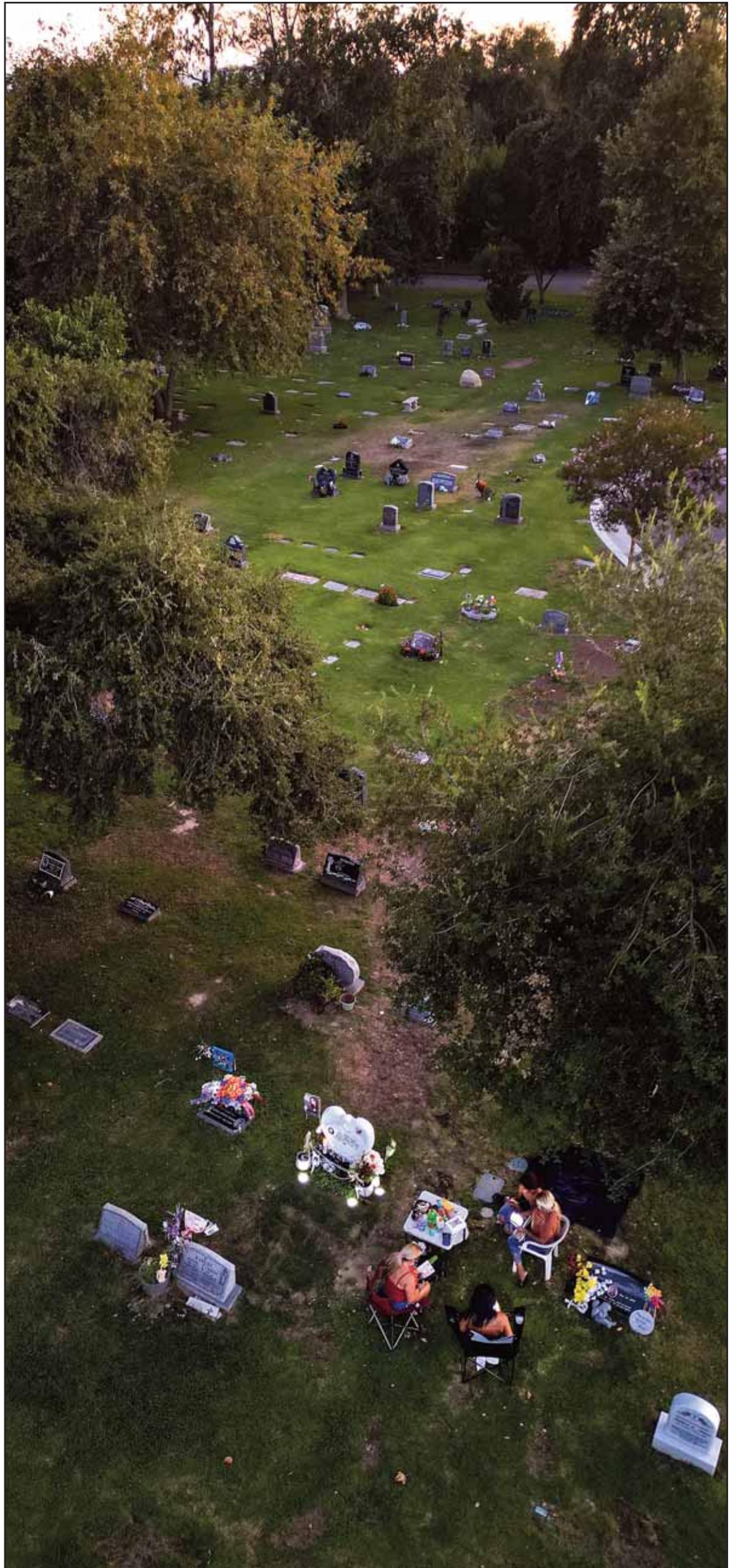
The Lone Hill Avenue bridge is an important piece that extends the Gold Line to Pomona, and hopefully Claremont.



The 250-acre Puddingstone Reservoir was built in 1928 as a flood control facility. In 1983, Raging Waters was added and currently is the largest water park in California. The facility recycles about 70% of the water used to keep the pools running.

Photography by Peter Weinberger

A family picnics next to the grave of a deceased relative at the Oak Park Cemetery in Claremont. Almost every week, they come to celebrate the life of their loved one.





# Musical Monday nights

## The City of Claremont's annual Monday night summer concert series brings all to Memorial Park

Claremont residents Maryann and Joe Demello dance to the music of Kulayd during a recent Monday night concert in Memorial Park. The couple said dancing on the grass is a great way to relieve stress after a long day and the weather in the evening is fantastic.

COURIER photos/Steven Felschundneff



The Monday night concerts in Memorial Park are a popular annual summer event that often draw large crowds. The series will run throughout August 29 when The Ravelers will be the headline act.



Tony Odell Rogers of the Motown band Kulayd gets the crowd moving with a rendition of “La Bamba” during a recent concert.



Lawrence Wood, 7, checks out Dan Austin’s parrots Pepper, on Austin’s shoulder, and Mango.



Longtime Claremont resident Bob Fagg does a little dance as he works the crowd gathering donations for the Kiwanis Club during a recent Monday night at Memorial Park.

# El Barrio Park, a unifying force for 50 years

by Steven Felschundneff  
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Legend has it the idea to build a park in Claremont's traditionally Hispanic Arbol Verde neighborhood was hammered out after one too many beers at the Midway Inn on Foothill Boulevard. That makes for a great story.

And that's exactly how it all went down, according to Al Villanueva, one of the three young men who spearheaded the effort in the summer of 1969. Villanueva, then a student at Stanford University, headed to the vaunted watering hole with his cousin, Albert Gutierrez, who ran Arbol Verde's children's center, and Ben Molina, who worked to divert teenagers from joining gangs. The neighborhood had a serious gang problem, including seven unsolved murders, according to Villanueva.

A year earlier, Claremont Boulevard had torn a diagonal scar through the neighborhood we now call Arbol Verde, but back then residents referred to it as either el barrio or "Tierra d' Nadie," which translates to no man's

land. The name stemmed in part from its location on a riverbed that flooded often, making it "the last place anyone would build houses," according to Villanueva. But during the era of Claremont's racial covenants, it, along with the west barrio near First Street and Cornell Avenue, was the only place where Hispanic families could live.

Construction of Claremont Boulevard, the "county line road," had been in the works for 20 years, so residents of the barrio knew it was coming. Still, it resulted in the demolition of several homes, displacing those residents, and the destruction of Sacred Heart Chapel, which had been built by the men of the barrio. The roadway also tore through the dirt lot where local children played.

Villanueva struggled growing up in Tierra d' Nadie. His father was in prison, leaving his mother Nellie Villanueva to provide for the family of five children. Villanueva started to get into trouble, but in 1965 redirected his energies into the Chicano movement through his mentor Molina.



Sacred Heart Chapel in Claremont's Arbol Verde neighborhood was torn down in 1968 to make way for the construction of Claremont Boulevard. Photo courtesy of Al Villanueva

The other adult who provided guidance to the teenaged Villanueva was the local Catholic priest, Monsignor William Barry.

"He took care of me, watched me. He pulled me out of the gang when I would be down there running around with them," Villanueva said.

Barry led services at both the largely Hispanic Sacred Heart, and Our Lady of the Assumption on Bonita Avenue. In advance of the bulldozers, he held one final mass at Sacred Heart in the summer

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Lorraine Campos, left, and Florence Garcia join Nancy Huizar with Mariachi Los Halcones de Jalisco singing the love song "Tu Solo Tu" during the recent celebration of the 50th anniversary of El Barrio Park. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff

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of 1967. Following the service, Barry removed the statue of Jesus from the altar at Sacred Heart and took it on a procession down First Street and through the Village, ending up at OLA.

Years later Villanueva asked Barry why he saved the statue. “Racial harmony,” the priest replied. “We could no longer have a segregated Mexican and then a white church. Two had to become one.”

**B**ack to the summer of 1969, it was Barry who said to Villanueva, “Let’s build a park.” And with that thought in mind, the three young men headed to the Midway to come up with a plan over 75 cent pitchers of beer.

“We planned a strategy to start a petition drive at Claremont High School. Albert and I were granted permission to speak at two assemblies, and the Claremont students got over a thousand signatures,” Villanueva said. “We formed El Barrio Park Committee, I was at Stanford then, but that was when Albert and Ben mobilized all of the families.”

Hovering on the border between Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties, the park would serve Montclair, Upland and Claremont, which necessitated a fair amount of leg-



**Artie Perez plays the accordion to a group of schoolchildren gathered at El Barrio Park shortly after it opened in 1972. Photo courtesy of Al Villanueva**

work and negotiating by interested parties. As a result, it took some time for the proposed park to progress

from idea to reality. Finally in 1971, El Barrio Park came up for a vote by the Claremont City Council, which

approved the plan in front of a packed chamber.

The construction cost was shared by the three cities. A barrio neighbor, Tony Cerda, who was a heavy equipment operator, donated his time to grade the lot.

**M**ontclair Councilmember Tom McClure, chairman of the Arbol Verde Park Authority, represented the three cities through which the park was developed, according to a 1972 newspaper article from the Pomona Progress-Bulletin. The group reached an agreement with the Claremont Colleges to lease 3.7 acres of land for the park for a 10-year period at \$1 per year.

Finally, in July 1972, the park was ready for its grand opening, which took place on the newly built basketball court with several hundred people in attendance, including city council and school board members from the three cities.

“With the U.S. and Mexican flags waving behind him, Ben Molina, a member of the barrio park committee, said simply ‘I dedicate the El Barrio Park.’” the Progress-Bulletin reported.

The emcee, Reynaldo Contreras, introduced members of the commit-

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**Guests at a 50th anniversary celebration for El Barrio Park enjoy the music of Mariachi Los Halcones de Jalisco under the shade of one of the park’s sycamores. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff**



Al Villanueva and his mother Nellie Villanueva take in the sights and sounds of the recent 50th anniversary celebration for El Barrio Park. Al Villanueva was part of the El Barrio Park Committee which, in the late 1960s, set the ground work to create the park located in the Arbol Verde neighborhood of Claremont. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff

## A unifying force for 50 years

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tee, including Barry, who gave the invocation. When the speeches ended, guests were invited to enjoy the food booths and a dance performance.

From the beginning there was a sense that the park lived on borrowed time. The colleges retained ownership of the land and members of the committee, including Villanueva, feared that given time they would take the land back to facilitate the expansion of what was then called Claremont Men's College.

Those fears were supported over the years, as the renamed Claremont McKenna College bought up much of the residential neighborhood south of its campus along Mills Avenue and Brooks Street, including in the traditional boundaries of Arbol Verde. Villanueva said he feared gentrification would one day swallow the entire neighborhood.

In 1992 the college entered into an agreement with the Arbol Verde Preservation Committee, which allowed CMC to expand its campus into the area below Sixth Street and above Harwood Place as long it did not build dormitories or academic buildings, according to Matthew G. Bibbens, vice president of campus planning and capital projects at CMC. The parties also agreed

to preserve the rest of Arbol Verde as a residential neighborhood. This included moving homes from the area above Harwood to empty lots to the south rather than tear them down. The college largely uses the area to provide housing for newly hired employees.

That same agreement gave control over El Barrio Park to the City of Claremont, with the caveat that if the city ever decided to use the land for another purpose, Claremont McKenna would retake ownership.

In advance of a rededication ceremony in 2009, a petition to rename the park to honor Barry, who had died that March, garnered 300 signatures. But changing the name of a public park to honor a Catholic priest proved to be too controversial and threatened to overshadow the celebration, so the idea was scrapped.

"For the sake of harmony and unity in the community we decided not to go that route," Villanueva told the COURIER at the time.

When CMC began working on its master plan in 2010, many people in the Arbol Verde neighborhood became anxious that the college would redevelop the entire area, including the park.

In July 2011, representatives with the Arbol Verde Preservation Committee, including Vil-

lanueva, had a meeting with Bibbens at Our Lady of the Assumption Church to reach a deal that would preserve the neighborhood and the park. The agreement included restarting the clock on a 30-year agreement not to change anything in Arbol Verde. Villanueva described the meeting as an opportunity to "bury the hatchet."

Bibbens said it was never the college's intention to break the 1992 agreement, however, CMC officials decided to cede any interest in the park property to the city to ease residents' fears.

The college also agreed to a major refurbishment of El Barrio Park, including a new pedestrian walkway, safety lighting, landscaping, and installation of additional picnic tables, benches, and trash receptacles. The work was completed in June 2022.

To celebrate the park's new chapter, Villanueva organized a luncheon party for both the laborers who worked on the renovation and to honor longtime residents of Tierra d' Nadie. The event coincided with El Barrio Park's 50-year anniversary. The college provided catering and set up long tables under the shade of the now 50-year-old trees, while Mariachi Los Halcones De Jalisco performed familiar tunes nearby.

# Afghani family safe, but starting over

by Melina Tisopulos

Abdul jalil Barati and Zuhul Barati had only two small bags of essentials for their four-month-old son when they fled their home in Afghanistan. The decision to leave had been very sudden.

Just days earlier, on August 15, 2021, Abdul was working as a translator for the United States Embassy when the Taliban took control of the capitol. Since he was needed to translate for the security guards, he had to stay put until everyone else had left the embassy by helicopter.

Once he was allowed to return home, he was instructed to stay in lockdown until told otherwise. He was warned that his ties to the United States put him and his family at risk of Taliban reprisals.

"Everything was changed," Barati said. "The threat was high level. If they capture you, they will kill you. No question."

After four tense and sleepless days, he received a message at nearly one in the morning instructing him and his family to go to an airport gate. There they were met with sheer chaos; frantic crowds of thousands swarmed the entrance to the airport, with worry arising in Barati for the safety of his very young son.

After showing his U.S. State Department badge to an American soldier, his family was guided inside. They then spent another restless night on the airport floor.

"I didn't have any experience like that before," Barati said. "It was a really bad situation...I could never forget that."

The next day, the family was crammed onto the floor of a U.S. Army aircraft with hundreds of others, headed for Qatar. With Barati's State Department status, they were

then sent to Washington, D.C., and from there, to Fort Bliss, a military base camp in New Mexico. The overcrowded military barracks remained their home for the next three months as their documents were processed and the family received vaccinations.

Wanting to be close to his wife's cousin in Fontana, they requested to move to California. Their case was taken by the International Institute of Los Angeles, which then introduced them to the Newcomer Access Center, a Claremont-based nonprofit that provides support and resources to refugee and immigrant families.

After arriving in December 2021, the NAC provided the family with housing in Claremont for four months and helped them get acclimated to the area. They also assisted Barati in applying for jobs.

Though both earned master's degrees in Afghanistan — his wife in business and Barati in fine arts — the couple were starting from scratch in America.

Barati now works two jobs, at a gas station and a grocery store.

"I am working day and night," he said. "Sometimes it makes me tired, but I am glad to have a job."

Though he is relieved to have found work, he hopes to eventually transition to a job with a higher salary. Soon he hopes to begin taking courses for the gas station franchise with the goal of becoming a manager. His wife is also hoping to find a job soon, perhaps joining him at the gas station or in the graphic design field, where she has experience.

She is currently taking ESL courses, and Barati is planning to enroll in community college. For now though, his priority is to complete the



Afghan refugee and artist Abdul jalil Barati. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff

special immigrant visa process.

They considered moving to other parts of California but found nowhere else has what Claremont offers. Now living in an apartment in Pomona, they remain connected to the city's community. They look forward to raising their 15-month-old son here, optimistic of what it offers for his future. The support the local community has shown them as refugees has made them feel very welcome.

"I love the area," Barati said. "I haven't seen anyone disturb or disrespect us. When they learn we are refugees, they respect us a lot and help."

The most challenging adjustment for him has been being separated from his family members in Afghanistan. It saddens him not to know when they will be together again.

"We always talk every night, but talking is different from when you see them. We miss them a lot," he said. "It's sad to think about them. It's hard."

Barati also worries for his Afghani family's safety, as the Taliban-controlled government frequently questions them about his whereabouts.

He would like them to move to the United States, but it is difficult to offer them support while he is still navigating his own visa process.

The couple both have backgrounds in art, so another goal is to mount an exhibition of their work. She is a graphic designer and has worked as an art lecturer. He studied art in Afghanistan and works with multiple mediums, including photography. His pieces were featured in a 2013 exhibition in Maryland, as well in Afghanistan. Though Barati had to leave his physical artwork behind, he has digital copies saved, along with about 2,000 photographs of Afghanistan.

Printing is costly, so the couple is hoping to receive support from local organizations or individuals to make sharing their work possible. Barati believes his pieces will offer enriching insight on life in Afghanistan, allowing the public to broaden their perspective on his home country.

"If you see it, you can feel the situation," he said.

*Melina Tisopulos is a rising senior at Claremont High School and is the COURIER's summer intern.*

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NHRA Museum's Twilight Cruise Night	Aug. 3
Pomona Swap Meet & Classic Car Show	Aug. 7
Sticker Expo	Aug. 13
B.R.A.K.E.S. Teen Pro-Active Driving School	Aug. 13-14
Reptile Super Show	Aug. 13-14
RailGiants Train Museum	Aug. 13-14
Fairplex Garden Railroad	Aug. 14
Quinceañera Magazine Expo	Aug. 21
The Pinners Conference & Expo	Aug. 25-27
NHRA Museum's Twilight Cruise Night	Sept. 7
RailGiants Train Museum	Sept. 10-11
Fairplex Garden Railroad	Sept. 11
SoCal Anime Convention	Sept. 16-18
Bubble Run 5K	Sept. 17
Fasig-Tipton California Fall Yearlings Sale	Sept. 27
Off-Road Expo	Oct. 1-2
NHRA Museum's Twilight Cruise Night	Oct. 5
The Great Junk Hunt	Oct. 7-8
<b>Fairplex Presents Oktoberfest</b>	<b>Oct. 7-22</b>
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The center represents more than 150,000 individuals with disabilities living in the East San Gabriel Valley. The center provides attendant care referrals, housing assistance, interpreter services for the deaf and hard-of-hearing, peer counseling advocacy, speakers' bureau, quarterly independent living skills workshops and disability awareness training.

**TRI-CITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER**

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[tricitymhs.org](http://tricitymhs.org)  
Crisis and Emergency: (866) 623-9500  
Tri-City provides high-quality, culturally competent behavioral health care treatment, prevention and education in Pomona, Claremont and La Verne. It is the sole source provider for Medi-Cal and indigent services in the region.

**URGENT CARE:**

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1601 Monte Vista Ave., Claremont (909) 630-7829  
[mypvhc.com/locations/claremont/](http://mypvhc.com/locations/claremont/)  
Urgent care hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; weekends and most holidays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Family medicine, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. PVHC in Claremont provides full service out-patient medical care to the communities of Claremont and surrounding areas. Services offered include: Urgent care, family medicine, physical therapy, occupational medicine, digital radiology, women's health, sports medicine, geriatric medicine, sleep disorders and the Milestones Center for Child Development. For an appointment call (909) 630-7829 or go to [mypvhc.com/locations/claremont/](http://mypvhc.com/locations/claremont/).

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Hours Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Inter Valley Health Plan is a local not-for-profit Medicare Advantage HMO company, specializing in providing healthcare for people on Medicare. They offer several plan types offering all-in-one care including medical, hospital and prescription drug coverage with \$0 monthly premiums, \$0 preventive care and \$0 deductibles, vision, dental, hearing, and fitness coverage, plus an OTC allowance. Inter Valley believes that good healthcare is more than just good medicine. Health and wellness education are key to living a life full of health and vitality. That's why they offer their Vitality program—a series of no-cost health and wellness classes

tailored to the needs of older adults. These classes are not only open to members, but also the 55-plus community. To RSVP to a class and receive the log in information for virtual classes, visit [www.ivhp.com/vitality](http://www.ivhp.com/vitality) or call (800) 886-4471 or TTY 711. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Inter Valley has provided personal service and quality healthcare in the Pomona Valley for over 40 years. The Medicare Information & Vitality Center is located in Claremont's Pomona Valley Health Center, 1601 Monte Vista, Suite #275 (upstairs). For questions about Medicare, call Medicare Specialist Monica Crow at (800) 500-7018 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. seven days a week or visit Inter Valley's website at [ivhp.com](http://ivhp.com).



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## ANIMAL SHELTERS:

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Shelter Hours: Monday through Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Adoption Appointments: Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon; Kennel walk-throughs: Monday through Saturday, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Since 1949, IVHS has promoted awareness and educated the public about its responsibility for all living creatures. Dedicated to giving shelter and medical care to unwanted, abandoned and injured

animals and preventing animal cruelty. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old and are always needed.

## ANIMAL RESCUE:

### PRICELESS PET RESCUE

*The Orphanage – Claremont*  
665 E. Foothill Blvd., Unit E, Claremont  
[pricelesspetrescue.org](http://pricelesspetrescue.org) [info@pricelesspetrescue.org](mailto:info@pricelesspetrescue.org)  
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## CEMETERIES:

### OAK PARK CEMETERY

410 S. Sycamore Ave., Claremont • 399-5487  
Office hours: Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.; cemetery open from dawn to dusk.  
Located on 10 acres of shaded tree groves and manicured grounds in southeast Claremont, Oak Park Cemetery has been providing a resting place for residents of the Pomona Valley for more than 100 years. Oak Park is a publicly-owned cemetery, honoring interments for members of all faiths, and offers special benefits for American veterans. Fresh-cut flowers, potted plants and permanent plantings are permitted. The cemetery is always open to visitors, although vehicle traffic is excluded after sundown.

### FRIENDS OF OAK PARK CEMETERY

410 S. Sycamore Ave., Claremont • 399-5487  
As an independent nonprofit organization, the Friends of Oak Park Cemetery raises funds through membership donations and special events in order to finance amenities and improvements at Oak Park. The board of directors meets the first Monday of each month at the cemetery office.

### POMONA VALLEY MEMORIAL PARK

502 E. Franklin Ave., Pomona • 622-2029  
Cemetery grounds, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Mausoleum is open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.  
Private, nonprofit association serving all faiths since 1876. Ground burial or interment, crypt entombment, columbariums for urn placement and pre-need arrangements.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

### ANTHESIS (Pomona Valley Workshop)

1063 W. 6th, Ontario • 624-3555 • [anthesis.us](http://anthesis.us)  
Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Anthesis provides services to residents of eastern LA County and western San Bernardino County. Anthesis provides traditional and innovative rehabilitation services and works cooperatively with the Department of Rehabilitation and the Regional Centers for the Developmentally Disabled, the Los Angeles and San Bernardino county schools, and private rehabilitation agencies. Volunteers needed.

### ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF POMONA VALLEY

693 N. Palomares St., Pomona  
(909) 629-6142 • [alpv.org](http://alpv.org)  
The League operates a center providing services for children whose families cannot afford dental care. The league also sponsors the Operation School Bell program, providing school clothing for children in need and a Christmas program that reaches many families each year. The Assistance League produces Assault Survivor Kits, as well as the Cubs for Kids distribution that gives teddy bears to children experiencing trauma. Volunteers and clothing needed.

### CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION OF AMERICA

PO Box 1210, Claremont • (909) 426-0773  
[childrensfoundationofamerica.org](http://childrensfoundationofamerica.org)  
Claremont-based nonprofit providing an opportunity for every person to help children heal, learn and thrive. Over 400,000 children each year are unable to live with their families due to abuse, neglect, or abandonment. These children in foster care, shelters, and underserved communities are often not afforded the same opportunities as their peers. With the support of donors and volunteers like you, the Children's Foundation of America provides children in need with new backpacks, school supplies, graduation and prom attire, holiday and birthday gifts, scholarships, handmade blankets and cards, music lessons, tutoring, new clothes and shoes, and so much more.

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Get involved with volunteer and fundraising activities throughout the year. Be the difference: Bring hope and joy to the lives of children in need.

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*P.O. Box 134, Claremont  
Contact: Sherry Hughes (909) 973-6668  
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Our mission is giving vulnerable children Support, Opportunity, and Hope by breaking destructive cycles through community partnerships. The purpose of this organization shall be to raise community awareness, raise funds and carry out projects in support of children at risk. Support is given through an Emergency Needs Program, our care campaigns, and our holiday Celebration of Giving. Opportunity is given to foster youth by providing college scholarships, mentoring programs, computer camps and sports camps. Hope is given to children suffering child physical abuse, sexual abuse, and neglect by being evaluated and cared for at the Children's Assessment Center. Over 66,215 children and vulnerable youth benefited from the funds donated this past year.

**CEF—CLAREMONT EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**

*112 Harvard Ave. Ste. 191  
Claremont • 399-1709 • supportcef.com*

CEF is an independent, community-based nonprofit organization, founded in 1991 as Ed Net, to benefit the Claremont Unified School District. Its mission is to promote quality public education in Claremont through community involvement. CEF sponsors fundraising events, solicits corporate donations and receives donations from parents, businesses and community members. Volunteers needed.

**ECONOMY SHOP**

*325 W. First St., Claremont  
(909) 626-7334 • econclaremont.com*  
Open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed mid-June until August 31. This all-volunteer non-profit thrift store raises funds through the sale of donated clothing, small household items, books and toys. Profits are granted to local charities.

**INLAND VALLEY HOPE PARTNERS**

*660 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont  
in the Joslyn Center annex  
(909) 621-2400*

*inlandvalleyhopepartners.org*  
Tuesday and Thursday, 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The mission of the Inland Valley Hope Partners, a collaboration of churches, individuals, businesses and community groups, is to ensure the empowerment of people in need by providing food, shelter and supportive services. Volunteers are needed to provide help with the emergency shelter, with food security program, in the office and as drivers/companions.

**KGNH (Keeping the Good in Our Neighborhood)**

*2058 N. Mills Ave. Ste. 530,  
Claremont • info@KGNH.net  
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KGNH is a neighborhood watch group founded in 2008 that is "committed to vigilant kindness." Its mission is to strengthen the community through a partnership with the Claremont Police Department, LA County Sheriff and city leaders.

**SHOES THAT FIT**

*1420 N. Claremont Blvd., Ste. 204A,  
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shoesthatfit.org • info@shoesthatfit.org*  
Open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Shoes That Fit provides new shoes and clothing to schoolchildren in an effort to build their self-esteem, so they can attend school in comfort and with dignity. Schools are matched with local sponsoring groups. School staff identifies and measures the children most in need. Whatever is bought for the child goes directly to the child. All donations are tax deductible. Volunteers needed.

**TRINITY YOUTH SERVICES**

*PO Box 1210, Claremont  
Claremont Mission Office:  
(909) 825-5588 • trinityys.org*

Since 1966, Trinity Youth Services has provided quality foster care, adoption, mental health and residential therapeutic programs with the mission to create a better future for children and families. More than 400,000 children each year are in need of a safe, loving home. Foster care provides an opportunity for children to find safety and normalcy until permanency can be achieved through reunification or adoption. Resource parents certified through Trinity Youth Services receive 24/7 support and are certified to foster and adopt. Foster care offices are located in Rancho Cucamonga and Monterey Park. Partner with Trinity Youth Services to provide the love, care and nurturing every child needs. To begin your foster care journey, call (888) 346-9645 or email info@trinityys.org to learn about becoming a foster or adoptive parent.

**UNCOMMON GOOD**

*211 W. Foothill Blvd., Claremont  
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(909) 625-2248 • uncommongood.org*  
Open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Uncommon Good offers one-on-one mentoring, one-on-one tutoring, educational enrichment, social services and college planning to low-income students and their families. It also supports doctors who serve the poor in community clinics throughout the Southland. In addition, it operates an urban farming program that exceeds organic standards, feeds the hungry, and offers its produce for sale to the public. Community may volunteer as mentors and tutors.

**HISTORICAL SOCIETIES:**

**CLAREMONT HERITAGE**

*Garner House, Memorial Park  
840 N. Indian Hill Blvd., Claremont  
Mailing: PO Box 742, Claremont  
621-0848 • claremontheritage.org  
info@claremontheritage.org*  
Hours: Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Claremont Heritage, Inc. is a nonprofit membership organization devoted to preserving the historic character of Claremont through research, education and advocacy. Heritage works with the city to guarantee appropriate design changes to historic structures, neighborhoods, landscapes, sites and monuments. Heritage preserves and displays memorabilia and information relating to the history of Claremont and maintains

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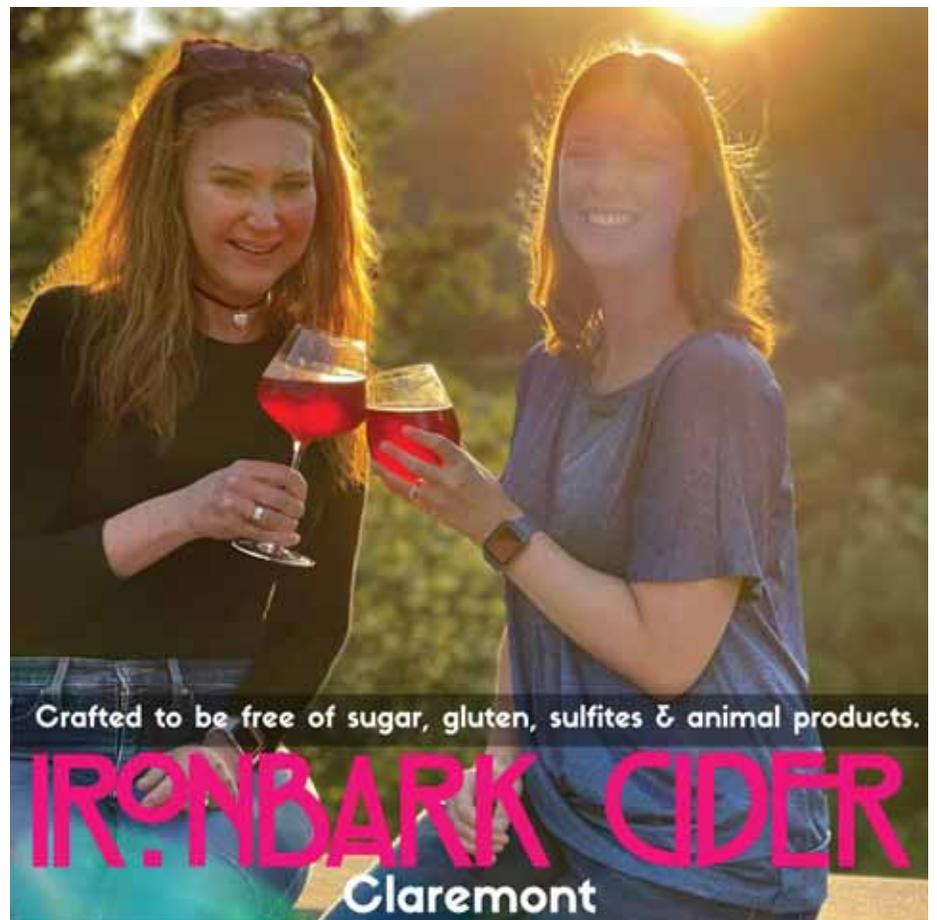
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**PARTISAN & NON-PARTISAN POLITICS:**

**ACTIVE CLAREMONT**

PO Box 841, Claremont  
activeclaremont.org  
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Advocates communication and understanding between Claremont citizens and local government, promotes public awareness of and interest in local issues and encourages volunteerism. Active Claremont does not endorse candidates or ballot measures. Participation with Crossroads/Salvation Army, Adopt-a-Roadway and Inland Valley Hope Partners Beta Center.

**AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL Group 305**

644 Rockford Dr., Claremont  
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Meetings: TBA. Founded in 1961, AI works impartially for the release of all prisoners of conscience, fair and prompt trials for political prisoners and an end to torture and executions. Group 305 is one of many local affiliates of Amnesty

International USA, which is the US national section of the worldwide Amnesty International.

**DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF CLAREMONT**

P.O. Box 1201, Claremont  
632-1516 • claremontdems.org  
claremontdemocrats@yahoo.com  
Meetings: Last Monday of the month at 7 p.m. The club's aim is to elect Democrats, to influence their policies, to educate members and the public on policy issues and to provide a satisfying social experience for participants. Monthly: newsletter, luncheon with speaker second Friday, meeting with speaker and club business. Annual holiday party.

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(909) 305-3717 • mvrcgop@gmail.com  
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The mission and purpose of the Mountain View Republican Club is to promote and support the Republican Party and its ideals and principles as well as Republican candidates in the San Gabriel Valley. Activities include registering Republican voters, providing assistance, education and information to Republican voters and coordinating and executing local Republican campaigns and fundraising.

**UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF POMONA VALLEY**

una-socal.org/pomona-valley/  
Contact: cmartin335@gmail.com  
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205 Yale Ave., Claremont  
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The Claremont Chamber of Commerce provides leadership in serving the interest of business, promotes the inter-relationship between business and community, and encourages business participation with civic and educational organizations and programs in Claremont. Events sponsored by the Chamber are: Village Venture, the Education Classic Golf Tournament, annual business awards banquet, monthly networking breakfast meetings, mixers and Ladies Luncheons and economic development committee meetings.

**CLAREMONT FACULTY ASSOCIATION**

141-B Harvard Ave., Claremont  
(951) 966-4417  
claremontfacultyassociation.com  
The Claremont Faculty Association, a chapter of the California Teachers Association, represents over 300 teachers, counselors, school nurses, psychologists and speech and language pathologists who work in the Claremont Unified School District. CFA works to protect and promote quality public education for students in Claremont.

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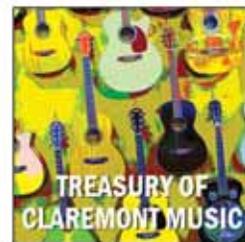
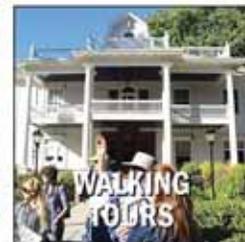


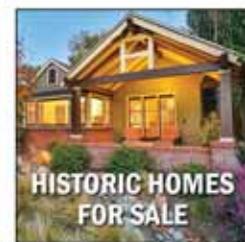
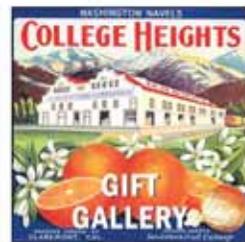
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621-6381 • [claremontgardenclub.org](http://claremontgardenclub.org)  
[info@claremontgardenclub.org](mailto:info@claremontgardenclub.org)

The Garden Club is free and open to all. It was established to bring together people interested in all types of gardening from edible to ornamental. Talks have included landscape design, composting, native plants for wildlife, plumeria and orchids, drip irrigation, tomatoes and more. Occasional field trips, a monthly newsletter and socializing. We'd love to have you join us.

**INTERNATIONAL PLACE OF THE CLAREMONT COLLEGES**

390 E. Ninth St., Claremont  
607-4571 • [iplace@cmc.edu](mailto:iplace@cmc.edu)  
Instagram: @internationalplace

To increase international and multicultural understanding and friendship by bringing together the Claremont community and students from more than 80 countries who are attending the Claremont Colleges. Members host and assist international graduate and undergraduate students; coordinate a variety of social and educational programs; co-sponsor the Spring International Festival and the International Banquet in November; and help fund the programs and services of International Place.

**CURTAIN RAISERS OF THE CLAREMONT COLLEGES**

300 E. Bonita Ave, Claremont  
Pomona College Theatre Dept.  
621-8186 • [facebook.com/curtainraisersclaremont/](https://www.facebook.com/curtainraisersclaremont/)

The Curtain Raisers of The Claremont Colleges was organized in 1963 to support the theatre and dance department of the Colleges, to present entertaining and informative programs for its membership, to award scholarships for theater/dance students at the Claremont Colleges who wish to participate in summer internships and to encourage community participation and support of theater/dance-oriented endeavors at The Claremont Colleges and in the greater community.

**FRIENDS OF THE BERNARD BIOLOGICAL FIELD STATION**

621-6381 • [fbbfs.org](http://fbbfs.org)  
email: [fbbfs@fbbfs.org](mailto:fbbfs@fbbfs.org)

The FBBFS is a nonprofit dedicated to helping preserve the 85 acre Robert J. Bernard Biological Field Station, the college-owned natural area north of Foothill between College and Mills Avenues. FBBFS works to educate the Claremont community about the great value of the Field Station to education and research, as well as to the character and heritage of the city. Newsletters are sent out two or three times a year.

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**KIWANIS CLUB OF CLAREMONT**

P.O. Box 1774, Claremont  
621-2996 • [claremontkiwanis.org](http://claremontkiwanis.org)  
Meetings Thursday at noon.

Kiwanis Club of Claremont is a community organization of volunteers. The club hosts several annual events, including its Fourth of July and Easter pancake breakfasts, Monday night concert series at Memorial Park, holiday season See's Candy store and September Route 66 Party. Kiwanis Club of Claremont also sponsors CHS and SAHS Key Clubs, a preschool reading program and activities for seniors. Kiwanis annually makes grants to community nonprofits. Grant applications are received in December and January. Details are announced on the website: [claremontkiwanis.org](http://claremontkiwanis.org).

**ROTARY CLUB OF CLAREMONT**

PO Box 357, Claremont, CA 91711  
624-3377 • [claremontrotary.org](http://claremontrotary.org)

Call club president Jim Marchant at (909) 630-6917 for more information. Meets at the Alexander Hughes Center, 1700 Danbury Court, Claremont every Friday at noon. The Rotary Club of Claremont sponsors the annual Taste of Claremont fundraising event, among other activities. Rotary club membership represents a cross-section of the community's business and professional men and women. The world's Rotary clubs meet weekly and are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds. Rotary membership provides the opportunity to become connected to your community; work with others in

addressing community needs; interact with other professionals in your community; assist with Rotary's international humanitarian service efforts; establish contacts with an international network of professionals; develop leadership skills; involve family in promoting service efforts. The Rotary motto is *Service Above Self*.

**CLAREMONT SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB**

830 W. Bonita Ave., Claremont  
PO Box 373, Claremont, CA 91711  
[claremontsunriserotary.org](http://claremontsunriserotary.org)  
[info@csrmail.org](mailto:info@csrmail.org)

Meetings: Wednesdays at 7:15 a.m. Organizes the annual Turkey Trot, which benefits CSR sports scholarships and other charities. The main objective of Rotary is service—in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Rotarians develop community service projects that address many of today's most critical issues, such as children at risk, poverty and hunger, the environment, illiteracy, and violence. They also support programs for youth, educational opportunities and international exchanges for students, teachers and other professionals, and vocational and career development. The Rotary motto is *Service Above Self*.

**SUSTAINABLE CLAREMONT**

PO Box 1502, Claremont  
625-8767 Ext. 238  
[sustainableclaremont.org](http://sustainableclaremont.org)  
[info@sustainableclaremont.org](mailto:info@sustainableclaremont.org)

Sustainable Claremont is a nonprofit organization that engages people in education and action to

create a more environmentally, economically and socially sustainable community. Members work closely with each other and the city on projects such as energy and water conservation, school programs, drought-tolerant landscaping, a garden club and habitat protection. New members are welcome. Follow them on Facebook at [facebook.com/sustainableclaremont](https://facebook.com/sustainableclaremont) and Twitter @GreenClaremont.

**UNIVERSITY CLUB OF CLAREMONT**

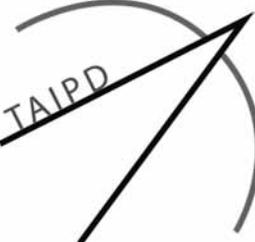
PO Box 700, Claremont  
[universityclubofclaremont.org](http://universityclubofclaremont.org)  
Meetings: Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m.

To educate, maintain fellowship, give financial assistance and hold open discussions. Serving the community through educational and cultural grants to schools and community organizations, and provides volunteers and community programs.

**VILLAGE MARKETING GROUP (VMG)**

112 Harvard Ave. #92, Claremont  
[claremontvillage.org](http://claremontvillage.org)

The VMG is a group of merchants whose purpose is to market and promote the Village. VMG sponsors events such as Welcome to College for parents and students, First Saturday Art Walk, concerts at the Holiday Promenade, the annual Village Wine Walk and Claremont Blues & Brews. The group also participates in Shop and Dine events.



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# CLAREMONT'S colleges

## THE CLAREMONT COLLEGES:

The Claremont Colleges is a consortium of five undergraduate colleges and two graduate institutions. The Colleges provide a library system, athletic facilities and extra-curricular activities, as well as lectures and events open to community members. Academic programs and cross-registration are offered to all students, faculty and staff.

### THE CLAREMONT COLLEGES, INC.

101 S. Mills, Claremont

621-8000 • [cuc.claremont.edu](http://cuc.claremont.edu)

TCC, Inc. is the central coordinating and support organization for The Claremont Colleges, which includes Claremont Graduate University, Keck Graduate Institute and five undergraduate institutions—Pomona, Claremont McKenna, Harvey Mudd, Scripps and Pitzer Colleges.

### CLAREMONT GRADUATE UNIVERSITY

150 E. Tenth St., Claremont

621-8027 • [cgu.edu](http://cgu.edu)

Founded in 1925, Claremont Graduate University (CGU) is an independent institution devoted entirely to graduate study. On its 19 acres, eight academic schools and one independent department award master's and doctoral degrees in 22 disciplines. Enrollment is limited and classes are small, with approximately 2000 students. CGU is home to the Peter F. Drucker and Masatoshi Ito Graduate School of Management and the Center for Neuroeconomic Studies.

### CLAREMONT MCKENNA COLLEGE

888 N. Columbia Ave., Claremont

621-8088 • [claremontmckenna.edu](http://claremontmckenna.edu)

Established in 1946 as Claremont Men's College, CMC became coeducational in 1976 and in 1981 changed its name to Claremont McKenna College. CMC is an independent, undergraduate liberal arts college, with an enrollment of approximately 1100 students and a curricular emphasis on economics, government and public affairs. CMC's 11 research centers and institutes include The Center for the Study of the Holocaust, Genocide and Human Rights, The Keck Center for International and Strategic Studies, The Kravis Leadership Institute, the Dreier Roundtable and The Rose Institute of State and Local Government.

### HARVEY MUDD COLLEGE

301 Platt Blvd., Claremont

621-8000 • [hmc.edu](http://hmc.edu)

Founded in 1955, Harvey Mudd is a private, co-educational, non-sectarian, undergraduate, engineering, science and mathematics college. Harvey Mudd seeks to educate engineers, scientists and mathematicians, well versed in all of these areas and in the humanities and the social sciences so that they may assume leadership in their fields with a clear understanding of the impact of their work on society.

### KECK GRADUATE INSTITUTE

535 Watson Dr., Claremont

School of Applied Life Sciences

607-7855 • [kgi.edu/academic-programs](http://kgi.edu/academic-programs)

Founded in 1997, Keck Graduate Institute is the seventh member of The Claremont Colleges Consortium and is the only American graduate institution devoted solely to bioscience education and discovery. Designed to educate leaders for the biotechnology, pharmaceutical, healthcare product and bioagricultural (biosciences) industries, Keck's interdisciplinary curriculum integrates biological systems, computational biology and bioengineering with management, finance and bioethics.

School of Pharmacy

607-7855 • [kgi.edu/pharmacy](http://kgi.edu/pharmacy)

The School of Pharmacy at Keck aims to educate pharmacists to serve patients, the healthcare system and the bioscience industry, with an emphasis on collaboration, problem-solving, safety, ethics and personalized care.

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**PITZER COLLEGE**  
1050 N. Mills Ave., Claremont  
621-8000 • [pitzer.edu](http://pitzer.edu)

Founded in 1963, Pitzer is a private, undergraduate, coeducational college that offers a curriculum in the arts, humanities, sciences and social sciences. Pitzer focuses on interdisciplinary, intercultural education with an emphasis on social responsibility and community service. Students create their own academic programs in close collaboration with faculty advisors.

**POMONA COLLEGE**  
333 N. College Way, Claremont  
621-8000 • [pomona.edu](http://pomona.edu)

Established in 1887, Pomona College is the founding member of the Claremont Colleges and is widely regarded as the "Harvard of the West." Pomona offers 44 majors in the natural sciences, humanities, social sciences and fine arts. Pomona's 140-acre campus has 61 buildings, including 12 residence halls.

**SCRIPPS COLLEGE**  
1030 N. Columbia Ave., Claremont  
621-8000 • [scrippscollege.edu](http://scrippscollege.edu)

Founded in 1926, Scripps is the women's college of The Claremont Colleges. The mission of Scripps is to educate women to develop their intellect and talents through active participation in a community of scholars, so that as graduates they may contribute to society through public and private lives of leadership, service, integrity and creativity. Designed by architect Gordon Kaufmann in 1926, the Scripps campus is included in the National Register of Historic Places.

**OTHER UNIVERSITIES**  
Although not part of The Claremont Colleges, there are two additional universities in town, bringing Claremont's college count to nine.

**CLAREMONT SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY**  
1325 N. College Ave., Claremont  
447-2500 • [cst.edu](http://cst.edu)

The Claremont School of Theology prepares faithful pastors, teachers, counselors and congregational leaders for the world. The campus was designed in 1957 by architect Edward Durell Stone, who also designed the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, DC. The Claremont School of Theology announced its move to Willamette University. Plans are still underway.

**CLAREMONT LINCOLN UNIVERSITY**  
250 W. First St., Ste. 330, Claremont  
667-4400 • [claremontlincoln.edu](http://claremontlincoln.edu)  
Claremont Lincoln University is a nonprofit, online educational institution in town that offers master's degrees and certificate programs focused on providing the knowledge, critical perspectives and leadership engagement skills to create sustainable social change in any work environment or community organization.

Its Claremont Core, which is embedded into each of its master's programs, is an integrated series of advanced coursework in mindfulness, dialogue, collaboration and change that seeks to enhance critical perspectives.



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# Schools & STUDY

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS:

### CLAREMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE:

170 W. San Jose Ave., Claremont  
398-0609 • [cusd.claremont.edu](http://cusd.claremont.edu)

Currently, CUSD has more than 6,860 students in its K-12 program and runs an extensive adult school program. There are seven elementary schools, a school for the orthopedically handicapped, an intermediate and high school, a community day school and a continuation school. School board meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Richard S. Kirkendall Education Center. Agendas are posted online, or call (909) 398-0609 ext. 70102 for specific dates and times.

**CHAPARRAL ELEMENTARY**  
451 Chaparral Dr. • 398-0305

**CONDIT ELEMENTARY**  
1750 N. Mountain Ave. • 398-0300

**MOUNTAIN VIEW ELEMENTARY**  
851 Santa Clara Ave. • 398-0308

**OAKMONT ELEMENTARY**  
Oakmont Outdoor School  
120 W. Green St. • 398-0313

**SUMNER/DANBURY ELEMENTARY**  
1770 Sumner Ave. • 398-0320

**SYCAMORE ELEMENTARY**  
225 W. Eighth St. • 398-0324

**VISTA DEL VALLE ELEMENTARY**  
550 Vista Dr. • 398-0331

**EL ROBLE INTERMEDIATE**  
665 N. Mountain Ave. • 398-0343

**CLAREMONT HIGH SCHOOL**  
1601 N. Indian Hill Blvd. • 624-9053

**SAN ANTONIO HIGH SCHOOL**  
125 W. San Jose Ave. • 398-0316

**COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOL**  
Phoenix Academy  
125 W. San Jose Ave. • 398-0609 ext. 21002

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**  
398-0373 • [cusd.claremont.edu](http://cusd.claremont.edu)  
Infant/toddler child care program; state/universal pre-school; school-age child care, grades K-6. A balanced selection of activities that integrate the cognitive, linguistic, social/emotional, physical and developmental areas. Supervised outdoor play and games, art, music, cooking, science, dramatic arts, computer time, field trips, quiet time and nutritional snacks. Limited funding is available to income-eligible families who meet state funding requirements.

**CLAREMONT ADULT SCHOOL**  
170 W. San Jose Ave., Ste. 100, Claremont  
[cusd.claremont.edu](http://cusd.claremont.edu)  
Each year Claremont Adult School serves more than 5,000 adults, providing quality, low-cost educational opportunities to adults from Claremont and surrounding communities. Classes offered include

parenting, English as a second language, high school diploma/GED, computer skills, fine arts and foreign languages. Both daytime and evening classes are offered. Classes for older adults include painting, writing, lectures, foreign language, genealogy and needle arts. ESL and literacy classes are free.

## PRESCHOOL, CHILDCARE and TUTORING:

**CLAREMONT HUMAN SERVICES**  
399-5490 • [ci.claremont.ca.us](http://ci.claremont.ca.us)  
Programs are held at various locations. Registration is required for all sites:  
**TRACKS Activity Center (TAC)**  
*El Roble Intermediate School*  
665 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont  
399-5378 • [ci.claremont.ca.us](http://ci.claremont.ca.us)  
7th and 8th grade, free after-school program  
The TRACKS Activity Center strives to provide programming students will enjoy while promoting positive growth mentally, physically and emotionally through the programs and workshops offered.

**YOUTH ACTIVITY CENTER (YAC)**  
1717 N. Indian Hill Blvd.  
399-5363 • [ci.claremont.ca.us](http://ci.claremont.ca.us)  
9th-12th grade, free after-school program  
The Youth Activity Center strives to provide an all-inclusive, diverse program where youth explore their interests through workshops, activities, volunteering, peer support groups, informational services and spending time with peers and staff. The YAC

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**CLAREMONT AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS, INC. (CLASP)**

1111 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont  
204-0127 • [clasp4kids.org](http://clasp4kids.org)

CLASP is a nonprofit that offers after-school homework help, mentoring and enrichment/recreation activities to children in grades K-6 in Claremont Unified School District. To volunteer as a tutor or substitute tutor, contact CLASP's tutor coordinator at 450-1079 or [office@clasp4kids.org](mailto:office@clasp4kids.org). CLASP has four neighborhood centers (and one online center): Claremont Presbyterian Church, 1111 N. Mountain Ave., grades 4-6; Claremont Village Apartments, 965 W. Arrow Highway, grades K-6; Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church, grades K-3; Wheeler Park Recreation Building, 626 Vista Dr., grades K-3.

**CLAREMONT BAPTIST NURSERY SCHOOL**

472 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont  
624-8873 • [claremontbns.org](http://claremontbns.org)

Ages 3-4 years, in-class instruction 8:30 a.m. to noon, early drop off at 8 a.m., office open until 1 p.m. Daycare: Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. School: 9 a.m. to noon. Program runs September through June. The nursery school's goal is to meet the individual child's needs at their present age of development. They aim to help children develop mental, physical, emotional and social potential for success in later school years. As a "happy, loving

Christian environment in which children may grow," Claremont Baptist offers reading readiness activities, small group instruction and creative play.

**CLAREMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S CENTER**

1111 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont  
626-6261 • [claremontpres.org](http://claremontpres.org)

Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Claremont Presbyterian Children's Center is a fully accredited daycare center serving children ages 6 weeks through 5 years.

**CLAREMONT UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER**

233 W. Harrison Ave., Claremont  
624-2916 • [claremontecc.education](http://claremontecc.education)

Ages 3 months to 5 years. Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Age-appropriate developmental program offered through hands-on experiences. Parent participation is encouraged. Accredited through the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs.

**CLAREMONT UNITED METHODIST THE PRESCHOOL**

215 W. Foothill Blvd., Claremont  
624-8223 • [claremontpreschool.org](http://claremontpreschool.org)

Accredited through the National Association for the Education of Young Children, The Preschool provides a play-based, developmentally appropriate program for children 2 to 5 years. Classrooms and outdoor environments are purposefully designed to challenge children, encourage exploration, self discovery, socialization, and to help children develop problem solving skills.

**KIDDIE ACADEMY OF CLAREMONT**

663 E. Foothill Blvd., Claremont • 621-5112  
[kiddieacademy.com](http://kiddieacademy.com)

Ages 6 weeks to 12 years. Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. An open atmosphere and academic curriculum provided by a nurturing, qualified teaching staff and a variety of activities and educational advantages in a safe, fully-equipped facility.

**RED PRESCHOOL**

211 E. Arrow Hwy., Claremont • 399-9222  
[internationalmontessorischools.com](http://internationalmontessorischools.com)

Ages 2 to 6 years. Hours for full-time school and day care: Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.; School hours 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The Montessori method combines a specialized teaching style with specifically-designed materials to unlock each child's natural motivation to learn. Montessori creates an environment in which the teacher plays the role of facilitator as each child satisfies his or her own inherent urge to learn and develop.

**THE SEEDLING SCHOOL**

1035 W. Harrison Ave., Claremont  
445-1235 • [foothillcds.org/seedling](http://foothillcds.org/seedling)

Ages 2 to 5 years. Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Part of Foothill Country Day, The Seedling School seeks to stimulate and encourage diversity of thought among children, and strives to develop character by teaching social skills, citizenship and moral values.

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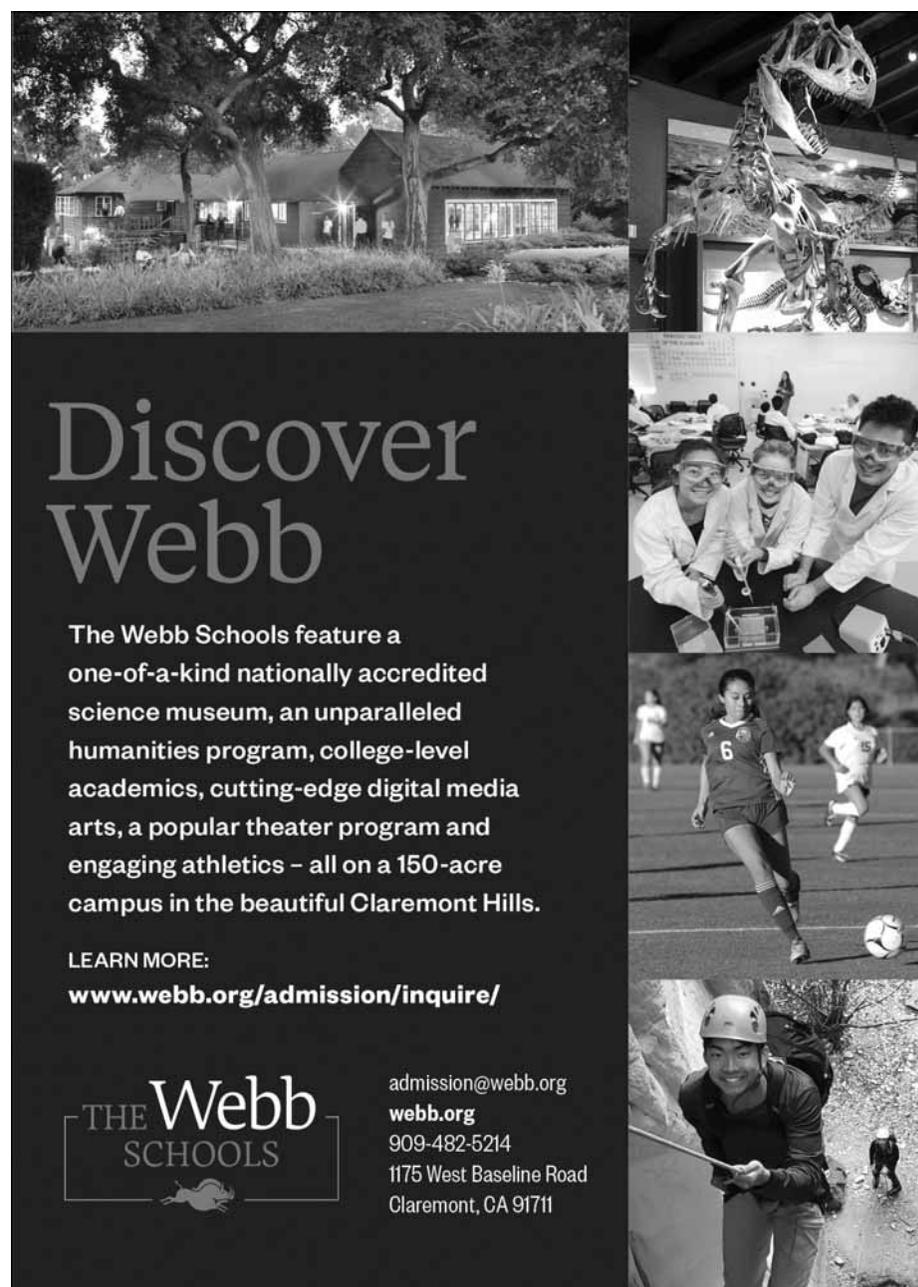
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[webb.org](http://webb.org)  
909-482-5214  
1175 West Baseline Road  
Claremont, CA 91711

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**TREE OF LIFE CHILDREN'S CENTER AT TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL**

3033 N. Towne Ave., Pomona  
626-6937 • [treeoflifepomona.com/](http://treeoflifepomona.com/)

Open Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Ages 2 to 5 years. Temple Beth Israel Preschool provides a nurturing environment supporting children in their effort to establish their self-identity, self-esteem and growing desire for independence within the context of Reform Judaism. Temple Beth Preschool follows the guidelines of the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

**PRIVATE ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS:**

**CARDEN ARBOR VIEW SCHOOL**

1530 N. San Antonio Ave., Upland  
982-9919 • [cardenarborview.org](http://cardenarborview.org)

Ages 5 to 14 years, K-8. Summer school/camp, before and after care. CAVS is an independent, nonprofit, non-sectarian school. Accredited by the California Association of Independent Schools, the school has served children in kindergarten through eighth grade since 1981.

**FOOTHILL COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL**

1035 W. Harrison Ave., Claremont  
626-5681 • [foothillcds.org](http://foothillcds.org)

Grades K-8. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Foothill Country Day School is an independent school that has been providing kindergarten through 8th grade education since 1954. FCDS is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and the California Association of Independent Schools. Since 1999, The Seedling School has provided an educational program for children ages 3 to 5. Summer program available.

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611 W. Bonita Ave., Claremont  
626-7135 • [ola-ca.org](http://ola-ca.org)

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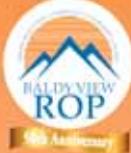








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[claremontyouthbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:claremontyouthbasketball@gmail.com)

Claremont Youth Basketball (CYB) is a California nonprofit corporation that provides a youth recreational basketball program to preserve, expand and contribute to the health, development and well-being of the youth in Claremont and neighboring communities. CYB is a volunteer organization and its activities are managed and overseen by its board of directors. A directory is available on the CYB website at [claremontyouthbasketball.com](http://claremontyouthbasketball.com).

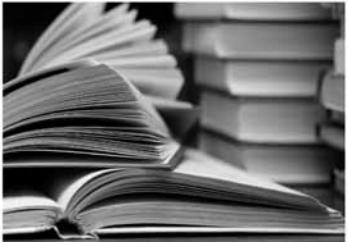
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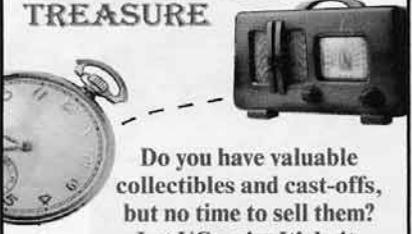
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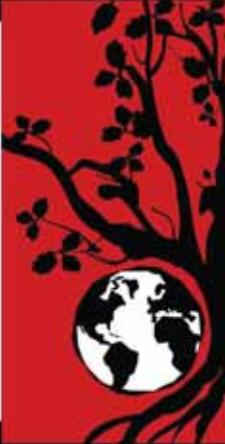
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447-9459 • [claremontchorale.org](http://claremontchorale.org)  
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PO Box 698, Claremont  
596-5979 • [claremontso.org](http://claremontso.org)  
[claremont.symphony.orchestra@gmail.com](mailto:claremont.symphony.orchestra@gmail.com)

The orchestra plays five free concerts annually, plus a children's concert in Bridges Hall of Music, a summer concert in Ganesha Park in Pomona and an annual Messiah Sing-Along before Christmas. Sponsors the Claremont Youth Symphony Orchestra. All concerts are free and are held at Bridges Hall of Music.

### CLAREMONT YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

PO Box 698, Claremont  
(909) 225-4157  
[claremontyouthsymphony.org](http://claremontyouthsymphony.org)  
[claremontyouthso@gmail.com](mailto:claremontyouthso@gmail.com)

Founded in 1983, CYSO is a non-profit organization providing young musicians in 6th through 12th grades an affordable, educational, professionally directed philharmonic orchestra program. Membership is by audition; the group performs two concerts annually at

Bridges Hall of Music. CYSO is sponsored by the Claremont Symphony Orchestra Association.

### CLAREMONT YOUNG MUSICIANS ORCHESTRA

PO Box 722, Claremont, CA 91711  
624-3614 • [cymo.org](http://cymo.org)  
Ages 12-20. The Claremont Young Musicians Orchestra, founded in 1989, is a 90-member, advanced-level, full symphony orchestra comprised of musicians who attend public and private schools in southern California. Members are selected through an audition in September for two full symphony orchestras, the CYMO and the Intermezzo Orchestra.

### THE FOOTHILL PHILHARMONIC COMMITTEE

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[foothillphilcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:foothillphilcommittee@gmail.com)  
The Foothill Philharmonic Committee was founded in 1958 by members of the Claremont College community. The Committee is one of seventeen Los Angeles Philharmonic Association Affiliates that supports the L.A. Phil. The Foothill Committee also provides music education activities for local youngsters, community outreach programs, and facilitates the purchase of subscriptions and charter bus tickets to Disney Hall for the Friday Middays (FRM) concert series. For more information and membership, please access the website or send an email.

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482-1590 • [ipballet.org](http://ipballet.org) • email: [ipbacademy1@gmail.com](mailto:ipbacademy1@gmail.com)  
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**MOUNTAINSIDE MASTER CHORALE**

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220 Yale Ave., Claremont  
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On August 12, 1958, Charles and Dorothy Chase opened the Folk Music Center in Claremont. In 1976, the Folk Music Center Museum was incorporated as a nonprofit educational, cultural corporation. The museum has hundreds of rare and antique musical instruments and artifacts. The store offers instruments, CDs, books, toys and apparel. Appraisals of antique or vintage instruments available as well as repair and restoration of vintage instruments. Ongoing concerts, workshops and classes are offered and they produce the annual Claremont Folk Festival, which benefits the museum.

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**OPHELIA'S JUMP**

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[info@opheliasjump.org](mailto:info@opheliasjump.org)

Ophelia's Jump is an Inland Empire theatre company founded by veterans of the theatre industry. It aims to prompt audience questions and discussions through creative interpretations of classic and award-winning works, as well as new works by local artists.

**SONTAG GREEK THEATER**

Pomona College 300 E. Bonita Ave., Claremont

607-2241 • [pomona.edu](http://pomona.edu)

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# Senior services

## CITY OF CLAREMONT

The Claremont Senior Program is a vibrant, action-packed combination of a social gathering place, local fitness center, learning environment, volunteering headquarters, transportation hub and a tasty affordable dining destination. Programs offered are intended for a wide range of interests and needs for those over 50 years of age.

Popular offerings include walking, bicycle and exercise groups, social mixers for the newly-retired, educational topics, course auditing at the Claremont Colleges, trips throughout southern California, computer learning, an array of resources and so much more. For information about the city's classes, support groups and more, visit [claremontca.org](http://claremontca.org) or call (909) 399-5488.

To keep up with senior program news and announcements by signing up to receive "The Clicks" e-newsletter. Visit [claremontca.org](http://claremontca.org) to register.

**Joslyn Center**  
660 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont  
Phone: (909) 399-5488  
Fax: (909) 621-7320  
Call for hours and programming.

**Blaisdell Community Center**  
440 S. College Ave., Claremont  
Phone: (909) 399-5367  
Call for hours and programming.  
Senior lunches are served during the week. Suggested donation for adults 60 and over is \$2. This program is funded in part by the Los Angeles County Area Agency on Aging.

**CALL College Auditing Program**  
The free Claremont Avenues for Lifelong Learning (CALL) Program is designed to give those 60 years of age and older an opportunity to audit courses at the Claremont Colleges. The CALL program will resume when the Claremont Colleges can safely return to in-person instruction.

**Senior Computer Club**  
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**AARP Smart Driver Course**  
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**Get About**  
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**Resource and Referral Services**  
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## OTHER SERVICES:

### AGING NEXT

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#### *AgingNext Village*

AgingNext Village is a membership based group of older adults who have come together for the sole purpose of helping each other age at home happily, successfully and with confidence. When you join the Village, you immediately gain access to a whole new world filled with fun social outings, new friendships, educational speakers, local trips, book clubs, discussion groups and more. In addition, the Village offers services such as rides, a handyman, tech help and more. If and when you need these services, our Village volunteers are ready to provide extra assistance with tasks that are no longer as easy as they once were.

#### *Memory Care Center*

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626-1227 • [claremontmanor.org](http://claremontmanor.org)

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### CLAREMONT PLACE

120 W. San Jose Ave., Claremont

962-8609 • [claremontplace.com](http://claremontplace.com)

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Claremont • 624-4511

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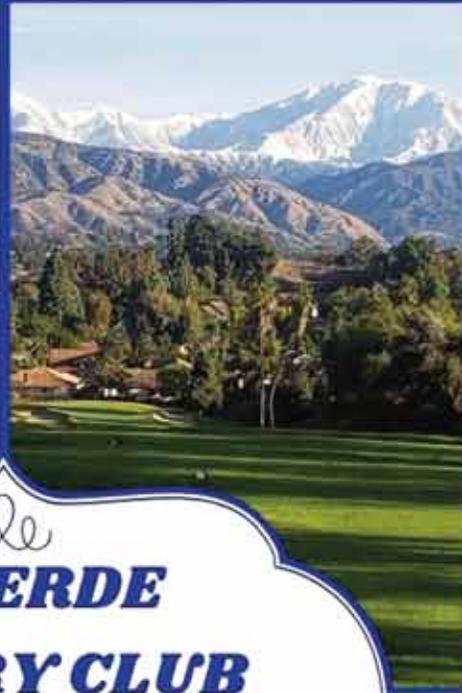
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The mayor is the presiding officer at council meetings, with the mayor pro tem filling that role in the mayor's absence. Both the mayor and mayor pro tem have the same voting power as any other council member.

Terms of office are staggered, with three members elected at one general municipal election and two at the next. Claremont now runs district-based elections, with one council person elected to each of the five districts. Residents vote only for candidates in their district.

**MUNICIPAL services**

The city council meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Claremont's Council Chamber, 225 W. Second St. Residents are asked to check the posted agenda or call the city clerk for current information. All city meetings are open to the public, except special closed sessions that deal with personnel and some legal matters.

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Fire services in Claremont are provided by the Los Angeles County Fire Department. Three fire stations are located within the city and Station 101 also houses a paramedic squad to handle medical emergencies along with the crews on the engines. All 9-1-1 calls originating within Claremont are answered by Claremont police dispatchers.

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**CITY EVENTS:**

Call 399-5490 for details.

**SPRING CELEBRATION**

(Saturday before Easter)

Memorial Park, 840 Indian Hill Blvd.

The city of Claremont and the Rotary Club of Claremont sponsor this annual event which includes a variety of entertainers, crafts, contests, clowns, games, a petting zoo, as well as a candy egg hunt.

**FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION**

Memorial Park, 840 N. Indian Hill Blvd.

The traditional Claremont celebration features a parade, 5K run, oratory, food booths, game booths, information tables, entertainment, family games and activities. Fireworks and a concert are held in the evening.

**SUMMER CONCERT SERIES**

Memorial Park, 840 N. Indian Hill Blvd.

The Monday Night Concert Series typically draws 3,000 to 5,000 people each night. This 10-week series is sponsored by both the city of Claremont and the Claremont Kiwanis Club and features a diverse selection of music while including a few traditional groups. Concerts begin the first Monday following the Fourth of July and end on Labor Day.

**MOVIE NIGHT IN THE PARK**

Summertime, schedule varies

The Claremont Police Department sponsors the family-friendly movie extravaganza. Each movie will be held in a different location, so call the CPD 399-5411 for details.



**COURIER photo/Grace Felschundneff**  
National Night Out 2022, a meet-and-greet with officers from the Claremont Police Department, featured food, entertainment and a movie, all on an unseasonably pleasant early August evening.

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**CLAREMONT PARKS:**

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Some park facilities are available for rent.

**BLAISDELL PRESERVE**

7.4 acres at Grand Avenue and New Orleans Court. This neighborhood park features turf areas, natural plantings and a walking path.

**CAHUILLA PARK**

18.2 acres at Indian Hill Boulevard and Scripps Drive. Home to the Youth Activity Center (YAC) and Taylor Hall, eight tennis courts, lighted baseball and softball fields, a basketball court, playground, picnic area and restrooms.

**CHAPARRAL PARK**

Three acres at 1899 Mills Avenue. Located adjacent to Chaparral School, this park contains a playground and soccer field.

**CLAREMONT HILLS WILDERNESS PARK**

2500 acres located at the north end of Mills Avenue. A wilderness preserve containing a system of fire roads used for hiking, biking, walking leashed dogs and horseback riding. During periods of brush fire danger or red flag warnings, the city will close the park to public access.

**COLLEGE PARK**

8.2 acres at 100 S. College Ave. Located just south of the Metrolink tracks, it is home to the Claremont Little League and the Pooch Park.

**EL BARRIO PARK**

3.7 acres in the 400 block of Claremont Boulevard. El Barrio Park features a basketball court, playground area, restroom building and a large open area.

**GRIFFITH PARK**

9.7 acres on Woodbend Drive. Located adjacent to Sumner School, Griffith Park features two soccer fields, baseball fields, a basketball court, playground, two picnic areas and restrooms.

**HIGGINBOTHAM PARK**

5.4 acres at Mt. Carmel Drive. Located in north Claremont, this park contains a “steam train” playground area, restroom building (handicapped accessible), and serves as a rest stop along the Thompson Creek Trail and Sycamore Canyon.

**JAEGER PARK**

4.5 acres at Monticello Road and Sweetbriar Drive. Located in the northeastern section of the city, Jaeger Park has a large open turf area frequently used by youth soccer teams and includes a playground and picnic area.

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**JUNE VAIL PARK**

5.8 acres at Grand Avenue and Bluefield Drive. Located in the northeastern section of the city, this park contains a softball field, an equestrian ring, a playground, soccer field and restrooms.

**LA PUERTA SPORTS PARK**

10 acres at 2430 N. Indian Hill Blvd. La Puerta Sports Park is used year-round by organized soccer groups in the city. Includes soccer fields, softball fields, restroom facilities (handicapped accessible).

**LARKIN PARK**

9.0 acres at 660 N. Mountain Ave. Located near Pilgrim Place and Claremont Manor, Larkin Park is home to the Joslyn Senior Center and Annex, and Larkin Community Building. Includes a softball field, half-court basketball court, playground areas, croquette and horseshoe court and restroom facilities.

**LEWIS PARK**

Three acres at 881 Syracuse Dr. Located just south of the Hughes Community Center, Lewis Park has playgrounds, a family picnic area (handicapped accessible), basketball courts and restrooms.

**MALLOWS PARK**

1.1 acres at 520 N. Indian Hill Blvd. The city’s oldest, and smallest park, opened in 1926. The little park with the tennis court on Indian Hill Boulevard and Harrison Avenue was named for the Reverend JH MalloWS, a retired minister, who lived to 100 years old and lived nearby. The park was improved during the 1930s by the Work Projects Administration (WPA) to include a restroom, racquet court and picnic area.

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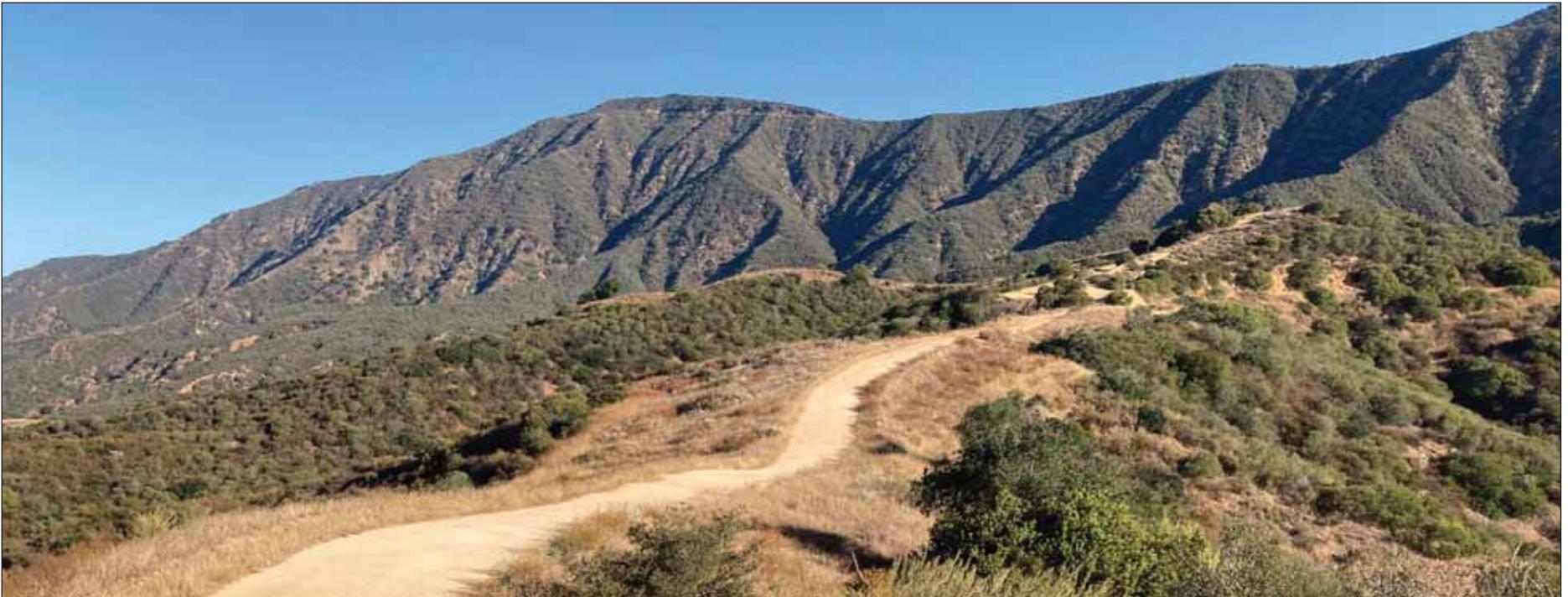
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The popular five-mile loop in the Claremont Hills Wilderness Park offers not only a good workout but also great vistas of the San Gabriel Mountains.

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**MEMORIAL PARK**

7.2 acres at 840 N. Indian Hill Blvd. Memorial Park is Claremont’s primary community park. It contains the historic Garner House, which houses the Claremont Heritage office, and is the site for community events such as the annual Fourth of July celebration, and summer concerts in the park. The park also includes the Memorial Park Building, the bandshell, playground area, wading pool, basketball court, sand volleyball and tennis courts, picnic areas and handicapped accessible restrooms.

**PADUA AVENUE PARK**

The 24-acre community park, which opened in Spring 2010, is located on Padua Avenue in northeast Claremont. Amenities include open space, restrooms, two soccer fields and a trail.

**RANCHO SAN JOSE PARK**

1.3 acres in the 600 block of West San Jose Avenue. Includes a basketball court, playground, covered picnic area (handicapped accessible), walking path and off-leash dog area.

**SHELTON PARK**

Corner of Harvard Avenue and Bonita Avenue. This park is located in the Village shopping district and includes the Claremont Lincoln University Community Performance Stage and a public art piece by former Claremont resident John Fisher.

**SYCAMORE CANYON**

144 acres. Sycamore Canyon is a natural area located north of the Thompson Creek Trail and features a tiered uphill climb to the Claremont Hills Wilderness park five-mile loop.

**THOMPSON CREEK TRAIL**

24.9 acres. This linear park is located at the northern end of the city and runs parallel to the Thompson Creek flood control channel. Its 2.8 mile paved

trail is popular with walkers, runners, bicyclists and leashed dogs, and is accessible from Base Line Road, Higginbotham Park, North Indian Hill Boulevard, several cul-de-sacs and Pomello Drive. The parking lot is located on North Indian Hill Boulevard, across from La Puerta Sports Park.

**ROSA TORREZ PARK**

0.9 acres at the west end of First Street. The park includes a play station for children (between the ages of 2 and 5), spring riders and swings that are ADA accessible, and a picnic area with barbecues.

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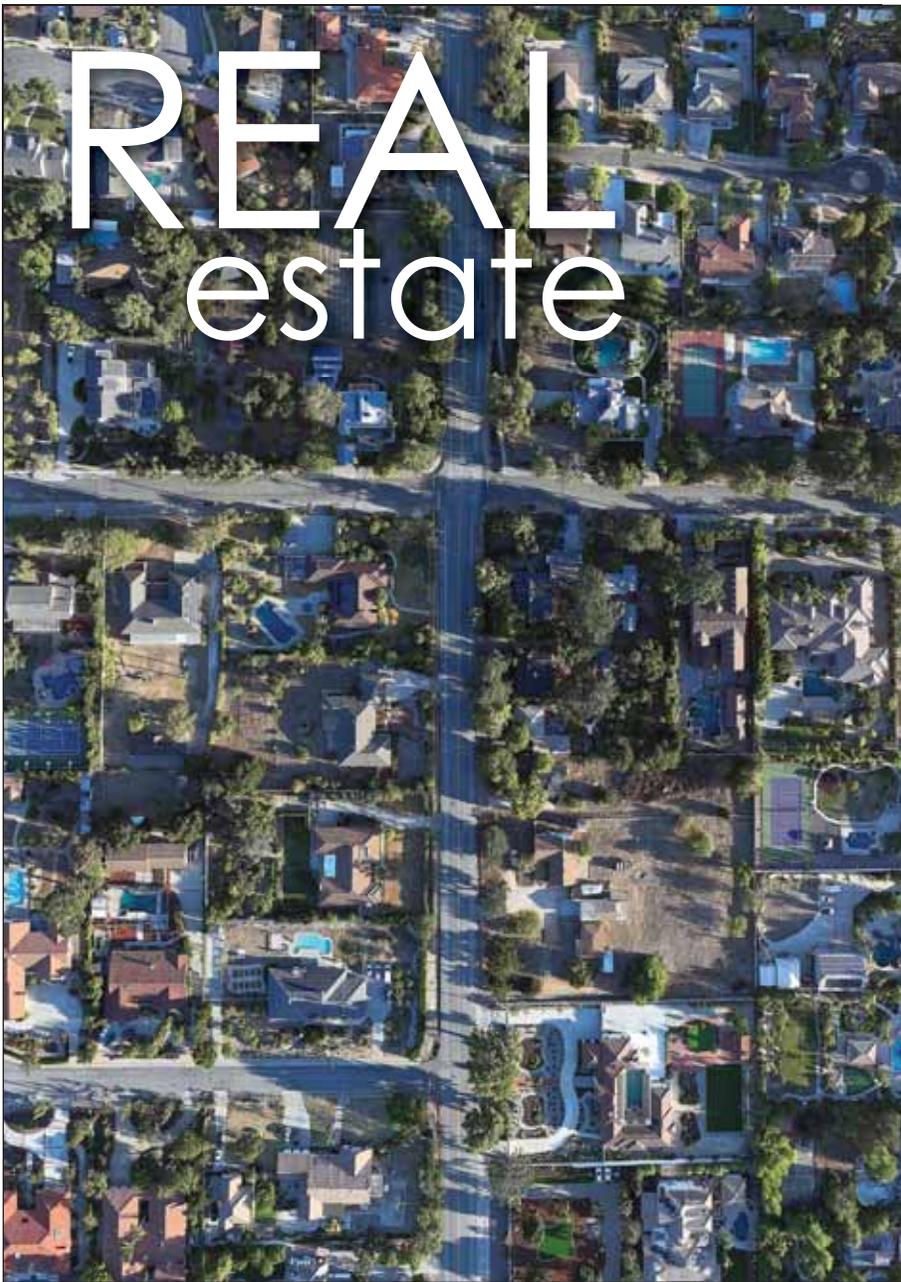
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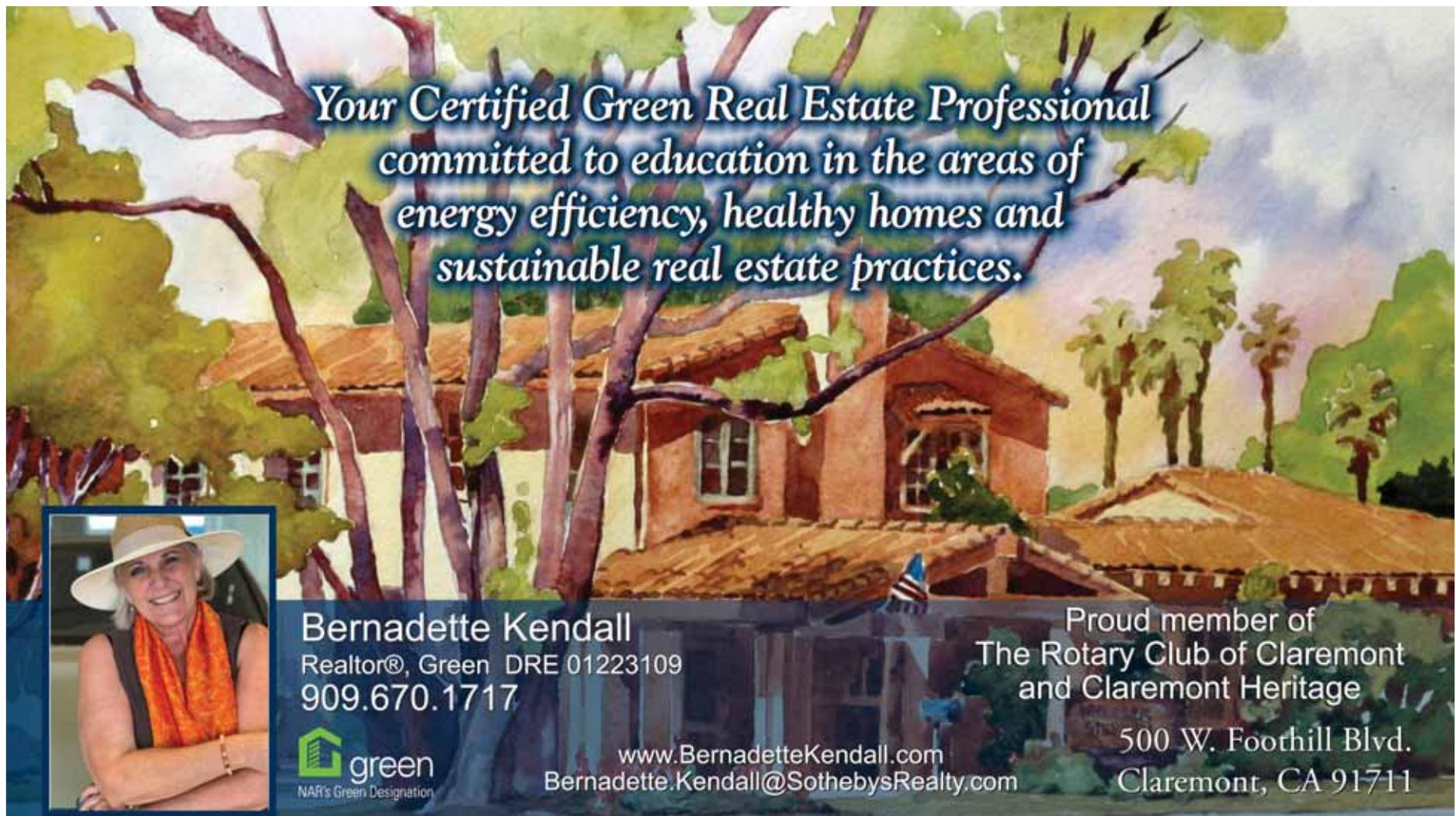
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