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David Lindley at his final Claremont performance at the Folk Music Center on September 21, 2019. Photo/courtesy of Leslie Gunning

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Pomona Valley Special Olympics coach Janine Williams gets set to send off a pair of runners at Claremont High School on March 4. Courier photo/Andrew Alonzo

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'We just want to live': a border story



Going There

by Mick Rhodes

"Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrow-mindedness, and many of our people need it sorely on these accounts. Broad, wholesome, charitable views of men and things cannot be acquired by vegetating in one little corner of the earth all one's lifetime."

— Mark Twain, "The Innocents Abroad"

Those words were rattling around in my head as I made a hasty exit from Tijuana, Mexico on Monday after gunshots rang out near the migrant shelter from which I was reporting, causing panic among its already shell shocked residents.

It was an abrupt, if poignant ending to a day that shattered my preconceptions about the refugees trying to make their way to the United States at our San Ysidro border with Mexico.

That shelter — I was asked not to publish the address for fear of Mexican drug cartel retribution against some of the 235 asylum-seekers housed there, and their families back home — is aptly named: "Una Luz de Esperanza" ("a light of hope"). The ramshackle, three-level 3,900 square foot building includes several sleeping rooms, a courtyard, a small office, and a kitchen, and is without heat or air conditioning. Kids and mothers are the dominant population. And though quarters are unbelievably tight, everyone keeps their small personal areas tidy and efficient.

In the coming weeks the Courier will publish a series of stories about this shelter, the desperate and disparate asylum seekers there, the people who built and support it, those who mean it harm, and the policies that keep it at full capacity with no end in sight. We will also explore Claremont's meaningful connection to Una Luz de Esperanza.

We will learn about two Mexican asylum-seekers

who have suffered unimaginable losses.

Carlos Eduardo Gonzalez Salazar, 25, from Michoacán, described matter-of-factly how the recent killings of two of his family members who got caught up in Mexican drug cartel business led his cousins in Michoacán to seek to avenge the slayings. So, he and 14 other family members, mostly children, are simply hoping not to be murdered by seeking asylum in the U.S.

"It's known that once somebody's family is involved, basically they go after everyone, even the kids," Carlos said. "They have no mercy with the kids; kids, adults, it's all the same to them."

Carlos assured me his story was not unique. "Mine is on the light side. The people out there," he said, gesturing toward the courtyard where dozens of his fellow refugees were gathered, "they have the strongest cases. My family has one of the weakest cases."

That became clear when I spoke to 37-year-old X, also from Michoacán, who asked that I not use her name or take her photograph out of fear for her life, and the lives of her family, who are also in Michoacán.

X was guarded at first, but as she began to talk her faint voice rose, her face betrayed her profound grief, and the tears came. In July 2022, X had recently been approached by a drug cartel for protection money. She refused. Later, gunmen entered her Mexico City hair salon and opened fire, killing her 16-year-old daughter. Her only child died in her arms.

After she refused to drop her legal case against the gunmen, the cartel came after her. She fled, leaving her home, her business, and the rest of her family at the time she needed them most.

As X and I were talking in a small, windowless office, gunshots rang out from the street below. Seconds later, the shelter's courtyard was teeming with frantic mothers, some fathers, and more than 100 panicked, weeping children who had been in classes at the makeshift school next door.

One mother told a colleague the sound of gunfire and the immediate rush of parents looking for their children brought her back to the narco-violence from which they were all trying to escape. She said she was in desperate need of psychological help to deal with her ever-present horrific memories.

I'll relate Una Luz de Esperanza Director Leticia

Herrera Hernández's remarkable story. Feeling lost and unmoored for several years following her son's 2002 death, she turned to her Catholic faith, and in 2014 was compelled to begin feeding a small group of unhoused migrants who had gathered at a canal near the Tijuana/San Ysidro border. She opened Una Luz de Esperanza in 2016, and has since provided a safe waystation for more than 13,000 people she calls "my family," most of them children.

We will also explore Claremont's role in providing aid for Hernández and Una Luz de Esperanza. I first reported on this effort, spearheaded by Claremont City Council member Jed Leano and former Claremont City Development Director Dave Roger, in August, 2019 ["Community groups united to improve conditions at the border"]. Since then Leano and Roger have enlisted the help of a host of charitable Claremonters to raise money for improvements at the shelter. Thus far they have provided bunk beds and remodeled and expanded its kitchen, among other capital projects, with more to come.

The United States' new "lottery" system does not take into account the level to which the lives of asylum-seekers are at risk when determining who is selected for an asylum interview. I will describe how that policy is cruelly random, and is exacerbating human suffering at the border.

Much of the coverage about the immigration crisis at our southern borders over the past decade has been couched in political rhetoric. I recall former President Trump, when announcing his candidacy in 2015, saying, "When Mexico sends its people, they're not sending their best. They're not sending you. They're not sending you. They're sending people that have lots of problems, and they're bringing those problems with us. They're bringing drugs. They're bringing crime. They're rapists. And some, I assume, are good people."

The folks I met at Una Luz de Esperanza are the antithesis of this broadly false narrative. In the words of both Carlos and X, "We just want to live."

Of course, what's happening at the Mexico-US border is too massive and complex a problem to dissect in a 1,000-word column or a multi-part series. But after spending some time in Tijuana this week at the behest of Leano and Roger, I have come to the conclusion that the wholesale demonization of Mexican and Central American asylum-seekers is bull\$#!t.

CITY NEWS

Jed Leano to run for state assembly

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On Sunday, Claremont City Council Member Jed Leano officially announced his candidacy for state assembly in November 2024.

"I am running for state assembly on a proven track record of leadership and delivering on issues that matter most to San Gabriel Valley families," Leano said during a virtual campaign kickoff.

A longtime affordable housing advocate, Leano's campaign motto is "voting his values to solve the housing and climate crises."

Leano is running for the 41st Assembly District, which includes Claremont, well as Altadena, Bradbury, Duarte, Hesperia, La Cañada Flintridge, La Verne, Lytle Creek, Monrovia, Oak Hills, Pasadena, Phelan, Piñon Hills, Rancho Cucamonga, San Antonio Heights, San Dimas, San Pasqual, Sierra Madre, Upland and Wrightwood.

The seat is currently held by Chris Holden, who is termed out and is challenging Kathryn Barger for a seat on the L.A. County Board of Supervisors in November 2024.

An immigration attorney, Leano was first elected to the City Council in 2018 during a citywide election and reelected in 2022 to represent District 4. In addition, he serves on the boards of a number of local agencies including chair of the San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust, chair of Tri-City Mental Health, the San Gabriel Valley representative to the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency and board member of the Immigration Resource Center of San Gabriel Valley.

A more complete story about Leano's candidacy will appear in a future edition of the Courier.

Jed Leano speaks to supporters on election night last November at Sanctuary Coffee in Claremont.
Courier photo/Steven Felschundneff



Plan to remove thousands of trees a surprise in the 'city of trees'

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Claremont has recently released the results of a comprehensive audit of its urban forest, and some residents are alarmed that an associated mitigation plan calls for the removal of a large number of mature trees.

Following the devastating windstorm last year, the City Council authorized West Coast Arborist to conduct an urban forest condition assessment to identify any trees that may be at risk of falling due to damage sustained in the storm. West Coast Arborist also provided an overall evaluation on the health of Claremont's city-owned trees.

The results of the assessment and an associated mitigation plan were presented to the Claremont Tree Committee on February 13, and were then forwarded to the community and human services commission for further consideration.

"Overall, the assessment indicated that the urban forest was in generally good health; however, they found that certain species of trees were more affected by the windstorm than others and that these species were at a greater risk of failure should another windstorm of the same magnitude occur," according to a staff report from Community Services Director Jeremy Swan.

The mitigation plan identified Italian stone pine, red ironbark eucalyptus and Canary Island pine as being the most prone to failure in the case of another storm. Furthermore, it recommended that these three types of trees be removed and replaced with other species over a five-to-10-year period.

According to the community services department, 34 Italian stone pine, 20 red ironbark eucalyptus and 20 Canary Island pine fell during the windstorm, and another 19 of these three types are considered high risk and should be cut down now. There are 108 Italian stone pine, 408 red ironbark eucalyptus and 848 Canary Island pine remaining, all of which would be replaced over time.

"The assessment also identified potential high-risk trees of all species," read the staff report. "Potential high-risk trees include those that are diseased/de-



A red ironbark eucalyptus lies on top of a vehicle the morning after the devastating January 21, 2022 windstorm. An audit of the city's urban forest recommends all red ironbark eucalyptus and two species of pines be removed and replaced. Courier photo/Steven Felschundneff

clining, dead, or structurally unstable. There were approximately 530 trees identified as potential high-risk."

The sheer number of removals caught the attention of a few Claremont residents who wondered why removal is the only remedy presented in the mitigation plan. In addition, they have questioned the decision to enlist West Coast Arborist to perform the analysis when that company would also be performing the tree removal work.

"It's true, aging urban forests such as ours do require tree removal and replacements, but the mass tree removal that is being proposed here was not the result of detailed assessments," said arborist and Claremont resident Drew Ready. "Our trees provide so much value to our cities and for this reason, for all but the most high risk of trees — those that are dead, dying or diseased — more thorough risk assessments are warranted."

"It is questionable that entire species should be removed when only a small percentage of the trees fell during the windstorm and only a tiny percentage of those remaining are high-risk," Bob Gerecke wrote to the community and human services commission. "I hope that you will request a second opinion from an independent expert source which is not under

contract with our City to trim, remove and replace trees. The contract status of WCA gives at least the appearance of a conflict of interest."

During her comments at the February 13 Claremont Tree Committee meeting, Community Services Manager Cari Dillman said the department has taken a more proactive approach to maintaining the urban forest, including diversifying the species that can be used as street trees as well as planting the right tree in the right place. Street trees can also be identified for removal during the city's routine "grid trim" maintenance schedule.

The mitigation plan was headed for the consent calendar during the March 1 community and human services commission meeting until some residents took notice and spread the word. Only a commissioner can pull an item from the consent calendar, so people like Gerecke, Ready, and Jennifer Jaffe were concerned an important decision like the removal of thousands of trees was going to get scant public input.

In response to public concern, staff initially moved the mitigation plan to the administrative items portion of the agenda so that residents would have the opportunity to comment. However, on Tuesday Swan said in an email that the plan had

been pulled from the agenda altogether so that his staff could conduct further research.

"We are going to complete further analysis and review of the item and bring it back at a later date," Swan said.

"When it comes to pine trees that line our streets, every tree is not a nail, and our only tool is not a hammer. Like any good hazard mitigation plan, we should use the utmost care in developing long-term strategies that will reduce negative impacts on people, property, and the environment," Ready said. "Cities such as Seattle, Santa Monica, and Los Angeles are employing creative solutions to sidewalk repair around trees. Claremont has always been a leader when it comes to planting and maintaining our urban forest. We can lead when it comes to sidewalk repair as well."

It may seem like preaching to the choir in Claremont, but mature trees provide badly needed shade in the hot summer months and have been shown to significantly reduce surface temperatures. Trees absorb carbon which can offset climate change and improve air quality. They also just make for a nice environment where people live.

It could take decades for the newly planted saplings to equal the positive effects of mature trees. Plus, the onus to keep new street trees watered is the responsibility of individual property owners, so there is no guarantee residents will keep them alive.

"We all experienced the trauma of the 2022 windstorm and the fallen trees," Jennifer Jaffe wrote in an email. "We who opposed the City's tree removal plan do support tree removal when necessary. But that determination must be based on third-party expert analysis and recommendations, full exploration of viable alternatives to removal, and a robust public process. None of that was true for the City staff's proposed plan. And it wasn't true of our public process, which yielded no public awareness or public comment on the true nature of the plan that was described as a "windstorm mitigation," but recommended removal of 100's of trees for reasons unrelated and inadequately considered."

Remaining special election questions answered

by Mick Rhodes

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The Courier reached out last week to the Los Angeles County Office of Education for some follow-up information on the successful petition drive that forced Claremont Unified School District to hold a special election to fill its now vacant Trustee Area 4 seat on its board of education.

The DOE sent us to the L.A. County Registrar-Recorder's office. And after answering some of our questions, the registrar sent us to the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools' office.

In the meantime, here's what we

gleaned from registrar's office spokesperson Michael Sanchez:

Of the 115 petition signatures, 102 were deemed valid by the registrar's office, three more than the required 99.

The L.A. County Superintendent of Schools will determine the date of the election, which will take place on a Tuesday prior to July 29. California Education Code section 5091(c)(2)(A) includes information on the date range.

We asked the registrar if there an alternative to holding a stand-alone special election, such as folding it into the November 7, 2023 local and municipal elections. Sanchez's one word answer was "No."

We also asked what the requirements

are for voting in the special election. Sanchez said voters must be registered, at least 18 years of age, have U.S. citizenship, have no felony convictions on their record, and have their primary residence inside Trustee Area 4.

Sanchez also confirmed the candidate with the most votes will be declared winner, with no majority or other threshold that must be met, and will serve through December 2026.

Also, the winner will become a member of the CUSD Board of Education after he or she is sworn in by the board. (We asked because former board member Hilary LaConte was immediately off the board when the results of the petition were made official/certified.)

CSO in concert March 19 at Little Bridges

The Claremont Symphony Orchestra will perform a free and open the public concert at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 19 at Bridges Hall of Music, 150 E. Fourth St., Claremont.

The concert will be led by conductor Ruth Charloff and highlight works by Korngold, Bizet, Elgar and Brahms. All attendees, regardless of vaccination status, must wear a mask while in the music hall.

For details visit claremontso.org.

Iconic Claremont musician David Lindley dead at 78

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Acclaimed Claremont musician and songwriter David Lindley has died.

Lindley died March 3 in Pomona, where he had been in hospice care for a short time. He had been hospitalized several times over a period of three

near and far. From the flowers left on our porch by people we don't know, to the emails and texts from those he played with all over the world. David touched so many people."

Lindley was known for his startling, wide-screen musicality, was conversant on dozens of stringed instruments, and was one of the progenitors of world music. From his distinctive lap steel work on

1970 and helped lay the groundwork for what would become known as world music.

After leaving Kaleidoscope, he went on to become an in-demand studio musician, working with Bob Dylan, Linda Ronstadt, Leonard Cohen, Dolly Parton, Rod Stewart, and Warren Zevon, and many others.

But Lindley is most inextricably linked to Jackson Browne, who helped bring him into the mainstream consciousness, beginning with 1973's "For Everyman." By the mid-1970s Lindley's soaring, melodic lap steel slide guitar was suddenly everywhere, as Browne scored a string of hits, including "These Days," "Redneck Friend," "The Pretender," "Running on Empty," "The Load Out/Stay," and "That Girl Could Sing."

Lindley also released more than a dozen solo records, most recently 2008's "Big Twang." His band El Rayo X hit number 34 on the Billboard charts in 1981 with its remake of "Mercury Blues," marking his highest charting single as a solo artist.

Lindley had long been a figure of renown in Claremont. He was hard to miss; his style: funky, loud polyester



David Lindley at the 2016 Claremont Folk Festival. Photo/courtesy of Wikimedia

pants, long hair, and oversized mutton-chop sideburns, was outsider fashion before the term existed, and grew to be iconic.

His final Claremont performance was at the Folk Music Center on September 21, 2019.



David Lindley performing at the University of Alaska at Fairbanks in 2012. Photo/Todd Paris, Mountain Stage

months, first with double pneumonia, then with acute vasculitis. Lindley was 78.

He is survived by his wife Joanie and daughter Rosanne.

"We are devastated by the loss of our beloved David," his family shared. "He was a brilliant man — a true genius. He was reclusive, and preferred playing his instruments to most social interaction. Nonetheless, he was kind and generous to those who approached him, whether by email, or on the street, or even at a show. He was kind to everybody. We are heartened by the outpouring of love and condolences we have received from people

Jackson Browne's early records, to his own explorations of the music of Turkey, Madagascar, Jamaica, and Greece — to name but a few musical cultures he studied and mastered — Lindley has influenced countless musicians and songwriters around the world for more than five decades.

Born in San Marino, California in 1944, the longtime Claremont resident was an early bandmate of another giant of Claremont music, the late Chris Darrow (Lindley was also married to Darrow's sister, Joanie) in Kaleidoscope. That band released four records between 1966 and



David Lindley performing at the 2016 Claremont Folk Festival. Photo/courtesy Brian D'Ambrosia-Donner

LATEST

Condit fourth-graders mark snowfall with haiku

After a rare snow flurry at Condit Elementary School last week, fourth grade teacher Summer Bonner recently tasked her students at the north Mountain Avenue school to write haiku about the experience.

The resultant creativity was just too impressive and cute to resist, so the Courier asked Bonner for permission to share them with our readers. Here is your collective dose of fourth grade artistry:

Snow, Down, Down

Lightly floating down
And when joy filled inside me,
I sprinted outside
— Madison P.

Snow In Claremont

Snow started falling
It hailed it snowed to ground

At my Condit school.
— Samantha P.

Snow From Claremont

The Snow from Claremont
Was soft and fluffy and cold
In my hands like ice.
— Flora M.

When It Snowed

My eyes looked outside
And I saw white snow falling
It came down slowly.
— Anthony C.

It Snowed

It snowed in Claremont
It was cold and in small spheres
The snow was so fun!
— Amelia K.

Crazy Snow

Everyone comes out
Five minutes of craziness
Playing in the snow.
— Soren R.

Snowflakes Fill the Sky

To fill half the sky
Shining snowflakes fill the sky
Snowflakes on the ground
— Penny E.

The Snow

The five-minute snow
It was like powdered sugar
It was beautiful!
— Brooklyn G.

Surprising Snow

It started snowing
I ate the delicious snow

I had a great time.
— Aliyah C.

A Snowy Surprise

We saw snow come out
Twirling swirling everywhere
Softly coming down.
— Sabine L.

Snow from the Sky

Snow from the blue sky
Falling slowly from the air
Landing in my hair
— Alex G.

Crazy...Snow!

Crazy snow falling
The comes down, too much fun
Snow is so much fun!
— Morgan F.

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POLICE BLOTTER

By Steven Felschundneff

Wednesday, February 22

At 1:33 a.m. Claremont Police Department officers pulled over Pomona resident Ivan Diaz Toledo, 29, on Indian Hill Boulevard near American Avenue for an inoperable taillight. After questioning Toledo, officers say he appeared to be intoxicated and asked him to get out of the vehicle. Police say field sobriety tests confirmed Toledo was driving under the influence. He was arrested for misdemeanor DUI, transported to the Claremont jail where he was held for detoxification, and later released with a citation to appear at Pomona Superior Court.

A resident in the 200 block of Independence Drive returned home just after 8 p.m. to discover her home had been burglarized. Suspects broke into the home sometime between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. and ransacked the interior. The suspects also stole a car from the garage. Claremont police put out an alert for the stolen car, and several days later it was connected to a commercial burglary in a neighboring city. Those suspects were charged with grand theft auto and police are investigating whether the same suspects robbed the home on Independence.

Thursday, February 23

Claremont Colleges campus safety called Claremont police at 4:09 a.m. about a red Toyota on College Way near Sixth Street with two flat tires. Police located the driver, William Houy, 23, of Claremont standing near the car and said they smelled a strong odor of alcohol on him, and that he seemed intoxicated. Police conducted field sobriety tests, which they say confirmed that Houy was driving under the influence. He was arrested for misdemeanor DUI and transported to the Claremont jail, where he was booked,

held for detoxification, and later released with a citation.

Saturday, February 25

At 12:21 a.m. police attempted to pull over Montclair resident Eddy Herrera Umanzo, 55, after he reportedly ran a red light on Foothill Boulevard at Mountain Avenue right in front of officers. Herrera Umanzo allegedly continued to travel eastbound on Foothill with officers in pursuit. He finally came to a stop at Foothill and Harvard Avenue. Officers then approached Herrera Umanzo and asked him to put the car in park and exit the vehicle. Police said they smelled a strong odor of alcohol. A records check showed Herrera Umanzo did not have a driver's license. He then took field sobriety tests and was arrested for misdemeanor DUI, driving without a license, and evading police. He was taken to the CPD jail where he was held for detoxification and released with a citation to appear in court.

Sunday, February 26

Police received a call at 12:30 a.m. about a traffic collision on the eastbound onramp of the 10 Freeway at Indian Hill Boulevard. California Highway Patrol arrived at the scene first and told Claremont officers one driver was possibly under the influence. Police questioned the driver, Riverside resident Jerson Coronado Mauricio, 25, and said he appeared to be intoxicated. Through their investigation police said that Coronado Mauricio collided with another car while attempting to get on the freeway. No one in the other car was injured but Coronado Mauricio's female passenger sustained significant injuries and was transported to an area hospital. Police said a field sobriety test confirmed he was driving under the influence, while a records check revealed that he was an unlicensed driver. Coronado Mauricio was arrested for felony DUI causing injury and misdemeanor driving without a license. He was then transported to CPD jail where he was booked, held

for detoxification and released with a citation to appear in court.

At 2:20 a.m. while police were still investigating the DUI collision on the 10 Freeway onramp, a pedestrian alerted officers that somebody in a white Chevrolet truck was asleep at the wheel, blocking lanes a short distance away on Indian Hill Boulevard. When officers arrived they found 32-year-old Upland resident Gergorio Lopez, allegedly still snoozing in his truck in the middle of Indian Hill at Auto Center Drive. After waking Lopez, police said he showed signs of intoxication. Officers moved his car to the shoulder and performed field sobriety tests they say showed Lopez was DUI. He was also an unlicensed driver and had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. He was arrested for DUI, the warrant, and not having a driver's license. He was subsequently taken to the CPD jail where he was booked, held for detoxification and later released with a citation to appear in court.

Wednesday, March 1

At 12:15 p.m. police responded to a hit-and-run traffic collision at Base Line Road and Indian Hill Boulevard. When police arrived, they questioned the driver of the car that had been hit and an independent witness, who both provided a description of the suspect's vehicle. Following the collision, the witness apparently followed the suspect until he stopped in the 2100 block of north Forbes Avenue. Officers responded to the Forbes location and found Empry Young, 33, of Compton apparently asleep behind the wheel. After waking Young, officers alleged he seemed confused and showed signs of being under the influence of marijuana. The victim and witness were able to positively identify the car parked on Forbes as the same one that was involved in the hit-and-run. Young was given field sobriety tests,

which police say showed he was DUI. He was arrested for misdemeanor DUI drugs and hit-and-run, and transported to the Pomona jail where he was booked, held for detoxification, and later released with a citation.

Thursday, March 2

A security firm called Claremont police at 12:55 a.m. to report that two people appeared to be stealing catalytic converters from cars parked at Claremont Toyota, 601 Auto Center Drive. Security was able to provide police with the suspects' vehicle description, and when officers arrived they spotted a similar vehicle leaving the area. Police conducted a traffic stop and questioned the occupants, Corona resident Jaelyn Mills, 20, and Jayden Johnson, 19, from Riverside. Police reported seeing several catalytic converters and tools in the car. The pair were arrested for misdemeanor grand theft and receiving stolen property. They were transported to the Claremont jail, where they were booked and issued citations. They both posted bond and were due in court Tuesday, March 7.

Saturday, March 4

At 2:33 a.m. officers on patrol allegedly saw a person driving recklessly on Foothill Boulevard near Towne Avenue. The driver, later identified as Nicholas Leonard, 25, of Upland, then headed south on Towne, allegedly continuing to drive in a reckless manner. Officers attempted to pull Leonard over and were finally able to get him to stop at Towne and Arrow Highway. Police said Leonard appeared to be under the influence and open containers of alcohol were seen in his car. Leonard was asked to get out of the car and field sobriety tests allegedly confirmed he was DUI. He was arrested for misdemeanor reckless driving and DUI, transported to the CPD jail where he was held for detoxification, and later released with a citation to appear in court.

Condit fourth-graders mark snowfall with haiku continued from page 4**Whoa!**

It's snowing! Snowing
So that it bonks off the roof
Make a big ice ball!
— Quincy E.

What...snow?

How could this happen
This is so impossible
It actually snowed!
— Malachi D.

Snowfall in the South

Today, it had snowed
Oddly today we saw snow
Snow? Here in the South?
— By Lilly V.

Snow

The snow was pretty

All though it did not stay long
It was cool to see.
— Avery C.

Snow in the South

Snow is magical
Soft ice falling from clouds
In the warm south parts.
— Simon B.

An Icy Surprise

It was hail but snow
The snow was soft but icy
The land was all white
— Vivienne

Snowy Day on a Dark Night

It was super cold
It was freezing and snowing
And it was so fun!
— Deacon H.

Winter

When I saw the snow
The snow in school was chunky
Snow was on the ground.
— Preston L.

Snow in an Instant

Came out of nowhere
Like flakes falling from the sky
But it disappeared
— Noah D.

An Astonishing Snowfall

A gaze of fresh snow
Each snowflake flies over thee
Each one is so unique
— Sophie L.

The Snow

Snow is beautiful

The snow was so beautiful
I wished it stayed here
— Brooklyn G.

On This Unexpected Day

It snowed on Wednesday
Frost flaky white bright snow
On this very day.
— Hannah K.

Snow in the Forest

Snow is falling down
Like the Wind
The snow is small flakes
— Cruz A.

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Kudos to the Courier for its storm, Whiteley coverage

Dear editor:

I want to raise a salute to the Courier for its outstanding edition last week with the coverage of the snowstorm in Mount Baldy, especially the video, which harkens to Martin Weinberger's award-winning photojournalism some years ago. In addition, there was CBS News' recognition of editor Mick Rhodes' coverage of the heartwarming story about Cash Whiteley.

In these days when we hear a lot of moaning nationally about the loss of local news coverage, the Courier stands as an outstanding example of what can be done.

Additionally, I would like to suggest that you have a story detailing how those pictures, especially the video, were taken.

Mel Opotowsky
Claremont

Kudos to Giffords, Courier

Dear editor:

Kudos to the Courier for its excellent interview last week with Gabby Giffords ["Gabby Giffords returns to Scripps for documentary screening, discussion," March 3] and to Scripps College and their public events program for bringing alumna Gabby Gifford's back to campus. Her documentary and the subsequent panel discussion, featuring Gabby, were incredibly inspiring, moving, and motivating for everyone in the audience. What she has overcome after a devastating brain injury is nothing short of remarkable, and she

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continues to fight the good fight every day around the country. Her message to women and all young people to be strong, courageous, and to move forward and fight for what they believe in despite the obstacles couldn't come from a more convincing role model, or at a more critical time in this country. She made me, and many others in the audience, very proud to be Scripps alumnae!

Mary Weis
Claremont

In support of Leano and his State Assembly campaign

Dear editor:

Sunday morning I awoke to the buzz of my smartphone, and there it was — a video from Jed announcing his candidacy for the California State Assembly. I felt joy and pride as I learned that Claremont's champion of justice and progress was taking his fight to the next level.

My mind drifted back to when we first met on the Claremont Community and Human Services Commission in 2016. Jed left a first impression like no other. He was intelligent, articulate, charismatic, and deeply committed to social justice. I knew that Jed was the ideal candidate for Claremont City Council and began en-

couraging him to run the first day we met.

Jed proved me right.

After his election to City Council, Jed delivered on every single campaign promise he made. He has been a staunch advocate for addressing homelessness and building affordable housing and remained unwavering in his goals despite fierce political opposition. Jed is not only unafraid of addressing controversial issues, rather, he has made that his calling card. He led our city through the pandemic, advocating for everyone from renters to businesses, and was on the streets checking on residents and looking for solutions after a once-in-a-lifetime windstorm. Jed has proven himself to be someone who can work toward his goals and also respond to the unforeseeable.

For the first time in the lives of most of us, we will have the honor of seeing a Claremonter serve in the California State Assembly. What an opportunity for our small town to have a real voice in Sacramento! Our state assembly member won't just be someone we know. He will be one of us, working for us. This is a special moment for our great city.

Butch Henderson
Claremont

Asymptomatic false Covid positives worse than reported

Dear editor:

In her heartfelt letter to the Courier, ["Scripps medical decisions made absent evidence," February 24] Ms. Julie Garel stated (in reference to her daughter): "Because she had neither symptoms nor any known exposures, we suspected the test was wrong. Several rapid tests and a second PCR test that day confirmed her result was one of the less than one percent of PCR tests to falsely register positive. Mistakes happen. We learn from them — a fundamental tenet of academic research."

The performance of PCR tests in this situation is much worse than described. When infection prevalence is low, a test

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*All who walk in town
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Snow-covered mountains!*
— Carol Willner

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will "falsely register positive" more often than not in asymptomatic individuals with no known exposures. For this reason, most other countries now only test people with symptoms compatible with Covid.

There is a helpful tool online that illustrates this graphically at bmj.com by searching "interpreting a lateral flow."

Testing has its proper place, but if deployed indiscriminately, it will cause

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New \$57M Pomona-Pitzer athletic building opens

Construction of Pomona and Pitzer Colleges Center for Athletics, Recreation, and Wellness has been completed.

The \$57-million, 95,000-square-foot facility includes multiple gymnasiums, a fitness center and improved locker rooms.

“The new center is 15,000-square feet larger than the previous building built in 1989,” a news release read. “More than

half of the rebuilt facility is entirely new construction, while the other areas of the structure were incorporated by updating and reconfiguring the interior to enhance the building’s usability.”

The center will support Pomona-Pitzer athletes, intramural and club athletes, student physical education classes, and fitness and recreation programming. The

men’s and women’s varsity basketball teams and women’s varsity volleyball team will continue to play in the facility, which first opened its doors in October.

Voelkel Gym remained largely intact but a new two-court practice and recreational gym was added above the fitness area. In addition to a general-use weight room, there is now a dedicated varsity weight

room with new locker rooms. The building, LEED platinum certified, the highest rating achievable from the United States Green Building Council, also includes multiple outdoor patios.

C.W. Driver Companies collaborated with SCB Architects on the project. For more information about the center, visit pomona.edu/new-athletics-center.

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many students to be unnecessarily quarantined. Hopefully, the administration at Scripps can learn from this unfortunate episode.

Policies regarding isolation, vaccination, masking, and testing should be evidence-based. Too often, our tightly held beliefs about this virus and its origin reflect political tribalism rather than the latest scientific knowledge.

John J. McDermott III, M.D.
Claremont

Climate modeling needed in tree plan

Dear editor:

At last week’s Claremont Community and Human Services Commission meeting, a proposed tree mitigation plan was pulled for further evaluation which I think was a very wise decision. As part of the re-evaluation process, I would like to strongly encourage the city, the commission, and the tree committee to utilize climate modeling forecasts for our area in their planning process. It concerns me that trees which may be sufficiently drought and heat tolerant for the current environment may not be viable in a decade or more.

I also think it will be very important to increase community input and feedback for this plan since residents with city trees on their property will have a greater level of responsibility and possible increase in their water costs for ensuring these trees

will have enough water at the right time and in the right amount in order for them to thrive. Education of residents on how to do this will also be key.

No doubt our trees are an incredible resource, and we need to help ensure their health by planning based on what our environment and water availability will look like in several decades to come. Including climate model forecasts in this planning process I think is a wise decision.

Betsy Cline
Claremont

More dialogue needed on tree removal proposal

Dear editor:

I would like to respectfully add my voice to the many community members who became alarmed after learning of a proposal to remove nearly 1,800 mature, mostly healthy, trees over a period potentially as brief as five years [“Plan to remove thousands of trees a surprise in the ‘city of trees,’” March 7]. I do want to thank the Claremont Community and Human Services Commission for accepting staff recommendation to pull the March 1, 2023 agenda item.

There are many valid reasons for questioning such a massive destruction of our urban forest — GHG sequestration, heat island effect, vetting adequacy — but I write, rather, to remind our community of a similar action proposed 15 years ago, ac-

tion that spurred community volunteers to create the informal Tree Action Group.

Key actions that grew out of this community/governance/staff collaboration were:

- Secured the immediate cessation of a wholesale “mitigation” and established a working relationship between city staff, the community services commission, and our respected local arborist.

- Renovation of the tree policies guidelines, a process which took nearly 1 1/2 years, and which strengthened oversight and transparency regarding the removal of any city tree asset.

- Established the principle that societal and environmental benefits of each tree should be measured and valued carefully prior to any removal. That policy has served our community well for more than a decade.

All policies and laws have potential for change; I would be the last person to suggest otherwise. However, designs for any such change should be clearly and concisely spelled out. I do have great faith in our community, not simply because of one “side” or the other, but in our ability to dialogue. I, and numerous others, remain ready to help in discussions that lead us, hopefully and once again, to a collaborative solution.

Barnabas Path
Claremont

Alternatives to tree removal exist

Dear editor:

A concerned Claremont resident asked me to voluntarily review and comment on the city’s proposed windstorm tree plan and mitigation.

I find that the plan is critically flawed, in methodology and scope, absent alternatives to needless removals.

My credentials include a Ph.D. in plant pathology, Cornell University; emeritus professor Cal Poly Pomona; I have taught arboriculture and urban forestry; am an In-

ternational Society of Arboriculture qualified certified arborist/tree risk assessment; hold a Society of American Foresters Urban Forestry Certification; and am a consultant to many cities, including Claremont.

Targeted for mitigation/removal are three species: stone pine, red ironbark eucalyptus, and Canary Island pine. The 24% stone pines that failed in the storm justify particular consideration by species, but the 5% loss of red ironbark eucalyptus and 2.3% loss of Canary Island pines do not.

The losses may be unusually high for a single wind event, but as noted in the report, the intensity of the 2022 windstorm was unprecedented.

The proposed plan is less about mitigation of the named species than on mitigation of curbs and sidewalks (infrastructure) damaged by tree roots. Where trees have damaged infrastructure, removal is the only proposed solution.

The plan fails to see trees as essential infrastructure offering stormwater mitigation, shading, cooling, carbon sequestration, increased property values, wildlife habitat, and beauty.

Alternatives to removal exist. Many cities have employed practices used to preserve trees where possible.

For example, the Seattle Department of Transportation’s Tree and Sidewalks Operation Plan, recommended to me by Larry Costello, retired U.C. cooperative extension adviser for the University of California and co-author of “Reducing Infrastructure Damage by Tree Roots: A Compendium of Strategies.”

Similar efforts to preserve trees, where possible, include Palo Alto and Sacramento. Such practices include rubberized sidewalks, diamond plates, and meandering sidewalks to provide more room for roots.

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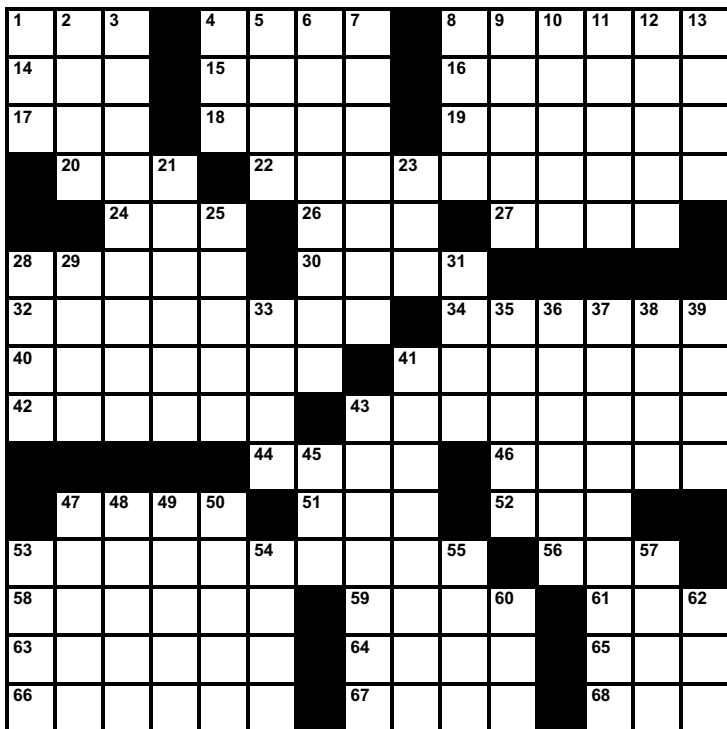
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Puzzle #716 by Myles Mellor



- 47. Knife handle
- 51. Dictionary abbr.
- 52. 1 of 100 in D.C.
- 53. Island that is part of Nova Scotia province
- 56. Military rank, abbr.
- 58. Extend
- 59. "Almighty" one, in a 2007 film
- 61. Rubbish
- 63. Belgian lager, familiarly
- 64. Snake sound
- 65. ___ baba
- 66. Announce
- 67. "Ciao!"
- 68. Dentist qualification, abbr.

Down

- 1. Helped draft 1889 Japanese constitution
- 2. Farm call
- 3. Without morals
- 4. Fallen space station
- 5. Big furniture retailer
- 6. Programming area of technology
- 7. Performing

Across

- 1. Debt letters
- 4. Fermented soybean paste
- 8. Gorges
- 14. Material for a whitesmith
- 15. Religious image (var.)
- 16. Excitement
- 17. Tip jar bill
- 18. Makes calls
- 19. Turkish capital
- 20. Gold units: Abbr.
- 22. Truant officer's concern
- 24. "If only ___ listened ..."
- 26. Conflict
- 27. Yes votes
- 28. Dress with a flare
- 30. Indian tourist city
- 32. Claremont's oldest elementary school
- 34. He carves trees into sculptures, Vince _____
- 40. English afternoon break
- 41. Loose robe
- 42. Caribbean has many
- 43. Hardly easy
- 44. Razor-sharp
- 46. Ponder

- 8. Confucius-quoting detective
- 9. Element maker
- 10. Excellent
- 11. Alan Ladd classic
- 12. Chagall and Antony
- 13. Game of Thrones character
- 21. 100-member group in Washington, D.C.
- 23. Slip up
- 25. Call it quits
- 28. Goes with Spumanti
- 29. Cleaning cabinet supplies
- 31. "Right away!"
- 33. Russian river port
- 35. Needles a sweater
- 36. Makes aquatints
- 37. It's now called Saint Petersburg
- 38. Stretched out
- 39. That's disgusting!
- 41. Liberia capital
- 43. Most ship-shape
- 45. Eden resident
- 47. Like some cuisine
- 48. More fitting
- 49. Gent

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Puzzle #29 by Gerald Gornik

Homophones are words that have the same pronunciation but are spelled differently (bare; bear). Here, we have taken homophones to the next level.

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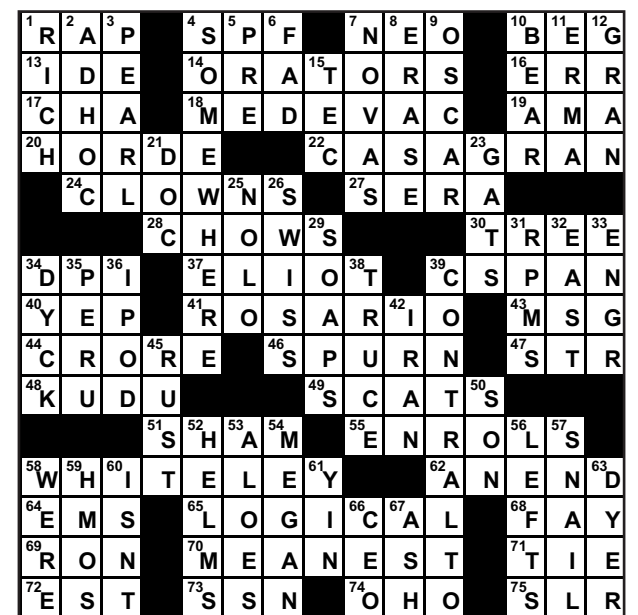


Answers to Puzzle #28

OWEN WILSON MOVIE; THE ONLY ANIMALS ON BOARD THAT SEEMED TO REACT TO THIS GARMENT WORN BY THE SKIPPER WERE THE TWO BULLS

NO ESCAPE; NOAH'S CAPE

Answers to Puzzle #715



- 50. Govt. security
- 53. Blackjack
- 54. Get an understanding of
- 55. Illustrator Thomas
- 57. Voiced a story
- 60. Government security agency, abbr.
- 62. "My Country, ___ of Thee"



SEARCH 'n LINK™

by Michele McLain and Gerald Gornik



Puzzle #1

FIND A WORD HIDDEN IN EACH OF THE THREE SENTENCES. FOR EXAMPLE, THE WORD "TORN" MIGHT BE HIDDEN AS FOLLOWS: DO YOU WANT **IT OR NOT?** THEN FIGURE OUT THE ONE WORD THAT CAN FOLLOW EACH OF THE HIDDEN WORDS TO FORM A COMMON TWO WORD PHRASE. **NOT EVERY HIDDEN WORD WILL BE ONE OF THE "LINKABLE" WORDS.**

EXAMPLE:

- 1. DOG
- 2. FAST
- 3. ITALIAN

FOOD

- 1. HERE'S HOW TO GET RID OF THE ECHO: USE THE NOISE REDUCTION DIAL ON YOUR AMPLIFIER.
- 2. EVEN THOUGH HE WAS TAPED DOUBLE DIPPING AT THE RECEPTION, EDGAR DENIED IT ALL.
- 3. MABEL TOOK A DEEP BREATH AND SUMMONED INNER STRENGTH SHE NEVER KNEW SHE HAD.

WHAT WORD CAN FOLLOW A HIDDEN WORD FROM EACH SENTENCE TO FORM A COMMON TWO WORD PHRASE?



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Blood drives happening throughout March in Claremont

The American Red Cross will host blood and power red drives across the City of Claremont throughout the month of March. Power red transfusions refer to the transference of a concentrated dose of red cells and typically take about an hour.

Those who donate within the month will receive a \$10 Visa card by email and be entered for a chance to win \$3,000. Details are at rcblood.org/help.

Blood and power red transfusions will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, March 10 at Pomona Valley Health Centers, 1601 Monte Vista Ave., Claremont. Call (909) 865-9977 for info.

Claremont St. Luke's Church, 2050 N. Indian Hill Blvd., hosts drives from 1 to 7 p.m. Monday, March 13, 20 and 27. Call (909) 624-8898 for details.

On Sunday, March 26, Our Lady of the Assumption Church, 435 Berkeley Ave., Claremont, will hold drives from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call (909) 626-3596 for info.

Finally, locals can donate at Keck Graduate University, 111 Bucknell Ave., Claremont, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, March 30. Call (909) 607-7855 for more info.

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Headed for the snow? Read this first

by Peter Weinberger
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More than a week after storms dumped up to eight feet of snow in higher elevations, many Southern California mountain communities are still digging out, with the isolated locations of Big Bear Lake hit especially hard.

The Mt. Baldy Village was open to residents only for several days last week, but is now welcoming visitors, with Baldy Road open and accessible all the way up to the ski lift parking lot at 6,400 feet.

Though some snow has melted, nighttime low temperatures have remained unseasonably cold, limiting runoff. Streams are flowing, but the volume is not yet high. Baldy Road is dry, save the mounds of excess snow pushed aside by snowplows.

Below 4,000 feet the snow has melted, with none of the white stuff showing up until one reaches Baldy Village.

Above 5,000 feet conditions change dramatically, with plenty of snow. By the time you reach Ice House Canyon and the switchbacks, large piles are everywhere, with some residents still clearing snow. Access with a two-wheel drive vehicle is possible to the ski lifts, except in the early morning hours when below freezing temperatures make for icy road conditions.

Crowds have been light this week, but officials expect that to change over the weekend. The lifts are open and officials report excellent skiing via the chairlift to Baldy Notch at 7,800 feet. Single day lift tickets are \$51 at mtbaldyskilifts.ltibooking.com. Discounts can be found at mtbaldyresort.com.

Hiking anywhere with snow will be difficult — and



This gentleman came all the way from Rowland Heights to enjoy body sledding down the steep slopes near the Mt. Baldy ski lifts. Courier photo/Peter Weinberger



Portions of San Antonio Falls, at 9,000 feet, were covered with snow as water rushed down from Baldy Bowl. Courier photo/Peter Weinberger

possibly dangerous — at best since most trails will likely not be clear for several weeks. Even the short half-mile trip on a service road to San Antonio Falls is difficult because of deep snow. Hiking trails may not be passable, especially above 6,500 feet. Trails at higher elevations of Mt. Baldy, Ontario, and Cucamonga peaks will be very dangerous and summiting any mountain impossible.

Warm rains are due to arrive Friday, March 10, which will likely cause mountain streams to swell. This storm is expected to bring little or no snow expected in higher elevations, so please check weather forecasts before driving up, as it will likely be very wet with possible flooding. Forecasters say the fast-moving storm will move out by Sunday.

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FRIDAY 3/10

- This week's 12:30 p.m. **movie matinee** at the Joslyn Center, 660 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont, is "The Courier" (2020). In the 1960s, Greville Wynne (Benedict Cumberbatch) was a British engineer recruited by the Secret Intelligence Service, also MI6, to be a message conduit with a Russian spy source. Guests can enjoy free popcorn, and masks are encouraged. Call (909) 399-5488 for info.

- New York-based dance company **Shen Yun** Performing Arts is back at Pomona College's Bridges Auditorium, 450 N. College Way, Claremont at 7:30 p.m. today; 2 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 11; and 1 p.m. Sunday, March 12. Tickets are \$80 to \$165 at shenyun.com. Children under 4 are not admitted. Theatergoers are asked to wear evening or business attire. Photography and video recording are prohibited.

SATURDAY 3/11

- Claremont resident and Special Olympics coach **Janine Williams** is seeking college student volunteers to spend time with Special Olympics athletes from 9 to 10:30 a.m. each Saturday at Claremont High School, 1601 N. Indian Hill Blvd. Bring a water bottle, athletic shoes and run or walk the track with athletes 16 to 40 years old. Equipment is provided. Call (909) 518-1496 for details.

- The Claremont Young Musicians

Orchestra presents a free and open to the public "**concert for children**" at 11 a.m. at Bridges Hall of Music, 150 E. Fourth St., Claremont. For information call (909) 624-3614 or visit cymo.org.

- At 2 p.m., the **Pomona Valley Genealogical Society** welcomes speaker **Len Enlow** for a free and public meeting over Zoom. For access, send a request via email to raulncal@aol.com.

- The public is invited to the free **Pomona Art Walk** at the Pomona Arts Colony, near 100 W. Second St., from 5 to 9 p.m. It includes a community market in the Shaun Diamond Plaza, on the corner of west Second and Thomas streets. Visit downtownpomona.org for details.

- Award-winning songwriter **Joel Rafael**, touted as one of the most natural interpreters of Woody Guthrie's songs, and all-star Claremont trio **The Citrus Sisters** perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Folk Music Center, 220 N. Yale Ave., Claremont. **The Citrus Sisters**, comprised of FMC manager Ellen Harper, Elizabeth Hangan and Marguerite Millard, will open the show. Doors are at 7 p.m. and tickets are \$20. For more information go to folkmusiccenter.com/events, call (909) 624-2928, or email info@folkmusiccenter.com.

SUNDAY 3/12

- The **Claremont Farmers and Artisans Market** is held every Sunday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Village, with locally made crafts, organic food, clothing, and jewelry. For more information, visit claremontforum.org/farmers-artisans-market.

MONDAY 3/13

- **David Epstein**, author of "Range: Why Generalists Triumph in a Specialized World," will lead a free virtual talk at 10 a.m. courtesy of the Los Angeles County Library. For details or to RSVP, go to visit.lacountylibrary.org/event.



- The Claremont Senior Program hosts its free **Mac user group** from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Joslyn Center, 660 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont. The drop-in group is open to all and covers topics such as Apple apps, hardware, troubleshooting and more. For details call (909) 399-5488.

- Claremont High and University of Redlands alumnus **Craig Colclough** will discuss "singing Verdi's Falstaff and Macbeth" at this month's free and open 2 p.m. Shakespeare Club of Pomona Valley meeting at the Joslyn Center, 660 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont.

TUESDAY 3/14

- Seniors are invited to meet at Shelton Park, at Bonita and Harvard avenues, for a free 8 a.m. stroll through the Village with **Get Walking Clare-**

mont. Participants should arrive 15 minutes early to sign in and hear announcements. Those not fully vaccinated are asked to wear a mask when unable to keep distance from others.

WEDNESDAY 3/15

- California Assembly member **Chris Holden**, the City of Claremont, the Kiwanis Club of Claremont and the **Contractors State License Board** will be on hand at the Joslyn Center's Oak Room, 660 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont, for a free breakfast and **scam stopper event**. Breakfast will be served at 8:30 and a fraud prevention presentation begins at 9 a.m. Reservations are required at anc.apm.activecommunities.com/claremontrecreation.



- Writers offer responses to each other's works at the Joslyn Center, 660 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont, during a free 9:45 a.m. **writing workshop**, held the first and third Wednesday of the month. Call (909) 399-5488 to join.

- As part of Green Ribbon Week, Tri-City Mental Health and Just Us 4 Youth will host a free and open to the public **listening circle** for children and teenagers to share their experiences on mental health stigma from 3:30 to 5

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THURSDAY 3/16



• Today is the **deadline** for Claremont students, grades K through six, to **enter theme ideas** for the 73rd annual **Fourth of July celebration**. Each theme must be five words or less and have no more than 36 characters. Submit ideas at ci.claremont.ca.us.

• The Claremont High School Theater Department mounts **“Brain-storm,”** at 7 p.m. today, tomorrow, and Saturday at the Don F. Fruechte Theatre for the Performing Arts, 1601 N. Indian Hill Blvd., Claremont. Admission is \$10 at onthestage.tickets/show or at the door.

FRIDAY 3/17

• In honor of **Saint Patrick’s Day**, the Claremont Forum, 586 W. First St., will host a **\$1 book sale** today through Sunday. All books (except those specialty priced) will be one dollar from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. all three days. On Saturday the library is open until 7 p.m. For more details visit claremontforum.org.

• Beginning dancers can improve their **tap-dancing skills** at the Joslyn Center, 660 N. Mountain Ave., with a free 12:30 p.m. course. Register by calling (909) 399-5488.

SATURDAY 3/18

• This **tax season** adults can receive volunteer income tax assistance from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Saturday at the Pomona Public Library, 625 S. Garey Ave. The free service will run through mid-April, and is by appointment only. For information visit pomonaca.gov or call (909) 620-2043.

• Gardener **Joan Borgman** teaches children 5 and up how to plant and care

for seasonal vegetables, herbs and seeds at the Claremont Helen Renwick Library, 208 N. Harvard Ave., from 2 to 3 p.m. Register for this free course at it.lacountylibrary.org/event.

• Ironbark Ciderworks, 1420 N. Claremont Blvd., Suite 107B, along with Future is Female Revolution, hosts the **“March Madness comedy show,”** at 7:30 p.m. Advance tickets are \$15 at eventbrite.com, search “FIF Revolution,” or \$20 at the door.

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High school sports roundup: March 10, 2023

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CLAREMONT HIGH

Baseball

Claremont defeated Diamond Bar, 8-1, at home March 4. The Pack then hosted Monrovia on Wednesday to conclude the Saints Tournament, winning 3-0 and bringing its record to 4-6.

The team starts the Lions Tournament at 3:15 p.m. Friday at Brookhurst Park against South East High. Play continues with a home doubleheader Saturday with Glendale at 11 a.m., followed by Chaparral at 3 p.m. Palomares League play starts at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 at Glendora.

Softball

Claremont opened Palomares League play with a 1-0 loss at Glendora March 3. The team then traveled to Colony Tuesday, losing 10-0. On Wednesday, the Pack hosted Bonita and came away with 2-1 win. The team is now 3-4. Next up is a 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 road game with Ayala.

Boys golf

On March 2, the team began Palomares League with a 221-230 victory at Glendora. Claremont is 1-1.

Results from the Oak Hills Tournament Monday: the team placed fifth overall out of 24 schools. Sophomore and captain Will Middleton finished seventh overall shooting five over par 77 at Spring Valley Lake Country Club.

After losing to Rancho Cucamonga 207-209 on February 28, Claremont sought their revenge Wednesday, but results were not made available to the Courier prior to press time. Next up is Chino Hills on Wednesday, March 15, at Marshal Canyon Golf Course. Tee-off is 2 p.m.

Boys volleyball

The Wolfpack began Baseline League play at home on Tuesday with a 3-1 victory against Damien. The result brings CHS' record to 7-5.

Claremont was at Etiwanda after press time Thursday. The team then travels to Chino Hills on Friday for a 4:15 p.m. clash, then hosts Los Osos at 4:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 14.

Boys tennis

Claremont hosted Los Osos on March 2, winning 11-7. The Pack then opened Palomares League play at Glendora Tuesday and won, 17-1. The boys are 3-1.

The Wolfpack welcomed Colony after press time Thursday. Bonita visits at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14.

Boys and girls swim and dive

The teams traveled to Glendora Wednesday for a Palomares League meet. Results were not made available to the Courier. The boys are 2-0, the girls 1-1.

Claremont will host Bonita at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 15.

Boys and girls track and field

Results from the March 2 Palomares League meet: For the boys, junior Lukas Gamans placed second in the 100- and 200-meter races, senior Zach Leeper

took third in the 200-meter dash and second in the long jump, and senior Sebastian Grannis was third in the 800 and 1,600. Sophomore Simon Rockwell and junior Max Neely were second and third, respectively, in the 3,200. Senior Wesley Baldavia took home gold in shot put, as did senior Caden Campuzano in the high jump. Junior Andrew Marks placed second in pole vault and junior Eric Ott was third in the long jump. The boys also took second in both the 4x100 and 4x400 relays.

On the girls side, sophomore Sade Escalante placed third in the 100-meter race, junior Alanna Heem took third in the 200, and freshman Annika Graham-Scanlon was second in the 400. Junior Denise Jie Yi Chen took first and freshman Joy Cheng was second in the 800. Joy took first in the 1,600-meter race while junior Angelina Diaz was third. Juniors Alexa Gossett and Emily Noyes were first and second in the 3,200. Junior Katie Ray took second in shot put and third in discus. Freshman Katherine Truttmann placed third in the long jump. The girls also took second in both the 4x100 and 4x400 relays.

Results from the March 4 Fullerton Distance Carnival: For the boys, senior Benjamin Schulz finished third in the 400-meter run and senior Sebastian Grannis was first in the 800. The team took first in the 4x800 relay. For the girls, junior Denise Jie Yi Chen again took home the gold in the 1,600. The Wolfpack took second in the 4x800 relay.

Full results from each meet are at athletic.net.

The Wolfpack hosted Alta Loma Wednesday and will welcome Ayala at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 15.

Webb again defeated West Covina on March 2, 223-263, at South Hills Golf Course. Webb then welcomed Bonita on Tuesday, snagging a 214-240 victory. The boys are 3-0.

The Gauls traveled to Pasadena Poly after press time Thursday. San Joaquin League action begins at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 at Fairmont Prep.

Boys volleyball

Webb fell to Garey, 3-0, at home March 3. The team, now 1-5, rescheduled its Tuesday Academy League opener against Southlands Christian.

Webb hosted Newport Christian after press time Thursday. Sierra Vista will come by Friday for a 4 p.m. game. The team returns to action at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 at Samuelli Academy.

Boys tennis

Webb dealt South Hills an 11-7 loss March 2. On Tuesday the Gauls beat Arrowhead Christian Academy 14-4, boosting its record to 3-0.

On Friday, the team travels to Pasadena Poly, then Damien makes the trip to Webb for a 3:30 p.m. game Tuesday, March 14.

Coed badminton

Webb played Fairmont Prep Monday, winning 18-3. Wednesday saw the team at Chino Hills but the results were not made available to the Courier. Its record is 2-0.

Play continued after press time Thursday at Walnut. On Tuesday, March 14 Diamond Bar travels to Webb for a 3:30 p.m. match.

Boys and girls swim and dive

The boys team beat out 11 teams to win the March 2 league cluster with a score of 102. The girls finished second with 109.

On Friday, the teams welcome Pasadena Poly at 3 p.m. Webb is back in action at home Thursday, March 16 for a second league cluster. The first event is at 3 p.m.

Boys and girls track and field

The boys placed first with 53 points and the girls second with 43 at the March 3 home meet with Montclair, Northview and Arrowhead Christian Academy. The teams traveled to California High School after press time Thursday for a meet against hosts Wiseburn Da Vinci and Wilson.

The team's first league cluster is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 at home.

THE WEBB SCHOOLS

Baseball

Calvary Chapel Downey dealt Webb an 11-1 home loss on March 3. On Wednesday, the team traveled to Pacifica Christian Orange County. Results were not made available to the Courier. The series continues at 3:30 p.m. Friday at Webb. The team's record stands at 1-1-1.

On Tuesday, March 14 Webb hosts Fairmont Prep, and on Saturday, March 18 welcomes Calvary Chapel Downey.

Boys golf

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OUR TOWN

IVRT kicks off supper club season

Inland Valley Repertory Theatre begins its 2023 supper club season with Neil Simon's "They're Playing Our Song," at Eddie's Italian Eatery, 1065 W. Foothill Blvd., Claremont, March 11, 12, 14 and 15 at 6 p.m. and a 2 p.m. matinee Sunday, March 12.

The cast includes IVRT veterans

Patrick McMahon and Amanda Minano, music by Marvin Hamlisch and lyrics by Carole Bayer Sager. Tickets are \$74 with and include a three-course meal and drink. Wine and beer must be purchased separately.

Tickets and information are available at (909) 859-4878 or ivrt.org.

Proposed new CHS softball field would solve Title IX inequity

by Andrew Alonzo

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A three-year-old Title IX complaint filed against Claremont Unified School District is poised to be resolved by next school year if a softball site is constructed on the campus of Claremont High School, according to Kevin Ward, CUSD Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources.

In January 2020, former CHS softball booster president Rocio Herrera sent a letter to CUSD officials and the United States Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights outlining inequities between the school's baseball and softball programs.

Among the imbalances listed in Herrera's letter was the fact that CHS's varsity baseball team plays and bats at on-campus facilities while softball players must walk nearly a quarter-mile to Cahuilla Park for practice and play.

Other inequities include athletic trainers could be delayed in attending to injured players because of the distance from the school proper to the Cahuilla Park, and since the park has no locker rooms, the softball team has sometimes had no choice but to change clothes in its public restrooms.

The school district received a formal Title IX complaint from the USOCR in January 2020. A subsequent investigation was launched to determine further inequities in girls' sports at CHS, but only found shortcomings in its softball program, Ward said.

"The district made the decision to address the complaint and to address the issue we knew had been longstanding prior to the complaint about not having a varsity softball field," Ward said.

Following the USOCR complaint, the CUSD Board of Education approved a April 15, 2021 resolution agreement that outlined a plan to implement a varsity softball field and facilities on the CHS campus by September 2023. School officials also agreed to supply USOCR with progress reports on September 2 of each year, which Ward said the district has been doing.

Following the resolution's ratification, Lisa Shoemaker, CUSD's former assistant superintendent, business services, inquired with PBK, a Rancho Cucamonga-based architectural firm, about potential construction plans and fees.

The architect said the project would cost between \$2 and \$3 million. Ward said CUSD will pool about \$3 million from its general fund to cover the work.

According to Shoemaker's June 2021 inquiry, the softball facility is likely to be situated on the south end of campus between the football and baseball fields. Initial plans see the stadium equipped with a leveled outfield and infield, storm drainage, a clubhouse, batting cages, an electronic scoreboard, covered dugouts, two bullpens, a water filling station, a vertical softball backstop, permanent outfield fencing, foul poles, a flagpole, free-



Cahuilla Park's softball field pictured on February 23. Courier photo/Andrew Alonzo

standing bleachers, and stadium lighting, though Ward said the district would not install stadium lighting, due to the extra \$1 million associated with that line item.

Shoemaker also inquired about incorporating appropriate access for handi-

for approval for bids for a developer to come in and complete the project."

Estimated plans and timelines were presented to the CUSD Board of Education at its March 16 meeting.

"The board will be presented with a fly-



The batting cages at Cahuilla Park pictured on February 23. Courier photo/Andrew Alonzo

capped spectators.

Since 2022, CUSD and the Division of the State Architect, the statewide entity that provides design and construction oversight for schools and state-owned or leased facilities, have been communicating at length on the project.

"We just recently received notice that the project's been completely approved," Ward said, adding DSA's approval came near the end of January. "What will happen next is ... it will go to the school board

over computer rendering of the project with verbal details," Ward said. Final plans won't be fleshed out until after CUSD has an approved bid from a contractor.

It's possible the board will choose a contractor at next week's meeting. If so, the recommendation will be brought back to the board in April for a vote.

Once approved, construction could begin as soon as August, Ward said. The goal is to have the field ready for the 2024 season.

The stadium would accommodate both varsity and junior varsity softball teams. Should scheduling conflicts arise, freshman and junior varsity softball and baseball programs will continue to utilize Cahuilla Park for practices and games, upholding a long-standing agreement between CUSD and the City of Claremont.

Part of Herrera's original complaint also spoke to existing conditions at Cahuilla Park's public restroom.

"The girls ... are forced to change in a two-stall, poorly lit bathroom, which is frequently occupied by transients and homeless people," he wrote in January 2020. "There is urine on the floor and the doors do not lock. There is no lighting other than ambient light, therefore, when it gets dark the restroom is dark and unsafe."

Claremont Public Information Officer Bevin Handel said CUSD and city officials have partnered on the Cahuilla Park restroom improvement project, which will include the demolition of the current bathrooms and new facilities built, with a target opening date of this summer.

The project will cost \$519,700, according to Handel. This total includes \$362,000 for the structures, \$115,000 for utility, landscape, and hardscape, \$6,500 for construction signage, fencing, and temporary restrooms, and \$36,200 for contingencies.

Handel said CUSD will cover \$175,000, and the city the remaining \$344,700 using Measure A and park dedication funds.

The new facilities will have eight single use restrooms, lighting, a drinking fountain, and new walkways and adjacent landscaping.

Area Special Olympics coaches give back, and so can you

by Andrew Alonzo
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Pomona Valley Special Olympics coaches Janine Williams and Doneva Wickwire have a unique weekend ritual they have been observing for about a decade.

Each morning the duo host athletes from across the inland valley to play and practice various sports in preparation for upcoming Special Olympics games. The coaches are currently training athletes in track and field for the Pomona Valley Area Spring Games, set for Saturday, May 6 at Boys Republic, 1907 Boys Republic Dr., Chino Hills. Information is at sosc.org/events.

A March 3 practice at Claremont High School began with stretching. Then the dozen athletes broke up into two groups made of runners and walkers. Athletes warmed up with mock 50-meter courses before competing in timed relays.

Julian Teal, 30, from Claremont, finished fastest at 6.31 seconds. Talk amongst volunteers revealed Teal is a naturally gifted athlete. Indeed, Teal reported he scored five goals in a recent indoor field hockey game at Mendoza Elementary School in Pomona.

Teal has been diagnosed with mild dyslexia. He started coming to the Saturday sessions about 10 years ago. He saw other athletes getting involved one day, tried it, and now loves it, especially the fitness and competition aspects of track and field. He said the Saturday sessions mean a lot to him, where he can make friends, and “just have fun doing what we actually love.”

While the weekend sessions offer obvious fitness benefits, they also allow athletes to socialize with their peers, Williams said.

Williams and Wickwire began volunteering with Pomona Valley Special Olympics several years ago. Wickwire, a speech therapist at Pomona Unified School District, got involved following the passing of her husband in 2003. Williams has about 14 years with the organization, starting when her eldest son Kenny, 33, graduated CHS in 2009. Looking for activities for her developmentally delayed son, Williams found multiple outlets through the chapter and became a coach shortly thereafter.

“There isn’t really much to do,” Williams said. “When you’re done with high school, you’re done with transition programs, you’re looking for something to do and there are no programs for 20-year-olds that are ability driven that have options. That’s how we came to tennis, softball, track. They have swimming in other areas.”

Beyond Claremont High, another PVSO practice is held at Pomona and Pitzer Colleges Center for Athlet-



ics, Recreation and Wellness, which opened its doors last month. Athletes there are being taught basketball every Saturday.

Events depend on the coaches Williams and Wickwire can enlist. Sports and venues typically rotate every three to four months.

“I just want them to feel wanted and a part of a group,” Williams said. “It’s really hard to make friends when you’re on the outskirts. They’re associating with people from the colleges and the community, and what better place to do it than an outdoor venue like this.

“They want to connect. The biggest thing is connecting.”

Blaine Behen, a senior at Cal Poly Pomona, has been taking part since he read about the training session last month in the Courier. He recently brought along his brother Donovan, a fifth year student at Cal State Fullerton.

“He brought me in because he had such a great time,” Donovan said. “We both have backgrounds in youth sports, coaching and playing, so getting out here and be-

ing able to help out again was a great, great experience. Just seeing the competition . . . it took a little bit [for them] to pick up a pattern but then once they got it, these kids, everyone flew down the track.”

“It’s really fun and friendly. It’s a great time,” Blaine said. “You leave with a really good feeling. Everyone’s really friendly and you have just a good time.”

Donovan added he’s grateful to have been exposed to a new community of athletes.

“Being able to put back, and get something out of it is an amazing feeling,” he said.

Volunteers for the weekly sessions are not required to complete a training course or even be athletic. Williams just wants interested locals who can donate up to 90-minutes of their time. Those serious about joining a local Special Olympics chapter can visit sosc.org for details.

In the near future, Williams and Wickwire plan to incorporate bocce into the medley of activities. For upcoming session or volunteering details, call Williams at (909) 518-1496.



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The event includes a fajita buffet and bar. Prizes include Dodgers tick-

ets located behind home plate courtesy of Caposio, and a \$500 gift certificate from The Diamond Center.

Registration is \$150 and proceeds support CEF's grants for Claremont Unified School District schools and teachers.

For details or to purchase tickets visit supportcef.com/topgolf.

Prayer and music collide at CPC

After a pandemic interruption, the Claremont Presbyterian Church's evening jazz vespers service returns Sunday, March 12 at 6 p.m. The free and public event has attendees gather for evening

prayer and music by the Ron Kobayashi Trio with vocalist Debi Ebert at 1111 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont.

For more info call (909) 624-9693 or visit claremontpres.org.

OUR TOWN

Claremont Kiwanis to host bingo fundraiser

After success last month, the Kiwanis Club of Claremont will host another bingo fundraiser from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 25 at Ability First, 480 S. Indian Hill Blvd. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. with the first game starting at 1 p.m.

Tickets are \$40 in advance or \$50 at the door and include 10 games and refreshments. Additional games are \$2 each. Online ordering

is available through 5 p.m. March 24 at claremontkiwanis.org.

The grand prize is a package from Yaamava Resort and Casino worth \$1,100. All proceeds from the event will be used to benefit local programs for children and seniors.

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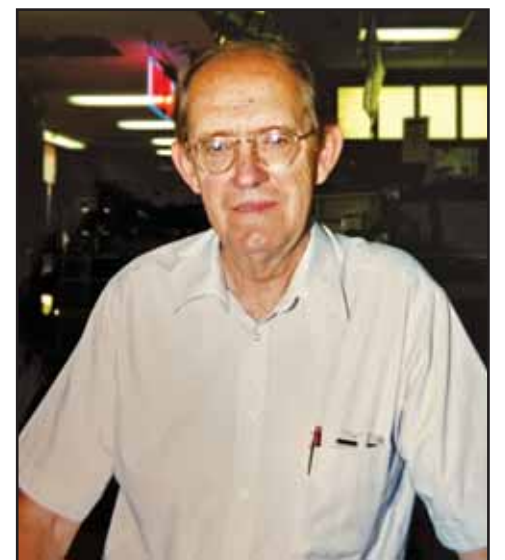
Peter Boniface died in Claremont on October 11, 2022 at age 85. He was born in Epsom, Surrey UK and moved with his parents to Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe) when he was 11. He studied in Cape Town and Durban, South Africa, and after moving back to the United Kingdom in 1968 he earned a Ph.D. at University College London after completing a study on digital aerial triangulation using a stereo comparator.

He assisted Professor E.H. Thompson in calculating the geometry of the Dome at Castle Howard, Yorkshire, prior to its restoration after being destroyed in World War II. The British TV series "Brideshead Revisited" was filmed at the site.

During his study period he became well known in the photogrammetric community in the U.K. and beyond. He also became an avid footballer, playing in Cape Town and in the United Kingdom. "He would watch a game, listen to radio reports on the way home, read about it in the papers, and then watch again on TV!" his family shared. He and his wife Marion watched the World Cup at Wembley Stadium in 1966 amongst a crowd of 100,000. "He also enjoyed cricket and was a mean piano player!" his family added.

Peter went on to carry out significant photogrammetric research and production work for various organizations in South Africa, Australia, (where he and his wife were lucky enough to watch Australia win the America's Cup), Colorado, and San Jose, California, before moving to Claremont, where he was a teacher and researcher for 18 years before retiring. During this time he carried out a number of interesting projects, including two visits to Chile to record the Easter Island heads for UCLA.

He was a volunteer at Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center, where he serenaded visitors on the piano and also



worked in the gift shop. "But the chocolate counter was much depleted during his shifts!" his family said.

He was a skilled bridge player and hiker and he and his wife loved to visit Cambria, a very special place which captured their hearts. They also joined the Claremont Senior Bike Group, with whom they cycled for many years, including to Canada and on the group's Cycle Oregon trip in 2008.

All this traveling resulted in about 20 moves over the years, including four continents and putting down roots — mostly roses — at their homes along the way.

In his later years he suffered from dementia as a result of a major traumatic brain injury from a cycling accident. He spent his last six years in a care facility with his cat Snowy and the support of his wife.

He leaves a son, Stephen, and a sister, Jennifer.

There will be no service. His ashes will be scattered along the coast in the couple's beloved Cambria.

Anyone wishing to make a donation in his honor to Inland Valley Humane Society may do so at ivhsspa.org, or by check to 500 Humane Way, Pomona, CA 91766.

Nancy Waldman

Grandmother, 60-year Claremont resident, die hard Democrat, librarian

Nancy Waldman, a Claremont resident since 1963, died peacefully in her sleep February 14 at Mt. San Antonio Gardens. She was 98.

Nancy Lee Robinson, the only child of Katherine and John Robinson, was born September 1, 1924, in Oakland, California. In 1927, the family moved to Flushing, New York, where her father pursued a career in the insurance business. Within weeks of their arrival she watched Charles Lindbergh's famous trans-Atlantic flight to Paris pass overhead while perched on her father's shoulders.

In 1932, young Nancy and her parents moved to the Long Island community of Manhasset, a hamlet settled by the Dutch in the 1600s. They lived in a spacious, Colonial-style home located in a development called Munsey Park. Their particular unit had been built on "spec" by a developer who was eager to unload it during the Great Depression.

It was a wonderful area for children to explore, roam, and play red rover, capture the flag, and softball. She became an excellent softball player, and recalled an older boy named Charlie Stevens would organize neighborhood games, boys and girls together. He showed the kids such skills as how to stand at the plate and where to position the bat. Years later, she was profoundly saddened to learn that Charlie was killed in a bombing run over Germany.

Her best friend in her early grade school years was a boy named Happy Rollins. She and "Hap" invented a game called "Buck Rogers in the 25th century," riding space ships and using zap guns to ward off evil forces.

Around the same time she began her lifelong love of cinema. Her parents or Hap's would drop the pair off at the local movie palace, where they would watch triple features consisting of newsreels, short comic sketches, and coming attractions, plus the occasional live stage show.

During her youth she attended Sunday school at Christ Church, Episcopal. She was confirmed as a member of the church at age 13, and baptized the following summer, at St. Paul's Church in Oakland, California. In her later years she attended services with the Quaker Friends community in Claremont.

After a brief flirtation with the New York Yankees, which she preferred to forget, she became a New York Giants fan in the mid-1930s, when the team featured such stars as Carl Hubbell and Bill Terry. She stuck with the Giants the rest of her life, even after the team moved to San Francisco. In 2010, 2012, and 2014, her loyalty was rewarded with three World Se-



ries championships.

In her early teen years she developed what would turn into a unwavering passion for politics, even when events didn't go her way. She became a staunch Democrat, despite the fact that her parents were die-hard Republicans. Although she lived in comfortable circumstances, she fervently believed in FDR's New Deal and its commitment to economic justice. She was similarly devoted to the civil rights movement. In the early 1960s, she joined the Congress of Racial Equality.

In 1941, at the age of 16, she enrolled at Swarthmore College, where she majored in political science. She graduated in 1945, and after working for two years, headed back to the West Coast to pursue an international relations degree at the University of California, Berkeley. It was there that she met Theodore Waldman, a doctoral candidate in philosophy from St. Louis, Missouri.

They were married May 19, 1950, at the famous Claremont Hotel in the Berkeley hills. She went on to earn her Bachelor of Liberal Studies degree at Cal. During the early 1950s, she worked as a librarian at Berkeley and then the University of Michigan, where her husband taught in 1954-55. In 1955-56, her husband took a teaching position at the University of Iowa. During the ensuing five years, she gave birth to her three children: Tom (1956), John (1958) and Katy (1961). She continued to work part-time as a reference librarian throughout much of this period.

In 1961, Mr. Waldman took a teaching

position at Arizona State University, and the family spent the next two years in Tempe. Two years later, the summer of 1963, he accepted a job at Harvey Mudd College, where he remained for the rest of his career, retiring in 1991.

The family lived in rental homes until December 1965, when they bought a residence at the southeast corner of 12th Street and College Avenue where the poet T.S. Eliot had lived for a summer during the early part of the century. They purchased the home from Mrs. Miller, who had a spectacular if brief singing career in the mid-1960s, including a famous appearance on "The Ed Sullivan Show."

She spent the decade raising her three children while also paying close attention to the dynamic cultural and political scene. She supported the free speech movement at Berkeley in 1964, attended an anti-war potluck and auction at a private home in Claremont in the summer of 1967, and was an enthusiastic supporter of Eugene McCarthy's presidential bid in 1968. In October 1969 the entire Waldman family was present for the Moratorium to End the War in Vietnam event held at the Pomona College football field.

Always a lover of classical music and opera, in the 1960s and '70s she added Abba, the Beatles, Elton John, the Mamas and the Papas, and Simon and Garfunkel to her personal playlist.

In 1967 the family moved to Berkeley, where her husband spent two years teaching at an experimental college affiliated with the university. They experienced firsthand some of the most significant events of the decade, including busing to achieve racial integration in the fall of 1968, and the eruption at People's Park in May 1969. In 1967 and 1968, she took government classes at Cal, a returning student in her early 40s sharing space with youthful adherents of the new left and emergent counterculture.

Asked about that experience decades later, she said she was disgusted that her classmates were contemptuous of the generation of leftists who came of age in the 1930s and 1940s.

When her kids got a little bit older and less dependent she earned a master's degree in government from Claremont Graduate School (now Claremont Graduate University) in 1970. She wrote her thesis on a creaky, old typewriter that she set up on a small card table in a corner of her bedroom.

In 1972 the family spent six months in London on sabbatical. She loved the theater scene, architecture, art galleries and museums, classical concerts, BBC One and BBC Two, and public transportation,

especially the (then) inexpensive subway system. The couple returned to London in the spring of 1985 for a four-month stay.

In early 1971 she returned to her interrupted librarian career, taking a part-time job in the Honnold Library reference and later documents department.

The next year, after returning from England, she was hired by the Pomona Public Library, where she remained for 13 years. She loved the job, especially overseeing the volunteer program, working with young people from the immediate community.

In the fall of 1985 she took a position at Harvey Mudd College's Sprague Library. She worked at Sprague for a decade, retiring in 1995 at the age of 70.

In December 2005, Mr. Waldman died from heart failure. She remained in the family home for nearly two and-a-half years. Scripps College purchased the residence within a week of it being placed on the market.

In the fall of 2008 she moved into Mt. San Antonio Gardens, where she thrived. She regularly went to the movies with other residents or her son, Tom, and she also frequented the Candlelight Pavilion Dinner Theater. Whenever her children or grandchildren visited, they were amazed that she appeared to know everyone by name, including staff members, with whom she frequently discussed the prospects of the Angels, Dodgers, and, of course, the Giants.

Starting in 2019, at the age of 94, her health began to slowly decline. Like so many other seniors around the world, she found it difficult to cope with the social isolation brought on by the Covid pandemic. She always had a tremendous facility for everyday conversation, and throughout her life she was admired and adored by acquaintances, caregivers, colleagues, friends, and more.

With the easing of Covid restrictions, she was again treated to visits from her children and grandchildren. She was characteristically charming, funny, and attentive right up to the end.

She is survived by her children, Tom, John, and Katy; grandchildren Zachary, Louis, Ethan, and Melina; daughter-in-law Elizabeth and daughter-in-law Rebecca; son-in-law Michael; plus numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 25 at Mt. San Antonio Gardens. In lieu of flowers the family suggests making a donation in her memory to either The Nature Conservancy at nature.org/en-us, or Doctors Without Borders at doctorswithoutborders.org.

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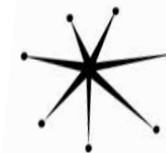
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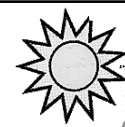
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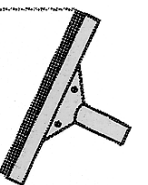
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